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FROM: BOB GILLULY  
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MISSOULA---Montana University baseballers---winless in five outings last week-- have nearly 10 days of work ahead of them before embarking on their regular season's schedule. Next action for the Grizzlies will be an April 8 doubleheader against Montana State College in Missoula.

"Things went about as I expected. Our defense held up well, but our pitching and hitting left much to be desired," is the comment of coach Hal Sherbeck after his Silvertips suffered four losses and a tie in games last week in Washington and Idaho.

The Silvertips weren't impressive in two losses to Yakima Junior College and single losses to Idaho and Washington State. But in the final spring training game Montana held powerful Oregon State--the team that previously had beaten Idaho and WSU--to a 5-5 tie.

"The Oregon State game was our definite highlight. We demonstrated our lack of practice in the first four games, then began to show good progress," Sherbeck commented.

Sophomore slinger Butch Hendricks did the best mound work on the tour, holding Oregon State to seven hits and three earned runs with his effective curving. Newcomer Ed Komac did a good job against Washington State, while letterman Ken Wimett showed flashes of good form.

Transfer catcher Chuck Miltenberger hit well on the trip, as well as veteran backstopper Floyd Ayers. Others who turned in capable jobs were infielders John Matte, Bob O'Billovich, Tom Peterson, and Dick Held, and outfielders Jim Johnson and Al Craig.

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