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FROM: BOB GILLULY
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MISSOULA---Montana University football coach Ray Jenkins will have nearly 60 gridders on hand April 19 when spring workouts begin at MSU. This group will consist of 17 lettermen, about 30 freshmen, several non-lettering squad members, and three transfers.

"We've got a lot of work to do this spring, and we will spend virtually all of our time working on fundamentals and basic football," the mentor commented. The team is limited to 20 days of practice under NCAA and Skyline rules.

Jenkins said the spring game, slated May 19 on the eve of the Montana Inter-scholastic meet, will be an intersquad game. "We've got many inexperienced men in camp this spring, and I want to give them all a good taste of game conditions," he commented.

Lettermen on the roster include quarterback John Schulz, halfbacks Jim Grasky, Paul Gustafson and Rich Birgenheier, fullbacks Gary Smith and Gary Ekegren, ends Howard Schwend, Dale Berry and Jim Harris, tackles John Gregor, Mike Thomson, Dale Schwertfeger, and Dave Kosiur; guards Mike Emerson and Larry Beddes, and center Gary Schwertfeger. Lettermen Jim Johnson, John Matte, Glenn Sorenson and Bob O'Billovich are on the MSU baseball team and will not participate in spring drills.

Freshmen prospects include quarterbacks Paul Miller, Bill Stack, Dennis Stiles and Hal Westberg; halfbacks Terry Dillon, Steve Wood, Steve Anderson, Ron Werba, Dick Miller and Bob Juergens; fullbacks Gary Cooper, Don Shotliff and Eric Larsen, ends Gene Moe, Bill Ellison, Bill Bouchee and Jim Bansamer; tackles Dan Peters,

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Don Stevlingson, Ed Flynn, Gerald Gaboda and Lee Hyslop; guards Jack Shevalier, Paul Ricci, Tim McHenry, Larry Swanger and Larry Jones; and centers Dick Huse, Dennis Kimmett, Alan Dettman and Clem Johnson.

Squad members who have had some previous experience are sophomore fullback Clyde Gossert, who missed the 1959 campaign because of a minor heart condition; halfback Tom Sullivan, who was injured most of last year; and guard Jack Rudio.

Transfers are tackle Carl Schwertfeger, a sophomore from Milwaukee who joins his two brothers on the Silvertip team; tackle Ed Herber, a 225-pound transfer from Yakima Junior College; and end Mike Trotter, a 195-pound wingman from Lower Columbia Junior College.

The Grizzlies open their season this fall on Sept. 10 against North Dakota at Grand Forks. This is only about 10 days of fall workouts prior to the opener, and Jenkins emphasized that the spring drill will be a period of intensive workouts.

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MISSOULA---Montana University skier Rudy Ruana became the third Grizzly to win an NCAA individual championship last weekend when he captured the National slalom title at Bridger Bowl near Bozeman.

The Montana junior, who hails from Milltown near Missoula, has been a consistently fine skier for three seasons with the Grizzlies. This season he previously had won slalom titles and combined titles at the Utah State University meet, and also had placed high in meets at Banff and Vancouver, Canada.

Montana's other two NCAA champions, both in track, were Dick Doyle of Missoula, who won the national discus title in 1950; and distance ace Arnie Gillette of Lewistown, who won the NCAA two-mile run in 1926.

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