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Duluth --- UMD students who plan to enter the teaching profession will be honored at Education Day activities on Wednesday (April 17).

First major event will be a talk on "The Crisis in American Education" at a 10:30 a.m. convocation in Kirby Student Center ballroom by Dr. Benjamin Fine, syndicated educational columnist and author. He will be introduced by Dr. Harry C. Johnson, head of elementary education at UMD.

Dr. Gordon M. A. Mork, director of student teaching at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, will speak on "Opportunities in Teaching" at 2:30 p.m., also in Kirby ballroom. He will be introduced by Dennis J. Modoc, Eveleth, president of the UMD chapter of the Student National Education Association. Richard G. Lidberg, instructor in education at UMD, will moderate a panel discussion following the talk.

Dr. Fine will speak on "Wanted: Educational Statesmanship" at 8:00 p.m. in Kirby ballroom. He will be introduced by Dr. Dean A. Crawford, head of secondary education at UMD.

Four awards to outstanding future teachers will be presented by Dr. Valworth R. Plumb, chairman of the Division of Education and Psychology at UMD. The winners were elected by seniors who plan to teach, following nominations by faculty members.

Thomas G. Boman, Education Day chairman and instructor in education, said all events are open to the public.

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Dr. Fine has been awarded more than 30 special awards and citations for his writing in the field of education. He is the recipient of eight honorary degrees. He made an extensive tour of Russia's educational system in 1960 and was invited by the Republic of West Germany to study its schools in 1961.

He writes three columns on education which are carried by 100 American newspapers (including the Duluth News Tribune). He is the author of numerous books, including "Teaching Machines," "The Modern Family Guide to Education," "Our Children are Cheated," "How to Get the Best Education for Your Child."

(Editors note: A news conference with Dr. Fine will be held at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday in Room 250 in Kirby Student Center. It will last for one hour. We will have the four outstanding teachers assembled at 7:40 p.m. Wednesday in Kirby ballroom for those who wish to get pictures of them. If you do not show, we will call the names to local media and to out-of-town newspapers or radio stations where a winner may live. Julian Hoshal)