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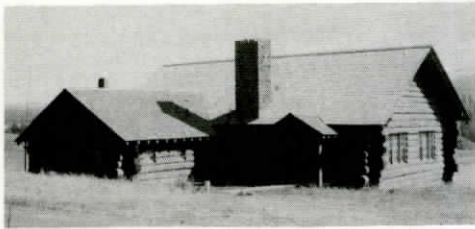
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
UNIVERSITY of IDAHO

Pres. H. C. Dale  
University of Idaho  
Moscow,  
Idaho.

Dear Sir;

While in  
Moscow recently one of the members of this  
Post overheard a resident of that place  
making highly inflammatory remarks concerning  
the presence of a Japanese on the streets and  
the speaker further asserted that three men  
of this nationality were being permitted to attend  
the University and continue their studies while  
his own son had been drafted for military  
service and would be meeting the Japanese  
as enemies of our country on the field of battle.  
Additional remarks of this party led the  
member to sincerely believe that should this  
man's son become a war casualty, he  
would take drastic means of retaliation  
against these men.



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As the exchange of Prisoners of war between Japan and the United States is virtually at a standstill at the moment, due to what the Japanese claim as mistreatment of their men held as prisoners here in this country, and realizing that any incident of this nature occurring in Moscow or elsewhere in this country would only "add fuel to the fire" with possible repercussions being felt in Tokyo and Washington D.C. The post is indeed much perturbed about the issue.

We have all confidence in the administration of the University of Idaho but are without information to refute such statements as mentioned or to combat the attitude some of the residents of Moscow and vicinity have assumed; Perhaps you could enlighten us regarding the facts of the case.

Thanking you for any reply,

I am,

Sincerely yours  
Rex Gross, Comdr.  
Robinson Post # 81  
American Legion  
Potlatch, Idaho.