



University
of Idaho



William H. Kibbie-ASUI Activity Center



Dr. Ernest W. Hartung
President, University of Idaho

Our completely redone athletic complex, centered around the covered stadium, will be a tremendous asset not only to the University but to the region... for participants and spectators alike. We feel that the new Kibbie-ASUI Dome will be in constant use whether for intramurals, individual exercise, varsity sports or for concerts, convocations and conventions.

Since the start of our rebuilding program in 1967, we have enlarged the golf course to 18 holes, moved the baseball field, built a new all-weather surface track and five years ago completed a swimming complex which has been used for regional and national competition. A new gymnasium for women has greatly expanded the University's ability to field women's teams in gymnastics, basketball, tennis and other sports.

With completion of the dome, the University's athletic complex is nearly complete.

ERNEST W. HARTUNG

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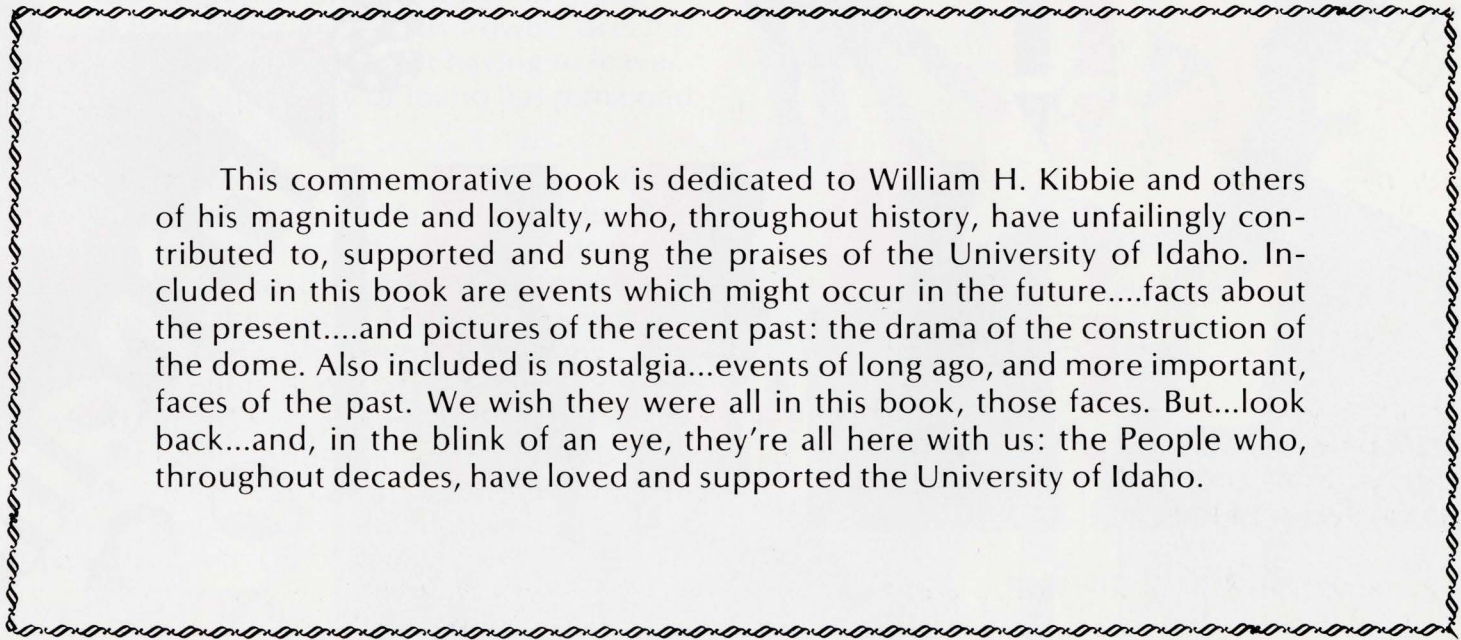
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This commemorative book is dedicated to William H. Kibbie and others of his magnitude and loyalty, who, throughout history, have unfailingly contributed to, supported and sung the praises of the University of Idaho. Included in this book are events which might occur in the future....facts about the present....and pictures of the recent past: the drama of the construction of the dome. Also included is nostalgia...events of long ago, and more important, faces of the past. We wish they were all in this book, those faces. But...look back...and, in the blink of an eye, they're all here with us: the People who, throughout decades, have loved and supported the University of Idaho.



The Kibbie Dome is designed for many activities in addition to intercollegiate athletics.

A Native Idahoan Makes Dream Of Covered Stadium Come True

A mystery man who helped make a dream come true is William H. Kibbie.

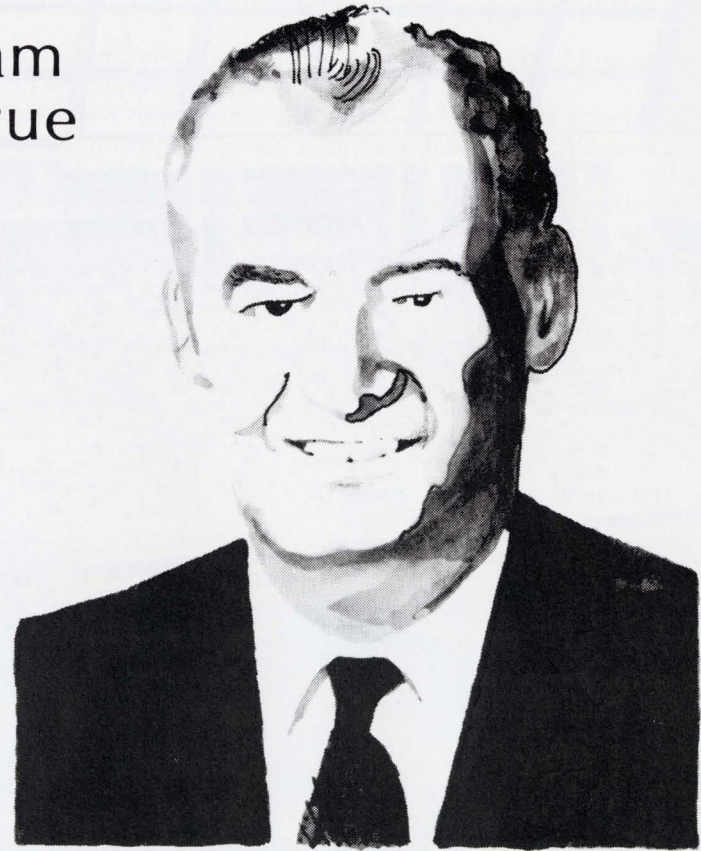
Although he attended the University of Idaho for only a few weeks of one semester in 1936, his impressions...his experiences...his own dreams, and perhaps his disappointment at having to leave...were such that the University of Idaho has remained a very "special place" to him.

Kibbie was born and raised on a ranch at Gannett, Idaho, 12 miles south of Hailey. A graduate of Bellevue High School, he entered UI the next fall. But family problems made it necessary for him to return to work on the ranch. At Hailey, he was co-founder of the Sawtooth Electric Company. Kibbie served as a pilot in the armed forces during World War II. In 1957 he joined JELCO, one of the world's largest heavy industrial contractors, specializing in hydro-electrical construction. He is president of that firm, which is headquartered at Salt Lake City, today.

Kibbie returns to his alma mater occasionally for various athletic contests. He says of the University:

"It is a university in the classic and real sense of the word...and has maintained its position throughout the years as a leading institution of higher education. (It) enjoys the additional advantage of having its situs in a small community in which the academic and campus life is the predominating theme.

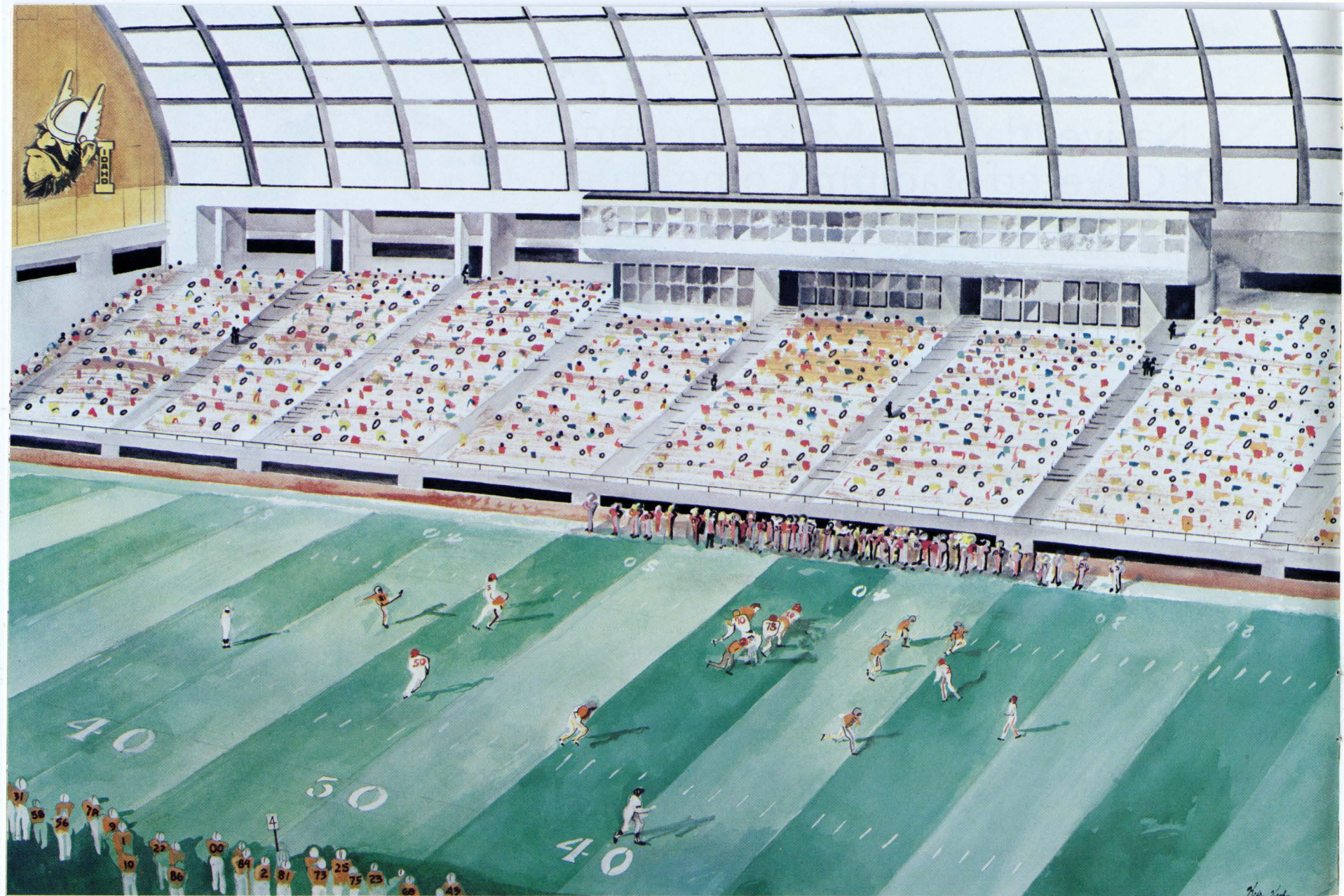
"The enclosing of the stadium complex should



William H. Kibbie
President, JELCO, Salt Lake City

serve to support and further the program of the university in all its aspects."

Kibbie's gift of \$300,000 was the turning point in acceptance of bids for the completion of the enclosure.



Idaho's Kibbie Dome has the first completely removable artificial turf in the world. The roof means ideal practice conditions, even in inclement weather...which the Palouse Country has plenty of. Players still must "double-time" it at half-time over and back from the gymnasium where the locker rooms are located. When the Varsity Center is constructed at the east end of the stadium, dressing rooms and lockers will be located there along with storage, a lounge area and more seating.



Dr. Leon G. Green

"It's been a long ten years since the idea of a domed stadium first was discussed, but at long last a dream has come true.

The Kibbie-ASUI Activities Center's completion marks the end of a vast building program involving physical education, recreation and intercollegiate athletics.

Other new facilities completed include a new women's health and physical education center, tennis courts, a swimming complex, new intramural fields, a modern track, a picnic area and other improvements within the department.

These new facilities have generated an enthusiasm within and outside the state which I find impressive. I am happy to see a renewed interest in sports and recreation by those in all fields of study.

This adds up to a fine package of academic experience for UI students, and adds the important resource of lifetime physical fitness and skills in the athletic realm which help with a full scope of lifetime social realities.

I thank each of you for support during this exciting period in the life of the University of Idaho. The next project will be construction of a Varsity Center on the site of the stadium, for development of the complex to its full potential. We ask your continued support through the enthusiastic years ahead."

Dr. Leon G. Green
Director of Health, Physical Education,
Recreation, Dance, and Director of
Intercollegiate Athletics

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO '75 and '76 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Remaining 1975 Home Games:

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Nov. 1	Montana State	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.
Nov. 22	Northern Illinois	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.

1976 Football Schedule

Sept. 18	Univ. of Pacific	Stockton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	Ohio University	Athens	1:30 CDT
Oct. 2	Washington State	Pullman	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 9	New Mexico State	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.
Oct. 16	Weber State	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.
Oct. 23	Montana State	Bozeman	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 30	Idaho State	Pocatello	8:00 p.m.
Nov. 6	Colorado State	Fort Collins	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 13	Univ. of Montana	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.
Nov. 20	Northern Arizona	MOSCOW	8:00 p.m.
Nov. 27	Boise State	Boise	to be set

"With the completion of the dome, we are turning a corner, and around that corner is a winning athletic program. I know it.

"Winning a game is more than just having more muscle and athletic skill than the other team: it is a melding of these things with attitude and desire to win. To win, you have to have the momentum produced by all these things.

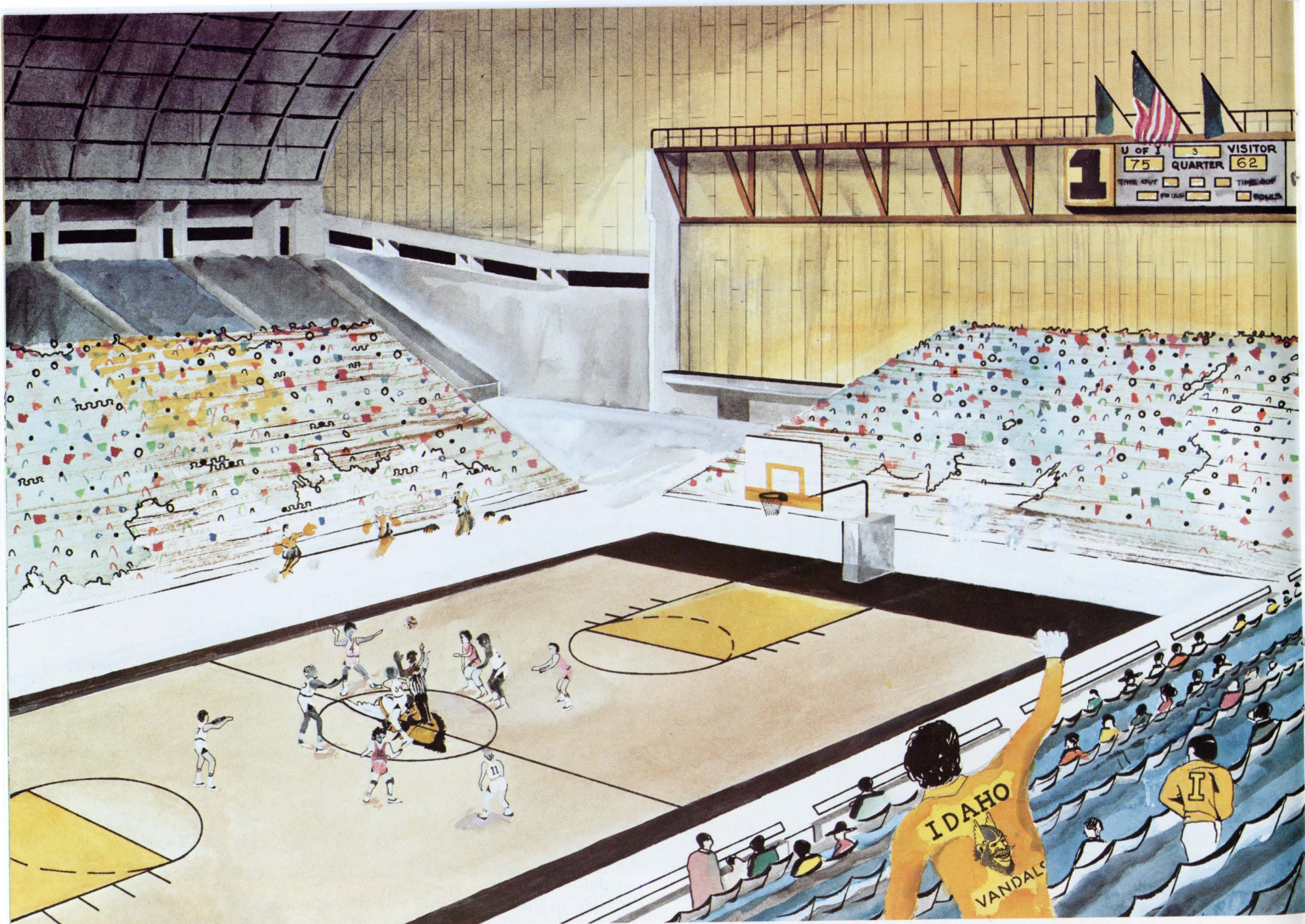
"The new facility will mean a great deal in our recruiting program. We will see an improvement in our skill position, our over-all passing attack and in our kicking game because conditions in the dome will be ideal for these things.

"More important, our fans, will support us more strongly. They will have a great sense of pride in their university, its athletic facilities, and ultimately, in their Vandals!"

Ed Troxel
Head Football Coach



Ed Troxel



Seating for 10,000 will be provided for intercollegiate basketball games, using the center portion of the south side of the stadium, and portable bleachers on three sides of the main court. Nine courts will be available for intramurals, PE and intercollegiate teams' practice.



Jim Jarvis

"Memorial Gym, over the years, has served its purpose well and has given the players and fans many exciting and memorable moments. However, improvements in basketball facilities across the country have made Memorial Gym almost an anachronism. It's time we moved on!

The Kibbie Dome will be a great boost to our

1975-76 Basketball Schedule

November

28 U. of Utah

December

1 San Jose State
3 U. of Arizona
5 U. of Portland
6 Portland St. U.
11 San Fran. St. U.
19 Regis College
29 U. of Texas
30 U. of Texas

January

3 Seattle Pacific
5 Illinois State
8 No. Arizona
10 Weber State

Salt Lake 8:00

Moscow 8:00

Tucson 7:30

Portland 8:00

Portland 8:00

Moscow 8:00

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El Paso 7:30

El Paso 7:30

Moscow 8:00

Moscow 8:00

Flagstaff 8:00

Ogden 7:30

16 Gonzaga Uni. Spokane 8:00

21 Washington St. **Moscow** 8:00

23 Gonzaga Uni. **Moscow** 8:00

30 U. of Montana Missoula 7:30

31 Montana State U. Bozeman 8:00

February

6 U. of Montana **Moscow** 8:00

7 Montana State U. **Moscow** 8:00

13 Boise State U. **Moscow** 8:00

14 Idaho State U. **Moscow** 8:00

20 Boise State U. Boise 8:00

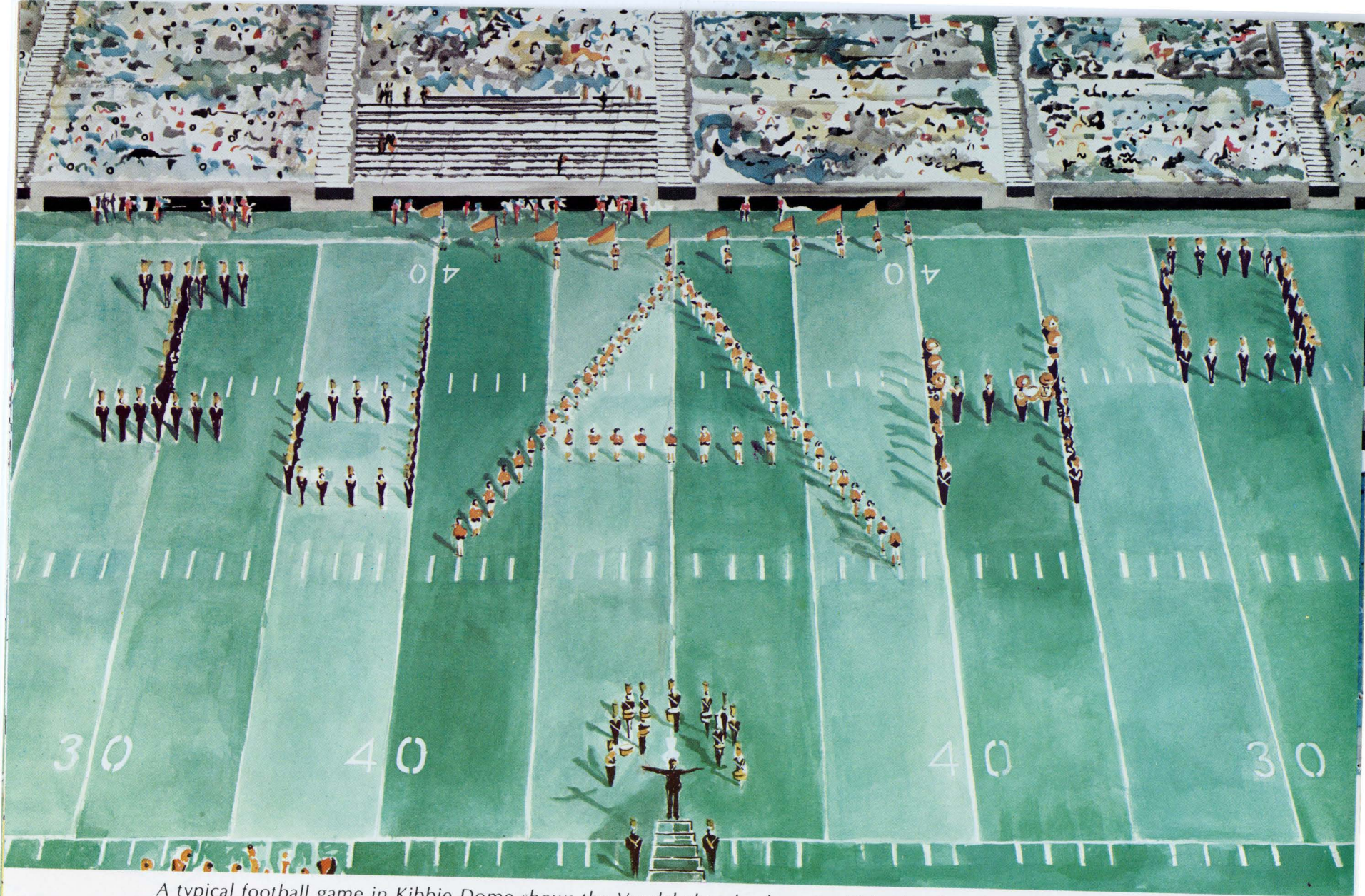
21 Idaho State U. Pocatello 8:00

27 No. Arizona **Moscow** 8:00

28 Weber State **Moscow** 8:00

basketball program. Recruitment of outstanding talent is the key ingredient of a successful basketball team. Our new facility compares favorably with most other facilities across the country. No longer will we hear the phrase, 'We play in a better high school gym!'"

Jim Jarvis
Head Basketball Coach



A typical football game in Kibbie Dome shows the Vandal cheerleaders, the Idaho band, Vandal Boosters and fans keeping up their enthusiasm during half-time. For the first time in Vandal history, these motions will not be for the secondary purpose of keeping warm!

"I Covered the Near-Misses"

By Harry Missildine
Sports Editor, The Spokesman-Review

The near-miss against heavy odds creates the most bitter aftermath in College Football.

In the days when J. Neil "Skip" Stahley coached the Vandals and I was privileged to cover many of the battles, the tough loss to the heavily-armed foe was all too symptomatic....especially in the mid and late '50s.

Players like Jerry Kramer and Wayne Walker came and went...to professional eminence...but those harrowing losses to giants persisted. There was, of course, the significant exception in Stahley's first year: the magnificent 10-0 '54 victory over Washington State.

Although that awesome win was not soon to be repeated, indeed, not for a decade; and the '55 and '56 seasons ended 2-7-0 and 4-5-0, the Vandals and their forthright expressive coach (Stahley was a former instructor of English literature) maintained an aura of frustrated grandeur...and a helluva lot of resiliency.

After a '57 season which saw the Vandals nipped by the Oregon Ducks 9-6, and sent Oregon on to the Rose Bowl, Stahley faced the loss of Kramer and Walker, end Larry Aldrich, quarterbacks Gary Kenworthy and Howard Willis, all of whom were graduating. And all that the Vandals and Stahley had to face in the season of '58 were an opener against Oregon, followed immediately in order by Missouri, Utah, Washington State, Oregon State and Arizona. This was to be the Vandals' final season of membership in the Pacific Coast Conference.

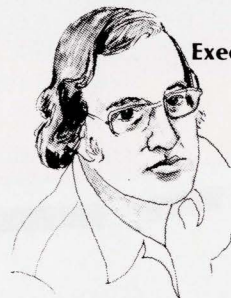


Harry Missildine

"In '71 We Were Champs"

By Bob Payne
Executive Sports Editor, The Spokesman-Review

"Write about the 1971 season," proposed Dave Cochran, UI sports information director. "...I look all the way through these records and I don't see any other championship seasons. Nothing else like that..."



Bob Payne

Cochran, who was not yet a Vandal in those days, probably looked twice to be sure the record was, indeed, 8-3. Archivists some day may assume it's a typographical error, 8-3 among all those 4-7's, 2-8's and occasional 5-5's.

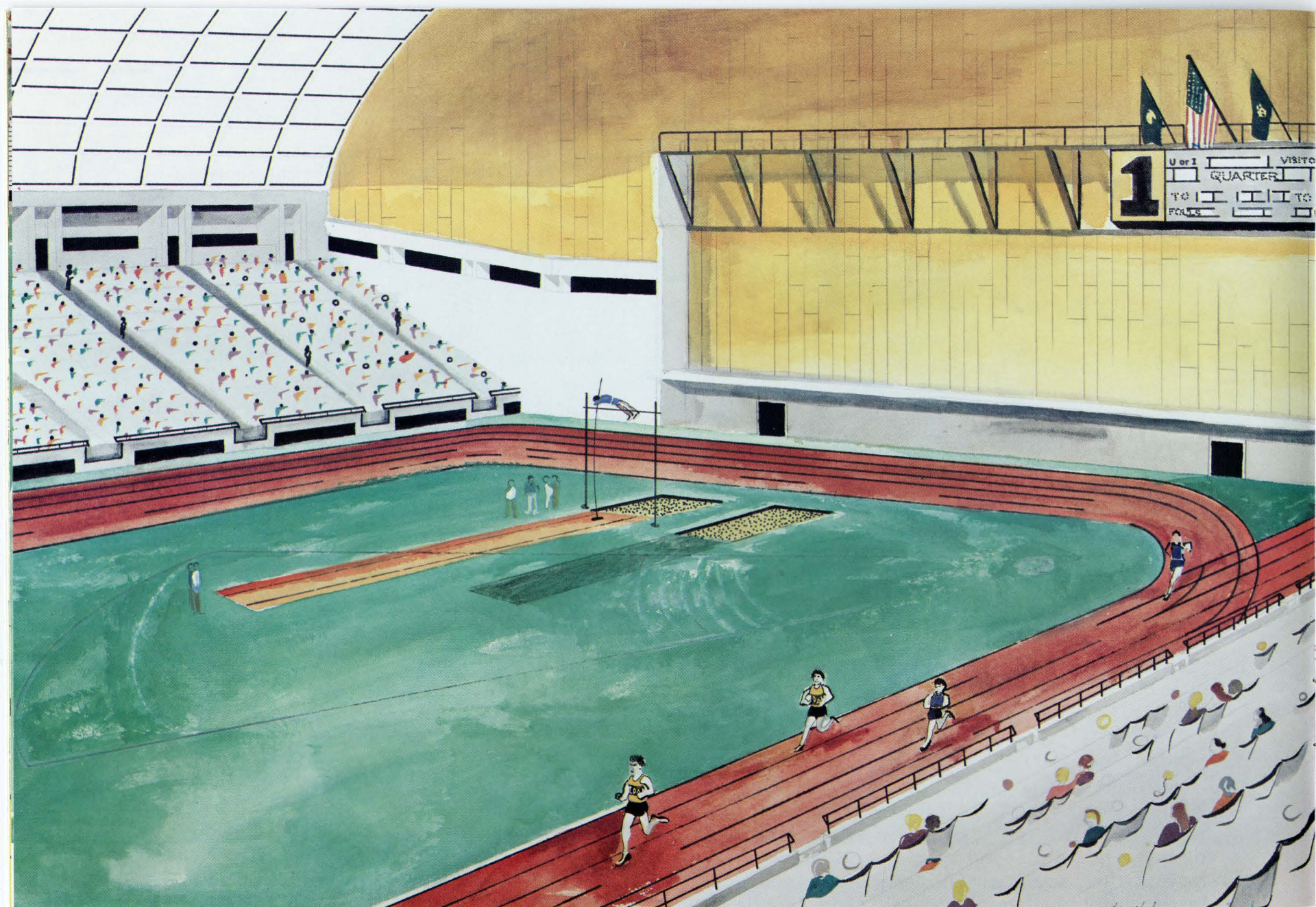
Even today, only four years later, that championship season is treated as remote; of another age.

But it happened. I was there...from shocking openers to crushing closer.

Twelve years of covering the Vandals hasn't been all gloom, but it's been more fun for us hangers-on than for the players. Good trips, good restaurants, good times...followed by sad plane rides home.

There were high points, certainly: successive victories over Washington State, even Bert Clark's "Cardiac Kids," in '64 and '65; record rampages by Ray McDonald and Jerry Hendren; monumental upsets like the 42-14 rout of Utah State in 1970 at Logan; or thrillers like the 22-21 escape from Boise State in 1972, behind freshman quarterback Dave Comstock.

1971 had its good trips. Great trips, they turned out, because the rides home were with a confident, winning team. There were high hopes to start that season. The program had pulled together after the



A 300-meter track, the longest indoor unbanked track in the world, makes Idaho's track facilities the best in the Northwest. It's a far cry from the late 60's when it was rumored that Doug McFarlane, then track coach, issued pontoons to his runners to get through the "Great Lake" a natural wonder located in the midst of the track. Usually just one meet a year was scheduled at home...in the late spring.

"We'll Attract the Best Athletes..."

"With a 300 meter track, indoors, the U of I's track program will attract some of the best athletes in the Northwest. We will benefit from the year 'round training especially during the inclement spring weather.

We are looking forward to hosting high school and professional track meets, too.

The University of Idaho should be very proud of its track facility...the longest unbanked permanent track in the world."

Michael W. Keller
Track Coach



Michael Keller

"In '71..." (con't)

rupture of 1970 and Y.C. McNease's abrupt departure, and the Vandals had won four of their last five in '70. Most of the stalwarts of the banner '68 and '69 recruiting crops were on hand...Ron Linehan, Frank Doctor, Andy Kupp, Rick Simmons, Rand Marquess, Ken Muhlbeier, Bill Cady, Steve Barker, to name several. And there were impressive newcomers such as Fred Riley, a super-quick halfback, and Rick Seefried, a brash sophomore quarterback.

It didn't start like the best season in Vandal history. The opener was unmitigated disaster: Boise State 42, Idaho 14. "A good old country kickin'," said Coach Don Robbins. The next week a more respectable 24-7 loss at Iowa State, for 0-2.

What happened then is a matter for eternal conjecture.

Seefried moved in at quarterback, for one thing, but didn't stay long. He was down with a knee injury two weeks later and in and out of the lineup after that.

The schedule wasn't laden with national powers

but all except Big Sky opponents were established in Division I. Four straight tough games were on the road, only two in Moscow.

Whatever the reasons, the Vandals didn't lose again for eight weeks, Colorado State helped by abandoning its pass offense at Spokane and relying solely on beer options and Lawrence McCutcheon's running. The Vandals stopped those, easily, and won 10-0 at Albi Stadium.

One or two wins don't make a "streak," but the surge really got started about 35 minutes into that next game, against Montana.

Montana had won two straight titles and hadn't lost a regular season game in three years: 23 straight. The Vandals gave up lots of yards but only one touchdown, led 7-6 at the half, fell behind 12-7 early in the third quarter when it seemed the Grizzlies finally were "getting going."

Not for long. Three plays after the kickoff, Seefried reversed momentum, permanently. This was

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Fire destroyed Neale Stadium on Nov. 23, 1969. It had been condemned the year before, after serving a long and useful life, from 1936. It was a victim of old age...and arson...and its demise forced the planning of the present facility.

'Twas the Birth of the Boosters

By LOUIS A. BOAS

It was in 1930 that J.M. O'Donnell, an Idaho freshman and member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity wrote what has since become the best known and most often sung Idaho "fight" song: "Go, Vandals Go." It was entered in that year's annual "Song Fest", a competition between the four classes with stunts, choruses, bands, etc. It won first prize for an original composition.

It should have been written a few years earlier, for then Idaho was "going" in athletics. Football and basketball victories have never come up to the percentages scored in the years immediately preceding 1930. O'Donnell now is a practicing Moscow attorney and piano buff. And not long after "Go, Vandals, Go" was written what little athletic subsidy money was available to help Vandal players quietly went down the drain.

Idaho was admitted to the Pacific Coast Conference (it long since has been out) in 1922. Its first season as a conference member, Idaho ended its football schedule with a 50-50 average. Idaho's first year in that conference also saw it win 21 basketball games and lose one, winning the Conference championship. The squad, coached by Dave McMillan, was sent as the Conference representative to the national championships at Indianapolis.

The next year the conference, for basketball, was divided into two divisions. Idaho won the northern division comprised of Washington, Oregon, WSU, OSU, Montana and Idaho. California won the southern division and the championship playoffs were to be the best two out of three — played at Moscow. Idaho won the first two and again was coast champion.

An oddity of these two basketball seasons was that five first team members were Moscow High School graduates — Al Fox, forward; his brother, Rich, guard; Oz Thompson and Ben Keane, centers; Ade Nelson, forward. Percy "Red" Styner, also of Moscow, was a substi-

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Louis A. Boas

Louis A. Boas, for fifty years has been one of the most vivid Vandal watchers in Idaho history.

Boas came to Moscow as editor and part-owner of the Daily Star Mirror, which was merged in 1939 with the News Review to form the Daily Idahonian. Boas remained editor of the Idahonian until his retirement in 1966.

Born in Ohio, he was raised in Boise and attended the U of I for five years, receiving a degree in chemical engineering in 1923. He was editor of the UI newspaper, the Idaho Argonaut and associate editor of the yearbook, Gem of the Mountains. He worked as a ghost writer for Westinghouse at Pittsburgh and was city editor of the Idaho Statesman before buying into the Moscow newspaper.

tute. Other stars were Harold Telford, Coeur d'Alene, Bill Gartin of Caldwell and Bob Fitzke of Wisconsin. Al Fox was named All-Coast forward in 1922 and again in 1923, and also that year an All-American forward.

In the closing minutes of the second game five Moscow natives were on the floor for the Vandals, staving off a desperate attempt by the Golden Bears to avert defeat — the two Fox brothers, Thompson, Nelson and Styner.

The football coach when Idaho entered the Coast conference was R.L. "Matty" Matthews. His record for the years he was here, five, was just about 50-50. Berkeley shivered when it defeated (in 1923) the Vandals in the closing minutes, 6-0, after Idaho was referred to by Bay area newspapers next day "as clearly the superior team." Idaho lost, that same fall, at Palo Alto, to Stanford, 3-0, with the Indians kicking a field goal in the closing seconds. Idaho also defeated WSC (now U), Oregon Agricultural College (now State College), Oregon, Montana and Nevada. Idaho and Gonzaga played to a scoreless tie.

Just after O'Donnell wrote his famous fight song the nation started entering its worst financial crisis in history — "the "depression" of the thirties, that saw bodies falling from New York skyscrapers almost daily in pace with plunging stock market prices. Thousands of once wealthy men sold apples on street corners of our major cities to earn a pittance. Unemployment insurance did not exist.

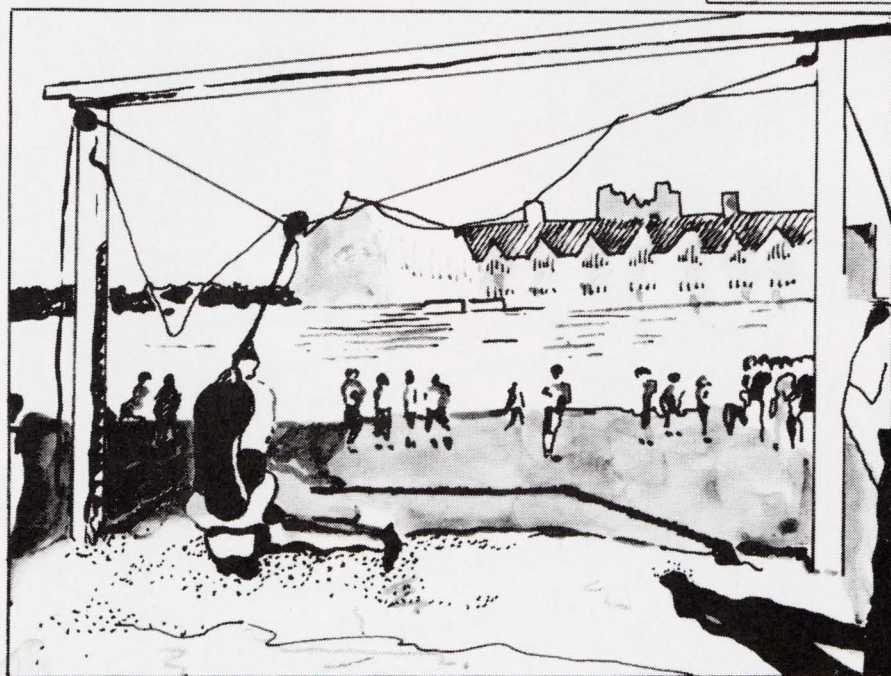
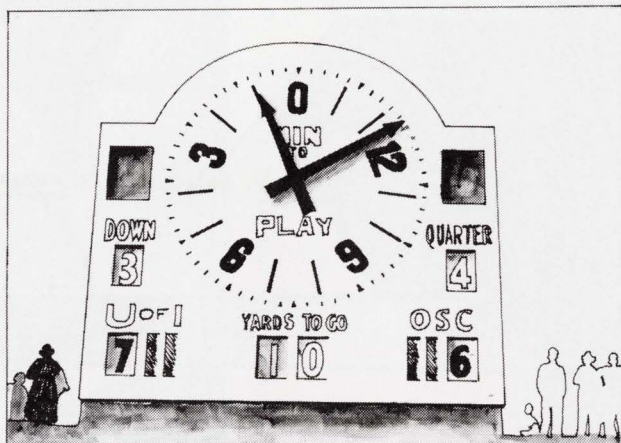
Leo Calland came to Idaho as football coach, succeeding Matthews, in 1929; about the same time Idaho also got a new president — Frederick James Kelly. He stayed only two years. But those were impressive years. For one thing, he believed in, and tried to enforce, only "purely amateur" athletics — no subsidies, no more jobs for athletes than for non-athletes. However, Calland saw to it, with the help of frater-

nities and sororities, and the two dormitories, Upham hall for men and Ridenbaugh hall for women, that football and basketball squad members got first choice for "hashing" and dishwashing jobs. They also got to earn a few dollars under what irregular help programs Calland could sneak by (the going wage was 35 cents an hour.) That, however, couldn't pay for a college education.

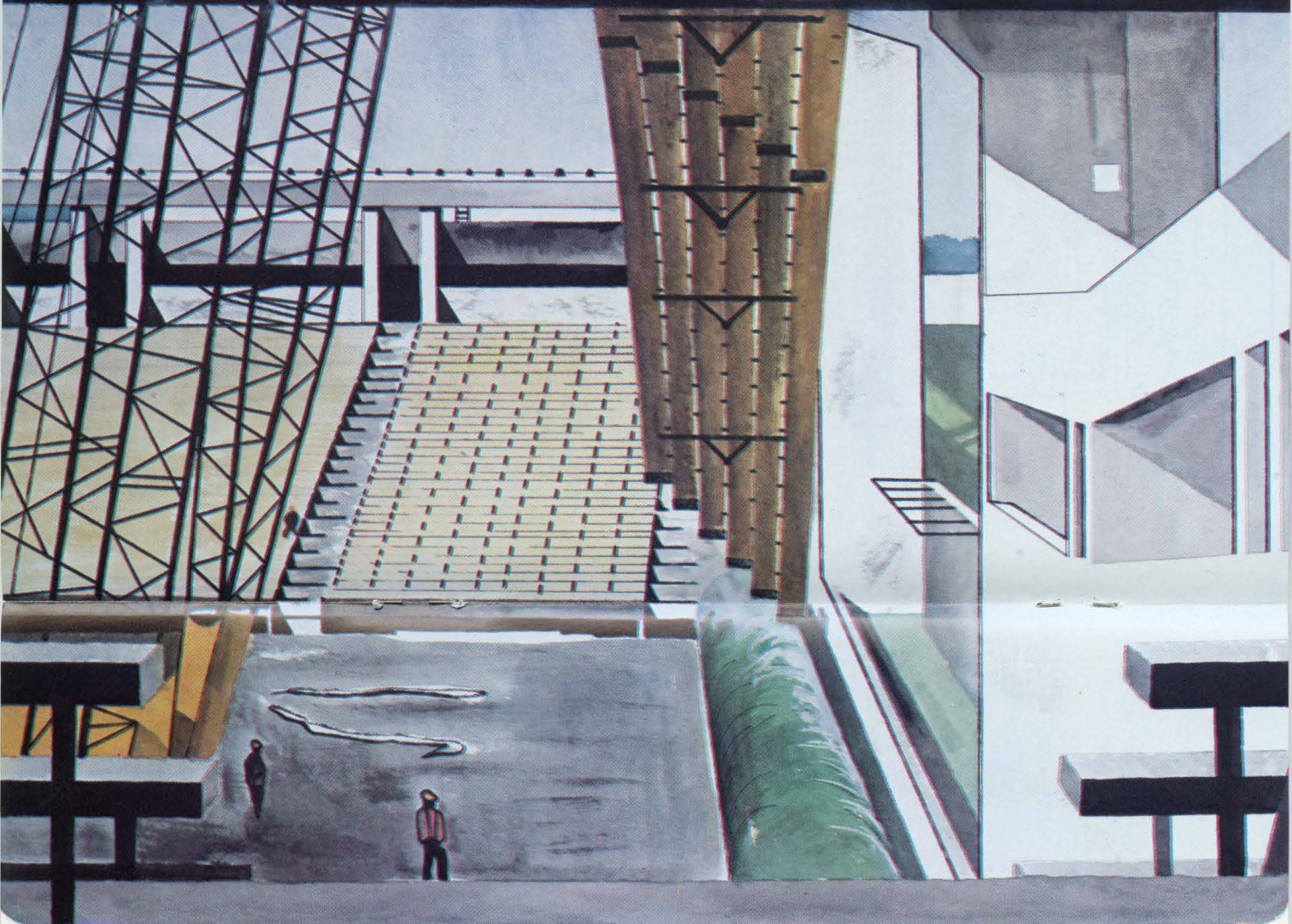
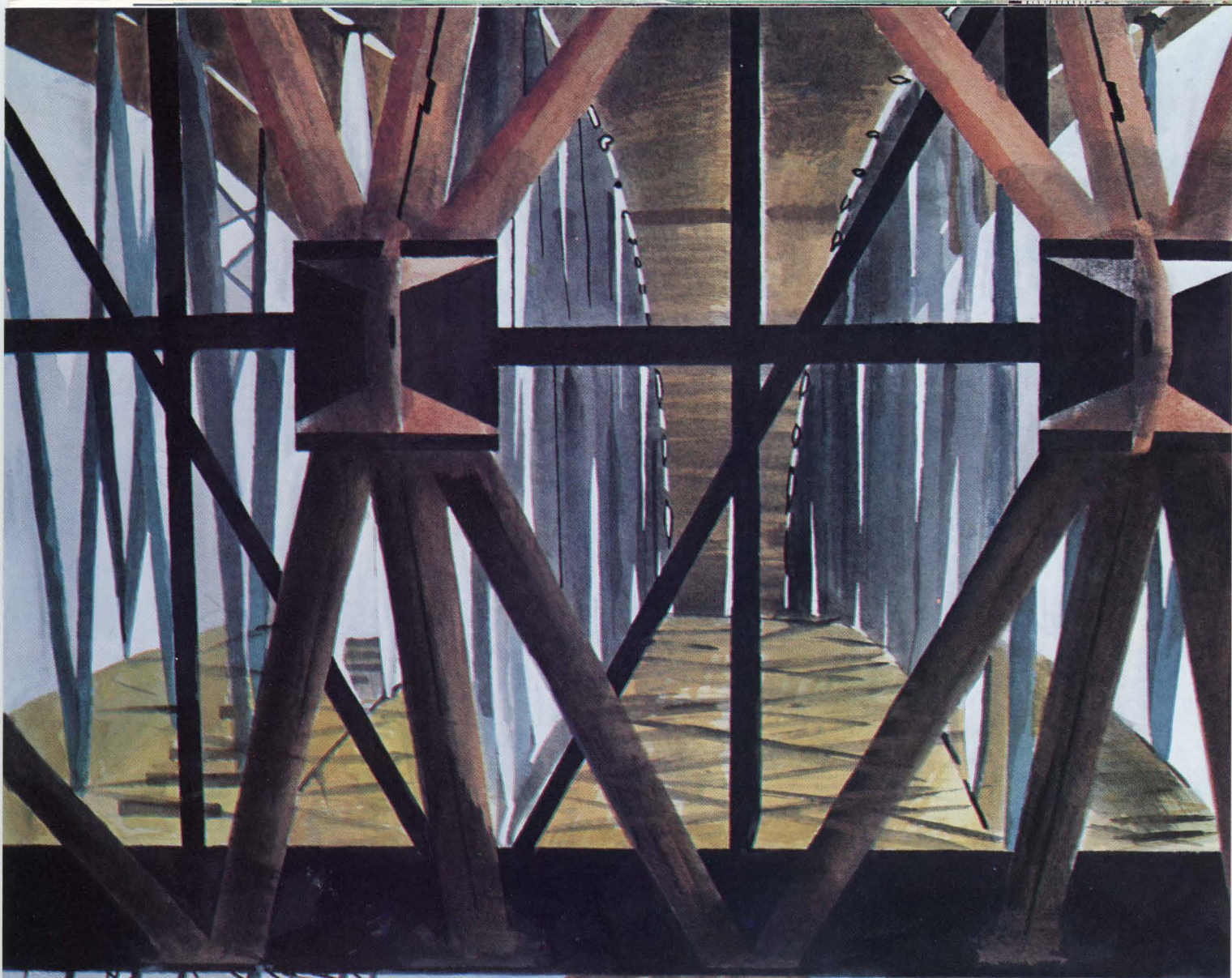
So Moscow businessmen, as they had many times before and have done since, got together to bridge the gap. They raised several thousand dollars to put at the disposal of the athletic department. It was a most informal arrangement. Earl David, one of three brothers in partnership with their father in Davids' store, Abe Goff, a retired Moscow attorney, congressman and member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and I, then editor of the Daily Star-Mirror (a predecessor of the Daily Idahonian) were the key movers. I was treasurer. Coach Calland, who also was Athletic Director, would give an athlete a "requisition" for work performed on or off campus. The athlete would bring this to me and receive "pay" for the work done. Much of the time the requisitions were for \$15, and seldom for more than \$20.

The football win-loss record under Calland was just about what it had been under Matthews. Idaho never was a power in the Coast conference, but it wasn't a doormat either. Idaho and Montana were voted out because games played here didn't compare in gate receipts with Conference desires. But the nation itself was going through the wringer. The legislature of 1933 proposed cutting the University's budget 24 per cent to \$1,127,332. January 20th all University salaries were cut 12 1/2 per cent. Bills were offered in Congress to triple the income tax rates. Unemployment skyrocketed. When the University finally got its budget bill passed and signed by Gov. C. Ben Ross it called

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September 25, 1937, brought the Vandals a 7-6 victory over Oregon State in the first game played in brand-new Neale Stadium. Looking over the new facility, above left, were two former U of I presidents, Mervin G. Neale, for whom the stadium was named, and James A. MacLean, for whom MacLean Field, Neale Stadium's predecessor, was named. MacLean field, shown lower left as it looked in the days of Charlie Erb's coaching, was located west of Neale Stadium and the present Kibbie Dome, behind Memorial Gymnasium. The Administration can be seen in the background.



It was a big day for local sidewalk supervisors as the first joist was lifted into place for the new roof. This view shows the inner iron structure and end piece of the joist.

Long-Awaited Roof is Crowning Glory

Located on the site of the old Neale Stadium, the William H. Kibbie-ASUI Activity Center was begun Feb. 3, 1971, when ground was broken for the first phase of construction.

Not officially named yet, the "new Idaho stadium" was used for its first football game, with the Vandals pitted against, and defeating, Idaho State 40-3. This game was played, however, with just the blue sky and a very hot sun overhead.

The stadium was constructed according to a long range plan, which included, optimistically, a roof. Roof supports were built into the first phase.

With the dedication of Kibbie Dome, construction still is not finished. A Varsity Center, containing dressing rooms, storage, lockers and a lounge area, will be built in the future, when funds have been obtained.

The Kibbie Center seats 18,000, with room in the end sections for another 5,000 seats. It has the first completely removable turf, and, with the completion of this phase, suitable surfaces for other sports can be uncovered simply by rolling up the football field.

The roof itself is of beams of laminated wood on frameworks of tubular steel. The arches span 400 feet, side to side, and the center height from football field to underside of the roof is 144 feet.

Enclosed in the mammoth structure are slightly more than four acres, and a fourteen-story building could stand inside.

The ceiling is composed of "clouds" of accoustical tile, designed to quiet sports noise to an acceptable indoor level, and to go a step further: to achieve speech intelligibility and satisfactory acoustics for convocations, plays, concerts and other auditorium-type gatherings.

The "clouds" 800 of them, are suspended separately about three feet below the roof structure. Each unit contains 144 square feet of surface area, composed of four-foot square grids of highly absorptive material framed in steel. Close coordination was necessary between the accoustical firm in Washington which designed the "clouds" and the general contractors to achieve the accoustical criteria established by sound consultants. The result is a workable installation both structurally and aesthetically from sound and appearance standpoints.

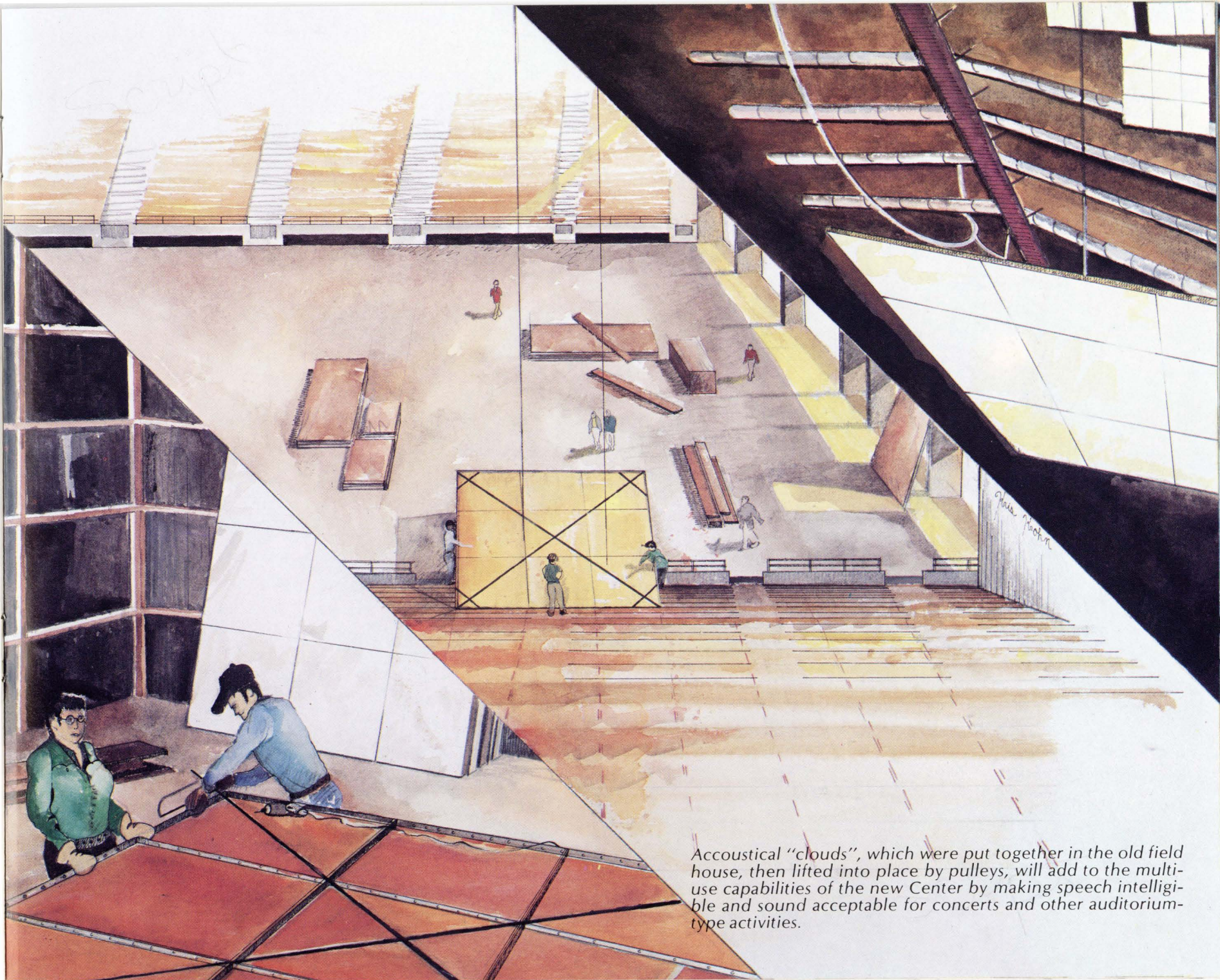
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The stadium's unique design features sound-deadening surfaces other than the accoustical tile, too. The end walls have a wood slat-like interior which allows absorption of sound; the plywood pallets of the ceiling, above the tiles, allow movement of air and sound between them, and the sound bounces back into the upper sides of the "clouds" which also are sound-absorptive.

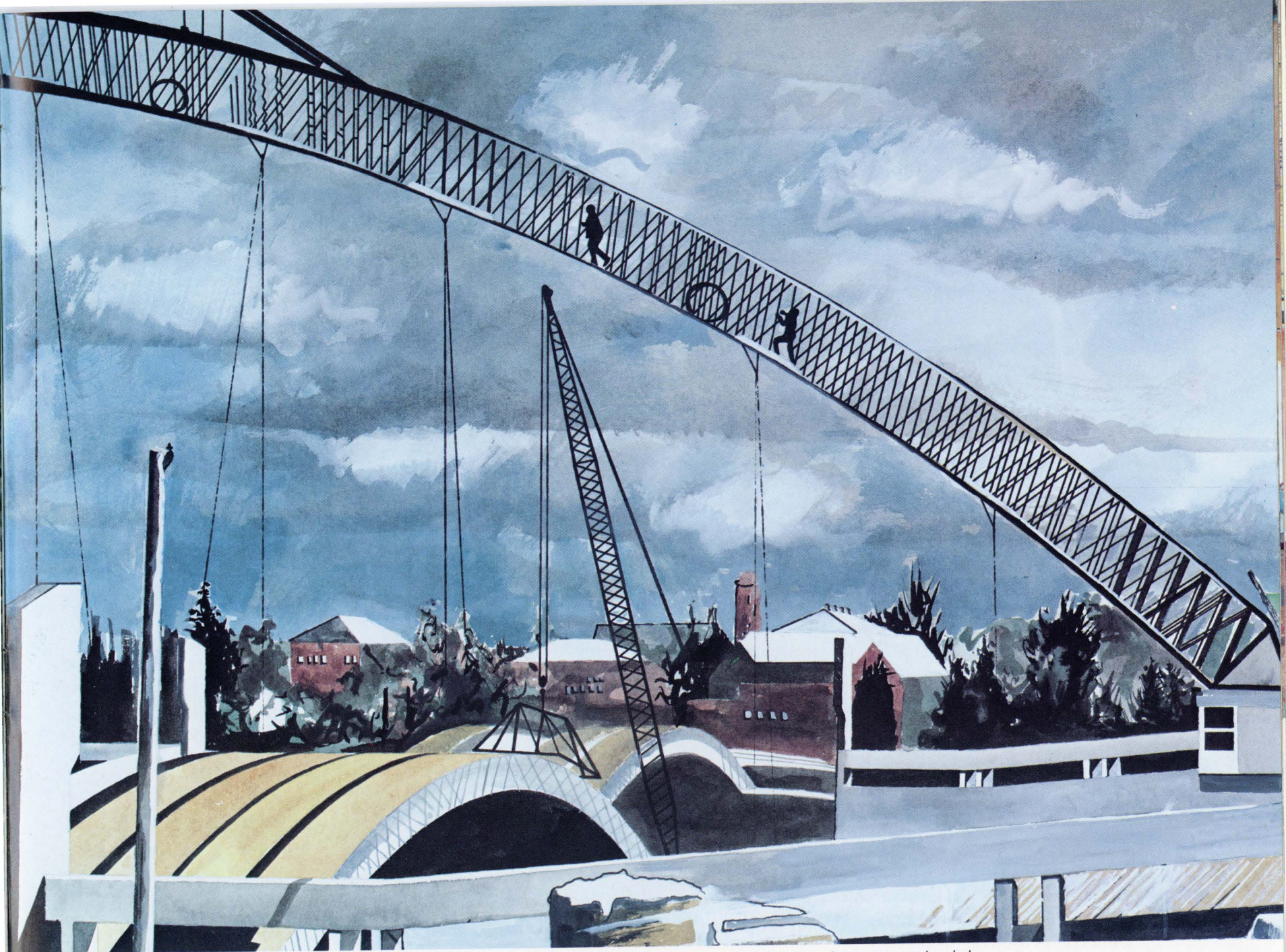
Safety features are abundant in the structure. Aisles are comfortably wide and seating is at an angle which allows good viewing from every seat in the house, but at a reasonable pitch for easy accessibility. Concourses are designed so even the disabled, on crutches or in wheelchairs, can attend games with little inconvenience.

First aid rooms are located on either side of the stadium, and more are planned for the end expansions. There are firehoses in all four corners of the field and five located on the concourses. All wiring and motors are enclosed and a circuit-breaker system is utilized. Architect Glen Cline says safety came first, even on the limited budget. Cline said the Micro-lam material of the roof was informally tested on the site to check its "fire-proof" claims, and more than passed the test in his estimation. "Wood will withstand more intense heat than exposed steel as is used in many similar facilities," he said, explaining that steel arches could bend under the stress of intense heat. Cline said wind tunnel tests were performed at Purdue University to make sure the roof could withstand the high winds of the Palouse...and the beams were tested for their ability to withstand unusually heavy snow loads.



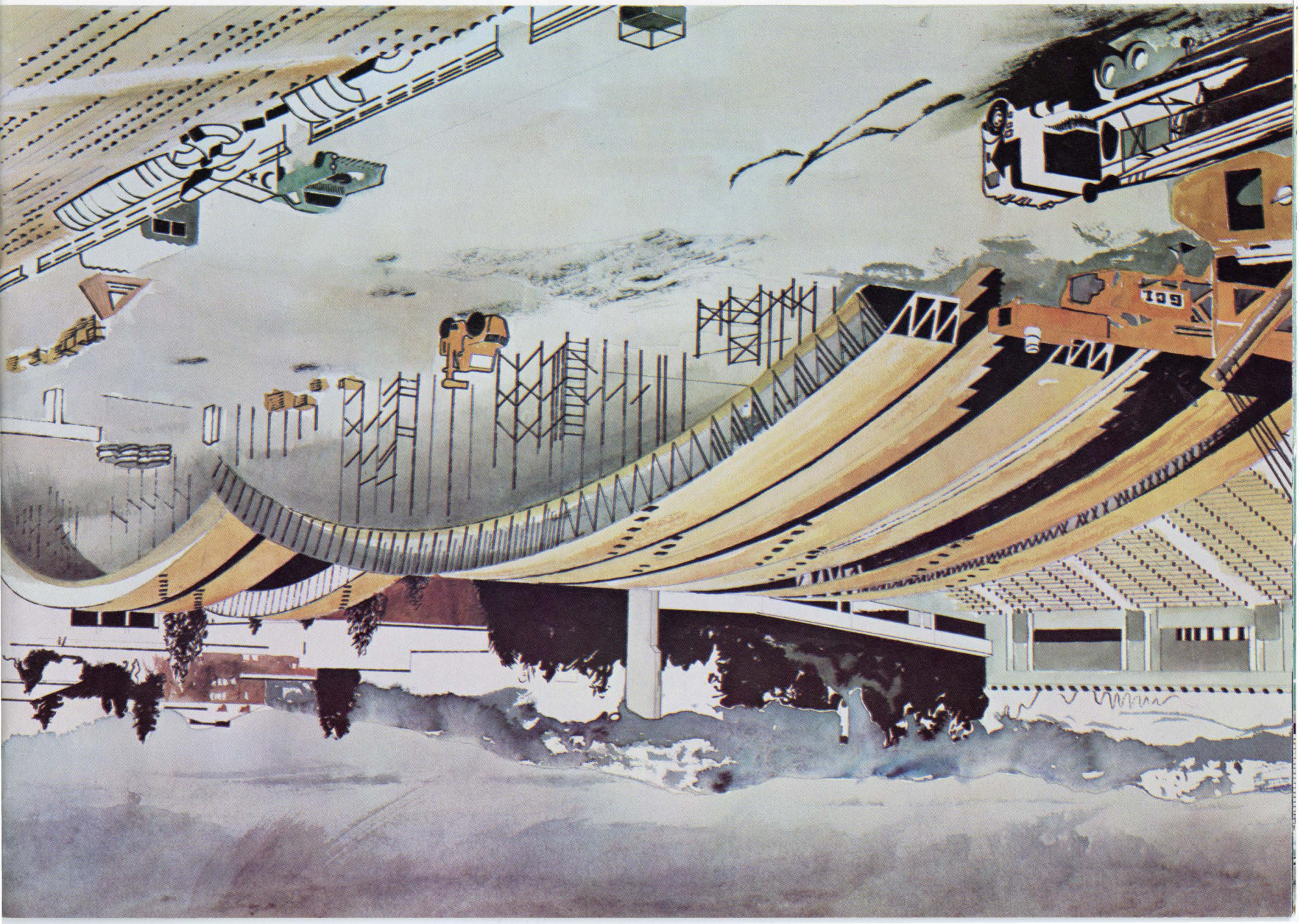
Accoustical "clouds", which were put together in the old field house, then lifted into place by pulleys, will add to the multi-use capabilities of the new Center by making speech intelligible and sound acceptable for concerts and other auditorium-type activities.





A cloudy Palouse sky...threatening the day's work. But it won't threaten the sports schedules anymore.

An overall view of the busy construction site shows joists ready and waiting for their rides upward by means of the giant cranes used on the job.



'71 Champs (Con't from page 11)

the last game he ever played on two sound knees and that was important...from third-and-five at his 36, he ran all the way on a pass-run option, eluding, faking, outrunning.

On the sidelines, in convoy, was his Central Valley High School coach, Charlie Dean. Both made it to the goalline untouched. Idaho led, and, a fumble recovery and quick drive later, won 21-12.

So, the Vandals had gone on the road, come from behind, beaten the reigning Big Sky power. They were off...and now it was win-a-week.

Seefried was hurt but the Vandals, jacked up, crushed Idaho State 40-3 in the dedication game of not-yet-complete "new Idaho Stadium." At Stockton, they fell behind Pacific 12-10 with five minutes to go, drove back calmly behind Tom Ponciano's quarterbacking and won on Pancho Castillo's field goal with 46 seconds left.

West Texas State's wishbone didn't even threaten as Idaho breezed 26-0, but Seefried was hurt again. A week later, it was New Mexico State at Las Cruces: 19-14 with six minutes left when Ponciano put together a drive that controlled the ball for the rest of the game.

The streak now was six and the Big Sky title was back on Vandal minds. Boise had beaten Montana but lost to Weber State. Montana beat Weber. And the Vandals now visited at Ogden, where they had never won before.

Seefried was back but Ponciano quarterbacked as Idaho led 14-0, later 17-14, finally fell back 20-17. So Seefried hobbled into action.

Rick promptly drove the Vandals to the Weber

15 but protection collapsed and he coughed up a goalline interception. On the sidelines, Seefried threw down his helmet and berated line coach Don Matthews. Weber had the ball with two minutes left.

First, defense, with Linehan's "Wild Bunch", forced a punt with 1:05 to go. Then it was up to offense, 63 yards away. Seefried couldn't reach Riley on a long sideline pattern. With less than a minute left, it was second-and-10. The play came from the bench and seemed surprising: a short hook pass to co-capt. Jack Goddard, not even enough for a first down. Goddard was wrapped up by the cornerback. And then the action started.

At full tilt, Riley emerged from the backfield. Goddard got the ball away and Riley, at the 40, had the lateral. It was the "flea flicker," one of football's most cherished trick plays, saved for super-crucial moments. This was one of those.

Riley outran all pursuit past the now-hysterical Vandal bench. He hit the goalline with 43 seconds to play.

That one play is my candidate for the single most exciting in Vandal history. It pulled out a victory, beat a jinx, extended a streak and won a championship. It so excited this reporter that I omitted the score in my first transmission!

A week later it became eight straight and championship, 40-2 over Montana State. A week after that, Utah State put a crushing end to the streak, 42-13.

So there we finished...Vandals, coaches, fans and hangers-on, back down on Earth. Been here ever since...but those eight glorious weeks remain indelible memories no other Idaho season can match.





A horse show or rodeo are events which could be scheduled in the Kibbie Dome with proper protective surfaces temporarily installed. With world headquarters of the Appaloosa Horse Club located at Moscow, such an event as the one shown at left is a feasibility! The club, which has 60,000 registered owners of over 100,000 Appaloosa horses, holds annual shows all over the United States and Canada. Another event which could be held in the new facility is a circus, as pictured above. Educational seminars, conventions, expositions, concerts, ice-skating shows . . . the uses for the structure are practically unlimited. Such events will be scheduled only when the facility is not needed for student activities, and fees will help defray costs of maintaining the facility.

"It is, before all else, part of an institution of higher learning."

"Realization of the highest potential possible for the many ways this impressive structure can be used will be the goal of the stadium staff.

"In the short time I have been in Moscow I have been very impressed by the University staff, the students, the community and the people of Idaho. Their foresight in making this center possible for the many publics who will be using and enjoying these facilities is commendable.

"The stadium board, the entire University staff and student body and I will dedicate ourselves toward using the facility for the greatest benefit to the most persons, keeping in mind that the structure is, before all else, a part of an institution of higher learning."

Dennis Hedges
Stadium Manager



Dennis Hedges

Dennis Hedges, Kibbie-ASUI Activities Center manager, was interviewed and selected by the Stadium Board during the past summer to manage the dome. His appointment was then made by UI President Ernest Hartung.

Hedges was assistant athletic director of Oregon State University for nine years prior to this appointment. In the early '60s he was assistant admissions control supervisor of the Memorial Coliseum at Portland, Ore. Later he became second assistant manager of the Portland Civic Stadium at Portland. He left there in 1966 to take the Oregon State position.

One of Hedges' main responsibilities will be the scheduling of events within the dome. He also will oversee operation of the stadium, concessions and maintenance.

"The student board is the voice responsible..."

Upon completion of the W.H. Kibbie-ASUI Activity Center, the U of I enters a major phase of student recreation and education.

We now have the finest college facility of its type in the country. Not only will it benefit enormously the already outstanding intramural and life sport programs, but it also will handle varied activities such as concerts and commencement. The flexible seating configuration, augmented by portable bleachers, will allow seating for over 30,000 in a concert-hall arrangement.

A real plus for the students is the trust and responsibility placed in them by the University administration and the Board of Regents. The student board screened and recommended applicants for the vital position of stadium manager, and will be the voice responsible to U of I President Ernest Hartung for suggestions of policy and procedures for the facility.

One of the most exciting things is that the six-month winters of the Palouse can be ignored. Nine court areas, each able to accommodate tennis, basketball, badminton, can be used at one time. Joggers need have no fear of unfriendly dogs or hostile cars!

Moscow has the potential of becoming a major entertainment center for the Pacific Northwest. ASUI Entertainment Director Ed Gladder claims, after conducting research, that Idaho has the largest indoor college concert facility in the country, and the fifth largest overall. He estimates that gross ticket sales for concerts could easily double those of football and basketball combined. A major national act could attract fans from as far east as Missoula, from southern Idaho, the Spokane area and the Tri-Cities, he believes.

Only time will show what other events can be held in the Kibbie-ASUI Activity Center. But students, alumni and friends of the University can look with excitement at the unlimited horizon.



John Hecht



Gregg Lutman



Mark Beatty



Betsy Brown



Erv Brown

Women's Athletics, PE Enhanced By Versatility of New Stadium

"Expanding intramural activities will have a freer schedule as the new Women's Health Education Building is freed for more exclusive use by the women!"

The impact of the Kibbie Dome upon Women's sports and recreation will be indirect because the women's facility has been shared with men in recreation and intramural programs.

Some physical education classes will be held in the dome...and field sports such as handball, soccer and flag football, which are often rained out, will have an indoor alternative. Women's field hockey, track and tennis practice can be held in the dome. The women's basketball teams plan a couple of co-feature basketball games preceding the men's games this year, too.

Kibbie Center will be invaluable during the long winter, when both existing gyms are overcrowded with students seeking noontime, evening and weekend recreation."

Edith Betts
Chairman, Women's Physical Education



Edith Betts



Kathy Clark

"The performance and visibility of the UI women's athletic program will be greatly enhanced by this tremendous new addition to the UI athletic complex. It will attract student-athletes, further expanding our women's intercollegiate sports program and will provide all-weather practice for many sports. It also will attract district and regional tournament action to our area, which will be beneficial to the business community as well as to the University."

Kathy Clark
Head of Women's Athletics





An ecstatic Coach Stahley is congratulated after a big win over Washington State in 1954.

Stahley's Near-Misses

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But Stahley reflected his normal, realistic optimism. He had some good people coming back, some good young ones coming up.

"Maybe we haven't got the greatest football team in the world," said the Skipper as the Oregon opener drew near, "but we don't believe anybody's going to beat us until we see it on the scoreboard."

It was visible up there after the opener at Eugene: Oregon 27-Idaho 0.

Though the football schedule was heavy that second football Saturday in '58, I chose to cover the Idaho-Missouri game, thinking it would be a good chance to see my old school in Columbia.

"Your guys are tough," confided Stahley during the charger flight, "but not impossible."

They weren't "my guys" by then, of course. As

a Stahley friend and admirer and with stronger than normal sportswriter-to-jock associations with Vandals like Johnny Roussos, Jim "Flamingo" Norton, Kenny Hall, Jim Prestel, Joe Espinoza and June Hanford, I was hoping for an Idaho miracle...a smashing of the near-miss bugaboo.

Those players and many others stand out sharply in memory. Norton, with whom I founded the American Bird Legs Society, went on to play for Houston as a defensive back and must have spent a decade in pro football.

Prestel, who doubled as a fine center for Harlan Hodges' basketballers, was another guy headed for pro gridiron success at tackle.

Another pro-to-be was Stan Fanning, from Pullman, who emerged as a true gladiator after four years with Stahley after a slow beginning.

A real unforgettable was Bob "the killer" Dehlinger, with china-blue eyes and an outright revulsion for the sight of a wrong-colored jersey coming toward him. He played slot-flanker and cornerback and was one tough Jose. He broke a hand one year, which didn't interfere with his football much, but the cast was still on when deer season came. With a nice buck in his sights, and the cast hampering his trigger finger, he smashed the cast against a rock and bagged his deer.

So on to Mizzou and the upshot was only too familiar. Missouri 14, Idaho 10. But Stahley's prediction, made after the Oregon game, that "We'll have a good ballclub before this season is over" came true. The '58 season finished at 4-5-0, excellent in terms of the schedule.

That Missouri game was a gut-grinder. Devine's game plan, innocent of frills, was simple. He was going to run at Idaho, especially inside, until Idaho tired and then he was going to fourth-quarter 'em.

Basic football: no nonsense in Devine's coaching debut for the Missouri fans. Stahley was ready, and his plan was Missouri's...inside out: to defend hard against the run, to throw the football on occasions of opportunity rather than despair, to exploit the kicking game and to hang in and hope.

Don Faurot, former great Missouri coach, then athletic director, watched the game from the press box, a few seats from me. As they warmed up, Don asked me to name some of the tougher Vandals.

"That little slotback down there, Dehlinger, for one," I suggested.

Soon after the kickoff, a short wide pass went to Dehlinger. As he reached for the ball, a tough, hard-knockin' Missouri fullback reached Dehlinger and there was an awful smack. The football and what seemed to be portions of Dehlinger flew everywhere. The crowd bayed approval and Faurot glanced at me quizzically.

So Idaho punted and on Missouri's first play, here came the fullback. And here came Dehlinger knifing through blockers. There was an awful smack and the ball came loose but a Mizzou guy recovered and the crowd keened in relief as the dazed fullback wobbled off to his bench.

Faurot looked my way and smiled, tapped his temple with a forefinger in approval of my scouting report.

I shall never forget Stahley's words to his team on the bus ride from Columbia to the airport at Kansas City.

There was gloom on the bus...silence...some comments on bad breaks, bad calls. Stahley was silent, head in hand and hurtin'...until the nattering began. He cleared his gravel throat and hoisted himself into the aisle.

"Listen up! You're going to take some belts like

this in life, too. It doesn't happen only in football. You'll think you're a winner and all of a sudden you're a loser! It's what you do after you get belted that counts.

"And remember this: any resemblance between this team and the one which played Oregon last week is purely coincidental."

So here we are in September, 1975. Idaho is dedicating its handsome and most useful dome. Luck to you, Vandals. More than you had 17 years ago. And if you hit like those guys I watched, you'll have it!



Boosters (Con't. from page 14)

for an appropriation for only \$1,078,110 for the general fund.

I had deposited the athletic aid fund in the Moscow State bank — just a half block from my office. It was deposited under the name of "The Kelly Estate", a figment of David's imagination "in honor", as he put it, of F.J. Kelly, the president who would have died had he thought any athlete was receiving financial aid.

But banks were failing all over the country as the depression spread — and Feb. 24, 1933, the Moscow State Bank folded — with all the athletic aid funds in it. The name "Kelly Estate" was used in making the deposits because Conference rules on aid to athletes were very strict, and the conference commission was in the habit of dropping in without warning every so often to check up, and audit, the athletic funds.

Depositors of the bank were asked to file claims for their deposits, each claimant to receive his prorated portion as liquidation proceeded. So I sought to file for "The Kelly Estate.", But it wasn't all that simple to get the claim accepted for what turned out to be, about three years later, repayment of a bit less than 50 per cent of all deposits.

The bank liquidator, sent here from the State Department of Finance at Boise, said that before any claim could be accepted I would have to produce certified copies of my appointment as administrator of the estate, copies of letters of administration, a copy of any existing will, an inventory of the full estate, etc., etc. How do you argue that an "estate" isn't an "estate"?

The liquidator was adamant. And so correspondence opened with the State Finance Department at Boise — and letters went back and forth, reinforced by several personal trips.

Adding to the problem was the requirement, on the part of the Moscow group, for secrecy. If the conference commissioner found out about the "estate" and that money had been paid athletes without a record in the athletic office or the University business office, the University could face stiff Conference and AAU penalties, including fines, probation, cancelled schedules, and other indignities plus publicity for a nonconforming athletic aid program.

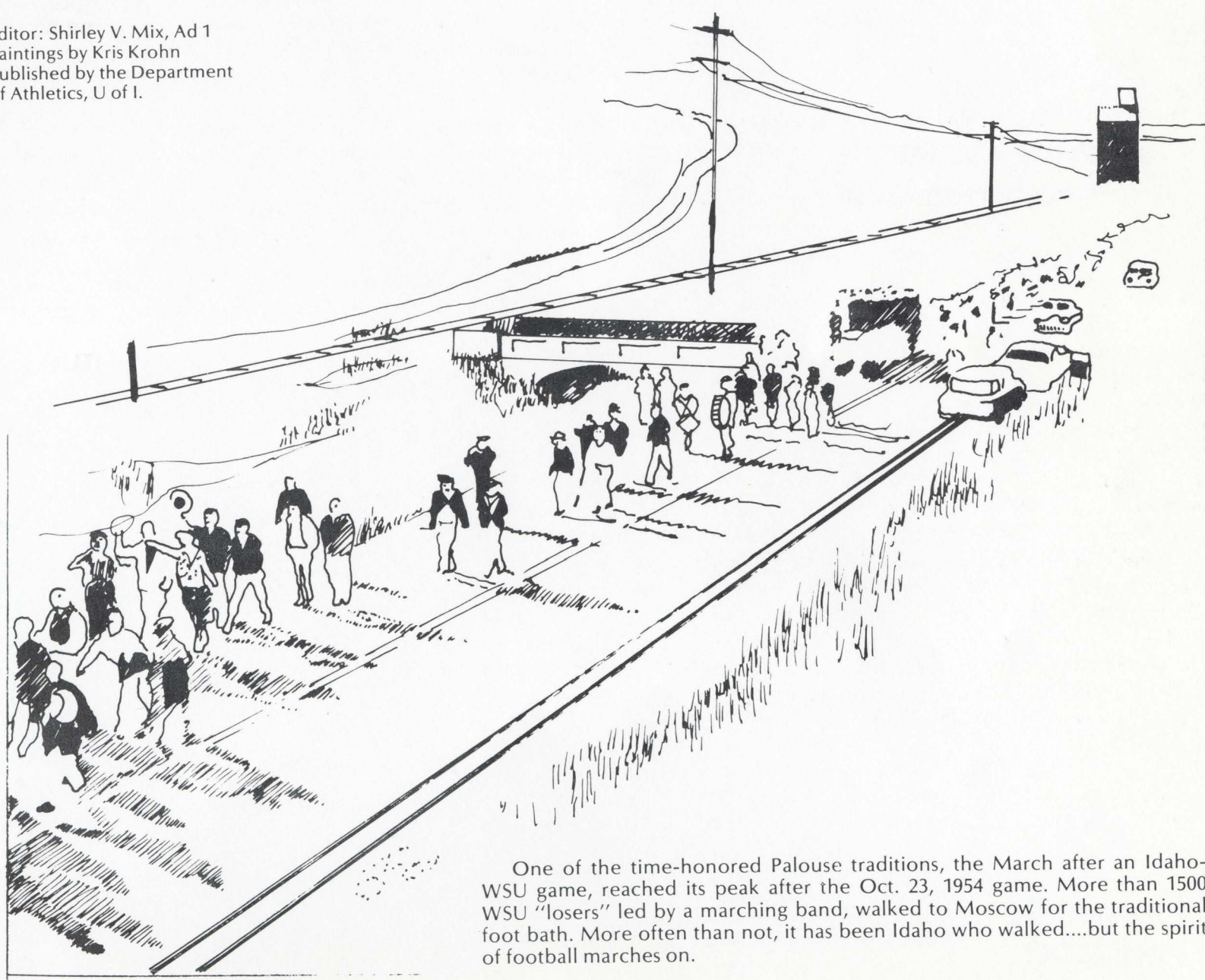
All's well that ends well. The finance commissioner at Boise finally was willing to accept the fact that the "estate" wasn't an estate, kept all the correspondence secret and notified the liquidator in Moscow to accept the claim for payment of liquidated assets. The conference commissioner never became the wiser.

Only a few days after the Moscow State Bank closed the (then) First National Bank (part of a Spokane-based banking chain) closed. And when Franklin D. Roosevelt took office as President early in March one of his first acts was to order all banks in the nation to close, to be reopened, one at a time, after liquidity and safety were established by audits by federal or state examiners.

And somehow Idaho athletics limped along on a little bit less athletic aid than they would have liked — and "The Kelly Estate," now long forgotten, grew into the successful, and growing, state Vandal Booster organization.

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One of the time-honored Palouse traditions, the March after an Idaho-WSU game, reached its peak after the Oct. 23, 1954 game. More than 1500 WSU "losers" led by a marching band, walked to Moscow for the traditional foot bath. More often than not, it has been Idaho who walked....but the spirit of football marches on.

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