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45 grid hopefuls to begin fall football workouts

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MISSOULA, MONTANA--Concerned about what appears to be a growing headache at the quarterback position, Montana University football coach Ray Jenkins will greet 45 grid hopefuls early next week when fall football workouts begin at Missoula.

The gridders have a Monday reporting date, which is the annual picture-taking session for the benefit of Missoula and Montana sports reporters. First formal workout will be at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

Jenkins commented this week that his quarterback situation remains unstable. Apparently definitely sidelined this fall is Montana's best field general, senior Bruce Olson from Missoula, who has suffered chronic shoulder trouble since last season and who added a broken ankle bone to his miseries this summer at ROTC camp. Also doubtful is Butte sophomore Bob O'Billovich, who may decide to give up football to devote all his efforts to basketball.

This leaves only one veteran at the quarterback post--senior Phil Griffin from Chicago, who ran the team most of last season. Of inexperienced quality are transfer Paul Wallace, Bremerton, Wash., and two sophomores--Tom Sullivan, Great Falls, and John Schulz, Missoula.

Other lettermen on hand will be ends John Lands, Baton Rouge, La.; Howard Schwend, Bridger; and Dale Berry, Fairview; tackles John Gregor, Shelby; Gary Kennedy, Hamilton; John Meese, Woodside, Calif.; and Bob Nearents, Pasco, Wash.; guards Mike Emerson, Clarkston, Wash.; John Dixon, Spokane; and John Matte, Missoula; center Jim Johnson, Missoula; halfbacks
Henry Greminger, Alhambra, Calif., and Russ Grant, Spokane; and fullback Joe Pepe, Missoula. Pepe is another injured player who remains on the doubtful list.

Newcomers reporting for duty will be ends Floyd Ayers, Eden, Idaho; Glenn Sorenson, Billings; Mike Edwards, Harlowton; and Dale Schwertfeger, Milwaukee, Wis.; tackles Dick Baker, Perry, Iowa; Jim Carlile, Great Falls; Mike Thomson, Billings; Ed Healy, Rosemont, Pa.; and Dave Kosiur, Wetaskiwin, Alberta; guards Larry Beddes, Billings; Floyd Bethke, Missoula; Fred Bardelli, Wallace, Idaho; Jerry Golembiewski, Milwaukee, Wis.; Don Morris, Havre; and Jack Rudio, Helena; centers Stan Hunton, Miles City; Tim Jerhoff, Billings; and Gary Schwertfeger, Milwaukee, Wis.; halfbacks Jim Grasky, Miles City; Paul Gustafson, Vancouver, B.C.; Tony Ramos, Lawrence, Mass.; Rich Birgenheier, Harlowton; Brian Nooney, Missoula; and Jerry Dotson, Bremerton, Wash.; and fullbacks Clyde Gossert, Boulder, Colo.; Gary Smith, Whitefish, and Gary Ekegren, Harlem.

Jenkins said the primary emphasis in early workouts will be devoted to developing the Grizzly offensive game. "With only 11 days of practice preceding our Sept. 12 game with North Dakota in Missoula, we have a lot of work to do," he commented.

The mentor will be assisted by backfield coach Hugh Davidson; line coach Milt Schwenk, end coach Don Branby, and freshmen coaches Hal Sherbeck and Charley Moore. Grizzly frosh workouts will not open until Sept. 28.

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