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FRONT ROW- SCHMUCK, WOODS, GARBER, NORRIS, ROUSEY, BAYLOR, MCCLINTOCK  
BACK ROW- O'NEAL, FREESE, FOX, TETER, CURRY, RUPPERT, WHARTON

## Here Is Premier Grid Team that Upset Dope Bucket and Ended Season with 5 Victories, 1 Tie, and 1 Defeat

With the best football season in the history of Ashland College closed, time can now be taken to give voice to the merits of the college squad. The squad of some twenty-three men had in its ranks men of ability who got little or no chance this year to show their mettle. These men who sat on the bench day after day hoping that their chance would come found the last day of the season at hand and they had not heard their name called forth in cheer. These men along with the varsity we hope to give in this article by words the merit they did not receive for work on the playing field.

### A Stone Wall Line

The first thing that stood out in the work of the Purple this year and the first to be noticed by our opponents was the work of the Purple line. In every game this line stood the onslaughts of the best backs their opponents had to send against them. The hammerlike drives of Starn and

Ashland owes much to the Purple team for the gameness and fight which characterized its play, and of them we now turn to relate of their individual work.

### The Tackles

In the forward wall we start with the tackles which are the key, the strength of any line. Ashland has good tackles this year in the persons of Marion Baylor, Clayton Piper, Lofton Lowe, Donald Welch, and Albert O. Wood. All of rangy type, exceptionally fast, shifty on the defense and possessed with strong offensive powers. Wood, Piper and Baylor bore the brunt of the work this year, and were rated by our opponents as the equal of any tackles in the Ohio Conference. Lowe and Welch failed to get in enough games to show their real strength, but in scrimmage their work was good enough to assure us of two capable tackles to help out the big three next year.

George's place, and that man who fills his place can scarcely, when he dons his chimneys and head gear, hope to play that position as consistently as did George. In Hunter Ashland has a good guard in the making, and who will bear watching next year.

### Norris at Center

In the center of the line we find the sturdy Norris, a perfect passer, a brilliant offensive player, while on the defense we estimate him superior to any conference center. Ullom was Norris' understudy, but so well did Norris handle the snapper back job that Ullom failed to get his chance, but next year is another year and then Ullom's chance may come.

Out on the wings Ashland had two mighty fine ends, Captain Schmuck and McClintock. Both were defensive players and on the offense they are the equal of any pair of conference ends. Good block-

ing or for a smash off-tackle, the redoubtable Curry bore his share of the offense. Weber and Wharton performed most creditably at the halfback positions. Both were good on off-tackle plays, on running interference, on receiving forward passes. Wharton was good on the defense while Weber's punting was brilliant. Hatfield and Rupert were the reserve backs. Hatfield was a mighty fine open field runner but lacked the experience to make the regulars, while Rupert was at home backing up the line or playing one of the wing positions. In fullback Fox we have Ashland's most consistent ground gainer. He was a Gordon Locke on drives through the line, while in backing up the line he gave notable assistance in stopping the drives of opponents. Vern Flora, who played in the backfield and as a guard, had no chance to show his ability. He had the misfortune to injure his leg in one of the early season scrimmages.

## Basketball Hopes Mount High As Practice Begins

Abundant Material Gives Murray Chance to Build Winning Five

Season Opens with Kent Normal On December 14

The 1922 football season at Ashland College is now a matter of history and Coach Murray is busily engaged in rounding his basketball squad into shape for the first game which will be played here with Kent on Thursday, December 14.

Prospects for a winning basketball five have never been brighter than they are this year. Out of the ten men who formed the first squad on last year's aggregation which won seven and lost eleven games, eight men have donned the uniform and presented themselves on the gym floor. Wilcox and O'Neal are the two members who will not be in the ranks this year. The loss of Wilcox will probably shift the whole playing order of the team around. Wilcox was one of the best guards that ever wore the Purple and Gold and the man who fills his shoes will have to do some tall playing to come up to the form of the rotund keeper of the basket. O'Neal is the other loss and he is unable to return to the squad because of a position which he holds which requires his time during the practice sessions. O'Neal is a forward and at the close of the 1922 season showed good form and judgment.

Coach Murray gave out suits the week following the concluding game of the football season to enable the men to keep in shape for basketball. The first practice was held last Monday afternoon and twenty-five candidates for the varsity answered the roll call. The time was spent in fundamentals of the game. The men were instructed and drilled on turns, dribbles, passes and shots. The remainder of the week will be spent in obtaining a thorough mastery of the fundamentals.

Wealth of Varsity Material