

The GOLDEN FLEECE

by Jason

"Nothing in life is more certain than change"—and so to the University of Idaho comes change in the form of a new administration. This column has been a continued advocate of such a change through several generations of editors and students.

Though we are not in accord with the present policies of the existing administration we cannot help but express admiration and hearty support of the method and manner in which the vital problem facing the University of Idaho was made the crux of the reasoning for discontinuation of President Dale's services. As long as petty politics, party lines, and individual differences influence the thinking of legislators toward educational legislation, inefficiency and stagnation shall follow as surely as night the day. Education is not a football to be played with, kicked around, fought over for the brief time of a legislative session, and then relegated to a dark, dusty corner, there to decay and fall apart at the seams. Education is the preparing of a younger generation for the duties and responsibilities imposed on them by a gregarious society.

Who is to blame for our poor educational system? Each member of the electorate of the state who votes blindly for a candidate for the state legislature without regard to his policy toward education or progress in general holds the blame.

Alfred Marshal speaks of the thoughtlessness of individuals as regards education in comparison of the treatment of children and pets. If a man has a horse or dog of blueblood pedigree, he will not let anyone but a skilled, experienced trainer have charge of its training. The same careful individual on the other hand will send his children off to school with little regard for the desirability or fitness of the instruction given.

Our state legislature has in the past disregarded reasoning and clear thinking on educational issues, rather surrendered these qualities to the vulturous practices of satisfying each section of the state with a dribble from the state purse, allotting minimum operational appropriations to a multitude of starving institutions. We have too many wind-blown stump speakers and garrulous fogeyes, so-called "self-made men" who believe that all education comes from the school of hard knocks, and whose conception of a school board go no farther than a pine shingle. Practicality and experience are the essence of true learnedness, but the salient feature of an educational system is the benefit of being able to learn through study what others have learned by experimentation.

The existing status of this institution cannot be blamed on the legislature alone, for disposition of funds available and the methods employed also deserve critical consideration.

Tired of walking?

Who isn't? Wouldn't it be a pleasant surprise if some enterprising students would revive the campus bus line which in days of yore transported weary walkers hither and yon from across town to the campus for the nominal sum of ten cents? The bus left every hour for cross-town runs from the Ad building. With the large numbers of veterans forced to live at some distance from the campus, such a venture would be a public service, and might prove quite profitable.

It's all very nice

to name the streets (?) in the veterans village after those who died in war but why increase the danger of some little children dying in peace? The streets, as they now are, are little but paths through the village, and veterans' children often play in them. Cars, as is the common practice, may zoom through that area at any time, creating a definite danger for those children. We believe some action should be taken to insure safety in this area, and this should be done by the administration or by the veterans themselves. Until the paths become actual paved streets with adequate facilities to keep children away from them, cars should be banned from the immediate vicinity.

College Appoints Dr. Berry Professor Of Education

Ray M. Berry, who is completing his second year as superintendent of the public school system in Moscow, stated that he would tender his resignation to the board in their meeting which will be held Monday evening. Dean of Education J. F. Weltzin of the university school of education simultaneously announced the appointment of Dr. Berry as professor of secondary education which will go into effect September 1.

Berry, a native of Idaho Falls, came to Moscow to take over the position vacated by Dr. R. D. Russell, who joined the veterans' administration last fall. He was formerly high school principal in Idaho Falls for 10 years.

"The board is very sorry to lose Dr. Berry," was a statement made Tuesday by Harry A. Sampson, chairman, and he stated that he had been re-elected superintendent at the board's meeting March 11 at an increase in salary.

"In adding Dr. Berry to its staff, the school of education has secured one of the west's outstanding specialists in the field of secondary education," commented Dean Weltzin. "He will be particularly valuable because of his many years of experience in schools in all parts of Idaho. Now that Idaho is making an extensive study of its school systems,"

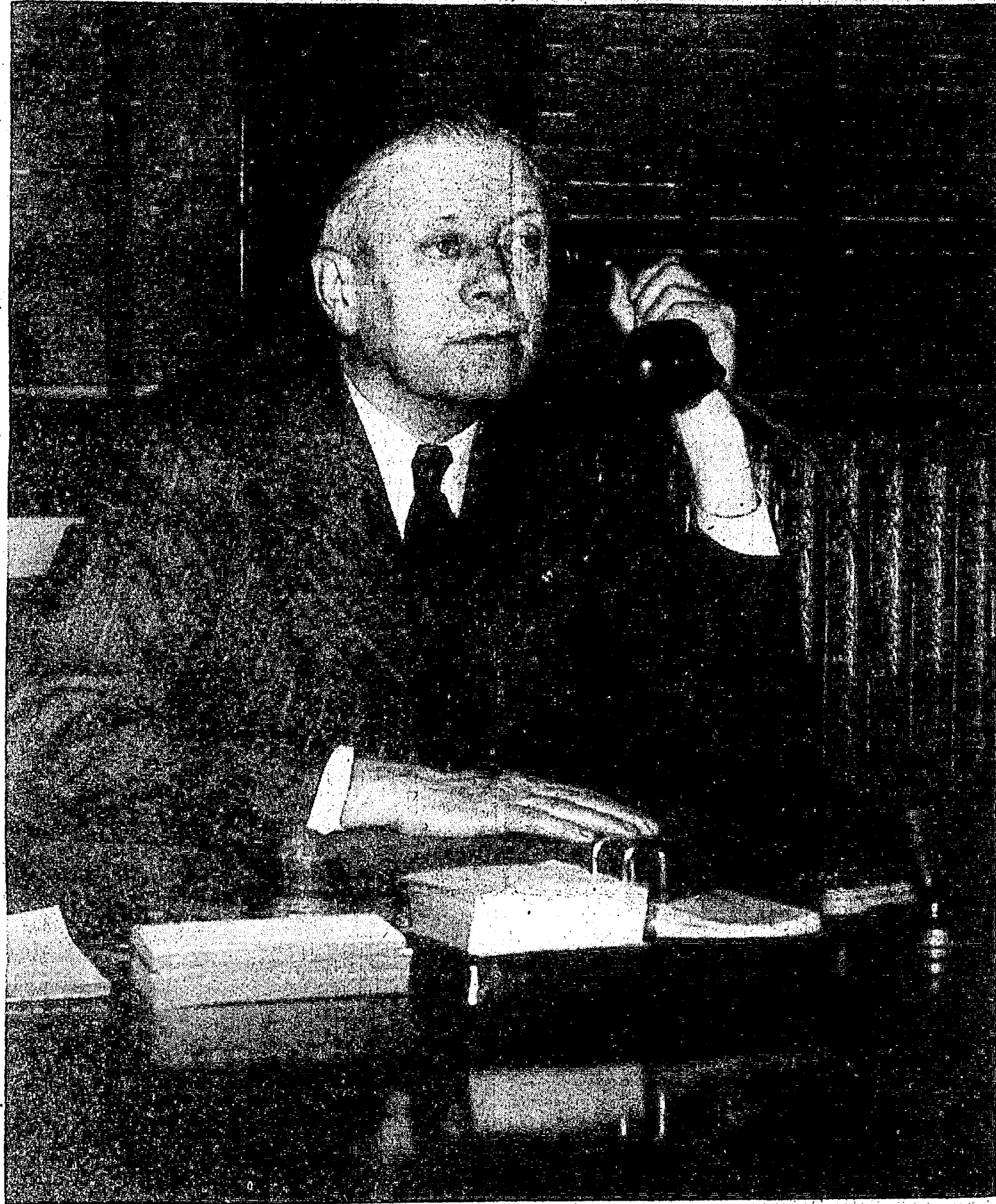


Dr. Ray M. Berry

steps undoubtedly will be taken to strengthen it. The university is fortunate to have on its education staff a man who knows secondary education as does Dr. Berry. These are times that call for leadership and he has it." Dr. Berry received his bachelor's degree from Illinois college, after which he received his master's degree from Columbia university and his doctorate from Stanford. He specialized in secondary education.

President H. C. Dale Resigns In Protest

End of the Trail for President Dale



HARRISON C. DALE announced Sunday his resignation from the post of president of the university in protest against slashing of appropriations for teachers' salaries and veterans' housing projects. Dale terminates nine years of service by his resignation which becomes effective August 31, 1946.

State Legislators Slice School Appropriations

Lashing out at state legislators for slicing veterans' salaries and housing appropriations, Harrison C. Dale, university president since 1937, resigned in protest Sunday.

Explaining his action to the board of regents, meeting in Boise last week-end, Dale declared, "After assurances I made the faculty who left to join the armed forces and after the promises of fair treatment we gave the (students) who went off to war, I can not with peace of mind or sense of fairness to these veterans undertake to serve beyond the present academic year."

He was referring in part to the reduction of \$100,000 in requests he had made for funds to pay about 70 staff members returning from the service, and to the slashing of \$75,000 from requested appropriations for improvement in veterans' housing facilities on campus.

The resignation, to become effective August 31, 1946, was accepted on behalf of the board of regents by Chairman Asher B. Wilson, Twin Falls, who told pressmen that "the board of regents realizes and recognizes the fact that he has served during the most trying years in the history of the university, the state, the nation, and the world as well."

When he walks out of office next August, President Dale will be treading in the footsteps of former President Mervin G. Neale, who resigned in June, 1937, after Governor Barzilla Clark and another legislature had similarly cut appropriations requests.

In his letter of resignation to the board of regents, Dale said: "The 1945 session of the legislature struck from the biennial appropriation for the university over \$200,000, representing the salaries of nearly 70 members of the faculty and staff who had left our classrooms and laboratories to serve their country in the armed forces or in essential civilian activities."

"For the most part the positions of these men were left vacant because of reduced enrollments. It was clearly understood, however, that should the war end within the biennium, sufficient funds would be appropriated by a special session of the legislature to restore these men to the positions they had vacated."

"They are now returning, many of them with records of bravery that command the admiration of all loyal and patriotic citizens. We asked the special session of the legislature recently convened for \$177,000 to pay the salaries of these veteran members of our faculty for the remainder of the biennium."

"This amount, moreover, would have met the salaries they were receiving when they left, allowing nothing for any increases. The legislature saw fit to cut this by \$100,000, making only \$77,000 available."

Commenting on this, Dean of Women Louise S. Carter said, "I want to support the student activities board in this, and I think the students will support them in the same way."

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Noted Scientist To Speak On Science And Security

William Elgin Wickenden, noted American scientist and president of the Case School of Applied Science, will lecture here Monday morning at 11 a. m. in Memorial gymnasium, Dean T. S. Kerr, chairman of the public events committee announced yesterday.

Speaking on "Science and Security," Dr. Wickenden will draw upon years of scientific study and educational experience and a wide background in human relations.

A graduate of Denison university, he has been awarded honorary degrees of doctor of engineering by Lafayette college, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, the Case School of Applied Science, and the Rose Polytechnic Institute. He also received the degrees of doctor of science from Denison university and Bucknell university, that of doctor of laws from Oberlin college, and doctor of humane letters from Otterbein college.

Dr. Wickenden's professional career began with an appointment as instructor of applied electricity



William Elgin Wickenden

at Mechanics Institute, Rochester, N. Y., in 1904, and has included several elevated positions in the (Cont. on page 4, col. 2)

Knotty Ideas To Prevail During Junior Week

Knots, knotholes, knotheads, and other knotty items will persist throughout the coming Junior Week, March 29-30, which has for a theme "Knot Here for Knowledge." Beginning with an unrevealed publicity stunt Tuesday and climaxed by the annual prom Saturday, the 1946 Junior Week will be "something different—an event that will be for everyone," according to junior class president Betty Ann Craggs.

Committee members urged the cooperation of living houses for the rally, a traditional part of the celebration, which will take place Friday evening. The rally will precede an all-school mixer.

Costuming and display of each house in the rally will carry out a definite theme, which will be judged for its originality, the percentage of house representation, and the manner in which the group is presented when leaving the house. Judges named to select the two winners are Dr. James Braddock, Dr. Martin Albrecht, Allen Terry, Virgil Baker, and Miss Melba Meierhenry. First place awards will go to a women's and men's living group.

Prizes, which will be announced at the intermission of the mixer, will be specially made cups of polished pine embossed with the name of the winning house and a further legend concerning Junior Week.

Providing music for the mixer will be radio station KUOI. The radio station will also broadcast the rally and names of the winning houses. Ten cents admission to the mixer will be charged to defray expenses.

Featured at the semi-formal prom Saturday will be decorations

JUNIORS

Junior women not present at the serenade practice tonight will not be allowed to take part in the annual serenade, according to Lucile Thompson, chairman.

The list of women students wishing to go must be checked before permission can be given for late hours. Those who cannot attend must notify Miss Thompson before the practice starts.

Songs for the serenade have been chosen, and men wishing to participate should be at the music hall at 6:45 p. m. so that they may learn which songs are to be presented. Juniors, both men and women, have been asked to cooperate in attending practices for the serenade.

Group Inspects Buildings In Montana

Inspecting the student union buildings of the University of Montana at Missoula and Montana State college at Bozeman last week were Dean Louise S. Carter, Mrs. Evelyn M. Albrecht, and Velma Wilkerson. The group were primarily interested in securing suggestions and ideas for the proposed student union building, for which plans are now being drawn up.

Montana officials concerned with the maintenance of the buildings suggested building large enough establishments to accommodate future student enrollments. Although the youth centers at both colleges are larger than the Blue Bucket, they are small and inadequate to meet their present needs.

Features noted by the university group include the convenience of a women's powder room, study

Russia Is Topic Of I.R. Club

Soviet Russia-United States relations will be discussed at International Relations club when it meets from 7 to 8:30 p. m. in the Blue Bucket tonight. Featured on the program will be Prof. Kenneth Hoag, Prof. Milton C. Albrecht, Sylvan Jepson and Valentino Yurchenko, university students.

Dr. Boyd A. Martin and Prof. R. E. Hosack will lead the discussion group. Meetings of the club are open to faculty and students who are interested in current world problems.

DANCE

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Idaho Purchases Buildings For Recreation

New community recreation and storage buildings may be erected in conjunction with veterans' housing, President H. C. Dale announced this week after returning from Seattle where he conferred with federal public housing authorities.

The units may be purchased under federal public housing plans from several Washington convalescent hospitals in the near future, and would be used as a community room where married veterans and their families may meet for socials, and a storage room where luggage, baggage and similar articles may be kept by families occupying the prefabricated units and trailer houses.

Prospective buildings viewed by (Cont. on Page 4, Col. 6)

"TAKE FIVE"

By CLARK CHANDLER

The old saying went in the armed services that if a grieved individual continually bothered the higher-ups with his particular desires or grievances, sometimes he was awarded a favor. Acting on the above principle, the old cry for a field house will once again be flung out to be ignored.

That successful spring football practices are sometimes impossible and that the baseball teams get late starts year after year are well known facts. However, it is determined Mike Ryan, track coach, who feels the absence of a field house the most. Ryan usually does quite well by entering his teams in pre-conference indoor meets and manages with expert guidance to field some exceptional athletes. This year he has run into a snag.

Back in 1937 Ryan promoted the idea of an annual indoor track meet at Spokane. The next year, because Idaho lacked a sponsor, WSC sponsored an indoor track meet and it is this year holding the Sixth Annual Inland Empire Indoor Track Meet. Mike is a square shooter and an Idaho team will not compete at Pullman this year in pre-conference competition.

Previously, teams were not limited as to the number of entries in each event. This year teams are limited to three men in each event. This is a surprise to Idaho and Idaho officials cannot explain the change in policy. Idaho trackmen have been chugging through the mud trying to get in shape without adequate facilities and it would be team suicide to compete in the indoor meet at Pullman Saturday.

Ryan has as many as seven men going out for each track event and to designate three men to participate in the various events this early in the season would be the same as cutting the squad before he knows the abilities of any man on the squad at this early date and it is due to this fair policy all other aspirants would, in all probability, cease to turn out. Consequently, talent that might be the best the school has to offer could very easily be lost. Ryan refuses to cut the squad at this early a date and it is due to this fair policy all through the year that some champion track men have developed under Mike Ryan's careful training.

As a direct contrast, WSC has been running events under a stop watch for weeks and already has its 1946 track team designated. There hasn't been a stop-watch on the field at Idaho for it is too slick to run on the playing field grass and to run on the track is impossible.

Idaho needs a "sugar daddy" as the Idaho state legislature wields a cruel pencil as it cuts down appropriations for education.

Elmer Jordan, Idaho P.E. graduate and tennis star, will match his Coeur d'Alene Vikings against Preston high school this week for the state high school basketball championship. Jordan started his coaching career during the war years and his first year at Coeur d'Alene has marked him a success.

Barristers Blitz Aggies

In a chaotic melee not unlike Paton's mad dash from Cherbourg to the Rhine, a powerful barrister juggernaut rolled relentlessly over a woefully undermanned, outplayed and outclassed team hastily recruited from the barns, corrals and chicken-houses of the swampy area west of the campus, sometimes referred to by kind observers as the Agricultural School.

Several times the referees threatened to stop the massacre, and would have but for a plucky spirit shown by the Ag students, which was their only redeeming

quality throughout the whole contest. Referee Boyd Hansen, who just returned from refereeing the national basketball tournament in Kansas City, stopped the game shortly after the first quarter and pleaded with the Aggie team to halt the one-sided carnage. However, the hopelessly demoralized manure-spreaders unwisely elected to take the hard way out.

At one time, shortly after the beginning of the second half, it looked as though the Ag students might get back in the game when Grant Mortenson, Aggies, actually got hold of the ball, outright, when the lawyers went out for a smoke. However, as he went up for a lay-up, he tripped and fell over the

Second Meet Set For Saturday

Idaho's entries made a strong showing in the indoor meet at Pullman Saturday. The Vandals won three events and placed in all but three others on the 14-event program. Big event for Idaho was the 35 pound weight throw in which Vandal strong man Lyle Fagnan, Gerry Hagedorn and Ray Koll grabbed the top three spots for the only clean sweep of the day.

Other Idaho winners were Jack Anderson in the three mile run, and Bob Pruitt in the 1000 yard run. In addition to his win in the 1000, Pruitt ran a sensational leg in the medley relay; receiving the stick 30 yards in the hole, Pruitt ran strongly and gradually closed up the distance. He was running even with his Washington State opponent on the bell lap and as they hit the home stretch, Pruitt pulled away giving the Vandals a 10 yard lead. However, the Cougars came back on the anchor leg and won the race.

Coach Ryan has indicated that he was well satisfied with the showing of his charges and expects much improvement in the next few weeks. Two men who were cited as looking especially good Saturday were Navymen Gerald Cady in the 440 and Paul Halloran in the 600.

Other men receiving "well done's" from their coach were half-miler Dick Dexter, pole vaulter Max Lattig, hurdles Bert Dingle and Ted Lake, high jumpers Jim Merrey and Dick Sordoff, broad jumper Ned Bowler, and distance man Bob Peters.

If Idaho enters the meet in Pullman this Saturday, Coach Ryan has stated that they will be represented by a full team.

PLANS PROJECT

Department of dairy husbandry has received a grant of \$800 from the American Dairy association at Chicago, to be used during the next six months for a project on "evaluation of rapid tests for the quality of milk." Research on the project will be done throughout the state. D. R. Theophilus, head of the dairy husbandry department, said.

bib of his overalls and hurtled violently into the stands. The plough-jockeys never regained possession of the ball.

As most of the law students carry a heavy schedule, one member, who had no eight o'clock, played the last fifteen minutes single-handed while his teammates departed for the law library.

FOOTBALL

An announcement came this week from football coach "Babe" Brown, that spring football will commence April 1. Brown urged all participants to meet in Memorial gymnasium that day. Inasmuch as Stanford is the first team Idaho will meet next fall, Brown stressed the importance of the spring training.

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Bruce Berg was the only Idaho man to place in the interschool tourney. In the slalom run, an incident occurred in which Berg lost 10 seconds, but recovered and lost by only two-tenths of a second. Seemingly his off day, Berg lost a ski on a cornice, thus forfeiting the downhill run.

Other schools participating in the class "A" meet were Washington State, University of British Columbia and College of Puget Sound. The attractive run maintained by the University of Washington, boasts a fair sized chalet and ski lift for the convenience of university skiers.

Men representing Idaho were Hal Barnes, Don Hayes, Don King, Vernon Burkland, Paul Wykert and Berg.

Several experienced Vandal skiers are expected back for the 1947 season.



Coach J. A. "Babe" Brown

regents at their meeting Saturday afternoon in Boise, Coach Brown, who has been head basketball coach and acting director of athletics, will succeed the late Francis Schmidt, who died in 1944 shortly after his retirement.

Brown, who led the 1945-46 Idaho basketball team to its first northern division, Pacific Coast conference championship in 23 years, is a graduate of Idaho, and previous to his career at Idaho, coached at Moscow high school for nearly 10 years. He had coached the Vandal basketball squad the past three years, and was head mentor when Idaho resumed football wars last fall.

Coach Brown's appointment will go into effect immediately. He will hand the basketball reins to Coach Guy Wicks, regular coach, who has returned to the staff recently after three years of duty with the United States navy.

A newly organized Cougar club of Seattle, has nominated Coach "Babe" Brown as the coach of the year, following the winning of the northern division crown this basketball season. Brown will travel to Seattle to accept the honor and attend a banquet in his honor.

God made man, frail as a bubble
God made love and love made trouble.
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MEETING
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Double Header Set For Baseball Nine

Vandals will officially open the 1946 baseball season March 30, when they take to the diamond in Lewiston for a double header against the State Normal Loggers, Gale Mix, graduate manager, announced today.

The Loggers will play a return game here May 14 and on May 19 the Idaho nine will meet them again in a night game at Lewiston, Mix added.

Two professional teams of the Western intercollegiate league, Bremerton and Victoria, are training in Lewiston, and the Idaho team will meet both teams in several games. According to Mix the actual playing dates are still under consideration.

These pre-season games will give baseball aspirants a chance to get some actual playing experience before the Vandals meet Washington April 19 and 20 in the first conference games. Practice has been held up by poor weather and a slow drying field, according to Guy Wicks, baseball coach. There have been but three days of hitting practice.

Tennis Aspirants To Answer Call

Thirteen tennis team aspirants headed the call Monday afternoon at the courts north of Memorial gymnasium in preparation for their first game April 20, which is with WSC.

Irvin Wentworth, Dave Seaberg, and Bob Smith are lettermen of the contingent. Others turning out for the 1946 team are Bob Neel, Russel Codd, Alan Wood, Lymas Pickett, Ed Bulla, Bert Clark and Jack Roberts.

Three navy men are Ronald Goodman, Lee Nelson and H. W. Beeler, all with previous experience.

Coach William Ramsey announced an addition to the present schedule with University of Montana slated to travel to Moscow May 13, to take on the Vandals.

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Mural Activities

Intramural swimming was inaugurated with many splashes Tuesday as campus teams surged through the qualifying races. Qualifying teams and individual entries will compete tonight in the finals, Glen "Red" Jacoby, intramural director said today. Jacoby added that Sigma Nu, Sigma Chi, and Navy team No. 4 appear to be strong contenders for top honors.

In the preliminaries Kappa Sigma, Sigma Nu, Phi Gamma Delta and Navy No. 2 qualified for the finals in the 150 yard medley relay. Qualifying in the 50 yard dash free-style are Asher, Navy No. 4, Lafrenz, Sigma Chi, Lyons, Delta Chi, and Murphy, Sigma Chi.

Fifty yard backstroke winners were Kendall, Sigma Nu; Otteson, Sigma Nu; Peterman, ATO; and Lemiere, Navy No. 2. In the 100 yard free-style Stoll, Idaho Club; Grieser and Scott, Delta Chi, and Evans, Sigma Nu, qualified.

Placing in the 75 yard individual medley relay were Warner, Sigma Chi; Dinsmore, Navy No. 4; Stoll, Idaho Club, and Giessler, Navy No. 4. In the 50 yard breast stroke Weyer, Sigma Nu; Dinsmore, Navy No. 4; Hopkins, Sigma Chi, and Rice, ATO, established the right to enter the finals.

Qualified divers are Brown, Kappa Sigma; Wirth, ATO; McFarland, Delta Chi, and McKeivitt and Spears, Sigma Chi. Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Delta Tau Delta and Navy No. 4 will compete in the 200 yard free-style relay.

TAU KAPPA EPSILON—Week-end guest was Loyal Heath of Spokane. Sunday guests were Mrs. Eula Miller and son, Donald.

They're picking up the pieces. With a dust-pan and a rake, He grabbed a silken knee, When he should have grabbed the brake.

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