

Valdostans Onboard:

“Racing Through the Night, *Olympic*’s Attempt to Reach *Titanic*”

The *Titanic* sank on her maiden voyage 100 years ago on April 15, 1912. The above title is a book written by Wade Sisson of Kansas City, Missouri that was published in 2011. He had been fascinated with the *Titanic* since the sixth grade. So much has been written on the *Titanic* that he wrote from a different perspective on the sister ship *Olympic*. The ships were built side by side by the White Star Line with the *Olympic* completed ten months earlier.

What caused us here at the museum to become aware of Sisson's book was our attempt to gather more information on the Valdostans, who, when beginning their Grand Tour of Europe and the Holy Land, were passengers on the *Olympic* when the *Titanic* sank. There had been anticipation that perhaps *Olympic* passengers might get a glimpse of the *Titanic* on her maiden voyage if they passed in the Atlantic Ocean.

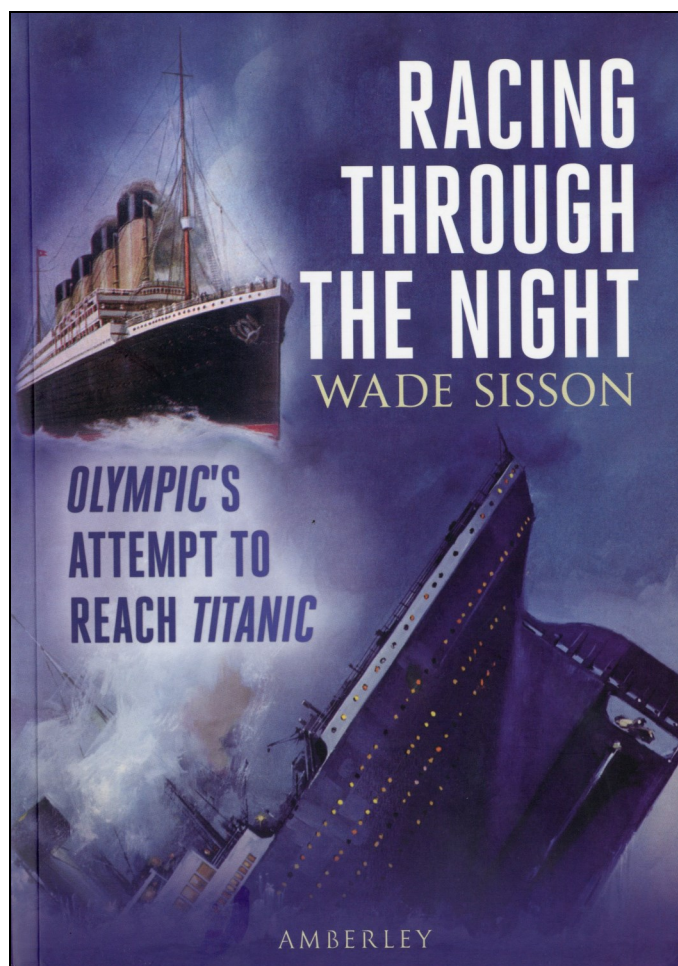
Once the *Olympic* got the message about *Titanic* the crew immediately began all preparation to be in readiness to rescue passengers. Many *Olympic* crewmen were serving on the *Titanic*’s maiden voyage and were friends or family.

Olympic passengers knew of *Titanic*’s distress but not of the magnitude of the disaster. They became fully aware only when reaching port and British newspapers were available. *Olympic* was headed for *Titanic* but when the end was evident White Star Line instructed them to get back on course to Europe and not go into the area where *Titanic* had sunk.

Albert Pendleton wrote twice before about these Valdostans on their Grand Tour. In January 1996 for his “Way Back When” column in the *Valdosta Daily Times (VDT)*, in the LCHS newsletter in February 2001. In 1996 Caroline Stump Butler had recently donated the museum the photographs [on page two], and post cards from the Grand Tour. Her mother, Marion Wilkinson (Stump) had made the 1912 trip. In 2001 Albert wrote again on the topic as “Santa Claus” had brought him two CDs, one the soundtrack of *Titanic* the movie and the other of *Titanic* the Broadway musical. This article also included newspaper abstracts from the *VDT* in 1912 on the *Titanic* and had further identifications of persons.

Col. W. S. West and his wife Ora Lee Cranford West were on this Grand Tour and it was thought that possibly they had taken such a trip before and introduced the young ladies to the idea of this tour. The use of modern technology has allowed us to find passport applications and passenger lists online. Many passenger lists from Europe to America are readily available as so many people are doing genealogy and looking for immigrant ancestors. Passenger lists from the USA to Europe are evidently not easily found on line. One of the unidentified Grand Tour travelers surfaced as they are listed August 16, 1912 as passengers on the *Mauretania* for their return trip to the USA. The newly discovered tour member was Clyde Cranford of Jacksonville, Florida, Mrs. West’s niece. Interestingly, the internet passenger list search showed Clyde

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Above: The front cover of Wade Sisson’s book. We have a copy of the book at the museum. Reviews in the Titanic Historical Society Forums state “if you want to get a head start on reading one of the handful of quality books that will be appearing in observance of *Titanic*’s centenary, you can’t go wrong if you begin your reading program with ‘Racing Through the Night,’” and “the book is going to be a definite ‘must-have’ for all serious *Titanic* researchers.”

Wade Sisson is gathering photographs of and information on *Olympic* passengers on this particular voyage. We are in contact with him and will supply our Valdosta information so it can be included in his next publication.



Onboard Ship

When Caroline Stump Butler donated this photograph to the museum in the 1990s, the only person she specifically identified was her mother Marion Wilkinson (Stump), third from the left. She did remember her mother telling her that Laura and Anna Ashley were on the Grand Tour trip but were not individually identified. When we decided to include their *Olympic/Titanic* story in the newsletter we hoped to achieve identifying the other ladies in the picture. The two men were thought to be with a Boston Chorus or Pops Symphony. With photograph comparisons and successful internet information the ladies are left to right: Laura Ashley (Bird), Marion Wilkinson (Stump), Clyde Cranford (Brantley), Ruth Converse (Davis, Sperry) and Anna Ashley.

When the photo was donated it was said to be on the *Olympic*. The group also took other ships during their tour.



Onboard Camels

There are two slightly different photographs of the Grand Tour group on camels. The top camel photo is a post card that Marion Wilkinson sent home to Valdosta. It is the less seen of the two. Another postcard sent by Marion Wilkinson, it from Alexandria, reveals their Egyptian itinerary, "Here for lunch—off to Cairo, then to Luxor—strenuous life again."

We will let you discover the differences in the photos as we did. Seated on standing camels are left to right, Miriam Wilkinson, #2 is the mystery lady, Laura Ashley, W. S. West, Sr., Ruth Converse, Anna Ashley, and Ora Lee Cranford West. On seated camels are W. S. West, Jr. and Clyde Cranford.

On the reverse side of her camel postcard Marion Wilkinson wrote, "Thought I'd better have proof for all this—it was great. Think I'll have to bring a camel home with me. Leave today for Asia—doing business by continents. Marion"

In a postcard to her sister Adair, Mrs. Hugh Dorsey of Atlanta, Marion wrote, "Here at Jaffa for a few hours on way to Constantinople—on boat all this week.... Had a tremendous time in Jerusalem. Saw Bethlehem, Jericho, Dead Sea and Jordan. ... Marion"

Her sister Adair would become First Lady of Georgia. Her husband Hugh became Governor in 1917.



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Cranford also listed on an August 1911 ship passenger list from England to the USA. Her brother Charles was also on this list.

We had managed to identify sisters Laura Ashley (Bird) and Anna Ashley from photo comparisons, their names already known. But we now had the names of Clyde Cranford and Ruth Converse to watch for information.

Newspaper accounts in December 1911 mention that Clyde Cranford had spent over two weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas in Valdosta visiting her Aunt Ora Lee West. The paper also makes mention of her social outings that included the Ashley's, Ruth Converse and Marion Wilkinson, among others. If a seed got planted for this trip it must have come from Clyde Cranford, who had returned from Europe in August 1911.

In February of 1912 the *Valdosta Times* mentions if W.S. West would possibly be a candidate for Governor of Georgia or other political office. Within three or four weeks the paper notes that, with his upcoming trip to Europe, Col. West will probably not be a candidate for any office. You can now find passport applications on the internet. The Valdosta group all applied for passports for their Grand Tour trip that would begin in April between March 13 and 19, 1912. This was the first time we could associate the name Ruth Converse with the group. Seeing her name on the August 1912 *Mauretania* passenger list for return to America, confirmed her as a participant in the Grand Tour.

In December 1912 The *Valdosta Times* notes in a social column that, among others, Laura Ashley, Anna Ashley, Marion Wilkinson and Ruth Converse had all been in Jacksonville for Clyde Cranford's debutante dance.

Laura and Anna were the daughters of D. Cornelius and Tommie Young Ashley. Ruth was the daughter Albert and Emma Converse. He had died in mid-life in 1911. Marion was the daughter of James M. and Carrie Wilkinson.

A 1917 publication shows Marion Wilkinson as a 1906 graduate of Valdosta High School, and Laura Ashley, Anna Ashley and Ruth Converse as 1907 VHS graduates. The school had only ten grades until 1913. The ladies' ages ranged from 20 to 22 on the 1912 Grand Tour trip.

Col. West was sixty years old when he made the trip. His son and only child had just turned ten. Mrs. West was thirteen years younger than her husband. In 1913 West became the 43rd United States Senator from Georgia, appointed to fill an unexpired term. He died suddenly in 1914.

Luckily, Lila Kate Hart had been contacted by a Cranford descendant in Jacksonville about guiding them towards information on their early Valdosta connections. A retired Dr. Cranford proved to be a nephew of Clyde Cranford. He said she lived her adult life in Washington, D.C. and was married to a Brantley. Clyde married William Gordon Brantley, Jr., an attorney in D.C. and University of Georgia graduate. His father was a long term U.S. Congressman serving the Brunswick, Blackshear area. They are buried in Blackshear Cemetery.

Laura Ashley married Dr. Frank Bird and has descendants in Valdosta. Ruth Converse first married W. F. Davis, who died young. She then married William Sperry, an attorney in New York City, where she had a successful real estate career. Earle McKey, III, connected with this cousin in 1965 when he attended Parson's School of Design, thus able to identify Ruth in the photograph.

Marion Wilkinson married Harry Stump. Her nephew, Dr. Robert "Boogie" Stump, who just celebrated his 97th birthday, confirmed Marion's photo, reaffirmed they were on the *Olympic* disembarking at Cherbourg, France and said she talked about the grand trip the rest of her life. This group is our earliest record at the museum of Valdostans on the Grand Tour.

◆ Program at the Museum ◆

Sammy Dees speaking on his **"Gone with the Wind"** Vintage Memorabilia Collection

Friday, March 30, 2012 / 10 o'clock A.M.
305 W. Central Avenue
229-247-4780

The Lowndes County Historical Society **and VSU Learning in Retirement**

Recognizing Georgia Public Broadcastings 75th Year Commemoration of GWTW

Note: Due to sudden illness Sammy Dees was unable to present this program on February 11 as originally scheduled. The March 30 event will allow Sammy to give his program one last time while his collection remains on special exhibit at the museum. The next special exhibit will be on 100 years of the Chamber of Commerce. The GWTW exhibit can be viewed through mid April.

Locally, more than *Titanic* in 1912

In April of 1912 there was much more to concern citizens than the sinking of the *Titanic*. Of chief local interest was the flooding of the Withlacoochee River. Tom Baird of Tallahassee is writing a book on the Withlacoochee of which serious floods are part of the story. He informed us that weather data recorded a 1912 flood, but we had no information on file in the museum. In searching the *Valdosta Times* for *Olympic/Titanic* information, we found a simultaneous series of articles on the 1912 flood. We were excited to have this information to pass on to Tom Baird. The articles tell much of the damage to bridges and roads and the problems this had caused for travel and for farmers.

Some of the best information to come from these articles was the story of an old-timer telling of the 1844 Harrison Freshet and the April 1867 Radical Freshet. This was the first information discovered on specific Withlacoochee River floods before official records were kept.

Also reported in the *Valdosta Times* during this same week is vast flooding on the Mississippi River, especially Memphis and below, where hundreds had died.

Interspersed among these articles, and for the remainder of the year, are those concerning building at the college and the efforts to continue to raise money to expedite the opening. The college had hoped to open September 1912, but opening became January 1913.

Articles also encouraged the forming of and participation in the Chamber of Commerce and reported on Big 12, the new jail under construction.

During the period of *Titanic* articles, the newspaper reports on two local performances by the Russian Symphony Orchestra of New York. It was majority composed of Russian Jews that had to escape persecution. One of the related articles tells that this was the third year such a group had been brought to Valdosta. It is interesting that such a small town was bringing in symphony to perform.

The articles in the paper report train, automobile, industrial and other accidents. So much was going on that the tragedy of the sinking of the *Titanic*, in that era, may not have had as overwhelming an impact here as one would think.

The Valdosta - Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2012. The Chamber was chartered in September 1912. Serious attempts to establish a Chamber go back to 1895. The museum is planning a special exhibit on the Chamber that will hopefully be installed in early May. The Chamber's photographs are archived at the museum.

The Chamber became very busy from its onset. Two delegates attended a national land exposition in Chicago promoting Lowndes products especially pecans.

One big event they began to plan was giving the banquet for the opening of the college on January 2, 1913. Articles show that College President R. H. Powell worked dutifully all through 1912 to get funding and the school open. First hopes were that the college would open in September 1912.

The article below reflects the membership development of the Chamber as it began. The second article covers the banquet for opening the college which was given by the Chamber. The reporter captured the excitement of the event in his writing. The Toastmaster of the event, J. M. Wilkinson, is also the father of Marion Wilkinson (Stump) in this newsletter who was on the *Olympic* and The Grand Tour.

Chamber of Commerce is Growing Fast

Valdosta Daily Times November 16, 1912

"Many new members added to list and others joining the movement as quickly as they are asked

The membership of the Valdosta Chamber of Commerce includes almost every business house in Valdosta and many of the professional men have also joined it. The canvass for membership will continue, and every citizen of the town who is interested in the future growth of the city will be given an opportunity to align himself with the organization.

The membership up to date is as follows:

George W. Varn

C.R. Ashley

D.C. Ashley

E.P. Rose

W.S. West

Firms

Merchants Bank

Strickland-Tillman Hardware Co.

The A.S. Pendleton Company

Georgia Oil and Fertilizer Company

Valdosta, Moultrie and Western Ry

Valdosta Lighting Company

Valdosta Pecan Plantation Co.

First National Bank

Exchange Bank

Southern Bell Telephone Co.

\$40.00 Annually

Chauncey-McKey Company

Mathis and Youmans Company

Curry Grocery Company

Davis Brothers and Company

J.G. McKey Company

Mashburn Drug Company

Valdosta Drug Company

W.H. Briggs Hardware Company

Mutual Building and Loan Association



Above: First location of the Chamber of Commerce. The 1913-14 City Directory lists Merchants Bank at 106 S. Patterson Street and the second floor Chamber office as 106 Maiden Lane. This address became the C & S Bank. In the early 1970s the entire block was demolished for the construction of the current Bank of America building. Close inspection of the photograph reveals "Chamber of Commerce" in gold leaf lettering on three of the upstairs windows.

\$25.00 Annually

Southern Stationery and Printing Company

Joe Wisenbaker and Company

Larsen-Forbes Hardware Company

Ingram Drug Company

J.E. Springer and Company

Ingram Buggy Company

South Georgia Buggy Company

The Willis Company

Smith Hardware and Motor Co.

Bludwine Bottling Company

Winn-Jones Company

Ousley-Ashley Company

Bergstrom and Newberry

The Times Publishing Company

Fender and Lumber Company

C.S. Bondurant

A.A. Parrish

W.J. Davis

H.F. Tillman

Robert Black

A.H. Dukes

J.A. Dasher

W.R. Youles

N. Holcombe

Charles W. Barnes

L.W. Shaw

W.M. Oliver

T.M. Vinson

J.M. Wilkinson

Dasher and Varnedoe

W.D. Dunaway

\$12.00 Annually

J.O. Varnedoe, H.S. Duval, L.R. Benz"



Richard Holmes Powell, Jr., *photo left*, was the first president of the college. The Board of Trustees hired him in 1911, the school opened January 2, 1913. He was born in 1875 in Blakely, Georgia. His undergraduate degree was from Mercer University in 1894. His banquet speech was recorded as "indeed a gem."

Large Crowd Gathered at the Banquet

Valdosta Daily Times January 3, 1913

A brilliant social occasion marked the opening of the new South Georgia State Normal College.

"The banquet given last night by the Valdosta Chamber of Commerce in honor of the opening of the South Georgia State Normal College was one of the most brilliant social events ever given in Valdosta. About two hundred of the most representative citizens of this section were in attendance and the invited guests were all men who on account of their brilliant achievements are known throughout the whole country.

At the speaker's table, which extended across the southern end of the dining room, were seated, Governor-elect and Mrs. John M. Slaton, Col. and Mrs. J.M. Wilkinson, Hon. and Mrs. W.S. West and Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Powell, Hon. and Mrs. C.R. Ashley, Hon. M. J. Brittain, Chancellor D.C. Barrow, Hon. E.P.S. Denmark, Hon. W.L. Converse, Mayor J. T. Roberts, Mr. W.D. Upshaw and Judge Hansell Merrill.

The guests were seated at 9:45, and in a very few minutes Toastmaster J.M. Wilkinson introduced Governor-elect John M. Slaton. Governor Slaton's subject was "The Education Future of Georgia." He spoke glowingly of the possibilities of the new school and promised that, during his administration as governor of the state, he would do everything in his power for the success of the new institution. He also paid a beautiful tribute to Chancellor Barrow, of the University of Georgia, and to Hon. M.L. Brittain, the head of the school system of the state. It was the first time that a great many people in this city had had the pleasure of meeting our next governor, and he made a very strong impression by his earnest and forceful speech.

The next speaker to be introduced was the Hon. M.L. Brittain, whose subject was "The college and the Public School System." He pointed out the fact that the colleges were made possible by the public schools and that normal schools were of the greatest benefit to all classes, because the training received by the students in these schools enabled them when they became teachers in public schools to better prepare their pupils for a college education.

The next speaker was Mr. J.T. Blalock, the energetic and capable president of the Valdosta Chamber of Commerce. His subject was "Valdosta and its College." He said that while the state had given \$30,000 for the erection of the buildings and equipment of the same, the people of Valdosta had given this amount for the maintenance of the college. He urged the people to appoint themselves a committee of one to boost our new college so that in a few years it would show an increase above that of any school in the state. As the host of this splendid banquet Mr. Blalock extended a cordial welcome to those present, and in speaking of the Governor and Mrs. Slaton, said that "we were indeed proud to have with us the governor and the governor's governor."

Chancellor Barrow was the next speaker and handled his subject, "The University and Its Subsidiary College," in an able and forceful manner. He gave some valuable information as to the work done by the University and its six branches, and altogether his speech was one of the most pleasing of the evening.

Hon. W.S. West's subject was "South Georgia's Educational Opportunities." He urged that the people in South Georgia

give their most earnest support to the new school, stating that wherever good schools were in evidence that section was always rich in both property and happiness.

Hon. E.P.S. Denmark also made a strong speech on "The Schools of the County and City as Related to the College," and was followed by Mr. R.H. Powell, the president of the new school. Mr. Powell's talk on his subject, "The Baby of the System," was indeed a gem. He referred to the state of Georgia as being the father of this baby, Valdosta as the Mother, Members W.S. West, Converse and Ashley, representatives from Lowndes county, as being the architects, Mr. Ellis, the architect, as being the stork, and himself with his faculty as being the nurses. He asked for the hearty co-operation of the people in helping to build up this school and promised his most earnest efforts toward that end.

Hon. W.L. Converse spoke on "Our College—What We Expect of It." He made a fine talk and impressed upon the people that the South Georgia State Normal College would be of greater benefit to the people in this section than any institution which has yet come into our midst.

Mr. W.D. Upshaw, known as the "Georgia Cyclone," editor of the Golden Age, Georgia's foremost prohibition paper was the next speaker, and his subject was "Ten Minutes of Anything" and his speech was very humorous and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

On account of a slight indisposition Mayor Roberts did not make his speech on "The Educational Spirit of Valdosta—A Prophecy," and the toastmaster called on Hon. C.R. Ashley, who said that it would take more than a lot of speeches to build up the college, it would take a lot of hard work, but he was sure that the people of Valdosta would put their shoulders to the wheel and do everything possible for the advancement of the school.

The music for the evening was furnished by the Montgomery Theater Orchestra. The banquet consisted of seven courses and was served without the slightest hitch. The hotel management was highly complimented upon the feast, as well as the manner in which it was served."



Above: The Patterson Hotel was the location for the banquet celebrating the opening of South Georgia State Normal College. The Patterson Hotel was on S. Patterson Street just south of the rail line from Savannah. The 1913 -14 City Directory shows Barnes Drug Store located in the Patterson Hotel.

Giants and Tigers Became the Valdosta Wildcats

Not much is openly recorded of activities that led to the formation of the first official football team at Valdosta High School in 1913. The following article shows that VHS had club football teams in 1912, the Giants and the Tigers, that evidently met three times that fall.

Due to circumstances from 1918, VHS will have two one hundred years of football recognitions. 2012 is 100 years of the establishment of football, however, it will be 99th team. Football was cancelled in 1918 due to the world wide pandemic flu at the end of WWI. Some estimate that 50 million people died from this flu outbreak. Thus, the 100th team will be fielded in fall 2013. So 2012 is 100 years; and 2013 the 100th team.

Student Eric McIntyre wrote in the VHS yearbook, *Volume II*, in 1914, that the Athletic Association was created in the fall of 1910 and that the same school year baseball, track and gymnasium were organized.

To note: The 11th grade was added at VHS in the fall of 1913 prompted by the urging of state education officials.

Two college football games were played in Valdosta before 1913. Mercer versus Columbia College of Lake City, FL. The latter a Baptist college in the 1900s and 1910s that was absorbed, in a manner, into Stetson University. Mercer and the University of Florida played in Valdosta in 1920.

The *Valdosta Times* reporter seems to have taken great pleasure in covering this 1912 club teams football game. He ends his Saturday, November 16, 1912 article encouraging all to come to the next game and "see them fight."

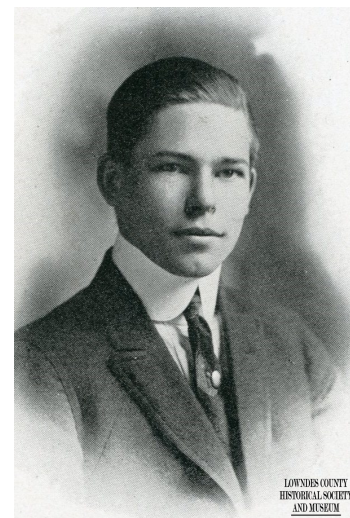
A plucky game of football by teams from high school was played at ball park yesterday afternoon.

"A plucky foot-ball game between the two teams of the High School, the Tigers and Giants, was "pulled off" at the ball park yesterday afternoon. This game was the second of a series that the managers of the two teams have arranged to play.

Promptly at 3:30 o'clock the referee signaled for scrimmage, when the Tigers, having won the toss, received the pigskin at the east end of the field. During this quarter the ball exchanged hands several times. But when time was called, the leather was in the Tiger's possession on the Giant's ten yard line.

The second quarter opened up with both teams in fine condition.

The Tiger's perseverance however was too much for the Giants. Repeated line plunges soon landed "skinny" Tom Cranford across the Cyclop's goal line for the first touchdown, after which F. Childress' toe drove the oval squarely between the uprights. The second quarter ended with the ball



Albert Francis Saunders and John Law Stevens were members of the 1912 VHS club teams and also became members of the first official team in 1913.

again in the Tiger's possession on the Giant's thirty-five yard line. Score for first half, Tigers 7, Giants 0.

After a ten minutes' rest both elevens lined up with renewed vigor. The Giants received the ball, and it was caught on their twenty yard line by little "Peanut" Pinder the nervy left end, who advanced it ten yards sensationally through the bloody Tigers. First down was then made three successive times, when on the fourth round, the Cyclop's sight failed them. Only two inches kept them from having first down. I was not long, however, before J. Cranford, for the Tigers, made the most sensational play of the evening, by tearing around the Giant's right end for a seventy-five yard run. "Skinny" Cranford, failed to kick the goal. Time was up for third quarter.

About five minutes after the beginning of the fourth quarter, "Molasses" Childress, the diamond second bagman, plunged through the Giant's line for the third touchdown. Stevens failed to kick the goal. The fourth touchdown was made by McIntyre, who recovered the ball after his own side had punted it across the Giant's goal line. The goal was lost on punt-out.

Having one minute and a half more to play, the Giant's received the ball on their ten yard line and advanced it fifteen yards. Time was called at the third down with the ball still in the Giant's possession on their thirty-second yard line, with only three yards to go for first down. Final score, Tigers 25, Giants 0.

The line-up for the two teams was as follows:

Tigers

McIntyre, left end; Quinn, left tackle
E. Blalock, left guard; C. Childress, half back
T. Cranford, full back; Saunders, center
Stevens, captain, quarter back; J. Cranford, right half back
Spell, right guard; Childress and Bailey, right tackle
Varnedoe and W. Cranford, right end;

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Memorials

John 'Jack' Pittman Batts, Sr.

by
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis

Betty Mathis Beck

by
Donald O. Davis
Susan McKey Thomas
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis

Barneta O'Quinn Davis

by
Riley and Jenny Howard
Paul and Brinkley McNeal

Helen Woodward Gayle

by
Paul B. Hatcher, Jr.

Rulus Hamilton

by
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis

Thomas R. Henderson

Atlanta, GA
by
Susan McKey Thomas

Clyde Thomas Joyner

by
Jane L. Ferrell
Susan McKey Thomas

Eliza Maude Peeples

MacLemore
Griffin, GA
by
Donald O. Davis
Susan McKey Thomas
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis

Barbara Burton Parks

by
Susan McKey Thomas
William Converse 'Bud' Thomas

Camille Colquitt Peeples

by
Jane L. Ferrell
Patsy T. Giles

Emmett Pipkin

by
Patsy T. Giles

Ivey Plair

by
Hank and Claire Lee

Ray Shearer Register

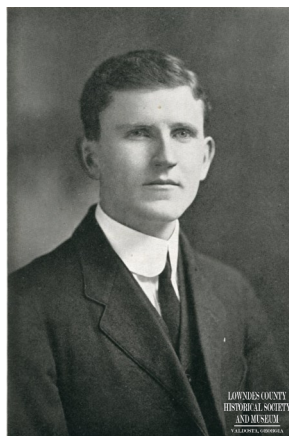
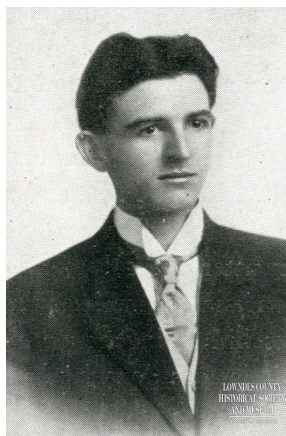
by
Donald O. Davis
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis

Horace Reeves "Buddy" West

by
Dr. and Mrs. William W. Oliver
Macon, Georgia

John Robert Wiggins, Jr.

by
Donald O. Davis
Patsy T. Giles
George N. and Lilla Kate Hart
Norman and Mary June Huggins
Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Willis



Above, left to right; W. O. Roberts, Superintendent; Thomas D. Seals, VHS Principal and Grigg Elcan, VHS English Department. The article about the 1912 game states that Prof. Roberts was the time keeper, Prof. Seals was head linesman and Mr. Elcan, Referee. G. Ashley was Umpire. Time of quarter, ten minutes each.

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Giants

Pinder & Andrews, left end; Griffin, left tackle
Rose, left guard; Smith, left half back
Jones, captain, full back; Holtsendorff, center
Tabor, quarter back; Stump, right half back
McDonald, right guard; J. Blalock, r. tackle
B. Roberts, right end

The same two teams will play the third game of their series next Friday afternoon. The Giants say they intend to take the next. Come out and see them fight."

◆ Family Gifts in Memory ◆

Paul and Martha C. Hatcher

by
Paul B. 'Bud' Hatcher, Jr.

Barneta O'Quinn Davis

by
Dr. Calvin and Sue D. Reams
Thomasville, GA

◆ VHS Class of 1971 ◆

On the occasion of their 40th Anniversary Year Reunion, 1971-2011, the VHS Class of 1971 made a generous donation in memory of their deceased Class Members

2012 Membership Application Lowndes County Historical Society

Mail to: LCHS
P.O. Box 56
Valdosta, GA 31603

Name _____

Address _____

Email/phone _____

Membership Category

Individual \$25. ____

Family 30. ____

Business 50. ____

Contributing 100. ____

Patron 250. ____

2012 New & Renewal Memberships

* Denotes Life Membership

Place of residence listed for those outside of Lowndes County

Charles Ronnie Adams
 George and Joyce Aigen
 Phil H. and Cathy Alday
 Larry A. Allen
 Don and Mary Allen
 Bill and Jennifer Altman
 Walter Altman
 Emily S. Anderson
 John and Sandra Anderson
 Ed and Nancy Avera
 Petersburg, VA
 Chet and Myra Ballard
 Quitman, GA
 Clint Beeland
 Harold and Virginia Bennett*
 John and Helen Bennett
 Jennings, FL
 Regena Benvenuti
 Waterford, CT
 Sharon K. Berglund
 Betty Sue Mixson Bickerstaff
 Jacksonville, FL
 Myra Jane Bird
 Dr. and Mrs. Michael M. Black
 Tomie Jean Blanton
 Vallye J. Blanton
 Jan and Bobby Boal
 Atlanta, GA
 Beth Stanaland Boggs
 Jasper, GA
 Buzz and Mary T. Bowers
 Tega Cay, SC
 James W. Brantley
 J. Converse Bright
 Dean N. Brooks
 Ralph and Hilda Brown
 Charles E. Bryan
 Atlanta, GA
 John and Lynda Buckholts
 Forest Park, GA
 SMSgt. Paul D. and Sherri Burgess
 Joshua Butler
 Hartsfield, GA
 Jerry Nichols Byrd
 Doug and Amy Carter
 Mr. and Mrs. Allen Catoe
 Mrs. Botie Chitty*
 Cummings, GA
 Citizens Community Bank
 CJB Industries
 Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clark
 Joe Clary
 Geraldine Clifton
 Brian and Laurie Colbert
 Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Cole
 Jeanette Tillman Cole
 Conifer, CO
 Buddy and Sharon Coleman
 Stephen and Kay Coleman

Wade H. Coleman
 Miss Wilby C. Coleman
 Sandra B. Connell
 Stockton, GA
 George L. Converse, Jr.
 Cincinnati, OH
 Ben Copeland
 Lakeland, GA
 Orrie and Francine Coppage
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Civil War Exhibit.....Ongoing changing exhibits during the Civil War
 Sesquicentennial, 2011-2015, by Jeremy Petrella
 March 24.....10:am Valdosta High Classes of 1967 and 1962
 March 30.....10:am Learning in Retirement & Membership program
 Gone with the Wind collection by Sammy Dees.
 Special GWTW Exhibit will end mid-April
 April 7.....Closed Saturday for Easter Weekend
 April 14.....10:30a.m. American Association of University Women
 May.....Chamber of Commerce 100 Years Exhibit opens
 May 28.....Museum closed for Memorial Day

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