

Challenge for the Macketeers

Ad Lindsey has taken the curtain call for the season; now Hugh "Scotty" McDermott steps forward.

Lindsey took a handful of men and moulded one of the most remarkable football teams in the Big Six conference. McDermott, who has produced some of the finest basketball teams in America, is working out a missing-letter puzzle this year in shaping his 1931 cage squad.

Tom Churchill, captain last year, is missing from the recruits. So are Culbertson and Noble. Despite the fact that last year's team did not win a single conference game, Churchill's team was no slouch. And despite early training hard luck, Captain Lawrence Meyer's team looks promising. McDermott has a knack of creating good teams and, while it is too early now to predict with certainty how strong a team he will produce this year, yet hard practice and clever coaching are whipping together a team that ought to give Texas, first opponent, something to think about.

As practice settled down in earnest, Mac got the sad news that May, a letterman forward, would be unavailable, as a result of a broken hip sustained in baseball last summer.

Meyer, usually a forward, has been shifted to guard, and opposite him is Andy Beck, an all-American high school player. Oren Hatman is getting consistent testing as center. The rest of the team is being worked out from recruits.

Oklahoma was to open its season with Texas at Austin December 19, playing a second game there the following day. Southern Methodist university of Dallas was to open the home season, playing in the fieldhouse at Norman December 31 and January 1.

Possible starting line-up against Texas at this date (December 6) was: Elvin Anderson of Norman, and Charles Grady of Oklahoma City, forwards; Hatman of Tulsa, center; Captain Meyer of Enid and Beck of Oklahoma City, guards.

The rest of the Sooner cage schedule follows:

- January 5—Bethany (Lindsborg) at Norman.
- January 7—Oklahoma Aggies at Norman.

- January 10—Iowa State at Ames.
- January 17—Nebraska at Norman.
- January 24—Kansas State at Manhattan.
- January 26—Missouri at Columbia.
- February 7—Kansas at Norman.
- February 14—Missouri at Norman.
- February 17—Oklahoma Aggies at Stillwater.
- February 21—Iowa State at Norman.
- February 26—Kansas at Lawrence.
- February 27—Washburn at Topeka.
- February 28—Nebraska at Lincoln.
- March 3—Kansas State at Norman.

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TEAM	BIG SIX FINAL			PCT.	P.	OP.
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Kansas	4	1	0	.800	144	50
OKLAHOMA	3	1	1	.700	101	57
Kansas Aggies	3	2	0	.600	91	66
Nebraska	2	2	1	.500	119	61
Missouri	1	2	2	.400	41	132
Iowa State	0	5	0	.000	50	107

THE SOONER SEASON

Oklahoma 48, New Mexico	0
Oklahoma 20, Nebraska	7
Oklahoma 7, Texas	17
Oklahoma 7, Kansas State	0
Oklahoma 19, Iowa State	13
Oklahoma 0, Kansas	13
Oklahoma 0, Oklahoma Aggies	7
Oklahoma 0, Missouri	0

Oklahoma's football stock in the Big Six conference kept in the market to the last, despite the fact that Coach Ad Lindsey had one of the smallest squads in years from which to select his team. Lack of reserves, so tellingly noticeable in the Texas game, finally told on the Sooners. It was a question from the start of the season whether the relatively light Oklahoma team could dent the Big Six. When the Sooners, by sheer football and team work, defeated Nebraska, Oklahoma was quoted above par. There remained Kansas, with a remarkable team, with weight, spirit, and determination, ahead of the Sooners. At Lawrence, the Sooners out fought Kansas but was shut out 13 to 0, although the score does not indicate the battle Oklahoma put up.

The Kansas game rather definitely eclipsed the Sooners' hopes of the title. The Oklahoma Aggies, primed for the game, played before a record Stillwater crowd, and took the long end of the score, 7 to 0. It was a great game, but the Sooners were wearied and there was

too much Trigg in the Aggie team. Trigg, Aggie quarter, early in the game scored the touchdown for the Aggies, crashing through center for a twenty-one yard run. The Aggies kept Oklahoma on the defensive for most of the game, despite the great work of Bus Mills whose punting kept Oklahoma in the running. At Norman, however, Jap Haskell's freshmen easily defeated the Aggie freshmen, 41 to 6.

The Aggie game demonstrated that it is still the most popular game with Oklahoma football fans. The greatest crowd Stillwater has ever seen overflowed the inadequate facilities of Aggieland; most of the Oklahoma football lovers were there.

While the Aggies were taking Oklahoma's measure, Kansas was sewing up the Big Six championship by overwhelming Missouri at Columbia 32 to 0. That left Oklahoma and Nebraska competing for second place. The Kansas Aggies nosed out Nebraska 10 to 9, while Oklahoma ensured itself second place by its scoreless tie with Missouri at Norman Thanksgiving day. The game was rather devoid of thrills, both teams played good football, and there were some thrilling moments. Once, early in the opening quarter, the Sooners drove sixty-five yards down the field to the Missouri seven-yard line. Missouri held however, and play went back into the field. Once, Missouri put the ball over the Sooner goal line. Vandyne threw a forty-two yard pass which Campbell caught and plunged over the Sooner goal line. For a moment, Sooners thought their Thanksgiving goose was cooked, but officials ruled that the Missouri backfield was in motion, and the play was ruled out.



Translator

Miss Margaret Richardson, ex '20, of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, has translated *Domitila*, a novel of the Brazilian empire written by Paul Steubal. Miss Richardson, who has also studied at the Sorbonne in Paris, is now at Columbia university, New York.

Annotations and Explanations of the Most Difficult Parts of the Bible written by the "godly and famous John Diodati of Geneva" and published in London in 1651, has been presented to the university library by Mrs Moody J. Tidwell, jr., of Miami. The book has been in the Tidwell family for several generations. Mrs Tidwell became interested in the university's collection of rare books while visiting the university during the library dedication exercises. The *Annotations* has been placed in the treasure room of the library.