



# BASKETBALL

The Ouachita basketball team of 1927 was the greatest team ever to represent the institution. By running up a string of victories over the leading colleges of the state, unparalleled in Ouachita history, the Tiger team rose to heights unprecedented, and made for itself a lasting reputation throughout the state. Considering the style of basketball played by the team last year and the years before, this year's team was the wonder team of the state. The Tigers finished second in the association, being barely nosed out by the champions in the final moment of play in the deciding game.

This is the first year Ouachita has endeavored to put a championship team in the field, and in a single year a secondary team was developed into one of the strongest teams in Arkansas. Another year will perhaps see the Ouachita Tigers champions of the state. We have the material, and still more we have the greatest coach in the state. This year's team was composed of a group of the best stars in the state, made up largely of new men, and this is the foundation upon which we base our predictions for a great team for Ouachita in the future.

Two men will be lost from the squad this year by graduation. These are Pullig and Blackman. Pullig is a great center, a hard fighter, and a star of numerous engagements. Blackman, the captain, is a hard worker and a good guard. To him belongs the honor of having captained the greatest team in Ouachita history.

And now, as we draw the curtain upon this year's great team, let us try to appreciate its greatness and the man who made it—Coach Foy Hammons—and let it be remembered that this is only the beginning of Ouachita greatness in the basketball world.

## 1927 RECORD

### ASSOCIATION GAMES

Ouachita . . . . .	19;	College of the Ozarks . . . . .	17
Ouachita . . . . .	41;	College of the Ozarks . . . . .	33
Ouachita . . . . .	32;	Henderson-Brown . . . . .	26
Ouachita . . . . .	22;	Hendrix . . . . .	38
Ouachita . . . . .	21;	Hendrix . . . . .	14
Ouachita . . . . .	27;	Hendrix . . . . .	31
Ouachita . . . . .	43;	Arkansas College . . . . .	22
Ouachita . . . . .	34;	Henderson-Brown . . . . .	26

### NON-ASSOCIATION GAMES

Ouachita . . . . .	23;	Graham Broening . . . . .	29
Ouachita . . . . .	22;	Graham Broening . . . . .	19
Ouachita . . . . .	26;	Magnolia Aggies . . . . .	15
Ouachita . . . . .	34;	Magnolia Aggies . . . . .	28
Ouachita . . . . .	24;	Magnolia Aggies . . . . .	27
Ouachita . . . . .	22;	State Teachers College . . . . .	23
Ouachita . . . . .	33;	State Teachers College . . . . .	22
Ouachita . . . . .	21;	State Teachers College . . . . .	25
Ouachita . . . . .	34;	Bearden "Y" . . . . .	20
Ouachita . . . . .	20;	Arkansas Tech . . . . .	22
Ouachita . . . . .	16;	Arkansas Tech . . . . .	26
Ouachita . . . . .	50;	Hot Springs "Y" . . . . .	8



## Basketball

### KEARNS HOWARD

*Forward*

"Ike" is a Sophomore, and consequently playing his second year on the squad. He always plays a good game and should prove to be a good man in the years to come. "Ike's" floor work was outstanding and his goal shooting very effective.

### DICK GIFFORD

*Guard*

Dick's great work at running guard was one of the big reasons for Ouachita's rapid improvement. Dick is a great all-round man; he starred in every game and is one of Arkansas' outstanding guards. This is his Freshman year and a great deal more should be heard from him in the future.

### CURTIS PULLIG

*Center*

"Blue," who has won state recognition in other branches of athletics, is truly just as great on the basketball court. This is "Blue's" last year and his ever fighting do or die spirit will be very much missed when the gong sounds next year. His work under the baskets was always noticeable, and he converted many misses into baskets.

### CLYDE NANCE

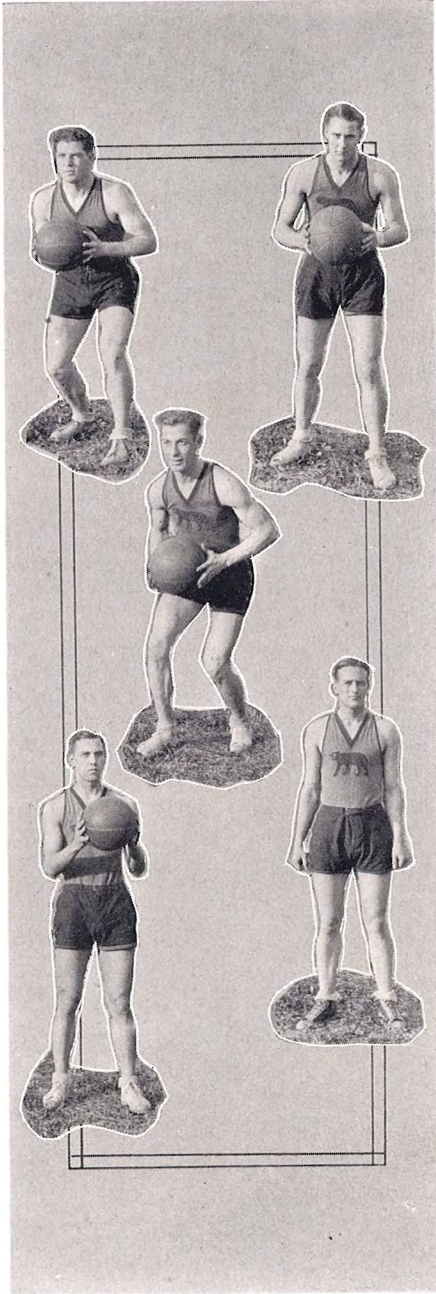
*Forward*

Clyde, who is playing his first year with Ouachita has already won state-wide recognition. He displayed a nice eye for the basket, sometimes making no less than twenty points. Clyde's floor-work and clever faking was good and we expect him to be one of the shining stars of the 1928 quintet.

### CAPT. EDDIE BLACKMAN

*Guard*

Although Eddie did not play in every game he was a fast hard worker and a crack guard. He will always be remembered as the way he gets around the court in such a pleasing manner. This is Eddie's last year and his leaving is regretted.



## Basketball

### BILL BRASHER *Guard*

"Bill" played a very hard aggressive brand of basketball. He is always in there breaking up passes and sending the ball back down the court. Bill has one more year in school and then fans have confidence in him and believe he will make good.

### CLYDE HART *Forward*

Clyde is a Sophomore and playing his second year on the varsity. He always played a good game of ball while in the game and should prove to be an excellent man in the years to come. Clyde is scheduled to return next year and with his added experience should become a star of first magnitude.

### GORDON GILBERT *Forward*

"Shorty" is one of the smallest men ever on a Ouachita College basketball court. He is the type of a man who furnishes thrills for the fans with his flashy playing. He is a good shot and covers a great deal of floor, always worrying an opponent. Next year is "Shorty's" last one and he should prove to be a great man.

### JOE NICHOLS *Forward*

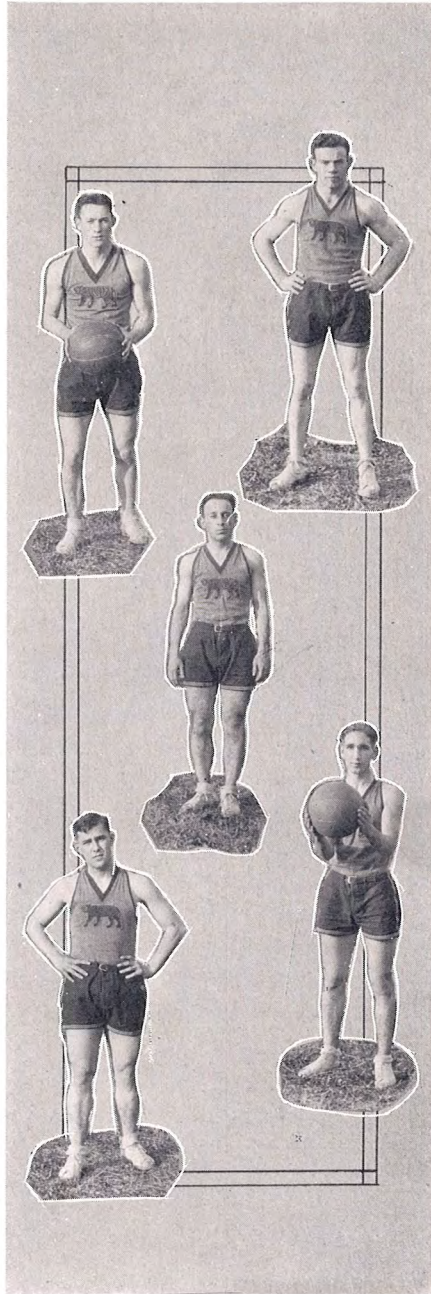
A much better game has been played by Joe this year than last. His eye for the basket was good, and he always displayed a fast floor game. In the games in which he took part, however, he showed a cool and smooth style of play. We are hoping that he will be fortunate enough next year to show what he can really do.

### ROY NANCE *Guard*

Roy is a fast hardworking man at his position and soon demonstrated that he is a valuable man. He did not get to play much this year but with three years ahead of him should show up well in the future.

### ROBERT MOORE *Guard*

Robert's ability as a guard had not been discovered when the pictures for the annual were made so he was left out. Since then he was given a real opportunity and his qualities as a basketball player may be seen in any game, for he is a clean sportsman, a fighter and always consistent in his playing. With three more years to give to Ouachita we may count on one position being well taken care of.





# TRACK

Track, along with basketball, has been a minor sport in Ouachita until very recent times. The season of 1925 was the first time the Tiger authorities undertook to become a power in track activities. They were nosed out of a championship in the final event. Several of our track stars departed from the portals of our institution in the Spring of '25, which took away much of the strength of the team.

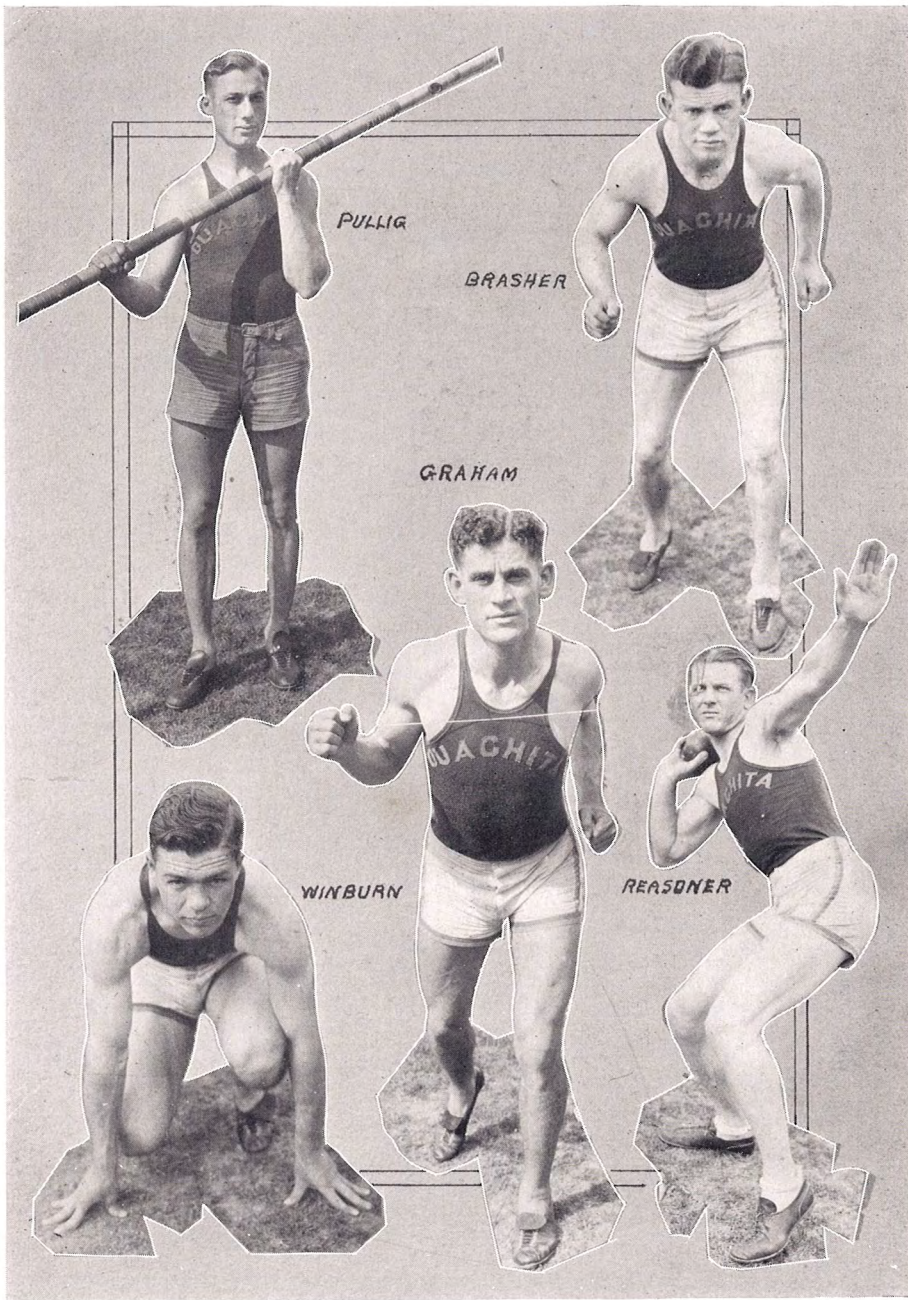
The Tigers have the best dash team ever brought together in the state. Graham has beaten or equalled every state record from the 100-yard dash to the 440-yard dash. He is the greatest sprinter Arkansas has ever produced. He has four excellent running mates in Captain Elliott, Winburn, and Buchannan. Brasher, Royal, and Jarrett are a trio of long distance runners that rank with the state's greatest. Pullig is the champion pole vaulter of Arkansas; his record being within a few inches of the Southern College record. Pullig and Reasoner handle the weights; Reasoner is also a broadjumper, and Pullig is a high hurdler.

The above array of stars won an easy dual meet from Henderson-Brown, and fell only at the hands of the state champions. A Tiger team never finishes below second place in any form of athletics—such is the greatness of the Tigers.



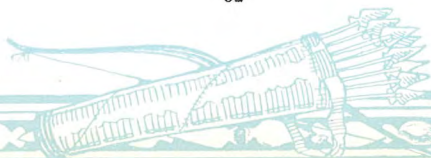
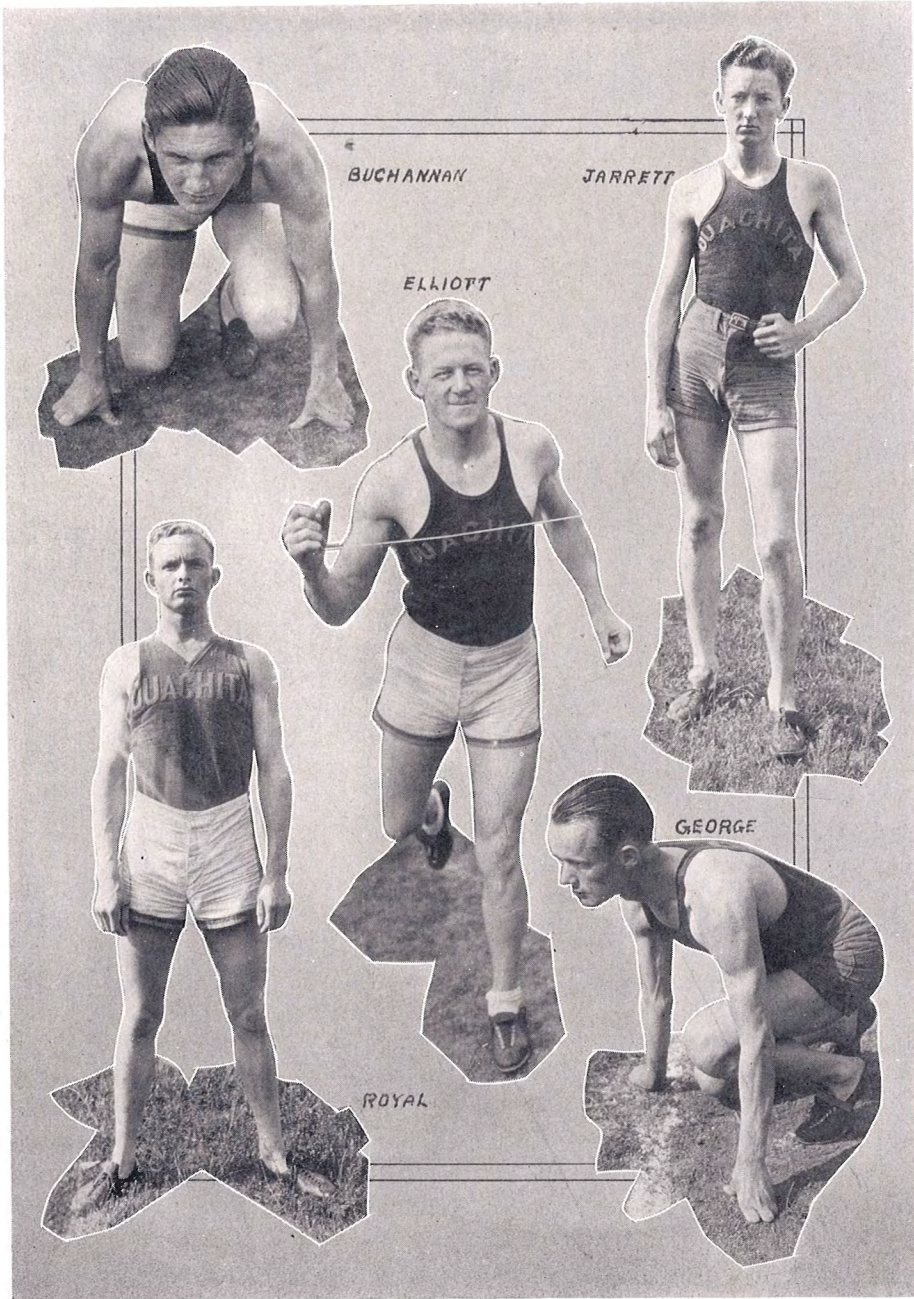
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# BASEBALL

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The Ouachita Tiger baseball team is even more famous than the football team. From the beginning of the Twentieth Century the Tigers have had practically an uninterrupted championship team, winning championship after championship. The Tigers have not won the championship every year, but every year they have been either champions or the runners-up. The team, other than our Tigers, to win the championship had to beat Ouachita for the title. The team of 1926 was one of the few in the last twenty-six years that did not win a clear title to state honors; this team finished in second place, one game behind the leaders.

The 1926 season was a successful one. The team played through the entire season with the loss of only three games. Only one series was lost, this being to the College of the Ozarks. These were the only games lost in the Association. Hendrix, Henderson-Brown and Arkansas Teachers were unable to win a single game. Two of the best semi-pro teams in the state went down before the brilliant playing of the Tigers. Warren lost a three-game series along with Gurdon.

The pitching of "Red" Carter was outstanding; he lost only one game out of seven starts, and he saw service as relief in a few other games. "Red" pitched two two-hit games; one against Hendrix and the other against Henderson. Hooker Reasoner is the other pitcher whose record stands out, although he did not perform much as a pitcher. He defeated the Warren team in the only extra-inning game of the season, and let the Arkansas Teachers down with only two hits. Hill, L. Selph, and Howard are a trio of brilliant fielders and hitters. They play third base, shortstop, and second base respectively. Dildy is a fine first baseman. Blackman, catcher and captain-elect, is the best catcher in the state, beyond a doubt; nothing more need be said of him. The outfield consisted of such stars as Captain Perry, Stroope, Daniels, Reasoner and Nowlin—as good as can be found in all Dixie. With this above named group of stars is it any wonder the Tigers have a winning team?





## Baseball

1926

### JACK NOWLIN

*Fielder*

Jack is a very capable outfielder, but is more valuable as a hitter. He is a great left handed slugger, and is a fast fielder. This is the closing episode of this famous character in Ouachita athletics as a baseball player. We wish him success in the game of life.

### "RED" CARTER

*Pitcher*

"Red" is one of the greatest pitchers in Arkansas College baseball; the ace of the Tiger pitching staff. His great arm and hitting ability make him a great ball player. When the Tigers have a real task in hand, Red is called to the mound. He very seldom ever fails us.

### "HOOKER" REASONER

*Pitcher, Outfielder*

"Hooker's" speed and arm gives him two requirements of a good ball player. He is occasionally called to the box where his work has been good. He ranks with the leading hitters of the team and is a fast fielder.

### GARY DILDY

*First Base*

"Mose" plays first base like a leaguer, and is a good hitter. His all around ability on the diamond makes him a great favorite. Gary knows the game and he uses his head as well as his body.





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**EDDIE BLACKMAN**  
*Catcher, Captain-Elect*

"Ed" has few equals as a catcher in Arkansas. He is the greatest in college baseball. Speed, pep, and ability all combined in one man on a baseball diamond is a great factor. He has them all, which make him a great ball player.

**JOHN DANIELS**  
*Fielder*

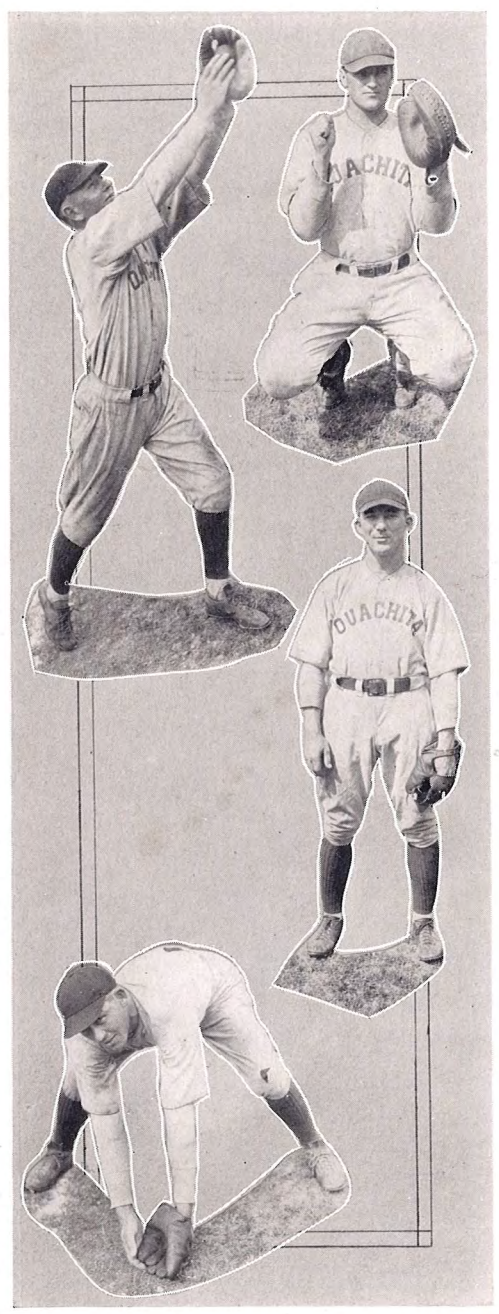
"J. T." is a great ball player, fielder, hitter and base runner. He is a sure bat in a pinch. Many Tiger scores have resulted from timely blows from his bat and many scores have been prevented by his sensational fielding.

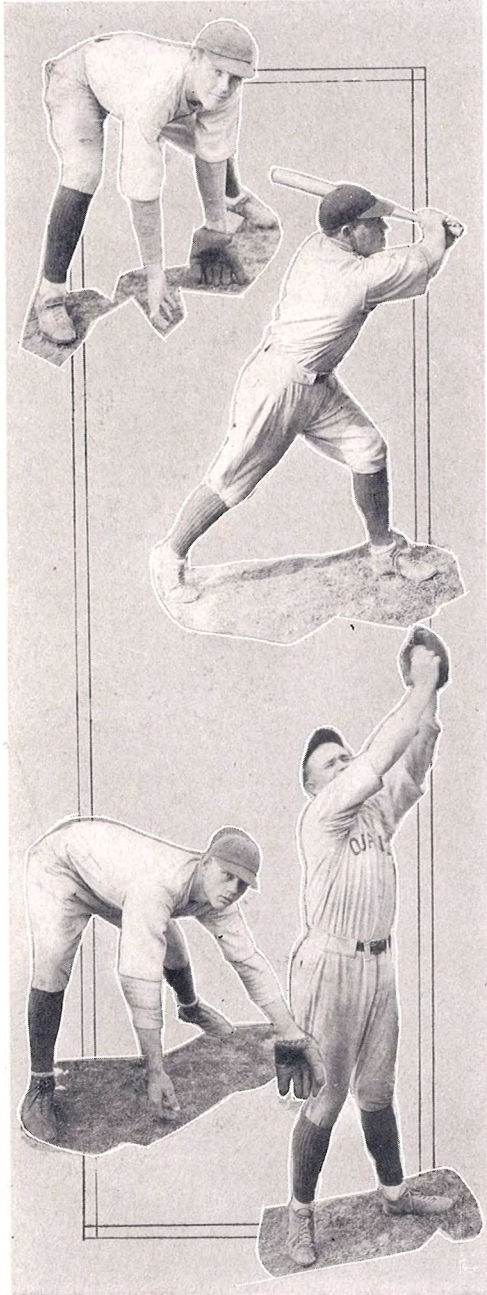
**"PEEWEE" PERRY**  
*Fielder, Captain*

"Pee wee" is a typical ball player. A powerful man who can use a bat to great advantage. Mervyn was a great captain of a great team. Birds of a feather flock together. This is the final role of this splendid athlete who has made athletic history in Ouachita. He is liked by all who know him, and as he goes out to play the game of life we wish him all the success in the world. He has been a faithful son to his Alma Mater; we feel that he will be greatly rewarded. Hail, to thee, Pete.

**LELAND SELPH**  
*Shortstop*

Leland is one of the best infielders in the game. An exceptionally good fielder, who can throw from any position. He is one of the best hitters on the team, and is a clever base runner.





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### JACK CARTER *Pitcher, Third Base*

Jack's pep and chatter, the old Tiger growl, along with his performance made him a true Tiger in spirit and action. He is a good hitter and fielder and saw service on the mound a few times, but by nature is a third baseman.

### "IKE" HOWARD *Second Base*

"Ike" is the best second baseman the tigers have had in several years. A better man for the keystone birth could not be found. His brilliant fielding makes him outstanding, but he is also a good hitter.

### LELAND HILL

Leland is a typical third baseman. The hotter they are the better he likes them. He has the best throwing arm of any third sacker in the state. Leland is famous as a slugger, many of his long drives going for extra base hits.

### FRANK STROOPE *Fielder*

It is mighty hard to get a hit in the field in which "Strooper" is playing. Hard chances is what he likes, and often he makes hard ones appear easy. He can also use a bat to a great advantage.

