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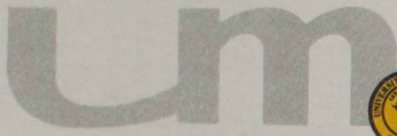
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WATER A PROBLEM
AT NEW DORNBLASER

MISSOULA---

Water from melting snow is causing some problems at the University of Montana's new Dornblaser Field here.

"We're fighting a water problem," UM track coach Harley Lewis explained, as a number of students scooped snow and tried to channel streams of water away from the rubberized asphalt track at the athletic facility.

Use of the stadium began with last fall's football season and continues during the spring with advent of the new track season.

Snow at the south end of the field is several feet deep and is melting so fast the UM students on duty with shovels were working nonstop Wednesday afternoon to keep the water off the track.

First competition at home for the Grizzly track team is April 12 when the University of Idaho Vandals come to Missoula for a Big Sky dual meet.

The Lewis-coached Grizzlies travel to Washington State University, Pullman, for a five-way meet this weekend with WSU, Whitworth College, Eastern Washington State College and Whitman College.

Lewis said he hopes most of the snow is melted before the April 12 meeting with Idaho at home. With the depth of snow on Dornblaser Wednesday afternoon and the constant flow of water toward the track, however, a quiet pessimism seemed to be the order of day for the coach and his student assistants.

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