Professor Chance
On Rhodes Committee

Professor William Chance will be on the seven-member Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee which will meet on campus December 13 and 14 to choose two Montana boys to compete in the District 6 selection of Rhodes Scholars to Oxford University.

The five Montana applicants for the Rhodes Scholarships are Larry Jacobson, Gary Crans and Ronald Tinnermeyer from Montana State College, and James Polk and Paul Ulrich from Montana State University.

In each state there is a Committee of Selection which may nominate two candidates to appear before a District Committee, which represents seven or eight states each. Not more than four men are then chosen from the District to represent their states as Rhodes Scholars at Oxford. Thirty-two Scholarships are assigned annually to the United States.

Davenport Defends Depletion Allowances

At a meeting of the Anderson-Carlisle Society, the student branch of the A.I.M.E., M.E., was held on Wednesday evening, December 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Copper Lounge. After a short business session, Pete Grous introduced the guest speaker, Mr. R.A. Davenport, Division Production Manager of the Shell Oil Company in Billings. Mr. Davenport is also State Vice-Chairman for the Montana Petroleum Association and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association.

Mr. Davenport discussed mineral depletion allowances and strongly criticized members of the mineral extractive industries for failure to adequately defend the industry position on mineral depletion allowances, which have been consistently under attack in Congress.

He stated that "ignorance of fact on the part of our own people and failure to adequately educate our employees in this regard is the cause for irresponsible, biased, and unfounded attacks that the mineral extractive industries are being subjected to on depletion allowances."

Scoring those who refer to the depletion allowance as a "tax loophole," Davenport stated, "Politicians and those who for selfish motives refer to the depletion allowance as a 'tax loophole' are trying by deliberate misrepresentation of fact, to defraud the public mind against the mineral industries. The depletion allowance is no more a 'tax loophole' than the personal exemption, or the deduction allowed all business for necessary expenses in calculating income."

He stated that there are different tax depletion allowances for the various extractive industries but that these are too low and should be restudied and increased to offset the increased exploration and other costs of the industry in general.

After his interesting presentation, Mr. Davenport answered individual questions pertaining to the depletion allowances. The meeting then adjourned to the snack bar for refreshments.

Silver Bells Formal Ends Xmas Festivities

Silver Bells rang out at MSM Thursday evening, December 15, from 9 to 12 o'clock, when the freshmen class sponsored the annual Christmas formal. Music for this gala occasion was furnished by the Townsmen.

The Copper Lounge was decorated by a large silver bell, the traditional Christmas tree, snowflakes, and pine boughs. Yule logs burning in the fireplace added to the atmosphere.

The officers of the freshman class were Jim Malkoveh, president, George Sorens, vice-president, and Bernardette Burke, secretary-treasurer.

The decoration committee headed by Bill Krier consisted of Amy Jacobson, Betty Pryor, Ann Perry, Charlene Sivolan, Marie Stefanich, Sharon Brown, Karl Keup, Bernardette Burke, Susan Hayes, JoAnn Kraskovich, Sandy Mannix, Janet Richardson, Pat Stephans, Gloria Stratton and Marie Sullivan.

Before the dance, starting at 9 o'clock, a Christmas carol sing was held, sponsored jointly by the International Club and the Gle Club.

AEC Makes Numerous Grants for Equipment

The Atomic Energy Commission has approved grants totaling $1,547,800 to 11 educational institutions for the purchase of laboratory equipment needed to initiate.
EDITORIAL

With Christmas just around the corner, everyone around the campus seems to be in good spirits. The holidays will undoubtedly bring many families and friends together once again. Tomorrow, the very day after you read this paper, most of the students and faculty of MSM will be leaving the campus for places ranging from a few blocks to thousands of miles away. The distances are immaterial, for the purposes are the same. All will be celebrating the most treasured holiday in the Christian world today.

We of the Amplifier staff would like to wish you merry Christmases, and for those travelling, may your trips be safe and pleasant.

Have a wonderful time, but during the festivities you might take time out to imagine what next Christmas, or the one after that, or the one ten years from that will be like. The Christians locked behind the "Iron Curtain" will not enjoy this Christmas as you will. With these thoughts in mind, be very thankful that you are not locked from your religious freedom, your way of life; and that this deprivation has not come to pass.

Placement Service Study

Some 200 privately-supported associations concerned with higher education will soon receive from the U. S. Office of Education, Division of Higher Education, questionnaires concerning a heretofore unreported phase of the United States. Of the 19 still up, 17 are the most important ones. Although the figure to date is fewer than 100 trumpeter swans in the United States in the early 1930's, it was feared the species would go the way of the passenger pigeon and other extinct species. A refuge for the trumpeters in Montana is the Red Rock Lakes migratory waterfowl site near Great Falls. Only a few birds existed when that refuge was established a few years ago. This year 274 were counted.

Jupiter's gravity is so much greater than earth's that a spacecraft launched at earth would be crushed by his own weight. Of 17,570 companies reporting to the Canadian Department of Industry, Science and Technology operated at a loss.

Winter whitefish season opened December 1. The season lasts until January 31 and there is no possession limit is 20. Fishes from Molt and Malta. All other whitefish limits are the same. This is a difficult, continual and uphill struggle." - Sydney J. Kinsley

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The Montana School of Mines' Amplifier

POWERFUL PUCKSTERS TO BOLSTER MSU SQUAD

The Montana School of Mines football team hasn't won a game in six years, and last year the basketball team failed to win a game. In view of this a person would think that the students would show a little interest in one of its few winning teams, but such isn't the case. Very few spectators saw the hockey team that lost two to undefeated teams in games.

Hockey, in many parts of the country and in Canada, is a very popular sport, and with good reason. It is a very fast-moving, exciting game and is considered the toughest of all American sports.

This year the School of Mines squad will combine with Montana State University's team and will be provided with some topflight opposition. The season will be kicked off in early January with a contest with Notre Dame College of Canada. The MSU squad has already played a game, losing to Gonzaga University, 10-4.

THE OREDIGGERS' MOST SUCCESSFUL TEAM

The Orediggers last year had a tough Montana State College team to a tie and defeated the Butte Bombers, 11-7, for the City Championship.

This year's squad, although dominated by Canadian men, will have two players from Butte in George Bronson and Earl McCarthy. Canadian members are as follows:

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Ray Kotow, Crossfield, Alberta.
Dave Greenberg, Flin Flon, Manitoba.
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"Offensia Sie nicht bei Wienceh."

Translazed means do not open before Christmas, and if you have any reason you won't bother even them. At least 90 per cent of the gifts you get will be items you won't want, can't use or don't know what to do with.

A girl who is a freshman I looked forward to the Yuletide with childish anticipation—what will I get? From Granny a pair of size six ar- mink lined back scratchers, do it to settle the question of whether to use them or hide them. From Pansy. What other girl would send you a 24 x 48 portrait of her guy a two-thirds self. received, a ballot will be prepared and cast on a tightrope. It will be cast on a tightrope.

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1. Where you open your Christmas tree this year, choose a fresh-cut tree, with firmly-attached branches.

2. Keep the tree outdoors until it is time for indoor decoration, and have it placed in a flue or fireplace. There is usually a lack of oxygen when the tree is left outside, and the smoke is more likely to be retained in the room. Place the tree in the center of the room, where the air is moving.

3. When putting up the tree, set it in the coldest part of the room, away from radiators, heaters and the stove. This will not only reduce the possibility of fire, but will help maintain the tree in better shape.

4. It is a good plan to use a tree that is more than a yard wide. A little bucket of water in which the trunk can sit during the holidays. A tree with a flat top is usually the last to dry out, so you can expect to have your tree last longer.

5. Potted Christmas tree decorations are the best. Use decorations made of glass, silk, or a fire-resistant material.

6. Set up electric lights away from the tree. Spark from the wires could set the tree on fire.

7. Don't use colored electric light on the tree—never candles. Lighting up the tree should be delayed until the tree is placed in the room, and those with frayed wiring should be discontinued. Don't use an extension cord to light the tree. A switch some distance from the tree should be provided for turning the tree lights on and off.

8. On Christmas morning, fold up and put away any gift wrapping paper. Keep all gift wrapping materials gathered up and thrown away promptly after Christmas.

9. Christmas tree lights should be arranged so that the family is away from home.

10. Inspect the Christmas tree frequently. If you find any trouble spots, add more lights. Wipe it. If needles near the lights have started to turn brown, this is a sign that the position of the lights is wrong.

11. When the tree starts falling, take the tree down and discard it outdoors. When the tree remains fresh, make plans now to dismantle it the day after New Year's and restore the room to its normal setting.

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