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REVIEW OF THE ATHLETIC SEASON

BY CARROLL A. LAKE
(Of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat)

TWO Missouri Valley Conference championships came to Washington University during the 1924 year, together with three second honors. In all an unusually prosperous year for Pikers athletes who competed in seven different branches of competitive sports.

The Piker swimmers, sweeping everything before them, climbed to the titular heights with comparative ease, taking the Valley meet by the one-sided margin of 38 points over their nearest rival, Iowa State, 63 to 25. In the annual Western A. A. U. championship meet at Kansas City, the Johnson coached clan annexed three titles and established two new records. The meet was won by the K. C. A. C. team which piled up a total of 32 points, only six points better than the second place Pikers.

Though Golf is not a major sport at the University, Eddie Held, former Trans-Mississippi champion, triumphed easily in the Individual events of the Conference tournament. Toedtman, the other Washington U. linksman competing, got eighth place, and the Piker team was second in the team play, with Kansas winning that title.

The wearers of the Red and Green placed second to Iowa State in the final standings for the baseball laurels, though playing three more games. Ames played but ten, winning 7. The Pikers won one more but lost two more for a lower percentage. Oklahoma and the Kansas Aggies finished next to Washington U., with the mighty Kansas Jayhawkers trailing the procession, bringing up the tail-end position. The Pikers led in team batting with a .255 average. Missouri, Oklahoma and Iowa State split even with Davis' ball tossers.

In track the Pikers fared the same as in baseball, second, losing out to Nebraska for the title. Joe Bier won a first in the Valley meet and Ralph Blanchard two seconds. The Piker tracksters nosed out Missouri through

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ROBERT HIGGINS

Coach of Football
FOOTBALL RECORD

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Manager ........................................ FRANKLIN JACKES
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Assistant Coach ......................... J. E. DAVIS
Freshman Coach ......................... DON WHITE

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FOOTBALL

THERE are those who believe that the season of 1924 will go down in history as a season of transition between the time when Washington University ranked last in Missouri Valley football and the time when Washington University rose to the position of a strong contender for the Valley title. The persons who hold to this belief are those who perceive that Chancellor Herbert S. Hadley and the Alumni of Washington University are determined that Washington shall have a winning football team and are making every effort toward that end.

The season of 1924 was a great improvement over the season of 1923. While the Pikers lost every Conference game this year, they were not greatly outclassed except in two contests with two teams ranking high among the football machines of the nation, Missouri and Kansas. Washington lost the other two Conference games played by low scores, on the breaks of the contests and not because of any marked superiority on the part of their opponents. In non-Conference games, the Pikers show a clean slate, with four victories over strong elevens.

In comparison with the disastrous season of 1923, the season of 1924 might be termed successful, but it is still far below the ideal of Chancellor Hadley. Next year a new football mentor, Robert A. Higgins of Pennsylvania State, will guide the fortunes of Washington University in the place of Coach Byron Wimberley. Coming to the Pikeway with a remarkable record as a college player and as a coach, Mr. Higgins appears to be admirably fitted for the task which will be his at Washington, the development of a football team of championship caliber.

As a star for Penn State, Bob Higgins was named on Walter Camp’s All-American teams of 1915, 1916, and 1919, and later chosen by Hugo Bezdek for his All Time All-American Team; as a coach, he developed at West Virginia Wesleyan, a small school which had never won a football game, a team which made eight consecutive conquests of some of the strongest Eastern elevens and champions of other sections. Before the installation of his system at West Virginia, football history there was far darker than it has ever been at Washington. If, under this new coach of proven ability, Washington’s team, student body, and Alumni will only increase their efforts to build a powerful football machine, it is possible that in later years the season of 1924 will be looked back upon as the turning point in the gridiron fortunes of the school.

Starting the season of 1924 with an abundance of good material, Coach Wimberley developed a machine which gave a good account of itself in the first three games of the schedule but cracked in the fourth test, against Kansas. A reorganization in the coaching staff resulted in calling in a number of Alumni to aid in the development of the Piker team and putting the coaching of the squad under the more active supervision of Coach William P. Edmunds. The Pikers finished the season as well as could be expected under the conditions, losing two Conference games and winning two non-Conference contests.
The season opened on October 4th when Washington turned back an invasion by Drury College, 7 to 0. The visitors were decidedly outclassed but by virtue of a very determined defense were able to hold the Pikers to a narrow margin of victory.

Except for a certain raggedness of play, to be expected in the initial contest of the year, the Wimberley machine moved with a strength which raised the hopes of the Piker rooters regarding the chances of Washington in Valley competition. The line looked very powerful, consistently smothering the Panther attempts to gain by end runs or plunges. The backfield was less impressive, except for an efficient aerial attack, which placed Washington in a position to score on several occasions.

Washington’s touchdown was put over in the second period by Bert Cheatham who took the ball on the ten-yard line and in two line plunges traveled the distance to the goal. The Pikers had been placed in a position to score by a forward pass, Ingram to Walsh, for a gain of twenty-two yards. Levy drop-kicked goal for the odd point.

The Pikers had an opportunity to score earlier in the second period when forward passes and line bucks placed the ball on the one-yard line. The necessary punch failed to materialize in the Washington backfield, however, and Drury took the ball on downs. A drop-kick by Lyle a few minutes later hit the bar and went under. In the third quarter Washington was held for downs on the ten-yard line. The Panthers checked a last Piker advance on the eight-yard line in the final period.

Levy, Neupert, Goessling, and Webster were outstanding in the play of the line. In the backfield, Captain Walsh showed up well in every department of the game, and Cheatham and J. Ingram displayed class as ground-gainers in their first varsity contest.
GRINNELL.

The Pikers traveled to Grinnell the next week to play the initial Missouri Valley game of the season. After holding the edge over the Iowans during a scoreless first half, Washington succumbed to Grinnell's superior attack and stronger defense in the final periods by a 14 to 0 score.

In spite of the extreme heat of the day, the contest was stubbornly fought throughout. Levy held a slight advantage in the kicking over Critchett, the Grinnell captain, but the driving power in the veteran Pioneer backfield surpassed that in the ranks of the Washington plungers.

In the second quarter, the Pikeway squad exhibited a flash of the aerial attack which against Drury had been such an important factor in the team's offense. With the first down in mid-field, three Piker passes advanced the ball to Grinnell's eleven-yard line. There, however, the march halted, and four failures to gain put the ball in the hands of the Pioneers.

Grinnell scored the first touchdown in the third period, following Critchett's punt which bounced out of bounds on the Washington one-yard line. A return kick was run back to the twenty-yard line, and Moran and Sweet shoved the ball over with four consecutive line plunges. The other touchdown closely followed a spectacular fifty-yard run by Wing, which placed the Pioneers in a position to score.

Levy broke into the line-up for the first time as fullback, forsaking his old job at tackle. Captain Walsh and Ingram were the chief ground-gainers for the Pikers. Hayes, Starkloff, Herbert, Wohlschlaeger, and Niemoeller played their first varsity football against Grinnell.

Constant fouling on both sides slowed up the play and caused many gains to go for naught. Several of the Piker squad had to be placed on the crippled list as a result of the game.
ROLLA

Washington defeated Rolla 13 to 0 on October 25th in the annual contest with the School of Mines. In humbling the strong Rolla eleven, the Pikers achieved their first real fighting spirit of the season. After being outclassed in the first half, the Washington squad came back in the remainder of the game with a power of attack which made victory for the Pikers a certainty.

Washington scored early in the game when Goessling fell on the ball over the Miner goal line after Gragg had blocked a Rolla attempt to punt from the fifteen-yard line. During the rest of the quarter the ball seesawed back and forth, with the Miners having a distinct advantage in rushing the ball and the Pikers benefiting by every exchange of punts. In the second period the Rolla backs smashed through the line time after time on a fake end run which had the Pikers baffled and threatened to tie the score. The advance resulting from this fake play was finally stopped only six feet from Washington's goal.

The Pikers scored their second touchdown in the third quarter after working the ball into Rolla territory on an exchange of punts. Plunges by Lyle, Walsh, and Levy advanced Washington to the ten-yard line. Captain Walsh heaved the ball across the goal line into Goessling's arms.

The fourth quarter, though void of scoring, was a continuous story of Piker gains.

The Piker team, judged by the last half, showed marked improvement in its play over previous contests. Walsh, Levy, Lyle, and Herbert played their backfield positions in stellar fashion. Kurrus, Webster, Gragg, and Goessling played great games on the line.

Hasselman, Lemon, and Fisher were the chief ground-gainers for Rolla.
KANSAS

On November 1st, at the time of Washington’s annual Homecoming, the Pikers suffered the most disastrous defeat of the season at the hands of the Kansas Jayhawkers. The Kansas machine came to Washington smarting under three consecutive defeats in Conference battles and was determined to change its luck by winning a decisive victory over the Pikers. The Jayhawk eleven came out of its slump with a great exhibition of football, crushing the Washington team 48 to 0.

In the first three periods of the game, the Pikers held the Kansas attack to one score per quarter. The final period, however, saw an inspired Jayhawk machine smash through the Washington defense for five touchdowns. The great reserve strength of the visitors was the factor which enabled them to win such a decisive victory. Throughout the game substitutions kept the Kansas eleven fresh without lowering its efficiency. In the last quarter, when the Washington players were exhausted and discouraged, the Kansas machine was just beginning to move with its maximum power.

Two breaks early in the game resulted in scores for Kansas. In the first quarter, Levy’s kick from the five-yard line was blocked and the ball fallen on over the goal line. In the second quarter, Joe Herbert blocked a Kansas pass, but it was recovered by the visitors without being grounded on the eighteen-yard line. The Jayhawk backs took the ball over with successive plunges.

In the final period, the running and passing of Starr, Burt, and Zuber of the Jayhawk backfield carried the ball down the field for scores with a power that could not be denied.
After the Kansas game, an alumni Strategy Board, consisting of Dr. Eber Simpson, ’19, Dr. Alfred Marquard, ’20, Arno Krause, ’05, Poge Lewis, ’16, and Douglas Martin, Jr., ’15, was called in by the Washington coaching staff to aid in the development of the team. The new coaches at once set to work to give the team new plays and a new fighting spirit. The effect of a week’s practice under the increased coaching staff was shown on November 8th, when the Pikers defeated Millikin University 10 to 0.

In humbling the visitors from Illinois, the Pikers exhibited a versatile and powerful attack which was new to the performance of the team. The backfield displayed a real punch in its drives through the line and traveled around the ends behind greatly improved interference for long and consistent gains. When within striking distance, Washington varied the attack with attempts at the drop kick or aerial game.

The Pikers scored first in the second quarter when Levy drop-kicked goal from the eighteen-yard mark. Washington had been put in a position to score by a sensational forward pass, Levy to Walsh, which gained twenty-five yards. In the final quarter, Levy hurled the ball thirty-five yards to Walsh who made a second phenomenal catch and ran five yards for a touchdown. Levy added another point with a drop kick.

Burch showed up well in his first varsity contest at quarterback. Floun, Levy, and Captain Walsh were unusually effective in carrying the ball.
"Piker Meat—Revenge Is Sweet" was the anticipatory purr of the Missouri Tiger on November 15th when he saw the Washington eleven and its following of loyal rooters arrive in Jungletown. Missouri's championship team took the field against the Pikers this year determined to avenge the Tiger's 1923 humiliation at the hands of Washington by crushing the opposing eleven completely. Only the traditional fight of the Pikers when engaged with Missouri limited the Tigers to a 35 to 0 margin of victory.

Except in the final quarter, the Pikers on the offense were little more than helpless against the powerful Missouri defense. On the other hand, the Tiger backfield had little difficulty in plunging through the holes opened for them in the line for steady gains of from four to eight yards before being stopped by the secondary defense. Floun, Levy, Walsh, and Lyle sparkled in their work of bolstering up the Piker line and shortening the Tiger gains.

The Tigers received the ball on the kick-off and marched irresistibly with straight football down the field for a touchdown. In the second quarter Missouri went on a rampage, scoring three touchdowns. Two long passes, Whiteman to Faurot, and two spectacular runs by Stuber featured this scoring. The Bengals drew blood for the last time in the third period.

In the fourth quarter, Washington fought the Tigers on equal terms, holding them away from the goal and smashing holes through their line for yardage which exceeded that made by Missouri in the period.
OKLAHOMA

The University of Oklahoma left Washington in undisputed possession of the "cellar" in the Missouri Valley Conference on November 22nd by nosing out the Pikers 7 to 0 in a hard-fought contest staged on Francis Field. Washington rose to supreme heights of prowess in stopping the Oklahoma eleven twice on the two-yard line. The Sooners' only score came late in the final quarter and resulted on a doubtful ruling of the referee.

The feature of the game was the performance of the Piker forward wall. In striking contrast to their showing against Missouri, the Washington linesmen charged through the Sooner defense time after time to smother plays before they were hardly started. Three times Oklahoma was turned back from the Piker goal when a score seemed inevitable. Twice the visitors were stopped two yards from the zero mark and once within the ten-yard line.

Unable to score by rushing the ball, the Sooners opened up an aerial attack in the last period which carried them to a touchdown and victory. The score came as a result of a long pass, Bristow to Lamb, which placed the ball in a scoring position. Another pass and line plunges carried the pigskin to the one-yard line. On the fourth down Bristow went over. The play was so close to the sidelines that the crowd and Washington players believed that the Oklahoman had stepped outside the boundary mark. The officials, however, ruled otherwise.

Washington's biggest offensive effort was in the first quarter when the Pikers outrushed the Sooners four first downs to none.
MISSISSIPPI A. AND M.

Washington closed the season Thanksgiving Day with a decisive 12 to 3 victory over the Mississippi Aggies on Francis Field. The Pikers displayed their versatility in the final contest by scoring on a drop kick, a safety, and a touchdown.

The Pikers based their attack on short forward and lateral passes which proved very effective against the Southerners. Washington completed sixteen out of twenty-eight attempted forward passes for a total yardage of 102. Although outrushed from scrimmage, 197 to 185 yards, the Pikeway squad made thirteen first downs as compared to the Aggie total of eight.

Mississippi started the scoring early in the first quarter when Stone booted the ball through the uprights from a placement on the thirty-three-yard mark. After this score, the Aggies went on a rampage and threatened to chalk up additional points when they advanced the ball to the Pikers' one-yard mark. There, however, the Washington line held and recovered the pigskin on a fumble. This was the Southerners' best offensive effort of the game.

In the third period the count was evened when Levy made good a drop kick from the thirty-yard line. Two more points were added to the Piker total in the same quarter when, following Levy's sensational kick to the opposing two-yard line, Joe Hersch downed Clark behind the goal. Long runs by Hayes and Levy featured the offensive which placed the Pikers in a scoring position in the final period. From the thirty-yard line Levy passed over the zero mark to Goessling for a touchdown. Levy kicked goal.
CHARLES LEVY

Fullback
Captain-Elect

“Charlie” was a great fullback and one of the best punters in the Valley. He has the qualities to make a successful captain for next year’s team.

EDWARD GRAGG

Tackle

“Beany’s” powerful physique and dauntless fighting spirit made him a bulwark of strength in the Piker line. Opposing backs ran into a stone wall when they tried through his position.

PAUL GOESSLING

End

“Paul” was one of the best ends that ever represented the Red and Green. He was especially adept at snaring forward passes.
HERBERT KURRUS
Guard
"Herb" was a fighting guard, holding his own against more weighty opponents by sheer grit and knowledge of football. He thrived on punishment.

DWIGHT INGAMELLS
Tackle
"Inky" could be depended upon to give everything he had every minute of the game. Injuries prevented him from being a star of the season.

CARL NEUPERT
Guard
"Carl" was a strong and scrappy guard. Seldom given space in the headlines, but could be relied upon to get his man.
ALFRED HAYES
Quarterback

"Al's" deficiency in stature was more than made up for by his speed and passing ability. His stellar performance against the Mississippi Aggies made him outstanding among the prospects for next year.

SAM FLOUN
Halfback

"Samuel Timothy" was a real fighter. His deadly tackling and ability to gain against all odds will make him next year, as in the past season, one of the most valuable men on the team.

CLARENCE AVIS
End

"Lonnie" was a fast end, a bear on forward passes. On the defense his performance was particularly flashy.
**Fred Webster**  
*Center*  
"Fred" put his whole heart into every game and played his position like a veteran. He is the best center prospect Washington has seen in years.

**Martin Lyle**  
*Halfback*  
"Marty," playing his third year of Varsity football, displayed his characteristic fight and skill in handling the ball. His services will be missed next year.

**Earl Thrasher**  
*Guard*  
"Earl" was a guard with speed and a fighting heart. Next year he should be a star of the Pike line.
PAUL WEIL
Tackle

“Paul” was a tower of strength in the Piker line until injuries forced him to the sidelines. His veteran ability was greatly missed against Missouri.

JOSEPH HERSCH
Guard

“Joe” knew his work. He had a way of smashing through and downing the opposing runner in his tracks that counted heavily in several contests.

MAX STARKLOFF
Tackle

“Max” played a finished game in his first year as Varsity tackle. He has the stuff from which great linesmen are made.
JAMES INGRAM
Halfback
"Jimmie" was a smashing, plunging back and a good passer. He had hard luck with injuries this year, but next season should see him step out with some brilliant work.

JOSEPH HERBERT
Quarterback
"Joe" was the iron man of the squad. He could play in the line in the same stellar fashion as in the backfield. Injuries could not keep him down.

WILLIAM MATERNE
End
"Bill" showed plenty of grit in his season at end. He is built to play football and has the fight. He should develop into a real star.
THOMAS WOHLSCHLAEGER
Tackle
"Tommie" came through in his first year on the Varsity with some fine work at tackle. His rugged strength gives promise of some greater seasons later on.

FRANKLIN JACKES
Manager
"Franklin" was always there when wanted and saw that the work was done—a real manager.
SPRING FOOTBALL

An indication of the new football spirit was manifested when the call for spring training brought out over one hundred men, approximately twice as many as responded last year. The season began on March 9th and continued for approximately three weeks. Prior to this date the physical education classes had been divided into groups and instructed in the rudiments of the game. This resulted in several promising men being uncovered and being made available for varsity competition.

Director of Athletics William E. Edmunds took charge of the squad until the arrival of Head Coach Higgins. The first week was spent in conditioning the men and in this Coach Edmunds was assisted by ex-captain Walsh and G. C. Padfield, a former teammate of Coach Higgins on the 89th Division team.

The arrival of Head Coach Higgins was the signal for more intensive practice. Assisted by Coach Edmunds in the backfield the fundamentals of the game were drilled into the men and running of signals and scrimmages were held daily. The season culminated in a full game played by two teams picked by the coaches from the squad—the ‘Reds’ captained by Sam Floun and the ‘Greens’ captained by Dwight Ingamells. The game was played with all the vigor of a real contest and neither side was able to gain an advantage during the first half. In the second half, however, the ‘Greens’ unleashed an offensive that netted them two touchdowns and a safety. Both tries at goal failed and the final score stood at 14-0 in their favor.

The squad disbanded after the game and will not reassemble until September 15th when fall practice will begin. As a result of the spring practice it is expected that the time heretofore spent in conditioning the men in the fall will be considerably shortened.
THE SPRING FOOTBALL SQUAD
WASHINGTOH CLOSES SEASON WITH VICTORY OVER MISSISSIPPI, 12-3

After Period, Pikers Win EasUy Over Ames, 34 to 12

PIKERS Goessling Sore Two Touchdowns

PIKERS Beat Nebraska, 24 to 20, and Take Second Place

Washington's Work and Brilliant Passing Give 'Washington!'
Captain ... Wylie Cox
Coach ... Don White

THE TEAM

FORWARDS

Jack Minner
Oliver Niess

CENTER
Russell Seago

GUARDS
Wiley Cox
Paul Weil

SUBSTITUTES
Hayden Chappee
Charles Levy
Martin Lyle
Theodore Winkler
Carl Stanford
With four of last year's regulars reporting, the outlook was exceptionally bright for a championship team for Washington in 1925 and during the first part of the Missouri Valley season the hope seemed to be nearing realization, but in the last week the team fell before three teams, finally landing in a tie for third place. The whole team worked hard throughout the season, and deserved a higher ranking.

Probably the brightest light of the season was the placing of Captain Wiley Cox and Jack Minner on the first All-Valley team, and Paul Weil and Russell Seago on the second team. No other team rated more positions on the two teams.

"Fritz" Wagener was the only regular lost through graduation from the strong quintet of the previous year and the first day of practice found Captain Cox, ex-Captain Jack Minner, Paul Weil, Martin Lyle, Victor Hallauer, and Russell Seago reporting for practice. Several men from last year's squad, including Ollie Niess, Charlie Levy, Ted Winkler, and Hayden Chappie were also on hand. Carl Stanford, of last year's freshmen team also proved to be a valuable asset to the team.

After several weeks of preliminary work, Coach White took his likely-looking squad to Bloomington, to battle the strong Indiana quintet, but the Pikers failed to hit the loop consistently and returned home defeated.

The following week the team met the Illinois five at Urbana, and again dropped the contest to their opponents.

After the Christmas holidays were over the team was being prepared for the opening of the Valley season. The whole school was eager for a championship, and in the practice sessions the team was rapidly regaining the old eye for the loop. The opening game at the Coliseum was with the Oklahoma Sooners, last year's runner-ups in the Valley, who defeated the Pikers twice last year. In the first half the Red and Green passed, shot, and dribbled all around the Oklahoma team and were ahead, 21-11. In the second half the locals seemed to tire and the Sooners assumed the offensive, failing short of defeating Washington by only two points, 32-30.

The following week Drake fell before the Pikeway quintet at the Coliseum, 40-8, the Bulldogs making only one field goal during the entire forty minutes of play. The second team played most of the second half.

The traditional enemy, the Missouri Tigers, met the Pikers in the third game, before the largest crowd yet to see the local team in action. The first half found Captain Cox's men completely out of form, being behind at the half, 10-6, having been outplayed by the lowly Tigers. The second half Jack Minner broke loose and scored fourteen points, winning the game for the Pikers, 27-16.

The following week-end the Pikers took the road, engaging the Oklahoma Sooners in the first conflict. The game was close throughout, but in the last minute a Sooner substitute hit the loop to win the game, 26-25. From Norman, Coach White took his men to Columbia and again defeated the comparatively weak Tigers, 24-22. The Tigers, regardless of their strength, always put up a great fight against Washington, but in the last
few years have never been strong enough to defeat the Red and Green.

Ames came to St. Louis and fell before the avalanche, 34-17, giving
little opposition.

The big game of the season, that with the championship Kansas team,
was held at the Coliseum, before the largest crowd that ever witnessed a
basketball game in St. Louis. The winner of the game would take first
place in the Valley standings and the whole school was pulling hard for
the team. Again the Pikers could not get started the first half and were
behind, 14-6, at the end of the first twenty minutes. During the second
half the Red and Green staged a sensational comeback, falling only three
points short of winning, 22-19. It was a disheartened team which left
the floor after the game, but it was a game fight displayed by the whole
quintet.

On the next Friday the Nebraska Cornhuskers met the local team at
the Coliseum. The whole game was a brilliant display of basketball, and
at the half Washington was again behind, but the next half found White's
men at their best, winning 24-20.

The team then took the road into Iowa, meeting Drake, Grinnell, and
Ames. After such an easy victory over Drake earlier in the year at St.
Louis, the Pikers were very much surprised to have a hard time defeating
the Bulldogs, 28-21. Grinnell and Ames put up little opposition against
the Hilltoppers, losing 35-16 and 32-12, respectively.

The Kansas Aggies, the conquerors of the Jayhawkers, then met the
St. Louis team at the Coliseum. In this game the reversal of form in the
final games of the season showed its first appearance. The first half was
fiercely contested, but in the second half, Bunker, the diminutive forward
of the Aggies, could not be stopped, and Washington lost, 35-21.

The final road trip of the season found the Pikers completely shattered,
losing to Nebraska, Kansas Aggies, and Kansas. Nebraska defeated Wash-
ington 36-16, the Red and Green quintet never having a chance. Kansas
Aggies also handed Coach White's men a severe wallop; but the next
night the Pikers put up a hard fight against the championship Jayhawkers,
losing 28-21.
ALL-MISSOURI VALLEY SELECTIONS

Chosen by Vote of the Coaches of the Eight Teams

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RUSSELL SEAGO
Center
"Bus" proved the equal of any center in the Valley. He was picked on the All-Valley Second Team and will be back next year.

JACK MINNER
Forward
"Jack," last year's captain, was one of the most brilliant players in the country. His wonderful shooting and clever floor-work win him a place on the All-Valley Team.

PAUL WEIL
Guard
"Paul" was the giant of the Valley. His equal as a stationary guard has never been seen on a Piker court. He was the fourth member of the Piker quintet to rate an All-Valley selection.
OLIVER NEISS
Forward
“Ollie,” playing his first year as a regular, rounded out the best team that ever represented the Pikeway. His floorwork was sensational.

MARTIN LYLE
Forward
“Marty” was a capable substitute for Minner. His flashy floorwork was an important part of the team’s play.

CHARLES LEVY
Center
“Charlie” showed the same fight on the court that he has on the gridiron and diamond.
THEODORE WINKLER
Guard
"Ted" played a consistent game and should be one of the leading Valley guards next year.

CARL STANFORD
Forward
"Carl" played his first year for the Red and Green; starred in several of games.

HAYDEN CHAPPEE
Guard
"Chap" proved himself an able substitute for Captain Cox and should fill a regular berth next year.
Captain............................................ WALTER PIERCE
Manager.......................................... JOHN FORD
Coach............................................ J. E. DAVIS

THE TEAM

BERT CHEATHAM
WYLIE COX
J. EDWARD GRAGG
RAY HEIST
CHARLES LEVY
ROBERT MUDD

WALTER PIERCE
RAY ROBERTS
PAUL SCHLINGMAN
MAX STARKLOFF
EARL THRASHER
ADOLPH THYM

RALPH WALSH
JOHN DAVIS
Coach of Baseball

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THE practice for the 1924 baseball season began early in February in the gymnasium. When the candidates for the team reported only five letter-men were present. It was necessary to form an infield with Gragg and Roberts as a nucleus. Mudd and Walsh were the veteran outfielders reporting, and Levy was the only hurler from the team of the previous year.

Using the five letter-men and the new men on the squad Coach Davis built up a strong team, one which finished second in the Missouri Valley Conference; leading the Valley in hitting. Gragg, Roberts, Cheatham, Thrasher and Cox formed the infield. Gragg led the team in hitting during the year, as well as proving himself to be a valuable first baseman on the defensive. Roberts, a letter-man of the year before, alternated at first and in the outfield. Cheatham held down the keystone sack in veteran style. Cox played shortstop and on the bases was a clever runner. Thrasher, playing third, made few miscues during the season, and was known to hit when hits meant runs.

The outfield composed of Walsh, Mudd, Thym, and Levy was probably the best combination in the Valley. Many games were won through the wonderful support given to the pitchers by the outfielders. All of the fielders had a high batting average during the season.

Levy and Thym shared most of the hurling duties during the season. It was very seldom that a team secured many hits off of these two pitchers. Both men won several of their own games during the season by their excellent hitting. Starkloff, a sophomore, was a catcher of rare ability and handled the backstop position in all of the conference games.
The Pikers were known to be hard fighters and won many of their games in the late innings. Due to the strong offensive ability of the team, the game was always in doubt if Washington was behind. The defensive quality of the team was below that of the offensive, and as a result several games were lost due to loose fielding and poor base running. In most of the games the team appeared as a real championship combination, but in a few made several costly miscues which probably lost the championship.

The season was opened with a practice game against the Alumni. Levy’s double in the ninth inning scored two men, and caused a tie score. The final score was 3-3. Cox, Cheatham, Starkloff, and Barker made their first appearance in a Washington uniform.

The Missouri Valley season was opened by splitting a double-header with Ames at Francis Field. Ames won the first game, 3-1, and Washington captured the second, 4-3. Levy was the only pitcher available at the time and was forced to pitch both games. In the first game several errors were responsible for the defeat. The second encounter was won in the ninth inning. Levy allowed only four hits in the second game.

Missouri next invaded Piker territory, splitting a two-game series. Washington won the first game, 5-3, which was the fourth consecutive athletic conquest over the Tigers during the year. Adolph Thym made his first appearance as a hurler, and allowed only five hits. Mudd and Walsh starred by their great defensive work in the outfield. In the second game Schlingman and Heist were pounded for fourteen hits. Missouri winning, 10-4. The Tiger hurler held Washington helpless throughout the game. This was Washington’s first defeat by Missouri in an athletic contest during the year.

The following week Kansas came to St. Louis for a two-game series. In the first game in the eighth inning, five runs behind, the Pikers went on a hitting rampage and tied the score. Neither team was able to score again and the game was called in the tenth inning, with an 8-8 score.
Washington won the second game 4-2 in seven innings after play had been stopped twice during a rainstorm. Thym held Kansas helpless, while his teammates gave him perfect support.

Oklahoma and the Pikers split a double-header, the Pikers winning the first, 3-2, and the Sooners capturing the second, 5-2. The first game was a pitchers' battle with the Red and Green playing errorless ball. In the second game several errors allowed Oklahoma to score.

The team made their first trip of the season to Ames, again splitting a double-header. Ames captured the first game, 2-1, after the umpire had ruled Mudd out for missing second base on a home run. A near-riot resulted between the spectators and players. The loss of this game meant the loss of the championship. In the second game Thym allowed Ames only two hits and the Pikers won, 7-4.

On the trip to Kansas, the team stopped at Fulton to defeat Westminster, 16-2 in a practice game. Schlingman, the Piker hurler, had little trouble with his opponents, while the Westminster hurlers were hit at will.

During the stay at Lawrence, Kansas lost both ends of a double-header, 9-4 and 12-11. In the first game Levy held the Jayhawkers to six hits. The second game was a hitting spree for both teams, with each contributing a large number of errors.

On the final trip of the season, the Tigers and Pikers divided a double header. Washington knocked the Missouri hurler from the box in the
first game and won, 12-1. The Red and Green played errorless ball behind Levy. In the last game of the season the Pikers were defeated 6-4.

At the close of the season letters were awarded to Mudd, Walsh, Levy, Thym, Gragg, Cheatham, Cox, Thrasher, Roberts, Starkloff, and manager Ford. With Mudd the only letter-man graduating and several promising men on last year’s freshman team Coach Davis expects to produce a championship team this year. The infield will remain intact, with six veterans returning. The outfield will miss the services of Mudd, who was one of the leading defensive players in the Valley, but this vacancy should prove little trouble with three letter-men returning and several men on last year’s squad showing promise.

The final standing of the teams in the Valley was as follows:

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Edward Gragg
First Base
"Beany's" hitting was a big factor in the Washington offensive. He should enjoy another successful season this year.

Ralph Walsh
Left Field
Ralph could always be depended upon to come through in the pinches. His brilliant catches in the left garden were numerous.

Charles Levy
"Charlie" was one of the leading hurlers of the Valley and also one of the team's best hitters.
ADOLPH THYM

Pitcher—Right Field

"Tim" alternated in the box and in right field with Levy. In both positions he performed brilliantly.

ROBERT MUDD

Center Field

"Bob’s" performances in the field and with the stick rated him as one of the Conference leading fielders.

MAX STARKLOFF

"Max" was a brainy and able catcher as well as one of the team’s best hitters.
Wylie Cox
Shortstop
"Gabe" was an important cog in the Pikers’ defense. Hot grounders that came his way seldom escaped him.

Bertram Cheatem
Second Base
"Bert" handled the second base hole in fashionable form. He has two more years to equal his exceptional playing.

Earl Thrasher
Third Base
Earl’s third sacking has robbed enemy batsmen of many hits and runs.
**PAUL SCHLINGMAN**  
*Pitcher*  
Paul handled his share of the mound work and turned in a good pitching record.

**RAY ROBERTS**  
*Right Field*  
"Chisel" was handicapped by an injured knee part of the season, but when in the lineup he contributed much to the team’s play.

**RAY HEIST**  
*Pitcher*  
"Ray" proved valuable to Coach Davis’ squad as a relief hurler.
JOHN FORD
Manager

"Johnnie" was a manager whose service to the team left nothing to be desired.