

1934 SEASON

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PAUL BURNUM	Freshman Coach
WILLIAM LEE	Captain
HUGO MARX	Manager

PLAYERS

Ends: Paul Bryant, Don Hutson, James Walker, Hillman Walker, Ralph Gandy . . . **Tackles:** William Lee, James Whatley, William Young, Ben Baswell, Arthur McGahey . . . **Guards:** Bob Ed Morrow, Charlie Marr, William Peters, "Tarzan" White . . . **Center:** Kavanaugh Francis, Joe Dildy, Lamar Moyer . . . **Backs:** Riley Smith, James Angelich, Joe Demyanovich, Millard Howell, Young Boozer, Tilden Campbell, Clarence Rohrdanz, Joe Riley, James Nisbet, Charley Stapp.



SEPTEMBER 29: Alabama defeated Howard, coached by Shorty Propst, former Alabama star center, on Denny Field by the score of 24 to 0. The Tide scored once in each of the four periods but all goals after touchdowns were missed.

Touchdowns were made by Howell, Riley and Demyanovich 2.

The play of the Howard line featured the game. Cooper, at tackle, was particularly outstanding.



OCTOBER 6: Alabama met the Sewanee Tigers in Montgomery at Cramton Bowl and won by the score of 35 to 6, using 29 players.

In the first quarter, Howell scored on an end run after a series of plays which started on the Tiger 33 yard line.

Sewanee received the kickoff. On the first play, Ruch passed, Angelich intercepted the ball and ran 23 yards to score.

In the second quarter, Ruch intercepted a pass thrown by Roy White of Alabama and ran 87 yards for a touchdown behind excellent blocking.

In the third period, it was Alabama's ball on her own 37. On the second play, Howell circled end for 61 yards and a touchdown. Later, Demyanovich scored on a line plunge following a march sparked by Young Boozer with his running and passing.

In the fourth period, Moyer, Tide center, intercepted a pass on the Sewanee 29. After White made 14 yards, Boozer scored on a run around his own left end.

Colmore, Hall, Hayes and Blair were the stars for Sewanee.



OCTOBER 13: The Mississippi State Maroons were defeated on the campus by the score of 41 to 0.

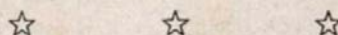
In the first period, Angelich scored on a 48 yard end run. A few moments later, Riley Smith intercepted a pass thrown by Armstrong and ran 64 yards to score.

In the second period, Boozer made 28 yards to the Maroons 20. Roy White made 9 and then passed to Bryant for the score. The Maroons then kicked off to Boozer, who caught the ball on the Tide's 20 and raced 80 yards for a touchdown.

In the final period, Smith recovered a State fumble on the Tide 24. On the next play, Boozer ran 76 yards behind fine blocking for a touchdown.

It was Alabama's ball on the Maroon 48 yard line just before the final whistle. Runs by Angelich and Nisbet carried the ball to the Maroon 8 yard line where Boozer scored.

The Maroons threatened only one time during the game. In the second period with the ball on the State 28, Armstrong completed two passes to the Tide one yard line but lost the ball on downs.



OCTOBER 20: Alabama met the Tennessee Vols in their annual classic in Birmingham, Alabama winning by the score of 13 to 6. The outcome was in doubt until the final whistle.

The first period was scoreless. Howell returned a punt 18 yards to the Tide's 48. After Angelich made 5, Howell passed to Angelich for 13 more. There the Vols held. The period ended with Alabama in possession of the ball on the Tennessee 46 yard line.

Howell's pass to Hudson gained 33 yards to the Tennessee 13 yard line. Howell went through right guard for 5 yards and Joe Demyanovich went over left guard for a touchdown. Riley Smith's attempted conversion was blocked.

Following the kickoff and an exchange of punts, it was Tennessee's ball on her own 35 yard line. Dickens passed to Dorsey for 23 yards but the play was called back and Alabama penalized to her own 34 yard line for slugging. Bryant was named as the slugger and put out of the game although he was nowhere near the spot where the offense is alleged to have occurred. Vaughn then passed to Palmer over the goal line for a touchdown but the play was called back because a Tennessee lineman was not on the line of scrimmage. Vaughn's pass to Palmer advanced the ball to the Tide 2 yard line where Craig scored through the line but goal was missed.

In the third period, with Howell punting beautifully and gaining on exchanges of kicks, it was Alabama's ball on the Vol 22 yard line. Hutson made 6 on an end around play. Riley passed to Hutson for 9 yards. Hutson carried the ball on another end around, cut back sharply between end and tackle and dived over the goal for a touchdown: Smith kicked goal. Alabama 13, Tennessee 6.

Tennessee twice thereafter drove dangerously into Alabama territory but the Tide held. Once Moses caught one of Howell's long punts over his head and ran down the east side lines until Howell tackled him as he was almost in the clear. He, along with Dickens and Vaughn, were Tennessee's offensive stars.

Dixie Howell's running, punting and passing prompted Coach Neyland of Tennessee to rate him as the greatest back in the South. Captain Lee, Hutson, Gandy and Francis were also outstanding for Alabama. Francis, at one of the critical stages of the game dived into the line, plugged the hole and the ball went over on downs.

Alabama—Ends: Hutson, Bryant, Gandy, H. Walker, J. Walker. **Tackles:** Lee, Whatley, McGahey, Young. **Guards:** Marr, Morrow, Danalutti, Peters. **Centers:** Francis, Moye. **Backs:** Smith, Howell, Angelich, Demyanovich, Campbell, Stapp, Riley, Boozer, Nisbet.

Tennessee—Ends: Pounders, Rose, Tancil, Ditmore, Porter. **Tackles:** Austelle, Bailey, Crawford, Silberman. **Guards:** Hatley, Warmath, Bourkard, Needham, Weaver, Giddens, Pick. **Centers:** Claxton, Tade. **Backs:** Krouse, Vaughan, Palmer, Craig, Moses, Paty, Dickens, Dorsey, Lippe.

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OCTOBER 27: The Crimson Tide defeated the Georgia Bulldogs in Birmingham by the score of 26 to 6.

Howell scored twice, once in the first quarter at the end of a 42 yard drive, and again in the second period climaxing a march of 61 yards. He carried the ball 15 times for 152 yards. He did not play at all in the second half.

Angelich scored in the third period on a run of 38 yards. Demyanovich scored Alabama's final touchdown in the third period after Whatley had blocked a punt by Green of Georgia, which Gandy recovered on the Bulldog 2 yard line.

Georgia also scored in the third period. Green kicked 50 yards and Riley Smith punted 13 yards out of bounds on his own 18 yard line. After Green circled left end for 12 yards, Alabama was penalized 5 yards. Green went across for the score.

Joe Riley made one run of 59 yards, the longest of the game and was tackled by Treadway with a touchdown in sight.

McKnight, center, Hall, tackle, Chapman, fullback, Anderson, Green and Bond, backs, were outstanding for Georgia.

Georgia—Ends: Turbeville, Wagon, Ashford. **Tackles:** Hall West, Shi, Harmon. **Guards:** Johnson, Brown, McDaniel, Morgan. **Centers:** Law, McMann, Perkinson, Gatchel, McKnight. **Backs:** Griffith, Bond, Johnson, Chapman, Minot, Treadway, Green, Anderson, Causey, Gunnels, Craven.

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NOVEMBER 3: Alabama and the Kentucky Wildcats met in Lexington in the Homecoming Day celebration and Alabama won by the score of 34 to 14. Howell and Riley passed brilliantly, completing six out of nine passes for 170 yards.

In the first period with the ball in Alabama's possession on the Wildcat 42, Howell passed to Hutson for 22 yards. On the next play, Hutson scored on an end around. Later, Whatley blocked a punt on Kentucky's 41. Howell's pass to Angelich for 15 and Howell's end run advanced the ball to the 3 yard line where Campbell scored.

In the second period, Riley returned a punt 23 yards to the Wildcat 43. Runs by Riley and Demyanovich advanced the ball to the 16 yard line where Riley scored on an end run.

In the third quarter, Alabama drove from her own 20 to the Wildcat's one yard line but lost the ball on downs. Later, Walker of Kentucky intercepted a pass thrown by Riley on Kentucky's 41. A pass from Johnson to Long advanced the ball to the Alabama 16. Johnson hit the line for 9 and Hays made a first down on the Tide 4. Johnson circled right end for a touchdown and Ayres kicked goal.

Starting the final period, it was Alabama's ball on the Wildcat 40. Angelich made 13, Stapp 5 and Demyanovich 11. Bryant on an end around scored. Smith missed goal.

Kentucky then returned the kickoff to her 25. Two plays later, Man O' War Johnson went off left tackle, cut out and ran 69 yards for a touchdown. Ayres again kicked goal.

Later in the final quarter, Alabama was in possession of the ball near the center of the field. Boozer made 9. Riley then completed a pass to Boozer for 38 yards and a touchdown. McGahey kicked goal to end the scoring.

Alabama's two sets of ends, Hutson and Bryant, and Gandy and Jimmy Walker, played well on offense and defense. Johnson, Long, Wagner and Nevers were the stars for Kentucky.

Kentucky—Ends: Captain Rupert, Long. **Tackles:** Wagner, Nevers. **Guards:** McClurg, Potter. **Center:** Janes. **Backs:** Hays, Walker, Johnson, McCall. **Substitutes:** McMillan, Ayres, Bryant, Simpson, Huddleson, Myers, Farris, Jobe.



NOVEMBER 10: Alabama celebrated Homecoming Day by defeating Clemson 40 to 0 before 8,000 fans. The Tide scored one touchdown in each of the first three quarters and then doubled the count by scoring three times in the final period. Alabama made 23 first downs for 413 yards while Clemson made 4 first downs for 69 yards.

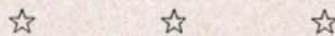
In the first period, Howell ran left end for 25 yards and passed to Hutson on the Clemson 31. Angelich hit center for 21. Two plays later, Howell passed to Hutson for the score.

On the fourth play of the second period, Riley Smith went over on a quarterback sneak and kicked goal.

Alabama scored in the third quarter when Howell passed to Hutson. On this drive Hutson caught two passes for 21 yards and 26 yards. Alabama had the ball on the Clemson 27 as the period ended.

Boozer scored around end on the first play of the fourth period. Later, it was Alabama's ball on her own 32. The Tide marched straight down the field for another touchdown with Howell scoring. A few moments later Riley scored on a 30 yard end run after he had returned a punt 75 yards for a touchdown but Alabama was caught holding on the play and the ball brought back to the Clemson 30.

Stevens, Fulger and Hinson were the stars for Clemson.



NOVEMBER 17: Dixie Howell and Joe Riley entertained 14,000 spectators in Atlanta with an exhibition of forward passing as Alabama defeated Georgia Tech by the score of 40 to 0. It was the largest score in the history of this traditional game.

In the first period, Howell returned a punt to the Tech 35. Angelich made 12 on the corkscrew play and Tech was penalized to her 14 yard line for roughness. After Howell's pass to Hutson was complete, Demyanovich scored.

In the second quarter, Howell returned a punt for 65 yards and the second touchdown. Later, Demyanovich intercepted a pass on Tech's 45. After Boozer made 5, Howell passed to Hutson for the score.

In the third quarter, Riley Smith scored on a quarterback sneak after passes and end around plays by Hutson and Bryant carried the ball to Tech's 6 yard line. Later, Bryant intercepted a pass on Tech's 16. Howell passed to Hutson for 11 and then circled end for another touchdown.

In the fourth period, Phillips of Tech passed from behind his goal line to Shorty Roberts on the Tech 5 and Roberts ran to the Alabama 27, a run of 68 yards, where he was tackled by Rohrdanz.

Alabama's final touchdown came when Young recovered a Tech fumble on the Tech 17. Riley passed to Gandy over the goal.

Gibson, Williams and the Wilcox featured for Tech.

Georgia Tech—Ends: Katz, Gibson, Thompson, Boulware. **Tackles:** Williams, Eubanks, Dean. **Guards:** D. Wilcox, J. Wilcox, Fitzsimmons. **Center:** Preston. **Backs:** Roberts, Perkerson, Beard, Phillips, Lyons, Hays, Street, Martin.



NOVEMBER 29: Alabama won over Vanderbilt in Birmingham by the score of 34 to 0 before a capacity crowd of 24,000 fans. Dixie Howell, appearing the last time on Legion Field, played his greatest game. His punts averaged 40 yards. He returned punts for 124 yards, one return being for 42 yards. He ran the ends for 120 yards, and plunged through the line for 42 yards. Summarizing, he was responsible for 318 yards.

Howell and Lucas engaged in a punting duel to start the game. It was Alabama's ball on her 35 yard line and the parade was on. Howell circled end for 20 yards. Angelich, on the corkscrew play, ran 40 yards to Vandy's 5 and scored two plays later. Smith kicked goal.

Later, it was Alabama's ball on her own 37. Angelich gained 15 yards on the corkscrew play. Demyanovich and Howell made a first down. After Bryant gained 9, Howell scored on a 21 yard end run. Smith missed goal.

In the second quarter, Howell returned a punt 42 yards. Running plays by Angelich and Demyanovich resulted in a touchdown with Demyanovich scoring. Smith kicked goal.

In the third period, Angelich intercepted a pass thrown by Dixon on his own 30 and ran 70 yards for a touchdown. Smith again kicked goal. As Angelich broke into the open, the Alabama band struck up: "California, Here I Come." After the game, Alabama was invited to the Rose Bowl game to be played on New Year's Day.

In the fourth period, Alabama marched 76 yards for her final touchdown, Howell gaining 48 of the yards in three runs, the last run being for 15 yards and a touchdown. Smith converted. Howell received tremendous applause as he left the game.

A number of football experts declared that this Alabama team was one of the most versatile in the history of Southern football.

Before the game, the Vanderbilt alumni presented Coach Dan McGugin of Vanderbilt, who retired after 31 years of service, with a loving cup.

Brown and Geny were the star linemen for Vanderbilt. Oliver was also impressive. He covered passes splendidly and his open field tackling was deadly.

Vanderbilt—Ends: Plasman, Geny. **Tackles:** Guffey, Claffey. **Guards:** Lucas, Powell. **Center:** Strayhorn. **Backs:** Dixon, Oliver, Peebles, Beck. **Substitutes:** Overly, Noel, Crawford, Scoggins, Hampton, Smith, Wroton, Lindsey, Brown, Dickinson, Simpkins.