Cleveland Rams (3-0) 27, Green Bay Packers (2-1) 14 Sunday October 14th 1945 (at Green Bay)

Cleveland Scores 21 Points In Fourth Quarter to Snip Bays' Chances for Victory

Rams Blast Packers From Division Lead by 27-14

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(GREEN BAY) - A powerful Cleveland football team that played head-up ball all the way gained added momentum in the final period to bash the Packers by a 27-14 margin before 24,607 fans at City stadium on Sunday afternoon. By losing, the Packers dropped into second place in the NFL Western division. Cleveland moved into first place all alone. The Rams scored first and the Packers tallied second and third but their efforts weren't enough as the fast set of Cleveland backs pushed, whirled and drove their way for three touchdowns and three points after in the ruinous fourth quarter to win going away. Only the final gun saved Green Bay from having another touchdown scored on it. There was no fooling as the Rams turned every break to their advantage. They scored in the first quarter on a 17-yard pass that brilliant Bob Waterfield threw to Jim Benton on a drive that carried 51 yards. Waterfield missed the kick on a second try and for a while it looked as though that failure might mean much to Green Bay. Held scoreless the first quarter, the Packers scored in the late second period after a fumble recovery put them in position on the Cleveland 25.

COMP GOES OVER

Irv Comp went over for the touchdown after Ted Fritsch ate up 24 yards in three line plays. Don Hutson's toe put Green Bay ahead 7-6 and the half ended four plays later. But that was only the beginning. And it doesn't help to make excuses because the Rams gained power, it seemed, especially after the Packers scored their second touchdown midway in the third quarter when Fritsch smashed over from the 6-inch line and Hutson added the point to give Green Bay a 14 to 6 lead. In fact, just after the Rams stopped the Packers in a drive, they began pushing and tearing their way to the touchdown that put them a point behind. The onslaught began on the Cleveland 28 and carried straight down to the goal line. Two plays in the third quarter and five in the fourth did it with the payoff coming on a 9-yard pass from Waterfield to Tom Colella, the same lad who scored twice against the Bays last year. After Waterfield kicked the extra point, the Rams trailed by that single point, 14-13. It loomed large but not half as large as a Packer fumble on the first play after the ensuing kickoff. The ball was on the Packer 35. McKay took it, went to his right and dropped it. As the ball bounced crazily around, the Rams' left side came through and fell on int on the 15 1/2. Greenwood, Colella and Waterfield smacked it down to the 1-yard line and Greenwood carried it over to entomb the Packers' fate right then and there. The extra point by Waterfield made it 20-14. Green Bay tried desperately to come back and did uncork a 45-yard march that carried to the Cleveland 33. Things began to develop fast for Cleveland at this point. Mike Scarry, the Ram center, intercepted Lou Brock's pass on the 23 and returned it to the 27. Five plays later, with the ball on the Cleveland 42, Waterfield punted and the Packers were on their 25 1/2. Roy McKay's pass was knocked down but a second was good to Hutson on the 34. Throwing all their chances on an aerial game, the Packers' pilot backfired as Reisz snagged McKay's toss on the Cleveland 40 and returned it 55 yards to the Packer 5. From there it was just a breeze for Colella in one play. The crowd knew the end of a Packer string of victories over the Rams was at hand as Waterfield split the sticks with his third point after. The Rams had the Packers on the run, principally because they took advantage of every break offered and combined a slick passing attack with a strong running game that the Bay forwards had difficulty in stepping.

GAINS 123 YARDS

For the second time this season, Hutson was held without a touchdown. But he put the ball in scoring position twice with his catches, of which he made 7 for 123 of the Packers' 152 yards in the air. Several times he made open field tackles that

averted sure Ram dashes into scoring territory. In the running department, it was Fritsch, bulling his way through when seemingly stopped, that topped the Packers' efforts. The Ram attack, forecast. was built around Waterfield, perhaps the best rookie in the league this year. He had ample help, however, from Colella and Greenwood, and the able pass catching of Benton. The Ram forward wall outcharged the Packers and bottled up the Green Bay attack when it threatened to get out of hand. For the rest, it should be remembered that Cleveland had been termed the darkhorse team of the Western division this year. That appellation doesn't go any more. The Rams are the team to beat for the pennant. The Packers are still very much in the race, and they shouldn't be counted out of it yet, but Cleveland had the sharper team Sunday and deserves credit for the victory. It was a long time coming.

RULING WAS QUESTIONABLE It wasn't long after the opening kickoff when the Packers got a bad break. Green Bay was forced to punt and on first down Greenwood went to his left and fumble when hit. End Joel Mason scooped up the ball and dashed 44 yards to the Cleveland goal only to have an official rule that the whistle had blown, when Greenwood was tackled. The ruling hurt plenty. Five Ram plays carried to the Packer 17. Waterfield then tossed a pass to Benton, who took it over Laws' head and went the distance. On the first try for point, the Rams held and on the second, from the 17, Waterfield's kick went to the left. Cleveland had drawn

Statistics	Score By Periods				
Statistics	Cleveland 6 0 0 21-27 Green Bay 0 7 7 0-14				
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE					
Western Division	The Scoring Cleveland: Touchdowns-Collella 2,				
W L T Pct PS OP Cleveland 3 0 0 1.000 65 14 GREEN BAY 2 1 0 .667 102 69 Detroit 2 1 0 .667 59 81 Chicago Cards 1 3 0 .250 22 59 Chicago Bears 0 3 0 .000 28 64	Benton, Greenwood. Points after touchdown—Waterfield 2. Green Bay: Toughdowns — Comp, Fritsch. Points after touchdown—Hut- son 2.				
Eastern Division	Referee-Hughitt, Michigan.				
W L T Pet PS OP	Umpire—Brubaker, Ohio Wesleyan, Field Judgre—Davies.				
Boston Yanks 2 0 1 1.000 69 40	Linesman-Brazill, Detroit.				
New York 1 0 1 1.000 47 19 Philadelphia 1 1 0 .500 45 34	Team Statistics				
Washington 1 1 0 .500 34 28 Pittsburgh 0 3 0 .000 13 76	First downs— Cleveland G. Bay				
Sunday's Results	Rushing 9 8				
CLEVELAND 27, GREEN BAY 14.	Total first downs 13 16				
Detroit 28, Philadelphia 24. Chicago Cards 16, Chicago Bears 7.	Yards rushing 175 106 Yards passing 135 152				
Washington 14, Pittsburgh 0.	Yards lateral 2 0 Total yardage 312 258				
Boston Yanks 13, New York 13. (tie)	Passes attempted 17 30				
Next Sunday's Games BOSTON YANKS VS. GREEN BAY.	Passes completed 8 10 Passes intercepted by 3 4				
(At Milwaukee)	Yds. int. passes ret. by 113 49 Punts 5 4				
Cleveland at Chicago Bears. Chicago Cardinals at Detroit.	Punting average 41.6 42.8				
Pittsburgh at New York. Philadelphia at Washington.	Yards punts returned 15 68 Yards kickoff returned 61 95				
	Penalty yardage 45 20 Fumbles 1 3				
The Starting Lineups	Fumbles Op'ts fumbles recovered				
CLEVELAND GREEN BAY	Individual Statistics				
Konestky, le le, Goodnight Schultz, lt lt, Ray	Ball Carrying				
Matheson, lg lg, Tollefson Scarry, c c, Flowers	Cleveland: Collella, 69 yards in 9 attempts, average 7.7. Reisz, 8 yards in				
Lazetich, rg rg, Tinsley	1 attempt Greenwood, 69 in 13, aver-				
Bouley, rt rt, Lipscomb Pritko, re re, Mason	age 5.3. Gehrke, 29 in 9, average 3.7. Gillette, 1 in 4. Ruthstrom, 1 in 1.				
Waterfield, qb qb, Craig Nemeth, lhb lhb, Comp	West, 1 in 2. Westerfield, lost 3 in 2. Green Bay: McKay, 26 yards in 4				
Greenwood, rhb thb. Laws	attempts, average 6.5. Laws, 14 in 3, average 4.7. Comp. 18 in 10, average				
Ruthstrom, fb fb, Fritsch Replacements	1.8. Fritsch, 46 in 15, average 3.1. Per- kins, 4 in 4. Hutson, lost 2 in 1.				
Cleveland: Ends-Hickey, Hamilton,	Forward Passing				
Benton. Guard-Mergenthal. Tackle—Sikich. Center — Harding. Backs—Jones. Be rnard, Reisz, Collella, West, Gehrke. Green Bay: Ends-Mulleneaux, Hutson, Luhn. Tackles — Croft. Neal. Guards — Goldenberg, Kuusisto. Bucchianeri. Center—C. Brock. Backs—McKay, L. Brock, Perkins.	Cleveland: Waterfield attempted 17, completed 8 for 135 yards, 4 intercepted. Green Bay: Comp atempted 14, completed 7 for 161 yards. McKay attempted 13, completed 3 for 51, 2 intercepted. L. Brock attempted 2, completed 8, 1 intercepted. Luhn attempted 1, completed 0.				
	Pass Receiving Cleveland: Benton cappht 5 for 82				
	yards. Pritko 1 for 35. Collella 1 for 9. Hickey 1 for 0.				

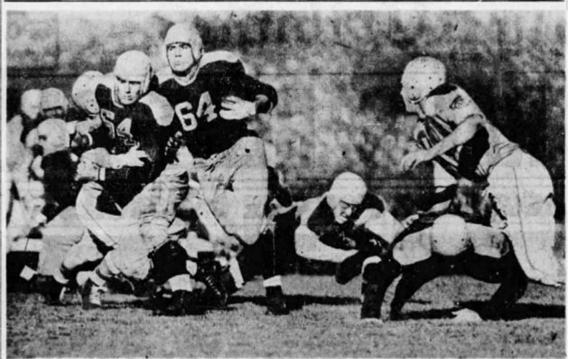
Green Bay: Hutson caught 7 for 123 yards. Fritsch 2 for 17. Luhn 1 for 12.

first blood with six minutes of the quarter gone. Two breaks featured the remainder of the quarter, which resolved itself principally into a punting duel. The first break was Rudy Sikich's recovery of Fritsch's fumble on the Packer 31. Hutson made the second when he intercepted Waterfield's pass on the 8 to nullifying the Rams' threat. Each team kicked twice as play moved into the second period. Again a fumble recovery-pass interception was in order. Howard Hickey dropped on Fritsch's muff on the Packer 22. The Rams went to the 12 before Hutson took Waterfield's pass in end zone for a touchback.

GREEN BAY ON MARCH

Then Green Bay began to move. A second down pass from Comp to Hutson carried to the Packer 41 for a first down. Then Comp and Fritsch teamed up for a first down on the Cleveland 48. Luhn dropped Lou Brock's pass and Laws pushed through left tackle for the 46 1/2. The Comp-Hutson combination clicked with Don taking the ball on the 33 and running to the 26 for another first. Fritsch picked up one and hooked a pass from Comp on the 20 and moved to the 16. A pass was no good and the right side of the Cleveland line pushed Comp back to the 28. Two passes were incomplete, the Packers losing possession on the Cleveland 28 when they failed to pick up the necessary yardage. But they got a break on the next play. Colella took the ball and Paul Lipscomb, a bulwark in the Bay line up to this point, fell on it on the Cleveland 25 to set up

A PACKER ADVANCES 12 PRECIOUS YARDS



Ted Fritsch (64), Green Bay Packer back, carries the ball inside end for a 12 yard gain in second quarter of losing contest with the Cleveland Rams in Green Bay yesterday. No. 54 is Larry Craig, Packer back. The Rams won, 27 to 14. [Associated Press Photo]

touchdown materialized four plays later. On three plays, Fritsch ran like a madman, first to the right, then to the left and again to the right to move down to the Cleveland 1. Comp skirted left end and went over standing up. Hutson kicked the point and the Packers led, 7-6, with seconds less than two minutes left in the half. The Rams came back with a surge that carried from their own 23 to the Packers' 34. A 15-yard penalty pushed them back when Waterfield threw to Lazetich, a guard. Just before the halftime gun sounded, Lou Brock intercepted Waterfield's

pass on the 17 and returned it to midfield. The Packers' third period touchdown was begun by Laws' punt return 14 yards to the Bay 46. Perkins, McKay and Fritsch moved the ball to the Cleveland 28. Then McKay tossed a pass to Hutson, who snagged it on the three-yard line, where he was pushed out of bounds by Harvey Jones. Fritsch scored two play later on a 6-inch thrust after he had carried it to that point on the preceding play. Hutson's kick put Green Bay ahead, 14-6. The Packers had another opportunity in the third quarter but failed. Laws intercepted a Waterfield pass on his 30 and returned it to the 46. He, Fritsch and McKay ran the ball and McKay heaved a pass to Hutson that carried from the Bay 48 to the Ram 24. Four plays put it on the 22 but a penalty set the Packers back on the 27. An end around with Hutson failed to gain the yardage and Cleveland took over on its 28. Colella then led the Rams on the 72-yard march that ended in the first of three touchdowns of the fourth quarter, which started after he had gained to the Ram 43. Waterfield heaved to Benton on the Green Bay 43. Then it was Waterfield to Steve Pritko, who caught the ball on the 35 and drove to the 8 before he was stopped by Hutson. Baby Ray threw West for a one-yard loss but on second down Waterfield passed to Colella, who ran over. The Rams trailed by a point after Waterfield's kick made it 14-13. Then came a break that hurt Green Bay immeasurably. On the first play after the kickoff McKay fumbled and Cleveland recovered on the 15 1/2. Colella, Waterfield and Greenwood took it on the 1, from where Greenwood scooted over. The Packers had lost the ball. It looked as though they might come back as two passes from Comp to Hutson and another from Comp to Luhn gave Green Bay momentum from their own 22 to the Cleveland 33. But Mike Scarry intercepted Lou Brock's pass on the Rams' 23 to stop the threat. The Rams were forced to kick. A McKay to Hutson pass was good on the 34 of Green Bay when Albie Reisz uncorked his interception that broke all hopes for a Packer comeback. Reisz took McKay's pass on the run on Cleveland's 40 and returned it 55 yards to the Green Bay 5. Colella carried it over on the first play. Waterfield's kick was good to make it 27-14. Time ran out for another interception by Cleveland might have led to a fourth touchdown. The threat came on Harvey Jones' snatch of McKay's pass on his 41. He reached the Green Bay 7 but the final gun sounded before another play could be run.

CLEVELAND - 6 0 0 21 - 27 GREEN BAY - 0 0 7 7 - 14

SCORING

1ST - CLE - Jim Benton, 17-yard pass from Bob Waterfield (Waterfield kick failed) CLEVELAND 6-0

3RD - GB - Irv Comp, 1-yard run (Don Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 7-6

4TH - GB - Ted Fritsch, 1-yard run (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 14-6

4TH - CLE - Tom Colella, 9-yard pass from Waterfield (Waterfield kick) GREEN BAY 14-13

4TH - CLE - Don Greenwood, 1-yard run (Waterfield kick) CLEVELAND 20-14

4TH - CLE - Collela, 5-yard run (Waterfield kick) CLEVELAND 27-14

Reign of 'Big Four' In National League Cut by Cleveland Victory Over Bays, Ram Officials Say

REIGN OF 'BIG FOUR' IN NATIONAL LEAGUE CUT BY CLEVELAND VICTORY OVER BAYS, RAM OFFICIALS SAY

OCT 15 (Green Bay) - "The Big Four reign is over." This was the significance attached to the Cleveland Rams' 26-14 conquest of the Packers Sunday afternoon - their first over the Bays since 1939 - by the Rams' three-man board of strategy - General Manager Charles F. (Chili) Walsh, Head Coach Adam Walsh and Line Coach George (Brute) Trafton. As expected the trio was more than slightly exuberant when contacted in Ram headquarters at the Hotel Northland shortly before the Cleveland contingent entrained for the Ohio city via the North Western at 5:35 Sunday afternoon. The Rams' general manager said the "Big Four" he referred to included the Packers and Bears in the Western and New York and Washington in the Eastern division. "Cleveland and Detroit are breaking through in the Western division and Philadelphia and Boston

are coming up in the east and it's the best thing that ever happened in the National league," Chili declared. "It hasn't been good for the league at all to have that supremacy."...NOT SUCH GOOD GAME: "We did the greatest job in the National league here today we beat Green Bay at Green Bay," he emphasized - not without a glow of pride. He didn't, however, think "it was a particularly good game - we were much higher for the Bears last week," he observed. Head Coach Adam Walsh was scarcely less voluble than the Rams' front office head. "I think the best team won," was his appraisal, pointing out that "this is the first time in the history of the National league that a team has defeated the Bears and Packers on successive Sunday." Nobody, least of all the writer, was surprised to find George (Brute) Trafton, Cleveland line coach, thoroughly "delighted" with outcome. "It was a great ball game to



The fag end of a punt return by Halfback Roy McKay of the Packers is shown above. McKay returned Bob Water-field's kick to his own 32½ yard line, where he was brought down by Steve Nemeth (10). Torn Colella (34) whose running for Cleveland was a game feature, and Riley Matheron (11) come over in case Nemeth lets go. The Packers lost to the Rams, 27-14.

win," the big fellow who coached the Packer line in 1944 said with a broad smile. While the Rams' party was celebrating their first win over the Green Bay eleven in six years and second in their 14-year rivalry, Coach E.L. (Curly) Lambeau and his Packers were discussing game errors and looking forward to the return meeting in Cleveland several weeks hence. Lambeau summed it up with "bad officiating and our own mistakes beat us. I don't like to appear to alibi, but you can't have poor officiating and make costly mistakes and expect to beat a good club like the Rams."...FAST WHISTLE HURT: The Packer coach pointed to one instance in particular where a "fast whistle" did obvious damage to Packer chances. This was early in the first period when right end Joel Mason scooped up a Cleveland fumble and raced nearly 50 yards to score, only to have referee Tommy Hughitt rule that the ball was "dead" before Mason's recovery and subsequent run. Hughitt's ruling proved costly to the Packers for the Rams shortly scored to take the lead. "It was clearly the worst officiating Green Bay has ever seen," Lambeau declared. It can be said, without prejudice, that Sunday's officiating was not up to league standard and it is a safe bet that the trio which worked the game, all easterners, will not be handling the whistles in Green Bay again very soon...SNELLING VISITS GAME: Among the visitors was Navy Lt. Ken Snelling, former UCLA star, who recently returned to the States after 27 months' active sea duty in the Pacific. Snelling, who is under Packer contract, said he would join the Green Bay team this week and play with the Bays until his leave expires Nov. 11...JANE RUSSELL AT HOME: The Jane Russell Mystery was cleared up after the game when Cleveland officials reported that the film star wife of Bob

Waterfield, Rams' ace quarterback, had remained in Cleveland to rest up from a long train trip from Los Angeles to Cleveland made last week.

PACKER NOTES

OCT 16 (Milwaukee Sentinel-Stoney McGlynn) - The Packers have only themselves to blame for their 27 to 14 defeat at the hands of the Cleveland Rams Sunday, a defeat that stunned a capacity throng of 24,600 rabid Packer boosters. They weren't sharp on attack and they were far from bright and alert on defense. In contrast, the speedy Rams, playing with a spirit that would do credit to any college club, never let up, never stopped knocking at opportunity's door and when the door opened they were on the job to cash in...RAMS HAD SPEED, DASH: Seldom has any pro team showed the dash and elan and reactive ability as the Rams displayed on pass interceptions; reactions that recovered one fumble deep in Bay territory to open the gates for the third touchdown and reactions that turned ordinary pass interceptions into lengthy returns that set up one other score and had the ball on the Packer 4 as the game closed. The Bays were spotty. At times they displayed the class of old, but those times were far too scattered. Their running attack was not good - because blockers were not blocking consistently. All too often every player but one would carry out his assignment, but that one failure turned the play into a minimum effort. Bay passing, so uncanny in the game here against the Lions, was poor. Many times receivers got into the open, but the aerials sailed far overhead or to the side. That the Rams were well drilled on pass defense there is no doubt, but even that sound defense would have been cracked had the passing been of the same sharpness that has come to be associated with Packer teams...TOMMY THE TOOTER: Referee Tommy Hughitt's eager-beaver whistle that robbed the Packers of a merited touchdown early in the game when Joe Mason ran 49 yards with a recovered fumble very probably was the most important factor in the entire game. Why Hughitt, a veteran official in both college and pro ranks, ever blew his whistle is something that will be debated through the years and when the movies PROVE that Greenwood was hit by Mason as he was taking a lateral and that Mason instantly picked up the ball his early whistle will go down as one of the prize boners of all time. At no time was Greenwood completely stopped with the ball in his possession. It cost the Bays a touchdown and had a very important bearing on future strategy...PROTEST WILL FAIL: Coach Curly Lambeau announced at once he was playing under protest, but there is little chance it will do him any good. Commissioner Elmer Layden can hardly overrule a decision, but when he sees the movies, which Lambeau will send to him, there is little doubt but what he'll warn Tommy the Tooter and others to keep their whistle buttoned up until the play is dead or there is a rules infraction involved. However, Tommy the Tooter should not be the exclusive goat. The Packers themselves were far from perfect and helped create their own disaster. What they didn't do Bob Waterfield, Jim Benton, Tommy Collela, Red Hickey and Greenwood did - just as Lambeau figured after watching his charges go through a very unimpressive week of practices.

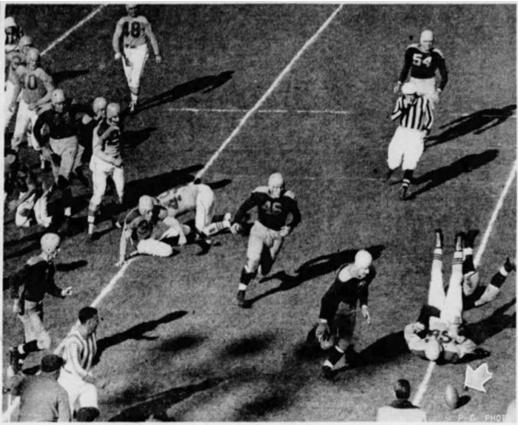
Unbeaten Yanks Are Next Foe Of Packers In Milwaukee Battle

Boston-Brooklyn Combine to Offer Severe Test of Green Bay Ability to Get Back On Victory Road; Squad Begins Practice Work

UNBEATEN YANKS ARE NEXT FOE OF PACKERS IN MILWAUKEE BATTLE

OCT 16 (Green Bay) - Undefeated but tied once Boston will be the next major test for the Packers. The NFL elevens, one from the Eastern and the other from the Western division, will tangle in State Fair park in suburban Milwaukee next Sunday afternoon. The contest should test whether the Packers, blown to a 27-14 defeat by Cleveland last Sunday, can rebound to continue their quest for a division flag. The setback at the hands of the Rams did their championship defense no irreparable harm providing they can register another victory next Sunday. The Yanks, a combination of the Boston and Brooklyn teams, have come to the front in their second year in professional football. Under the able direction of Coach Herb Kopf, they knocked off Washington and Pittsburgh and last Sunday tied the New York Giants in a game marked by four field goals...PLAYERS HAVE EXPERIENCE: Kopf has been allotted numerous ball players by General Manager Ted Collins, who handles singer Kate Smith's affairs, and he's done a good job with the material. Most of the Yanks have professional experience. In fact, only five of the squad members are listed as playing their first year in the league. The others have anywhere from two to eight years. Coach Curly Lambeau had his squad out for a dill this morning. His frown over Sunday's loss was not entirely missing and there were indications that this week's drills will not be easy. The Green Bay running

attack probably will come in for an extra dose of work, some sessions on blocking are in prospect, plus a couple of afternoons on a defense to stop "Q-T" Boston's new formation...TWO **BREAKS** DID IT: Despite the groans that Sunday's game was an out-andout floperoo from the Packer standpoint, actually two breaks and possibly a third if referee Tommy Hughitt's whistle is considered made difference. And both openings came in the fourth quarter when the Packers led by 14-13. One was the costly fumble recovered by the Rams on the Green Bay 15 and the other was Albie Reisz's pass interception return from his 45 to the Green Bay 5. The Rams took advantage of those breaks to score two touchdowns. Even though the Green Bay blocking was not as sharp as it should have been and that more short passes weren't



A bit of fast whistle tooting cost the Packers a touchdown in the first quarter of Sunday's game with Cleveland at City stadium. End Joel Mason (7) picked up the fumble by Halfback Don Greenwood (66) and dashed 44 yards to the goal only to have the play called back with the officials' ruling that the whistle had blown before Mason scooped up the ball. Guard Charley Tollefson (46) gave Mason interference on the dash.

used when three Cleveland defenders all but climbed Don Hutson's back, the Bays still had an edge that was wiped out only by the Ram blow-up in the fourth quarter...MUST START OVER: But Cleveland took advantage and won. That's the fact. Now the Packers have the burden of gaining impetus anew, starting with the Yanks. They'll no doubt try to get their running and passing games back to some semblance of the strength shown against Detroit, which did a little turnaround of its own last Sunday by throttling Philadelphia's potent eleven, 28-24. Another sellout crowd, the seventh Green Bay has played before this year, is in prospect. The fans will turn out in tribute to Hutson, who has been offering ace high entertainment the last 10 years. The Green Bay assistant coach and end will be honored between halves of the game Sunday, designated as "Don Hutson Day" in Milwaukee.

TRADITION OF GRID POST-MORTEM IS RUINED HERE BY LIONS CLUB

OCT 16 (Green Bay) - Maybe it would be just as well if this didn't get out of town, because the outside world seems to believe that Green Bay is a dangerous place for an enemy coach on a Monday after the Packers happen to lose a football game. A grid postmortem that ran contrary to tradition was staged at the Lions club luncheon Monday noon, when George (The Brute) Trafton addressed an audience that was extremely friendly. Trafton got a big hand and plenty of laughs when he gave his version of what had happened Sunday afternoon. Trafton is the same big gent who came to Green Bay a little over a year ago as line coach of the Packers. But this year George is line coach of the Cleveland Rams. "It was a hectic weekend for me," Trafton admitted. "But," he added, "I imagine I wasn't alone in this." "Everybody seemed to be rooting for Cleveland when we made our first touchdown," the rival coach recalled, "but the silence couldn't have been any deeper when we scored the second time."...WORK AND SPIRIT: What makes the Rams click this year after a long period of drought? Trafton attributes it principally to work - lots of work - and a desire to win. "We start at 8 o'clock in the morning and we don't get through until 11 o'clock at night. Meetings, drills and meetings. Meetings - we're really going after those victories and the only thing that will lick us is experience." The Brute seemed to be pretty confident that the Rams are good pennant prospects this year. He pointed to the defeats of the New York Giants and Washington Redskins in the Eastern division and of the Packers and Bears in the Western as a mighty good thing for the league." Breaking up the monopoly is the greatest thing that could happen to pro football," Trafton declared. "A lot of people came out yesterday expecting to see blood spilled," the speaker continued. "Walsh, the boss coach, won't stand for any of that." He drew a big laugh when he said "I never played dirty myself." Trafton for many years was one of the Chicago Bears' most dangerous players. "We don't have to play dirty," Trafton declared. "We just play good, clean football in a rough, tough manner, and if you can't take it you had better call it quits."...OWNER IS HAPPY: The Rams' owner, Trafton asserted, is a "real sport". He was extremely

happy to see the Rams trim the Bears the week before, and said he would be satisfied if they didn't win another game all season. "We told him we wanted more than that, though," Trafton said, "and when he called him at his home last night he was so pleased that he told Walsh to give everybody \$50 extra." "I appreciated the work of the Packer line last year," Trafton concluded, "and when I come back to Green Bay for Christmas (he's still a Green Bay resident) I hope to have the distinction of having been line coach of the NFL champions two years in a row."

Packer Squad Shifts Involve Four Players

Snelling and Kincaid, Backs, Added to Bay Roster As Urban, Frankowski Leave Team; Boston Yanks Next Foe in Milwaukee Tilt

Chicago Bears Drop To New Low; Get Only Small Yardage

CHICAGO — (AP) — The Chicago Bears, who hold the National league record for the most first downs in a season, Sunday set a new all-time low for their private record book.

Playing against the Chicago Cardinals, the Bears failed to get even one first down from rushing and gained only 17 yards from scrimmage.

Two weks ago, the Bears tied the record of 26 for the most first downs in a game, and they still hold a league record for the most yards gained by rushing in one game—682.

Their previous low in gains, a check of records at league head-quarters showed, was in 1935, when the Giants held them to 61 yards,

PACKER SOUAD SHIFTS INVOLVE FOUR PLAYERS

OCT 17 (Green Bay) - There was a time, before the war, that the roster of the Packers and other clubs in the NFL remained almost the game during an entire season of play. But that has been changed by postwar events and this year's Bay squad has been shifted almost weekly since the start of practice in early August. The news today concerned four players as the Bays went about the business of preparing for next Sunday's game against the Boston-Brooklyn Yanks at State Fair park in Milwaukee. Coach Curly Lambeau announced that two players had left the squad and two others had been added to the active list...SNELLING JOINS SQUAD: The first addition is Navy Lt. Ken Snelling, former University of California, Los Angeles, star who will help bolster the fullback spot and bring it up to par three for the first time this season. A kickoff, placekicking specialist, Snelling will share the ball toting duties with Ted Fritsch, second in National league scoring, and Don Perkins. The other addition to the squad is right halfback Tom Kincaid, former Ohio State university player who received an honorable discharge recently from the Navy. Kincaid has been working with the club and appeared on the program list for the first time last Sunday but did not see action. He'll spare off veterans Joe Laws and Lou Brock...TWO LINEMEN LEAVE: Those who left the squad are end Alex Urban and guard Ray Frankowski. Urban received word Tuesday that his wife is ill in Toledo, O., and he felt that he should give up football this season to be with her, Lambeau said. Frankowski was released because he found it difficult to get in shape following long service in the armed forces. He formerly played with Washington State, where he was an All-American linemen. The Packers have taken on a different frame of mind since their 27-14 defeat by Cleveland and should go into next Sunday's game against

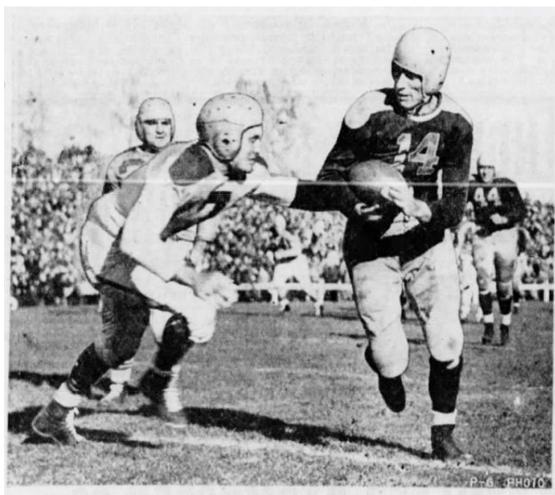
the Yanks in a proper mood. The Boston-Brooklyn team, composed principally of veterans from the two squads, now leads the league's Eastern division and will in excellent position in the race should they defeat the Packers...CAN IMPROVE POSITION: On the other hand, if Green Bay wins its third league victory against one defeat, its position will be improved. To do this, they'll have to bottle up the hard running attack and the sharp passing of such stars as Johnny Grigas, Johnny Martin, Pug Manders, Boris Dimancheff, George Cafego and Ace Parker. The Yanks have another scoring threat in guard Augie Lin, who booted a pair of field goals against the Giants last Sunday. Coach Herb Kopf has put together a new

formation he has called the "Q-T". It operates behind either a balanced or unbalanced line and has a flock of reverses, double reverses, laterals and lateral-forwards designed only to cross up the opposition. These frills, however, are in addition to a sound basic attack. Kopf is too smart to go overboard on razzle-dazzle alone. As Line Coach Walt Kiesling of the Packers said, when he saw the scout report of the Yanks tilt with the Giants, "Boston has lots of offense there." To stop it up, the Bays will work hard on defense this week while polishing their attack, both aerial and ground. They came out of the Cleveland game in fairly sound physical condition and are working at top speed.

HUTSON, FRITSCH AND OLDSTERS CONTINUE TO PACE GRID LEAGUE

OCT 17 (Chicago) - Younger players may be getting ready to push the veterans off their positions in the NFL, but when the officials statistics come around, the names of the oldsters continue to top the list. Only one rising satellite appeared on with such veteran stars as Don Hutson, Sammy Baugh, Ken Strong and Ted Fritsch as individual leaders in various departments were officially listed today. He was Steve Van Buren, sophomore back from the Philadelphia Eagles. Van Buren, a native

Honduras and graduate of Louisiana State university, took over the individual ground gaining leadership the past week as he rolled up 93 yards against Detroit to bring his total to 163 in and two games, average of 12.5 yards per 13 in attempts...HUTSON IN TWO LEADS: But along with him was Hutson, leading both pass receivers and scoring; Baugh, leading the Strong, passers, and heading the placekickers the field department. Van Buren, who some critics feel may become the best ball players in the league since George McAfee, rocketed from ninth to first place Sunday. 69-yard touchdown run highlighted performance. Last year, Van Buren only gained 444 yards all season, for a 5.5 average. Behind him this week were Johnny



The near end of a 21-yard gain by Don Hutson after he had taken a pass from Irv Comp is shown in the above photograph, taken in the second quarter of the Packer-Cleveland game Sunday afternoon at City stadium. Hutson was downed on the Green Bay 41-yard line by Quarterback Bob Waterfield (7). The Green Bay player coming up from behind is Tackle Baby Ray (44)

Martin, Boston Yanks, 154 yards; Fred Gehrke, Cleveland, 137; and Leo Cantor, Chicago Cardinals, and Pug Manders, Yanks, 134 each...BAUGH BEST PASSER: Baugh completed 18 of 21 passes against Pittsburgh Sunday to bring his total to 32 in 53 attempts for an average of .604, total yardage of 361. Sid Luckman of the Chicago Bears is in second place, with 38 completions in 67 attempts for an average of .568. Luckman, however, has total yardage of 551 for his passes, but his percentage of interceptions, .060, is much higher than Baugh's .019. Hutson moved from second to first in pass receiving department Sunday when he snagged seven, although he was unable to score a touchdown. He has caught 16 in three games, good for 323 yards and four touchdowns, compared with 11 received, for 151 yards and no tallies, by Connie Mack Berry of the Bears...FRITSCH SECOND SCORER: Hutson kicked two extra points against Cleveland to bring his league-leasing scoring total to 37, 10 more than his teammate, Fritsch, in second place. Strong remained at the head of the field goal column with four in five attempts, two more than Augie Lio of the Yanks. Fritsch still heads the kickoff return leaders with 172 yards in six tries, and Cantor of the Chicago Cardinals leads in pass interceptions with four, totaling 53 yards.

Bays, Yanks to Mix Before Sellout Crowd

State Fair Park Game On Sunday Will Draw More Than 20,000 Fans, Eighth Capacity Throng of Year to Watch Packers In Action

BAYS, YANKS TO MIX BEFORE SELLOUT CROWD

OCT 18 (Green Bay) - The eighth sellout crowd of the year is in prospect when the Packers and the Boston Yanks, this year's combination team in the NFL, meet at State Fair park in Milwaukee, Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith announced today. Ticket headquarters both here and in Milwaukee have been doing a brisk business and more than 20,000 will be on hand when the Bays attempt to annex their third victory in four league starts. Packer workouts Wednesday afternoon and this afternoon devoted to fashioning a defense to top the combination single wing-"T" formation the Yanks use. Coach Herb Kopf calls it the "Q-T" formation, but that's neither here nor there. The Yanks have the personnel to run the system, proof to that effect lying in their two league victories and a tie that give them top position in the Eastern division standings...BOSTON HAS POWER: League statistics show the Yanks have the power in the running and passing of Ace Parker and Johnny Grigas and the bucking of Pug Manders. Behind them, for good measure, they have George Cafego, the ex-Tennessee flash whose knees haven't been bothering him too much lately, Boris Dimancheff, who starred for Coach Cecil Isbell's Purdue team a year ago, and Johnny Martin, the ex-Oklahoma flash. The Packers can be expected to rebound from the Cleveland game with a furious assault, made more intense by what they saw Wednesday in movies of last Sunday's game. The pictures definitely showed: 1. that Hutson was in-bounds when he caught a pass in the southwest coffin corner midway in the second quarter; 2. that Greenwood's fumble, picked up by Joel Mason on the 44, was a fumble and Mason should have been credited with a touchdown; 3. that Greenwood was in motion on the 1-yard plunge that scored the touchdown which put Cleveland ahead, 19-14...SLOPPILY HANDLED GAME: Bleating won't change the outcome now but the pictures served to prove the claims of observers that the contest was the most sloppily handled in years. There were other instances of poor judgment by officials but the three mentioned, had they been called correctly, would have changed the entire complexion of the contest. But Lambeau pointed out, after seeing the pictures, "that one is past and all we can do is keep on fighting. We have a game to play with Boston next Sunday and we're devoting all our efforts to preparing for that one rather than spending time replaying the game with Cleveland." The team will ease off Friday and leave for Milwaukee on the Milwaukee Road's "Chippewa" at 5:20 Saturday afternoon. The Boston club was scheduled to leave for Milwaukee tonight with arrival set for Friday. By following this traveling schedule, the Yanks will not miss any practice. The trip will mark only the third the Boston club has made into what, from the Boston standpoint, is the far West. Last year, their first in the league they played the Bears at Chicago and the Lions at Detroit.

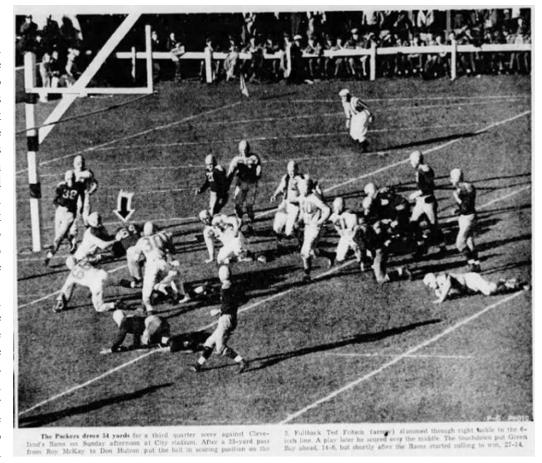
\$50 BONUS TO CLEVELAND RAMS DECLARED ILLEGAL

OCT 18 (Cleveland) - Promises of a \$50 bonus to each member of the Cleveland Rams for defeating the champion Green Bay Packers in a NFL game last Sunday has been withdrawn because it conflicted with the bonus clause of the league's constitution, General Manager Charles (Chile) Walsh said today. Walsh said he withdrew the offer after Commissioner Elmer Layden started an investigation. "Frankly I didn't know the offer could not be made after the game," said Walsh. "The original rule concerning bonuses was construed to mean that they could not be offered a game and I had forgotten that the clause was rewritten a couple of years ago. In my enthusiasm, I pulled a boner and a good one. But when I learned I was wrong immediately took steps to rectify my error. I simply was carried away by the team's great performance."

PACKERS RELEASE TWO, SIGN TWO AS THEY DRILL FOR YANK GAMES

OCT 18 (Green Bay) - Coach Curly Lambeau has announced four player changes on the Green Bay Packer roster as the team drilled hard for the clash at State Fair park in Milwaukee Sunday with the unbeaten Boston Yanks. Two players left

the squad and two were added. The first addition is Navy Lt. Ken Snelling, former UCLA star, who will help bolster the fullback spot and bring it up to par three for the first time this season. A kickoff, placekick specialist, Snelling will share will share the ball toting duties with Ted Fritsch, second in National league scoring, and Don Perkins. The other addition to the squad is right halfback Tom Kincaid, former Ohio State university player who recently received an honorable discharge from the Navy. Kincaid has been working with the club and appeared on the program list for the first time last Sunday but did not see action. He'll spare off veterans Joe Laws and Lou Brock. Alex Urban, an end, and Ray Frankowski, a guard, have departed. Urban went Toledo, where his wife is ill and



will play no more pro ball this season, Lambeau said. Frankowski was released because he found it hard to get in shape after long service in the Army. He formerly played with Washington State. The Packers will have their work cut out for them against the Yanks, who have beaten Washington and Pittsburgh and have been held to a tie by the New York Giants. The team has reacted strong following their defeat by the Cleveland Rams last Sunday. The Chicago Bears, beaten three in a row this season, will probably face loss No. 4 Sunday. For they play the rampaging Cleveland Rams in Wrigley Field.

PACKERS LEVEL AGAINST YANKS

OCT 18 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers and Coach E.L. Lambeau were in an upset mood - the frame of mind for defeating undefeated teams - as they prepared to day to mar the unblemished record of the Boston Yanks at Milwaukee October 21. The game was expected to attract 23,500 fans, the 8th capacity crowd the Packers have played to this season. It will bring the number the Packers have entertained to date this season to a total of about 336,600 fans. This included the College All-Star game they played at Chicago as the defending champions of the NFL and three exhibition games besides the league schedule. The Packers have been the "knock off" team of the western division of the pro league this fall. They started by knocking off the usually tough Chicago Bears and on the following Sunday handed the Detroit Lions their first defeat in seven games. The Lions' victory string extended back to the middle of 1944. At Green Bay last Sunday, however, the Packers' self-appointed mission as the "knock off" masters of the pro loop came to grief in the last 10 minutes of a game with the Cleveland Rams. Cleveland took undisputed possession of the western division lead and Green Bay dropped into a second place tie with Detroit, each having won two and lost one game. Lambeau was driving his team through the hardest drills of the season here this week with the intention of resuming the Packers' knock off role against the Boston Yanks. Lambeau hoped to eliminate certain deficiencies in blocking and tackling that showed up in the Ram game and there was a little wrinkle in the pass execution that needed ironing out. Against the Rams; strong defense last Sunday, the Packers tried a "get-rich-quick" scheme of tossing long passes to Don Hutson in spite of the fact that three sticky-fingered Rams were following him everywhere on the field. It was only the Packers' good fortune and Don's skill that saved them from costly interception of passes before the fourth period. The Rams, meanwhile, were proving the effectiveness of short passes, both behind the scrimmage line and over it. Boston will come to Milwaukee as the leader of the eastern division of the league with a record of winning two and tying one game this fall and the reputation of being the surprise team of the loop. They beat Pittsburgh, 28 to 7, upset Washington 28 to 20, and tied New York, 13 to 13. The squad is the result of combining the best players of last season's Brooklyn and Boston teams. Its backfield included John Grigas, George Cafego, Pug Manders, Ace Parker, Bo Davis and John (Wild Horse) Martin. The line includes one of the best field goal kickers in the loop, Augie Lio. He kicked two field goals when the Yanks tied New York last Sunday. Other veteran linemen included Bob Masterson,

Tony Leon of Alabama, Don Currivan, formerly with the Chicago Cardinals, Keith Ranspot and Ellis Jones. Parker's return from service strengthened Boston's aerial game. Capable receivers included ends Bob Davis and Ned Matthews.

Boston Yanks Will Give Packers' Defense Stiff Workout Sunday in Milwaukee Clash

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BOSTON YANKS WILL GIVE PACKERS' DEFENSE STIFI WORKOUT SUNDAY IN MILWAUKEE CLASH

OCT 19 (Green Bay) - When the 1945 football season opened, grid critics found little cause foe eyebrow lifting about the chances of the Boston Yanks in their second year in the NFL. Now they have changed their tune, and the Yanks will give the Packers' defenses a formidable test in Sunday afternoon's clash at State Fair park out of Milwaukee. When Coach Herb Kopf of the Hub forces collected his team together in August, he found that a top flight passer wasn't among those present for workouts. Otherwise, the Yanks had somewhat better material than in 1944. Gradually the picture changed and now the Boston eleven has eight backs who can pass, giving the Yanks a more diversified attack...GRIGAS, PARKER LEAD: The principal threats in the Boston aerial attack are halfback Johnny Grigas, who either passes or runs from a spread formation, and Ace Parker, the team's quarterback who is gradually rounding into the threat he was when he toiled with Brooklyn before entering service. The receivers are veterans Bob Masterson, Don Currivan and Keith Ranspot. Add to these the plugging of fullback Pug Manders, also a loan from Brooklyn in combination with Boston this year, and you have a nucleus that can try frequent crossups on the Packers. The Yanks operate their offense from a spread formation with dashes of the T and the single wing. In addition, guard Augie Lio is another offensive threat with his field goal kicking. None of the three opponents the Yanks have faced this year have been able to stop their ground game. In the latest statistics released by the league, they have four men among the 18 leading ground gainers. Johnny Martin, despite the fact he did not play much in two games because of an injury, is second in ground gaining with 154 yards, nine behind the Eagles' Steve Van Buren...COMPLETE MANY PASSES: The Yanks have completed at least half of their passes in every game played to date. Actually, 21 out of 37 attempted have found their mark for a percentage of .622, very close to the league top. The passing has been so divided that in the Washington game alone there was one completion for six different passers. Coach Curly Lambeau has taken the same view as other observers of the Yanks' antics: "We have a great deal of respect for Boston and they'll give any team a tough job on defense." The record proves his viewpoint. The Yanks move into State Fair park Sunday still undefeated and atop the Eastern division standings. The Packers, aching to get back into the win

column after dropping last Sunday's game, finished their heavy work for the game this morning. They'll practice briefly Sunday morning and entrain on the Milwaukee road's Chippewa at 5:20 Saturday afternoon. They will headquarter, as usual, at the Schroeder hotel. The Yanks will arrive in Milwaukee Saturday noon.

HOT AIR, MANDEL LABELS NEW PRO LEAGUE

OCT 19 (Detroit) - Terming the embryonic All-America professional football conference a "propaganda league", Owner Fred L. Mandel, Jr., of the NFL's Detroit Lions, declared Thursday he "refused to be taken in by the new league's publicity program." Disturbed by the running fight for postwar football services of Marine Lt. Elroy (Crazy Legs) Hirsch, former Wisconsin and Michigan collegian, Mandel said he is "issuing a warning to boys in service who are or might be Lion property that they think twice before accepting as fact claims of the new league receiving wide ballyhoo in the press. The history of the new league so far is one of false claims and broken promises," Mandel asserted.

SELLOUT CROWD MAY SEE PACKERS

OCT 19 (Milwaukee) - The first place undefeated Boston Yanks of the eastern division and the second place western division Green Bay Packers will tangle Sunday in a NFL game at State Fair park with signs pointing to a sellout crowd if

weatherman is cooperative. Boston has won two and tied one while the Packers show two victories and one defeat, the latter administered last week by the Cleveland rams. The Beantown aggregation, coached by Herb Kopf, regarded as one of the craftiest gridiron mentors along the eastern seaboard, is loaded with dynamite and the Bays are expected to find the going rough. The sparklers in the Yank lineup this year have been Pug Manders, veteran halfback, who has always fared well against Green Bay, and George Smith, a 215-pound center, who, like Charley Brock of the Packers, rates as one of the leaders in his profession. The Packers' Don Hutson, football's No. 1 end, will be honored during Sunday's game. The team management and Packer fans from throughout the state will pay tribute to the Alabama pass snatcher.

PACKERS, UNBEATEN BOSTON TO CLASH IN MILWAUKEE

OCT 20 (Green Bay) - The eyes of more than 20,000 football fans will be trained on the gridiron at State Fair park near Milwaukee Sunday afternoon. They'll be watching the Packers make a comeback attempt against the Boston-Brooklyn Yanks in



TED FRITSCH (61), Green Bay backfield star, finds a hole in the Cleveland Rams' forward wall and goes 12 yards in the second quarter of yesterday's pro-grid tilt before being halted. However, that was one of the Packers' few gains in the tile, the Rams rallying to gain a 27-14 victory.—(AP, Wirephoto).

a NFL game. The kickoff is scheduled for 2 o'clock. A victory over the Yanks, now leading the Eastern division, will once more put the Packers in formidable position in the Western division. They have won games over the Chicago Bears and the Detroit Lions but lost ground by dropping their last test to Cleveland. They can regain some of that ground by handing the Yanks their first defeat in four starts. The game will be one of five scheduled Sunday in the NFL. The other four, along with the Milwaukee contest, are reportedly sold out...ANTICIPATE STIFF TEST: The Packers anticipate that their defenses will receive a stiff test. Coach Herb Kopf, in his second year in the pro league, has assembled a crowd of backfield stars who can kick, run and pass. Ahead of them, the Yanks' mentor has a well balanced forward wall composed mostly of veterans of the gridiron wars with other teams in the pro league. The game most certainly will test the Packers' offense also. The Green Bay running game has shown sporadic power in three games. The passing reached the heights against Detroit but kicked up only mildly in the other two league encounters. Coach Curly Lambeau has been striving to machine the team to a point where both parts of the offense click in the same game. This may happen Sunday. Although the other league games have been against strong opposition, Lambeau figures the Boston club is probably the strongest his team has had to face so far. He bases that not only on what the Yanks have done to their opponents but because of the fact that they have the personnel to run the new but potent Q-T formation...SHOULD GAIN STRENGTH: The Packer coach figures if his team wins Sunday "we're going to be tough from then on in. We'll be about 25 percent stronger because, by that time, some of our new men will be well acquainted with the system." The Yanks moved into Milwaukee today and Kopf announced he would start a backfield composed of quarterback George Cafego, the former Tennessee star, Johnny Grigas and Bob Davis at halfbacks, and the old warhorse, Pug Manders, at fullback. He figures that is about his strongest combination but those attending the game probably will also see a good deal of Ace Parker and Johnny Martin. The Packers starting lineup, shifted somewhat from a week ago, will have Clyde Goodnight and Joel Mason at ends, Tiny Croft and Paul Lipscomb at tackles, Glen Sorenson and Pete Tinsley at guards, and Bob Flowers at center. The backfield will include Larry Craig, Irv Comp, Joe Laws and Ted Fritsch. As in other games this year, though, Lambeau figures to use frequent replacements...FOUR OTHER GAMES: While the Packers-Yanks tale the spotlight at Milwaukee, the eight other teams in the league will be seeking position in the pennant race. The unbeaten Rams will take on the deflated Chicago Bears, who have yet to gain a

win. The game should provide a passing duel between Bob Waterfield and Sid Luckman. The Chicago Card, who toppled the Bears last Sunday, meet the Detroit Lions, victors over the Red Birds in the season's opener by a 10-0 margin. Since that time, however, the Cardinals have been considerably strengthened and may give the Lions trouble. In the Eastern half, Philadelphia moves into Washington and Pittsburgh takes on the New York Giants in the Polo grounds.

PACKERS FACE UNBEATEN YANKS

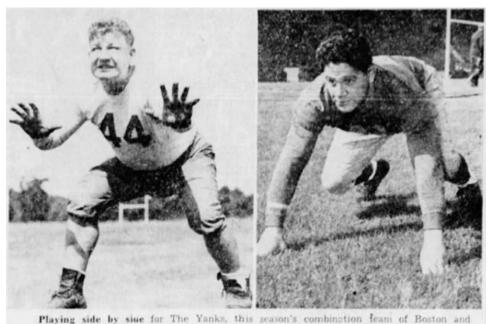
OCT 20 (Milwaukee) - The undefeated Yanks will risk undisputed lead in the standings of the eastern division of the NFL when they clash at State Fair Park here Sunday with the champion Green Bay Packers. It is a sort of backs to the wall proposition for Coach E.L. "Curly" Lambeau and his Packers. The Packers already have lost one game, and in the tight western division race this usually means that any team with designs on participating in the playoff for the league title has to win all of the rest of its games on its schedule. This will be the last Packer game in Milwaukee this season, and a sellout crowd of 23,500 was expected with a prospect of fair crisp weather to make their enjoyment complete. Lambeau's team is booked for only one more pro loop contest in the state this season. They are scheduled to play the Chicago Cardinals at Green Bay on October 28. After that the Packers will hit the road for the last five games. Sunday has been designated as Don Hutson day at State Fair park. The famous Green Bay end, who holds more pass catching and scoring records than any other pro loop flanker in history, will be honored at the intermission and be presented with gifts by a delegation headed by his longtime friend and teammate, Charles "Buckets" Goldenberg, who recently broke his retirement to return to the Green Bay lineup as a guard.

ONCE BEATEN PACKERS TACKLE UNDEFEATED BOSTON '11' TODAY

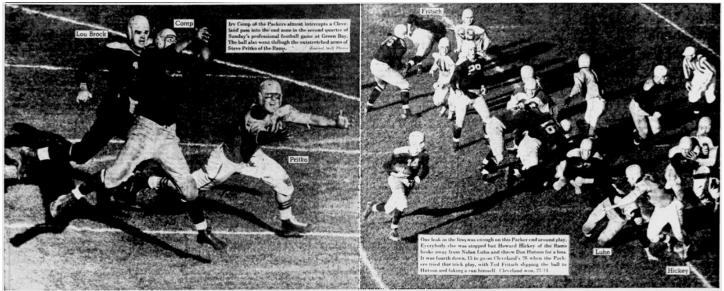
OCT 21 (Chicago) - Green Bay's Packers, NFL defending champions, still smarting from last week's 27-14 whipping by the Cleveland Rams, meet another undefeated team, the Boston Yanks, at Milwaukee today in a game which may decide



Ace Parker, left, joined The Yanks this season after several years of military service while End Don Currivan jumped into the professional ranks after achieving All-America honors at Boston college. Parker is a veteran halfback from Duke, where he starred three years. Currivan formerly played with the Chicago Cardinals. Both veterans are slated for action against the Packers Sunday at State Fair park in Milwaukee.



Brooklyn, Tackle George Sergienko (left) and Guard Augie Lio form a lough pair for opposing backs to get through. Sergienko has played two years for Brooklyn. He weighs 265 pounds. Lio was with the Detroit Lions three seasons before joining The Yanks last fall. He has an educated toe which came in handy last Sunday when he booted two field goals to help tie the New York Giants. Both these linemen will see action against the Packers next Sunday at State Fair park in Milwaukee.



the Packers' chances of repeating as Western division titlist and world champions. The game will be the fourth of the campaign in which Green Bay has faced an unbeaten eleven. The Bears, Lions and Rams had clean slates when they stepped out against the Packers, and the Rams, after last week's spectacular three-touchdown fourth period rally against Curly Lambeau's charges, still have theirs. They lead the western division with a 3-0 record. Boston too has yet to drop a game, having beaten Pittsburgh and Washington and tied New York to share first place in the matter of percentage with the Giants in the eastern division. New York, however, has one less win than the Yanks. Herb Kopf has one of the really good teams in the circuit - a combination of the best that Brooklyn and Boston had last year. Another contest upon which title hopes may hinge today pits the Cleveland Rams against the cellar-dwelling Chicago Bears at Chicago, with the Bears in the potential role of spoilers. The Bears have dropped three in a row for the first time since 1938, one of the losses to Cleveland two weeks ago by a 17-0 score. Although the Bears have no hopes of capturing the Western title, they do expect to have something to say about who eventually does win it. All that's left for them in 1945 is to gain the satisfaction of knocking off contenders for the western and eastern championships. The New York Giants, unbeaten but tied last week 13-13 by the Yanks will open their home schedule today in the Polo Grounds against the Pittsburgh Steelers, who are last in the eastern division standings with an 0-3 record. Another home opener is scheduled at Washington, where the Redskins clash with a Philadelphia Eagle club which lost its prestige by dropping a 28-24 decision to the Detroit Lions. With Sammy Baugh of Washington arrayed against the Eagles' flashy Steve Van Buren, the Philadelphia-Washington game looks like a high scoring affair and rates as a tossup. Boasting a one game winning streak - their first since 1942 - the Chicago Cardinals, after humbling the Bears, 16-7, last week, will travel to Detroit, and they may catch the Lions off guard. Detroit defeated the Cardinals in the season's opener, 10-0, but since then the Cards have snapped out of the doldrums and are determined to run their win streak to two straight.

Packers, Unbeaten Boston to Clash in Milwaukee