

**Cleveland Rams (6-1) 20, Green Bay Packers (4-3) 7**  
**Sunday November 11th 1945 (at Cleveland)**

# **First Period Onslaught by Cleveland Smothers Bays; Defense Protects Margin**

## **22 Injured as Bleachers Collapse at Cleveland**

### **GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)**

(CLEVELAND) - The Cleveland Rams, a youthful, hard fighting eleven, just about cinched their claim to being the best team in the Western division here Sunday afternoon. Sparked by Bob Waterfield, Fred Gehrke and Jim Gillette, the Rams defeated the Packers, 20-7, in a manner approved by most of the 28,686 fans in League park. The victory, sixth for the Rams this season, left them atop the division standings and removed all but a mathematical chance for the Packers to retain their championship. The Rams dominated play from the time they tallied on the first play until the clock ran out in the last quarter in a gloom that shrouded the field. All the scoring was done in the first quarter. Gehrke dashed over on runs of 72 and 42 yards to put the Packers in a hole at the outset. Waterfield tossed an 84-yard scoring pass to Jim Benton, and Irv Comp and Clyde Goodnight combined for the Packers' only marker, a 75-yard pass play. Waterfield added two points after for the Rams, and Don Hutson kicked the Bay point.

#### **RISE TO DEFENSIVE HEIGHTS**

For the remainder of the game, the Rams uncorked a running and passing game which was superior to the Packers. They played tight defensive ball which kept the Green bay aerial attack effectively in check and rose to heights when the Bays threatened to score once from the two and several times inside the 20. Gillette, himself a former Packer, came up with several pass interceptions and his best running game since being hurt a year ago. Waterfield, as usual, was a whole bush of thorns for the Packers. He directed the T-formation with skill, played a brilliant defensive game and sent off booming punts which helped keep the Packers in a hole. The victory marked the first time the Rams have won six in one season since joining the league. It likewise gave them their first clean sweep over the Bays and their first at home against the Packers. Perhaps more important, however, was that the Rams now have an inside track for their first pennant. They showed Sunday that they have a potent outfit which is beginning to pay dividends to the club owners. The loss was crushing to Green Bay. Except for the Comp-Goodnight scoring pass, their work was futile. Fumbles and pass interceptions ruined what few other chances they did have. The Packers must start over next Sunday but unless Cleveland falls apart, the championship game will be played at this lakeshore city in December.

#### **BLEACHER SECTION COLLAPSES**

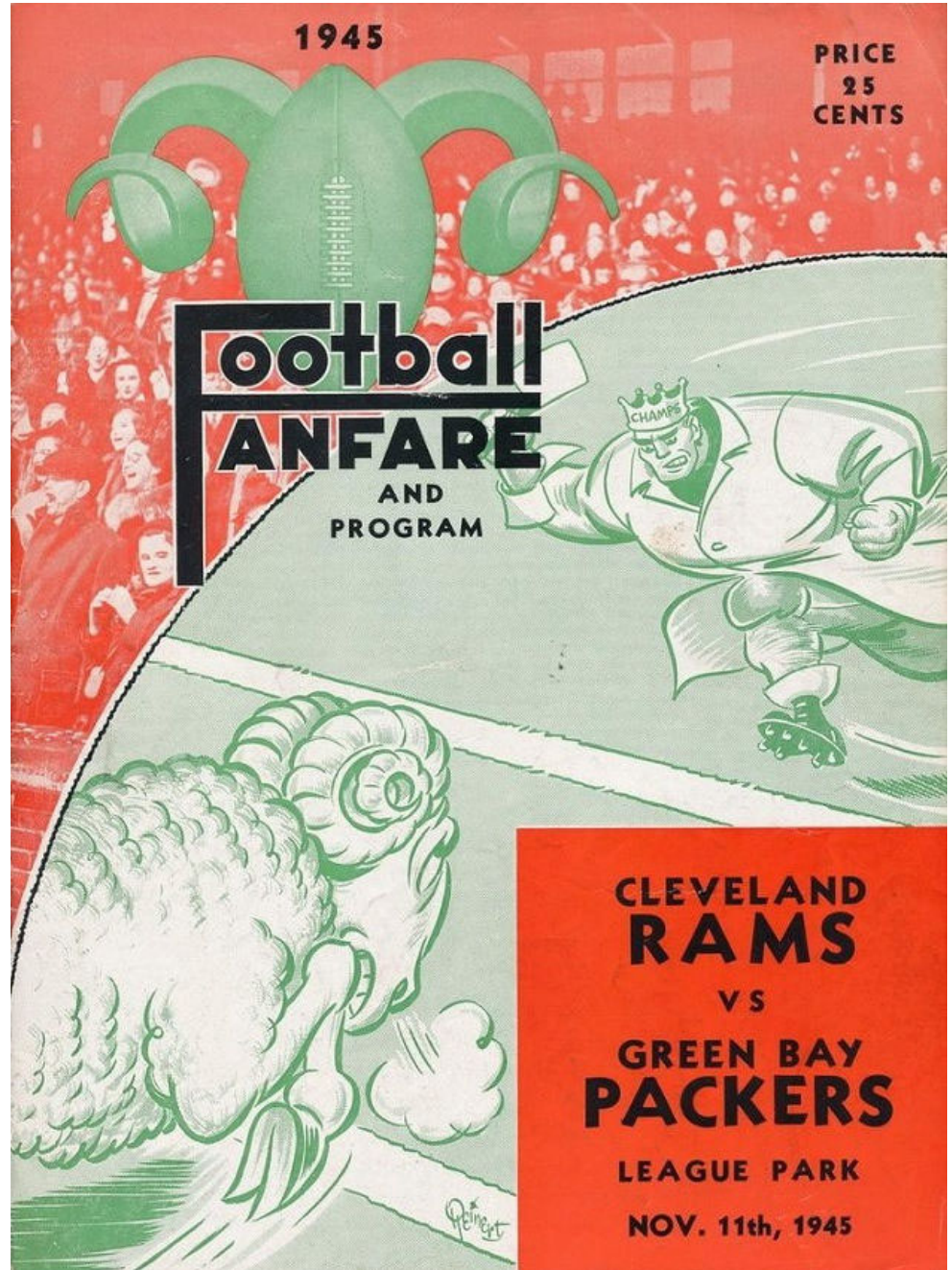
The game was not without its sidelights. During the first quarter, a section of special wooden bleachers collapsed, injuring three people, none seriously. The Rams scored the first time they got their hands on the ball. Fred Gehrke spun around right end, broke into the clear and reversed the field in a beautiful 72-yard dash. Waterfield's point after made the count 7-0. The play was set up when McKay's kick went out of bounds on the Ram 28 after the Packers had moved from their own 28 to the Ram 48 with Smith and Fritsch carrying. The next score came after an exchange of punts. Waterfield intercepted McKay's pass on the Cleveland 35 and returned it to the Packer 42. Gehrke unraveled a 42-yard dash over Green Bay's right tackle and cut to his left. Nobody laid a hand on him. Waterfield's kick slithered off to the left. Score 13-0. But the Packers rebounded rapidly. Joe Laws fumbled on the kickoff but recovered on the 21. Perkins cut off right end to the 25. Comp uncorked a long pass to Goodnight who got behind the Ram defenders, caught the ball on the Cleveland 35 and went all the way. Hutson kicked the point after to make it 13-7. The Packer kickoff went out of bounds on the 16. Greenwood gained nothing. Then the Waterfield-Benton pass clicked for 84 yards. Benton was covered by Laws and Hutson but snatched a

pass away from both of them. Waterfield's kick was good and the Rams led 20-7. An exchange of punts marked the closing minutes of the first quarter. When the gun sounded, the Rams had possession on the Packer 49. The only break of the late first quarter came when Larry Craig recovered Tom Colella's fumble on the Packer 35. The first incident of the second quarter was Waterfield's interception of Comp's long pass on his own 35 and return to the Packer 36. Shortly after Hutson gobbled up Waterfield's pass and returned it to the 15. The Packers then moved 83 yards to the Ram 2 but failed to put it over. The march was featured by Roy McKay's 40-yard dash from his own 24 to the Ram 36. A McKay-Hutson pass carried to the 20 and Lou Brock hit the middle to the 16. Two running plays gained 3 yards and Hutson took another pass and was downed on the 2. The Packer running attack bogged back to the 12, from where Fritsch made a last down run out of bounds to the 4. After the Rams punted, Comp threw to Luhn for seven yards and to Perkins for no gain. Then Goodnight took an end around to the Ram 21. One yard was marked up by a Comp-Hutson pass but Waterfield first knocked Comp's pass down and then intercepted another by Lou Brock in the end zone. Gillette's 40-yard dash to the Bay 43 was nullified a play later when McKay intercepted Waterfield's pass on the 25 and returned it to the Bay 45.

#### **TIME RUNS OUT**

The Ram forwards threw Comp on the 34. A pass by Comp failed and a second connected for seven yards to the 41, Laws taking the throw. A Ram penalty put the ball on the 46. But time was too short and Waterfield was knocked down Comp's pass as the halftime gun sounded. A punt exchange started the second half. The Bays moved from their 41 to the Ram 45 before Gillette intercepted McKay's pass on his own 32. Clyde Goodnight figured on the next two plays, first partially blocking Waterfield's punt and then taking an end around to the Ram 41 from his 46. Gillette pulled three interceptions to stop Packer threats. The first was on the Ram 32 and the second on the 30, both passes by McKay. The third interception came on the Packer 20, after Goodnight recovered Greenwood's fumble on the Ram 34. The Rams were penalized for offside and Greenwood fumbled again. Baby Ray recovered on the 18 as the quarter ended. An end around by Goodnight lost two and McKay was thrown for 10 on the 30. Comp passed to Fritsch but the play lost five yards. A pass from Comp to Goodnight was completed on the 16, but for not enough yardage to pick up a first down and the Rams took possession. The Rams pushed up to the Packer 49, from where Waterfield punted out of bounds on the Packer four. With Fritsch carrying once and McKay three times, the Packers moved to their 32. Then two breaks came in quick succession. Eberle Schultz recovered Comp's fumble on the Green Bay 19. The Rams lost five for delaying tactics. Then Laws intercepted Waterfield's pass and returned it his own 40.

#### **WORKS END AROUND AGAIN**





McKay passed to Carl Mulleneaux for a first down on the Ram 42. Goodnight worked the end around again to the 37, and Laws pushed up the middle to the 33. The Packers were offside. Three passes by McKay and one by Comp failed and the Rams took over on the 38. Reisz, Colella and Jones moved up to the Ram 44. Reisz punted to Laws on the 22. Joe handed it off to Russ Mosley, who carried it back to the 28. One minute exactly remained in the game. The Packers' chances were darker than the gloom that enclosed the field. Two passes by Comp failed. Joe Winkler of the Rams intercepted Comp's pass on the Packer 42 and returned it to the 35. Two running plays moved the Rams to the 30 as the final gun popped.

**GREEN BAY - 7 0 0 0 - 7**  
**CLEVELAND - 20 0 0 0 - 20**

### **SCORING**

1ST - CLE - Fred Gehrke, 72-yard run (Bob Waterfield kick) CLEVELAND 7-0

1ST - CLE - Gehrke, 42-yard run (Waterfield kick failed) CLEVELAND 13-0

1ST - GB - Clyde Goodnight, 75-yard pass from Irv Comp (Don Hutson kick) CLEVELAND 13-7

1ST - GB - Jim Benton, 84-yard pass from Waterfield (Waterfield kick) CLEVELAND 20-7

# Packers Start Work For Boston Contest

Lambeau Expresses Disappointment With Team  
Performance, Promises Changes Will Be Made  
To Avert Possible Skid Into Second Division

### **PACKERS FINED FOR ROUGHING UP DELICATE BEARS**

NOV 12 (Green Bay) - Packers Pete Tinsley and Clyde Goodnight, along with Coach E.L. Lambeau, have been assessed fines by the NFL office for infractions of league rules in the Nov. 4 game with the Chicago Bears, it was asserted on good authority here today. Lambeau, en route from Cleveland, could not be reached for comment. Commissioner Elmer Layden was contacted, but he declined to comment, declaring that a recent league ruling forbids publicity on fines. The report was that Tinsley was fined \$200 and Goodnight \$100 for "roughing up" the Bears, and that Lambeau was fined \$50 for running out on the field.

### **32 RAM FANS INJURED AS STANDS COLLAPSE**

NOV 12 (Cleveland) - City building inspectors today began investigating the collapse of temporary bleachers at the Cleveland Rams-Green Bay professional football game here yesterday, in which at least 32 people were injured. Charles F. (Chile) Walsh, manager of the Rams, issued a statement of regret over the accident, which said that city and insurance company inspectors had approved the construction of the stands. The crash came during the first period of the game, dumping about 300 to 400 persons in a heap, and injuring the legs of many of them as the plank seats slid together.

### **PACKERS START WORK FOR BOSTON CONTEST**

NOV 13 (Green Bay) - Their chances for an eighth pennant just about wiped out, the Packers got back to work today for their final stand of the season against two Eastern division teams and one, Detroit, from the Western half. They'll play next Sunday at Boston against the combined Yanks and Brooklyn elevens. The second contest will be against New York on Nov. 25. The Packers looked anything but defending champions last Sunday against Cleveland, a ball club with irrepressible spirit. Coach Curly Lambeau, disappointed at the outcome, was not at a loss for reasons which contributed to the pasting that kept the Bays in third place behind deadlocked Detroit and the Rams. He said there's "no mystery" connected with the defeat...CHANGES TO BE MADE: "We have a good ball club and the boys want to win but they aren't willing to make the personal sacrifices necessary to achieve victory," he said. "They have too many outside interests. It's too bad for those who are putting forth every effort." The coach promised some changes to eliminate the condition. "We've gone through these

periods of stress and strain before. It's nothing new. But it will not be tolerated. While we're where we deserve to be right now, 100 percent attention to football will be the rule from now on in, or else - ". Lambeau said that the Packers are capable of defeating any other team in the league but "the boys have been operating at only about 60 percent efficiency." Line Coach Walt Kiesling, who expressed disapproval with the line's operation against the Rams, said, "We've got to have spirit from the water boy up." He cited missed assignments on offense and defense against the Rams, who are favorites to win their remaining contests against the Cardinals, Detroit and Boston. Both Lambeau and Kiesling were bitter in their disappointment over last Sunday's defeat...LEAVE FOR BOSTON FRIDAY: Lambeau said nothing would be left undone to prime the Packers for the next three contests "because we don't want to wind up in the second division for the first time in our history." He has lined up tough workouts through Thursday. The team will leave for Boston Friday morning, and hold a final practice before the game Saturday morning. The squad will remain in the east until shortly before the season finale in Detroit Dec. 2. The team came out of the Cleveland game in fairly good physical condition. Halfback Bruce Smith, who started, sustained an injury to his neck but should be in shape to play next Sunday, according to Dr. Henry S. Atkinson, team physician. At first it was believed Smith's injury might be serious but X-rays taken here Monday night showed no fracture, Dr. Atkinson said. The only other injury was sustained by Bob Adkins, who hurt his shoulder...TRAVEL IN TWO SECTIONS: The squad arrived in two sections Monday. The first group came in on the Milwaukee road's "Chippewa" at 4:40 following a flight through heavy fog from Cleveland to Milwaukee. The second group, believed at first to be held up in Cleveland by the adverse weather, took off from there about 5 o'clock and arrived in Milwaukee in time to catch a Milwaukee road train which got here at 10:15 Monday night.

### THREE PACKERS ARE DISCHARGED

NOV 13 (Green Bay) - Coach E.L. Lambeau announced the release of three players from the Packer squad, Don Perkins, Mike Buccianeri and Forrest McPherson. One of the vacancies will be filled by placing Chuck Sample, a fullback on the active list. Sample, 25, returned to the Packers after his discharge from military service. A former Appleton High school star, he played at the University of Toledo. He is short, five-feet-nine, but weighs 210 pounds.

### DETROIT LIONS' OWNER VOICES DISAPPROVAL OF NEW PRO LEAGUE

NOV 13 (Detroit) - Fred L. Mandel, Jr., owner of the Detroit Lions, today became the first NFL official to voice disapproval of the newly-formed All-America Football conference, which he said had injured "professional football's cause among the colleges." Mandel accused the All-America, in its efforts to recruit players to open an eight-team circuit next year, with destroying the "splendid" relationship developed between college and professional football during the 25 years of the NFL's existence. "College boys in service, who retain their scholastic and athletic eligibility, should be given a chance to complete their education if they so desire, but we see the All-America conference bidding for these boys." Speaking before the weekly Quarterbacks' luncheon, Mandel charged that the All-American's hiring policies were ignoring the rights of the colleges and said that the league, "by announcing the signing of players without actually having signed them:, had damaged professional football's cause.

# Not So Good

## NOTIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Western Division						
	W	L	T	Pct	PS	OP
Cleveland	6	1	0	.857	161	87
Detroit	6	1	0	.857	146	128
GREEN BAY	4	3	0	.571	204	143
Chicago Bears	1	6	0	.143	115	180
Chicago Cards	1	7	0	.125	57	165

Eastern Division						
	W	L	T	Pct	PS	OP
Washington	5	1	0	.833	140	94
Philadelphia	4	2	0	.667	170	92
Boston Yanks	3	3	1	.500	109	128
Pittsburgh	2	5	0	.286	66	138
New York	1	4	1	.200	102	123

**Sunday's Results**  
 CLEVELAND 20, GREEN BAY 7,  
 Pittsburgh 23, Chi. Cardinals 0,  
 Philadelphia 38, New York 17,  
 Washington 34, Boston Yanks 7,  
 Detroit 35, Chicago Bears 28.

**Next Sunday's Games**  
 GREEN BAY AT BOSTON YANKS.  
 Cleveland at Chicago Cardinals.  
 Detroit at New York.  
 Pittsburgh at Philadelphia.  
 Chicago Bears at Washington.

**The Starting Lineups:**

PACKERS	CLEVELAND
Goodnight, le	le, Knoetsky
Ray, lt	lt, Schultz
Sorenson, lg	lg, Matheson
Flowers, c	c, Scarry
Tinsley, rg	rg, Lazetich
Lipscomb, rt	rt, Bouley
Luhn, re	re, Pritko
Craig, qb	qb, Nemeth
Smith, lhb	lhb, Gehrke
Laws, rhb	rhb, Gillette
Fritsch, fb	fb, West

**Score By Periods**

Green Bay	7	0	0	0-7
Cleveland	20	0	0	0-20

**The Scoring**  
 Green Bay: Touchdown—Goodnight.  
 Point after touchdown—Hutson (place kick).  
 Cleveland: Touchdowns—Gehrke 2, Benton. Points after touchdown—Waterfield 2 (place kicks).

**Team Statistics**

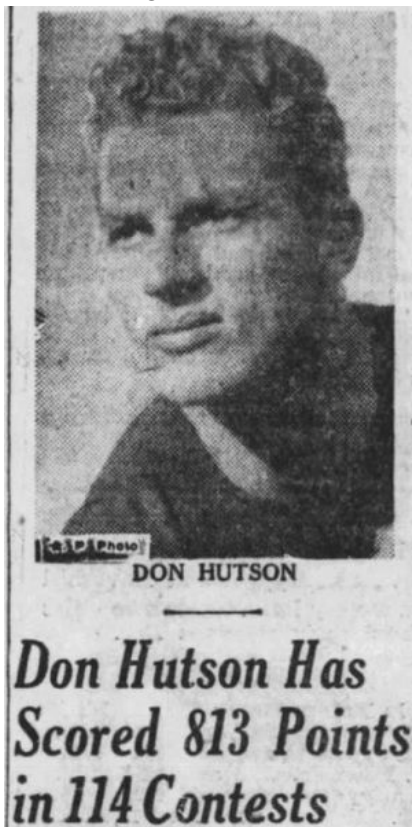
	G. Bay	Cleveland
First downs	12	6
Yds. gained rush. (net)	198	276
Yds. gained pass. (net)	177	102
Passes attempted	38	11
Passes completed	12	4
Passes intercepted by	3	7
Yds. int. ret. by	65	65
Average distance punts	34	36
Yds. all kicks returned	107	41
Lost by penalties	25	50
Opp. fumbles recovered	2	1

# Buckets Goldenberg Winds Up Long Career With Bay Eleven



## BUCKETS GOLDENBERG WINDS UP LONG CAREER WITH BAY ELEVEN

NOV 14 (Green Bay) - Bothered by a foot injury since the Bear game, guard Charles (Buckets) Goldenberg of the Packers today retired from professional football, according to an announcement by Coach Curly Lambeau. Goldenberg was in his 13th season and played on three world championship teams. Lambeau, still perturbed over the lack of spirit shown by the squad in late games, said that Goldenberg had decided to leave the squad because the foot injury was of such a nature that he would not have been able to see action in the Bays' three remaining games. He did not play last Sunday against the Rams. "We're sorry to lose Buckets, who came out of retirement in September to help when we were short a defensive guard," Lambeau said. "We could have used him last Sunday against Cleveland on several occasions. Now that he is injured he retired so that he can return to his business in Milwaukee which he left, at a personal sacrifice, to play here."...**THIRD LONGEST SERVICE:** Goldenberg's retirement gives him a tie with George Trafton, Cleveland line coach, for third greatest number of years of active play in the NFL. Ahead of them are Johnny Blood, now on the Green Bay staff as a coach and advance man, and Mel Hein, who is still cavorting with New York's Giants. Blood had 15 years service and Hein 14. A former University of Wisconsin star, Goldenberg joined the squad in 1933 and played each season since that time. During several campaigns he was used in the backfield, and then was shifted into the line, where he was a bulwark on defense. At the start of this year's practice, he said he would retire after the All-Star game but returned to the club when the shortage of guards developed...**SQUAD NUMBERS 30:** Goldenberg's retirement and the release of three other players brings the squad total to 30, three under the number allowed by the league. The Packers held a long workout this morning to attempt to get into high gear again for their contest with Boston next Sunday. The team hasn't clicked at it should since early in the season, and, unless it does, more disaster in the form of the Yanks, Giants and Detroit Lions is in their path. By winning these three, however, they can secure at least a tie for second place since Cleveland and Detroit, the present leaders, meet in the Motor City Thanksgiving day...**PACKERS VICTOR BEFORE:** The Yanks succumbed to the Packers at Milwaukee, 38-14, but not before they had tallied the first time they got their hands on the ball after a pass interception. The Yanks have hard runners in Johnny Grigas, Pug Manders, George Cafego, Ace Parker, Johnny Martin and Frank Sachse. Bob Masterson, Keith Ranspot and Don Currvan are their best pass receivers on a line that includes such stalwarts as Augie Lio, George Sergienko, Floyd Rhea and Tony Leon. This is a combination that can give anyone trouble. And the Packers will run into it unless their blocking, carrying out of assignments and general attitude changes. Coach Lambeau and Line Coach Walt Kiesling are working hard to eradicate the squad's listless attitude that has spelled two league defeats in a row. A defeat by Boston would strike a new all-time low in Packer fortunes. They have never, in their 27-year history, been defeated thrice hand running.



## THREE PACKERS ARE RELEASED

NOV 14 (Green Bay) - Coach Curly Lambeau of the Green Bay Packers football team Tuesday released three players and returned one to the active list. Those released were fullback Don Perkins, tackle Forrest McPherson and guard Mike Bucchianieri. Fullback Chuck Sample, formerly of the University of Toledo, was placed on the active list. Sample, a native of Appleton, has received his honorable discharge from military service. The Packers will leave Friday morning on a road trip that will include games with the Boston Yanks Sunday, New York Giants November 25 and Detroit December 2.

## DON HUTSON HAS SCORED 813 POINTS IN 114 CONTESTS

NOV 14 (Boston) - Don Hutson, than whom there is none better, comes to Boston Sunday afternoon - and there'll be upwards of 30,000 customers at Fenway Park to see him. In case you didn't know, Hutson is the world's greatest pass receiver; the greatest scorer in the history of professional football, the greatest...well, let his record do the talking. Hutson was graduated from the University of Alabama after a colorful career, which included a Rose Bowl victory, with Dixie Howell. Then he moved into the play for pay division. He has played 11 years with the Green Bay Packers, has scored exactly one hundred and one (101) touchdowns through the medium of being in the right place at the right time for a pass. He also has come up with four other t.d.'s through various other means. He has booted 168 extra points and five field goals - for an overall total of 813 points in 114 games. He has caught 478 passes for 7,876 yards (that's approximately four and a half miles). Every time he trots out on the field, he's up to some record or others - and every pass he catches, every touchdown he manufactures, every point he scores - well, the record books are being altered all the time. His total record - 105 t.d.'s, 168 pat, 5 fg, 813 points. Just in case you still might

be interested - Hutson won't be the only one at Fenway Sunday - the Green Bay Packers and the Boston Yanks will trot out full complements - but upwards of 30,000 fans won't have eyes for anyone else. They'll want to see that man Hutson.

# Lambeau's Contract as Coach, Manager Renewed

**FOOTBALL**  
**BOSTON YANKS**  
vs.  
**GREEN BAY PACKERS**

**FENWAY PARK SUNDAY 2:00**

Tickets on sale at Boston Yanks Office, Statler Office Bldg., Fenway Park; Filene's Men's Store. Prices \$3.60, \$2.40, \$1.20. Tax incl.

## LAMBEAU'S CONTRACT AS COACH, MANAGER RENEWED

NOV 15 (Green Bay) - E.L. (Curly) Lambeau today signed a renewal of his contract for another five-year period as general manager and coach of the Green Bay Packers. Under terms of the contract, which continues through the season of 1949, Lambeau has been authorized by the executive committee to attend all meetings of the NFL and has been named as the corporation's representative with the authority to vote for the corporation on all league matters. Announcement that the contract had been signed came simultaneously with a statement by the Packer coach that recent rumors that the team would be moved from the city or that he would leave Green Bay were "ridiculous". Organizer of the team and its head coach for the last 27 years, Lambeau emphasized: "There have been rumors in the past about the Packers moving out of Green Bay. I don't have the power to move them, and, even if I did have the power, I would never do it. I was born in and have lived in Green Bay all my life and I have no intention of moving. My home

is here and will always be here. I don't plan on being away from the city any more than I have during the last five years." The Packer coach pointed out that professional football today is a year-around job and that his duties during the off-season are almost as heavy as when the team is playing. Such duties, he said, frequently take him to various parts of the country to contact officials of the other league teams, college coaches, players or writers who can give him invaluable information...**MUST FIGHT FOR RIGHTS:** "If we did not work the year round our team would be seriously handicapped. There is a constant fight for players which requires personal contacts with those involved. Not only that, but I have had a constant battle in our league meetings to maintain our rights to a full home schedule and any other benefits the rules allow." In this respect, Lambeau said, many times the suggestion had been made other league clubs that Green Bay be designated as a "traveling team", but that he had blocked such efforts, including one which would given the Packers only a single home game against the Chicago Bears. "I have always battled for the interests of the Packers and Green Bay in league meetings and will continue to do so," he emphasized...**PROBLEM ARE NUMEROUS:** The fact that the city is under 50,000 in population increases the problems which often confront the club, the coach continued. "We can never outdraw some of the other cities in the league but we recognize the problem and plan to increase the capacity of City stadium. We have long been considered as the league's best drawing card on the road, and the records prove it." To keep this record, the team must be a winner. This requires spirit and morale not only on the team but also the 100 percent cooperation of residents and football fans of Wisconsin, and particularly those in Green Bay. "When we don't get the cooperation of everyone, it works a hardship on us," the coach said. While he is disappointed over the showing of the 1945 squad, Lambeau said the situation was comparable to 1940, when the then defending champions met the College All-Stars in August and finished the season with a record of six victories, four losses and a tie...**MUST HAVE WINNER:** "Our problem now is to weed out the spiritless players and replace them with men who have a desire to win. When Green Bay doesn't have a winner, it will be practically impossible to stay in the league of which we are one of the original members." Regarding his power to vote for the corporation on all matters in league meetings, the coach explained that he meets with members of the executive committee before going to meetings and matters of policy are decided then. "To date, the executive committee and I have always worked in harmony. They've been generous in giving me the right to vote and I appreciate it. I shall always strive 100 percent to protect the interests of the Packers."

## PACKERS LEAVE FRIDAY FOR TILT WITH BOSTON

NOV 15 (Green Bay) - Well aware that their chances for any kind of position in the NFL race depend on the outcome of three remaining games, the Packers prepared today to entrain for Boston and Sunday afternoon's tangle with the Yanks. The team will leave Friday morning at 7 o'clock on a Milwaukee road train. Arrival is scheduled in Boston Saturday morning. The Packers have already lost three games and must salvage what remains of their first division chances with successive victories over the Yanks, New York Giants and Detroit Lions in that order. Any one of the teams can give them trouble but their first big task is to get by the combined Boston-Brooklyn squad, which holds third place in the Eastern



division...**WORKOUT IS SATISFACTORY:** Coach Curly Lambeau, critical of the team's spirit earlier in the week, said that Wednesday's lengthy drill indicated that the squad is coming out of its lethargy. He described the workout as "satisfactory" and "perhaps the best we have had in several weeks." He cautioned, however, against any thought that the Yanks are being underestimated. "If the players keep up their attitude," he said, "we will give a good account of ourselves against the Yanks. We anticipate that they'll be tough." He said motion pictures of the previous game against Boston and last Sunday's tilt against Cleveland showed clearly the difference between the team's play. The Packers defeated Boston, 38-14, and lost to Cleveland, 20-7...**OFFENSE VS. DEFENSE:** Statistics released today show that the Packers have a decent edge on offense but the Yanks' defense has been superior. Each team has played seven games. The Bays have amassed 204 points to their opponents' 145 while the Yanks have scored 109 to their opponents' 128. Offensively, league figures show the following: first downs, Green Bay 90 and Boston 59; total yards gained, Green Bay 2,138 and Boston 1,539; forward passing, Green Bay attempted 157 and completed 60 and Boston attempted 105 and completed 49; touchdowns running, Green Bay 15 and Boston 8; touchdowns passing, Green Bay 13 and Boston 6...**YANKS BETTER ON DEFENSE:** The picture is reversed defensively. Opponents of Sunday's principals have rolled up 104 first downs against the Packers and 77 against Boston; made 2,507 yards running and passing against Green Bay and 1,804 against the Yanks; completed 80 of 165 passes against the Packers and 65 of 156 against the Yanks. On the basis of the statistics, the Beantown battle could be a low-scoring affair with few points separating the teams.

## Packers Start 17-Day Tour This Morning; Play at Boston Sunday



The Cleveland Rams virtually eliminated the Green Bay Packers from the championship race by defeating them 20-7, before a sellout crowd of 28,686 in Cleveland Sunday. The photo shows Ram Halfback Jim Gillette circling Green Bay's right end for 15 yards just before Packer Guard Bernie Crimmins (73) stopped him in the second quarter. (AP wirephoto.)

### PACKERS START 17-DAY TOUR THIS MORNING; PLAY AT BOSTON SUNDAY

NOV 16 (Green Bay) - The start of a 17-day tour that will bring them to the end of the 1945 football season began this morning for the Green Bay Packers, who will make their first stab at returning to the victory side of the ledger against the Yanks at Boston next Sunday afternoon. The Packer squad, 30 strong, was to leave Chicago this afternoon for the east coast with arrival scheduled in Boston Saturday morning. This will give them ample time to warm up in a final practice before Sunday's contest, one of four scheduled in the NFL. The Bays are not worrying so much about what the

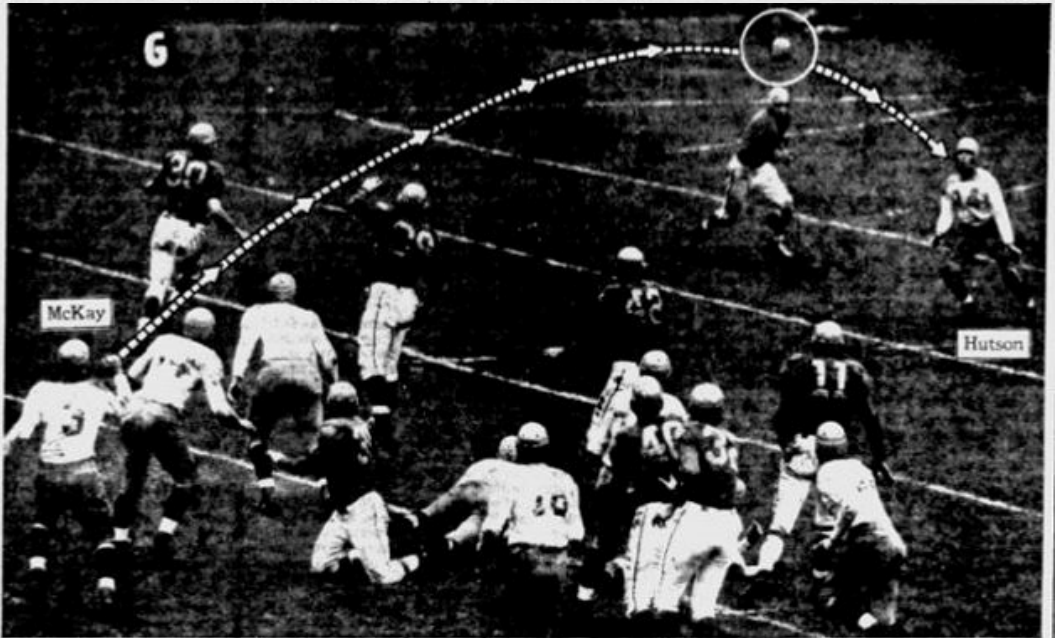
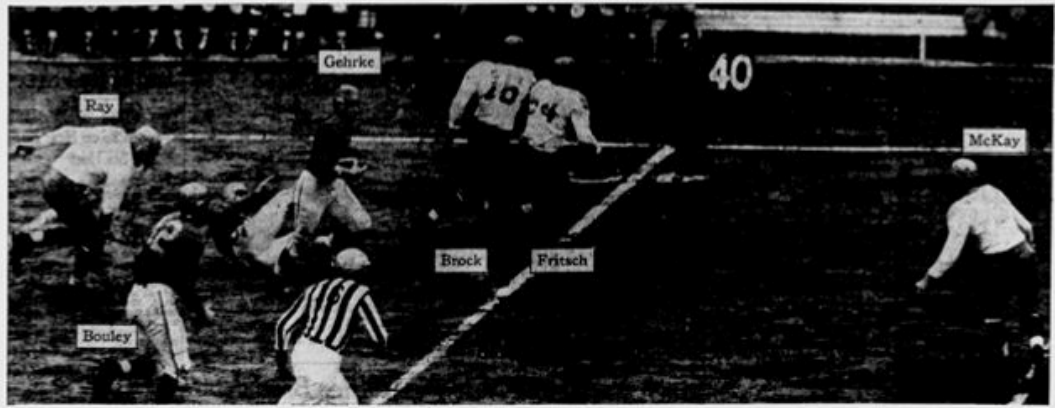
Cleveland team will do against the Chicago Cardinals, Detroit against New York, Pittsburgh against Philadelphia or the Chicago Bears against Washington. Their first objective - and worry, too - is a victory over the Yanks to stop their losing streak at two straight...**MUST DEFEAT YANKS:** Naturally, of course, if Cleveland's rampaging Rams and Detroit's roaring Lions are defeated in their games, the situation for the Packers will have brightened somewhat. Each has lost a single game and defeats Sunday would give them two, making Green Bay's margin out of first place a single game, providing they lick the Yanks. Until this happens, however, the Packers will go on the assumption that the now deadlocked leaders in the Western half of the league are likely to be victorious, with the first break coming when the Rams visit Detroit for a Thanksgiving day contest. Meanwhile, to keep from dropping into the second division, the Packers must duplicate their previous edge over the Beantown gang...**GOOD PRACTICES HELD:** Coach Curly Lambeau, who met the team in Chicago this afternoon, feels that the double lacing absorbed by the squad has had its proper effect. He described Wednesday's and Thursday's workouts as "among the best of the year" and expressed the hope that the spirit shown would be carried over to next Sunday and succeeding Sundays against the New York Giants and Detroit. The squad is in fair physical condition.

Halfback Bruce Smith, injured against the Rams, probably will see some action against the Yanks and Bob Adkins, who has been shifting from the backfield into the line, will be ready despite a bruised shoulder. Boston reports say that the Yanks are also in good physical shape and they are itching for the opportunity to avenge the 38-14 licking they took in Milwaukee. The Packers will leave Boston Monday morning for the Westchester County club in Rye, N.Y., 35 miles from New York City. They'll work out there without letup until the day before going into the metropolis for their annual classic with the Giants before another sellout crowd.

### HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT WINS FOR GREEN BAY PACKERS

NOV 17 (Boston) - In the history of the NFL there probably never was a screwier advance sale of tickets than for tomorrow's game at Fenway Park. There has been a brisk rush for the least advantageous seats in the ball park - those far back in the grandstand. And

late comers will pluck the choice seats close to the field. Hah. This is not puzzling to Mr. Peter Shannon and other members of the Yanks' front office force. Yanks patrons have suffered through (1) a tropical cloudburst and (2) a premature December blizzard on the occasions of the contests with the Redskins and Lions here. Fearing that Mr. Ted Collins, the proprietor of the Yanks, is under the impost of a meteorological hex, the patrons insist upon watching Don Hutson of the Packers in comfort this time. This explains the unprecedented hue and cry for seats far back under the rook, and why, on a shiny day, last minute clients will pluck off all the choice seats. Ain't that somethin'?...PACKER FOLLOWERS STILL HAVE HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT: The success of the Packers is due to this: They're the pride and joy of Green Bay, Wis. The smallest community in the NFL, Green Bay, Wis., backs the Packers like Saugus swarms to the support of its football team. Packers are really community property. The club is the only one in the league owning its own stadium (capacity 24,500). Packers are one of three charter members (Bears, Chi. Cards) remaining in the league. Green Bay business houses kept the team afloat during at least one financial crisis long ago. The president of the Green Bay Glass Company is a former Packers q.b. - Charlie Mathys. Don Hutson operates a bowling alley there. A victory over Bears is celebrated in Green Bay likes Medford goes beserk after beating Malden. And the Packers have never had a coach other than Curly Lambeau since their inception in 1919. A very loyal "alumni" at Green Bay, says me!...Hutson is an actor, the Hudson is a stream; But Hutson catches passes like something in a dream. Every time he scores a point or catches a pass Don Hutson of the Packers makes a new league record. He is the "Mel Ott" of pro football. Although he is 33 and has a yen to retire, the old Alabama end is such a football immortal that not only Green Bay, but the league, will suffer through his retirement. He has scored in the vicinity of 750 points in 11 seasons, playing end, a league record that may never be matched by even a great halfback. Dixie Howell was at the other end of the battery when Don played at Alabama. Arnie Herber and Cecil Isbell made history pitching to Hutson with the Packers. Isbell, now the Purdue head coach, hurled touchdown passes in 23 consecutive games (league record), mostly to Hutson...In its 26th season as a pro football power, Green Bay's most prolific scoring spree was the 87-0



Completely fooled on this play (top), Lou Brock and Ted Fritsch of the Green Bay Packers have their backs turned to Fred Gehrke of the Rams as he gets away for 72 yards and a touchdown in Sunday's National Football league game at Cleveland. The Rams pulled this play the first time they got the ball, with Bob Waterfield lateraling to Gehrke. Gil Bouley took out Bob

McKay, the last Packer barring the way. A few minutes later, Gehrke ran 42 yards for the Rams' second touchdown. The bottom picture shows a Packer pass which almost scored a touchdown. McKay threw to Don Hutson, but the Bay end was downed on the two yard line, and in four downs the Packers lost ground. Cleveland won, 20-7. —Journal Staff

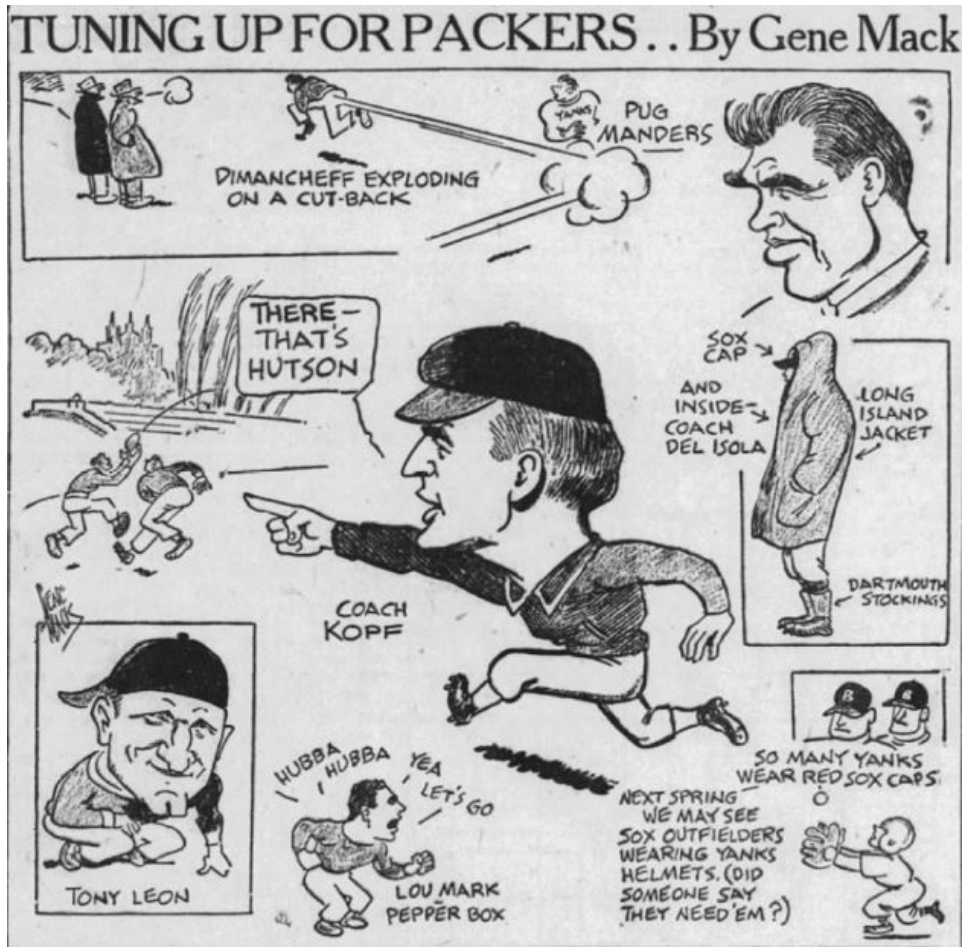


track meet it held with Sheboygan (no jokes, pls.) in 1919. That same season it plastered Oshkosh (also no jokes, pls.) by 85-0. The Packers are synonymous with offensive football. They really are a hungry horde for those points. Best proof of this: Only thrice in the last ten years have they needed a point conversion to win a league game. Epic in reversals was last year's set of games with the Bears - Chi. Bears, 21-0; Green Bay, 42-28. Bears hold a 27-20 edge on Packers in games since 1921, with five ties. Although Don Huston scored 29 points in one period vs. Lions this year, Packers' high-powered effort was by Weert Engelman in '31. He scored three t.ds., in four minutes, flat!

**PACKERS HOLD FINAL PRACTICE IN BOSTON TODAY FOR SUNDAY GAME**

NOV 17 (Boston) - A fighting mood pervaded the Packers camp today and they had made up their minds to snap a two-game losing streak against the Boston Yanks Sunday afternoon at Fenway park before a crowd of 20,000 who will watch the Wisconsin eleven in their first appearance in this historic city since 1937. The kickoff is at 1 o'clock Central Standard Time and will be broadcast by Station WTMJ at Milwaukee. Although much of the conversation on the trip here dealt with the wreck of the Commodore Vanderbilt which left Chicago just behind the train carrying the Packers, the more earnest talk was about Sunday's contest. The Bays exhibited a feeling that only a victory will help redeem them for successive losses to the Bears and Cleveland. There are other reasons, too. There is a possibility that the Cleveland eleven may stumble over the

Chicago Cardinals and that Detroit will run into tough going against the New York Giants. Defeats for both of the two present leaders of the Western division and a victory by Green Bay would give the Packers a fair chance of going into the stretch...EXPECT STIFF OPPOSITION: Lambeau reminded that the players that the Yanks will be set to put up "their best game of the year to prevent their dropping into the second division." Added to this was the fact that at least two Packers probably won't see action. They are halfback Bruce Smith, who injured his neck last Sunday, and fullback Chuck Sample who pulled a muscle in practice. This will put the brunt of fullbacking duties on Ted Fritsch. Lambeau expressed modified approval of the spirit shown by the players and believes that they may get their running and passing attacks working at high speed Sunday for the first time in some weeks. The Packers can expect to find a stiff defense thrown at them by the Yanks who have a chance to improve their third place position in the East division.



handily, 38-14, but that perhaps is no criterion of what may happen Sunday. The backfield of the Yanks including such stars as Johnny Martin, John Grigas, Ace Parker and Pug Manders did not show the strength they are capable of in the Milwaukee game nor was Boston's stout line headed by veterans Augie Lio, George Sergienko, Tony Leon and Don Curriuan able to stop the Packer thrusts. Since that time, however, they have had more time to assimilate the system of Coach Herb Kopf and added strength came from several returned servicemen. The Bays' defense will be charged with stopping Kopf's somewhat famed "Q-T" formation, a combination of the single wing and "T". Coaches Lambeau and Walt Kiesling have worked hard all wee on defensive and blocking and tackling. The final workout before the game was held this morning in Fenway park...STARTS SAME LINEUP: Lambeau indicated he would start the same lineup used in previous games with ends Clyde Goodnight and Nolan Luhn, tackles Baby Ray and Paul Lipscomb, guards Charley Tollefson and Pete Tinsley, and center Charley Brock. The backfield will include Larry Craig, Fritsch, Lou Brock and either Roy McKay or Irv Comp. The Packers learned en route to Boston about the wreck of the Commodore Vanderbilt of the New York Central system. The train left the La Salle street station at 1:30 Friday the same time as the "New England States", carrying the ball club.



Twenty-two fans were injured, none of them seriously, when temporarily carry another out of the park (circles) during the Rams-Packer professional football game Sunday. One of the injured is placed on a stretcher as police

carry another out of the park (circle). Seven of the 22 persons hurt were taken to hospitals, but in no case were the injuries of a critical nature. (AP wirephoto.)

Traveling only three minutes behind the Packers' train the deluxe Chicago-New York flier hit a split rail the Packers' train had just passed, left the curve and was a mass of wreckage. A freight then piled into the Commodore wreckage.

### **PACKERS FACE YANKS, TEAM IN GOOD SHAPE**

NOVEMBER 18 (Milwaukee Journal) - There isn't much more for the Green Bay Packers to shoot for this football season, but what little there is, they will try to bag in the return game with the Boston Yankees at Fenway park in Boston Sunday. This little that remains within their reach, after having been humbled by the Bears and Rams on the last two weekends, is second place in the western end of the league which carries with it a small share of the players' cut in the championship playoff. It isn't much, but it might buy a Christmas tree. The Packers find themselves in a strange position as they go into the last lap of the race. Any chance for the championship has just about disappeared. They are two games off the pace, set jointly at the moment by the Cleveland Rams and Detroit Lions, and they need almost miraculous assistance from several different quarters to catch either or both of the leaders. Second place, though, lies within their reach if they can come through in their last three games. The Rams and Lions will meet in what may well be the championship game in this end of the league on Thanksgiving day, which will take care of one of the two games by which the Packers trail, and they themselves will then have another shot at the Lions in the last game of the season two weeks hence. If everything works out right, if the Rams can beat the Lions and if they in turn can do the same, they can tie for second place. It isn't much of an incentive for a club used to going down to the last game, or so, before it is counted out, if counted out at all, but it is enough to give the club more fire than Curly Lambeau dared hope for after the beating in Cleveland last Sunday. The Packers were actually in high spirits as they passed through here Friday. The championship pressure was off for one thing, and the bit of housecleaning during the week, in which Don Perkins, Forrest McPherson and Mike Bucchanieri were dropped, had patently had a salutary effect. "We'll win them all from here on in," Lambeau commented. "We hit a dead spot in midseason, but we're out of it now." The new hopes also stemmed partly from the improved physical condition of the club. Irv Comp and Roy McKay both were almost fully recovered from the bad beatings they took from the Bears two weeks ago and were ready to run again. Against Cleveland they were badly handicapped. Despite the ease with which the Packers beat the Yankees in the first game this season, at State Fair park, Green Bay ruled only a seven point choice in the return meeting. Boston, like Green Bay, still has only an outside mathematical chance for the title. Sunday's game in Boston will be one of a full schedule of five. In others, the Rams will meet the Cardinals in Chicago, Detroit will play the Giants in New York,



the Bears will face Washington in Washington and Pittsburgh will go against the Eagles in Philadelphia. Detroit, Washington, Philadelphia and Cleveland all are favorites.

### DON HUTSON DROPS PASSES, BUT ONLY DURING PRACTICE

NOV 18 (Boston) - In practice he looked almost like a bum. He dropped one forward pass. Another sped unchallenged over his head. If a visitor hadn't pointed him out, fans at the Fens Stadium yesterday afternoon wouldn't have known they were watching the ablest pass-snatcher football has known. For the chap who dropped the pass, in practice, was Don Hutson. Boston saw Thorpe and Mahan in their prime. This afternoon at Fenway Park, it sees Hutson for a second time. He has played 16 years of football, the last 11 in the rock 'em and sock 'em NFL. On numerous occasions he has attempted to retire. Yet the 32-year old lineman scored 29 points in one blazing period this season against the Detroit Lions. This afternoon he plays end for the Green Bay Packers against the Boston Yanks. Last time he was here he played against the Boston Redskins. "It was in 1936," Hutson remarked yesterday, "and I remember it well because we were behind all the way. Riley Smith, who went to school with me at Alabama, kicked a field goal for Boston early in the game. They were ahead of us until we got a touchdown late in the game." How did Green Bay get it?" we asked. It wasn't Hutson, but Walter Kiesling - bulging line coach - who answered, "Herber threw one to Hutson," said Kiesling, briefly. "The score was 7 to 3..."

**CAUGHT A FEW PASSES:** A pleasant, unassuming gent - tall and almost skinny in build - Hutson half-lazed through practice. Assistant coach in charge of the backs and ends - as well as end on the team himself - Hutson first put the entire squad through calisthenics and bending exercises. He caught a few passes and kicked a few 35-yard placekicks, just enough to keep in his hand, then devoted most of his time to his two "freshman" end pupils - blond Clyde Goodnight and towering Nolan Luhn. Goodnight and Luhn, ends last autumn for Tulsa U., will start against the Yanks this afternoon. Hutson, their coach and idol, will go into the game as the sub of each. After practice Hutson - the end who has scored more points and more touchdowns than any back in pro football history - chatted while with a Globe man and skimmed over his athletic career. "As a kid in Pine Bluff, Ark. - a town of about 25,000 on the Arkansas River, 60 miles up from the Mississippi - I dreamed of being a big league baseball player. I always had a baseball in my hand. I played on the high school baseball team four years. But I was too small for football in high school. I never went out for it til my senior year." But Huston's father had been an end before him - his dad had played end for a small college in Kansas - and, that last year in high school, the younger Hutson also became an end. But on graduating from high school, Don left Arkansas and enrolled as a student at the University of Alabama. There's a touch of sadness in Hutson's voicer as he speaks of his failure to become a pro baseball success. "I played the outfield four years for Alabama - we had a shortstop named Jim Tabor one year - and I put in two seasons in pro baseball. I spent one year in the Cotton States League and one with Albany in the International League. After the year at Albany, I came to the conclusion I wasn't food enough for the big league. I hit .270 at Albany, and after that season I quit." But while his long-cherished baseball dreams resulted in failure, they were replaced by a series of football achievements unequaled by an end in the history of the game.

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### NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

**Western Division**

Cleveland	6	1	0	.857	161	87
Detroit	6	1	0	.857	146	128
GREEN BAY	4	3	0	.571	204	145
Chicago Bears	1	6	0	.145	115	180
Chicago Cards	1	7	0	.125	57	165

**Eastern Division**

Washington	5	1	0	.833	140	84
Philadelphia	4	2	0	.667	170	88
Boston Yanks	3	3	1	.500	109	128
Pittsburgh	2	5	0	.286	66	138
New York	1	4	1	.200	102	123

**Sunday's Games**

GREEN BAY AT BOSTON YANKS  
 Chicago Bears at Washington.  
 Cleveland at Chicago Cardinals.  
 Detroit at New York.  
 Pittsburgh at Philadelphia.

**Last Sunday's Results**

CLEVELAND 20, GREEN BAY 7.  
 Detroit 35, Chicago Bears 28.  
 Pittsburgh 23, Chicago Cardinals 0.  
 Philadelphia 38, New York 17.  
 Washington 34, Boston Yanks 7.

**The Probable Lineups**

<b>PACKERS</b>	<b>YANKS</b>
Goodnight, le	le, Masterson
Ray, lt	lt, Sergienko
Tollefson, lg	lg, Lio
C. Brock, c	c, Smith
Tinsley, rg	rg, Leon
Lipscomb, rt	rt, Doherty
Luhn, re	re, Curriuan
Craig, qb	qb, Cafego
Comp, lhb	lhb, Grigas
L. Brock, rhb	rhb, Martin
Fritsch, fb	fb, Manders

Game time: 1 p. m. Central Standard  
 Time. Broadcast: Station WTMJ, Milwaukee.

# Packers Hold Final Practice in Boston Today for Sunday Game

## CLEVELAND RAMS



**DON GREENWOOD—Back**



**FLOYD KONETSKY—End**



**HARVEY JONES—Back**



**RILEY MATHESON—Guard**



**MILAN LAZETICH—Guard**



**FRED GEHRKE—Back**



**STEVE PRITKO—End**



**PAT WEST—Back**



**BOB WATERFIELD—Back**



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**GREEN BAY PACKERS**

Starting Lineup

LE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	RE
Goodnight 23	Ray 44	Sorenson 37	C. Brock 29	Tinsley 21	Lipcomb 47	Luhn 38

QB  
Craig 54

LHB	RHB
Comp 51	FB Fritsch 64
Laws 24	

SQUAD LIST

3 McKay, b	27 Barnett, t	51 Comp, b
7 Mason, e	29 C. Brock, c	52 Snelling, b
8 Mosley, b	35 Sorenson, g	54 Craig, b
14 Hutson, e	39 Flowers, e	58 Neal, t
16 L. Brock, b	38 Lahn, e	63 Starret, b
17 Bucchianeri, g	42 Smith, b	64 Fritsch, b
18 Knauer, b	43 Goldanberg, g	72 McPherson, t
19 Mulleneaux, e	44 Ray, t	75 Croft, t
21 Tinsley, g	45 Kuusisto, g	76 Crimmins, g
22 Pannell, t	46 Tolleson, g	79 Adkins, b
23 Goodnight, e	47 Lipcomb, t	
24 Laws, b	48 Perkins, b	

**CLEVELAND RAMS**

Starting Lineup

LE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	RE
Benton 49	Schultz 40	Matheson 11	Seary 39	Lazetich 27	Bouley 42	Pritko 30

QB  
Waterfield 7

LHB	RHB
Gehrke 18	Greenwood 66
	Gillette 24

SQUAD LIST

7 Waterfield, b	22 Bernard, b	39 Seary, e
10 Nemeth, b	24 Gillette, b	40 Schultz, t
11 Matheson, g	25 Winkler, c	41 Lear, t
12 Jones, b	26 Reiser, b	42 Bouley, t
15 Harding, c	27 Lazetich, g	43 Eason, t
16 Zimsky, b	30 Pritko, e	44 Hamilton, e
17 Liba, g	31 Mergenthal, g	48 Siksch, t
18 Gehrke, b	32 Shaw, e	49 Benton, e
19 Koch, b	34 Colella, b	53 Hickey, c
20 Rothstrom, b	36 West, b	64 Levy, g
	38 Konetsky, e	66 Greenwood, b



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