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"How do you single out an outstanding performer after Saturday's game?" That's the answer coach Jack Swarthout gives when asked about last week's 52-7 triumph over Northern Arizona University.

The Grizzly coach said the team knew that it would take an outstanding performance to beat the Lumberjacks and each player arose to the occasion.

Swarthout said the play of the offensive and defensive lines was exceptional. "The blocking of Doug Bain, Tuufuli Uperesa, John Stedham, Ray Stachnik, Willie Postler, Len Johnson, Bill Gutman and Jim DeBord really made our offense go," Swarthout commented.

Defensive line coach Wally Brown lauded the performance of the front four. "We knew if we were going to contain Northern Arizona's passing game we'd have to keep pressure on Stewart. Our front four was in the Arizona backfield before he had time to look for his receivers and he had to throw it away quite a bit."

Swarthout attained an equally fine performance from his offensive and defensive backfields. Casey Reilly, an Anaconda sophomore, hit pay dirt three times for the offense while Karl Stein, a San Anselmo, Calif. junior, picked off three Lumberjack passes. Stein's total now is five for the season and the Grizzlies are only one interception shy of last year's total of nine.

Punter John Ochoa had a fine day averaging 49.2 yards. Ochoa broke Frank Briney's 1949 school record of 47.0 yards. The 5-8 junior from Anaheim, Calif. also broke the team punting average for a single game of 46.9 yards set in 1967 against North Dakota.

The win bolstered the Montana mark to 3-0, while Northern Arizona slipped to a 2-1 standing. Prior to Saturday's game the Lumberjacks were ranked fourth in the AP Small College Polls but the Grizzlies failed to rate in the top twenty.

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Montana produced a total offense of 511 yards Saturday and held Northern to 231 in offensive gains. Ray Brum, the crafty Montana signal-caller, led the Grizzly charge with 198 yards while the hard-driving fullback, Les Kent, rushed for 142 yards.

The Grizzly offensive total for three games is 1382 yards and Montana has held all opponents to 636 yards. The net rushing total is 969 yards for the season and the opponents have been held to but 111 yards on the ground.

Through the airways Montana has completed 17-40 passes for 413 yards and four touchdowns. In the scoring department, Casey Reilly leads the Grizzlies with 24 points, followed by Dan Worrell, the junior place-kicker from Great Falls, with 23.

Swarthout commented, "even though we've had fine performances in the first three games, we've still a long way to go. Each week the teams get tougher and we'll have to play heads up ball to win."
