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FOOTBALL
FOOTBALL RECORD

Captain ........................................ Alfred Cantwell
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Coach ............................................ A. Byron Wimberly
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Freshman Coach ................................. Don White

THE TEAM

Alfred Cantwell
Oscar Claypool
Sam Floun
Paul Gronnling
Joseph Hersch
John Hutton

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Charles Levy
Martin Lyle
Carl Neupert
Walter Semple
Ralph Walsh

Paul Weil

RECORD OF GAMES

September 29 Washington 0—Alumni 0 Francis Field
October 6 Washington 7—Rolla 0 Francis Field
October 13 Washington 2—Grinnell 16 Francis Field
October 20 Washington 7—Oklahoma 62 Norman
October 27 Washington 7—Ames 54 Francis Field
November 3 Washington 6—Drury 0 Francis Field
November 10 Washington 0—Kansas 83 Lawrence
November 17 Washington 13—Missouri 7 Francis Field
November 29 Washington 8—Tulane 19 New Orleans
THE football season of 1923 will go down in history as a successful season. The defeats in the early conference games will be forgotten and the season will be remembered only for the miraculous victory over the Missouri Tigers, accomplished by a team doped to be overwhelmingly defeated. The credit for this feat must go to the men who went into the game to fight against almost inconquerable odds, and to the coaches who guided the team through a series of disheartening defeats to the heights of victory. This miracle team was developed by Head Coach Wimberly, who is spending his first year at Washington, assisted by Backfield Coach Davis and Coach White in charge of the Freshman squad.

Practice started early in September with a medium sized squad, the major portion of which stayed in harness throughout the season. Seven letter men, Captain Cantwell, Kurus and Dugdale of the line, and Claypool, Lyle, Walsh and Weber in the backfield formed the nucleus of the squad. In addition to these men, Hutton, Goessling, Mitchell, Levy, Semple, Albin, Weil, Willman and Hersch were out for positions on the line, while Floun, Thrasher, Massengill and Meyer reported as candidates for places in the backfield. Shortly after the season started the squad was strengthened by the return of Al Schmaus, a veteran from last year, and the addition of Peterson, Neupert, Turner and several others from the Medical School.
ALUMNI AND ROLLA

The season opened on September 30th, an unbearably hot day, when the Varsity met the Alumni in a pre-season game that resulted in a scoreless tie. The game was hard fought and both teams showed good work, there being very little early season raggedness. Only twice were the Varsity in a position to score. On one occasion a forward pass was grounded over the goal line, and at another time Weber missed a drop kick at the 30-yard line. Both of these opportunities came in the second half. The Alumni’s chance to score came in the second half, but the Varsity held for downs.

The Varsity annexed the first regular game of the season on October 6th by defeating the Rolla Miners, 7-0. The Piker team evidenced their inexperience in the first part of the game and the play was practically even for three quarters, the Hilltoppers being completely baffled by the Miners’ plays and unable to check the terrific rushes of the Miner backs. The third quarter developed into a kicking duel between Levy and Gabler. After a half-dozen exchanges, the former’s superiority became apparent and the Pikers gained the advantage when one of his well-placed efforts went out of bounds on the Miners’ 6-yard line at the end of the third quarter. The final period saw the Pikers thoroughly aroused. After a series of line plunges by Floun, who had replaced Weber, Walsh carried the ball over from the 1-yard line for a touchdown. Levy’s drop kick added the extra point. Levy’s punting stood out along with the work of the other individual Piker stars, Floun, Captain Cantwell and Claypool.

For an early season effort, the game appeared all that could be expected. The line was fighting and charging and the backfield men with a small assortment of plays were reelring off some good runs in the second half. The game served to give many of the men their first varsity experience.
The Grinnell Pioneers called for the first conference game of the season on October 13th and succeeded in defeating the Pikers by a score of 16-2. The game was played in a drizzle which made the field slow and prevented spectacular playing by either team.

Near the end of the first quarter Washington scored its two points when Critchett, Grinnell’s safety man, fumbled one of Levy’s long punts and recovered behind his goal line. In the second period, Willman, subbing at end, intercepted a pass and raced to Grinnell’s 7-yard line. Here the Pikers were unable to gain and the Pioneers kicked out of danger. One minute before the half ended, Critchett of Grinnell scored three points with a perfect drop kick from the 35-yard line.

During the third quarter both teams played straight football and neither was able to make many substantial gains. Late in the fourth quarter the Pioneers scored their first touchdown after a series of end runs by Fullback Sweet. Washington now resorted to a passing game, but one of the passes was intercepted and Grinnell scored again shortly before the game ended. Sweet, the smallest man in the Pioneer backfield, was the individual star of the game. Aided by good interference, he made consistent gains throughout the game. Levy’s punting featured the Piker playing.

The Piker line played a good defensive game, but the same cannot be said for the backfield. For a while Claypool was the whole Piker secondary defense, several times catching Sweet after the latter had shaken off would-be Piker tacklers. Captain Cantwell was unable to start the game on account of injuries, but went in for a while in the second quarter when Washington had a chance to score.
OKLAHOMA

The following week the Pikers journied to Norman to meet the Oklahoma Sooners. Washington, outweighed over twenty pounds to the man, and without the services of five regulars, fought hopelessly against overwhelming odds and was defeated 62 to 7. The only bright spot in the game was the aerial attack displayed by the Pikers in the second half.

The heavy Sooner team literally swamped the light Piker squad and by making consistent gains through the line and around the ends was able to pile up the one-sided score. Statistics of the game show that the Sooners gained 213 yards through the line, 188 yards around the ends, and returned Piker kicks for a total of 245 yards, while Washington was able to gain practically nothing by carrying the ball. The lone Piker score was made in the third quarter when Weber tossed a 10-yard pass to Dugdale, who fought his way sixty yards through a broken field for a touchdown.

Although the defeat by Oklahoma was the most disastrous suffered by Washington since she entered the Conference, it had some good results. The game clearly showed to the University student body and alumni that Washington needed a change of certain policies in regard to football. As a direct result, arrangements were made to allow almost a dozen capable medical students to come out for the team.

The defeat also served to awaken a real burst of spirit on the campus. Both the faculty and the student body came to a fuller realization that their whole-hearted support is essential to the production of successful teams.
In the next game played against Ames on Francis Field, the Pikers were completely outclassed by one of the best teams in the valley. By an almost uncanny use of the forward pass, the Cyclones were able to pile up a score of 54 to 7. As in the Oklahoma game, the Pikers were outweighed almost twenty pounds to the man.

The Washington team fought hard, but displayed a poor defense against the Ames' passing attack. The Cyclones completed fifteen out of twenty-seven passes for a total gain of 214 yards. Washington missed the services of a good punter when Levy was kept out of the game on account of a sore foot.

The Ames team made its first touchdown about the middle of the first quarter when they recovered a Piker fumble and completed a pass over the Washington goal line. The first half ended with the score 33 to 0. In the third quarter, the Washington team fought hard and kept the Ames machine from scoring. During this quarter, the Pikers made their score when Hutton fell on the ball over the goal line after the Ames quarterback had fumbled a snap back from the center. Lyle added the extra point with a drop kick. The Pikers weakened in the final period and Ames scored three more touchdowns.

The Behn brothers in the backfield and Roberts at end formed the nucleus of the Cyclone passing attack and played in a stellar fashion throughout the game. Floun starred for Washington, both on the offense and the defense. Walsh played a creditable game as safety man.
DRURY AND KANSAS

The next week the Pikers defeated Drury College, 6-0, in a non-conference game, played in St. Louis. The game was played in ankle-deep mud, and, as a result, fumbles were numerous and accurate playing was practically impossible. For three quarters both teams resorted to a kicking game in which Lyle, kicking for Washington, had the edge on Kuhn, the Drury punter. The Washington score came in the final period after the Pikers had rushed the ball to Drury's 12-yard line, and then put it across with a short pass over the goal line, Claypool to Goessling. Lyle slipped in the mud and missed the try for goal.

The unfavorable weather was welcome to the coaches even though it interfered with the game from the spectator's standpoint. As the likelihood of injury is greatly lessened on a muddy field, the Piker squad was able to play through the game without suffering a single casualty. As unfortunate injuries in the Grinnell, Oklahoma, and Ames had already seriously handicapped the Washington team, the week to recuperate losses was greatly appreciated by both the team and the coaches.

Washington traveled to Lawrence the following week and was subdued by a heavier and more experienced Jayhawk team in a game ending 83 to 0. The Pikers, playing through the game minus the services of several regulars, seemed to lose heart after the score reached such large proportions and apparently were unable to hold the Jayhawksers in check at all. The Kansas team gained regularly with line plunges and also used the forward pass to advantage. The Washington men seemed lost during the game and did not show the fight that enabled them to overcome Mizzou the following week.
The climax of the season was reached on November 17th, when the Pikers met their traditional foe, the Missouri Tigers. The Washington team, light, inexperienced and overwhelmingly defeated by other conference teams earlier in the season, went into the game, in the popular mind, doomed to be defeated. But by a miraculous exhibition of grit and indomitable courage, the fighting Pikers not only held the overconfident Tigers but pushed over two touchdowns, enough to win the game, 13 to 7. The game will be remembered by all who saw it as the superb performance of a team that would not be beaten, regardless of the odds. In valley circles it will be remembered as the most startling upset that has occurred in the history of the conference. In fact, one sport writer claims it was the most remarkable victory scored by any team in the country in any sport during the year 1923.

The game was played on a day perfect for football, and before a large crowd assembled for the homecoming celebration. The keynote of the Piker spirit was struck when Claypool took the kick-off forty yards to Mizzou’s 45-yard line. Here the Pikers were unable to gain, but neither were the Tigers when they took the ball. The quarter ended with neither team having gained a first down. The Tigers woke up in the second period and against stubborn resistance carried the ball to the Washington 1-yard line, but the indomitable Pikers held them for downs and Levy kicked out of danger.

Hutton paved the way for Washington’s first score when he recovered a Missouri fumble of one of Levy’s long punts on the Tiger 6-yard line. On the next play a short pass to Hutton put the ball over for Washington’s first
score against Missouri in three years. Weber's drop kick for goal was blocked. At the beginning of the second half the Tigers opened up with an aerial attack, but Floun intercepted one of the passes and, covered by Lyle, raced 55 yards for Washington's second touchdown. Lyle drop-kicked goal.

The Missouri attack was now opened up in earnest. The Tigers, by successive plunges, carried the ball to Washington's 4-yard line only to lose it on a fumble. Levy kicked and the Tigers started another advance, only to be held for downs on the Piker 12-yard line. During the last quarter Missouri tried desperately to recoup her losses. After a series of advances the Tigers scored their only touchdown when Bond carried the ball over from the 15-yard line. An off-side penalty against Washington gave them the extra point. Another Tiger offensive was finally stopped when Cantwell recovered a fumble. With three minutes to play, the Tigers madly tried to push over a score by resorting to passes. The game ended before Missouri could gain and the seemingly impossible had happened.

For a few minutes the Piker rooters were silent, unable to realize that the game had really been won. Then, with a sweeping rush the crowd swarmed out on the field to carry the victorious players around the field and to the gymnasium. Some of the more enthusiastic rooters started a snake dance that finally ended up somewhere on Lindell Boulevard. The exhilarated freshmen, spurred on by upperclassmen, kept the victory bell ringing until long after nine o'clock. Practically the whole school turned out to celebrate at the Wreckers' Dance that evening. At the end of the season, the Wrecking Crew, to show the team the appreciation of the student body, presented each man who played in the game with a small gold football for a watch charm.
The season closed Thanksgiving Day when the Pikers, playing in New Orleans, were defeated by Tulane in a non-conference game, 19 to 8. It had rained heavily the night before and the slow field helped the heavier Tulane aggregation to overcome the light Piker team.

Washington scored early in the first quarter when Flournoy fumbled and recovered behind his own goal line. The Greenbacks now opened up their attack and scored their first touchdown largely through the efforts of “Brother” Brown. Another touchdown was scored soon afterwards when Tulane completed a pass to gain the necessary 50 yards. Both attempts for goal failed. In the second period the play was even and neither team was able to gain a first down.

At the beginning of the second half Brown scored another touchdown for Tulane after a series of successful line bucks and end runs. From this point on the game was all for the Pikers. Washington opened up an effective aerial offensive which finally resulted in a touchdown in the fourth quarter. The score came when Walsh caught a twenty-yard pass from Claypool behind the Greenback goal line. The Pikers continued to gain with their passing attack, but were unable to push over another score before the game ended.

About 130 Piker rooters, including the Band and Wrecking Crew, accompanied the team to New Orleans to see the game.

Three Washington stars, Cantwell, Claypool, and Dugdale, played their last game of collegiate football in the Tulane game. Al Schnaurs, who for three years has been a bulwark of strength in the Piker line, will also graduate. It is regrettable that the team was deprived of his services early in the season on account of an unfortunate injury. Twenty-five veterans, together with a number of promising Frosh, will be available for the team next year.
SPRING FOOTBALL

SPRING football is of recent origin at Washington. Last year the first spring practice was held. This year fifty-five men responded to Coach Wimberly's call and the first practice was held March 31st. Only three letter men reported, although there will be eleven back next fall. Many letter men were active in baseball and track. The spring training was of a very serious character and thorough coaching was given the men in all the fundamentals of the game.

A successful practice season was closed on April 17th, when a team representing the Missouri Tigers beat a team representing the Kansas Jayhawkers, 7-0. The Tigers were captained by Jerry Hutton, while Captain-elect Walsh, of the Varsity, led the Jayhawkers. The game was very interesting and close throughout. Many of the men seemed to be in mid-season form. A pass, Fisk to Ingram, scored the only touchdown of the game and Hayes added the extra point on a place kick. With this year's success, spring football will undoubtedly become a regular university calendar event.
Ralph Walsh,
Quarterback,
Captain-Elect.

Herbert Kurrus,
Guard.

Charles Levy,
Tackle.
Paul Goessling,
End.

Walter Semple,
Tackle.

Paul Weil,
Tackle.
Joseph Hersch,
Center.

Jerry Hutton,
End.

Oscar Claypool,
Halfback.
Martin Lyle,
Halfback.

Sam Floun,
Fullback.

Carl Neupert,
Guard.
Donald Wylie,
Manager.

CHEER LEADERS

Patterson  Rauth  Weinrich

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Jack Minor  
Captain  

BASKETBALL
BASKETBALL

Captain                Jack Minner
Coach                  Don White

THE TEAM

FORWARDS

Jack Minner
Fred Wagner

CENTER
Russell Seago

GUARDS

Wiley Cox
Paul Weil

SUBSTITUTES

Victor Hallauer
John Hutton
Charles Levy

Martin Lyke
Howard Manning
Oliver Niess

Theodore Winkler

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THE 1924 basketball season was the most successful in many years for Washington. The first half of the season was especially auspicious for the Piker five, considering their victorious invasion of the Big Ten, followed by an unbroken record of seven straight victories in the Missouri Valley. The team was traveling at top speed and seemed to be the class of the Conference.

Then in the last part of the season injuries to several of the players were instrumental in causing a complete reversal of form, much to the disappointment of an enthusiastic student body eager for a championship.

The largest squad in the history of the university welcomed the new coach, Don White, on the first day of practice. White, known throughout the country as one of Purdue's greatest stars, proved himself to be quite as capable a coach as he was a player. He introduced the combination long and short pass system and soon had it working to perfection. Minner, Wagener, and Weil from last year's squad, and Seago and Cox, sophomores, was the combination which was usually selected to start the games.

Illinois was encountered on her home floor on the 15th of December and defeated in a hard-fought battle, 17 to 15. Purdue, who was tackled two days later, won a closely contested struggle, 33 to 27. The signal success of this short trip was an indication of the real ability of the team and the opening of the Conference season was anticipated with eagerness.

On January 4th, the Red and Green lined up for the first game at Grinnell. They displayed a brand of basketball that was unbeatable and emerged at the long end of a 32-25 score.
On the following night the Drake Bulldogs were trounced, 35 to 27. This game was replete with thrills, for Washington, behind until the last five minutes, put on a great spurt and stepped ahead by virtue of some beautiful shots by "Fritz" Wagener and "Bus" Seago.

Two nights later, the Pikers met the Ames Cyclones on their own court and carried off the third victory of the trip. The outcome of this game was in doubt until the last few minutes. Ames was leading at the end of the first half and again the team staged a brilliant comeback because of Wagener's wonderful floor work and accurate shooting.

The first home game was with Washington's ancient rivals, the Missouri Tigers. The enthusiastic crowd which packed Francis Gymnasium witnessed a glorious fight. The first half was fast and furious and ended with the Tigers leading by a small margin. In the second period the Pikers rallied and swept their opponents off their feet with a lightning offense. When the final gun sounded the Tigers were beaten, 27 to 20, the first time in eight years. The sensational playing of Captain Minner, who scored seven long shots, was the outstanding feature of the game. Ames and Grinnell both invaded the Piker stronghold and each contributed a game.

Then on the second road trip, the team, flushed with victory, encountered Missouri again and once more were the Tigers subdued in a thrilling contest. The final score was 27 to 26.

The Pikers, still leading the Valley race with seven straight victories, now traveled southward to engage the two strongest teams in the Conference, Oklahoma and Kansas. The Sooners, going at top speed, won a game in which the lead alternated ten times. The Pikers held a lead of four points

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WILEY CON,
Guard,
Captain-Elect.

PAUL WEIL,
Guard.

FRED WAGENER,
Forward.

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Russell Seago, Center.

Howard Manning, Center.

Victor Hallauer, Guard.
Martin Lyle,
Forward.

Donald White,
Coach.
BASEBALL

Louis Maguolo
Captain.
BASEBALL

Captain ........................................ Louis Maguolo
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THE TEAM

William Bremsier
Frank DeBolt
Robert Denny
William Fries
Edward Gragg
Charles Levy

Louis Maguolo
Walter Pierce
Ray Roberts
Robert Mudd
Thomas Quinn
Ralph Walsh

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BASEBALL

The graduation of nine of the regulars of the Washington baseball team of 1922, which tied Kansas University for the Missouri Valley Championship, seriously crippled the 1923 squad. The only veterans to return were Captain Magualo, DeBolt and Fries. Coach Davis was confronted with the problem of developing an entirely new infield. Captain Magualo, who had been All-Valley center fielder for two years, was moved to shortstop, where he strengthened the inner defense considerably.

Levy, Bremser and Fries made a capable pitching staff. Captain Magualo and Mudd proved the defensive stars of the team, while Bremser, Fries, Roberts and Gragg were the hitting aces.

At times the Pikers looked like the class of the Valley, but habitual slumps and injuries greatly weakened the team. The team played ball in spurts, winning a game one day by the combination of a superb attack and an airtight defense only to drop one the following day by making inexcusable errors. Only in the Missouri and Oklahoma games did the Pikers show their ability and come out of the lethargy into which they had slipped.

Both DeBolt and Fries, who had been the pitching aces of 1922, had trouble with their arms and were able to pitch only a few games. Bremser and Levy, however, pitched good ball throughout the whole season.

The Pikers opened the 1922 Missouri Valley baseball season with a split double-header with Ames at Francis Field. Ames won the first game by a score of 4-3, while the Pikers took the second, 4 to 2. In the first encounter Levy allowed the Iowans only two meager singles, while his teammates
were collecting seven singles and two doubles off of Durland, but the Red and Green lost on account of poor fielding. The second game showed the St. Louis team at their best. Bill Bremser won his own game with a home run in the eighth inning.

The Cornhuskers next invaded the Piker’s territory, splitting a two-game series with the Red and Green. The first encounter was, indeed, a wild and hectic game. The Pikers committed 15 errors and lost by a score of 15-12. The next day Washington benefited by the numerous Nebraska errors and ran up a total of 12 runs as against 7 scored by the enemy. Levy, although hit hard, was invincible in the pinches.

The Pikers took their first trip of the year to Ames and dropped two games to the Iowans. In the first game Clausen outpitched Bremser and Ames won, 4-1. The next day Durland pitched a wonderful game for the Cyclones and the Pikers were held to five scattered hits, losing, 11-5. Bremser, playing right field, made a homer and three triples on four trips to the plate and accounted for all the Washington runs. Unfortunately, Bill was the only Pikeway star in a hitting mood.

A collection of hits, coupled with many Piker errors, made Missouri victorious over Washington in the opening game of the Piker-Tiger series at Columbia, 15-3. The Tigers hit Bremser and Levy with consistency. The Mizzou team had a way of mixing their hits with the Washington errors to clear the bases. Missouri defeated Washington, 6-5, in the second of the two-game series. The Tigers found DeBolt and Levy for thirteen hits, while Knight allowed only eight scattered blows.

The next series was with the Kansas Jayhawkers at Francis Field. In the first game Fries pitched good ball, but the Piker’s hitting failed. Davis, the Kansas ace, allowed but two hits and the Jayhawkers won, 4-0. Fries showed a return of form to that of 1922 and with good fielding and hitting should have won. In the Saturday contest, Levy and Bremser were both hit hard. The Jayhawkers coupled eighteen safe wallops with eight Piker errors to win, 13-5.

Journeying to Norman, the Pikers split a two-game series with Oklahoma. In the Friday game the Pikers lost by a 9-7 score. Fries pitched for

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WALTER PIERCE,
First Base,
Captain-Elect.

RAY ROBERTS,
First Base.

THOMAS QUINN,
Third Base.
THE HATCHET

JOHN EDWARD GRAGG,
Catch.

WILLIAM FRIES,
Pitch.

ROBERT DENNY,
Outfield.

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Frank DeBolt,
Pitch.

Robert Mudd,
Outfield.

William Bremser,
Pitch.
Ralph Walsh,
Outfield.

Charles Levy,
Pitch.

Walter Metcalfe,
Manager.
Walter Hoagland
Captain

TRACK
With 19 points and fifth place in the Missouri Valley Conference Meet, and decisive victories over Vanderbilt, Drake and Grinnell, Washington last year passed through one of its most successful track seasons. The Piker team easily walked away with the St. Louis Municipal Meet and also received national recognition by placing men in the Big Ten Meet, Drake Relay Games, and the National Collegiate Meet held in Chicago. The spectacular work of the two relay teams, both of which placed first in the Conference Meet, was one of the brightest spots in a season full of successes.

In the first appearance of the year on April 14th, the Washington team easily defeated the Rolla School of Mines squad in a dual meet. The Piker athletes won practically every event and showed the ability that led to their later successes. The next week the Washington squad journeyed to Nashville, Tennessee, to engage Vanderbilt in a dual meet. By taking the meet, 65-36, and by winning both relays, the Piker track stars broke a Vanderbilt tradition that had existed for seventeen years. Washington took all but four firsts. Anderwert won the 100 and 220 in fast time with Bremser second in both events. Mitchell won the pole vault with a leap of 12 feet and Cantwell took the high jump. Blanchard placed first in the 120-yard high hurdles and broad jump, and second in the 220-yard low hurdles. Williams ran a good race to win the 880, and in the 440, Bier placed first with Captain Hoagland second. The finish of the half-mile relay, the final event of the day, was spectacular. Bier, who was running last for Washington, overcame a five-yard lead to win out by inches on the home stretch.
Washington entered several men in the Drake Relay Games, held in Des Moines, in which over 1,300 athletes competed. In this meet one world’s record and two American records were shattered by the Illinois team. Blanchard, the single Piker athlete to place, leaped 22 feet 6\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches to win second in the broad jump.

On May 5th Washington won a triangular meet from Drake and Grinnell with the following score: Washington, 85; Grinnell, 33, and Drake, 28. The Piker team won twelve firsts out of sixteen events. Blanchard, with firsts in both hurdle races and the broad jump, and Anderwert, with firsts in the two dashes, were the high point men of the meet. Two of the five watches caught Andy’s time as 99/10 seconds in the 100, but the time was officially given out as 10 flat. Both of the Piker relay teams won their races by safe margins. Other points from the seven second places and three third places won by Washington helped pile up the overwhelming score.

Joe Bier was the only Washington man to go to the Big Ten Meet, held at Ann Arbor, Michigan. Joe, after handily winning his qualifying heat, placed second in the 440. He ran the race in the fast time of 48.3/5, being beaten by Sweet of Illinois, who won with the time of 48 1/5.

The Missouri Valley Conference meet, held at Ames on May 25th-26th, was won by Nebraska with the Kansas Aggies second. Washington took fifth place with 19 points, close behind Kansas and Missouri, who finished third and fourth. The half-mile relay team, composed of Anderwert, Hoagland, Blanchard and Bier, hung up a new Valley record by running the distance in 1:28.3, one-tenth of a second better than the old record. The mile relay team, composed of Hoagland, Du Comb, Crowder and Bier, also took a first for Washington by winning with the time of 3:22.6. Joe Bier gave the Pikers five more points by winning the 440, while Blanchard contributed four points with a third in the high hurdles and fourths in the low hurdles and broad jump.
The showing of Washington in the Missouri Valley Conference Meet was the best that any Piker team has made within recent years, and brought Washington again into prominence as a power in Conference Track circles. Much credit is due the half-mile relay team for setting a new valley record, which time, by the way, will probably stand as a mark for other schools to shoot at for some years. The victory of the mile relay team came pretty much as a surprise, for their time in the Conference Meet was considerably better than any record they had made earlier in the season.

On June 6th, a Washington team, composed of men from both the Varsity and Freshman squads, walked away with the annual Municipal Meet held at Francis Field. During the meet, ten city records were shattered, six of them by Washington men. Joe Bier hung up new records in the 220 and 440, while Willman, a freshman, broke the half-mile record; Capps the mile, and Schwartz the two mile. The varsity half-mile relay team also set up a new record. In the Valley Freshman Telegraphic Meet, Washington placed second with 35 points, 12 points behind Nebraska, who won the meet.

Washington sent two men to the annual National Collegiate Track Meet, held at Stagg Field, Chicago, on June 15th-16th. Anderwert was entered in both dashes and Bier was scheduled for the 440. Although the meet brought together some of the best track men in the country and the competition was unusually keen, Andy succeeded in placing fifth in the 100-yard dash and fourth in the 220. Joe qualified in the preliminaries of the 440, but in the final race he was spiked just as he stepped into the lead at the first turn and was forced out of the race. Considering the national character of the meet and the number of contestants in each event, this was a very creditable showing and a fitting conclusion of Washington's most successful track season.
JOSEPH BIER,
Quarter Mile, Sprints.
Captain-Elect.

WILLIAM BREMSEB,
Sprints.

ALFRED CANTWELL,
High Jump.
Orville Mitchell.
Pole Vault, Broad Jump.

Shirley Capps,
Mile.

Lloyd Anderwert,
Sprints.
Ira Williams,
Half-Mile.

Mile Relay: Bier Crowder DuComb Hoagland

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AFTER experiencing the most successful tennis season in the history of the Pikeway during 1923, and losing at the end thereof three veteran letter men via the graduation route, Piker hopes were naturally at low ebb as the 1924 season opened up and progressed.

It was necessary to build around Karl Kammann, the sole letter man, as a nucleus and to select from a field of more or less inexperienced players. There was little surprise, then, that several dual meets were lost at first, but as the season advanced, and the apex was reached in the form of the all-important Valley championship tournament at Ames, which was to decide how final Conference honors were to be distributed. Washington again asserted itself, and ultimately shared titular honors with Ames. The record of participation of Piker racqueteers in the last four years remained unblemished. Emblems in the Francis Gym trophy room will attest to the fact that three Valley tennis championships have been held and two knotted within the last five years.

The 1923 season started out drearily enough. To begin with, an intermittent three weeks’ rain in April, and the first week in May gave little opportunity to the net men to work out. A half dozen practice sessions were hardly sufficient to enable the varsity to round into form before meeting four strong teams away from home.

The strong Oklahoma Sooners were engaged at Norman on May 7th with disastrous results. Parks and Company, with over a month’s practice behind it, handily defeated the Pikers, winning all three matches played.

From Norman the team invaded Kansas for meets with the Aggies and the Jayhawkers. K. S. A. C. had a weak team in the field and hence was white-washed by the Pikers. At Lawrence, however, there was a different tale to be told. Here again, as at Oklahoma, an unusually strong and well prepared team was encountered, and the result was inevitable.
The annual spring meet with Illinois University now loomed up. J. Pluvius, however, put in his appearance with the result that the two days' play was cancelled.

The Red and Green now began to point for the annual Missouri Valley Conference tourney at Ames. Gradually Washington's representatives, Captain Kammann and Bierman, rounded into form and it was felt that they would render a good account of themselves, although few well-wishers were optimistic enough to predict that the Pikers would be able to defeat such strong schools as Ames, Nebraska and Kansas.

On May 25th and 26th, the championship tourney was conducted, and six strong Conference schools put in their appearance. Needless to say, the Pikers were held lightly by their opponents, because of their early season defeats in dual meets. Despite strong opposition encountered, the Washington court men duplicated their feat of last year, and succeeded in tying for Valley honors.

Captain Kammann, in winning the Conference singles title, was forced to display his best brand of tennis. In the initial round, the Piker leader secured sweet revenge in his match with Ziesness, the Kansas netster, who only a few weeks before had humbled the Piker in a dual meet. Later rounds witnessed the disposal of Skelberg of Nebraska, and Captain Turner of Kansas in sharp clashes. In the final round the Piker representative was slated to play Paige, the Cyclone leader and best man, who is also the champion of the State of Iowa. Paige, earlier in the day, had decisively vanquished Bierman of the Red and Green and in so doing had performed in an impressive manner. In winning the first set, 6-3, Paige set a fast pace, and this, coupled with the fact that the Piker racquet had already on the same day participated in three other matches, lent a none too roseate outlook to the match. However, Kammann pulled himself together, and by flashing some beautiful tennis decisively conquered his opponent in the next two sets, 6-3, 6-2.

Bierman of Washington performed creditably in defeating Glasken of Kansas, Biggs of Ames and Wann of Kansas Aggies before succumbing in the semi-final round to the Ames captain.

The Washington doubles team displayed good tennis in defeating Ames, Nebraska, and Grinnell teams, but could not quite make the grade in the finals against Thompson and Paige of Ames and were defeated, 12-14, 7-5, 9-7. Thus, by virtue of Ames' victory in the doubles, the Cyclones will share the Conference title with the Pikers for 1923.

The 1924 net season bids fair to witness Piker racquet wielders upholding their prestige in their sport. With two letter men back, Captain-elect Bierman and Minner, and such a likely group of Varsity prospects as Forrester, Smith, Hopkins, Scherrer, and Hawkins, another good year is forecast.