

## **Coach Ralph Ginn (1944-47)**

Coach Ralph Ginn was a graduate of Tarkio College and the University of Missouri. He served Brookings High School as head coach for the football, basketball and track & field teams as well as athletics director for only three years, but it was a springboard for future opportunities. Coach Ginn's football record at BHS was 13–4–2 in the ESD Conference and 20–4–2 overall. He was honored as South Dakota High School Football Coach of the Year after the 1946 season. As basketball coach, Ginn guided the Bobcats to an ESD record of 25–11 and overall won-loss record of 49–18. His teams won the 1946 State Boys Basketball Tournament, and were ESD Basketball Champions in 1947. Ginn left BHS for a highly successful career as head football coach at South Dakota State College, where he won nine NCC championships and set the record for career wins (113–89 –9).