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Veteran music educator Lloyd C. Oakland has been named chairman of the Montana State University department of music, effective July 1, MSU President H. K. Newburn announced.

Dr. Luther A. Richman combined the administration of the department with his duties as dean of the College of Fine Arts until the separate position was created, Dr. Newburn said.

Oakland, professor of music at MSU since 1951, has served in supervisory positions in schools in South Dakota, Indiana, Iowa and Montana, where he headed the Great Falls High School music department in 1935-36. Musical groups under his direction have won two national band and orchestra contests and many state and regional awards.

Oakland came to MSU as director of choral organizations following 15 years on the faculty of Cornell College, Iowa. In 1957 he gave up his duties as choral director to head the teacher-training program in the department of music.

The new chairman is director of the Missoula Mendelssohn Club Chorus and former director of the Jubileers and other MSU choral groups. He has been guest conductor and adjudicator for music festivals throughout the country and summer lecturer at several universities. He is the author of articles in music and education journals and a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Pi Kappa Lambda honorary music societies.

Oakland is past president and a former director of the Montana Music Educators Association and has held offices and committee assignments in the Music Educators National Conference and the Northwest Music Educators Association.

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He holds a master's degree from Northwestern University and a bachelor of music and an honorary doctorate from Cornell College. Prof. and Mrs. Oakland live at 2428 S. 3rd W. They have a daughter, Mary, and a son, Bill.

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