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GRIZZLIES GRAB DEFENSIVE LINEMEN FROM CALIFORNIA JC RANKS

MISSOULA---

Two big California junior college defensive linemen, one of whom can also play offense, will enroll at the University of Montana this fall and will be eligible for two full years of Grizzly football, Wally Brown, UM assistant coach, announced this week.

They are Dennis Thrasher, 6-3 $\frac{1}{2}$, 245-pound tackle from Yuba City, Calif., who specializes on defense, and Ron Garske, 6-3, 234-pounder from Chico, Calif. who can play either offensive or defensive tackle.

Thrasher was an All-Northern California high school player for Yuba City High as a senior, and went on to attend Yuba Junior College for two years.

He was a unanimous All-Golden Valley Conference selection last season. That league includes all of the Northern California junior colleges extending south to the Bay area. The school also competes against Oakland and San Francisco junior colleges.

"Dennis is already considered a pro prospect by many coaches, and he should have an excellent chance to start on defense for us this fall," Brown reported.

Garske was also an All-Northern California High School team member, playing for Chico High School. In high school and for two years at Shasta Junior College, he was a teammate of 250-pound center Dave Urie, who played spring ball for the Grizzlies this year.

Garske was also an All-Golden Valley Conference player, and Brown said he is a potential starter either offensively or defensively for the Grizzlies this fall.

"Getting a couple of top-notch defensive linemen was what we really needed to give us strong, two-man depth at every position offensively and defensively," Brown said.

Another defensive lineman, John Talolutu of Columbia Basin College in Washington, will also join the Grizzlies this fall. He announced his intention to enroll earlier this spring.