

a letter
from the

Idaho Campus

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To Alumni and Former Students
of the University of Idaho
now in Military Service

HELLO:

This little letter is being mailed to about a thousand University of Idaho alumni and former students in the armed forces. This is, we know, only a third or so of all who should get it, but the mailing list will be expanded as rapidly as we get information on the rest. The war records project has progressed rapidly since it was inaugurated the first of the year. We hope to make these University letters larger and newsier in the future but we hope you like the start. . . . Please show this letter to any other University of Idaho men or women in your outfit. If they did not get one ask them to write to the War Records Office, University of Idaho, Moscow, giving (1) their present military address and (2) the name and address of someone permanently located in the U. S. (parent or wife preferred) who will always have it in event of change and who can forward future news letters if necessary. . . . We would also like to have letters from Idahoans telling of their experiences and observations—or experiences of their friends—copies of camp papers, posters, clippings, photos, or any other material which can be mailed for inclusion in what will become the permanent war record of the University.

Campus Notes

You can imagine how much rejoicing there was in these parts when the Vandal basketball team dumped W. S. C. four times in succession, 49 to 43, 50 to 42, 51 to 45, and 46 to 32. It was the first time since 1914 that anything like this has happened.

Top performers in the series were Dale Ablin, Len Pyne, Tom Collins, and Jute Stewart. Vandal followers feel that if the team doesn't win another game, which hardly seems possible the way it has been improving, the season will have been a great success. Coach is J. A. (Babe) Brown, who also is acting head of the P. E. Department while George W. Green (Lt. S. G.) is in the Navy. . . . Sweet and Chrisman halls are occupied by the Naval Training School (Radio); Hays, Forney, and Lindley halls by the Army Specialized Training Unit. About 1,200 soldiers and sailors are in training. . . . Beta, Sigma Nu, and Fiji houses are wartime dormitories for women. . . . Senior ROTC men from the 1943 class made one of the best records of any college group in OCS. Of 53 only nine lost out, an attrition rate of 16.9 per cent, mighty low compared to around 80 per cent for some schools. . . . A. S. T. U. men are publish-

I have a hundred words to bring you a "message."

First of all the University of Idaho, as you will note, is compiling a permanent detailed record of your part in the war. When that book is written it will be a story of outstanding heroism, of firm and steadfast devotion to duty, and of just plain G.I. soldiering; but it will be all there—we hope. And you can help us put it there.

Secondly, when you who were still undergraduates return you will find a University geared to meet your needs and your desires to establish your life's work as soon as possible.

God bless you,
HARRISON C. DALE,
President

ing their own 32-page section in the 1944 Gem. . . . Edith Jones of Malad is the new A. S. U. I. prexy, succeeding Carl Minden, Nampa, who received a \$4,000 scholarship at the Illinois Institute of Gas Technology in Chicago. She's the first co-ed to hold this post. . . . Guy W. Wolfe of Moscow, first editor of the Argonaut, died November, 1943. . . . Harry L. Spence, Jr., for 15 years on the Agricultural Extension staff, has become manager of the big Mesa orchards in Canyon county. Succeeding him is B. E. Kuhns of Caldwell. . . . Mabel E. Gill has been appointed war records secretary. . . . William I. Holcomb, Jr., of Kankakee, Ill., and Arthur G. Michels, Moscow, made exceptional records in the school of medicine at Western Reserve University, Ohio, last year. . . . A grant of \$4,000 to "encourage and facilitate the training of medical technologists" has been made to the University of Idaho by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek, Mich. . . . Swimming joins football as a war casualty but the Army and Navy P. E. programs certainly keep the Athletic Department staff on the go.

Faculty

When Dr. J. I. Jolley, Chemistry, became a Lt. (j. g.) in the Navy in December he became the 52nd Idaho faculty member to join the armed services. . . . Winston Goss, Purchasing Agent, and Perry Culp, Jr., Acting Graduate Manager, are