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MISSOULA, MONTANA----Montana University backfield coach Hugh Davidson will be a featured speaker at the American Football Coaches' Convention Jan. 9-11 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Davidson will devote his talk and demonstration to pass defense, a specialty in which he has gained considerable recognition in his three seasons at MSU. He was invited to speak by Phil Dickins, head coach at Indiana and chairman of the coaches' program committee.

In 1959 Davidson's backfield performers placed the Grizzlies second in the nation in pass defense, allowing only slightly more than 45 yards per game to opponents. In 1960 the Silvertips ranked third in the Skyline in this category, and Montana defenders picked off 19 enemy aerials to lead the league.

"Hugh has many original ideas about pass defense, and his innovations have been highly successful in our program. I'm sure his talk and demonstration will be one of the features of the national meeting," head coach Ray Jenkins commented. Both Grizzly mentors, along with line coach Milt Schwenk, plan to attend the conclave.

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