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MISSOULA, MONTANA--Eleven in a row for Stan the Ram!

Montana's stellar All-American guard candidate, Stan Renning, was a unanimous choice for Lineman of the Game after the Montana-Wyoming tussle Sept. 27. The rizzly guard polled seven of seven votes from Montana and Wyoming sportswriters.

This was the 11th consecutive game that Renning has been named top lineman. The string started in the final game of Renning's sophomore year in 1956. The Ram won the honor in eight straight games in 1957, and also turned the trick the first two games of the 1958 season--against Utah and Wyoming.

Wyoming coach Bob Devaney echoed the words of every Rocky Mountain observer who has seen Renning in action. "He's a tremendous lineman," the Wyoming mentor commented.

"He'd be an All-American for any team in the country," Montana coach Ray Jenkins commented after the Wyoming tussle.

"There's no better defensive player in the country at the present time," the coach added. "Renning has one tremendous facility--a sixth sense that enables him to diagnose plays before they get moving."

This was borne out in Renning's first two games of this season. He played what many observers feel was his greatest game against Utah. The Ram figured in half of the Montana tackles that evening.

Wyoming tried to double-team the middle linebacker several times in last weekend's contest. This maneuver didn't work, either, as Renning contributed to nearly 40 per cent of the defensive stops in that affair.

Offensively, the Montana guard is used as a pulling blocker in the MSU single-wing offense. He leads the Grizzly blockers on end sweeps and power plays, and coaches feel that he is the best blocker in the Skyline conference.