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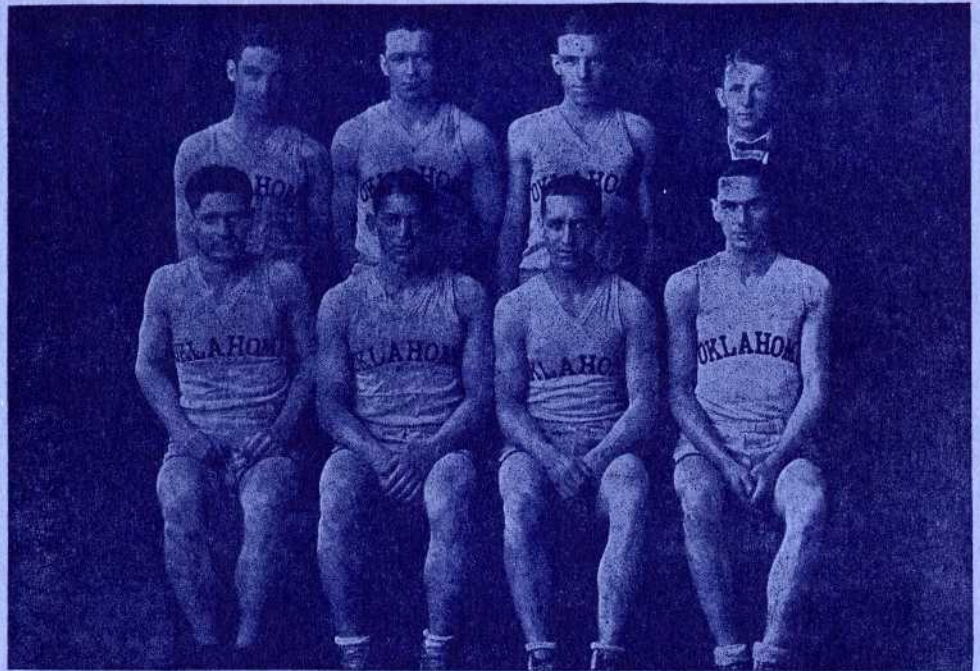
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Coach  
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LEFT TO RIGHT—Top row: Wallace, Ruppert, Dunlap, Coach McDermott; Bottom row: McBride, Wheeler, Morse, Captain Johnson.

The Sooner basketball team of 1924 won 13 out of 16 Missouri Valley conference basketball games to finish second in the loop with a percentage of .838. Fred Wallace of El Reno, one of the greatest Sooner basketball players that ever pulled on a rubber-soled shoe, was the driving force of this great team while Floyd McBride, of Oklahoma City, was its sharpshooter.

It was this quintet which ended the famous Kansas winning streak of 34 consecutive basketball victories, after the Jayhawkers had traveled undefeated through their 1923 schedule. This feat was accomplished in the old Armory at Norman the final score reading: Oklahoma 26, Kansas 20.

Although his material isn't anything remarkable this year and he has but one regular, Captain Lawrence Meyer, of El Reno, back in uniform, Coach McDermott is accepting the burden placed upon his coaching genius and is endeavoring to mould a quintet that will acquit itself with honor this year.

In the speedy Anderson twins, Emery and Elvin, products of Norman high school, he has two marksmen of exceptional skill whom he is fast teaching the rudiments of defense and floor play. Andy Beck, the little Classen phenom, is also dribbling and driving with much of the skill that earned him an all-American interscholastic berth two years ago. Jude Potts, a Durant boy, Charles Grady, the Oklahoma Citian and Bro McDonald, the former El Reno star, are all in uniform and working daily as Paul Young, of Norman and Oren Hatman, of Tulsa, centers, and a host of others.

The Sooner home schedule has swollen to nine games now with the Southern Methodist Mustangs coming to Norman on the last day of the old year and the first of the new to open the season. These are the first holiday contests played at Norman in history. Following the Ponies will come that stellar aggregation from Lindsborg, Kans., the "Terrible Swedes" of Bethany college, who boast a lineup almost intact from last year when they won the championship of their Kansas conference and went to the semi-finals of the national tournament, placing Larson, their great center on the All-American A. A. U. team.

The home schedule in detail:

Dec. 31 Southern Methodist U. at Norman.

Jan. 1 Southern Methodist U. at Norman.

Jan. 5 Bethany college at Norman.

Jan. 7 Oklahoma Aggies at Norman.

Jan. 17 Nebraska at Norman.

Feb. 7 Kansas at Norman.

Feb. 14 Missouri at Norman.

Feb. 21 Iowa State at Norman.

March 3 Kansas State at Norman.

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