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MISSOULA --



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The University of Montana Grizzlies fly back to the mainland from Hawaii Friday in hopes
of salvaging a 7-4 season with a victory over Portland State University, a team they have
never lost to.

Portland State is 3-5 for the year. Kickoff for the final game for both schools is 9 p.m. MST Satrrday in the 30,000 seat Portland Civic Stadium.

The Grizzlies have been practicing twice a day on a high school field in Honolulu after their 25-11 loss to the University of Hawaii Saturday night.

Portland State is a team that passes more than it runs and Montana's defensive backs should have a busy day in their final game of the year. The Vikings in the eight games before this one have rushed for 814 yards and passed for 1,092. They average 101.7 yards per game on the ground and 136.5 in the air.

Portland's starting quarterback is 6-0, 185 lb. junior Jon Carey, who has completed 80 of 178 attempts for 959 yards and seven touchdowns. The leading receivers are 6-2, 210 lb. senior tight end Kurt Heinze, who has caught 30 for 315 yards and two touchdowns and 6-3, 195 lb. senior wide receiver Bob Mickles, who has gathered in 15 for 251 yards and three TDs.

Leading rusher for the Portland team is 6-2, 195 lb. running back Charlie Stoudamire, a senior, who has carried the ball 96 times for 307 yards, a 3.2 per carry average.

The two teams have had three common opponents this year -- Montana has defeated all three and Portland has lost to all three. The Vikings lost to Montana State, 23-8; Weber State, 54-26, and Idaho State, 37-0.

Grizzly coach Jack Swarthout has been working his charges hard in Hawaii in hones of improving greatly over their most dismal showing of the year. The two-time Big Sky Conference champs gained a season low of 128 yards on the ground against the Rainbows from Hawaii. And although they passed more than usual, they were only able to gain 67 yards by that route.

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If the Grizzlies can gain 165 yards rushing in the Portland game, they will break the season rushing record of 3,344 yards set by the undefeated 1970 team. Of course they will have taken 11 games to do so, while last year's squad set the record in 10 games.

Saturday's game will be the last one as Grizzlies for 16 seniors, 13 of them starters. By comparison, Swarthout lost 17 seniors from his 1970 squad, 10 of them starters.

The Grizzlies and Vikings have played one another each of the last six/and 'lontana's toughest encounter with them was last year. In that game Portland gained 369 yards massing and led Montana, 25-21, early in the fourth quarter. Montana got a TD and a field goal for a 31-25 spread and then had to intercept a Viking pass on their 20-yard line to save the game.

Montana has defeated PSU by the following scores: 1965, 33-7; 1966, 10-0; 1967, 55-7; 1968, 58-0; 1969, 49-14; 1970, 31-25.

(Note: Saturday's Grizzly-Viking game will be carried live over KYLT Radio of itissoula at 9 p.m. ist. Pre-game show begins at 8:30.)

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Rush Yards Lost			292		255	Caputo	4		56	14	0	
NET RUSH			189		542	Walker	4		91	22.8	0	
SPass Attempts			109		279	Olson	8		67	20.9	1	
Pass Completes			33		121	Welch	7		65	9.3	1	
Passes Intercep	ted		13	-	22	Hoffmann	3		13	-4.3	0	
NET YARDS PASS	cca		468	1,3		Kottke	1		29	29	0	
Punts/Yds/Blkd	57	/2,13			2,341/0	Burnett	1		16	16	0	
Punt Average		, 2,10	37.5		33.4	Hann	1		7	7	0	
*Fumbles/Lost		2	1/38		7/25	Reilly	1		2	2	0	
Penalties/Yds			5/524		1/401	Schillinger	2		17	8.5	0	
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Other			3		3	Berding	98	434	135	299	3.1	5
PAT Kick		26	/32	24/		Hoffmann	76	403	1	402	5.3	4
PAT Run/Pass			/1	1,		Olson	7	106	8	98	14.0	ì
Field Goals			/9		/11	Kottke	20	73	5	60	3.0	1
Safety			0		1	Malsh	95	457	12	445	4.7	5
Total Points			241		220	Baumberger	8	19	0	10	2.4	0
INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds		vg.	TDS.	 Gaskins	15	46	1	45	3.0	1
Rosenburg	1	0	0)	Schillinger	8	32	0	32	4.0	1
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Peters	7	49		.0	1	"elch	2	0	13	-12	-6	0
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Berding 5			0	0	30	Dennehy	6		-2	3	0	
Hoffmann 4			0	0	24	Kottke	11		33	3.0	0	
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Walsh 5			0	0	30	KICKOFF RETURNS			Yds.		TDS.	
Reilly 3			0	0	18	Olson	10	•	135	13.5	0	
Gaskins 1	1		0	0	6	Canuto	8		150	19.9	0	
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