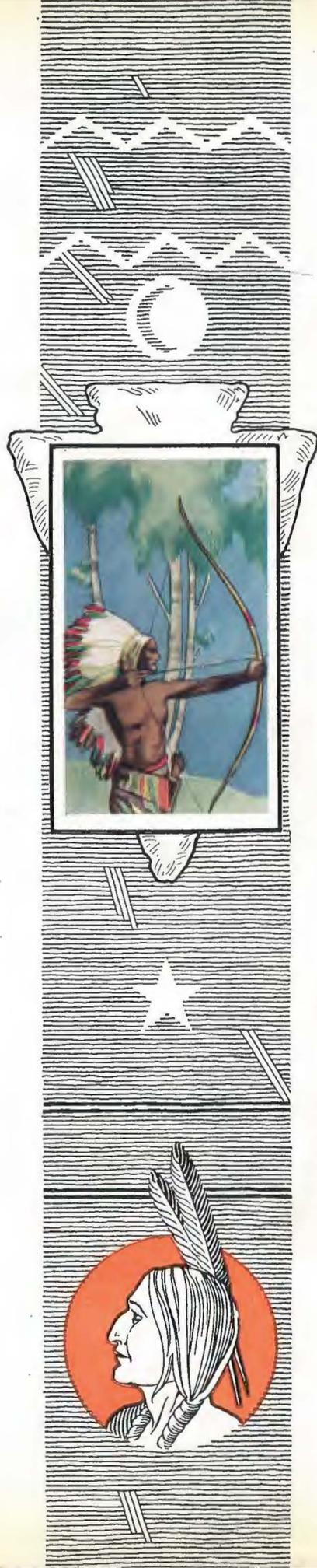
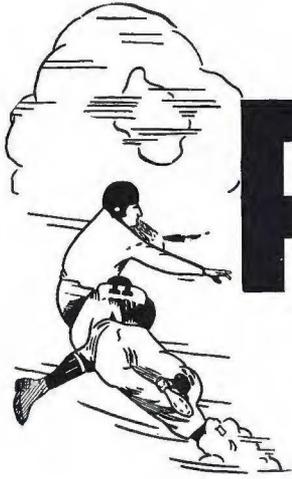


BOOK THREE

Athletics





FOOTBALL

The 1926 Tiger football team will go down in history as one of the greatest, and gamest squads ever to carry the Purple and Gold into battle. In the face of all obstacles and the keenest competition in the country the Tigers, striped terrors of the jungle, completed their third consecutive year without defeat. A record equally as brilliant cannot be found in all the history of Southern football. So well did the Tigers defend their goal it was crossed only one time the entire season, and the fifth time in the last three years. This great Tiger team was the outstanding scoring eleven in the state, and ranked high in Southern College football circles. Team after team wavered and went down in defeat before the charging of the royal Tigers. In seven games played the Tigers scored a total of 205 points to their opponents seven.

In comparison with other teams the Tigers were not physical giants; neither were they half grown yelping cubs. They were full grown tigers, eager to do battle with any opposition that faced them. Lighter by pounds than some opponents, the Purple Wave surged relentlessly on and then, when the Wave had subsided, were to be seen the battered teams that felt the fang and claw of the mighty Tiger. They were battered, torn and clawed, and as they turned their backs upon the scenes of battle; after the sound of war drums could be heard no longer, they slowly plodded their weary way homeward, with envy and perhaps a touch of jealousy for the mighty Tigers. But, such was not the same with the majestic striped cats: they, who have never known defeat; they, who have made the greatest record in Dixie; they, to whom belong the spoils of victory for three years; they, who have written the name OUACHITA across the face of all the Southland. They returned, perhaps slightly battered, but majestically and triumphantly to their dens on the cliff of the little Ouachita river, where they are masters of all they survey.

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Football Resume

OUACHITA 48; A. T. C. 0

THE Arkansas State Teachers College faced the Tigers in the opening game of the season. Much anxiety was experienced a short time before this game. The Tigers were performing under a new coach who was new in college football circles. The eyes of the sport world were directed toward Ouachita College. Over all the state this question was being asked: What has Ouachita got this year? Have they another winning team? On October 9, the leading papers announced that Ouachita had a championship team. The Tigers run rough-shod over the teachers to win a 48-0 victory.

OUACHITA 20; OZARK COLLEGE 0

A week later the Tigers journeyed to Pine Bluff with the entire student body, on a special train to engage the Mountaineers from Ozark College. The heat was intense, but everybody reported a good time; the Tigers walloped the hardy challengers 20-0. This was a sweet victory and it informed the sport world the Tigers had a formidable machine, because the year before the Tigers fought this opponent an up-hill battle to win a 3-0 victory.

OUACHITA 40; UNION UNIVERSITY 0

Next on the program were the "Bulldogs" from Union University. In this game the great Tiger offense came into its own. Time and again the Tiger linemen charged the Bulldogs backward, while the backs came thundering through to pile up a one-sided score of 40-0.

OUACHITA 0; HENDRIX 0

On October 29, the Tiger met his arch age enemy, the Hendrix "Bulldog." This was the opening event in Ouachita's new stadium. Five thousand people assembled to see these teams do battle that memorable afternoon. For two hours and a half twenty-two iron clad warriors, Tiger against Bulldog, claw against claw, fang against fang, charged and recharged, striving to gain a victory. And when the game was over five thousand fans came down out of the stands, some disappointed, some with tears in their eyes, some lighthearted and contented, and SOME really happy, because the Bulldog fought the Tiger a scoreless draw as far as scoring is concerned. In the last few minutes of the game the Tigers ripped the Bulldog line to shreds but time prevented a score.

OUACHITA 46; ARKANSAS COLLEGE 0

A week later the Tigers went on a rampage. Smarting from the sting of a tie the week before, the striped cats piled up a 46-0 score on Arkansas College. In this game the Tiger backfield really found itself. They charged over center, they slashed off tackle, they run the ends, and completed pass after pass.

OUACHITA 37; TENNESSEE DOCTORS 0

On that memorable day, November 11, the Tigers gave the Tennessee Doctors the worst licking they had received in a decade. The "Commercial Appeal" hailed the Tigers as the greatest team ever to appear in Memphis. The "Docs" have long been a power in Southern football but they went down in crushing defeat at the hands of Arkansas' many times champion team. Every Tiger covered himself with glory, there were no weak places, no man was waiting for the next play to do what he could. It was a great game.

OUACHITA 14; HENDERSON-BROWN 7

Then came the crowning achievement of a year when, on Thanksgiving Day, before the largest crowd ever to witness a game in Arkadelphia, the royal Tigers defeated the "Reddies," 14-7. Great games may have been played in Arkadelphia before, great games will perhaps be played in the future, but never will there be a greater game than on that Thanksgiving Day, when a purple-jerseyed eleven pitted itself against the Maroon clad warriors of Henderson and came home with the wreath of victory. The Tiger backfield was a veritable battering ram, and again the line earned the title of "The Seven Wonders of the World." NEVER will there be such a game!





To Our Great Leader

COACH FOY HAMMONS

Foy Hammons came to Ouachita in the Fall of 1926, to direct the athletics of the college. He came here as a great man, great as an athletic director, great in character, and great in personality. Coach is a true gentleman; he is more than that, he is a man. He is honored and respected by all on the campus. It is sheer pleasure to be in his presence.

After being with us only one year, he is the biggest man on Ouachita's campus. His superb generalship and clear-sighted ability in guiding our athletics has made Ouachita a determining factor in all forms of athletics. But beneath all his greatness, beneath all outside appearances or influences, you will find the true Hammons. Dig down into the core and you will find the source of such greatness and personality. There you will find high morals, a spotless character, a noble, gentle soul, and a heart of pure gold. Hammons is an idol.

CAREY SELPH, *Assistant Coach*

Carey Selph's name has been written at the head of the list of those who have distinguished themselves in Arkansas' athletic hall of fame. He is the greatest football player ever to perform on an Arkansas gridiron; he is equally as great as a baseball player. But great as he is in athletics he is greater as a man. He is esteemed and honored by all who know him. His name has become a legend and will live forever in the hearts of Ouachitonians.

Carey is our assistant athletic director. Ouachita could not find a better man for the position. "Scotty" has been of great and valuable service as a coach. His presence upon the field was an inspiration. For years "Scotty" has been one of us, working and striving for Ouachita's greatness, but we pay homage to him as a great man and coach.

"MOSE" DILDY, *Guard, Captain*

Weight 177, Four Years, ALL STATE

Mose is one of the most versatile football players that ever donned a Tiger uniform. A good athlete, and a good man. The captaincy of the greatest team in the state is a distinction which hard work, and not in the working of fate, gave to Gary Dildy. No better or more respected leader could be found to march at the head of a victorious Ouachita team.

Hall, to thee, Gary.

Football



WILLIAM C. BRASHER, *End*

Weight 160, Three Years

Bill is the best defensive man that ever wore a Tiger uniform. He can size up a play with lightening-like rapidity, and despite his light weight he is the hardest tackler in Arkansas. By ever playing the role of a gentleman he has won a place of high esteem in the regard of his classmates, fellow students, and his opponents.

"IKE" HOWARD, *Quarterback*

Weight 165, Two Years

"Ike" is the man that took Selph's place. Some people thought it couldn't be done, but even they will admit it was, and it was done well. Kearns is a good passer and a clever broken field runner, and a good field general. Much is expected from him in the future, since he has two more years with us.

"COO" WINBURN, *Halfback*

Weight 165, Three Years

"Coo" is one of the fastest backs in the state, and his weight and speed make him a dangerous man. It was Hardy who broke through the Hendrix "Bulldogs" and fought his way to the eight-yard line, only to be called back. The passing of this star will be greatly missed next year. Hall, to thee, Hardy.

"PAPA" GRAHAM, *End, Captain-Elect*

Weight 185; Three Years, ALL-STATE

"Papa" is the greatest end that ever trod the sod on a Southern gridiron. He is the greatest figure in Arkansas football. He is a six footer, "all man," yet, he is the fastest man in the state. He has made football history by eloping with passes. Graham is an idol!

Football

"Red" McMANUS, *Center*

Weight 179, Three Years, ALL-STATE

"Redhead" is one of the greatest players the game has known, and the greatest center in Arkansas. No high spots can be picked out in his play; it is always consistent and sensational throughout the season. A man who played his position to perfection. A man and a gentleman on the gridiron and off.

"Big" MILLER, *Guard*

Weight 175, Three Years

Like many another whose work is done beneath the surface, he paved the way for gain after gain, and blocked many powerful attacks. "Big" had the misfortune to get a broken hand in mid-season, but this did not keep him on the sideline. In spite of his injury he fought on and is recognized as one of the greatest guards in the state.

"Roy" RIGGINS, *Halfback*

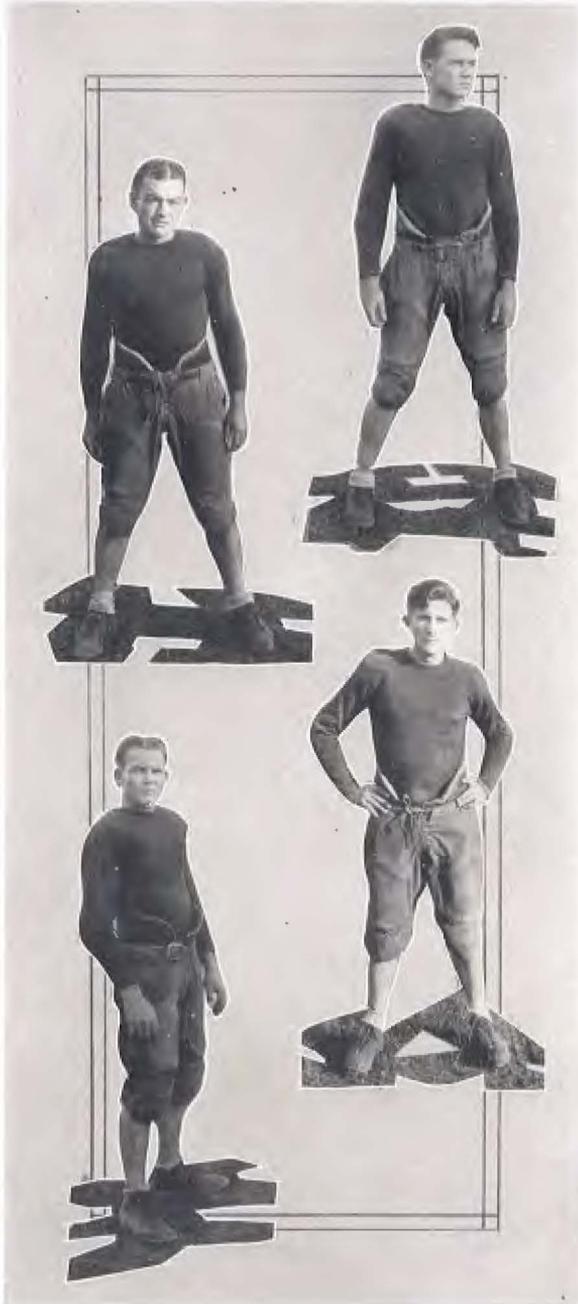
Weight 160, Three Years

"Rig" is the midget of the Tiger squad, but what he lacks in size he has in punch. He was the sensation of the backs. When "Rig" hit the line it was first down for Ouachita. He played the game of his life Thanksgiving against the "Reddies." It was his great offensive drive in the second half that spelled defeat for Henderson-Brown.

"HOOKER" REASONER, *Tackle*

Weight 183, Three Years

With strength and force that batters all resistance has been combined as crafty a brain as ever possessed by a football player. "Hooker" is one of the greatest Tiger linemen of all time. He was picked by several sports writers as an all-state tackle. He is a man who knows in what proportion to mix his work and play; a man who played his tackle to perfection.



Football



JACK NOWLIN, *Tackle*

Weight 187, Four Years

The summit of sartorial perfection and the Beau Brummel of the Senior class. A man who believes there should be more to a college education than just the learning absorbed from text books. Jack is a great tackle; a man of action and daring. He has passed on with the alumni. Hall, to thee, Jack.

JOE HENRY NUCKOLS, *Guard*

Weight 185, Two Years

Joe Henry is a pillar of strength in the line; the comedian of the Tiger squad, but like all wise men, Joe knows when to discontinue the comedy and begin the drama. He has the ability and making of a great star.

"BUCK" BUCHANNAN, *Fullback*

Weight 180, Two Years, ALL-STATE

"Buck" is one of the hardest driving backs in the game. He is one of the greatest punters in the Southwest. Another all-state man whose ability is not questioned. Great things are expected of Buck in his two remaining years. A great Tiger and a great man.

IRA SELPH, *Guard*

Weight 167, One Year

Ira has fought like a demon for four years to make the Tiger varsity. This year his efforts were not in vain. The will is there; the ability is there; the man is there; and by his unending efforts he was rewarded in his last year. A sincere friend, a jolly good fellow. We hate to lose him. Hall, to thee, Ira.

Football

"Doc" BILES, Tackle

Weight 170, One Year

"Doc" is another hard worker whose efforts were rewarded in his last year as an Ouachitonian. He is outstanding in his faithfulness and is always ready to go with no great priming.

"PETE" PERRY, Halfback

Weight 162, One Year

"Pete" is the brother of the former "Ouachita Tank," Mervin E. Perry. "Pete" bids well to follow in the path of his famous kinsman. He is a powerful line smasher.

FRANK STROOPE, Halfback

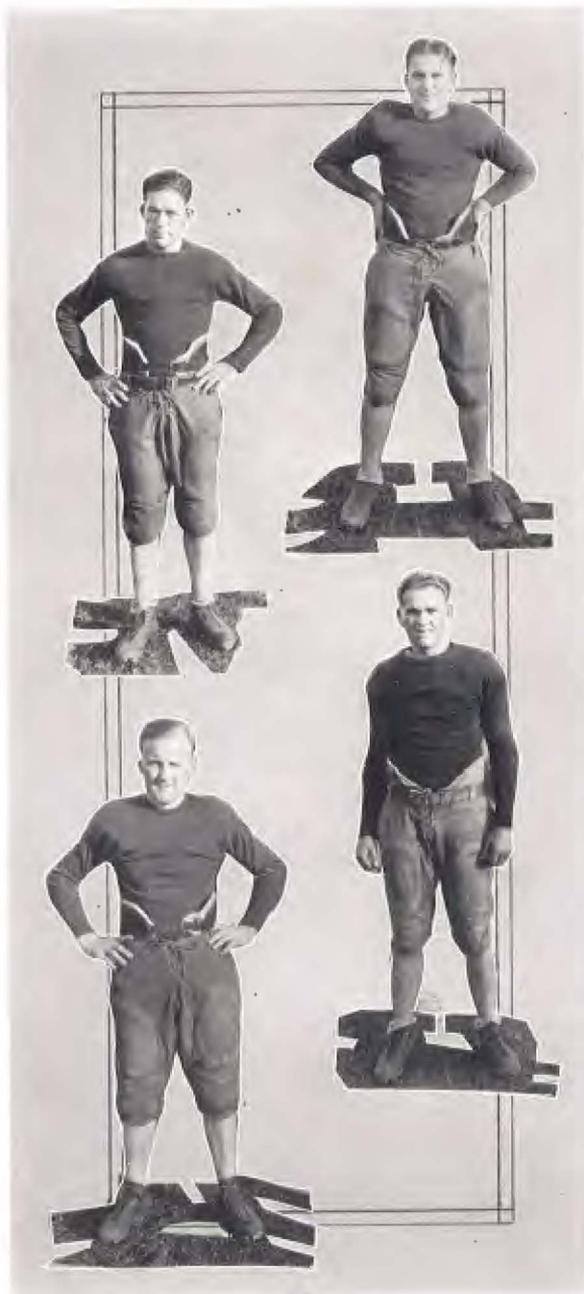
Weight 170, One Year

"Strooper" knows what it is to be a scrub, he fought with them two years, but this year he bade farewell to the scrubs and became a full grown Tiger. He is a good punter and an exceptionally good drop kicker.

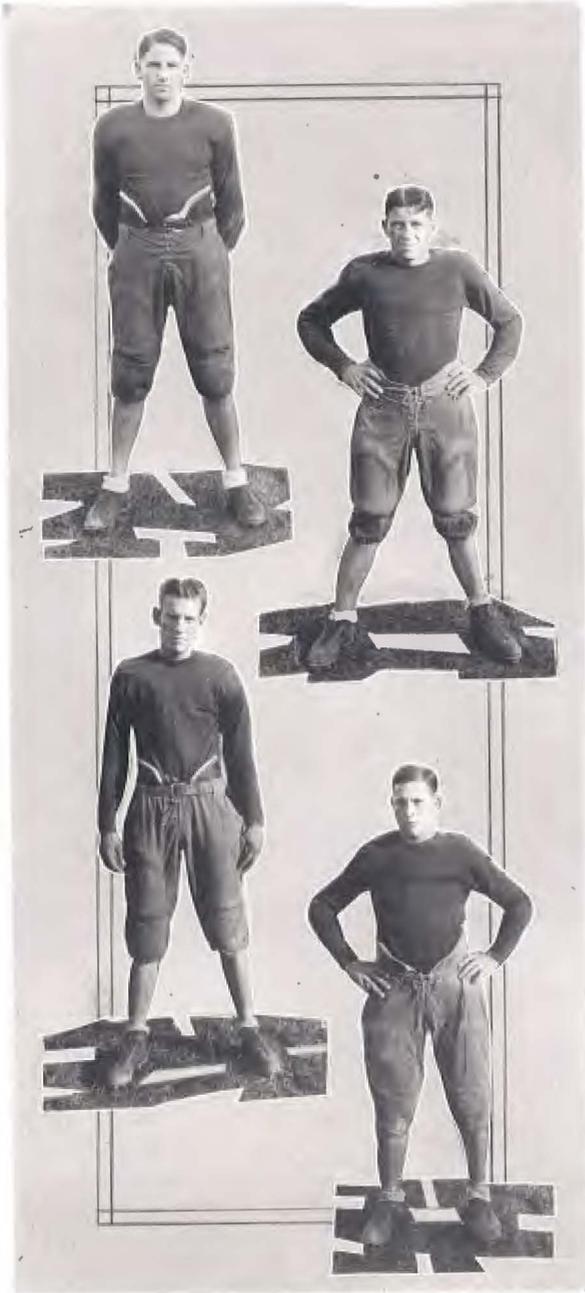
"J. C." HARRELL, Halfback

Weight 172, One Year

"J. C." came to us from Pine Bluff. He is a dangerous man to face when he has the ball. He has three more years with us and much is expected of him.



Football



"JABBO" DALRYMPLE, *End*

Weight 160, One Year

"Jabbo" came up from the scrubs this year and made us a valuable man. He is a very aggressive end and is a hard man to go around. Jabbo should be a great fighter next year.

"DESTRUCK" SELPH, *Quarterback*

Weight 161, One Year

Leland is a great quarterback, a good brokenfield runner and a good field general. He is adept in tossing passes and sidestepping. He has two great years before him.

FRANK MCGIBBONY, *Center*

Weight 161, One Year

"Mac" is football smart for a Freshman. Although light for a center, he is a great fighter, and promises to be a coming hero for the Tigers, in his remaining three years as a Tiger.

O. D. WOOD, *Fullback*

Weight 161, One Year

O. D. is the Adonias of the Tiger squad. He has natural ability and when he hits the line—all's over but the shouting for the game is won. This versatile star has three more years to play as a Tiger.

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FOOTBALL

GRAHAM
REASONER ✓
MILLER
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REASONER ✓
BUCHANAN
WINBURN
ROYAL

BRASHER
JARRETT

"PEP" ASSOCIATION

HANKINS
WESTMORELAND

MISS SMITH
MISS RILEY

MISS MOORE
LILE (STUDENT MANAGER)

A Tribute to the Scrubs

Behind the scenes in every stage effect that dazzles an audience, some humble electrician or stage hand plays an important part, unseen, unheralded, unsung, unpraised, in making the production a success. The brightness of the stars cast their shadows upon them and the eye of the public cannot distinguish them in the mists. Noble souls and brave hearts are giving themselves away for the sole purpose of making the play a success. The applause and bouquets are for the Prima Donnas.

And so it is in football. Behind the scenes in daily rehearsals the "electricians and stage hands" are transformed into loyal forms of humanity, who have feelings the same as you and I, and who are known from coast to coast as "Scrubs." There was never a scrub team in existence which received the praise and honors rightfully due it. To work and strive with the scrubs for two, three or four years, hoping for a chance, perhaps only for a few minutes in an occasional game, is truly a noble-hearted, loyal, inspirational accomplishment. Yet for some reason it cannot be otherwise. The scrubs are an institution, they are here and are here to stay. And if others do not, let it not be said that our scrubs shall not be honored and praised.

The Ouachita Tiger machine can attribute, and does attribute, its success in no little degree to the painstaking and more often painful scrimmages which the lowly scrubs ran through with them "behind the scenes."

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