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MISSOULA--Montana University miler Gary Wojtowick will participate in the NCAA track and field championships June 17-18 at Berkeley, Calif., head coach Harry Adams has announced. Wojtowick will compete in the 1500-meter run, which is substituted for the NCAA mile run during Olympic years.

Wojtowick, a sophomore from Harlowton, is the Skyline title holder in the mile run, and has logged 4:18 as his best time of the season. He won the league event in 4:20, and last weekend won the Montana AAU mile run in 4:19 against a strong wind.

"I feel that the NCAA meet will be excellent experience for Gary," Adams said. The 6-3 distance ace will continue training at MSU until June 14, when he and Adams will depart for Berkeley.

In less than two seasons of competition, Wojtowick has trimmed nearly 25 seconds off his time in the mile. His best effort as a high schooler was in the neighborhood of 4:40. Last year, he set a new University freshman mark of 4:21.7. The slender runner was elected captain of the 1961 track team last week.

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MISSOULA--Renovation of the west bleachers of Dornblaser Stadium at Montana University was begun last week by the MSU Maintenance department, and Superintendent F. W. Kreiger says the $30,000 job should be completed within two months.

A crew of workers has nearly finished tearing out the existing seats in the west bleachers, and new seats will be installed after the structure's foundation has been reinforced. Also slated is construction of a new press box and a much-needed paint job.

The west stands were built in 1924 to seat about 4500 spectators and have not had major repairs since then. The east, or student, stands were completed in 1937 and have remained in good physical shape.

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