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Carolina's Football History

Just on the eve of the battle with our greatest rival since the days of the annual game with Clemson, it may be appropriate to hastily review Carolina's gridiron records. Our team has met with varying success in the last decade, but the time

accomplished were indeed very discouraging.

In 1899 the team was again extremely unsuccessful and won two out of five games. William Shand had charge this season.

The season of 1900 was the most successful up to this time. Not successful so much in the number of games won as in the interest shown by the student body. T. J. Bell was captain, and among the

'01 was greatly disappointing, in spite of the high-bullt hopes. The team was victorious in three out of seven games, with R. E. L. Freeman at the helm.

Nineteen two was the most successful and satisfactory season in the history of football at Carolina. "Old scores were neatly obliterated when the wearers of the Garnet and Black fairly and squarely defeated Clemson, their old-time rival, in one of the best and most exciting games ever seen in this State. It was won by pluck, grit, and steady determination, and by the individual excellence of the players." The score was 12 to 6 in this game, and Carolina lost but one out of seven hard games. Among the star players were: McCutchen (captain), Smith, Oliver, Davis and Gunter.

Carolina gradually forged to the front, and in 1903 she was "recognized as a star of first magnitude in the athletic firmament of the South." Carolina won seven out of nine games, defeating Georgia Tech. by the decisive score of 16 to 0. Guy Gunter was her leader.

The football record for 1904 was one to be proud of, considering the number of games, the hard schedule, and handicap she was under in the injuries sustained by her best men. "Gene" Oliver led the team victorious in all but three games out of eight. The strong Georgia team was defeated 2 to 0, and Washington and Lee University crushed.

The record for 1905 was great. Carolina defeated her much vaunted rival, Davidson, and held "Carpenter and his hired crew" to a small score, when it is remembered that this team defeated some of the strongest teams in the East, among them West Point. Douglas McKay was Carolina's plucky little captain.

It gives us pain to chronicle the season of 1906. There was one ineradicable blot on the field of athletic possibilities; the absence of football. An all-wise and overpowering Board of Trustees decreed that ping-pong and croquet were better suited for the physical upbuilding of our students.

Football was reinstated on October 29, 1907, and before the end of the next week an enthusiastic squad was at work. From this was developed a fast though light team, which won all the games that it played in the short season remaining. Perrin, the captain, was injured in the opening game, and Gibbes, the clever little quarterback, was put in charge. He starred as a drop-kicker, making twenty out of the thirty points scored by his team. One of his goals was kicked from the 43-yard line. "LEGION."



is not far distant when she will be an important factor in Southern intercollegiate football.

The team of 1898 was captained by J. C. Foster and played only three games, winning but one. And so the results that it

names of the players' is found that of R. B. Herbert. Carolina played some of the strongest teams in the South and won four out of seven, defeating N. C. A. and M. team in two games.

We regret to confess that the season of