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MISSOULA---With spring grid workouts at Montana University nearing the completion date of May 19, Grizzly mentor Ray Jenkins has issued one note of warning for Skyline fans this fall: Keep your eyes on Silvertip tackle John Gregor.

"There's only one spot in the line where I have no worries--right tackle," the mentor comments. "John is an old-fashioned 60 minute player who never needs replacement. And he does a tremendous job both on offense and defense."

Gregor, a 230-pounder from Shelby, Mont., will be starting his third season as a Grizzly regular. In two past seasons, where Montana line play has been noticeably weak in spots, Gregor stood out like a sore thumb. "In 1959, the opposition made 35 percent of its ground yardage through the left tackle spot." Jenkins comments. "At right tackle, however, opponents ran through Gregor's hole with little or no success all season."

Gregor is not a spectacular ball player. Even his work on defense carries a "steady" tag that is rather misleading. In 1959 Gregor was second in tackles among Grizzly linemen. But opposition quarterbacks shied away from running at him, and John often ranged far to the other side of the line to stack up plays.

"John has looked tremendous this spring. His blocking has improved greatly since last fall, and I'm sure he will be one of the best tackles in the Skyline this season," Jenkins adds.

"Gregor is a real leader--and he accomplishes it in a silent way. He's always the first man on the practice field, and the younger players really have to hustle to keep up with him."

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