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Dr. F. L. Brissey, associate professor of speech at Montana State University, will become acting chairman of the Speech Department Sept. 1, President H. K. Newburn announced.

Dr. Brissey succeeds Dr. Ralph Y. McGinnis, member of the faculty since 1939 and department chairman since the speech curriculum was organized in a separate department in 1956. Dr. McGinnis asked to be relieved of administrative duties in order to give more time to the development of the forensic program. He will continue on the faculty as professor of speech and director of forensics.

The new chairman, a 1949 graduate of the University, taught at MSU in 1949-50. After earning a master's degree in psychology at the State University of Iowa in 1952, he returned to the MSU faculty. His Ph. D. in speech pathology was conferred by the State University of Iowa in 1955.

Dr. Brissey is currently directing a study of the communications process, supported by a $19,280 grant from the U. S. Air Force Research and Development Command. He is a member of professional societies and the author of articles in scholarly journals. He holds the rank of colonel in the USAF inactive reserve.

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