'Pep' Wells Dies; Ex-Coachat Lanier

A. B. "Pep" Wells, former basketball coach and head of the history department at Sidney Lanier High School for some 30 years, died Tuesday in the Veterans Administration Hospital here after an extended illness. He was 78.

A graduate of the University of Alabama where he excelled in basketball and baseball, Mr. Wells also played pro baseball briefly in the South Carolina League before going to Lanier as a teacher and coach.

Since his retirement from Lanier in 1945, Mr. Wells had been prominent in veterans circles, serving as veterans employment representative for Alabama for more than 20 years. He also had been prominent in the affairs of the American Legion, Department A. B. WELLS of Alabama.

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Mr. Wells, a native of North paperman with the Chicago Carolina, is survived by his wi- Sun who also worked for The