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MISSOULA--Montana University footballers are enjoying a week of inactivity before resuming grid warfare against Denver University in Denver Oct. 15, so the athletic spotlight at MSU has turned to another squad which will begin practice soon.

Basketball mentor Frosty Cox will call seven lettermen and six newcomers to the cage court Oct. 15, and the veteran Grizzly mentor admits that he must solve several problems before his Silvertips can embark on another season of rugged Skyline basketball. "We've lost four of our top five scorers from last season, and developing a scoring punch will be the first order of business. Also, we do not have a great amount of height this year," the coach says.

Among Frosty's lettermen are forwards Duane Ruegsegger, Billings; and Dan Sullivan, Butte; guards Bob O'Billovich, Butte; and Paul Miller, Newton, Kansas. Also on hand are lettermen who saw slight action last season--guards Ron Quilling, Sidney, and Butch Hendricks, Missoula; and forward Kay Roberts, Newton, Kansas.

Top newcomers are center Steve Lowry of Red Lodge and guard Ray Lucien of Baton Rouge, La. Others who could earn a spot on the team are forward Jim Bryngelson, Billings; guard Larry Riley, Roundup; center Al Ford, Baton Rouge, and guard Ed Thompson, Wolf Point.

The Grizzlies open their season Dec. 3 against Idaho. A total of 23 games, including four contests with Montana State College, are on tap.

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