

**Green Bay Packers (8-2-1) 24, Pittsburgh Steelers (7-4) 21  
Sunday December 6th 1942 (at Milwaukee)**

# Isbell Snares Aerial Title; Don Sets Mark

Hutson's Field Goal Margin of Victory in Milwaukee Clash; Jacunski, Riddick, Brock Score on Air Bombs; Green Bay Line Super

## Packers Down Pittsburgh, 24-21, in League Finale

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)



(MILWAUKEE) - A spectacular, record-smashing season that had everything but a championship locked up for 1942 and possibly for the duration as the Green Bay Packers mowed down a right smart Pittsburgh Steeler eleven, 24 to 21, before 5,138 shivering customers at snow-capped State fair park here Sunday afternoon. Except for a few minutes late in the fourth quarter when the Steelers pushed over two quick touchdowns, the Packers had the situation under control as they held a 10-0 lead at the intermission and a 10-7 margin going into the final canto. In the end, the difference between victory and a tie was Don Hutson's 28-yard field goal in the second quarter. The Packers, virtually without their pass catching ace, Mr. Hutson, smashed across a pair of aerial touchdowns early in the fourth frame, after which they let down to the tune of two Steeler markers. Cecil Isbell and Hutson closed their 1942 careers with a splash of glory. Isbell, whose pitching control was almost unbelievable in view of the weather conditions, won the National league's passing championship in a breeze by completing 17 aerials, three for touchdowns, in 31 tries for 243 yards. He needed only five completions to beat out Sammy Baugh and became the first league thrower to take the title two years in a row. The game was the 23rd straight in which Isbell had completed a touchdown pass. The three T.D. passes gave him two dozen for the year. He has 145 completions for 2,021 yards this year.

### **BREAK MANDERS' MARK**

And who what about Hutson. Well, Alabama Don wiped Chicago Bear Jack Manders out of the record book in his best deed of the day, despite badly bruised ribs. Hutson kicked three extra points, giving him 33 for the season - 2 more than Manders' mark set in 1934. This was the 25th straight game in which Hutson has scored one or more points. His field goal was the second in his career. His first defeated Cleveland, 17-14, two years ago. The Packer wing finished the season with 138 points - a figure no other athlete even came close to in the history of the circuit. On an average basis, lanky Don chalked up

slightly more than 12 points in every game. Isbell and Hutson added to other numerous records in Sunday's fray, although Hutson caught only one pass, a gain of eight yards.

### SAMPLE CELEBRATES

The actual pass catching duties were shared by several other players including Ray Riddick, a rough, tough boy from Fordham; Harry Jacunski, who made the most spectacular catch of the day; and reliable Lou Brock, all of whom got T.D. passes. Chuck Sample, celebrating the arrival of a daughter at his Appleton home Saturday night, caught many of Isbell's throws. The Packers scored the second time they got their hands on the ball in the first quarter. Starting on their own eight after a neat Bill Dudley punt, the Packers counted in 15 plays with the payoff coming on a 21-yard throw from Isbell to Brock who took the ball in the open and eluded two runners on the way to pay dirt. In the drive Isbell completed 18 and 13-yard throws to Riddick; a 13-yarder to Joel Mason who made a one-handed catch; and a 29-yard toss to Brock. Isbell's 13-yard pass to Riddick who put the ball on the Pittsburgh 40 gave Cece the record.

### DRESSING ROOM CALL

Speaking from a bench microphone which was connected with a speaker in the Packer dressing room, Lambeau dispatched Hutson into the game to try the extra point. Don's kick was perfect, the ball sailing about 10 feet over the center of the crossbar to tie Manders' record. With the exception of Green Bay team officials, the Packer bench was bare of players. The gridders heard the game by radio in the dressing room, and went into the battle "hot". It was the first time in the history of the league and possibly in the history of the game that a football team was kept in the dressing room during the contest. Hutson stayed in the game and started the Packers off on a touchdown march but Tony Bova ended the threat by intercepting Isbell's bullet pass. Both teams exchanged punts before Pittsburgh put on a definite scoring drive in the second heat.

### LAWS RECOVERS FUMBLE

Starting on their own 15, the Steelers, with Dick Riffle and Andy Tomasic throwing and catching passes, marched to the Packer 21 where Little Joe Laws recovered a fumble on the seven. After Tony Canadeo got off a 44-yard punt from the end zone the Steelers drove to the Packer five where they lost the ball on downs. Another exchange of punts led to Lou Brock's 24-yard dash down the sidelines and eventually into a snowbank on the Steelers' 30. With the aid of some very obvious holding of Hutson, the Steelers managed to force Green Bay to try a field goal from the 28 from where Hutson very promptly split the crossbar from a slight angle just before the half. The early third period developed into a punting duel after each club made sizeable gains, but the spark was touched off when Canadeo and other Packers caught themselves in a bit of

# Closing Clash

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Final)

### Western Division

	W	L	T	Pct	PS	OP
Chicago Bears	11	0	0	1.000	376	84
GREEN BAY	8	2	1	.800	300	215
Cleveland	5	6	0	.455	150	207
Chicago Cards	3	8	0	.273	98	209
Detroit	0	11	0	.000	38	263

### Eastern Division

	W	L	T	Pct	PS	OP
Washington	10	1	0	.909	227	102
Pittsburgh	7	4	0	.636	167	119
New York	5	5	1	.500	155	139
Brooklyn	3	8	0	.273	100	168
Philadelphia	2	9	0	.182	134	235

### Sunday's Results

GREEN BAY 24, PITTSBURGH 21.  
Chicago Bears 21, Chicago Cards 7.  
New York 10, Brooklyn 0.

### Next Sunday's Game

(Championship)

Chicago Bears at Washington.

### The Starting Lineups:

#### PITTSBURGH

Bova, le  
Schultz, lt  
Sanders, lg  
Cherundolo, c  
Simington, rg  
Woudenberg, rt  
Kichefski, re  
Martin, qb  
Dudley, lhb  
Sandig, rhb  
Riffle, fb

#### GREEN BAY

le, Mason  
lt, Ray  
lg, Kuusisto  
c, Brock  
rg, Goldenberg  
rt, Berezney  
re, Riddick  
qb, Craig  
lhb, Isbell  
rhb, L. Brock  
fb, Fritsch

### Replacements

Pittsburgh: Ends — Looney, Brown.  
Tackles — Doyle, Somers, Nicolai.  
Guards — Lamas, Law. Backs — Gonda,  
Hoague, Cotton, Tomasic.

Green Bay: Ends — Hutson, Jacunski,  
Carter. Tackles — Croft, Royal Kahler,  
Vant Hull. Guards — Tinsley, Letlow.  
Center — Ingalls. Backs — Sample, Canadeo,  
Laws, Weisgerber, Uram.

### Score By Periods

Pittsburgh	0	0	7	14—21
Green Bay	7	3	0	14—24

### The Scoring

Pittsburgh: Touchdowns — Martin 2,  
Dudley. Points after touchdowns — Nicolai,  
Simington, Sanders.

Green Bay: Touchdowns — L. Brock,  
Jacunski, Riddick. Points after touchdowns —  
Hutson 3. Field goal — Hutson.

### The Officials

Referee—Cahn, Chicago.  
Umpire—Schommer, Chicago.  
Linesman—Lipp, Illinois.  
Field Judge—Downes, St. Ambrose.

### Team Statistics

First downs—Pittsburgh 17, Green Bay 17.

Total yardage—Green Bay 414, Pittsburgh 394.

Yards rushing—Green Bay 154, Pittsburgh 86.

Yards forward passing—Green Bay 260, Pittsburgh 254.

Yards lateral—Pittsburgh 54.

Forward passes attempted—Green Bay 36, Pittsburgh 27.

Forward passes completed—Green Bay 19, Pittsburgh 13.

Own forward passes intercepted — Green Bay 2, Pittsburgh 1.

Penalty yardage—Green Bay 33, Pittsburgh 30.

Fumbles—Pittsburgh 2.

Opponent's fumbles recovered—Green Bay 2.

Average distance punts—Green Bay 37.4, Pittsburgh 28.3.

Yards punts returned—Pittsburgh 36, Green Bay 16.

Yards kickoffs returned—Pittsburgh 99, Green Bay 55.

### Individual Statistics

#### Ball Carrying

Pittsburgh: Tomasic 21 yards in 9 attempts, average 7; Dudley 49 in 13, average 3.8; Riffle 24 in 12, average 2; Gonda 4 in 2, average 2; Hoague 2 in 4, average 0.5; Sandig lost 14 in 1.

Green Bay: Sample 51 yards in 9 attempts, average 5.7; Fritsch 40 in 7, average 5.7; L. Brock 42 in 9, average 4.7; Canadeo 16 in 7, average 2.3; Laws 5 in 5, average 1.

#### Forward Passing

Pittsburgh: Tomasic attempted 8, completed 5 for 109 yards. Dudley attempted 13, completed 5 for 81; Riffle attempted 6, completed 3 for 64, 1 intercepted.

Green Bay: Isbell attempted 31, completed 17 for 243 yards, 2 intercepted. Canadeo attempted 3, completed 2 for 17. Laws attempted 1, completed 0.

#### Pass Receiving

Pittsburgh: Cotton caught 2 for 58 yards. Kichefski 4 for 56. Riffle 2 for 43. Tomasic 1 for 27. Dudley 1 for 24. Martin 1 for 24. Bova 1 for 13. Sandig 1 for 9.

Green Bay: Jacunski caught 3 for 73 yards. L. Brock 5 for 62. Riddick 3 for 55. Laws 1 for 28. Mason 2 for 18. Sample 2 for 18. Uram 1 for 10. Hutson 1 for 7. Fritsch 1 for 11-yard loss.

fisticuffs with the Steelers. Two fights later, Riffle went off tackle and lateraled to Vernon Margin, who went 45 yards to a touchdown. The play covered about 60 yards. Armand Miccolai kicked the extra point, and the score was 10-7. Isbell stamped himself as a defensive hero shortly after when Dudley intercepted his pass on the Packer 45, and ran back to the 20 where Cece put the Virginia flash to earth with a crushing block. At this point as in many others, the Packers line stiffened and the Pittsburgh club lost the ball. Baby Ray and Paul Berezney smothered Dudley a couple of times, and Captain Buckets Goldenberg, now a Milwaukee businessman, took care of the guard defense. A two-yard punt by Dudley in the fourth period set the stage for the Packers' scoring activities. First Isbell

**Tomasic Stopped After 22-Yard Gain Against Packers**



Andy Tomasic, Steeler halfback star, is shown above being tackled from behind by Weisberger, of Green Bay, after making a 22-yard gain in the first quarter. A neck tackle helped bring Tomasic down. Joe Hogue (17), Steelers' halfback, can be seen in the picture. The Packers won the game 24 to 21 for their eighth victory of the season. The Steelers ended with seven. —International News Service

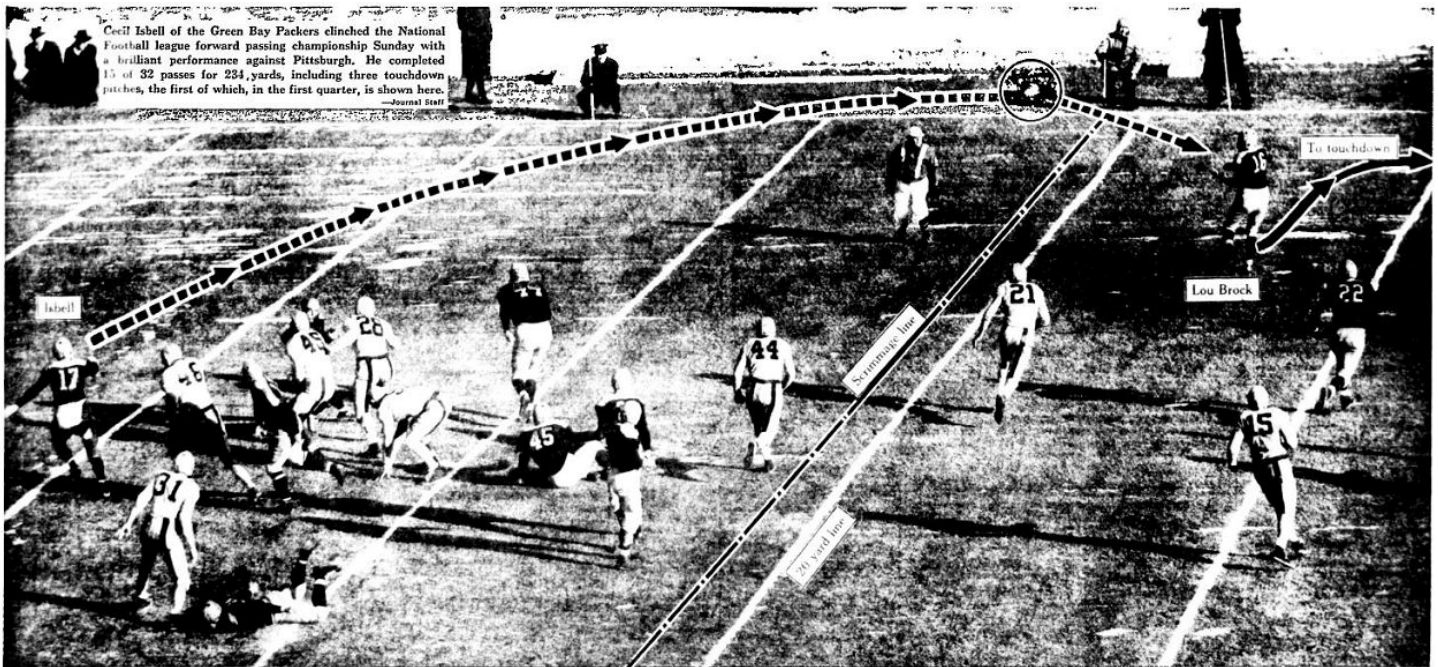
threw to Jacunski for 14 to the Pittsburgh 49, and then, fighting off a mess of Steeler charges, lined a strike to Jacunski on the seven. Harry eluded Martin in a pretty maneuver and raced over. Hutson, looking as sure as death and taxes, kicked the extra point and thereby broke Manders' record. A moment later, Larry Craig, who played a whale of a game, recovered Dick Riffle's fumble on the Steeler 40. With Hutson acting as decoy, Isbell threw to Uram for ten yards and a moment later Riddick, who was as free as a leaf in a windstorm, took a 24-yard toss for a touchdown. It was Riddick's first touchdown in his Packer career. With the pressure off, Hutson added this third point after, leaving the count 24-7. On the next kickoff Pittsburgh opened up a deadly passing attack, with Riffle and Dudley throwing, that pushed the easterners to the Bay two-yard line from where Dudley carried it over. Jack Binotto's kick was good, and there was still about two minutes left. The screwiest play of the season came up next when Pittsburgh pulled a deliberate short kick which Hoague, the kicker, gobbled up on the Packer 45 and ran to the Green Bay 21. After Dudley ran to the nine, Riddick tossed Curt Sandig back to the 24, but a screen pass play from Dudley to Martin counted for another touchdown. Milt Simington kicked the extra point. The Steelers tried another short kick but guard Fred Vant Hill fell on the ball as the gun went off. Some say the Packers line was the difference between victory and defeat, and they may be right. The Bay forwards, at times, made hash of the tough Pittsburgh line which was bolstered by two 240-pound tackles and center Chuck Cherundolo., Charley Brock at center, Ray and Berezney, Goldenberg, Pete Tinsley and the rest of them were superb. Defensively, Riddick was a star of the game and he gained offensive brilliance by snatching many passes, one for a touchdown. The hottest guy on the field? He was Isbell. The Manitowoc dealer all but threw curves, so masterful was his control.

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<b>GREEN BAY</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24</b>

**SCORING**

- 1ST - GB - Lou Brock, 21-yard pass from Cecil Isbell (Don Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 7-0
- 2ND - GB - Hutson, 28-yard field goal GREEN BAY 10-0
- 3RD - PITT - Vernon Martin, 45-yard run after a lateral from Dick Riffle after 15-yard run (Armand Niccolai kick) GREEN BAY 10-7
- 4TH - GB - Harry Jacunski, 49-yard pass from Isbell (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 17-7
- 4TH - GB - Ray Riddick, 24-yard pass from Isbell (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 24-7
- 4TH - PITT - Bill Dudley, 2-yard run (Milt Simington kick) GREEN BAY 24-14
- 4TH - PITT - Martin, 24-yard pass from Dudley (Jack Sanders kick) GREEN BAY 24-21

**Lambeau Plays It Smart — Keeps His Reserves in Warm Dressing Room; Has Telephone at Bench**



## LAMBEAU PLAYS IT SMART - KEEPS HIS RESERVES IN WARM DRESSING ROOM; HAS TELEPHONE AT BENCH

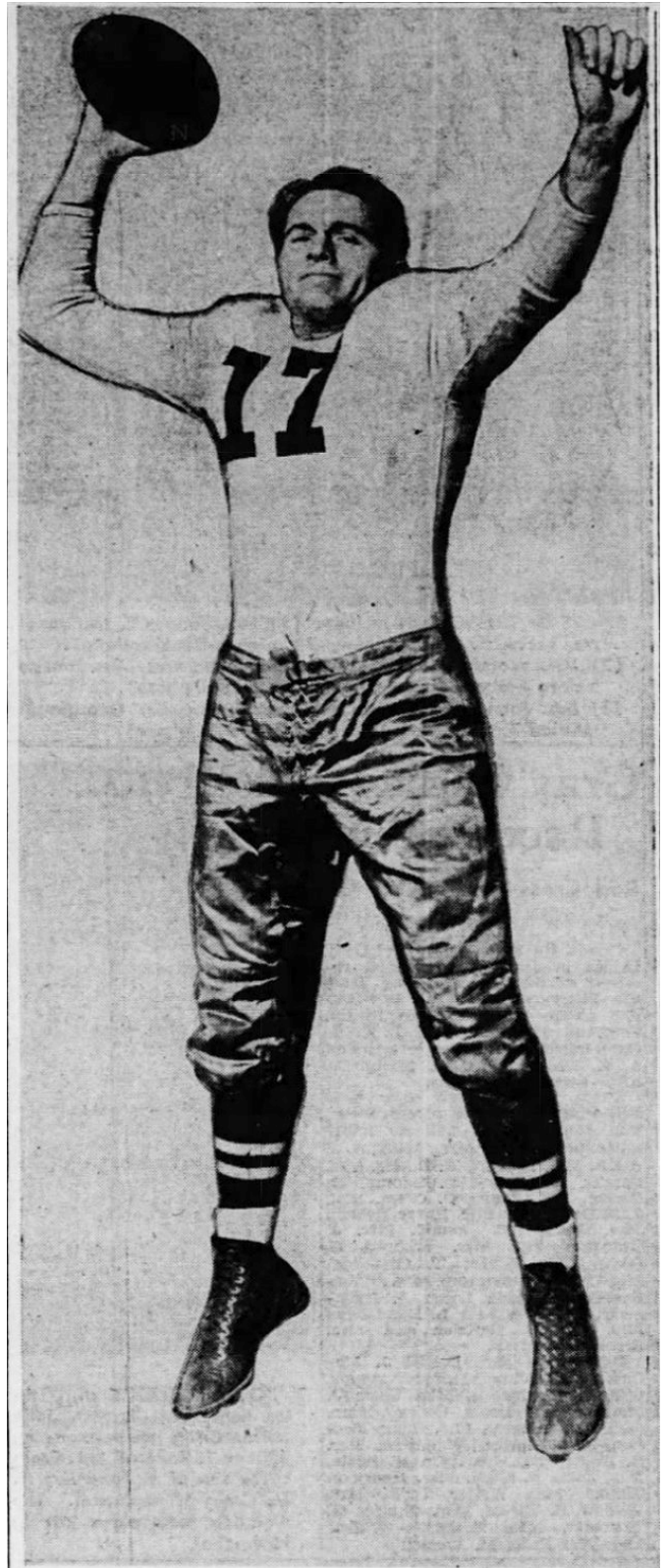
DEC 7 (Milwaukee) - The difference between winning and losing Sunday's football game may well have been Curly Lambeau's move in keeping his substitutes in a warm dressing room instead of out on the field bench in below-freezing temperatures. Players summoned to the bench by the Packer pilot trotted onto the field warmed up and ready to go, while the Pittsburgh reserves were exposed to the cold which numbed fingers and undoubtedly cost a lot in fighting spirit. Lambeau used a telephone to the dressing room to order his reserves, with backfield coach Eddie Kotal, who did not see a single play of the game, running things in the heated room. A radio installed in the locker room kept Kotal and the reserves informed of the progress of the game. The move occasioned a lot of surprise on the part of the fans, who couldn't figure out, at the start of the game, where the substitutes were. The disadvantage, of course, was that the players in the dressing room had no chance to size up the Pittsburgh team, but it was far outweighed by the fact that the gridders - particularly the backs and ends who figured in the ball handling - entered the game with warm hands and feet. Most of the men coming off the field asked to stay on the sidelines and watch the play, but Lambeau was stern in order and sent them inside, except for Isbell, who on one occasion remained on the sidelines to watch something of the Pittsburgh offense. The radio in the dressing room "kicked back" through the open telephone line and, as a result, the few spectators on the Packer bench could hear Russ Winnie's description and watch the play at the same time, just as though the bench was equipped with a portable radio...CECE LOSES SKIN: We spent the last few minutes of the game with the little knot of players who ended the 1942 season listening to the broadcast. Kotal sat on a table with his ear against the telephone speaker, his other ear cocked toward the radio. The players were silent except when one of them missed description of the play and asked what it was. Cecil Isbell came in, with about three minutes to play, and lifted his pants left to display two badly skinned knees, the result of his smashing block of Bill Dudley after a pass interception down on the Packer 20-yard line, which saved a touchdown. The Virginian had a shot across the field to snare Isbell's pass in full stride and he was headed for parts unknown until Isbell cut him down, but the effort cost the Packer pitcher several square inches of skin when he skidded along the frozen ground on his knees. So far as the effect on the players was concerned, the field might just as well have been paved, and whoever first called the field of play a "gridron" must have been a surface like Sunday's field in mind...COACHES COMMENT: Coach Lambeau and his former pupil, Walt Kiesling, who is coach of the Steelers, complimented each other when interviewed separately after the game. "I thought our boys played a good game and I was entirely satisfied," said the Green Bay coach, "and Pittsburgh has a good outfit - they were in there trying every minute." Similar sentiments by Kiesling virtually echoed Curly's remarks, except that the Pittsburgh coach did not say he was satisfied. "That Isbell was hotter than a pistol," said Kiesling. "Man, how he was throwing those passes."...A TOUGH BABY: Bill Dudley, who proved himself every bit the player they have claimed he is, grinned when he came limping into the hotel. "That No. 44 of yours (Baby Ray) is one football player," he said. "It seemed like every time I picked myself up off the ground, that fellow was on top of me." Dudley told us he has enlisted in the army air force and is now on a waiting list, expecting to be called into service during March...SERVICE FLAG: Fire Chief Ralph H. Drum presented a service flag bearing 18 stars for former Packer players now in service to Captain Buckets Goldenberg between halves, on behalf of Sullivan Post No. 11, American Legion. He also announced that nine more stars would be added immediately, since that number of players expect to go into service this week. The Buckets got a big hand from the crowd. Val W. Ove, state commander of the American Legion, spoke also,

among other things lauding the Green Bay post for its successful fundraising campaign to secure gifts for servicemen. Lieutenant Colonel J.J. Goffard and Captain Edward R. Wagner of the Milwaukee army induction station both were present for the service flag presentation, and offered brief remarks. The lieutenant colonel, who is a native of De Pere, enlisted in Green Bay as a buck private just 37 years ago Sunday, and has been in the army continuously since then. He became a commissioned officer at the outset of the World War, and was a major when he visited Green Bay a few months ago on a tour of inspection of recruiting offices. Shortly after that visit the Green Bay office was transferred to the Wausau district, but it has since been returned to Gafford's control...

**UNCLE IS RICHER:** Uncle Sam is \$89,000 richer as the result of auctioning of an autographed Packer football, with the winner, C.C. Bremer of Milwaukee, bidding \$50,000 to be bought in war bonds. Another Milwaukeean offered \$25,000, and two others bid \$4,000 and \$10,000. All the bond pledges remain in force and the bonds will be bought despite the fact that only one man wins the football...

**PRAISE FOR ISBELL:** The typewriters which have pounded out glowing phrases for Don Hutson all season were warmed up Sunday on behalf of his battery mate, Cecil Isbell. Hutson saw little service in the game, although he was in to kick three extra points and a field goal, extending his scoring record to 134 and breaking Jack Manders' mark for extra points kicked during one season. Isbell rifled passes all over the place and clearly stamped himself the forward passing champion of the league for the second consecutive year, the only player who has ever won the honor twice in a row. He needed five passes to beat Sammy Baugh's record of completions for the year, since Washington was idle Sunday and the playoff game does not count in the figures. He completed 17, besting Baugh in touchdown passes, total yardage and completions. The pass which sent him ahead of Baugh, his fifth completion of the game, was a toss to Ray Riddick which was good for a first down on the Pittsburgh 40-yard line. Only eight minutes and 35 seconds of the game had then elapsed, and he went on to establish a clear lead. His throw to Lou Brock for a first quarter touchdown made the game the 23rd in succession in which he has pitched a payoff pass, including the complete 1941 and 1942 seasons. His outstanding effort of the afternoon was a touchdown pass to Harry Jacunski, after Vernon Martin had charged through the line and caught Isbell for what looked like a long setback. The Packer star recovered his balance, however, and eluded Martin long enough to get the pass off, and Jacunski went all the way with it...

**CREDIT TO DRUM:** Ben Barkin, chairman of the special activities committee of the Milwaukee country war savings staff, was in charge of the auction, and some of the credit for this boost of the war effort must go to Chief Drum, who made a hurried trip to Milwaukee last week to help arrange the promotion...**RIDDICK'S TOUCH:** Everybody was glad to see Ray Riddick make a touchdown, also on an Isbell pass, because the big end played a whale of a game defensively and was tearing through the Pittsburgh backfield a good share of the the time. Then, of course, there's Buckets Goldenberg - whose outstanding play has been mentioned week after week. Some players have good days and bad days, but Buckets, the dean of the squad, just goes rolling along...**FROZEN FIELD:** The playing field might just as well have been a basketball floor, and at least two odd plays were the result. One was a Pittsburgh



**TRIPLE RECORD-BREAKER CECIL ISBELL**, of the Green Bay Packers, racked up new National League records at the expense of the Pittsburgh Steelers yesterday. He boosted his completion mark to 145, bettering Sam Baugh's old record; raised his ground-gaining total to 2021, and threw his 19th touchdown pass.

punt which wasn't very long to begin with, but it landed on the hard ground and went bouncing backward, finally downed just two yards from the line of scrimmage. The other was a Steeler lateral that bounced off the ground into the arms of the man it was intended for like a bounce pass in basketball.

**LOOKING UP IN THE REALM OF SPORTS**

DEC 7 (Milwaukee) - When the Green Bay Packers wound up their 1942 campaign here Sunday, it was the end of their 22nd season in the NFL and the close of their 24th season as a football team. In ordinary times the Packers would be looking forward to their silver jubilee in 1943. In fact, the corporation officials started thinking about it a couple of years ago, and hoped to put on something special in order to celebrate an outstanding achievement in the sports world. But the country is at war, and there are grave doubts that there will be any big time professional football next year. With men over 37 now exempted from military service, a large number of younger men - including many of those married - will be in uniform by next fall. If it was their last game for the duration, the Packers made the most of it on the frozen turf of State Fair park here Sunday afternoon. As a team, they played one of the best games of the season. It was an example of 11-man football and it had to be, or the fired-up Pittsburgh Steelers would have gone home with the count in the favor. One can only feel disappointed that Don Hutson was forced to content himself with only a few minutes of action. Don loves football, and it would have been only right for him to wind up a glorious season with another amazing performance. Yet Hutson's absence served to put his battery mate, passer Cecil Isbell, into the limelight when he belongs.



Here is the fumble that cut short the Pittsburgh Steelers' touchdown bid in the second quarter at Milwaukee Sunday. Joe Hoague, Colgate star, had just gone through the line when the ball (shown by arrow) scooted out of his mitts. Joe Laws, not shown, recovered on the Green Bay Packer seven-yard line. In front of Hoague on his knees is Packer Fullback Ted Fritsch. That big gent (75) is Packer Tackle Tiny Croft. On one elbow to the right is Pete Tinsley. The Packers won 24-21.



A LA DON HUTSON—Putting on a last second desperate leap, the Green Bay Packers' Ken Riddick is shown here as he snagged a pass from Cecil Isbell for a first down on the Pittsburgh 40 in the first quarter of their National Football league game at State Fair park Sunday. Others shown in the picture are: Sanders, Pittsburgh (44); Mason, Packers (7), and Looney, Pittsburgh (30).

The Purdue pegger, I have often thought, has not been given the credit he deserves. This is not to say that Hutson has stolen even a bit of Isbell's glory - Don has earned all of the plaudits ever awarded him, but Isbell too often is given secondary mention by sportswriters and fans alike. Next to Isbell, the players deserving extra citation was halfback Bill Dudley of the Steelers. When he racked up 49 yards in 13 attempts he clinched the 1942 rushing yardage championship. His total for the season is 692 yards, against 647 for Merlyn Condit, Brooklyn Dodgers star who made 44 yards in 11 carries against the New York Giants. This was Dudley's first season in the professional game. Last year he was an All-America back with Virginia university. Energetic Chief Ralph Drum of the Green Bay fire department was a star behind the scenes. Due largely to Chief's efforts, the war bonds



This is one good reason why Tony Canadeo, Packer halfback, has grey hair. Tony had just fumbled in back of the line of scrimmage in Sunday's game at Milwaukee, but quickly fell on the ball to prevent a change of hands on the 16-yard line. Diving in to grab Tony's grey head or the ball is the Pittsburgh Steelers' George Somers, 264-pound tackle from LaSalle. Jack Sanders of Southern Methodist looks over the play from the left. The Packers won 24-21.

football auction was a total success. Last week he rounded up enough individuals who were willing to come out to the game and bid on the ball. Autographed by members of the Packer squad, the ball went to Clifford C. Bremer, secretary-treasurer of the Interstate Drop Forge company. Bremer doesn't play football himself, so he presented the ball to his 13-year old son, Jim, who is left end on a Milwaukee grade school team. A total of \$79,000 in war bonds was sold at the auction. The combination of cold weather and the transportation situation resulted in a poor turnout. Some of the Green Bay fans who made the trip pointed out that Green Bay would have drawn a better crowd. Maybe so, but it's something you'd find it impossible to prove. Footing for the players was made possible by the use of tennis shoes, and if you've ever worn tennis shoes in winter you can understand how their feet must have felt. Most of the snow had been removed from the field, and was piled up on all sides so that one wag remarked that Gov. Heil's Milk bowl had become the Snow bowl. The Packers were dinner guests of Captain Buckets Goldenberg at his Milwaukee restaurant Sunday night. They spent the night at the Hotel Schroeder, and today were to donate 28 pints of blood to the American Red Cross. Although some of the players would have left for distant parts right after the game, they not only agreed to stay over, but were enthusiastic about doing their "bit". That's what Packer fans like about the Packers - enthusiasm.

#### **NO PACKERS ON BENCH**

DEC 7 (Milwaukee) - Curly Lambeau tried something new Sunday. He kept those Packers not in the game secluded in the warmth of the dressing room. As he needed substitutes, he called them out over a telephone line rigged up from the empty bench to the room.

#### **ISBELL, HUTSON HOG RECORDS**

DEC 7 (New York) - Several new records were on the books Sunday after the NFL closed its regular season with three games which had no bearing on the final standings. Most of the record performances were turned in by Cecil Isbell and Don Hutson of the Green Bay Packers. Hutson kicked three extra points Sunday for a total of 33 this season, breaking the old mark of 31 set in 1934 by Jack Manders of the Bears. He added a field goal which boosted his own scoring mark to 138 points for the season. A week ago he increased his record for passes caught to 74. Davey O'Brien's passing records, set while with Philadelphia, were shattered. Isbell ended the season with 24 touchdown passes (a record), scoring by this means in 23 straight games to break his own mark of 15 set last year; made 145 completions (O'Brien had 124); gained 2,001 yards to snap his own record of 1,479 set last fall. Bud Schwenk, the Cardinal rookie who broke O'Brien's collegiate records at Washington university, St. Louis, shelved another held by the Texas mite as a pro. Schwenk threw 295 passes. O'Brien's

record was 277. The Packers set two team mark by gaining 2,401 yards through the air (the Bears made 2,002 in 1941) and completing a total of 171 passes (Philadelphia connected on 152 in 1940).



Easy, boys, don't drop him. Halfback Gonda of the Pittsburgh Steelers is gently eased to the soil by the Green Bay Packers: Joe Carter, with arm over Gonda's shoulder, and Larry Craig for no gain in the first quarter of the Steeler-Packer game at Milwaukee Sunday. Packers coming up to help are Paul Berezney (47) and Bill Kuusisto (45). Note that the players are wearing tennis shoes. The Packers won, 24-21.



The referee rushes in to stop the play as Pittsburgh's George Gonda is wrapped up by Green Bay's Joe Carter, left, and Larry Craig (54) during the Packers' 24-21 victory over the Steelers in the season finale at State Fair Park in Milwaukee on Dec. 6, 1942. (Press-Gazette archives)



**The Packers' Charles "Buckets" Goldenberg and an unidentified man at right wear team coats, or dusters, during a ceremony at halftime of the Packers' game against the Pittsburgh Steelers at State Fair Park in Milwaukee. Fire Chief Ralph Drum gave Goldenberg a flag with 18 stars representing the number of Packers players in military service for World War II. (Press-Gazette archives)**