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Dr. James W. Gebhart, associate professor of education at Montana State University, has been cited by the Ohio Conservation Laboratory of Ohio State University for "outstanding service in conservation education," Dean Linus J. Carleton of the MSU School of Education announced.

Dr. Gebhart is general chairman of the 1961 Conservation Education Association national convention, scheduled at MSU in August, the dean noted.

From 1952-55, Dr. Gebhart directed the MSU Conservation Education Summer Workshop. After becoming a full-time member of the MSU faculty in 1955, he continued his work in conservation education. He has served as director of Conservation Week for Montana and as director of the Montana Conservation Council. In 1960 he helped organize and direct a conservation workshop for the Federated Women's Clubs of the Pacific Northwest.

Before coming to Montana, Dr. Gebhart was a teacher and an administrator in high schools in Ohio, fish management agent for Ohio, and educational specialist in conservation education in Maryland. As a teacher he developed an outdoor laboratory for the Euclid, Ohio, High School which was probably one of the earliest such laboratories in the country, according to Dean Carleton.

The MSU conservationist holds a bachelor's degree from Heidelberg College and M. S. and Ph. D. degrees from Ohio State University.

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