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OREGON FULLBACK SIGNS AT UM

MISSOULA--

An All-Metro fullback from Portland, Ore., has accepted a football scholarship to the University of Montana in Missoula.

Mike Simmons, a 6-1 and 210 lb., back from Gresham High School will enroll at the Missoula university next fall and compete for Montana's freshman football Cubs.

Coach of the undefeated 1969 Grizzlies and UM Athletic Director, Jack Swarthout, said, "We are happy that Mike has decided to attend our school. He is a big strong kid and a devastating runner. Mike will be an instrumental part of our program."

Swarthout said Simmons also could play a defensive end. He is quick, tough and has the speed to fill the end position.

Simmons was selected as the "Most Valuable Back" on the Gresham team last fall and earned All-Metro second team honors for the Portland area. He is an alternate choice for the Oregon Shrine game.

He moved to Gresham in the fall of 1969 after competing at Elkhorn High School in Elkhorn, Neb. Simmons earned All-Conference honors in the Eastern Nebraska Conference.

He is the son of the A.H. Simmons' of Gresham, Ore.

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