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Athletic Staff

Director of Athletics ..........G. P. (Jiggs) Dahlberg
Assistant Athletic Director and
Head Track Coach ..............Harry F. Adams
Faculty Athletic Representative ....Dr. Earl Lory
Field House Ticket Manager ....Robert Dundas
Head Football Coach ..........Jerry R. Williams
Head Basketball Coach ..........Forrest B. (Frosty) Cox
Assistant Football Coach .........Bob Zimny
Freshman Basketball Coach ......Jack Zilly
Swimming Coach ...............Fred Naumetz
Trainer .........................Naseby Rhinehart
Department Secretary ..........Joan Sandford
Equipment Manager ............Carl O'Loughlin

Conference Affiliation

MOUNTAIN STATES ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
E. L. (Dick) Romney, Commissioner
Rooms 1006-1007, Hotel Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah

Member institutions in order of their admittance to the MSAC (Skyline Eight) include:
Colorado A&M—Fort Collins, Colorado
University of Utah—Salt Lake City, Utah
University of Denver—Denver, Colorado
Utah State Agricultural College—Logan, Utah
Brigham Young University—Provo, Utah
University of New Mexico—Albuquerque, N.M.
Montana State University—Missoula, Montana

Montana University was admitted as a member of the MSAC in July, 1950, changing affiliation from the Pacific Coast Conference. The Grizzlies started their first new conference competition with swimming, winter quarter, 1951, and have competed in the full conference sports program since that time. In basketball each member institution plays two games with each other team in the conference.

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General Information
About Montana University

LOCATION—Missoula, Montana, city of more than 30,000 residents on the western slope of the Rocky Mountains. Missoula is nicknamed the "Garden City" and is the hub of five great valleys that reach into surrounding mountains. The city is served by the main lines of the Milwaukee and Northern Pacific railroads as well as by Northwest Airlines and Greyhound and Intermountain bus lines. It is also located at the crossroads of the main east-west and north-south U. S. highways 10 and 93.

CHARTERED—On February 17, 1893, by the third Montana Legislature.

PRESIDENT—Dr. Carl McFarland.

CAMPUS—Consists of 125 acres, located in the heart of the residential area, at the base of 2,000-foot Mt. Sentinel, which adds another 520 acres. The University also has 20,000 acres of experimental forest 40 miles from Missoula, and a 160-acre Biological Station on Flathead Lake, 80 miles north of the University.


SCHOOL COLORS—Copper, Silver and Gold. (Basketball uniforms, Red and White.)

TEAM NAMES—Grizzlies, Silvertips, 'Tips, Tri-Colors.

SCHOOLS—There are twenty-three departments at the University and seven separate professional schools — Business Administration, Education, Forestry, Journalism, Law, Music, and Pharmacy. There is also a Graduate School and a Summer College for both regular and graduate students.

UNIVERSITY BAND—80 members, under direction of James Eversole.
Seven returning lettermen from last year's sixth place team, five sophomores from a good frosh squad, and new head coach Frosty Cox are the ingredients for Montana's 1955-56 edition of the Grizzly hoopsters.

Coach Cox came out of semi-retirement in the cattle business to guide the fortunes of Montana's cage squad this season. The Grizzlies are not blessed with exceptional height so will be using the double post offense which is more suitable for a team not loaded with unusually tall players. Montana will be a defensive-minded team as Frosty is drilling his boys hard on the so-called "lost art" of defense. After his first month of the season Coach Cox said, "The squad has done a good job of learning the patterns so the job ahead is to smooth out the rough spots."

A chief weakness this season appears to be bench strength. The Grizzlies are short on depth and with the tough schedule they face, the job is to develop a strong bench in order to become a contender.

Top candidate of the returning lettermen is Ray Howard, 6-6 junior center, who led the team in scoring last year with 446 points—a 17.2 game average and a new high for University sophomores. Howard has one of the finest hook shots in the conference and with his speed and height is a valuable rebounder. He averaged 15 rebounds a game to placed second in the conference in that department and was an honorable mention All-Skyline choice.

Chief losses were Co-capts. Dave Adams and Ed "Fuzzy" Fine, Hal Winterholler and George Samuelson. Adams, a scrappy defensive performer, was a regular forward until injured in the middle of the season. Fine and Winterholler were regulars at the end of the season and Samuelson filled in for Howard at the pivot spot. Merritt "Lefty" Monson, slick ball-handling guard, did not return to school this year.

Senior lettermen Ed Argenbright and Ed Bergquist, along with Howard, form the nucleus of this year's club. Argenbright, 5-foot-10 inch guard, was the Grizzlies third scorer last season with 335 points. A long shot artist who can drive when covered close, Argenbright was an honorable mention All-Skyline choice. Bergquist, 6-3 forward, is a tough man on the boards and has found the scoring punch this season to make him one of the top big men in the conference.

Junior lettermen Rudy (Zip) Rhoades and Al Dunham will also see plenty of action for the Silvertips. Rhoades, 6-3 forward, was the Grizzlies second leading scorer with 345 points for a 13.3 game average last year. He is a good ball-handler with a sharp eye for the basket. Dunham, 6-4 guard, is a top rebounder and with more scoring punch could become one of the top performers in the conference. Rhoades was an honorable mention All-Skyline pick last season.

Jerry Johnson, 6-2 junior forward, and Maury Colberg, 6-1 junior forward, are the other two lettermen from last season's squad. Johnson, an end on the grid squad, showed plenty of promise towards the end of last season and could make things interesting for one of the forward spots on the starting five. Colberg, a fine shot and a good re-
bounder for his size, will also be pressing for a starting berth.

The top prospect from last year's fine frosh club is tall **Russ Sheriff**. Sheriff, 6-6 center, was one of the top scorers for the freshmen and is a good rebounder. If Sheriff is used with Howard in the starting lineup, the Silvertips will have top rebounding strength. Both Sheriff and Howard hail from the same hometown and played high school ball together.

A pleasant surprise for Coach Cox has been the showing of **Bob Powell**, 5-10 guard, who played for the frosh during the 1953-54 season but did not attend school last season. A scrappy ball player who can hit on a jump shot, Powell has been sparking the club in practice this season. **Transfer Tom Jenson**, 6-3 forward, who played frosh ball at the University of Indiana is also showing plenty of promise in drills and will see action this season.

Other fine sophomore prospects are **Hal Erickson**, 6-1 guard, a good shot and a fine defensive performer. Erickson is also a guard on the Grizzly grid squad. **Pete Rhinehart**, 6-2 guard, is a top defensive player with plenty of determination. Rhinehart had an appendectomy performed during the last half of the football season and will get a late start.

Under Coach Cox's new pattern offense considerable switching of positions will be necessary to obtain the right combination. His lineup for the early games has been Howard at center with Sheriff his first replacement, Argenbright, Dunham and Powell at the guards; Bergquist, Rhoades and Jenson at the forward spots.

**Montana University Basketball**

**Individual Records**

1. Most points scored in one game:
   Robert Cope—40 points against Gonzaga at Missoula, February 20, 1948.

2. Total points for one season:
   Robert Cope—701 points in 31 games—1949-50 season.

3. Individual game average record:
   Robert Cope—22.6 points per game for 31 games—1949-50 season.

4. Total individual scoring records made while representing the University in Varsity Play:
   Robert Cope—1946-47 175 points
   1947-48 506
   1948-49 423
   1949-50 761
   Total 1808 points

5. Total points made from free throws in one season:
   Chuck Davis—1952-53—159 points.

6. Most points made from free throws during Varsity competition:
   Robert Cope—1946-47 53
   1947-48 139
   1948-49 111
   1949-50 149
   Total 452

7. Best percentage of free throws made in entire Varsity competition:
   Eddie Anderson—1951-52—66—48 .729
   1952-53—96—70 .729
   1953-54—86—64 .744
   Total 248 182 .734

8. Individual free throw record—best percentage:
   Henry Dahmer—1942 Attempts 29 Conversions 23
   Percentage .793

9. Individual scoring most points by free throws in one game:

10. University Floor individual scoring record:
    Robert Cope—40 points against Gonzaga in Missoula—February 20, 1948.
Montana University Basketball
Team Records

1. Team making the most points in one game:
1946—103 points against Gonzaga in Missoula—January 25, 1946.

2. Team making the highest point average per game:
1949-50—77.4 points per game for 31 games (3rd highest in nation for 1949-50).

3. Total points for one year:
1949-50—2400 points in 31 games.

4. Team having the most wins in one year:
1949-50—27 games won.

5. Most games won in succession:
1942—13 games.

6. Team foul shooting record by percentage:

7. Team making the most free throws in one season:
1952-53—580 free throws made.

8. Team having the best win percentage record:
1949-50—won 27, lost 4, percentage .871.

9. Team making most free throws in one game:
1952-53—34 against Wyoming—February 16, 1953.

10. Highest score made by one team on the Montana University floor:
1946—103 points against Gonzaga, Jan. 25.

(Note: THE 1949-50 BASKETBALL SQUAD BROKE 12 OF 20 EXISTING RECORDS.
Montana combined a high-powered offense with an attentive defense to pile up a 19.7 point-per-game margin over its opponents, highest in college circles for 1949-50. The Grizzlies gave only 57.7 per evening while collecting their own 77.4 points per game.

Grizzly Basketball Hall of Fame

The Montana University Athletic Hall of Fame group has been elected. Twenty-two former Grizzly basketball stars have been nominated and selected by alumni, townsmen, and faculty who have followed the Grizzly Hoop Clubs over the past 45 years.

Men elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame and the years they played are:

Roy McPhail _________________1905-1906-1907-1908
Ed Wenger ____________________1905-1906-1907-1908
Arthur Bishop ________________1907-1908-1909
Ray Hamilton ________________1907-1908-1909
Edward Cummins _____________1913-1914-1915-1916
Ernest Prescott ______________1914-1916-1917
William Larkin ______________1917-1918-1920-1921
George Dahlberg _____________1923-1924-1925
Edward Illman ________________1924-1925-1926
Sam Kain ________________1925-1926-1927-1928
Edward Chinske _____________1928-1929-1930
Billy Leroy Rohlfis __________1929-1930-1931
William Lazetich _____________1937-1938-1939
Bernard Ryan ________________1938-1939-1940
A. William DeGroot __________1940-1941-1942
William Jones ________________1940-1941-1942
Louis Rocheleau _____________1946-1947-1948-1949
Richard Carstensen __________1947-1948-1949-1950
John Eaeheart ________________1948-1949-1950
Robert Sparks ________________1950-1951-1952
Harold Sherbeck ______________1951-1952

Nominating committees have been divided into three groups: First committee nominated men who played from 1904 to 1916. Second group covered the middle period 1916 to 1930. The third committee covered the last twenty years.

The nomination list is perpetual and the committees will vote on the standing nominations. Several former players narrowly missed securing enough votes and may be elected in the future.

Basketball letter winners are added to the list of eligible candidates and if they receive sufficient votes are placed on the nominating list. They reach the Hall of Fame when they poll the required three-fourths majority.

A player cannot qualify for the Hall of Fame until he has completed his varsity competition. Next Hall of Fame vote will be in the Spring of 1956.

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Montana University All-Time Basketball Record
(49 Years of Basketball with Coaches and Captains)

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Montana’s 1954-55 Record

- Whitworth: 86
- Gonzaga: 56
- Kansas: 71
- Arizona: 71
- Colorado: 68
- Utah State: 72
- Washington State: 67
- Whitworth: 67
- St. John's: 66
- Wyoming: 66
- Colorado A&M: 65
- Brigham Young: 65
- Utah University: 65
- Montana State: 65
- Won 12—Lost 14
Montana starts out the 1955-56 basketball season with a new coach but FOR­REST B. (FROSTY) COX is no stranger to the bas­ketball world. Frosty came out of retirement after spending five years in the cattle business to guide the fortunes of the Grizzly cagers this winter. Before his stint in the cattle bus­ness he was head mentor at the University of Colo­rado for 15 years where he produced nationally ranked teams and a National In­vitational winner in 1940.

Frosty is glad to be back in the coaching business again to compete with some of his old rivals. He drives his cagers hard and demands perfection at all times on the court. A likable person with a keen sense of humor, Frosty has gained many new friends in the Treasure State.

A graduate of the University of Kansas in 1931, he became assistant basketball coach under Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen that same year. In 1935 he took the head coaching assignment at Colorado and was there until 1950.

During his tour at Colorado he won three Moun­tain States Athletic Conference (Skyline Eight) championships, tied for the title once, won the NIT, and was in contention for national honors five years during 1938-1946—before Colorado entered the Big Seven conference.

Frosty was noted nationally as a basketball auth­ority and was much in demand as a clinical strate­gist for coaching schools. He was also a member of the national rules committee.

He is married and has a son Frosty Jr., 19, a soph­omore at the University, and a daughter, Judy, 16, a high school sophomore.

1955-56 Basketball Schedule

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Freshman Coach

In his first year as frosh basketball and football mentor and varsity baseball coach is JACK ZILLY, 33, former professional football player for the Los Angeles Rams and Philadelphia Eagles.

Zilly graduated from Notre Dame in 1947 where he played end on the grid squad. He was chosen honorable mention All-American on several teams. He played professional football with the Rams from 1947 through 1951 and with the Eagles during the 1952 season.

Zilly played basketball with the Rams hoop squad that toured the state of California playing independent and college teams and coached the Navy ROTC cage squad at Notre Dame.

He was an all-around great athlete at Lewis high school, Southington, Conn., and Cheshire (Conn.) Academy, a prep school, where he earned letters in football, basketball, baseball and track. He served as captain of the football and basketball squads and was selected on the All-State team in each sport.

Zilly is married and with his wife, Eulalia, has five children, John 6, Christine 5, Patrick 4, Michael and Margaret (the twins) 3.

Athletic Trainer

NASEBY RHINEHART took over the injury treating duties as a part-time job back in 1935 and has constantly improved methods and training facilities to the point where Montana's athletes get the best of care. His know-how and his training techniques make him one of the most respected among the training fraternity around the nation today.

"Nase" also handles classes in the care and prevention of injuries for the department of health and physical education. He came to the University from Milwaukee and was an outstanding football, basketball and track star in '32, '33, and '34 and he still rates a berth as end on the All-Time Grizzly football team.

Nase's son, Naseby Jr., is a guard on this year's cage squad. He lettered in track as a freshman last season and also won his football award this fall.
GAME CAPTAINS ELECTED
*Denotes letters earned
Experience: 2V, 1V—Years of varsity experience
JC—Junior College
F—Freshman experience
Tr—Transfer

Grizzly

Name Age Ht. Wt.
Benson, Emory 20 5-11 180
Bork, William 18 6-4 170
Divich, Duane 18 6-2 175
Dixon, John 17 6-3 195
 Dunham, Darrol 18 6-4 164
Everson, Merrill 18 6-1 175
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Groeser, Jim 20 6-1 178
Hunt, Gordon 17 5-11 165
Kelleher, Vincent 22 6 156
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McEacheron, Tom 19 6-2 180
Magstadt, Dan 18 5-8 157
Moore, Charles 21 6-3 218
Powell, James 19 6-3 190
Smith, Robert 18 6-2 180
Stolp, Lanny 18 6 178
Tennant, Vernon 19 5-11 200
Wright, Richard 20 6-1 170
Manager: Larry Holmes
Coach: Forrest B. "Frosty" Cox, Univ. of Kansas '31
Traveling Jerseys: Red with White Numerals
Home Jerseys: White with Red Numerals

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Ticket Manager

The important but sometimes trying job of handling all details of ticket sales for varsity athletic events in the Field House is entrusted with ROBERT (BOB) DUNDAS, Auditor of Student and Auxiliary Organizations.

Bob graduated from the University in 1953 with a B.A. degree in Business Administration. He became student auditor upon graduation and was assigned the ticket manager duties last August 1.

He attended high school in Watford City, North Dakota and served as a bombardier with the Air Force during World War II.

In addition to the athletic events he is also in charge of tickets for the various other shows staged in the Field House.

Numerical Roster

7 Rudolph (Zip) Rhoades
9 Eddie Argenbright
11 Ray Howard
21 Tom Jenson
23 Jerry Johnson
27 Eddie Bergquist
29 Bob Powell
31 Maury Colberg
33 Russ Sheriff
35 Hal Erickson
39 Al Dunham
40 Naseby (Pete) Rhinehart

Suggested News Sources

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*Conference Games Only*

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Reb: Rebounds; PF: Personal Fouls; TP: Total Points; Avg: Average per Game

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EDDIE
Ht. 5-10; Wt. 160
Age 21
Cut Bank, Mont.
Senior: 2 letters

A regular last year and against will hold down one of the guard spots this
season. Was third scorer on team with 355 points—12.5 average for 28 games.
Eddie was chosen honorable mention All-Skyline. A good long shot artist
who can also drive when being covered
close out front. Played strong defense
last year and is expected to improve.
Should have his finest season and rank
among the top men in the conference.

BERGQUIST,
EDDIE
Ht. 6-3; Wt. 200
Age 21
Billings, Mont.
Senior: 2 letters

Will start at one of the forward slots
this year. A keen competitor who is
tough on the boards. Ed plays a good
defensive game and with more scoring
punch could rank among the best in
the conference. A two year letterman,
"Big Ed" and Argenbright are the only
seniors on the club.

COLBERG,
MAURY
Ht. 6-1; Wt. 167
Age 20
Billings, Mont.
Junior: 1 letter

Played in half the games last year
and showed much improvement. Will
be a definite asset this season with his
fine rebounding despite his size. Was
an outstanding high school player at
Billings High and performed well for
the frosh. Could break into the start­
ing lineup with more consistent shoot­
ing. Lettered last year as a Sopho­
more.

DUNHAM
AL
Ht. 6-4; Wt. 195
Age 20
Shelby, Mont.
Junior: 1 letter

Al was a regular most of last season
and will start at guard this year. He
has plenty of drive for a big man and
likes his basketball when the going is
the roughest. A good jump shot artist
and fine rebounder, Al can hit the long
one also. Has a younger brother, Dar­
reil, on the frosh team. He is married.

ERICKSON,
HAL
Ht. 6-1; Wt. 195
Age 19
Sioux Falls, S.D.
Sophomore

Starting guard for a fine frosh team
last year. Hal is a top ball-handler
and has good accuracy on a jump shot
from out. Was an all-stater in high
school in South Dakota. Played guard
on the football team and will get a
late start. Has good potential and
could be the "dark horse" in the
Grizzly lineup.

HOWARD.
RAY
Ht. 6-6; Wt. 197
Age 20
Helena, Mont.
Junior

Will be the regular center for the
Silvertips again this season. Ray led
team scoring last year with 446 points
—a 17.2 game average and a new high
for University sophomores. He was the
sixth highest scorer in the conference
with 219 points and a 15.6 average. Has
one of the finest hook shots in the con­
ference and is an outstanding rebound­
er—was second in rebounds in the Sky­
line last year. Posseses good speed
for a big man and rated honorable
mention All-Skyline last year. Will be
among the top men in the league in
all departments.
JENSON
TOM
Ht. 6-3; Wt. 195
Age 23
Michigan City, Ind.
Sophomore

Recently out of the service where he played plenty of basketball. Attended the University of Indiana and played frosh ball there. A good competitor with an accurate two-handed set-shot. Plays a strong defensive game. Will be pressing Bergquist and Rhoades for a forward berth.

JOHNSON, JERRY
Ht. 6-2; Wt. 189
Age 24
Billings, Mont.
Junior: 1 letter

Jerry saw plenty of action towards the end of the season last year and will be pushing for a starting spot. Will get a late start due to football end duties this fall. Is a good shot and fine rebounder who can get “hot” on long shots. Lettered last season as a sophomore.

POWELL, BOB
Ht. 5-10; Wt. 175
Age 21
Missoula, Mont.
Sophomore

Played on the 1953-54 frosh team but stayed out of school last season. Was an All-state football and basketball player at Missoula County High School. Bob has shown plenty of hustle and desire this year and is the number three guard behind Dunham and Argenbright. Has a good jump shot and his speed makes him dangerous on drive-ins. He is married.

RHINEHART, NASEBY, JR.
Ht. 6-2; Wt. 183
Age 19
Missoula, Mont.
Sophomore

“Pete” was a starting guard on the frosh team last year. A good all around athlete who has a lot of determination. Got a late start due to an appendectomy operation during the last half of the football season. Is very accurate on a jump shot and is a good rebounder. Was an all-state football and basketball player at Missoula County High School. Is a hurdler on the track squad and the son of Grizzly athletic trainer Naseby Rhinehart.

RHOADES, RUDOLPH (Zip)
Ht. 6-3; Wt. 180
Age 21
Kalispell, Mont.
Junior: 1 letter

A regular guard last year. “Zip” was the Grizzlies’ second scorer with 345 points—a 13.3 average per game. He is a clever ball-handler and a sharp passer. Was All-Skyline honorable mention last season and will rank among the best this year. Has a variety of shots and is improving on defense. An All-State performer at Kalispell High School where he set the state tournament scoring record of 104 points in 4 games in 1953. Will start at forward with Bergquist.

SHERIFF, RUSS
Ht. 6-6; Wt. 205
Age 20
Helena, Mont.
Sophomore

Starting center for the frosh last season. Russ will be number one replacement for Howard and may be used at a forward spot to give the Grizzlies more rebounding strength. Has a good hook shot and fair speed for a big man. An All-stater at Helena High School. Played with Howard on same team that won state championship in 1952.
Grizzly Foes

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO
Dec. 3 at Missoula. Dec. 9 at Moscow.
Team Name—Vandals
Location—Moscow, Idaho
Coach—Harlan Hodges
Conference—Pacific Coast
Colors—Silver and Gold
Last Year’s Record—Won 8, lost 18
Athletic Publicity—Ken Hunter.

WHITWORTH COLLEGE
Dec. 8 at Spokane. Dec. 23 at Kalispell
Team Name—Pirates
Location—Spokane, Wash.
Coach—Art Smith
Conference—Evergreen
Colors—Crimson and Black
Last Year’s Record—Won 21, lost 9
Athletic Publicity—Bill Sevadjian.

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY
Dec. 20 at Missoula. Feb. 9 at Spokane
Team Name—Bulldogs
Location—Spokane, Wash.
Coach—T. Hank Anderson
Conference—Independent
Colors—Blue and White
Last Year’s Record—Won 15, lost 11
Athletic Publicity—Lois Zornes.

WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE
Dec. 16 at Missoula
Team Name—Cougars
Location—Pullman, Wash.
Coach—Jack Friel
Conference—Pacific Coast
Colors—Crimson and Gray
Last Year’s Record—Won 11, lost 15
Athletic Publicity—Don Faris.

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
Jan. 4 at Missoula. Jan. 16 at Salt Lake City
Team Name—Utes, Redskins
Location—Salt Lake City, Utah
Coach—Jack Gardner
Conference—Skyline Eight (Champs 1954-55)
Colors—Crimson and White
Last Year’s Record—Won 24, lost 4
Athletic Publicity—Harry James.

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY
Team Name—Cougars
Location—Provo, Utah
Coach—Stan Watts
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Blue and White
Last Year’s Record—Won 13, lost 13
Athletic Publicity—Dave Schultess.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO
Jan. 11 and 12 at Albuquerque
Team Name—Lobos
Location, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Coach—Bill Stockton
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Cherry and Silver
Last Year’s Record—Won 7, lost 17
Athletic Publicity—George McFadden.
Grizzly Foes

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER
Jan. 14 at Denver. Feb. 16 at Missoula
Team Name—Pioneers
Location—Denver, Colorado
Coach—Hoyt Brawner
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Red and Gold
Last Year’s Record—Won 9, lost 14
Athletic Publicity—Don Smith

UTAH STATE COLLEGE
Jan. 21 at Missoula. Feb. 24 at Logan
Team Name—Aggies
Location—Logan, Utah
Coach—H. Cecil Baker
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Blue and White
Last Year’s Record—Won 14, lost 8
Athletic Publicity—Steve Huffager

ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE
Jan. 25 at Missoula
Team Name—Frankies
Location—Loretto, Pennsylvania
Coach—Dr. William “Skip” Hughes
Conference—ECAC
Colors—Maroon and White
Last Year’s Record—Won 21, lost 7
Athletic Publicity—Paul Caufield

MONTANA STATE COLLEGE
Jan. 27-28 at Bozeman. Feb. 20-21 at Missoula
Team Name—Bobcats
Location—Bozeman, Montana
Coach—Keith L. Lambert
Conference—Rocky Mountain
Colors—Blue and Bright Gold
Last Year’s Record—Won 11, lost 16
Athletic Publicity—Max Davidson

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
Feb. 3 at Laramie. March 1 at Missoula
Team Name—Cowboys
Location—Laramie, Wyo.
Coach—Ev Shelton
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Brown and Gold
Last Year’s Record—Won 17, lost 9
Athletic Publicity—Wiles Hallock

COLORADO A&M
Feb. 4 at Ft. Collins. Mar. 3 at Missoula
Team Name—Rams, Aggies
Location—Fort Collins, Colorado
Coach—Jim Williams
Conference—Skyline Eight
Colors—Dark Green and Orange
Last Year’s Record—Won 12, lost 12
Athletic Publicity—J. R. Allred
Skyline Conference Schedule

Jan. 4—Utah at Montana.
Jan. 6—BYU at Montana. Denver at Wyoming. New Mexico at Colorado A&M.
Jan. 7—Utah State at Utah. New Mexico at Wyoming. Denver at Colorado A&M.
Jan. 11—Montana at New Mexico.
Jan. 12—Montana at New Mexico. Utah at Denver.
Jan. 13—Colorado A&M at BYU. Wyoming at Utah State.
Jan. 16—Montana at Utah.
Jan. 21—Denver at New Mexico. Utah State at Montana.
Jan. 28—Wyoming at Colorado A&M. BYU at Utah State.
Feb. 3—New Mexico at BYU. Denver at Utah State. Montana at Wyoming. Utah at Colorado A&M.
Feb. 4—New Mexico at Utah State. Montana at Colorado A&M. Denver at BYU.
Feb. 6—New Mexico at Utah.
Feb. 9—Utah State at BYU.
Feb. 11—New Mexico at Denver. Colorado A&M at Wyoming. BYU at Utah.
Feb. 16—Denver at Montana.
Feb. 18—Utah State at Colorado A&M. Denver at Utah. BYU at Wyoming.

Skyline Final Standings

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