

**Today in Georgia History**  
**October 30, 1897**  
**Von Gammon**

**Suggested Readings**

[Macon Telegraph Oct. 31, 1897](#) - reporting on Von Gammon's accident

[Macon Telegraph Nov. 2, 1897](#) - reporting an speculation that football may be abolished in Georgia

[Red and Black Jan. 26, 1951](#) - article about Mrs. Gammon

[Red and Black Oct. 30, 1997](#) - article one hundred years after the game in which Von Gammon died, includes a photograph of the plaque

John F. Stegeman, *The Ghosts of Herty Field*, University of Georgia Press, 1997, pp 37-44.

John F. Stegeman and Robert Willingham, Jr., *Touchdown: A Pictorial History of the Georgia Bulldogs*, Agee Publishers, Inc., 1983, pp. 10-12.

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“A Letter from Gammons Mother”

Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, November 5, 1897, page 5



“Away with Brutal Football”

Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, November 1, 1897, page 2



Butts Mehre plaque

Courtesy of UGA Sports Communications



“From Gridiron to the Grave”

Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, October 31, 1897, page 7



Gammon Award to UVA by Randy Miller

Courtesy of UGA Sports Communications



NCAA Seal, 1906  
Courtesy of the NCAA



No More Football Games  
Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, November 1, 1897, page 2



A Proclamation by Rosalind Burns Gammon Day  
Courtesy of UGA Sports Communications



Richard von Gammon  
Courtesy of the Rome Area History Museum



Rome High School football team, von Gammon holding the football, 1895  
Courtesy of the Rome Area History Museum

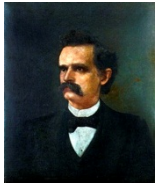


"Death Knell of Football"  
Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, November 1, 1897, page 1



**“University Acts on Tragedy”**

**Article courtesy of the Atlanta Journal Constitution, November 2, 1897, page 3**



**William Yates Atkinson, 1894**

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