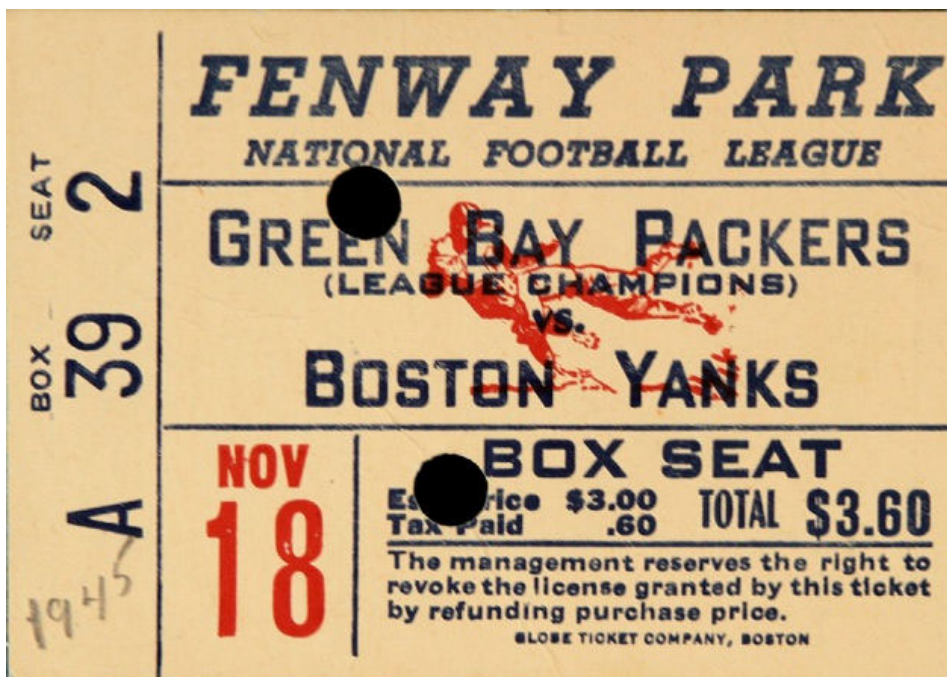


Green Bay Packers (5-3) 28, Boston Yanks (1-5-1) 0  
Sunday November 18th 1945 (at Boston)

**Packers Win, 28-0**  
**Sharp Defensive Play Holds**  
**Boston Scoreless; Spirit Is**  
**Praised by Coach Lambeau**

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)



(BOSTON) - Bouncing back from two straight defeats, the Green Bay Packers throttled the running and passing of the Boston Yanks here Sunday afternoon and uncorked their best offensive performance in four weeks to win going away, 28-0. The biggest crowd of the year, 33,000, watched the Packers combine ground and aerial work for three touchdowns in the first half and one on the opening play of the last period in Fenway Park. The shutout was the first hung on the Yanks this year and came about through sharp defensive play by the Packers. Several times possible home team threats were blasted by heads-up football by the Bays, who gave up only 31 yards on the ground and 36 in the air. Meanwhile, the Packers were rolling to 153 by

rushing and 109 by passing. In all departments, Green Bay outplayed the Yanks. Taking advantage of the breaks as they came their way led to three of the Packer touchdowns while a fourth was on a patented halfback Irv Comp to end Don Hutson pass from 14 yards out. In the second quarter two fumble recoveries and an intercepted pass led to the other three markers. Hutson kicked the four points after the score. The first was scored by halfback Lou Brock from the 16-yard line after tackle Paul Lipscomb recovered a Boston fumble on the 32, early in the first period. Bernie Crimmins, who had a field day at guard, romped over from the 13 in the second quarter after he had intercepted George Cafego's pass.

**GOODNIGHT IS ALERT**

The last touchdown came in the fourth period with Brock spinning over the middle from the nine after end Clyde Goodnight recovered Scott Gudmundson's fumble there. Several other times the Packers were in pay territory but couldn't push it over as the strong Boston forward wall held for downs. But, in the main, the Yanks didn't belong in the same park with the Bays Sunday. As Coach Curly Lambeau remarked after the contest. "The boys seemed as if they wanted to play football today

and they played. They had lots of spirit. Our running and passing games were working and defensively there was little more we could ask for." Lambeau singled out Crimmins for his defensive play but hastened to add "everyone played good ball." Lou Brock's running stood out for the first time this season and he had ample help from Ted Fritsch and Roy McKay in the backfield. Crimmins, Larry Craig, at defensive end, Paul Lipscomb, Goodnight and Nolan Luhn were most frequently in the Yanks' backfield, aided by Ernie Pannell, Baby Ray, Ben Starrett and Charley Brock. For the Yanks, the running of Babe Dimancheff of Purdue was a highlight. The Boston passing combination of Gudmonson or Davis to end Don Currivan never did get started nor could Johnny Grigas or Ned Mathews or Pug Manders slip past the Packers' line for anything that resembled dangerous yardage. That is revealed in the rushing statistics.

#### **SET HOPES HIGH**

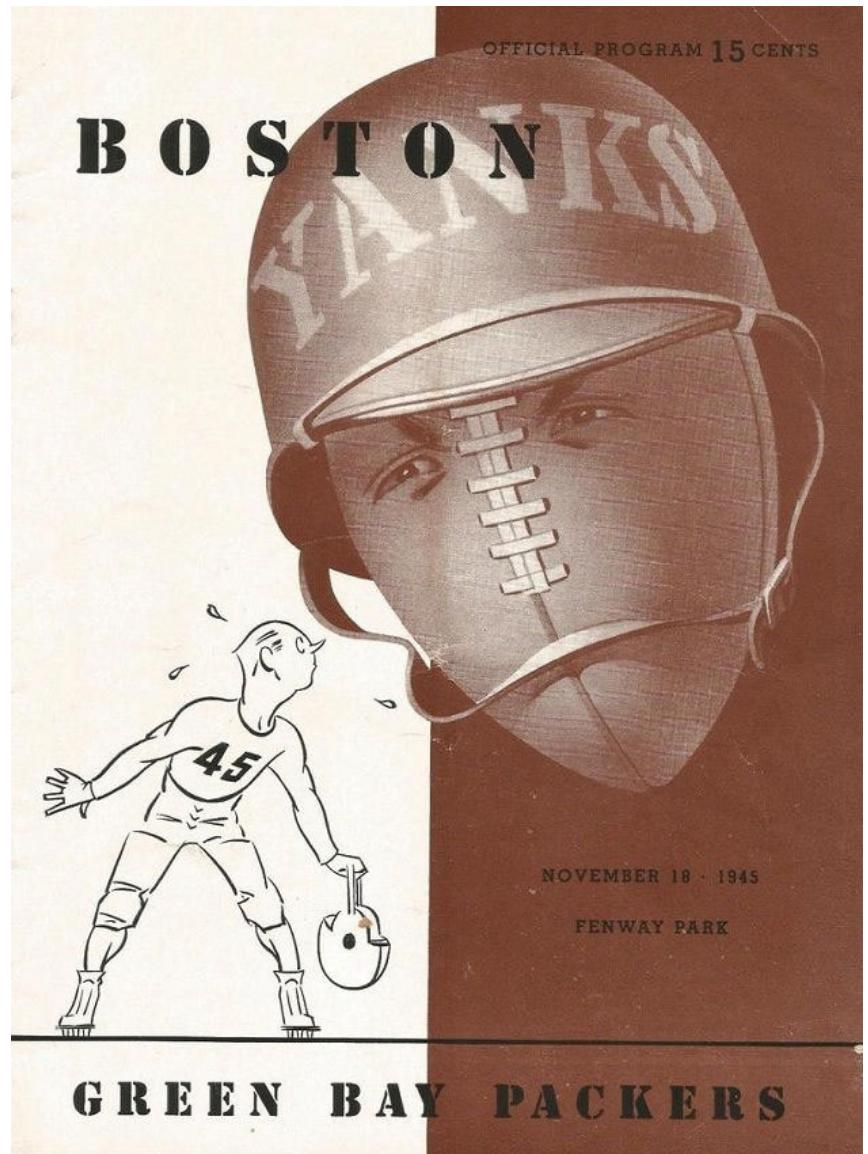
The victory set the Packer hopes high for next Sunday's encounter against the New York Giants who dished out a heap of trouble to Detroit's Lions Sunday. While the Bays' chances for a pennant are slim they can redeem themselves by knocking off the Giants, and Detroit the following Sabbath, for no worse than a second place in the Western division standings. The Packers' first opportunity came three plays after the kickoff when Joe Laws intercepted a Yank pass on the 35 and returned it to the 32. Two passes and a running play failed and Fritsch attempted a field goal from the Boston 45, but the kick was low. The Yanks picked up 12 yards before Lipscomb recovered Cafego's fumble on the 29.

#### **BROCK 13 YARDS**

Lou Brock ripped off 13 yards on a spinner and, on the same play, took the ball over the middle to the end zone. Hutson's kick was good to put Green Bay ahead, 7-0, four minutes after the opening whistle. It was the only score in the period, when practically all the play was in Boston territory. Shortly before the end of the quarter, Laws fumbled on a punt on the midfield stripe and the Packers pushed them back to the 36. After the punt, Davis intercepted McKay's pass on the 22 as the period ended. Most of the second quarter was a punting duel with each side kicking three times before anything began to happen. The Packers took over on their own 22 and moved to the Boston 40 before three unsuccessful passes forced another kick. Two passes, McKay to Hutson and Comp to Luhn, featured the advance. After McKay's punt out of bounds on the Boston 8, the second Packer touchdown occurred fast. After one running play, Cafego went back to pass. Crimmins, who dropped out of the line on defense, took the ball on the dead run on the 13 and raced over untouched. Hutson's kick made it 14-0. The Yanks attempted to come back. Ned Mathews returned the kickoff 28 yards to the Boston 47. A pass from Gudmondson to Mathews was ruled completed on the Packer 36 for interference by Ken Keuper of the Bays. Two passes failed and a third brought the ball to the 31. Luhn then dropped Gudmondson on the 41 and Boston lost possession.

#### **46-YARD DASH**

A running play lost a yard. The Packers uncorked an infrequently used pass play, Comp to Lou Brock. Lou grabbed the ball just inside the sidelines on the 30 and ripped to the 14 before he was stopped. The dash was for 46 yards. On the first down, Comp pitched a strike to Hutson in the end zone as Davis and Dimancheff attempted to cover Don, but uselessly. Eight seconds showed on the clock as Hutson's point after put Green Bay ahead, 21-0. The third quarter was marked by fast play that helped to establish a game record of two hours and 10 minutes. The Packers went from their 21 to the Boston 31, but the drive failed. Shortly after, Joel Mason blocked Ken Steinmetz's punt. Hutson recovered the ball first and fumbled, and



then Mason fell on it on the Boston 19. Three plays put it back on the 20, from where Fritsch tried another field goal, three plays after the fourth period started. The kick was partially blocked by three Yanks and rolled into the end zone, where a Yank fell on it for what the officials ruled a touchback, giving Boston possession on the 20. The Yanks pushed to the 46 but lost yardage to the 34 on tackles by Ray and Luhn. Gudmondson's punt went out on the three and Green Bay put on its most sustained drive to the 24, but only to lose the ball. The spurt sparked by Fritsch's 32-yard dash.

**BROCK SPOILS PASS**

After McKay punted out on the Yanks 21, a running play lost a yard and Brock knocked down a pass. Gudmondson, attempting to run, was blasted by Lipscomb. The Yank player fumbled and Goodnight recovered on the nine. The same play clicked again and Brock went over the middle to the end zone. Hutson's kick was good to end the scoring. Neither team did anything in the remaining three minutes and 30 seconds.

**GREEN BAY - 7 14 0 7 - 28**

**BOSTON - 0 0 0 0 - 0**

**SCORING**

- 1ST - GB - Lou Brock, 16-yard run (Don Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 7-0
- 2ND - GB - Ben Crimmins, 13-yard interception return (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 14-0
- 2ND - GB - Hutson, 14-yard pass from Irv Comp (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 21-0
- 4TH - GB - Brock, 9-yard run (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 28-0

# They're Back!

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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	W	L	T	Pct	PS	OP
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**Sunday's Games**  
**GREEN BAY 28, BOSTON 0.**  
 Washington 28, Chicago Bears 21.  
 Philadelphia 30, Pittsburgh 6.  
 New York 35, Detroit 14.  
 Cleveland 35, Chicago Cards 21.

**This Week's Games**  
 Thursday—(Thanksgiving)  
 Cleveland at Detroit.  
 Sunday  
**GREEN BAY AT NEW YORK.**  
 Washington at Philadelphia.  
 Pittsburgh at Chicago Bears.

<b>PACKERS</b>	<b>YANKS</b>
Goodnight, le	ie, Masterson
Pannell, lt	lt, Sergienko
Sorenson, lg	lg, Lio
C. Brock, c	c, Smith
Tinsley, rg	rg, Leon
Lipscomb, rt	rt, Doherty
Mason, re	re, Currivan
Craig, qb	qb, Cafego
Laws, lhb	lhb, Grigas
Comp, rhh	rhh, Davis
Keuper, fb	fb, Manders

**Replacements**  
 Green Bay: Ends — Hutson, Luhn. Tackles—Neal, Barnett. Guards—Crimmins, Kuusisto. Center—Flowers. Backs —Mosley L. Brock, McKay, Starret, Fritsch.  
 Boston: Ends — Ranspot, Crowley, Anderson. Tackles — Deeks, McGee. Guards — Walker, Ray, Morelli, Jones, Fiorentino. Centers — Mark, McGee. Backs—Mathews, Steinmetz, Gudmondson, Parker, Dimancheff, McCullough, Duhart, Micka.

**Score By Periods**  
 Green Bay ..... 7 14 0 7—28  
 Boston ..... 0 0 0 0—0

**The Scoring**  
 Green Bay: Touchdowns—L. Brock (sub for Laws) 2, Hutson (sub for Goodnight), Crimmins (sub for Tinsley). Points after touchdowns—Hutson 4 (placements).

**The Statistics**

	Green Bay	Boston
First downs	11	5
Yards gained rushing	153	21
Forward passes attempted	19	14
Forward passes completed	7	4
Yards by forward passing	109	36
Yards gained intercepted passes	13	0
Punting average (from scrimmage)	37	38
Total yards all kicks returned	28	195
Opponent's fumbles recovered	2	1
Penalty yardage	77½	5

# Bays in Good Shape For New York Game

## Team Settles Down at Country Club Near Rye to Prepare for Giant Fracas

**BAYS IN GOOD SHAPE FOR NEW YORK GAME**

NOV 20 (Rye, NY) - All but the slightest resemblance to their title chance blasted by Cleveland's victory Sunday, the Green Bay Packers today began work for next Sunday's traditional battle against the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds. While they have not yet given up hope that some form of catastrophe will hit the Rams, the Packers are dead on giving the rebounding Giants a taste of offensive and defensive football such as they handed Boston last Sunday. The team, headed by

Line Coach Walt Kiesling, settled down at the Westchester Country club in this suburban New York village Monday. They will remain here until a week from Friday when they travel to Detroit to finish their regular season against the Lions. Their attention will be riveted on football during their stay since the secluded spot, a short bike from town, offers few diversionary activities...GIANTS NO PUSHOVER: That's probably all to the good because the Giants, paced by a youngster, Junior Hovious, gave evidence against Detroit last Sunday that they will be no pushover. At the same time, however, the Bays were ripping Boston's line to shreds and playing probably their best defensive game of the year in a contest that was more lopsided than the 28-0 count indicates. Whether what has proved to be an in-and-out team all year can apply the pressure two weeks in a row remains to be seen. The only chance the Packers have for better than second in the Western division revolves around Cleveland's remaining contests with Detroit on Thanksgiving day and the finale against the Boston Yanks Dec. 2. Should the Rams lose those two while the Packers win both of their games, the teams would be tied for first place. It seems hardly likely, however, that this could be and the Packers now are interested mainly in dropping New York and Detroit for a sure second place. The squad came out of the Boston fracas with no injuries although they had blocked and tackled viciously. Coach Curly Lambeau, in New York Monday to address the weekly meeting of the Football Writers' association, perhaps put it pointedly, saying, "When everybody plays hard, clean football, injuries are less likely to happen." Curly, incidentally, was happy about the play of everybody against the Yanks although he has not yet given up his principal objective for 1946, "a rebuilding of the squad to provide driving spirit that will carry over from game to game." The only hurts against the Yanks were received by backs Larry Craig and Joe Laws. Craig, who lost a tooth in the first Bear game, has a denture knocked out and Laws was kicked on the right side of his face and had a few teeth loosened but neither injury will keep them from action against the Giants...OTHERS NOW IN SHAPE: Three others will be in shape, backs Bruce Smith, Bob Adkins and Chuck Sample. Smith's neck injury sustained at Cleveland is responding to treatment and he might've seen action Sunday if needed. Adkins' shoulder is also curing and Sample's pulled leg muscle is nearly normal. They all worked out in today's "running" practice. Heavy work begins Wednesday with double drills

## George Halas Set To Resume Duties With Chi-Bears

CHICAGO — (U.P.) — Cmdr. George Halas, just returned from extended service in the Pacific, was scheduled to arrive home today to resume his duties as owner-coach of the Chicago Bears of the National Football league.

Halas filed his final Navy report in Washington during the week end and will check in at Great Lakes Friday for discharge processing. He will take over as boss of the Bears' organization immediately.

During his three-year absence, the Bears slipped from first place to next to last, principally because most of their top players went into the service along with Halas. Two of them came back last week end,

with the ball club for years, had only one bad moment so far. It occurred when the bus scheduled to take the team from Fenway Park in Boston to the hotel got snarled in traffic and was an hour late.

### LAMBEAU LAUGHING ABOUT ALL THESE NEW HUTSON IN LEAGUE

NOV 20 (New York) - Coach E.L. (Curly) Lambeau of the Green Bay Packers smiled complacently Monday about reports of all these "new Don Hutsons" currently catching passes on the professional football airways. "It tickles me to read about all these new Hutsons," said Lambeau. "It seems every team has one. Don Currivan with the Boston Yanks, Lou Ferrante of Philadelphia and Jim Benton of Cleveland, to name just a few. They must finally think Hutson is ready to retire. What is giving all these clubs the idea that Hutson is going to retire?" Curly added that Bruce Smith, late of Minnesota, is "probably the best all-around back we ever had." He also passed along some posies to the Chicago Bears for "coming up with a new play every year you play them". "You know," he related, "when one or two men on any team get offside, it's noticeable. When every player but the quarterback and center gets offside, you can't notice it so much. Well, that's the Bears' new play this year. They scored on us with it."

### Laws Win & Lose

The Laws family won and lost over the week end. Joe, veteran Packer signal caller, had quite a hand in the 28 to 0 victory over Boston, but his wife wasn't so fortunate.

While shopping on Washington street Saturday afternoon, she lost her purse, which had \$25 in it along with her driver's license. The Laws' live at 1120 Chicago street.

Wednesday with double drills scheduled. The trip east to Boston and thence to Westchester was uneventful except for the fact that nobody could resist talking about last Friday's narrow miss of the train wreck outside South Bend, Ind. The squad is in high spirits, not dampened any by fullback Ted Fritsch's antics. Most the team saw the rodeo in Boston Sunday night. Halfback Roy McKay, a native Texan, had several cowhand friends in the show. The trip was conducted by Ed Crim, Green Bay passenger agent of the Milwaukee road. Crim, who has traveled

## **BILL PASCHAL, LEADING GAINER IN 1943-'44, TO PLAY LAST THREE NL TILTS**

NOV 20 (New York) - Bill Paschal, the NFL's leading ground gainer in 1943 and 1944, will rejoin the New York Giants today for the last three games on the pro team's schedule. Although still in the Army, the halfback will be available for Sunday's game here with the Green Bay Packers and expects to play with the Giants against Philadelphia here Dec. 2 and at Washington the following week. In his only appearance with the Giants this season, Paschal gained 143 yards against the Cleveland Rams, 11 of them on one touchdown run.

# **Bays Are 'Quiz Kids' For New York Press**

## **Writers and Photographers Descend On Rye, N. Y. Camp for Packer Color**

### **BAYS ARE 'QUIZ KIDS' FOR NEW YORK PRESS**

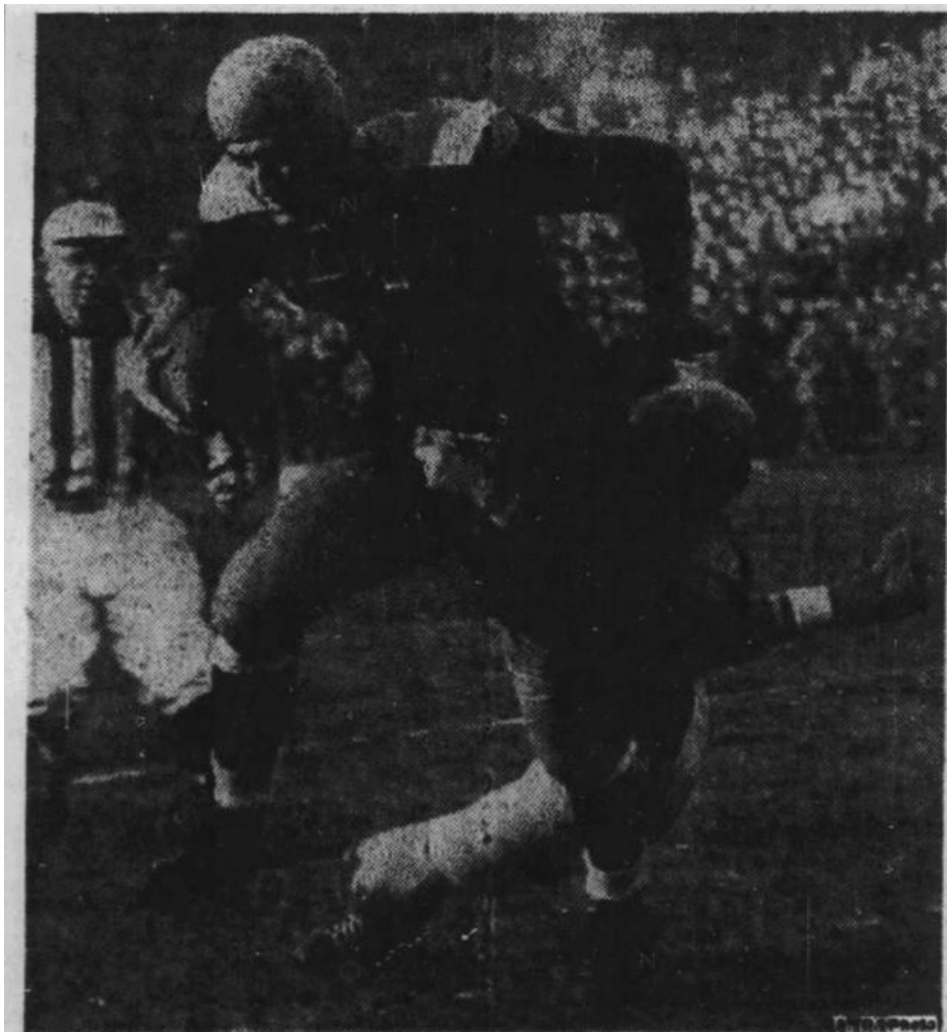
NOV 21 (Rye, NY) - The Green Bay Packers were "quiz kids" Tuesday as a swarm of New York newspapermen and photographers swooped down on the Westchester Country club to find out what makes the big team from the little town out west click. Incidental was the fact Tuesday that the Packers have a tough hurdle next Sunday in New York's rapidly improving Giants. The press corps made its annual visit to the team, which spent most of the morning drill posing for pictures and answering questions about this and that - as long as it pertained to football. Later on, the New Yorkers were guests of Coach Curly Lambeau at luncheon and the conversation ran the gamut from "Why aren't the Packers on top this year?" to such other ticklish questions as "Could any professional football team beat Army's great ball club?" The latter question had been debated among the Packer squad all during the season. Naturally they all feel the pros would be able to beat the Army and could effectively stop the rushes of Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis. But it remained for end and assistant coach Don Hutson to speak up Tuesday. He said, "Any pro team could beat the Army," and surprisingly enough the writers were in 100 percent agreement with him...JUST THEORETICAL QUESTION: It was the old combination of experience and seasoning which the writers felt would make the difference in such a game, not that such a contest would ever be staged, making such predictions rather nebulous. The Packers, finished with their annual quiz, resumed worrying about the Giants, who will be fortified by the return of halfback Bill Paschal for Sunday's contest. Except for Hutson, who is always good "copy" in New York, the newsmen paid particular attention to such rookies as ends Clyde Goodnight and Nolan Luhn of Tulsa, halfback Bruce Smith of Minnesota and lineman Ernie Pannell and Bernie Crimmins, whose story about their work in the South Pacific as PT boat commanders bears frequent retelling. Smith, it developed, had never made an appearance in New York. He will see action next Sunday since a neck injury has just about healed and he will be ready for left halfback duty. The remainder of the squad is in excellent shape and is getting plenty of rest and relaxation in this suburban spot, away from the bright lights of the metropolis. The Packers are practicing on what normally is the club's polo field, a beautiful greenward...START HEAVY WORKOUTS: Following Tuesday morning's "Sunday football" session, Coach Lambeau emphasized that the remainder of the week would be given over to heavy workouts with two today and two on Thursday, despite the fact that the latter is Thanksgiving day and the Westchester chefs have prepared a menu of turkey and all the trimmings for the evening meal. The Packers will devote a good deal of time perfecting their defense for the running of Paschal, Ward Cuff, the former Marquette university great, Howie Livingston, Marion Pugh and George Franck, who teamed with the Packers' Smith at Minnesota in the era when the Golden Gophers were really golden. The Bays will also have to have their aerial defense working against the thrusts of a newcomer, Junior Hovious, who sparked the Giants to a 35-14 edge over Detroit last Sunday. Hovious completed ten of 19 pitches for 197 yards against the Lions. Not only that, but in 10 trips carrying, he lugged the ball 42 yards. Hovious definitely is the "comer" in the New York attack and Coach Steve Owen is considerably gratified with his find. In front of the Giants' backfield is a veteran line paced by the aged Mel

Hein, who does not seem to lose any of his effectiveness over the years. He is now in his fourteenth season. Several of the players, led by Ed (Atomic Bomb) Neal, swam about a half hour in the club pool Tuesday morning after the drill. Although from Texas, where water is scarce, Neal proved a good swimmer. Golfers on the squad toured the 18 hole layout today. The first of several strategy meetings was held today...**TRAINERS KEPT BUSY:** Trainer Bud Jorgenson and his assistant, Johnny Proski, are kept busy all day but particularly after practice giving rubdowns to prevent knotted muscles. Line Coach Walt Kiesling, Capt. Charley Brock and Hutson are indefatigable gin rummy players. Hutson is the admitted master at the game but he says he misses former guard Buckets Goldenberg, whom Don frequently "took" for a ride. The New York newsmen reported Red Smith, former Bay line coach, is busier than ever. He tutors the Giants line in the morning, and Columbia's forwards in the afternoon. Jimmy Crowley, former Green Bay East and Notre Dame star, lives about eight miles from the Westchester. He is kept busy with his work as commissioner of the new All-America conference. Crowley attended St. John's grammar school in Green Bay with Dr. H.F. Atkinson, the Packer physician.

**HUTSON, MCKAY LEAD LEAGUE IN SCORING, PUNTING FIGURES**

NOV 21 (Chicago) - Although he is only tossing for fun, quarterback Sid Luckman of the bedraggled Chicago Bears is headed for his first NFL passing title. Luckman, whose smooth tossing brewed the Bears into a wicked

Mickey Finn just a few years back, used to watch such flingers as Sammy Baugh and Frank Filchock of Washington and Cecil Isbell of Green Bay walk off with the league aerial championship. Now, with the Bears mired in their worst season since the league started 25 years ago, Luckman is setting the passing pace for Baugh and Cleveland's brilliant Bob Waterfield, whose respective teams are favored to win the sectional titles...**TOPPED BAUGH SUNDAY:** Luckman, who knows now how little Davey O'Brien used to feel throwing his arm out for the then lowly Philadelphia Eagles, whipped 19 completions, three for touchdowns, against Washington Sunday to wrest first place from Baugh in the passing column. Under the league's grading system, Luckman took the lead by tying Baugh in number of completions, 96, and topped him in yardage gained, 1,361 to 1,228, and in touchdown passes, 10 to 7. Baugh, however, has a better percentage of completions, .700 against .530, and has had only two passes intercepted, compared with seven errant Luckman tosses. Waterfield is third. The battle for individual ground gaining laurels still is a cozy race between Steve Van Buren of Philadelphia and Washington's Frank Akins. Van Buren has amassed 567 yards in 88 attempts, while Akins had 539 in 104...**HUTSON**



**FIRST DOWN FOR GREEN BAY—Green Bay back Irv Comp (51) is snaggged by Boston tackle George Sergienko after making a first down in first period at Fenway Park yesterday. Yanks bowed to the Packers, 28-0.**

**10 Points for Hutson!**

**Packers Crush Yanks, 28-0, Before 33,748**

TITLES CLINCHED: Don Hutson, Green Bay's "Old Man River" end, has all but clinched the scoring and pass receiving titles. His 89 points on 10 touchdowns and 29 conversions leave Van Buren far behind in second with 66. Hutson has caught 42 passes for 779 yards, compared with 32 receptions for 489 yards by runner-up Steve Bagarus of Washington. Other individual leaders: punting - Roy McKay, Green Bay, with a 40.8 average on 38 kicks; field goals - Ken Strong, New York, six attempts; punt returns - Dave Ryan, Detroit, 14.7 average on 15 returns; kickoff returns - J. Martin, Boston, 21.8 average on 13 returns; pass interceptions - Waterfield, Rams, six for 92 yards.

#### PACKER NOTES

NOV 21 (Milwaukee Journal) - A fistfight among Green Bay Packer players after the defeat at Cleveland was hushed up, but the story is getting around although details are lacking.

# Strong Giant Line Is Biggest Packer Worry

Team Has Tough Drill This Morning Before Sitting Down to Dinner; Bays Are Favored Again, Causing Lambeau to Caution Players

#### STRONG GIANT LINE IS BIGGEST PACKER WORRY

NOV 22 (Rye, NY) - While their families whittled at the Thanksgiving turkey and pumpkin pie, the Green Bay Packers spent the holiday morning in a 2 1/2 hour drill on offense and wondering what was going to happen in the important Western division contest between Cleveland and Detroit. Later on today, the Packers will make an onslaught on several turkeys the Westchester Country club chefs popped into the kitchen oven as the squad ran onto the practice field. The Packers probably would forget all about the turkey and "fixings" if the Lions come up with a victory over the first place Rams. Such a victory would keep alive their chances for a playoff..GIANTS ARE BIG WORRY: The Packers, from Coach Curly Lambeau on down, were not counting too much on such a course of events. Their principal worry now is the Giants, who Lambeau feels "will be way above their heads against us." He emphasized this Wednesday after a lengthy drill, during which several new defensive formations were polished. The squad's spirit pleased the head coach and caused Line Coach Walt Kiesling to describe it as "the best of the year". The Packer-Giant series is becoming somewhat of a traditional affair just a step behind the Green Bay-Chicago Bear rivalry. To date, the Packers hold a light edge of 12 victories to 11 with one deadlock..RESPECT FOR LINE: Lambeau, figuring the Giants' strength, said, "Their line has always outcharged us, with the exceptions of the three championship playoff games." This may not be the case next Sunday if the Packers show the same effort as they did against Boston. The Yanks were badly outcharged all afternoon. They could not get their running or passing attacks functioning. The Packers, as usual, are installed as favorites over the Giants in the metropolis. Coach Lambeau figures this is some kind of "sleeper" play. "Last year," he said, "we were favored by three touchdowns. This year we are not going to be fooled by these paper margins. We figure the Giants as a tough opponent. A team that has come up slowly, but surely. They reached a high point against the Lions and will be hot against us again."...TWO ARE AILING: Two players, fullback ted Fritsch and end Clyde Goodnight, were somewhat under the weather Tuesday night but showed up for practice Wednesday. Fritsch's appendix, which caused him some trouble two weeks ago, kicked up again and Goodnight had a slight cold and sore throat. Otherwise, nothing untoward has occurred although the boys did some yelling because they are not going to be allowed to eat pie at the end of tonight's turkey dinner.

Home attendance figures, championship games:

Team	Games	Attendance
New York	4	184,240
Washington	4	139,914
Boston Yanks	5	136,630
Chicago Bears	4	122,375
Philadelphia	4	117,660
Green Bay	5	112,699
Pittsburgh	5	95,765
Detroit	3	92,484
Cleveland	3	59,138
Chicago Cards	2	23,366

"Bad for ball players," Lambeau cautioned. The team will finish practice here Saturday morning and move into New York that afternoon. Headquarters will be in the Hotel New Yorker.

**PRO ATTENDANCE SETTING RECORD**

NOV 22 (Chicago) - Barring blizzards or drenching rainstorms the next three Sundays, every NFL attendance record will probably be tossed into the discard. The league office reported Wednesday that a total of 1,526,475 fans, an increase of 24.3 percent over last year, have attended all league games, including preseason exhibitions, this year. Of that number, some 1,0184,310 fans have watched the 29 championship games in the close pennant race. That figure is 14.5 percent above 1944. Total attendance for the pennant race now is by 104,306 short of the record of 1,188,616, set in 55 games in 1941, and there still are 11 games remaining before the interdivisional playoff. That year a special series against service teams for Army relief drew 453,652. Cleveland, Western division leader, also heads the attendance parade with 271,129 in eight league games and four exhibitions, an increase of 53 percent above the entire 1944 season. The Rams' home attendance of 59,138 for three games is 34 percent above the 1944 figure.

# Bays Determined to Clinch Second Place in Pro Race

Ram Victory Takes Edge Off Turkey Derby, But They're Set for Giants

**BAYS DETERMINED TO CLINCH SECOND PLACE IN PRO RACE**

NOV 23 (Rye, NY) - A mixture of determination and disappointment wreathed the faces of the Green Bay Packers today. They knew that Cleveland had blasted their last chance for a possible Western division title tie by defeating Detroit 28-21 in the Turkey day pro league feature. Up until the time the final score was heard here the Packers had a dim hope that the Lions would upset the Rams. Lacking now even a mathematical chance for a shot at their eighth Western division pennant, the Packers are determined to walk off with the second place money by thumping the New York Giants next Sunday at the Polo Grounds and the Lions December 2 in the Motor City. The ball club realizes now what a little more effort here and there earlier in the season could have meant. They were almost universal in their opinion that Cleveland proved to be of championship caliber by going through a tough schedule with only a single loss handed them by the Philadelphia Eagles a month ago. The Packers recalled grimly that they held a 14-7 lead over the Rams in Green Bay and then allowed three last period touchdowns to lose 27-14...

**DOESN'T SPOIL APPETITES:** The fact that Cleveland clinched their first pennant since entering the National League in 1937 did not help put an edge on the Bays' appetites for the Thursday night turkey dinner but they managed to stow away gigantic portions anyway. The table conversation revolved around the Rams' chances against the likely Eastern section winner, Washington. The Packers like the Redskins. One of the visitors at practice Thursday afternoon was a footballer all Green Bay fans will remember, Jimmy Crowley, the new commissioner of the All America Football conference. Crowley, once coached by Curly Lambeau, greeted the Packer mentor with his customary suaveness and remarked that "I'll maybe be barred for five years from the All America league for talking with National leaguers." Crowley said the new league is ready to operate in 1946 with eight teams. The league plans a 14-game schedule, four more than now played by National league teams. The Northern division games will be played early and the Southern late to get away from bad weather. Crowley and Lambeau swapped tales about the old days at Green Bay East and recalled the famous story about Crowley being put into the ball game late by Lambeau and missed a crucial pass when his oversized headgear fell over his eyes. The Packers wound up heavy work for the Giants this morning. They have been aided in their

## Pro Setup

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Pittsburgh	2	6	0	.250	72	168

**Sunday's Games**  
**GREEN BAY AT NEW YORK.**  
 Washington at Philadelphia.  
 Pittsburgh at Chicago Bears.

PACKERS	GIANTS
Goodnight, le	le, Fox
Ray, lt	lt, Cope
Tollefson, lg	lg, Adams
C. Brock, c	c, Hein
Tinsley, rg	rg, Sivell
Lipscomb, rt	rt, Demillippo
Luhn, re	re, Weiss
Craig, qb	qb, Hovious
McKay or Comp, lhb	lhb, Paschal
Laws, rhb	rhb, Barbour
Fritsch, fb	fb, Cuff
Starting time: 1 p. m.	Broadcast:
WTMJ, Milwaukee.	

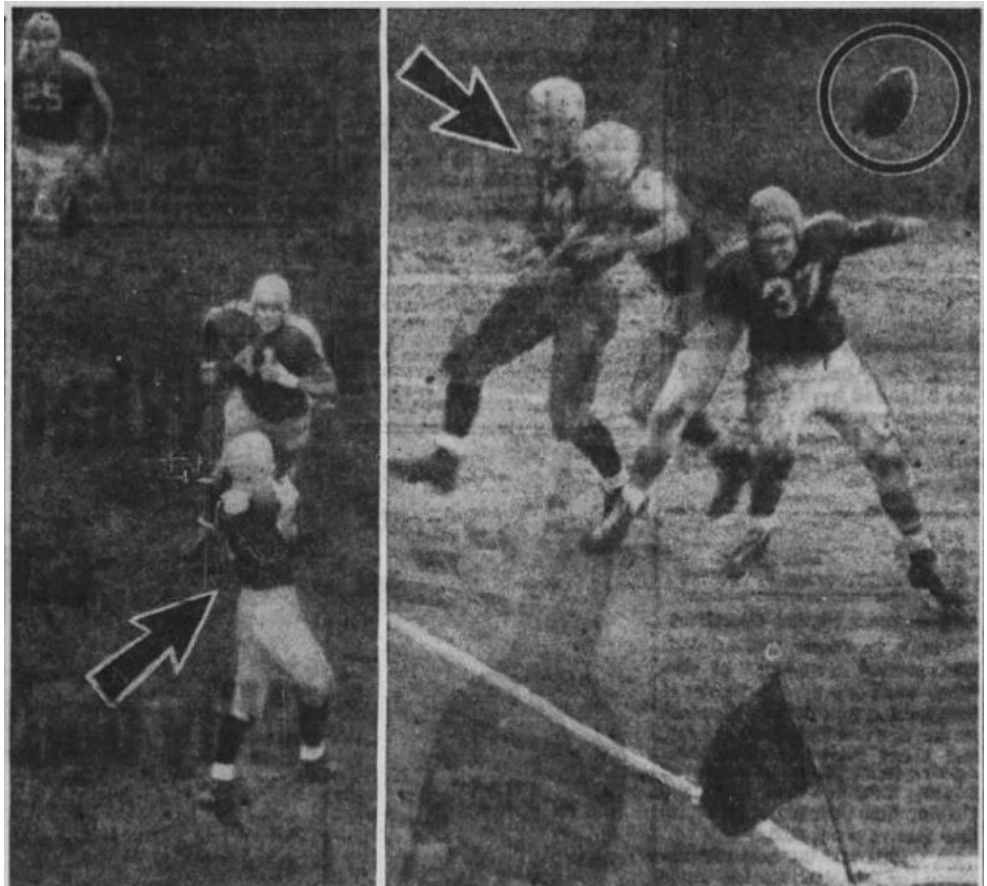


drills by nice weather although a rainstorm Thanksgiving morning made it appear at first as if practice would be cancelled. The Packers worked principally on offense against a five and six-man line. Naturally, having bowed to the Packers 14-7 in last year's championship game, after having shut them out 24-0 only a few weeks before, the Giants will be in the mood for revenge. As a result both Coach Lambeau and Stout Steve Owen of the Giants take the same view of the game, 25th in the series...OWEN SEES HARD GAME: Asked what he thought the chances were for the Giants to beat the Packers, Owen said he was looking for a hard game as well as one with plenty of scoring in it. Evidently Owen must be pretty well satisfied with the way his players are shaping up for the game or else he wouldn't have given them a full holiday Thursday. He made no reservations as to the amount of turkey and pie the players could eat. Whether this will make any difference Sunday remains to be seen. Most of the previous Packer-Giant battles have been knockdown, drag-out affairs, the margin of difference being one touchdown or less in nine of them. Owen reported that he is setting up a special defense to stop Don Hutson with the probability that Howie Livingston, who held him to four catches for 31 yards last year, will be assigned to watch Don. The New York papers have been giving the Packers a tremendous amount of space. The game probably will draw over 45,000. One paper Thursday used a five column layout of several They showed Joe Laws and Ken Keuper playing pool, Ted Fritsch teeing off on one of the Westchester club's two courses while Lou Brock and Paul Lipscomb look on, Line Coach Walt Kiesling, Hutson and Capt. Charley Brock playing gin rummy and Bob Conrad, the team's advance man, and Baby Ray chatting in the lobby. The team has attracted considerable attention from residents of Westchester county. Several hundred of them were out Thursday and each day the number grows. Small boys and girls keep the players busy autographing everything from fancy books to little slips of scrap paper.

**PACKERS FACE STIFF BATTLE AGAINST GIANTS SUNDAY**

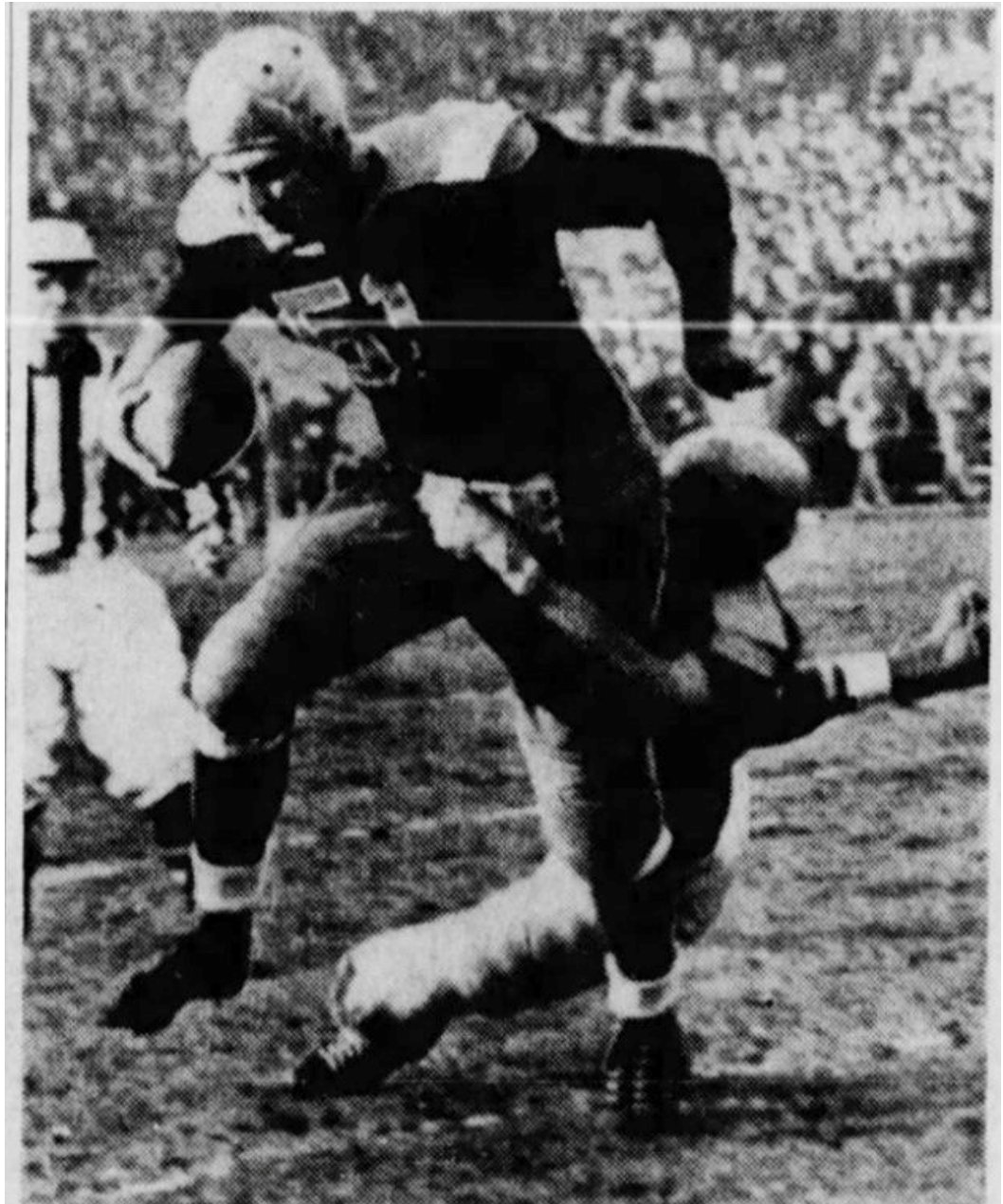
NOV 24 (New York) - Little town versus big town will have its annual renewal Sunday when the Green Bay Packers and the New York Giants engage in the 25th game of their NFL rivalry at the Polo Grounds. The game will start at 1 p.m. (CST) before a 45,000 crowd. Down through the years, the Packers have caught the interest of fans in this metropolis. The fact they are from the smallest city in the league has had much to do

with it. It is also intriguing to the burghers that Green Bay has annexed six world championship and a seventh divisional title. Consequently, they will turn out in droves Sunday to watch the "little towners" attempt to win their 15th contest over the team from the biggest city in the country. This may be more difficult than most observers think. Coach Curly Lambeau is frankly perturbed over the possibility of another Bay loss, and he told the squad that nothing short of perfection on offense and defense is needed to win...NOT TOO SHARP IN DRILLS: The fact that the Packers were not as sharp as they should be in their last two drills caused Lambeau to hold a written quiz Friday night. Those who flunk will be fined. Missed assignments were the principal reason for the Bay coach's concern. "We just can't afford to miss against those Giants," he emphasized. The revenge motive in the game will be high. The Packers won their sixth championship at the expense of the Giants last December, 14-7, after having absorbed a 24-0 trimming earlier. The Giants' coaches have been working all week on this angle and the ball club should be "high" by game time. Lambeau said that "the Packers should be ready to give the Giants a battle but don't forget they have been coming up after a poor start. They showed speed and power in defeating Detroit, and have additional strength in Bill Paschal, one of the best runners in the league." The Packers need to win their



**TWO VIEWS OF MR. GLUE FINGERS—**Don Hutson, great Green Bay pass catcher, had a good day vs. Yanks, faking and feinting the Bostonese out of position to catch the ball as (left) on this 14-yard gain. But occasionally Yanks managed to thwart him as (right) did Bob Davis and Ned Mathews in the end zone in the second period. Hutson knocked both down, but failed to get at the ball.

two remaining games against the Giants and Detroit to cinch second place in the Western division and a share of the playoff money...**HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE:** The Giants have in their favor the fact that whatever they do cannot hurt their chances in the Eastern division. Victors in only two games while losing four and tying one, Owen's squad is cast in the role of despoilers just as the Chicago Bears were when they met the Packers early this month. At that time, the Bruins were winless in five straight and rose to the heights to thump Green Bay. Coach Owen has always had a team which gradually became more polished and powerful as the season progressed. This year is no exception. Last Sunday the Giants took a supposedly stronger Detroit team apart from stem to stern. This exhibition was reported in full detail to Lambeau. His brow is creased a little more from worry about what could happen. If the Packers lose, it will not be because they are not in good physical shape. During a week of practice here, none of them suffered serious hurts and those who were injured earlier have rounded into shape. They include backs Bruce Smith, Bob Adkins and Chuck Sample, who will share the fullbacking duties with Ted Fritsch. Smith should see lots



**Green Bay Packers Back Irv Comp (51) is snagged by Boston Yanks Tackle George Sergienko, after making a first down on a right end run in the first period of the Yanks-Packers National Football league game in Boston Sunday. The Packers won, 28-0. (AP Wirephoto)**

of action at left halfback. The New York forecasters figures the game is a toss-up with slight edge going to Green Bay on its previous record. This, however, has not proved a very reliable barometer in the past. The Packers hold an edge, 12 victories to 11. Coach Lambeau has emphasized that paper margins mean nothing. The Packers will open with ends Clyde Goodnight and Nolan Luhn, tackles Baby Ray and Paul Lipscomb, guards Charley Tollefson and Pete Tinsley, and center Charley Brock. Early replacements in the line will put Don Hutson at left end and Bernie Crimmins at right guard. The starting backs will be Larry Craig, either Roy McKay or Irv Comp, Joe Laws and Fritsch.

#### **PACKERS PLAY GIANTS; EAGLES MEET 'SKINS**

NOV 25 (New York) - The western division championship in the National Professional league has eluded Curly Lambeau's Green Bay Packers, but undisputed second place in that end of the league has not, and Sunday it will be this the boys will be after in their game with the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds. At the moment, the Packers trail the second place Detroit Lions in the western end by half a game. A victory over New York Sunday, and they can tie the Lions, and then another over the Lions themselves a week hence in Detroit, and they can take undisputed second place. As occupants of

second place in the final standings, the Packers will get a small cut of the championship playoff receipts. Lambeau expected the toughest kind of going in Sunday's game despite New York's unimpressive record of two victories, four defeats and one tie. Steve Owen's gang showed what it could do by whipping the Detroit Lions last week, and in addition, will again have the services of Bill Paschal Sunday. Paschal, who has obtained a leave to play, led the league in ground gaining a year ago. The Packers themselves were in good shape. They were buoyed by their easy and smooth rolling victory over the Boston Yankees last week and had no injuries which might keep any of the squad out of the game. The team has worked out at the Westchester Country club all week. Sunday's game will be the twenty-fifth in the rivalry. Green Bay has won 12, New York 11. One game was a tie. A near capacity crowd of 50,000 is expected. The Packers and Giants will only have a share of the eastern spotlight, however, for the Philadelphia Eagles and Washington Redskins will hold most of it with their crucial game, upon which hinges the eastern division championship,



Charley Brock, (foreground), Green Bay center, and formerly of Nebraska, snaps the ball to Clyde Goodnight, Green Bay end, and formerly of Tulsa, U., as the Green Bay Packers worked out at the Westchester Country club, N. Y., for their game with the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds Sunday. (AP Photo)

at Philadelphia. The Eagles go into the game one full game behind the leading Redskins. They must win to gain even as much as a tie for the divisional honors. Washington won at Washington earlier in the season. The game will pit the greatest collection of running backs in the league, Philadelphia's, against one of the sharpest passing teams, Washington, with Sammy Baugh - and no little good running itself from one of the outstanding backs of the year, Steve Bagarus. Philadelphia ruled as a slight favorite. In the only other game Sunday, the Chicago Bears will play host to the Pittsburgh Steelers at Wrigley field. The Bears are the favorites.

## Packers Face Stiff Battle Against Giants Sunday



(NEWS foto by Olen)

**Handy Man.** Nolan Luhn, new member of the Green Bay Packers, shows he can hang on to the ball in any position during workout at Westchester Country Club, Rye. Luhn, an end, played for Tulsa University before entering service.



**Coach Curly Lambeau** uses a table cloth at the Westchester Country club, Rye, N. Y., to discuss a play with some members of his Green Bay Packers team. The Packers meet the Giants at the Polo grounds, Sunday. Left to right: Don Hutson, end and backfield coach; Nolan Luhn, formerly of Tulsa U., end; Clyde Goodnight, formerly of Tulsa U., end; Ken Keuper, formerly of Georgia, backfield; Bruce Smith, formerly of Minnesota, backfield, and Coach Lambeau.