

1937 SEASON

FRANK THOMAS	Coach
HENRY CRISP, HAROLD DREW, TILDEN CAMPBELL, PAUL BRYANT	Assistant Coaches
PAUL BURNUM	Freshman Coach
LEROY MONSKY	Captain
NATHAN MARX	Manager

PLAYERS

Ends: E. T. Warren, Perron Shoemaker, Eugene Blackwell, Hayward Sanford . . . **Tackles:** James Ryba, James Tipton, Walter Merrill, Robert Woods, Jake Redden . . . **Guards:** Leroy Monsky, Lewis Bostick, Jess Foshee, Grover Harkins . . . **Centers:** Carey Cox, Albert E. Macktolff. **Backs:** Joe Kilgrow, Hal Hughes, Henry Cochran, Johnny Roberts, Victor Bradford, Alvin Davis, Charlie Holm, George Zivich, Silas A. Beard, Hershel Mosley, William Slemmons.



SEPTEMBER 25: Alabama defeated Howard in the opening game in Denny Stadium by the score of 41 to 0.

Touchdowns were made by Mosley, who returned a punt 92 yards, Shoemaker, Holm 2, Waites and Davis.



OCTOBER 2: Sewanee was defeated in Birmingham by the score of 65 to 0, Alabama using 39 players and scoring two touchdowns in each of the first, third and fourth quarters and three in the second period.

Touchdowns were made by Kilgrow 2, Zivich, Slemmons 2, Mosley 2, Beard 2 and Holm.

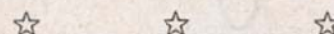


OCTOBER 9: Alabama defeated South Carolina on the campus on a wet field by the score of 20 to 0. Alabama's tackling was very poor, especially when trying to tackle "Little Jack" Little, star Carolina back, who returned punts and kickoffs sensationally.

In the first quarter, Alabama received and Hughes quick kicked 55 yards to South Carolina's 13. Clary punted to his own 42. Alabama scored in eight plays, two by Holm and six by Kilgrow, who made the touchdown and kicked goal.

In the second period, The Tide marched 75 yards to the Gamecock's 2, where a fumble occurred and Burns recovered. Little then punted to his own 41. Kilgrow passed to Beard for a touchdown.

In the third quarter, Little fumbled a bad pass from center, Shoemaker recovering on the South Carolina 15. Holm made 14 yards and Hughes scored on a no shift play. Kilgrow converted.



OCTOBER 16: A crowd of 25,000 fans witnessed Alabama's victory over Tennessee in Knoxville by the score of 14 to 7.

In the second period, Cox intercepted a pass thrown by Cafego on the Tide 41. Kilgrow's pass to Holm was good for 25 yards. Three plays netted 7 yards. Kilgrow passed to Warren, who lateralled to Hughes, who was stopped on the Vol's 18. Tennessee held for three downs and Coach Thomas sent in a fresh backfield composed of Davis, Mosley, Bradford and Slemmons. Mosley passed to Davis for a first down on the Vol 5 yard line. Two plays later, Bradford scored and Sanford kicked goal.

Alabama scored again in the third period. Kilgrow returned a punt to about midfield. Zivich made 3, Holm 7, Zivich 6 and Kilgrow 16. After Alabama suffered an offside penalty, Kilgrow made 8 and Holm 6 to the Tennessee 27. Kilgrow made 12 and Warren added 8. Three plays later, Bradford scored and Kilgrow kicked goal.

In the last quarter, Kilgrow punted to the Vol 15. Cafego gained 16 and soon punted to Alabama's 8. Alabama punted back, soon held and the ball went over on downs after Ryba threw Cafego, who was trying to pass, for a 17 yard loss. Alabama punted to Tennessee's 32. Cafego passed to Duncan

for 9 and then carried the ball to the Tide 37 in two plays. Another pass by Cafego was completed to the Alabama 23. Three runs by Cafego and one by Duncan gained 20 yards. Cafego then passed to Duncan for a touchdown and kicked goal.

Kilgrow and Cafego were the offensive stars. Captain Monsky and Merrill were standouts for Alabama in the line.



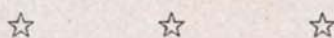
OCTOBER 23: Alabama met George Washington University in Washington and won 19 to 0 on a muddy field before a crowd of 25,000 spectators.

In the second quarter, Holm, the offensive star of the game, made 39 yards on a reverse. Kilgrow made 9 and then passed to Shoemaker for a touchdown. Kilgrow kicked goal.

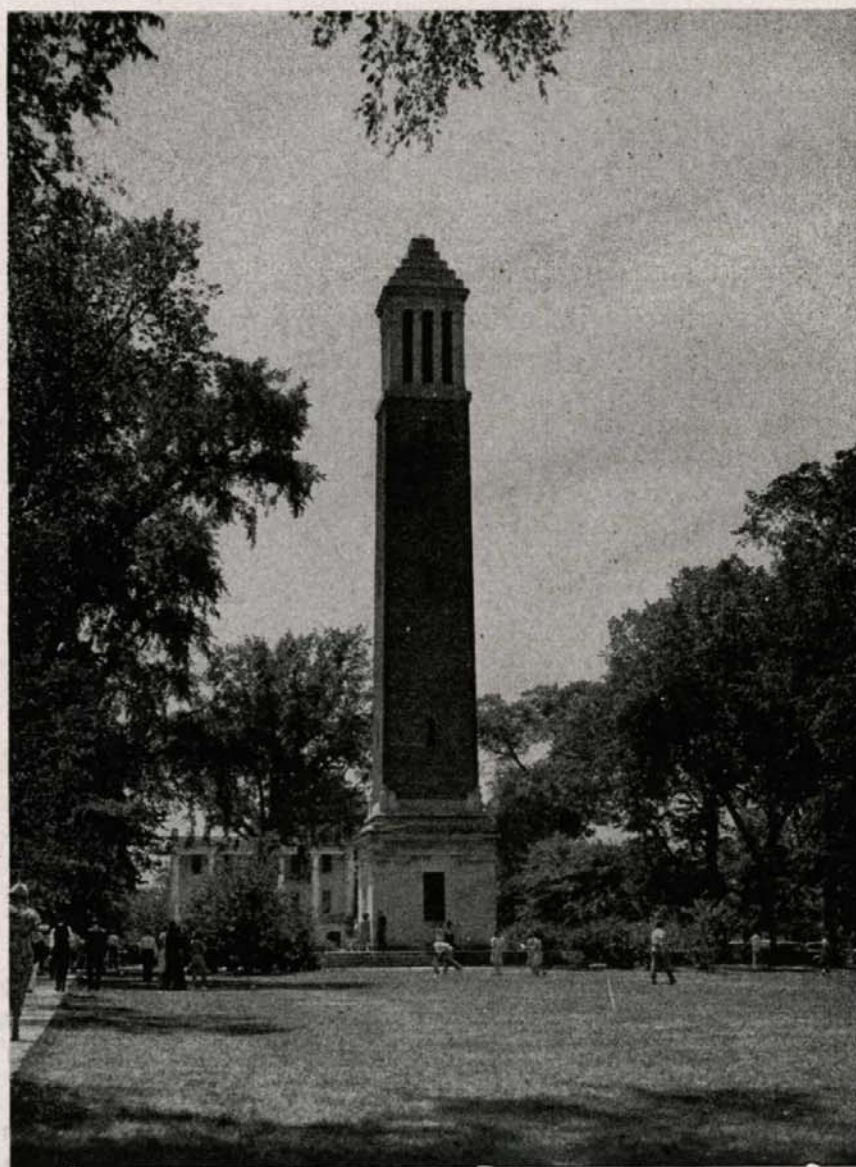
A few minutes later, a quick kick of 57 yards by Alabama was grounded on the George Washington 8 yard line. Kaufman punted back. On a series of plays, Alabama scored again when Kilgrow went over following a 15 yard run by Holm.

In the third quarter, Alabama scored the final touchdown when Holm intercepted a pass thrown by Sampson on the George Washington 23 yard line and ran the remaining distance.

For George Washington, Sampson in the backfield and Yurwitz, a very fine end, were outstanding.



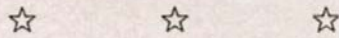
OCTOBER 30: Alabama observed Homecoming Day by defeating Kentucky by the score of 41 to 0 before 13,000 fans.



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Alabama scored once in the first, third and fourth periods and three times in the second quarter. Touchdowns were made by Holm, Blackwell, Kilgrow, Roberts, Slemmons and Waites.

The punting by both teams was excellent, Alabama averaging 49 yards and Kentucky 42 yards.



NOVEMBER 6: Playing in Tulane's stadium before a crowd of 30,000, Heyward Sanford, in the closing moments of the final quarter, place kicked field goal for 41 yards to win the game for Alabama by the score of 9 to 6. Zivich held the ball, which cleared the horizontal bar by about two feet.

In the first quarter, Kirchman blocked a punt by Zivich and Tulane recovered on the Tide 18. Bruner and Andrews made 11, Payne and Bruner gained 6 and Andrews then scored. No goal.

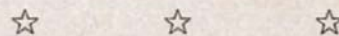
In the third period, Nyhan punted out of bounds on the Tide 13 yard line. Warren made 6 and Kilgrow 22 on two plays. After Shoemaker made 6 on an end around, Kilgrow and Holm gained 17 yards. An end around by Warren took Tulane by surprise and made 24 yards. Shoemaker on the same play made 7 to Tulane's 2 where Bradford scored. The attempted conversion failed.

In the final period, brilliant punting by Mosley kept Tulane with her back to the wall. One punt of 51 yards was grounded by Shoemaker on Tulane's 2 yard line. Nyhan punted 37 yards to Kilgrow who returned to Tulane's 23. The field goal by Sanford followed.

Kilgrow of Alabama and Miller of Tulane played the entire game. Monsky, Holm and Bostick also starred for Alabama as did Butler and Andrews for Tulane.

Alabama—Ends: Warren, Shoemaker. **Tackles:** Merrill, Ryba. **Guards:** Monsky, Bostick. **Center:** Cox. **Backs:** Bradford, Kilgrow, Zivich, Holm. **Substitutes:** Harkins, Cochran, Blackwell, Tipton, Machtoff, Sanford, Redden, Woods, Roberts, Slemmons, Mosley, Beard.

Tulane—Ends: Freiderichs, Wenzel. **Tackles:** Kirchem, Miller. **Guards:** Buckner, Hall. **Center:** Smith. **Backs:** Nyhan, Payne, Bruner, Andrews. **Substitutes:** Dalavasio, Banker, Mathis, Dirmann, Bond, Gorman, Daily, White, Butler.



NOVEMBER 13: Alabama, clearly outplayed for the first three quarters, scored in the last few minutes of play to defeat Georgia Tech by the score of 7 to 0 in Birmingham.

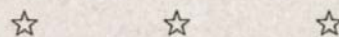
In the fourth period, Mosley punted 51 yards to Tech's 17. Alabama held and Sims punted to Tech's 43 after Tech was penalized. Kilgrow passed to Zivich for 4 yards and then gained 7 for a first down. Kilgrow circled right end for 28 yards to Tech's 3 yard line. Tech's line held Alabama to one yard in three plays. Kilgrow then passed to Warren over the goal for a touchdown and kicked goal.

Tech received two bad breaks in the second period. It was Tech's ball on the Tide 8 yard line. On a triple pass behind the line, the ball got away from Jordan and Warren recovered for Alabama on the Tide 20. Zivich then punted to Tech's 35 yard line. A few plays later, Sims passed to Konemann for 31 yards. A pass from Sims to Jones was completed and Jones went over but the referee ruled that Jones' knee touched the ground on the one foot line. Tech was penalized for excessive time out. Holm then intercepted a pass as the half ended.

Captain Sims was outstanding for Tech with his fine punting. Collins and Chivington were the defensive stars.

Mosley and Kilgrow, who again played 60 minutes, Monsky and Foshee were outstanding for Alabama.

Georgia Tech—Ends: Morgan, Jordan. **Tackles:** Rimmer, Lackey. **Guards:** Brooks, Wilcox. **Center:** Chivington. **Backs:** Sims, Konemann, Appleby, Collins. **Substitutes:** Jones, Anderson, Smith, Wood, Nixon, Ector, Page, Gibson, Murphrey.



NOVEMBER 25: Sandy Sanford did it again! On Dudley Field in Nashville before 22,000 witnesses with Alabama trailing Vanderbilt 7 to 6 and with only six minutes to play, Sanford, with Mosley holding the ball, kicked a field goal at a difficult angle from the 27 yard line to defeat Vanderbilt 9 to 7. The victory resulted in an undefeated and untied season for Alabama and another invitation to the Rose Bowl in Pasadena.

In the first quarter, a short punt gave Vandy the ball on Alabama's 46 but the Tide held for downs on her 27. An exchange of punts, a penalty, an intercepted pass and some running plays carried the ball to Vandy's 17 where Vandy held as the quarter ended.

In the second period, it was Vandy's ball on her 44. Here Vanderbilt tried the hidden ball trick which had defeated Louisiana State earlier in the season. The play failed when the alert Bradford of the Tide dived on the ball. Kilgrow made 11 yards and, with less than a minute left, passed to Warren for a touchdown. No goal.

In the third period, it was Vandy's ball on the Tide 46. Marshall made 14 and then passed to Andrus for 14 more. Marshall drove to Alabama's one foot line on three plays where Housman scored and Joe Agee kicked goal. Vanderbilt 7, Alabama 6.

Alabama received and marched 75 yards on a series of runs by Holm, corkscrew plays by Zivich and off tackle plunges by Kilgrow. Vanderbilt tightened on her 5 yard line and the ball went over. Marshall then kicked one that was high and well placed on the Tide 33. Mosley replaced Zivich and Kilgrow moved to right half. Mosley passed to Kilgrow for 31 yards. Another pass from Mosley to Bradford gained 18 more. Here Vanderbilt held and Sanford kicked the winning goal.

Merlin, Hinkle and Franklin were Vanderbilt's defensive stars while Marshall, the 148 pound back, was brilliant on offense.

For Alabama, there were many stars. Jim Ryba played the best game of any lineman on the field. Grantland Rice complimented Captain Monsky as being the best guard he had seen during the season in pulling out of the line and running interference. Warren and Shoemaker were outstanding at ends while Joe Kilgrow, playing his last regular game for Alabama, was the bright star of the entire group.

Vanderbilt—Ends: McElreath, Franklin. **Tackles:** Richetson, Ray. **Guards:** Merlin, Hays, Henderson. **Center:** Hinkle. **Backs:** Huggins, Andrus, Reinschmidt, Ford, Agee, Hausman, Marshall, Hollins, Perry, Hinton.



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