Outdoors

Winter loses its chill with UI program

The Vandal men's basketball team will square off against the ISU Bengals at the Kibbie Dome tonight at 8 p.m. See page 7.

UI graduate art students are displaying their latest endeavors at the gallery until Feb. 13. See review on page 10.

Tuesday

The operating hours and restrictions on the weightroom have been changed to be more agreeable to all lifters. See page 3.
Campus

High-school office moves to SUB

By Kathy Amidel Staff Writer

The University of Idaho High-School Junior College Relations office is once again on the move, this time to the main office of the SUB in mid-February.

The advantages of the new location are numerous, according to Mary Magruder McFadden, assistant to the director of the program.

The SUB is one of the major stops on campus tours, and the convenience gained by moving the High School Relations office there is enormous, she said. The SUB not only offers a better parking area and easier access to the rest of the campus than the old location in the Alumni Center, but also provides prospective students with a more realistic view of campus life.

"The best recruiters we have are the students," said office director Jim Barnes.

The center, which has served as home base for about two years, was less formal than the Administration Building it had been for the office, but was also less visible and harder to find. This hopefully will change with the move to the SUB, McFadden said.

The move will provide the office with a much-needed spillover area and an opportunity to make use of numerous conference rooms nearby, enabling the staff to hold briefings for the larger groups that are currently hard to accommodate.

In addition, the move will give more visibility and accessibility to student functions such as the ASUI, The Gem of the Mountains, and the Argonaut to prospective students.

Once which will allow an administration office into the student-run SUB, the office had concerned about possible negative reception. With all its advantages, the idea could still have been laid to rest by the students if they had decided that they didn't like it, Barnes said. It passed the final inspection, however, and reception has been good, he said.

Each year about 2,000 prospective students and their families visit the University of Idaho from various high schools. And the High School Relations office will deal directly with virtually all of them. In addition, the office deals indirectly with those who come for programs like the Jazz Festival and summer music camp, all together around 7,000.

Although the High School Relations and the Alumni Center staffs have worked well together, their clientele is quite different, and the prospective students will probably feel more comfortable in the new location, said McFadden.

Credit Union opens to students

Students at the University of Idaho now have a new banking option. The university Federated Credit Union, which was previously open only to university staff and graduate students opened its membership to the remaining student body last fall.

To acquire membership a student must be registered in a program at the university. Part time students without a declared major are not eligible.

The application procedure is typical of other banking institutions. There is a 25 cent membership fee and a $5 fee to open a share account.

The credit union has been established since 1969 and is located in room 105 of the Continuing Education Building.

Records

Kelly Johnson reported Wednesday that unknown persons removed a calculator from a storage area in the Wallace Complex. The calculator was valued at $180.

A vehicle driven by Martin Herrick, Moscow, was involved in a hit and run accident early Thursday morning. The vehicle, which was legally parked, was struck by an unknown vehicle in UI parking lot 27 on Idaho Avenue. Damage to his vehicle was $500.

Jim Davis, Gault Hall, reported that someone broke into his vending machine in the Upham lounge early Thursday morning. The thief prised the door of the machine open and removed an undetermined amount of food and money.

Ami-seh, Moscow, was cited for following too closely Friday after his motor collided with a vehicle driven by Katherine Beyer-Nemser, 25, Moscow. Ami-seh apparently hit Beyer-Nemser's vehicle while she was stopped on Sixth Street waiting to make a left turn onto Almon Street. Damage to Ami-seh's vehicle was estimated at $200 and Beyer-Nemser's at $500.

Anna Jean Flomer, Moscow, told police Friday morning that unknown persons removed a table from Willis Sweet lounge. Value of the table was estimated at $100.

Jeffrey Keith Adams, 23, and Carl Eicher Greene, 25, both of Moscow, were involved in a two-car-injury accident Friday. Greene was cited for failure to observe and obey a red light after his vehicle struck Adams' at the intersection of Sixth and Jackson Streets. Adams' vehicle suffered $500 damage and $600 damage was done to Greene's vehicle.

Omaris Ostos, Moscow, reported the removal of a Huffy Pro Hunter boy's bicycle from her residence on Lauderdale Street Saturday.

Tracy Hague, Moscow, reported the theft of a Pioneer cassette deck and several cassettes from his vehicle Sunday. The vehicle was parked in UI parking lot 17. The value of the items was estimated at $50.

Robert Leroy Rose and Margaret Wade Stevens, both of Moscow, were involved in a two-car, no injury accident Jan. 24. Rose's vehicle was tagged outbound on Third St, when the car Stevens was driving struck the other vehicle which was left making a turn. Stevens was cited for no insurance and failure to yield turning left.

Police found a woman's Motobecane 10-speed bicycle outside the Delta Tau Delta fraternity Jan. 25. The bicycle was described as silver with black trim and a black seat.

On the cover:

Two skiers, on this past weekend's Outdoor Program trip to the Palouse, ski along a ridgeon the Colfax trail. Photo by M. Stewart.
Events

Tuesday, Feb. 1.
... The Women's Center brownbag lunch talk (at 12:30 p.m.) today features Terry Armstrong, executive assistant to the president, with a program entitled "Right Brain, Left Brain." Armstrong will discuss his research into the functions of the right and left hemispheres of the brain. The program is open to the public.
... Phi Beta Lambda meets for a social and to welcome new members tonight. The 6:30 p.m. meeting is in the SUB/EE-De-Ho Room.
... The Campus Christian Center's noon Bible study continues today.

Wednesday, Feb. 2.
... MECHA holds a general meeting at 7:30 p.m., Continuing Ed. 302.
... The Women's Center lunch program features "The Political Quilt," by Arlene Jonas. The 12:30 p.m. program will explore the history of quilt patterns in the 19th century.
... The Outdoor Program is sponsoring a free slide presentation, "The Geography and People of Africa," in the SUB/Borah Theater. The 7:30 p.m. program will focus on the travels of Sarah Haub during the summer of 1992.
... Dan Moore will be in a coffeehouse concert tonight at Cafe Libre. The 7 p.m. program will feature Moore on the mountain dulcimer.
... The German Kaffeeklatsch meets this afternoon for refreshments, a short film and German conversation. The program begins at 4 p.m., is in AD 316.
... The staff discussion of The Secular City continues at the Campus Christian Center. The 4:15 p.m. study is open to the public.
... "Froma For a Biblical People," a Bible study, continues at the Campus Christian Center at noon.

Weightroom changes to ease conflicts

The University of Idaho Athletic Department has made some changes to ease the conflict between students and the department over use of the UI weight room, meeting certain grievances listed on a petition circulated by student weight lifters.

The petition asked for more time for students to workout, that the room 'stay open for use during basketball games and that congestion in the facility be reduced by insuring that all persons using the facility actually workout while in the room.

Bill Belknap, director of men's athletics, said three changes have been instituted in the operation of the weight room.

The facility has been rearranged to make its use more efficient, not only for students but for athletes, too. The department has asked student athletes not to use the weight room for a "kiltering area" before their reserved hours and, finally, they have opened the room for public use at 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, he said.

Previously, the Atheltic Department had the weight room reserved from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Cathy Biggs, a student weight lifter circulating the petition, said she is pleased with the changes. "The response is really nice," she said. "All I wanted were those things (listed in the petition) for the students and I'm happy about the rapid response," she said.

"I want to thank him (Belknap) for what he did," Biggs said.

Belknap said he was angry over an article which ran in the Jan. 21 issue of the Argonaut because, for one reason, it appeared from the story that the controversy over the weight room had just recently arisen. This conflict has "been the case for the last three or four years," he said.

"The impresion from the article was that the Athletic Department had done something wrong," he said.

Furthermore, Belknap said when the current weight room was created the department had struck a deal with the students and the university. Specifically, he said that if space were provided for a weight room, the athletic department would fully equip the facility provided time was set aside for an off-season training program.

"Almost everything in that weight room was bought from monies that were gifts to the department that we went out and solicited," he said.

Farm Credit Banks

Interviewing U of I Students

February 8 & 9

The Federal Land Bank Associations, Production Credit Associations, and Bank for Cooperatives will be interviewing for agricultural loan officer trainees on February 8 and 9. The Associations are looking for students enrolled in the School of Agriculture or the School of Business with strong, practical backgrounds. Juniors enrolled in the School of Agriculture/School of Business with practical agricultural experience are eligible to interview for summer employment positions with FLBAs/PCAs. If you are interested in full-time or summer employment, sign up at the Placement Office.

On Monday, February 7 at 6:00 p.m., the Farm Credit Banks will host an informal gathering in the Cataldo Spaulding Room of the SUB to discuss questions concerning the internship program and employment opportunities. Interested students are invited to attend.
A violation
of free speech

Federal financial aid for college students was never intended to be used as a weapon to keep those students from expressing their political views. That, however, is precisely what the Department of Education is trying to use its Title IV funds for.

Draft-age college students who have not registered for the draft, it was recently announced, will not be eligible for financial aid administered by the Education Department. That means if you're 18 years or older, born after 1960, and haven't registered, you can't get any federal financial aid.

Education Secretary Terrell Bell tried to justify the new rule, saying: "By this means, the U.S. government is saying bluntly that taxpayer funds will not be used to provide a college education for students who do not comply with the Selective Service registration requirements."

It is a feeble justification at best. The federal government's role in providing aid in educating students has never been contingent on whether those students signed up for the draft; in fact, it has never been contingent on any rules relating to the Selective Service.

That is as it should be. Financial aid should remain contingent upon those criteria relating to the student's educational worthiness.

The Education Department apparently doesn't see it that way. So, if you've refused to sign up for the draft -- whether it be for religious reasons or as a matter of your own political conscience -- your ability to get cut out of a college education, unless you can afford the cost by yourself.

Clearly, this is an attempt by Bell and his cohorts to abrogate the free speech of a sizeable number of students who feel the draft to be improper, who believe that signing up for it is a morally wrong thing for them to do. One wonders what will happen next if such political expressions can become criteria for financial aid.

Will future aid be cut off for those who oppose nuclear arms? For those who oppose the sale of wilderness? For those who vote Democratic?

Those examples probably will not come to pass, because they would be more conspicuous, but the principle is the same. Moreover, this bill was only allowed to become law because it pandered to that right-wing sensibility that says any means is viable to force individuals to conform to the nation's military needs.

But politics have no place in determining a student's eligibility for financial aid. The Education Department should do away with this law as quietly as it had passed.

— David Neiwert

WELL, WATT KEPT HIS PROMISE...HE SAID THIS LAND WAS OURS AS LONG AS THE RIVER FLOWS AND THE GRASS GROWS AND THE MOUNTAINS SHARE THEIR BEAUTY...

David Neiwert

If you think the International Communist Conspiracy — you know, the one that makes the John Birchers so paranoid — is insidious, you ought to check out the conspiracy that's going down right here in our backyard. It's the Kill UI Conspiracy.

It's based in southern Idaho; some suspect its roots first took hold somewhere in the Boise-Caldwell area. In fact, it's rumored that a UI alum, Sen. Steve Symms, instigated it because he's never carried the vote in Labont County.

Its whole purpose is to drive the University of Idaho out of business. So far, it's doing admirably, mostly because the conspiracy has so thoroughly penetrated every level of Idaho government.

The conspirators — nicknamed Idiots — have done their level best to level the Moscow school. The greatest number of them are southern Idaho legislators who only graduated from sixth grade and now spend their days consorting with cows and tractor owners. They seem to believe that the UI is full of communist conspirators and welfare chisellers (A.K.A. students) and so should be destroyed.

The conspiracy began about five years ago, when the Board of Regents named Richard Gibb — a man who puts on a clown face every time there is a financial crisis, and who fires the football coach to improve the UI's image and then replaces him with another clown face — as president. So much for the UI's credibility in Boise.

Then came the first of a continuing round of budget cuts. As the cuts sliced deeper and deeper, the first programs to feel the uptick edge of the axe were the humanities programs — which, as every good Bircher and Idiot knows, is where all of those commies and freeloaders are, anyway.

That was only Round One. As the cuts piled up, the UI found itself in a position to declare a state of financial exigency. This meant that the administration could actually fire tenured professors and staff — which they did with a flair.

In the process, all of the other professors who once had the vague notion that they meant job security found out otherwise. And the word got around the national academic community that such was the case here. Too. Thus, in one swell loop, the Idiots were not only able to get rid of those pisco professors but keep others out, too.

They weren't done, though. Last summer, one of their dupes, Gov. John Evans, ordered a four-day work week for all state university employees, dealing another blow to the UI's standing in the academic community. Even after the restrictions were lifted, the word had spread that Idaho was the school with the four-day work week, providing yet another disincentive for professors considering coming here.

Now the only professors the UI can drag here are the masochistic ones who want a nice hole to hide in, or those who've been caught snorting ether in the lab. The latest and most insidious attempt to kill off the UI has come down the pike in just the last few weeks. It's the proposal to raise Idaho's drinking age from 19 to 21.

I know, it just sounds like more of the cramping of morality down our throats to which we've become accustomed from the southern Idaho Morons — er, I mean, Idiots — but it's actually much subtler than that. In a not-so-noticeable way, they're trying again to run the UI out of business.

Moscow businesses, you see, depend heavily on the student traffic from just across the border in Pullman, where the drinking age is 21. If Idaho raises its drinking age, then a lot of that traffic is going to dry up.

If Moscow businesses start going belly-up, then there'll be even fewer places in Moscow for students to slack — I mean, work. That means fewer of us will be able to afford going to school here.

Which should suit the Idiots just fine.

At the rate they're going, nothing is going to stand in the way of the Idiots. They'll have us all back on the farm in the near future.

And the UI programs? Why, they'll get moved to southern Idaho, where they belong.

The Idiots' conspiracy

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Letters

Do not disturb

Editor: To the D.G.s: Please forgive the inter-

ruption in your pagan ceremony Thursday 

night, but our house was on fire. Had we 

known that you were planning your ritual, 

we would certainly have scheduled our 

own fire later in the evening. We feel this mix-up is 

due to an alarm-

ning breakdown. In conversations 

between our two houses. In an attempt to 

alleviate this problem, we have formulated 

what we believe to be a simple solution, 

acceptable to both parties.

At the beginning of each semester 

when our respective social calendars 

have been completed, we simply ex-

change them and eliminate any confli-

ting social events, fires, sacrificies, etc. 

We realize from past experience that your 

social calendar is in a constant state of 

flux, but it is our opinion that this system 

would eliminate any major faux pas such as 

the one Thursday night. Hope you 

understand.

Mike Little and the rest of the Betas

Out of touch

Editor: David Neiwert may be out of touch with 

the financial situation around the univer-

sity. In today's editorial (Jan. 25) he 

suggests that faculty members shouldn't 

protest 15 percent raises for football 

coaches now. I have read from past issues that your 

social calendar is in a constant state of 

flux, but it is our opinion that this system 

would eliminate any major faux pas such as 

the one Thursday night. Hope you 

understand.

David Neiwert

Put stamp here

Editor: This letter is not of life or death impor-

tance, but I think by writing it I dispose of a bad feeling that 

I have every month. Everyone has experienced this 

feeling. It is the kind of feeling a person 

gets every time he sees one of those 

disgusting 6-6-12 Christian pain reliever 

commercials.

I have never been very impressed with 

the GTE company. Such problems as my 

telephone ringing in the receiver at the 

caller's end, but not ringing at my 

end, or my phone number not being 

given me negative feelings about the 

company (or should I say monopoly). 

People at the UI are forced to bear the 

deficiencies of the GTE phone company, 

and out of necessity I was forced to apply 

for a "Student Toll Calling Card." I filled 

out the application, put it in an envelope, 

stamped and mailed it. Even though I left 

some of the more personal questions 

blank, GTE granted credit to 

me and sent me my own personal card, 

which brings me to the topic of this letter. 

Every month I get a bill from GTE. In 

this bill is a self-addressed, stamped 

envelope. On the corner of the envelope 

where I used to place my stamp is a box 

just about the size of a postage stamp. 

I was instructed in this box that 

"PUT STAMP HERE."

I disposed of my bill by putting it in 

the Post Office without postage. "Now, I can usually 

rewarded."

This is a ruse and I'm sure that, 

though this box is insulated of our com-

mericalized society that tend to insulate one's intelligence, 

but this little box seems to strike the wrong nerve. I have 

yet to meet a person who needs to be 

reminded just where on an envelope a 

stamp is placed, and I will assume that postage is necessary until Dan 

Rather tells me that Congress has passed a bill 

that says otherwise.

In closing, I'll have to admit that I have 

never met the leaders of the GTE com-

pany which, if I had, may have made one 

of my previous statements false. They 

may need to be reminded where on an envelope the stamp is placed.

Joe Gish

He's a nice guy

Editor: I'm tired of all this talk about how in-

competent Ron Ball is. I like the guy, no 

matter what everybody says. For in-

stance, I was told by Ron that if a friend 

and I went ahead and re-finished the 

piano in our hall, he would see to it that 

the piano was re-strung and the keys fix-

ed. Sure, we re-finished the piano and 

have been waiting on Ron for 275 days, 

but who's counting.

Ron said he would get the job done 

and he will, come hell, high water or old 

age. Ron is a busy guy though, and even if 

I did remind him three times, you can't ex-

pect these things to be done overnight.

Ron's record shows he'll get the job 

done. For example, we wanted our hall 

painted and sure enough, the stairwell 

was painted, just before Redford got 

here. Yeah, they painted all the way up 

the stairs until Robert couldn't see where 

they stopped painting. Maybe the color 

was a puke-blue that nobody liked. Maybe 

it did take two months of requests and 

graffiti to get the walls re-painted the 

original color, but all we had to do was 

go to the office. My buddy Ron got the job done.

I'm sure that on the exterior and very 

deep inside Ron is really a very nice per-

son. He fixed before I graduate. Right Ron? 

Hey, maybe if I get Liberace to 

come over and play our piano...

Bryan Bowler
Snow caves

By Mike Stewart
News Editor

My brother and sisters and I used to dig into the snowdrifts of North Dakota when we were young, I was now, along with two other equally curious people in my group, digging an honest-to-goodness snow cave in which we were going to spend the night. We were going to answer, once and for all, the question: Is sleeping in the snow for the insane or otherwise mentally inferior? There are those who won't even credit the idea as being imbecile, but last weekend, 20 participants on a ASUI Outdoor Program trip set out to prove that with a shovel and a bit of energy and ingenuity, a winter camper can use a material that’s plentiful in winter and spend a comfortable night sleeping in a snow cave.

We left theSUB at 6 a.m. Saturday for the drive to the Wallowa Mountains in northeastern Oregon. Our destination was the Heart of the Gondola at the base of Mount Howard, which we hoped to reach by 9 a.m., when the first train cars began running skiers to the summit of the 5,800 foot peak. The gondola rises 3,700 feet from base to summit, and a ride on it has to be included among the most scenic activities there are in the Northwest.

Set against the backdrop of the Wallawas and the 200,000 acre Eagle Cap Wilderness, the gondola creates a distinct Euro- pean flavor to the whole experience of snow camping. In fact, Wallowa Mountain is known as “America’s Alps.” When approaching the Wallawas from the north side, as we did, the visitor is greeted by the very impressive 5,000 foot north face of the mountain. In spite of these scenic attributes which draw huge summer crowds, the area remains relatively unknown among winter travelers.

Joe Ehrlie, the owner of Four Season Sports in nearby Enterprise, has said he considers the Wallawas the best kept secret in Northwest skiing. But, he added that nobody’s been trying to keep it hushed up. The word’s starting to get out.

For a $7 charge, the gondola makes accessible a variety of terrain suitable for skiers of all levels. Cross country skiers can knock off 3,700 feet of climbing in 15 minutes, instead of spending most of a day at it. It’s a bargain.

We met with Jim Rennie, ASUI programs coordinator and trip leader, at the tram at about 9:30 a.m.

Our hopes for a sunny day were squashed during the 15 minute ride up the mountain as we ascended through layers of light drizzle, fog and clouds.

As we reached the tram house on the summit, we were greeted by blowing snow and gray skies.

Snow is a wonderful insulator. The Eskimos have known for years.

Wind suits were donned, caps pulled down and packs, weighing up to 45 pounds, were shouldered.

From the summit we would ski, or snowshoe as some members of the party chose to do, about a half mile down a ridge to a place where the snow would be deep enough for us to dig snow caves.

Those who had to wax their cross country skis did so, and off we went.

Moustaches and beards iced up as breathing grew labored under the struggle of traveling while trying to keep from getting blown off balance. After 40 minutes of skiing, mixed with walking across spots that had been blown clear of all snow, we arrived at our digging site - a sheltered area where the blowing snow seemed to find refuge.

The hard work began after a quick lunch of high energy, high sugar goodies. The large group split up into five smaller groups of three to five people, and after some brief instruction from Rennie, everyone got to the task at hand.

We were instructed to find a suitable area, such as a deep snow drift or a place where the snow had been blown and deposited by wind — a deposition zone.

Then, like a bunch of moles, we began digging a home for the night — in the snow.

We cut off part of the drift, gouging a six foot wide depression that would serve as the front wall of the snow cave. At the bottom of the wall, we dug horizontally, tunneling in about three feet or so for an entrance to our sleeping quarters. The entrance tunnel was slightly wider than the people who’d be entering it — definitely not a job for those suffering extreme anxiety from claustrophobia.

Once the entrance tunnel was dug, we carved out a room that would be large enough to sleep three to five comfortably. The larger the better, of course, but since time was a factor, things were more cramped than one would normally tolerate. But no one seemed to mind as “cheek-to-cheek” took on new meanings in the cave. Besides, getting to know folks with similar interests is one of the aims of outdoor program activities.

Inside the cave, we carved our beds — which were more like shelves — into the walls of the room about waist high. Back were higher than the floor and the cave entrance, so occupants would stay warmer, since colder air traveled to the lowest spots in the cave.

Snow is a wonderful insulator, the Eskimos have known for years. They still make igloos in some of the “inculturated” areas of the frozen North. Water freezes at 32 degrees farenheit, and when we dug down into snow, the temperature became constant, around 28-30 degrees. That seemed pretty warm if it happens to be 0 degrees with a 30 knot wind blowing on the surface. A tent would seem like a flimsy ice box under those same conditions.

In addition, sleeping in snow caves introduces the unidoc- trinated to a silence that is downright eerie. It’s too quiet. Snow seems to deaden sound better than the highest quality acoustic tiling. A person standing outside a snow cave, trying to be heard by someone inside is in for a real exercise in futility. From the inside, you wouldn’t have heard a bomb blast 100 feet away. It could have been snow falling, snow blowing, snow howling outside, and we would have no trouble.

As we dug, we all got to experience first hand a problem Rennie had warned us about at our pre-trip meeting. Digging snow caves means getting wet and there’s no way around it. Extra dry, clothing is necessary.

That damp apparel will not dry in the cave, unless you sleep with the damp items in your sleeping bag. Rennie told us occupants — particularly those who’d dig their caves in fresher, less consolidated snow — to expect with dripping and slumping ceiling. In a couple of caves, dig in more consolidated snow, the inside glazed over quickly and digging was kept to a minimum.

However, as exhausted as most of us were spending the better part of the day digging the caves, a swamp probably would not have been that uncomfortable.

But as Sunday morning dawned bright and sunny, and as Rennie made his rounds to see how well the night went, there were even some shouts of “fantastic” heard from a couple of the caves. “Tolerable” was the worst comment heard. We were all believers.

Peace Corps
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Snow caves

They may not be for claustrophobics, but when it’s storming out, they’re just fine.
**Crouser, M.**

**Former Vandal and his two brothers eye ’84 Olympics**

By Don Rondeau

Staff writer

You could say Mitch Crouser learns how to do something in a hurry and learns how to do it quite well.

Crouser, a University of Idaho graduate geology engineering student and football weight training coach, will be out to conquer the talented field in the shot put at Friday’s Vandal Indoor track meet.

Within the last couple of years, he has become known in the track and field lairs both nationally and internationally. In the 1982 Track & Field News final standings, he was ranked eighth in the discus throw and 17th in the shot put.

Crouser’s high school and junior college track exploits offered little indication that he would become a world class shot putter and discus thrower.

He did not even compete in these two events in high school. His event was the javelin, but he tore ligaments in his throwing elbow in both his junior and senior years. As a result, he spent more time watching than throwing.

After graduating in 1976 from Gresham High School in Oregon, Crouser enrolled at Mount Hood Community College. It was there that he began to throw the shot and discus, leaving any thoughts of competing in the javelin back in high school.

During his two year stay at Mount Hood, Crouser developed into a respectabe weight thrower. He won the Northwest Juco Championships in the shot and discus. His best distances, 52 ft. and 159 ft., respectively, were good, but nowhere near NCAA qualifying standards.

All his accomplishments were done without the help of a coach.

Those distances were good enough to catch the attention of Vandal track coach Mike Keller, who offered Crouser a scholarship that began in the fall of 1979.

During that period, Keller brought in Englishman Pete Trenced from suburban London to coach Idaho’s weightmen. Trenced, who Crouser attributes to being his first coach, competed for England in the discus at the 1970 Olympic Games. Trenced tutored Crouser for nearly seven months during the 1979-80 season. In that span, he helped Crouser not so much in technique, but mentally. "He helped me to think more on a world class scale. He told me, ‘in a couple of years, you can be on a world class scale.’", commented Crouser.

Trenced proved he was a reliable fortune teller.

In his first year at Idaho, Crouser increased the weight on his 6-foot-3-inch frame from 215 pounds to a huge 250. Crouser increased increasingly stronger, as evidenced by his beginnings at bench pressing amounts over 500 pounds.

Both additions proved beneficial to his two track specialties, for he furthered his distances to 68 ft. 8 in. in the shot and 184 ft. in the discus. Better things were to come.

In his senior year, Crouser displayed more improvement by tossing the shot put 64 ft. 5 in. and the discus 197 ft. He won the shot put in the Big Sky Indoor Championships and won the discus at the Big Sky Outdoor Championships in 1981.

During last year’s indoor season, Crouser started to gain media attention in January when he tossed the shot put 65 ft. 4 in. at an indoor meet in Montana. That distance was the best mark in the world at the time. He earned a trip to New York to compete in the TAC (Track Athletic Congress) championships at Madison Square Garden. He placed fifth among world class putters.

Crouser plans to attend the same meet again this year in late February. "I’m by no means the only gifted track competitor in his family. His youngest brother, Brian, a sophomore at Oregon, won last year’s javelin at the NCAA championships, the first time a freshman had ever won a throwing event at the NCAAs. He is rated in the top 20 in the world in the javelin.

Crouser’s other throwin’ brother, Dean, is a fifth year senior at Oregon. He won the 1982 NCAA championship in the shot put and discus. It was the first brother combination ever to win NCAA titles.

As far as earning a berth on the 1984 Olympic team, Crouser cautiously looks toward that goal. “It’s really hard to say if I go. There’s a lot that can change in one year. It’s hard to say what the other throwers are doing. A lot of it involves avoiding injuries,” he said.

Keller shares similar sentiments. “He has a good chance as long as he can avoid injuries. He has a good chance, but not a great chance. He’ll have to throw the discus close to 230 ft. I think he’ll be able to throw the shot put 67 ft. by the end of the indoor season,” he said.

Crouser will concentrate primarily on the discus as he prepares for the Olympic trials in the Los Angeles Coliseum, for which he has already qualified along with the shot put. “I think I have a beter chance to qualify in the discus. The shot put has really picked up in the United States. I have more potential in the discus and I’m going to spend more time in that event,” he explained.

After all the hype of the 1984 Olympic

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**Up and coming Bengals invade Dome tonight**

By Kevin Warnock

Sports editor

Surprise! Guess who’s tied with the Vandals in Big Sky play at 3-2?

Who beat Reno?

It’s Idaho State Bengals. If you were counting on Idaho having an easy make-up game tonight you obviously did your calculations with the variable “x” representing non-conference records.

But you might be wise to introduce “y” to the formula. This is the age-old consideration that says there’s always a surprise in the Big Sky Conference standings at year’s end, and in basket season it may be ISU.

The team Idaho faces tonight was placed at the bottom of the pre-season polls and through their first dozen games they lived up to it, resembling the Cleveland Cadavers of NBA fame.

But the system of new coach Wayne Ballard is beginning to make sense and the Bengals, no longer “Bungles”, will be trying to move ahead of Idaho into a second place conference tie with 4-2 Weber State. KUID-TV (12) will televise the game on a tape-delayed basis beginning at 10 p.m.

“The league is better this year in that more teams can beat each,” said Idaho Coach Don Monson. “Idaho State’s got some good offensive talent, it’s a matter of a new coach and system starting to come around.”

Idaho State may not be the only team beginning to come around, however, as Idaho came off its most uncharacteristic loss in four years at Montana last Thurs-

day night, by bouncing Montana State 66-38 Saturday in Bozeman.

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By Don Rondeau
Staff Writer

The big men will be the dominant features at this Friday's Eighth Annual Vandal Indoor track meet in the ASUI-Kibbie Dome. The meet is free for University of Idaho students and will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The discus throw will be the main event, according to meet coordinator Mike Keller. The prize competitors will be Mac Wilkins, Art Burns and Dean Crouser. The threesome may be joined by John Powell and Ben Plucknett, if they finish their training in Germany in time.

Wilkins is the most notorious of the bunch. The Oregon graduate is the 1976 Olympic gold medalist in the discus. He also held the world record in the discus, which was broken this season. He established the world indoor record at the 1977 Vandal Indoor with a toss of 228 ft. 4 in. He was dethroned by Plucknett three years later at the Vandal Indoor with a toss of 211 ft. 3 in. He was rated the number one discus thrower in the U.S. in 1982.

Burns is an up-and-coming competitor. His last year's discus throw of 229 ft. 6 in. was bettered only by Cuba's Luis Delis at 231 ft. 7 in. Burns is in the running for a berth on the 1984 Olympic team.

Crouser, the brother of former Vandal Mitch Crouser, is rated fourth in the shot put and 10th in the discus in the U.S. He won both the shot put and discus at last year's NCAA championships. He had the two best shots and discus in the world last year.

If Powell and Plucknett can achieve in time for the meet, Keller predicts a good show for the fourth and fifth rated throwers in the U.S., both listed in the world's top 10.

The discus competition won't be the only exciting event, however. If you enjoy middle and long distance running, you are in for a treat.

In the 3,000 meter run, two of the best collegiate runners will clash head to head. Texas-El Paso's Mathews Moshwaraful is the 1981 NCAA cross country champion and has run the 10,000 meter in the 27 minute range, which is among the best times ever.

Washington State's Peter Kochel will be the other man to keep your eyes on. Last year he was the NCAA runner-up in the 5,000 meter and 10,000 meter runs and ran the fifth fastest 5,000 meter of all time at 13:09.50. In addition, he ran the fourth fastest 3,000 meter in the world last year at 7:39.09.

Former Vandal runner Steve Ortiz, is also entered in the 5,000 meter. He was the third fastest American collegiate in the 10,000 meter with a 28:21.3 time.

This year's mile field is loaded with talent. All runners are legitimate threats to break four minutes. No runner in the state of Idaho has ever broken the four minute barrier.

Washington State's Richard TuweU will be favored in the race. He is the defending 1982 NCAA champion in the steeplechase and has the 18th fastest time in the world. He won last year's Vandal Indoor mile, narrowly breaking four minutes.

TuweU will be in fine company. There will be seven other runners who have run under 4:00. Former Vandal John Trott will be among them. He placed second to TuweU in last year's Vandal mile with a 7:48. "It's going to be anyone's race. I'm going to run 60 second quarters as long as I can," Trott said.

The sprints will be well represented. Sterling Hinds, a quarterback for the Washington Huskies football team, is entered in the 55 meter dash. He was the second fastest Canadian and among the top 30 in the world in the 100 meter at a very quick 10.27. He will match against Jamaican George Walcott who has run 20.78 for 200 meters.

The 1,000 yard run will be represented by four runners who have run the 800 meter in the 1:47's. Vandal star Leroy Robinson, who placed sixth in last year's NCAA 800 meter run, is a good bet to break the tape. He will compete against former Vandal runner Rick Bartlett, Washington State's Sitious Mountainsan and Rob Webster.

There will be 12 high jumpers who have jumped between 7 ft.
Montana, MSU dump UI women

The Kibbie Dome has proved once again to be the only safe place for the Idaho women's basketball team.

The Vandals, who have a 17-game winning streak in the Dome, took to the road again and dropped two consecutive matches in Mountain West Athletic Conference play. Friday night the Montana Grizzlies toppled Idaho 73-58 and the Vandals were beaten Saturday night by Montana State State 63-67.

The losses left coach Pat Dobratz's club with a 2-4 league record and 7-7 overall. Idaho's next action is on the road this weekend when they play Utah State in Boise at 7:30 p.m. Friday and a MWAC game Saturday night against the Bronco women in a preliminary game to the men's match. Both will be held in the University Pavilion.

"We are kind of struggling when we go on the road," said Dobratz. "We haven't won a conference game on the road yet. We seem to have problems starting out the ballgames."

That seemed to be Idaho's problem both nights in Montana. The Vandals knew they would have to play extremely well against the Grizzlies, but the team's three previous unbeaten team ran off to a 15-point lead early and took a 73-58 win Friday night.

"We didn't start out well again," said Dobratz. They got up by 15 at halftime and then took us out of our offense with their defense."

Idaho center Denise Brose paced the Vandals in scoring with 23 points, while Renee Brown and Lesli McIntosh came on to score 10 apiece. Montana was led by Cherri Brat's 15 points.

Against Montana State on Saturday night, the Vandals had trouble scoring early again and their late comeback fell short as they dropped a 67-63 decision. The Bobcat women jumped to a 36-26 halftime lead as the Vandals could only hit on 33 percent of their shots in the opening period.

"We have got to quit coming in so cold," said Dobratz. "In a Division II league game (of which Idaho was a member last year) we could go out and play sub-par and still win by 15 points, but now we've got better competition and we can't do that."

Idaho rebounded from their defeat to cut the lead to just two points late in the game. But three consecutive turnovers doomed the Vandals and MSU was able to capitalize and take the win.

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After losing its third contest in four outings, the team was told to have a player meeting and it wasn't to plan a Sunday afternoon ice cream social.

"We've gotten beat before, but it's never been from not being mentally ready or out-hustled," Monson said. "I don't know what it is, combination of road trips, the crowd, I don't know."

"I had them discuss things amongst themselves where I think they got to realizing if we don't get this act together, we could be out of contention. I think they hashed a few things out and we had a good practice on Friday," Monson said.

It paid off, to the chagrin of Montana State on Saturday. "They're (Bobcats) not a real good basketball team, but we would have done well Saturday against anybody we might play," Monson said.

So are the Vandals past the last hairpin curve of 1983 and beginning a drive to a season-end peak?

"I don't know. In a situation like we are in (post-season tournament) you want to be playing, but first you've got to get to the tournament," Monson said. "Hopefully we will get better. I don't know if the Montana game will help us in the long run we'll have to wait for the end of the season."

"Last year, I felt we played our best during the Far West Classic, better than we were playing at the end of the year," he said.

If Idaho is to improve, one thing's almost certain — senior forward Phil Hopson will have to come on.

"When your shots aren't dropping your confidence goes down and it often gets worse before it gets better," Monson said. "We've talked about it privately, the kid is trying, it's not that he's not. He's just always been a good percentage shooter."

Tonight's game will pit Hop- son against one of his old nemesis, ISU's Mike Denkers. Denkers and teammates will try and gain a little notoriety when they tip it off against the Vandals this evening at 8 p.m. by trying to snap a 41-game Idaho home winning streak.

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DEADLINE: Wed., Feb. 9, Noon
Grad student art at university gallery

By Charles Gallagher
Staff writer

After all the clamor of re-hanging paintings, directing the ceiling lighting and moving ladders, silence has fallen over the University Gallery showing of the Graduate Art Exhibition.

The gallery held a lively reception to open the exhibit, with music provided by a solo piano performance, Wednesday night. The 15 exhibiting graduate students met with the public and explained their works and art media. The art show will continue through February 13 and is an avant-garde collection of sculpture, photography, pastels, drawings and paintings.

"The exhibition flows out of student origination and determination," said Kathy Eckton, the gallery director.

In the corner of the gallery, Larry McCormick has created a stirring display of pied marines and subsequent sketches of nuclear death. The piece, titled "Installation: Graffiti," and held intact by splattered black paint on the gallery walls, is violent and revolting.

Douglas Kinney's pastel sketch sequence is the light heart of an exhibit full of the muddy abstractions of symbols, geometric designs, and mysticism. His large portrait sketches progress from complete drawings to rough outlines leaving detail to the observer's imagination.

The airbrush work of Kevan Smith utilizes an intriguing medium and collection of pop art resembling the style of Andy Warhol. "Parlor Game" and "Anemone of Fluid Series 2" have an enticing transformation of colors only possible through painting with a gun.

Craftsmanship is featured in Jewel Farbo's "Tie Coat," a painted and sewn coat, and Rebecca Bloom's festive "Lightcap," a colorful paper hanging below the gallery's skylight. The ceramic urn centerpiece a creation of Joel McCoy's in the back room, is slender in length and ingenious in shape.

The detail and symbolism of Terri Armstrong's and John Peterson's exhibits are perplexing in their meaning. Patterson wields cosmic movements his large oils, whereas Armstrong paints narratives of folklore.

The only photography on display are Steve Davis' unique portraits of students and faculty, worthy of close inspection.

"The show is healthy in variety," said art professor David Giese, noting that some of the graduate students displaying works of different majors besides art. He said the show lacked the conformity found in exhibitions by students studying under one instructor.

The gallery offers such an assortment of work at this show, no one's tastes shall go unsatisfied. University Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

A review
Aerial photo workshop set

A University of Idaho workshop will focus on the techniques needed to interpret and use aerial photographs and how other remote sensing systems work.

The workshop will be held Feb. 7-11 in the Forestry Building.

The aerial photo interpretation/aerial photography workshop will be taught by experts in remote sensing who are members of the UI College of Advanced remote sensing systems, their effectiveness and cost will also be discussed.

The registration fee for the five-day workshop is $250, which will include aerial photos, measuring equipment, use of specialized equipment, refreshment breaks and a dinner. Participants should bring a pocket calculator. Other equipment will be supplied.

For more information or to preregister, contact UI Continuing Education, 885-686.

Continuing Ed classes offered

New educational opportunities in many areas are included in the spring University of Idaho Continuing Education schedule.

This year's course list includes such new offerings as square dancing, banjo, jogging techniques, technical rock climbing, native American culture, gas welding, antique furniture restoration, watercolor and real estate law.

In addition to these newcomers, a variety of old favorites will be offered again, including courses in active fun, children and youth, music, languages, special interests, artistic creativity and career advancements.

Registration is underway now in the Continuing Education office in Building No. 7 on Blake Street, 885-686.

All of the classes are open to the public, for no credit. Registration fees vary. For more details, brochures are available at the Continuing Education office.

Students run KUID radio

Since that time, all management responsibilities have been assumed by students from the university. Students will continue to operate the station until facility replacements can be found.

For the first time since its creation, KUID-FM will be managed and operated entirely by students from the University of Idaho.

Larry Ducommun, a senior in communications, assumed the position of station manager after faculty member Parker Van Hecke resigned in November.

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Wed., Feb. 9, Noon
Classical musician Atkinson brings guitar music to UI

University of Idaho students will have a chance to see a master of the classical guitar perform live when Leon Atkinson, a renowned classical and jazz musician, appears at the University of Idaho SUB Ballroom on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Atkinson’s style is similar to jazz greats George Benson, Joe Pass, and Kenny Burrell. Currently a resident of Sandpoint, the guitarist studied during his early years in New York; later, he spent several years receiving classical instruction from Andrés Segovia, considered one of the greatest classical guitarists to have ever lived.

Atkinson teaches master classes in Sandpoint and participates in the Classical Guitar Guild, which he organized. He also was instrumental in the founding of the Pend Oreille Arts Council in Sandpoint. He has been an instructor at the Harlem School of the Arts and the USDN Center for the Creative and Performing Arts as well as heading the guitar department at Jersey State College.

Atkinson has appeared in solo performances on the Tonight Show, the Dick Cavett Show and the Today Show. Harry Belafonte, Dianne Carroll and Nina Simone are but a few of the performers he has accompanied. The Leon Atkinson program is presented by ASUI Programs. Tickets for the concert are $3 and may be purchased at the SUB information desk and at the door.