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MISSOULA, Mont. (Special)---The coach who first lifted the Colorado Buffaloes into the national basketball spotlight, Saturday night will attempt to use the Buffs as a stepping stone toward lifting the Montana Grizzlies higher in regional esteem.

For Grizzly Coach Forrest B. (Frosty) Cox the game also will be unique in that the Colorado Coach, Russell (Sox) Walseth was a player and frosh coach under Frosty at Colorado.

The game, marked by two firsts---the first Grizzly home game of the season and the first time these two teams have met in athletic competition---will be preceded by a freshman intra-squad game.

The Grizzlies bring a 1-1 record into the tilt while the Buffs are winless in their one previous start against Colorado State.

Cold-shooting Montana dropped a 64-56 decision to a veteran Idaho team at Moscow Monday night but bounced back the following evening to trounce the Washington State Cougars 78-62.

The Grizzlies will get a chance to avenge the loss to Idaho next Monday night when the Vandals invade the M.S.U. Field House. Idaho was the last team during the 1956-57 season to have defeated the Grizzlies on their home floor.

Although a good crowd is expected for the Colorado game, the tilt still hardly can be considered a sell-out. Ticket manager Bob Dundas said that many choice reserved seats still remained for the first two home games this month.

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