



Green Bay Packers (6-3) 42, Dallas Texans (0-9) 14
Sunday November 23rd 1952 (at Green Bay)

Packers Belt Texans, 42-14, Tie for First Place


Bays Battle Detroit Thursday, Then Face Rams, 49ers; Hold Key to Title

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(GREEN BAY) - The Packers sat in a crowded driver's seat today following one of their most perfect Sundays in years and years. They smashed the NFL's Texans, 42 to 14, before 16,430 happy fans at City stadium and then heard these two dreams come true: (1) The Chicago Bears upset the Detroit Lions, 24-23, and (2) the Los Angeles Rams overpowered the San Francisco Forty Niners, 35-9. Results of the three battles created an unprecedented four-way tie for first place in the National conference between the Packers, Lions, Rams and Forty Niners, and set the stage for what could develop into the hottest stretch drive in league history. The four belligerents each possess 6-3 records. The Cinderella Packers, hardly given a title tumble three weeks ago, now hold a key to the championship because they play each of the other crown contenders - the Lions in Detroit Thanksgiving day (Thursday), the Rams in LA Dec. 7, and the Forty Niners in SF Dec. 14. The methodical manner in which the Packers disposed of the Texans was the highlight Sunday. The Texans are dangerous, and a Packer letdown was feared, but the Bays maintained the offensive and defensive edge that characterized their victories over Philadelphia, the Bears and New York Giants. It was the Bays' fourth straight victory and their sixth of the season. For the hard-fighting Texans, it was their ninth consecutive loss. The 42-point total was the highest turned in by a Gene Ronzani-coached team. The victory ended a five-game City stadium losing streak started in '51. The two clubs fought to a 7-7 standstill in the first quarter but the Packers ripped off two TDs in the second for a 21-7 halftime lead. They added two more in the third quarter against the Texans' one in the third frame to produce a

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 vs.
GREEN BAY PACKERS

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GREEN BAY CITY STADIUM

35-14 reading going into the last period when the Bays added a single TD. The Packers experienced some troubles Sunday - five pass interceptions and two lost fumbles, but they registered six touchdowns and had the situation well in hand after the first frame. Heroes are hard to find among the Packers these days but we don't suppose anyone could argue if the old warhorse, Tony Canadeo, was nominated as the man of the day. It was his day - Tony Canadeo Day, to be exact - as thousands of fans paid tribute to his 11 years of service. Canadeo ripped off two touchdowns - one on a 21-yard pass from Tobin Rote for the Bays' first TD and then ran, untouched, for 10 yards and his team's fourth TD. He led both clubs in ground gaining, his long-time specialty, with 31 yards in seven attempts; caught two passes for 36 yards; and blocked viciously. The Packers didn't rush the Texans to death, gaining only 73 yards in 20 runs, but the emphasis was upstairs as

Rote and Babe Parilli hurled 30 passes and completed 11 for 267 yards and four touchdowns, each pitcher throwing two payoff strikes. The Bays counted their first three TDs on passes. After the Rote to Canadeo score in the first quarter, Parilli and Bill Howton worked out a 50-yard air maneuver, with Howton taking his own rebound and racing 20 yards to score. Bob Mann then made a circus catch of an 18-yard Parilli pass for a TD just before the half. After Canadeo ran 10 yards for a score early in the third quarter, Rote threw a screen pass to Reid who scampered 81 yards behind some sharp downfield blocking for the longest scoring pass-run of the day. The Bays' last TD came on a 45-yard runback of an interception by Ace Loomis. Fred Cone kicked all of the extra points. The Texans scored in the first quarter on an eight-yard keeper run by quarterback Frank Tripucka, who fooled the Bay defense. The second TD came on a six-yard smash outside left tackle by fullback Dick Hoerner in the fourth quarter. The game was packed with long runs, but the longest - 100 yards by defensive halfback Marv Johnson - was nullified by penalty in the third quarter. Billy Grimes, once again a slam-bang back, went 72 yards with a punt to set up the Packers' third TD in the second frame. Loomis returned 33 yards with the second interception late in the game. Buddy Young, the Texans' mighty mite, wheeled 63 yards with a kickoff in the third quarter. Tom Keane, brother of the Packers' Jim, led the Texans' defense with three interceptions. Parilli had four intercepted and Rote one. The contest was rough all the way, although there were no serious injuries. The Packer line held the Texans to only 45 yards rushing with some fierce tackling. Parilli got a clip in the chin (which produced a personal foul on the Texans) in the fourth quarter, bringing a couple of Packers off the bench. The two clubs drew a total of 213 yards in penalties, 108 on the Pack. Despite the final score, the Texans matched the Packers in first downs, 13. The Packers, however, picked up 340 yards rushing and passing against the Texans' 187. The visitors returned eight kickoffs for 198 yards - thanks to Young's dashing runs. A 31-yard punt return by Loomis from the Packer 48 to the Texan 21 set up the Packers' first TD. On the first play, Rote threw a perfect 21-yard pass to Canadeo, who took the ball on the run just behind John Petitbon in the end zone. The Texans went offside twice before Cone made the first of six conversions. Canadeo threatened to put on a one-man show after the Texans punted. Tony ran 17 yards in two tries to the Bay 38 and then caught an 18-yard pass from Rote, but it was nullified by a penalty. A moment later, Keane intercepted Rote's pass on the Packer 40 and returned to the 22. The Packers held Young and Zollie Toth to three yards but on third down Dan Sandifer interfered with a Texan receiver and the visitors had a first down on the Bay six. Toth lost two at left tackle but Tripucka then raced around right end for the score. Keith Flowers converted to tie the score. After an exchange of punts, Bob Forte intercepted a Tripucka pass on the Texan 25 and raced to the 15, but a clipping penalty moved it back to the 35. The Texans got it right back when Billy Baggett intercepted Parilli's pass. The Packers forced Hank Lauricella to punt and the Packers moved 89 yards to a TD. Reid lost three but Bill Reichardt bolted for seven to the 15. Parilli went back to pass, slipped and fell on the sloppy turf, got up again and threw a 35-yard pass to Mann, who "came back" nicely to make the catch. Howton then leaped up between Williams and Keane, batted the ball in the air, took it on the rebound and then dashed around the two defenders and into the end zone to complete a 50-yard gain. The Bays made Lauricella punt again. Grimes started to signal for a fair catch, then quickly pulled down his arm, and left the ball drop behind him. He picked it up on the eight and wheeled 72 yards to the Texan 20. After Grimes smothered Canadeo's fumble on the 24, the Texans held on a pass attempt and the Packers had first down on the 18. Mann then made a leaping one-handed catch of Parilli's

4-Way Stretch

National Football League

(National Conference)

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
GREEN BAY	6	3	0	.667	230	195
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	210	141
San Francisco	6	3	0	.667	233	149
Los Angeles	6	3	0	.667	242	172
Chicago Bears	4	5	0	.444	191	247
Dallas Texans	0	9	0	.000	128	325

(American Conference)

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
Cleveland	6	3	0	.667	218	152
New York	6	3	0	.667	173	107
Philadelphia	6	3	0	.667	171	195
C. Cardinals	3	6	0	.333	137	179
Pittsburgh	3	6	0	.333	199	231
Washington	2	7	0	.222	162	201

Sunday's Results

GREEN BAY 42, DALLAS 14
Bears 24, Detroit 21
Los Angeles 35, San Francisco 9
Philadelphia 28, Cleveland 20
New York 14, Washington 10
Pittsburgh 17, Cardinals 14

Next Thursday's Games

GREEN BAY AT DETROIT
Bears vs. Dallas in Akron, O.

Next Sunday's Games

Los Angeles at San Francisco
New York at Pittsburgh
Philadelphia at Cardinals
Cleveland at Washington

No. 6

The Lineups

TEXANS

Ends—Williams, Marchetti, Pelfrey, Wilkins, Poole, Tait.
Tackles—Lansford, Campanella, Jackson, Grigg, Tanner.
Guards—Averno, Flowers, Wozniak, Humble.

Centers—Ecklund, Reid, Jankovich.
Backs — Tripucka, Taliaferro, T. Keane, Young, Petitbon, Baggett, Hoerner, Cannamela, Toth, Lauricella.

PACKERS

Ends—Elliott, J. Keane, Martinkovic, Wimberly, Howton, Mann.
Tackles—Dowden, T. Johnson, Serini, Dees, Hanner.

Guards—Ruzich, Afflis, Bray, Teteak, Stephenson, Logan.

Centers—Rhodemyre, Faverty.
Backs—Canadeo, Forte, Parilli, Rote, Sandifer, Grimes, Reid, Self, Cone, Floyd, Reichardt, M. Johnson, Loomis, Dillon.

Score By Quarters

Texans	7	0	7	0—14
Packers	7	14	14	7—42

The Scoring

Texans: Touchdowns — Tripucka, Hoerner. Points after touchdown—Flowers.

Packers: Touchdowns — Canadeo 2, Howton, Mann, Loomis, Reid. Points after touchdowns—Cone 6.

Officials: Referee—William Downes. Umpire — Carl H. Brubaker. Head Linesman—Sam Pecoraro. Back Judge —Vic Mettler. Field Judge—Charles Sweeney.

Team Statistics

	Pack.	Tex.
Total first downs	13	13
First downs rushing	4	4
First downs passing	7	6
First downs penalties	2	3
Yards gained rushing	73	45
Yards gained passing	267	142
Total yards gained	340	187
Passes: Attempted	30	40
Completed	11	22
Had intercepted	5	4
Yards inter. passes ret.	88	67
Yards lost attempt. to pass	25	33
Punts: Number by	5	13
Punting average	43	33.6
Number of punts ret. by	8	1
Yards punts returned	144	4
Kickoffs: Number ret. by	2	8
Yards kickoffs returned	57	198
Fumbles: Number by	3	1
Opp. fumbles rec. by	0	2
Penalties: Number against	10	11
Yards lost by penalties	108	95

Individual Statistics

Rushing:
Texans: Tripucka gained 13 yards in 2 attempts, Young 12 in 7, Toth 9 in 10, Hoerner 7 in 5, Lauricella 7 in 2, Taliaferro minus 3 in 4.

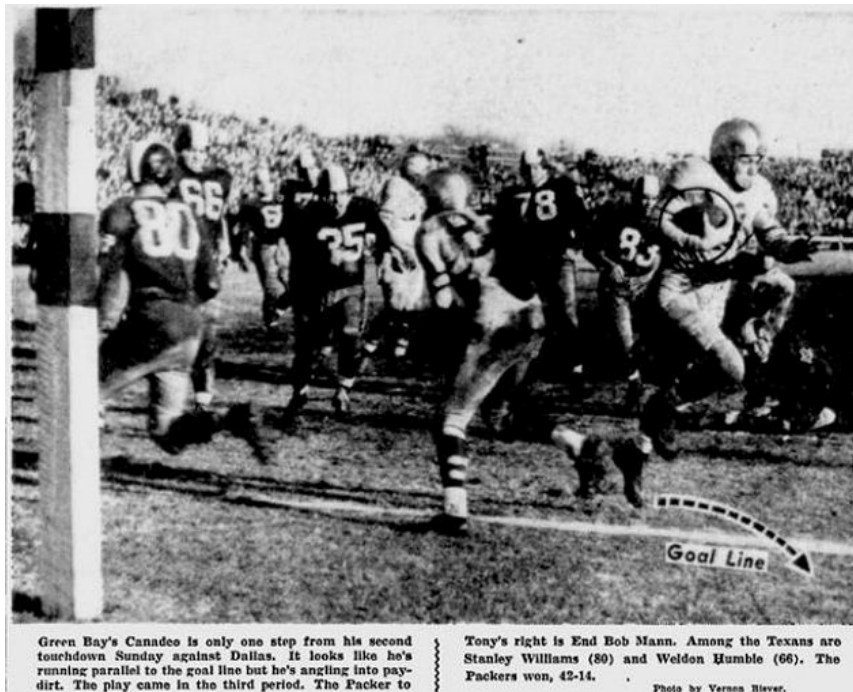
Packers: Canadeo gained 31 yards in 7 attempts, Floyd 23 in 4, Reichardt 10 in 2, Parilli 8 in 1, Grimes 2 in 1, Reid minus 1 in 4, Rote 0 in 1.

Passing:
Texans: Tripucka attempted 38, completed 22 for 142 yards, 2 intercepted; Taliaferro attempted 2, completed 0, 2 intercepted.

Packers: Rote attempted 13, completed 7 for 157 yards, 1 intercepted; Parilli attempted 17, completed 4 for 110 yards, 4 intercepted.

Pass Receiving:
Texans: Wilkins caught 6 for 58 yards, Pelfrey 4 for 54, Hoerner 3 for 13, Taliaferro 5 for 10, Williams 1 for 8, Toth 2 for 3, Young 1 for minus 4.
Packers: Howton caught 2 for 73 yards, Mann 4 for 66, Canadeo 2 for 36, Reid 1 for 81, Elliott 1 for 7, Floyd 1 for 4.

pass for the score. Just before the half, Keane intercepted a Parilli pass and Sandifer stole Tripucka's throw. Tripucka opened the second half by completing passes to Toth and Ray Pelfrey for 20 yards after which the entire Bay line rushed in to block Tripucka's quick kick. John Martinkovic recovering on the Texan 10. Canadeo, on the first play, went outside left tackle for the score. The Texans went 50 yards to the Packer 29 on Tripucka passes to Pelfrey and George Taliaferro before the Bays took the ball on downs. Chubby Grigg recovered Rote's fumble on the Bay 18, but Ab Wimberly, Forte, Wash Serini and others forced the Texans back 23 yards in three plays, Lauricella finally punting out of bounds on the Bay 21. The Packers proceeded to score in five plays. Rote hurled two passes to Mann for 13 yards. After Rote's pass to Howton missed fire, Mann caught a 36-yarder from Rote but a holding penalty nullified it. Rote then pitched a screener to Reid



to the right and Breezy cut sharply to his left and went all the way - 81 yards - for a TD. The Texans snapped back with a 68-yard TD drive. A Packer holding penalty got it off to a good start after which Tripucka completed two long passes to Pelfrey and one to Williams. M. Johnson pulled his "lost" 100-yard interception runback at this point, after which Hoerner busted over left tackle six yards for the score. Parilli and Lauricella exchanged punts and the Bays started a drive on their own 30. Bobby Jack Floyd hit 13 yards to midfield but Keane intercepted Parilli's pass. Loomis returned the interception, taking Tripucka's throw on the 42 and running to a TD. The officials at first ruled "no touchdown" because of a holding penalty on the Bays but Captain Forte argued the matter and the TD was allowed. (It developed that the officials figured the Packers were on offense.) At this point, the game started to get rough. After Parilli got a sock on the kisser from Joe Reid, Packer guard Dave Stephenson "roughed" Tripucka and the usual 15-yarder followed. Before the game ended, Loomis and Reid traded interceptions and Rote threw a 23-yard pass to Howton.

DALLAS - 7 0 7 0 - 14
GREEN BAY - 7 14 14 7 - 42

	<u>DALLAS</u>	<u>GREEN BAY</u>
First Downs	13	13
Rushing-Yards-TD	30-45-2	20-73-1
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	22-40-142-0-4	10-29-252-4-5
Sacked-Yards	4-34	3-25
Net Passing Yards	108	227
Total Yards	153	300
Fumbles-lost	1-0	3-2
Turnovers	4	7
Yards penalized	11-95	10-108

SCORING

1ST - GB - Tony Canadeo, 21-yard pass from Tobin Rote (Fred Cone kick) GREEN BAY 7-0

1ST - DAL - Frank Tripucka, 8-yard run (Keith Flowers kick) TIED 7-7

2ND - GB - Billy Howton, 50-yard pass from Babe Parilli (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 14-7

2ND - GB - Bob Mann, 18-yard pass from Parilli (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 21-7

3RD - GB - Canadeo, 10-yard run (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 28-7

3RD - GB - Breezy Reid, 81-yard pass from Rote (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 35-7

4TH - DAL - Dick Hoerner, 6-yard run (Flowers kick) GREEN BAY 35-14

4TH - GB - Ace Loomis, 45-yard interception return (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 42-14

RUSHING

GREEN BAY - Tony Canadeo 7-31 1 TD, Bobby Jack Floyd 4-23, Bill Reichardt 2-10, Babe Parilli 1-8, Billy Grimes 1-2, Breezy Reid 4-(-1)

DALLAS - Frank Tripucka 2-13 1 TD, Buddy Young 7-12, Zollie Toth 10-9, Dick Hoerner 5-7 1 TD, Hank Lauricella 2-7, George Taliaferro 4-(-3)

PASSING

GREEN BAY - Tobin Rote 12-6-142 2 TD 1 INT, Babe Parilli 17-4-110 2 TD 4 INT

DALLAS - Frank Tripucka 38-22-142 2 INT, George Taliaferro 2-0-0 2 INT

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY - Bob Mann 4-66 1 TD, Billy Howton 2-73 1 TD, Breezy Reid 1-81 1 TD, Tony Canadeo 1-21 1 TD, Carl Elliott 1-7, Bobby Jack Floyd 1-4

DALLAS - Dick Wilkins 6-58, George Taliaferro 5-10, Ray Pelfrey 4-54, Dick Hoerner 3-13, Zollie Toth 2-3, Stan Williams 1-8, Buddy Young 1-(-4)



One of the rare photos of the 1952 Texans in action. Halfback Buddy Young, with ball, battles the Green Bay Packers. (Source: Pro Football Hall of Fame)

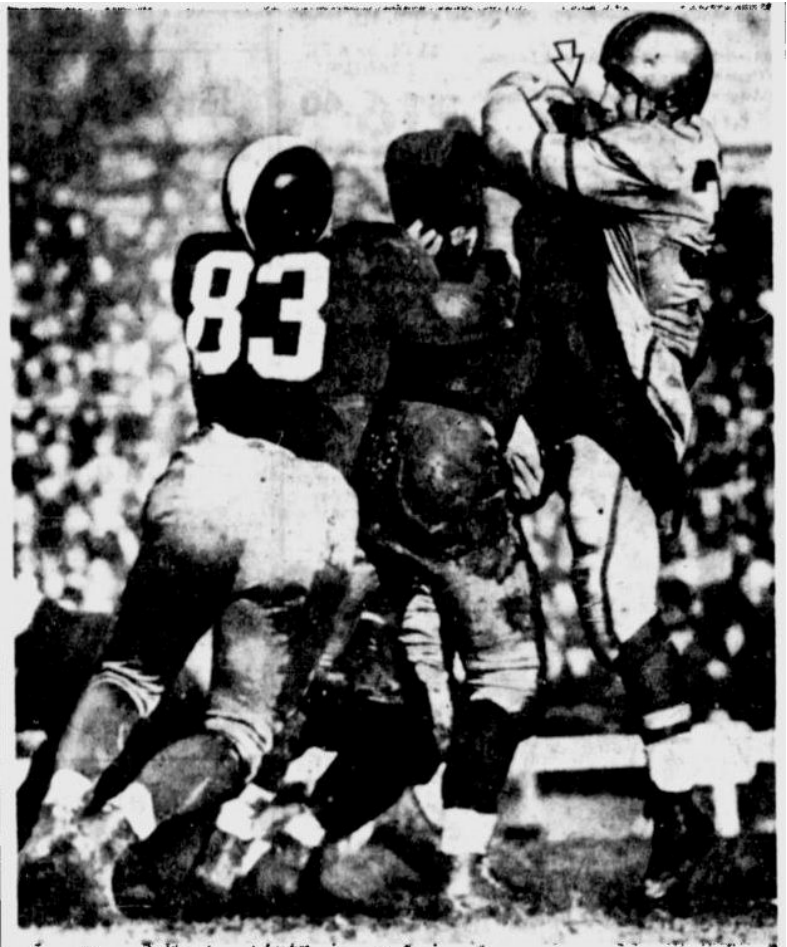
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PACKERS 'COMPARE' WITH OTHER 3: PHELAN

NOV 24 (Green Bay) - Jimmy Phelan, whose hair long since has turned to silver (not as many believe, after he became head coach of the Texans) nodded somberly and quoth, "Yes. I think the Packers compare with the other top three teams in our conference - the Lions, Rams and Forty-Niners." This appraisal, as you may already have divined, was intriguing in the extreme since these three organizations, in that exact order, constitute the remaining obstacles in the Packers' path the balance of the 1952 season. Scrutinizing the Packer roster closely in the quiet of his Hotel Northland room at twilight Sunday, Phelan elaborated, "I thought so earlier in the season. And, don't forget, the Packers have another weapon they didn't use today - Rote in the spread. He's a very fine player - he can run with that ball." Making a frank analysis of Green Bay's favorite sons, the veteran opined, "I don't think their offensive line is too outstanding, but they're strong at quarterback and at offensive ends. And they're all right at defensive ends. This is the first time I've seen Faverty," he went on, "and he looked like a good ball player. And, of course, they've got good kicking - good kickoff men and a good punter. Teteak is a pretty good ball player, and, apparently, Afflis has been doing a good job." "And," Phelan continued his resume, "Howton and Mann are a real pair of ends. And Canadeo - he's a hell of a ball player, he's a great kid. He's really a consistent ball player. That Forte is a good ball player. Of course, he gave us a lot of trouble in Dallas, too." Warming to his subject, Jimmy

declared, "This Parilli is the best rookie quarterback we've had in this league in four or five years. As a matter of fact, I don't know of any who has had a good a year as a rookie as he's having. I helped Steve Owen coach him in the Senior bowl last winter, you know, and we found then that he's a very talented, intelligent kid."..."WE'VE BEEN CRIPPLED UP": Despite the one-sided score, Phelan indicated he hadn't been disappointed in the Texans' performance. "We've been crippling up all year long," he said. "And I can't say we've had any good breaks at any time. Take today for example. Parilli gets up off the ground and completes that pass to Mann. On the next play, the ball bounces around and Howton comes down with it - and goes for a touchdown. That broke the game wide open." Pointing out how the Texans have been hampered by injuries, he revealed, "We played only 27 men today, you know. Our two first string defensive tackles, Don Colo and Art Donovan, didn't even suit up. Donovan has a broken ankle. And, today, Bob Baggett got racked up. That leaves us only 11 backs - that's pretty thin." Again turning to the Packers, he was not inclined to make light of their chances the rest of the way. "When they get out on the coast, they may hit some good weather, and, if they do, those kids (Rote and Parilli) can throw the ball." Informed that the Eagles had upset the Browns to create a three-way tie for first place in the American conference and that the Bears had toppled the Lions, Phelan smiled, "You know, I wouldn't be surprised if there are two playoffs in both division - and they wind up playing the championship game after the first of the year."...

The Packers' burly head man, Gene Ronzani, was manifestly relieved, "I was worried about this game," he asserted, "and, as it turned out, not without good reason. We made a lot of mistakes, but the kids fought back and overcame them. I don't think there is a better team in the league than ours on a given day," Gene added. "When we lost a few games early in the season, the fans were down on them but I told 'em not to lose faith in these kids - and they've really cam through." Ronzani then cast a speculative eye to the future. "The season's all ahead of us," he said. "If we can win two of our last three games, we're not out of it. That's why, after the kids got their feet on the ground, they played some good football - because they knew it. Of course, they played some bad football, too."..."THERE'S NO FINER PLAYER": "I was particularly glad to see them win it for Tony Canadeo," Gene confided. "There's no finer player in football than Tony. Down the years, he's had some glorious days, but I don't think he'll ever forget this one." Discussing the day's victims, the Packer chieftain insisted, "The Texans still are going to beat somebody. If they forget they're homeless and buckle down, they can win. They've got good personnel. It was just the kind of game I expected it would be and told the players it would be - rough," Gene declared. "I'm just happy we didn't have any real serious injuries - just a few bumps and bruises. Now, if the kids just look ahead from game to game, you can't tell what might happen," he concluded. "Of course, we've got to have luck - plus good football."...The players, by courtesy of Canadeo, were able "to have their cake and eat it, too." In fact, the huge cake Tony received during "Tony Canadeo Day" ceremonies prior to the game was the focal point of their victory celebration in the dressing room. A three-tiered affair, the cake bore the Packer colors, green and gold, and upon it was mounted a chocolate football. It was bedecked with inscriptions, virtually a summary of the man and his career, like, "Spirit of Green Bay," "Second Leading Ground Gainer," "First in the Hearts of Green Bay," "Silver Streak," "Gray Ghost," and "8,500 total yards" - among others. Tony undoubtedly was the last to sample the pastry for, after a photographer had been summoned to take a picture of the veteran with the cake, he was kept busy for all of a half hour cutting pieces of it for his colleagues, the coaches, press, et al. There even was a slight delay before the picture was taken, Tony informing cameraman Don Elliott, "Wait until I get my pants on."...A violent rhubarb, one of several during the court of the afternoon, developed in the fourth quarter when it appeared that Parilli had been punched by the Texans' Joe Reid in making a tackle. Several of the Kentucky Babe's mates rushed to his side, prepared to do battle. This brought Ace Loomis off the bench. He screamed, "Don't swing, don't swing! It'll cost you fifty dollars." Nothing, fortunately, came of the incident,



This was the end of the line for Bill Reichardt, Packer fullback, as he ran smack dab into two Dallas tacklers after a short gain in midfield in the second quarter of Sunday's game at

Green Bay. End Stan Williams (83) of the Texans is coming up to make sure Reichardt is stopped. The Packers won, 42-14, to share the division lead.

—Journal Staff

the officials acting quickly to restore order...Larry Bero, the 12-year old De Pere polio victim who was presented with an autographed Packer football when a delegation of players visited him Friday, was in attendance as a guest of the team. Larry sat directly behind the Packers' bench with his father, Harry G. Bero...Ronzani consoled a heartbroken Parilli in the fourth quarter after he had been charged with a fifth interception. Gene threw an arm about Babe's shoulders attempting to reassure him. But Parilli only could say brokenly, "I don't know what's the matter with me."...If the game had lasted much longer, Washington Serini might have needed to repair to the dressing room for a new pair of trousers. A gaping hole had developed in the left leg - at the rear - of his moleskins and was threatening to grow...The muddy field, in addition to making life miserable for the players, posed several problems. The Packers' Bud Jorgenson and Johnny Proski continually were called upon to supply the officials with fresh towels, used to wipe off the ball, and their assistants were kept busy scraping mud from the cleats of the players, as they returned to the bench...Since it was Packer homecoming, a number of ex-Green Bay performers were in evidence. Among the out-of-town representatives were Hank Bruder, Paul Kell, Howard (Cub) Buck, Don Perkins, Dick Weisgerber, Walter Le Jean and Walter Schlinkman...The custodian of the lost and found department was mystified when a woman's stadium boot, containing a shoe, was turned in. The only answer he reasoned "was that she must have become so excited she jumped out of her shoes."...Mounting pressure in the NFL race, no little of it being exerted by the Packers, brought out the scouting fraternity in force. On hand to chart the play were Russ Thomas and Bob Ivory, Detroit Lions; Paul Christman, San Francisco Forty Niners; Tom Farris, Los Angeles Rams; and Walter and Pete Halas, Chicago Bears...The Packers' oldest pros, Ray Bray, gave the fans a chuckle when he sneaked into the Texans' huddle in the third quarter. Ray, unable to understand the visitors' lack of hospitality, was summarily ejected therefrom...Green

Bay's Junior Packers, who play in the Santa Claus bowl at Lakeland, Fla., in December, were introduced - along with coaches Ted Fritsch and Charley Tollefson - between halves. The 64-piece Stambaugh, Mich., High school band, a crack unit, also entertained during the intermission and before the game...It was a big day for boys of the Guardian Angel boarding school at Oneida. They were guests of the Packers at the game and each of the youngsters was provided with a bag containing candy and fruit, through the good offices of Harry Brehme, to add zest to the outing.

CANADEO THROWS AWAY SPEECH, SPEAKS STRAIGHT FROM HIS HEART AT CEREMONIES

NOV 24 (Green Bay) - Tony Canadeo - the man of the hour before and during the Packer-Texan game Sunday - threw away his "speech" and spoke straight from his big heart after after receiving scores of gifts during pre-game ceremonies at City stadium Sunday. In a husky voice, Canadeo said over the PA system: "I've always been proud to be a Packer and today more so than ever. I can't remember what it was I going to say but I want to thank all the fans everywhere for making this day possible. God bless them all for 11 years of a wonderful life." He was presented with a Chevrolet station wagon by the fans, a television set by the Wisconsin network, silver champagne bucket, a gift from his teammates presented by Capt. Bob Forte, and a scroll containing the names of all those who had contributed to make his "day" possible. In the station wagon were sunglasses, canned good, pickles, cheese, a ham, certificate for \$100 worth of dancing lessons from the Fred Astaire studio, glasses and a check for the amount contributed in excess of the car's purchase price. Russ Leddy quipped, "Tony can



Wasted Effort—Marv Johnson, Packer defensive half-back, was convinced there's no justice shortly after this picture was taken. It shows Johnson shortly after he intercepted a Frank Tripucka pass on his own goal line in the third quarter of last Sunday's game against the Dallas Texans at City stadium. At this point he appears to smile in beginning a sprint that carried him an even 100 yards to the Texans' end zone. Upon arriving there, however, the smile disappeared when he discovered the play had been recalled because of a clipping penalty. Partially hidden in background is Packers' Bob Forte.

use it to pay gift taxes with." And, finally, he also will receive 10 cases of beer "to fill the champagne bucket." Adding zest to the ceremonies were telegrams from Bing Crosby, like Tony a Gonzaga university alumnus, and Gonzaga's public relations director. The Packer Lumberjack band also played the Gonzaga "alma mater". Bob Houle served as master of ceremonies until Leddy arrived.



Packer great Tony Canadeo in action versus the Dallas Texans

REVENGE! Packers Have Reason for It in Detroit

REVENGE! PACKERS HAVE REASON FOR IT IN DETROIT

NOV 25 (Green Bay) - If ever a team had reason for revenge, the Packers have it for their climatic showdown struggle against the Lions in Detroit Thanksgiving day! The Lions made the Packers look bad in City stadium Sunday, Oct. 26 before a sellout throng of nearly 25,000. The final score speaks its sad piece, 52 to 17 - a margin of 35 points! The Lions, a bloodthirsty gang of killers that day, scooped four Packer fumbles and intercepted dive passes in humiliating the Bay forces during 60 minutes of painful football. The Lions led 14-7 at the end of the first quarter, 28-10 at the half, and 42-17 going into the fourth period. Since Oct. 26, the Packers stormed to four straight victories - 12 to 10 over Philadelphia, 41 to 28 over the Chicago Bears, 17 to 3 over New York and 42-14 over the National league Texans. Meanwhile, the Lions followed their triumph here with three straight wins - 17 to 6 over Cleveland, 31 to 6 over Pittsburgh and 43 to 13 over the Texans before losing to the Bears, 24 to 23, Sunday. Today, the Lions and Bays are locked in a first place National conference tie

Leading Ground Gainers						
		A	G	Yds.	Lg	Ave
Price, N. Y.	.....	169	734	75	43	
Towler, Los An.	.....	111	660	44	5.9	
McElhenny, S. Fran.	.....	80	629	89	7.9	
Perry, S. Fran.	.....	113	526	78	4.7	
Hoernschmeyer, De.	.....	96	429	41	4.3	
Motley, Cleve.	.....	98	426	59	4.3	
Heath, Wash.	.....	74	353	44	4.8	
Carmichael, Cleve.	.....	56	333	37	5.9	
Rote, K. NY	.....	77	329	82	4.3	
Matson, C. Cards	.....	78	316	25	4.1	
Longest Gain: 89 yds., Hugh McElhenny, San Francisco, vs. Dallas 10-5-32 TD.						
Leading Passers						
		At	Com	Yds	Td	Int
Rote, G. B.	.....	112	39	956	9	7.8
Van Brock, A.	.....	147	75	1210	10	8.2
Parilli, G. B.	.....	115	49	847	11	10.7
Graham, Cleve.	.....	290	140	2135	15	15.7
Albert, SF	.....	80	43	585	6	7.3
Tittle, SF	.....	165	87	1137	8	9.8
LeBaron, Wash.	.....	134	63	909	5	11.7
Finks, Pitt.	.....	243	113	1647	14	15.7
Conerly, NY	.....	136	62	869	9	10.6
Panciera, C. C.	.....	79	29	501	5	7.6
Layne, Det.	.....	202	91	1277	10	16.6
Romanik, Bears	.....	113	42	671	4	10.9
Waterfield, L.A.	.....	81	37	451	2	8.3
Werners, Phil	.....	137	57	734	4	7.3
Trippi, Cards	.....	112	52	873	3	6.1
Trippuca, Dal.	.....	104	50	539	1	11.2
Longest completion: 90 yds., Vita Parilli, Green Bay, vs. Washington 10-5-32 TD.						
Standings based on average gain per pass attempted.						
Leading Pass Receivers						
		No	Rec	Yds	Tds	Lg
Speedie, Cleve.	.....	53	816	50	4	
Soltan, San Fran.	.....	48	678	49	5	
Nickel, Pitt.	.....	37	599	59	4	
Carmichael, Cards	.....	37	424	26	4	
Grant, Phila.	.....	33	552	84	4	
Schroeder, Bears	.....	33	542	56	5	
Jones, Cleve.	.....	33	500	63	2	
Howton, G. B.	.....	32	746	90	8	
Carey, Los An.	.....	32	505	61	1	
Taylor, Wash.	.....	30	642	70	7	
Mathews, Pitt.	.....	30	489	50	4	
Fears, Los An.	.....	23	382	36	4	
Longest Completion: 90 yds., Billie Howton, Green Bay, vs. Washington 10-5-32 TD.						
Leading Scorers						
		Td	Tr	Td	Tr	XP
Groza, Cleve.	.....	0	0	0	26	16
Soltan, SF	.....	0	5	5	21	5
Walston, Phila.	.....	0	2	2	21	8
Waterfield, L.A.	.....	0	0	0	29	8
Conr, G. B.	.....	2	1	3	29	1
Howton, G. R.	.....	8	8	0	0	43
McElhenny, SF	.....	2	8	0	0	43
Blaids, Bears	.....	1	5	23	5	4
Poole, NY	.....	0	0	0	19	8
Leading Punters						
		Stg	No	Ave	Lg	
Gilnom, Cleve.	.....	1	54	46.3	73	
Smith, Det.	.....	2	48	45.4	66	
Van Brocklin, LA	.....	3	20	44.5	66	
Brady, Pitt.	.....	4	58	43.6	60	
Morrison, Bears	.....	5	50	42.6	65	
Albert, San Fran.	.....	6	52	42.1	70	
Waterfield, LA	.....	7	26	41.5	59	
Landry, New York	.....	8	64	41.1	59	
Townell, Wash.	.....	8	39	41.1	56	
Parilli, Green Bay	.....	10	35	40.9	63	
Longest Punt: 73 yds., Horace Gilnom, Cleveland, vs. Washington 10-26-32.						
Standing computed on average distance.						
Punt Return Leaders						
		No	Yds	Ave	Tds	
Lewis, Los Ang.	.....	12	288	24.0	2	
Christiansen, Det.	.....	13	256	19.7	2	
Williams, Wash.	.....	16	314	19.6	1	
Lary, Detroit	.....	9	150	16.7	2	
McElhenny, SF	.....	18	272	15.1	1	
Mathews, Pitt.	.....	25	369	14.8	2	
Quinlan, Los Ang.	14	167	11.9	0	
Quinlan, New York	25	292	11.7	0	
Stevens, Phila.	15	161	10.7	1	

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PACKERS OUTSCORE OPPONENTS, 112-55, IN FOUR VICTORIES

NOV 25 (Green Bay) - The interception and fumble-lost columns of the Packer-Texan and Packer-Lion games were quite similar. Yet there was a vast difference in the final scores of the two games, the Lions whipping Green Bay, 52-17, and the Bays downing the Texans, 42-14. This would indicate an equally vast difference in the caliber of the two Packer opponents. Yet, as they say, a team is allowed to place only 11 men on the field at the same time and the respective foes put on the trousers the same way - one leg at a time. The Packers

had five passes intercepted and lost four fumbles in the Detroit game, and collapsed. The same team had five passes intercepted and lost three fumbles in the Texan game, and won - going away. How come? Improvement seems to the best and most logical answer! Since Detroit, the Packers won four straight. In those four, Coach Gene Ronzani's boys outscored their opponents, 112 points to 55, 15 touchdowns to 7, and 3 field goals to 2. The Big Four included two landslides - 41 to 28 over the Chicago Bears and 42-14 over the Texans; one tight squeeze - 12 to 10 over Philadelphia; and a "cross" between the two - 17 to 3 over the New York Giants. Actually, the only obvious scoring errors in the four games were the two extra point misses by fullback Fred Cone in the Philadelphia game. But it was a wonderful lesson for Freddie, who followed with 13 straight PATs, including six over the Texans. The Packers, as the scoring indicates, have improved tremendously in the mechanical department - naturally a must if victories are to be accomplished. But just as important, the Packers have improved equally in the morale section. From a new and fresh mental outlook - born after the Detroit debacle - grew a revival of the old Green Bay Packer spirit. Actually, that Lion loss "made" the Packers. And, by golly, the second Lion game Thanksgiving day could really "make" them what we never even dared dream - champions! Last Sunday's game was



Ex-Packers 'Line Up'—These former Packers, some of them dating back to the original team of 1919, "lined up" once again—this time solely for the photographer's benefit—at the homecoming party held in the Elks club Saturday night. Front row, left to right, Tom Hearden, Charley Brock, Verne Lewellen, Cecil Isbell, Don Perkins, John Bolo, Dick Weisgerber and Nick Miketina; second row, left to right, F. L. (Jug) Earg, Al Rose, Hank Bruder, Al Petka, Andy Muldoon, Jim Coffeen and Lyle Sturgeon; third row, left to right, Howard (Cub) Buck, Paul Kell, Joe Laws, Eddie Glick, Wuerst Engelmann, Walt Schlunkman and Andy Uram; back row, same order, Walter Le Jean, Ken Radack and Arnold Herber.



Tony Has His 'Day'—Tony Canadeo, the Packers' great 11-year veteran, was honored for his contribution to Green Bay's National Football league representatives in ceremonies held before Sunday afternoon's Packer-Texan game at City stadium. He is shown, above, accepting a gift from his teammates. Capt. Bob Forte, left, makes the presentation. Also shown in background are, left to right, backfield coach Ray (Scooter) McLean, Bobby Dillon, Hwey Red and Tobin Rote.

the Packers' first experience on a slippery field, although the Giant gridiron was muddy in spots. At the Packer Alumni gathering Saturday night, Ronzani was understandably worried as the snow poured down. "Snow, rain or a bad field are the greatest equalizer in football," he said. Fortunately, the next day bloomed sunny and all of the snow was swept off the field long before game time. At the opening kickoff, however, there were puddles of water in various spots. The Packers' game Thursday marks the start of the "fourth quarter" for both clubs. The Bays broke even in the first half, splitting even in six games, but they swept all three in the third quarter. The Detroit won four and lost two in the first half and worked a 2-1 record in the third frame. The Packers, who intercepted four Texan passes, now have stolen 17 enemy throws. Bobby Dillon has pilfered four and Dom Moselle, Ace Loomis and Captain Bob Forte three each. Forte's trio is amazing in view of the fact that he toils as a linebacker. Deral Teteak, also a linebacker, grabbed one. Dan Sandifer intercepted two and Clarence Self one.



BABE PARILLI

TOBIN ROTE

BILL HOWTON

Three big reasons why Packers are in midst of NFL title fight

PACKERS POISED FOR TV GAME

NOV 25 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers appeared confident that "we can win it" as they finished heavy practice Tuesday for their showdown struggle with the Detroit Lions in Detroit Thanksgiving Day. Kickoff in the coast-to-coast televised battle is set for 11 a.m., Milwaukee time. The Packers have revenge in mind. They can't forget the 52 to 17 beating the Lions handed them before a sellout crowd here October 26. The Packers, who finished with a 3-9 record a year ago, will be seeking their seventh win of the current season, but experts figure the Lions to win by some eight points. All of which is a break for the Packers because they have been successful as underdogs this season. Packer Head Coach Gene Ronzani and his players felt optimistic Tuesday because of the big improvement shown in the last four triumphs. They outscored their foes, Philadelphia, Chicago Bears, New York Giants and Dallas Texans, 112 points to 55. Undisputed possession of first place in the National Conference will be at stake - at least until next Sunday when Los Angeles and the Forty-niners clash in San Francisco. The four clubs are locked in a first place tie (6-3 records).

PACKERS FACE DETROIT NEXT

NOV 25 (Detroit) - The hospital corridors overflowed with Detroit Lions football players Monday - just 72 hours before the battle for first place with the Green Bay Packers here Thursday morning. The game will be televised by WTMJ-TV at 11 o'clock, Milwaukee time. Of the Lions' 33 players eight went to Osteopathic hospital for treatment. Included were backs Jug Girard, Don Doll, Tom Dublinski and Doak Walker; ends Cloyce Box and Leon Hart, and linemen Dick Flanagan and Lou Creekmur. One other player, end Jim Dooley, received locker room treatment for an injury. All will probably be able to play Thursday but none will be at full efficiency. A crowd of 40,000 to 50,000 is expected. The Packers and Lions each have 6-3 records in the National Conference of the NFL and share first place with San Francisco and Los Angeles. The winner will move into first place alone. The other leaders will not play until Sunday.

RONZANI CALLS PLAYERS 'MIRACLE MEN'

NOV 25 (Green Bay) - Gene Ronzani, coach of the surprising Green Bay Packers, said Monday his team's rise to a tie for first place in the NFL probably amazed everyone "except the fans in Green Bay." Ronzani, in his third year as head man of the Packers, said "up here the fans think we're all miracle men and I guess we just have to live up to it." The youthful Packers moved into a four-way tie for first place in the National Conference Sunday with a 42-14 thumping of the Dallas Texans. The Packers' rapid advance to the top is all the more amazing when one checks the team's roster and find 13 rookies on the squad and seven others who were castoffs from other clubs and have never played in Green Bay uniforms before. "We started out the season with a bunch of possibilities and most of them have turned out better than we could ever have hoped," Ronzani said. "The most improved man on the team is John Martinkovic, and Ab Wimberly is doing a fine job now, too." Both Martinkovic and Wimberly are defensive players and Ronzani said it was the sterling play of the defensive platoon in

recent games which had given the team four straight wins and a share of the top spot in the league standings. "Of course, they've been aided by a lot of good men all along the line and in the backfield," Rozani said. "The team has looked better with each succeeding game and you can't tell how far we'll go." Green Bay has three tough games remaining on its schedule, one each with Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco. Those are the three National Conference teams with which Green Bay is tied for first place. Each team has won six and lost three. "I think the winner will lose four games when it's all over," Rozani said. "Each team has three games left and I doubt if anyone will go the rest of the way without a defeat." The immediate problem for the Packers is to get past Detroit Thanksgiving Day at Detroit. The traditional holiday game could either make or break the Packer title hopes since they then go to the West Coast to play the Los Angeles Rams and San Francisco 49ers. "We have a young team and the boys made a lot of mistakes, but they are pulling together," Ronzani said. "I've never seen such spirit." The coach knows what it means to be on a championship team. He won nine letters at Marquette University and then was a player and assistant coach with the Chicago Bears for 16 years. He was on three championship Bear teams. Ronzani was a halfback in his playing days and teamed with Bronco Nagurski, Carl Brumbaugh and Beattie

Feathers to form one of the Bears' greatest backfield in the 1930s, then shifting over to the quarterback post.

LIONS WORRIED ABOUT INJURIES, PACKER FORMATIONS

NOV 25 (Detroit) - In between their trips to the hospital, the Detroit Lions are worrying about a tricky, spread formation the Green Bay Packers own. The Lions, with nine of 33 players injured, battle the Packers here Thanksgiving Day before a crowd that may hit 45,000 if the weather is fair. At stake: first place in the National Conference. The combatants are rolled up now in a four-way tie with San Francisco and Los Angeles, who don't play each other until Sunday. The Packers have shown improvement since the Lions beat them earlier 52-17. And they've shown the following dangerous formation, which was also used against Detroit with great success. Passer Tobin Rote stands about seven feet behind the center and takes a direct pass from him, as is done in most showy spread formations. Meanwhile the other three backs line up of the far side of the field side by side, a couple yards moved from the line of scrimmage. The formation is particularly effective for short gains. It enables five pass receivers to get into the Lion secondary in a hurry. And three of them are over on the side with plenty of room to fake and maneuver. The defense against such a formation, in these days of brainpower football, is too intricate to detail. But in the words of defensive halfback Jack Christiansen, "It's one that worries us." That isn't all the Packers will use. They'll run the T-formation with Kentucky's Babe Parilli passing. Meanwhile the Lions passing attack will suffer. Only one of four regular offensive ends - Bill Swiacki - is physically sound. Giant Leon Hart and Cloyce Box will probably play but will run at reduced effectiveness because of leg injuries. Jim Doran is a maybe-year, maybe-no performer Thursday. Short of end, the Lions were upset 24-23 by the Chicago Bears Sunday. The Lions also are aching at left halfback. Jug Girard, the fill-in for Doak Walker, came up with a sore knee Sunday. Walker hasn't played regularly since the second game of the season but insists he is ready to play Thursday. Walker also has leg troubles. Others who visited Orthopedic Hospital Monday were tackle Lou Creekmur, defensive halfback Don Doll, linebacker Dick Flanagan and quarterback Tom Dublinski.

LIONS LOOM AS UNDERDOGS TO PACKERS

NOV 25 (Detroit) - A battered and bruised Detroit Lions football team passed up a day of rest Monday to prepare for Thanksgiving Day's payoff engagement with the Green Bay Packers. The Lions are currently tied with the Packers, Los



Angeles and San Francisco for first place in the National Conference of the NFL. A victory put them out in front of the pack, at least until Sunday when the Rams and 49ers meet in San Francisco. For the first time in more than a month, the Lions are likely to be underdogs. The fast-improving Packers, victors in their last four games, have developed into a high scoring, smooth-working football machine. Headed by Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli, the Packers have a great passing attack with Bob Mann and Bill Howton on the receiving end of the aeriols. Rote also supplies plenty of punch as a runner. Although the Lions beat the Packers, 52 to 17, in the first meeting of the teams in Green Bay, the score could be reversed in this one. The Lions came out of the Chicago Bear defeat Sunday in sorry physical shape. Eight players were at the Osteopathic Hospital Sunday night and Monday to receive treatment for a wide assortment of injuries. The suffering Lions are ends Cloyce Box and Leon Hart, tackle Lou Creekmur, guard Dick Flanagan, halfbacks Doak Walker, Don Doll and Jug Girard and quarterback Tom Dublinski. Although Coach Buddy Parker is not given to alibis, he did point out that the reason the Lions dropped their first game in six starts was the lack of offensive ends in Sunday's game. By the time the fourth quarter rolled around, the Lions had only one able-bodied offensive end on the field – Bill Swiacki. Both Box and Hart suffered recurrences of leg injuries, and the Bears didn't even bother to cover them on pass

plays. They knew neither could run well enough to hurt the Chicago defense. As a result, the Bears' seven-man line concentrated on the Lion running attack and spent all afternoon rushing Bobby Layne. Layne, incidentally, had his poorest protection of the season against George Connor, Ed Spinkle and Co. Walker, after missing all but three plays of the season since Oct. 3, declared he would definitely be back in action against the Packers. Jim Doran, the star defensive and offensive end, also said he would be ready for the Green Bay game. Even if a majority of the cripples recover in time for Thursday's game, the Lions will have to play their best football to stay in the NFL race. Blocking for the passer and runners will have to be much improved to prevent a repetition of the Bear fiasco. The pass defense, which seemed to collapse in the final two minutes, will also need patching if they are to stop the Packer sharpshooters. Against the Bears, the pass defense held George Blanda to eight completions in the first 58 minutes. Then the fugitive from the Bear bench hit on three straight – and that meant the difference between victory and defeat for the Lions. One big factor in the Lion defeat was the slump of the defensive line. Although it played fair football, the performance didn't match its normal play. With Bulldog Turner, Connor and Dick Barwegan leading the way, the Bears tore holes in Detroit's defense repeatedly. While the Lions were battered, the Packers had an easy time with the Dallas Orphans Sunday. Green Bay will be better shape, physically, for this payoff game.

UNDERDOG PACKERS TO TRY FOR BIGGEST UPSET IN DETROIT

NOV 26 (Detroit) - The rags to riches Green Bay Packers, who finished with a 3-9 record a year ago, and the Detroit Lions, who missed the National conference championship by five minutes last December, fight for the inside track to the 1952 NC title in sprawling Briggs stadium here Thanksgiving day. Kickoff is set for 11 o'clock Thursday morning, Green Bay time, and the battle will be witnessed by 34,045,000 fans from coast to coast. In-the-flesh attendance could reach as high as 50,000, with good weather, while the remaining millions will view the struggle via coast to coast and north to south television. "This is it" for both teams, which are locked in a unique four-way tie with Los Angeles and San Francisco for first place in the "western" division of the NFL. Each team has a 6-3 record. Undisputed possession of first place will be at stake – at least until next Sunday when the other two leaders collide in 'Frisco. The Packers actually "control" the title



because they meet LA and SF after Detroit; three straight wins would put them in. The Lions face the Chicago Bears and Dallas in Detroit in their last two games. The Packers appeared confident that "we can win" upon arrival here late this afternoon. But the experts don't agree. They have posted Detroit as an eight-point favorite, which means that a Packer victory would be quite an upset. Packer head coach Gene Ronzani and his gang aren't worried what the experts think, however. They scored three of their last four victories as underdogs – against Philadelphia, Chicago Bears and New York Giants – before winning as a big favorite over the Texans. The experts' opinion is based largely on Detroit's rousing 52 to 17 victory over the Packers in Green Bay Oct. 26. And that's exactly what the Packers are basing their own hopes on because the Bays will be seeking a measure of revenge for that licking. Detroit made the Packers look awfully bad that day – and the Bays know it. The Packers don't have any special plans for Thursday's game. They're fixing to put their flaming spirit to work and let the chips fall where they may. Since Detroit, the Bays have "spirited" four straight. Green Bay enters the game in good physical condition, although a few of the boys are sporting limps. One of their number, defensive halfback Dan Sandifer, hurt his leg when he slipped and fell on the slippery floor in the dressing room. But Dan will be ready. Big Stretch Elliott is carrying a bandage on his hand, but, he too, will be set. Detroit's biggest wonder has been what type of attack the Packers will use – the "T" or the spread. The Packers gave the Lions a fit in the Thanksgiving day feature a year ago, with the spread engineered by quarterback Tobin Rote. This year the Packers can employ magician Babe Parilli to operate the T. Both clubs are expected to pass aplenty and the key receivers for the Packers will be their "Big Four" at ends – Bill Howton, Bob Mann, Jim Keane and Elliott. Incidentally, Mann will be playing his first game in Detroit since 1949. He was injured last year, and didn't play until the last three games of '50. The Lions have been crying "injury" ever since their 24-23 loss to the Bears. Reportedly hurt are their ace ends, Cloyce Box and Leon Hart – not to mention left halfback Jug Girard. The Jugger picked up a knee ailment against the Bears. As a Packer in '48, Girard was out for three weeks with a knee hurt. The mystery man is Doak Walker, the club's leading left half and top scorer for two seasons. The Doaker suited up for the Bears but didn't play. The guess here is that he'll be ready – to catch passes from Bobby Layne. The Packer line will get its severest test – on the basis of the Lions' front wall performance against the Bays' line Oct. 26. The Lions rushed through the Bay wall for 162 yards, while the Packers opened the Detroit line for only 53 yards. To say that the Packers will be facing their toughest opponent is putting it mildly. By way of explaining the Lions, it can be opined that they have a defense as tough as the Giants, but also an offense to go with it! The Packers are headquartering at the Fort Shelby hotel here. They are scheduled to return to Green Bay (Austin Straubel field) in their chartered plane at 4:30 (GB time) Thursday afternoon.

ROTE REGAINS NFL PASSING LEAD

NOV 26 (Green Bay) - Tobin Rote of the Packers and Norman Van Brocklin of the Los Angeles Rams are wagering a nip and tuck battle for the 1952 NFL individual passing honors, with Rote currently holding the edge, 8.54 yards per pass to 8.23 for Van Brocklin who led last week. Both had good days Sunday. Rote passed 12 times for 142 yards, while Van Brocklin flipped 32 for 259. With three quarters of the season gone, Rote has completed 59 times for 956 yards and nine touchdowns, while Van Brocklin has connected 75 times for 1,210 yards and 10 TDs. Vito Parilli, the other half of the Green Bay passing duo, ranks third with 49 completions for 847 yards and a 7.37 average. Otto Graham of the Cleveland Browns is fourth with a 7.36 average – 140 complete for 2,135 yards and 15 TDs. Eddie Price of the New York Giants gained 93 yards last week to increase his ground gaining leadership over Deacon Dan Towler of the Rams. Price has carried 169 times for 734 yards and a 4.3 average. Towler has lugged the ball 111 times for 660 and a 5.9 average. Other individual leaders in the NFL are Cleveland's Mac Speedie in pass receiving with 53 for 816 yards; teammate Lou Groza and Gordon Soltau of San Francisco tied in scoring with 72 points each; Horace Gillom of Cleveland in punting on a 46.8 average; Woodley Lewis of Los Angeles in punt returns with 24 yards per return; Ed Macon of the Chicago Bears in kickoff returns with a 35.3 average; and Herb Rich of Los Angeles in pass interceptions with eight for 201 yards.

JAY FEELS BAY OFFENSIVE LINE IS 'STRONG'; MANN GETS CHANCE!

NOV 26 (Green Bay) - Jay Rhodemyre, veteran Packer offensive center, hopes Texan coach Jimmy Phelan is one of the 30,000,000 persons who will watch the Packer-Detroit game on television Thursday. Phelan will be with his team in Akron, O., and it just might be that he'll be near a TV set because his boys don't start playing the Bears until 2 in the afternoon, while the Bays start at 11 a.m. Anyhow, Rhodemyre got himself steamed up for the bitter Lion struggle by taking exception to one of Phelan's remarks after the Packer-Texan game. Phelan said, "I don't think their offensive line is too strong." Jay, who is mighty proud of the fighting unit, slammed back in the dressing room yesterday: "Not too strong, eh? You remember that play where Babe Parilli went back to pass and slipped and fell and got up again to throw. Well, who do you think kept the Texans off his neck? The offensive line!" Needless to say, big Jay was right. Rhodemyre presently is one of the unsung heroes of the big boys from tackle to tackle on offense. He's the only real veteran in the unit. At tackles, you have a sophomore in Dick Afflis and two rookies, Steve Dowden and Tom Johnson. At the guard, you have the Ohio State rookies, Steve Ruzich and Dick Logan, and sophomore Dave Stephenson. Rhodemyre, presently in his fourth season, handled all of the offensive centering until rookie Hal Faverty was given a test at times during the Texan game. Jay's decision to return for another season was one of the best things that happened to the Packers this season. The Bays were virtually center-less

until Rhodemyre changed his mind midway last August. Rhodemyre had one of his best days a year ago Thanksgiving in Detroit, pulling out and blocking on Tobin Rote's runs off the spread and giving T-formation QB Bobby Thomason time to pass. He's hoping for another day like that tomorrow! The Packers have one gent in particular who's praying for some luck Thursday. He is Bob Mann, the Packers' veteran left end. Mann's home is in Detroit, and he's a former Lion, but he hasn't played there since 1949. Mann's last performance in Briggs stadium was in December of '49 – against the Packers. Bob was hot that day, catching nine passes – two for touchdowns – to help beat the Packers, 21 to 7. "I just got to do something Thursday," Mann said yesterday. Just before league play in 1950, Mann was traded by Detroit to the New York Yanks, but the Yanks were set and he was promptly placed on waivers. Mann was a disillusioned young man until the Packers signed him for the last three game of 1950 – none of them in Detroit. Last fall, Bob looked forward to playing in Detroit all season but he was injured in the Bear game the Sunday before Thanksgiving day. He could barely walk, much less suit up, for the contest. Bob is keeping his fingers crossed that nothing happens between now and 11 o'clock Thursday morning. Tomorrow's game is the 39th between the Packers and Lions. The Detroitis will be going after their 13th victory, while the Packers will try for win No. 27. The teams never played a tie game. The Lions will be seeking their seventh straight win over the Packers. They won the nightcap in '49, both games in '50, the pair in '51 and the opener in '52. The Packers are due!

PACKERS INVADE LIONS' LAIR IN BATTLE FOR LEAGUE LEAD

NOV 26 (Detroit) - The first step in breaking this terrific NFL log jam will be taken when Green Bay's Cinderella boys and the Detroit Lions clash in a Turkey Day tussle at Briggs Stadium, starting at 11 o'clock Milwaukee time. To the winner will go the honor of leading the entire league until Sunday when Los Angeles and San Francisco, presently tied with the Packers and Lions in the National Conference with identical records of 6-3, and the deadlocked American section pacesetters - Cleveland, New York and Philadelphia - catch up. The latter three also are in the 6-3 class. At least 35,000 are expected to sit in on the game, which will be televised nationally over a 48-station hookup, including WTMJ Milwaukee. The outcome may depend on breaks, for weather predictions indicate wind of gale-like proportions, freezing temperatures (possibly as low as 18 degrees) and a slippery field. Rain was due to turn to snow during the night. Punting, passing and receiving probably will be extremely difficult. Coach Gene Ronzani and his amazing squad were in a confident mood when they arrived in mid-afternoon. "All we're hoping is that we get our share of the breaks," said the coach. "The boys are up and definitely feel they have a chance to turn the tables on the Lions. The Lions are supposed to be riddled with injuries sustained in last Sunday's game with the Bears. Maybe those reports are on the level. But we aren't figuring on running into them at anything but their best." The Packers will be shooting for their fifth straight victory. If they make the grade, they will go a half-game ahead of the Rams and 49ers and a full game ahead of the Lions. The Ronzanimen have yet to lose a league tussle on the road. Following Thursday's duel here, they will return home to prepare for the climax invasion of the West Coast - Los Angeles December 7 and San Francisco December 14. One other tilt is on the Thanksgiving Day card: the Chicago Bears and the orphan Texans at Akron, OH.

PACKERS BID FOR DIVISION LEAD IN GAME WITH LIONS THURSDAY

NOV 26 (Milwaukee Journal) - Gene Ronzani's Green Bay Packers, the football whirlwinds who blew up out of comparative nowhere this National league season, make the first of their decisive championship bids Thursday morning when they meet the Detroit Lions at Briggs Stadium, Detroit. Undisputed first place in the National division of the league will be at stake when they take the field in a game that will be nationally televised and which will draw a crowd of close to 50,000 if the day is clear. The game will start at 11 o'clock (Milwaukee time). The Packers, riding the foam of a four game winning streak, which includes victories over Philadelphia, the Bears, New York and Dallas, enter the game tied for first place in the division with San Francisco, Los Angeles and Detroit. Each has won six and lost three. The other leaders will not play until Sunday. The winner of Thursday's game, as a result, will take over, temporarily at least, the divisional leads. Ironically, the Packers started their big push, which has led to championship speculation, after taking a humiliating licking from Detroit in the first game of the series at Green Bay five weeks ago, 52-17. The Packers could do nothing right that day, the Lions could do nothing wrong. "We were a little too tight," Ronzani explained as the final licks of preparations were put in Tuesday. "We made mistakes we hadn't made before or since. We just wanted to win the game too badly. Well, we certainly want this one badly, too, but you'll see a different team." Ronzani discounted the story out of Detroit about the Lions' poor physical shape. "They might have some bumps, but they'll all be out there Thursday," he said. "Us? We're in good shape." Detroit Wednesday ruled a 10 point favorite. Green Bay's hopes again rest on the good passing arms of Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli, and just enough strong running to support the air arm.

LIONS, PACKERS MEET FOR FIRST BEFORE TURKEY

NOV 26 (Chicago Tribune) - First place in the National Conference of the NFL will be at stake tomorrow morning in Briggs Stadium when the Detroit Lions and the Green Bay Packers meet in a wintry Thanksgiving Day setting. The weatherman tonight issued a forecast of a 30 degree temperature and snow flurries for the game, which will start at 11 a.m. (Chicago time). Despite the unfavorable weather outlook, the Lions tonight announced that between 35,000 and 40,000 will attend tomorrow's crucial battle. Because the Packers and Lions, along with the Los Angeles Rams and San Francisco 49ers, are

tied for the conference lead with identical 6-3 records, the winner of tomorrow's game will take over sole possession of the pace setting role, but only until after the Rams and 49ers collide in their second meeting Sunday. The Packers will go into tomorrow's game riding a crest of four straight triumphs, the clubs' longest victory streak in eight years, but are confronted with probably the most formidable stretch run in the annals of the National league. After the battle with the Lions, the Packers will meet the Rams in Los Angeles and the 49ers in San Francisco. Should the Packers pass those three hurdles they will have won the National conference title. The Lions, of course, must meet the Chicago Bears in Detroit December 7 and then wind up their regular season with the victory-less and homeless Dallas Texans. Since the Lions defeated the Packers in Green Bay, 52 to 17, Green Bay has scored successive victories over the Philadelphia Eagles, the Bears, the New York Giants, and the Texans. Last Sunday's games involving the Lions and the Packers may prove a factor tomorrow. While the Lions were absorbing a 24 to 23 defeat by the Bears in Chicago, the Packers went through little more than light exercise in trouncing the Texans, 42 to 14. The Packers came through last Sunday's game without injury, but nine of the 33 on the Detroit roster answered the injury call after the bruising battle with the Bears and although most of those will see action tomorrow they figure to be below par physically. Included in the Lions' casualty list are such key performers as ends Cloyce Box, Jim Doran and Leon Hart; tackle Lou Creekmur; guard Dick Flanagan and halfback Jug Girard. Girard, a former Packer, was the key performer in the first meeting of the two teams, rushing 61 yards in 11 tries and catching four passes for 69 yards and two touchdowns. Coach Buddy Parker expressed some concern tonight over the ability of the crippled Lions to cope with the Packer spread formation. The Packers now boast the best one-two punch at quarterback in the National league with Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli.

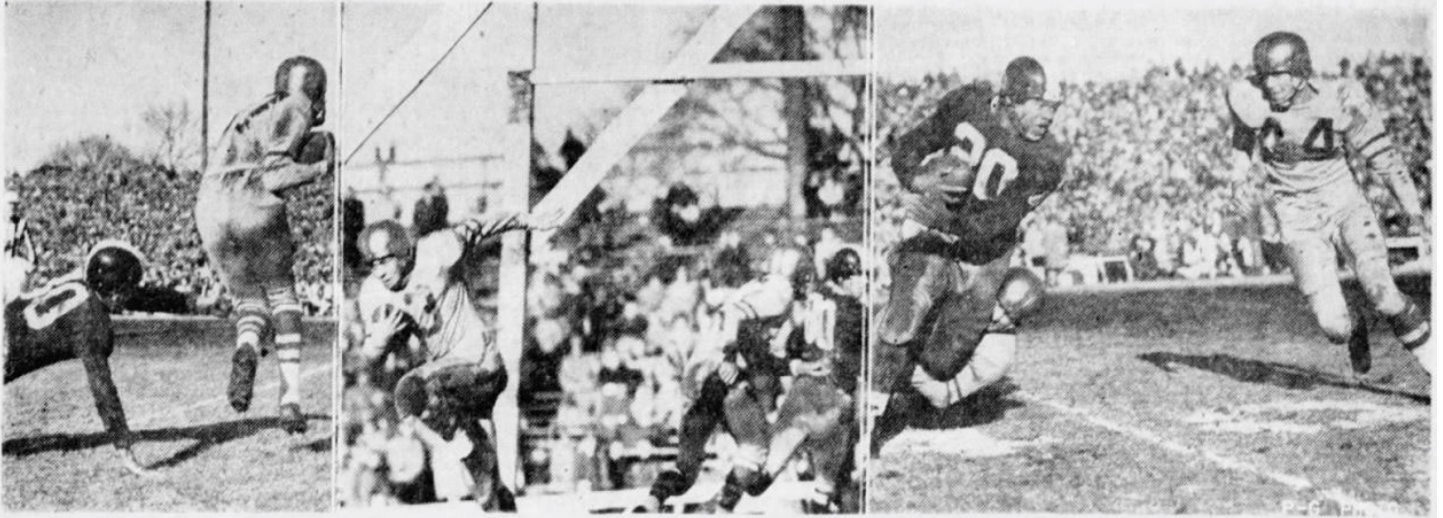
TIE COULD WIN IT ALL FOR LIONS IN NFL RACE

NOV 26 (Detroit) - Who said that a tie game, a draw, a standoff, a stalemate never settle anything? Take a look at the zany professional football whirl. Each team – there are 12 – has played nine games with only three to go on the regular schedule. Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Green Bay are tied for the lead in the National Division. Cleveland, New York and Philadelphia are deadlocked at the top of the American section. All seven clubs have identical won-lost records of 6-3. Such an oversized “tie” is unique in a sport which usually shoots one or two teams to the head of the pack in a hurry and keeps them there. What makes it even more of an oddity is that for the first time in many seasons, there has not been a single tie game played in the league. What could make even more of an oddity of such a fact is that the dogfight has reached such a showdown stage that a tie game could now crown a champion...IT'S UP TO RAMS, 49ERS: Take the Lions. They had what looked to be a six-point victory turned into a one-point defeat by the Chicago Bears last Sunday. The margin of defeat came on the first bad flip-back from center all season which resulted in a miss on the try for a point after touchdown. Had that kick been good, the Lions would have tied the Bears and would not be leading the league with a 6-2-1 mark. It wasn't to be that way. But it still within the realm of conjecture to look ahead. The Lions play a revitalized Green Bay team here Thursday noon. They also must play the Bears and Dallas. Let's assume that they win all three games. It's a rough assignment. It could be done. The 49ers battle the Rams next Sunday. Each team is in the race. A victory means just about everything from the title picture. But a tie game? That's different. It would eliminate both Frisco and Los Angeles at the same time. And the Lions could be crowned in regular time without being forced into a playoff. Conjecture? Sure, it is. But as long as you're convinced you're going to have a dream, you might as well eat some pickles with your midnight ice cream. Besides, like I said earlier, there hasn't been a single tie game all year in a precedent-making season. It's time for one. Sunday would be just the day.

AILING PACKERS HEARTY FOR LIONS

NOV 26 (Detroit) - The Green Bay Packers, who have been welcoming new arrivals all season, greeted a couple Tuesday from their own hospital list. Both will be on hand when the Packers meet the Detroit Lions at Biggs Stadium Thursday noon to dissolve half of the four-team tie in the NFL's Western Division. They are rookie tackles, both out of action a month – Tom Johnson, 230-pound two-way man from the University of Michigan, and Dick Logan, 225-pounder from Ohio State. Also new to the Packers since the Lions beat them, 52 to 17, a month ago, is Marvin Johnson, a 180-pound defensive halfback. A product of San Jose State, he was acquired from the Los Angeles Rams. Jug Earp, the Packers' advance man, pointed out Tuesday that Green Bay is the most made-over team in the league. Since their Thanksgiving visit here a year ago, they have acquired seven players from three other NFL teams, plus a dozen rookies. Coach Gene Ronzani has put them together carefully until the Packers now claim first-place position with the Lions, San Francisco and Los Angeles. “But the ties can't last for us,” Earp said. “We have to play Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco in that order, to win up the season. It's the toughest finish in the league.” Valuable additions to the Packer line since last season are a trio from the Chicago Bears – Jim Keane, Ray Bray and Wash Serini. Keane is dividing time with Bob Mann at left end while Serini and Bray are sharing time at right guard despite their ages of 30 and 25. The Rams sent the Packers Marvin Johnson and Bob Dees while the Lions shipped them Clarence Self, veteran linebacker, and Steve Dowden, rookie tackle from Baylor who is No. 1 for the Packers. Return of linebacker Bob Forte from his second hitch of military service also has been a big help to Ronzani. Much of the spread formation which the Packers were using here a year ago has been discarded, Earp said, although Tobin Rote is sometimes used in a key role on it this season. In the regular T, Rote and Babe Parilli, Kentucky's All-

LA Wins, Lions Lose To Create 4-Way Knot



Packer-Texan Action—At the left, Packer halfback Tony Canadeo stretches to take a perfect 21-yard pass in stride from Tobin Rote for the Packers' first TD in the first quarter at City stadium Sunday. Trying to block it is Texan John Petitbon. Next, Bay end Bob Mann catches a 50-yard strike from Babe Parilli in second quarter as Texan Stan Williams

stretches on ground. Next, Canadeo bolts 10 yards into the end zone for a Packer TD without a hand touching him in third quarter. At right, Texan George Taliaferro is tackled low by Packer Marv Johnson while Bay Bobby Dillon (44) closes in for kill at right in third frame. Packers won 42-14.

American, are splitting time about equally at quarterback. The veteran Tony Canadeo still holds down left half, with Floyd Reid at right half and Bobby Jack Floyd, rookie from Texas Christian, battling Fred Cone for the fullback post. Cone is the team's leading ground gainer, with Rote second and Floyd third. Like the Lions, the Packers depend on running as well as passing. In nine games, they show 1,235 yards on the ground to 1,832 in the air. Rote has hit 60 of 113 passes for 971 yards and nine touchdowns, while Parilli's record is 49 out of 115 for 847 yards and 11 scores. Bill Howton, rookie end from Rice, has caught eight of the touchdown passes and Mann six.

REMEMBER THANKSGIVING DAY, 1949? PACK HAS COME LONG WAY SINCE - ON, OFF FIELD

NOV 27 (Green Bay) - Something to be thankful for this Turkey Day...Regardless of the outcome of today's important Packer-Detroit struggle in Briggs stadium, the Packers are headed for their best season in five years - financially and in the standings. The Packers at present are operating ahead of their money budget for 1952 and today's attendance, estimated in the 40,000's unless weather interferes, should produce more revenue than had been expected. And since the Bays will still be in the running - win or lose today - good crowds can be expected in both Los Angeles and San Francisco. Which means that there are two more opportunities to receive over and above the budgeted guarantee, which is \$20,000 from each city...BIG CASH COMEBACK: Thus the big 1952 season represents a big cash register comeback. The last big season was 1947, when the team finished with 6-5-1 and drew well all along the way. The corporation lost thousand of dollars in the black years of 1948 and 1949, but managed to hold their own in 1950-51 after the new regime stepped in early in 1950. It was just three years ago today (1949) that more than 10,000 fans paid to see the Packers play a benefit intra-squad game in City stadium. It was bitter cold, but the fans demonstrated that they wanted the Packers to remain here. The big pull from Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fan came the following spring when they bought \$100,000 in non-profit stock to give the club new life. In the NFL standings, the Packers already have matched their "won" record of 1947, when they came off with 6-5-1 for the season. The current mark is 6-3, and every victory from now on is pure gravy, although the road ahead is exceedingly rocky - Los Angeles and San Francisco. Around the league, the Packers are a "total surprise."...STARTED TO CATCH FIRE: At home, coach Gene Ronzani, members of his staff and the players figured "we might have something this year." While the team were off to a slow start during the non-league season, the team started to catch fire once the chips were down. They split even (3-3) during the first half of the campaign and then downed the Chicago Bears, New York Giants and Dallas Texans for an amazing 6-3 mark. The lineup at present contains 13 rookies, headed by peerless QB Babe Parilli, who, with veteran Tobin Rote, put thunder in the Packers' offense. Joining Parilli on the freshman list are fullbacks Bobby Jack Floyd and Bill Reichardt; defensive halfback Bobby Dillon; linebacker and center Hal Faverly; guards Dick Logan and Steve Ruzich; tackles Bob Dees, Tom Johnson, Steve Dowden and Dave Hanner; offensive end Bill Howton; and, last but not least, the Little Bull from Oshkosh, Deral Teteak. Ronzani picked up six veterans from other clubs and they're all playing a vital role. Three of them came from the Bears - middle guard Ray Bray, tackle Wash Serini and end Jim Keane. Dan Sandifer came from the Eagles in a trade; Clarence Self was picked up from the Lions on waiver; and Marv Johnson came via the same route from Los Angeles. The last three named are defensive halfbacks...THREE FROM OLD REGIME: The

remaining players are Packer veterans but a number of those are only sophomores, such as tackle Dick Afflis, big defensive end John Martinkovic, fullback Fred Cone, guard Dave Stephenson and end Carleton (Two Story) Elliott. The only three "old" Packers on the squad (who played under the old regime) are Captain Bob Forte, Jay Rhodemyre and the wonderful workhorse back, Tony Canadeo. Add the aforementioned with such as Billy Grimes, Floyd Reid, Ace Loomis, Ab Wimberly and Bob Mann - plus the old Packer spirit - and you have the reason why the Packers are rolling this year. It must be stated that the Packers have been fortunate in the injury department as compared to other clubs. But Ronzani has been wise enough to keep up a spare card up his sleeve. When Howie Ruetz, the veteran tackle, was lost due to an appendectomy, Gene called on Johnson, who had been on the inactive list, and Tom came through royally - especially in the Philly game. When defensive halfback Dom Moselle suffered a shoulder injury in New York, Logan was returned to activehood. Logan, injured earlier, was replaced by Dees. There's more to the story, but it can be told later. Now, go back to your turkey!

Green Bay Is Praised For Support of Packers

Washington, Dayton Papers Marvel at 'Little' City's Ability To Remain in NFL

Though the sentiment has been expressed in the past, there has been an even more marked tendency on the part of the nation's press of late to marvel at the ability of "little" Green Bay to field a major league football team in competition with such population centers as New York and Chicago.. This has been particularly true since one of its metropolitan National Football league rivals, Dallas, recently gave up the ghost. Two typical expressions, one appearing in both the Chicago Tribune and Washington Times-Herald, and the other in the Dayton, Ohio, Journal Herald, are reprinted below.

GREEN BAY IS PRAISED IN SUPPORT OF PACKERS

NOV 27 (Green Bay) - Could there be a more dramatic sports story develop in 1952 than a possible pro grid championship for the Green Bay Packers? This small Wisconsin city has, for over 30 years, defied the axiom that it takes a big city to support bigtime sports activities. For a long while, it seemed that the Packers, who won the last of their six NFL titles back in 1944, would never be able to challenge for the top spot again, but there's a slim chance that the current squad, coached by Gene Ronzani, can make the grade. Last week's 17-3 conquest of the Giants in New York following a 41-28 triumph over the Bears has given Green Bay hopes a life. Vito Parilli, the sweet-flinging Kentucky babe, has given the Packers a freshman passing star possibly worthy of the Cecil Isbell-Arnie Herber stripe. And Parilli has a standout receiver in the person of another rookie, Bill Howton, an end from Rice Institute. Otherwise, the Packers are mostly a hodge-podge of veterans, including a trio of Chicago Bear castoffs on the line. The Packers are a game behind the Detroit Lions and San Francisco Forty Niners in the ultra-tight National conference race. After a meeting the hapless and homeless Dallas club this Sunday, they get consecutive shots at the teams they have to beat to win out. It's a miracle that the Packers have survived the murderous financial struggle at all, let alone be on the verge of fielding a championship team. Of the 30-odd defunct franchises in the pro grid league, the Packers alone held out of the many small cities which once were in the league. For years under Curly Lambeau, they were indeed the terror of the circuit. Some of football's greatest wore Packer uniforms. The "experts" wrote off Green Bay as doomed as costs shot skyward during the war with the AAC. But the fans still

supported the team through a losing area. Now the Packers are on the way back. Go get 'em, small town guys! - (Canton Journal-Herald)...Every winter, rumors are circulating about moving one or another of the major league teams to a new town. When Hollywood salaries made even General Motors executives drool, Los Angeles was expected to land a major league franchise. More recently the big towns of Texas have been talked about. And why shouldn't Dallas and Houston have the best ball teams money can buy? There is only one man in the country with an income of a million dollars per week. He lives in Dallas. One store in that city has in its clientele 3,000 customers, each of whom runs up a bill of \$50,000 a year. Business promoters, who find difficulty in getting sufficient financing in Wall Street, sometimes get their problems solved in Dallas. In Houston, if you have a pile of more than five million, you are just a flash boy. Big league baseball takes a large investment and the returns are neither large nor regular. Washington was the only American league club to pay a dividend in 1950. It amounted to \$38,000. There hasn't been a dividend on the Detroit Tigers in 16 years. No return has been paid by either of the Boston teams in the last 30 years. The stockholders of the Chicago Cubs haven't received a dime since 1948. To own big league ball teams is to contribute to a popular civic project. As there are heavy concentrations of cash in Dallas and Houston, quite a few of their citizens might be considered eligible to become proprietors of big league ball clubs. But it isn't sufficient for a baseball magnate to have cash. He must spend it in various speculations. A roll in the jeans gathers no pitchers. It was the failure of the NFL to realize this that led to the big mistake of 1952. Dallas was voted a franchise at the end of last season after some gentlemen with big hats made an impressive exhibit of their bank rolls. But the Dallas team has failed to win any games in its first season, and a deficit of \$250,000 has been run up. What is most remarkable about this is not the deficit, but that among all the big rich in Dallas a quarter of a million couldn't be raised to keep the team in town. Although Dallas, a city of 432,927, cannot support a big-time football team, Green Bay, Wis., a city of 52,443, can and has done so for 32 years. Moreover, when the Green Bay team beat the New York team last Sunday in New York, it became established as one of the two or three strong teams of the year. If owner Saigh of the St. Louis Cardinals is looking for a town in which to place his baseball team, perhaps he ought to forget about Houston and give Green Bay a gander. Houston has more dollars than Green Bay has pennies, but a good part of what is in Green Bay has been there long enough to mellow. When there is a job of civic significance to be done, a small amount of aged cash frequently will turn the trick when much larger amounts, only recently gathered, will fail utterly. - (Washington Times-Herald)

LIMPING LIONS BATTLE GREEN BAY FOR FOOTBALL LIFE

NOV 27 (Detroit) - Battered and bruised, but patched for action, the Detroit Lions will make a crucial bid Thursday to stay in the running for the National Conference title in the NFL. The Lions will face the Green Bay Packers, currently tied with Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco for the top spot, in Briggs Stadium at noon. A victory would give either team sole possession of first place, at least until Sunday. The Lions, however, are in anything but good physical condition to meet a top contender. At least eight regulars are suffering from injuries, which may be aggravated on the first contact. Coach Buddy Parker announced Wednesday that Doak Walker definitely would play against the Packers. The Doaker, injured since Oct. 3, has been running well in the last three days of practice. Other cripples, who spent more time taking treatments than working out, are expected to play at least part. Lou Creekmur, Jug Girard, Cloyce Box and Leon Hart, all on the offensive platoon, will see some action. Don Doll, Dick Flanagan and Jim Doran, the defensive casualties, are also expected to play as long as they are able. The Packers are anxious to avenge the 52-17 pasting the Lions handed them in Green Bay several weeks ago. They will present a high-powered passing attack, made more effective with good running. Tobin Rote, the league's No. 1 passer, and Babe Parilli, the third-ranking pitcher from Green Bay's air arm. Between them, they have completed 108 passes, 20 of them for touchdowns. Billy Howton, star end of the Packers, is the prime target for Rote and Parilli's passes. He has caught 32 so far this year, good for 746 yards and eight touchdowns. Bob Mann, the ex-Michigan and Lions' end, is the other half of Green Bay's receiving combination. He has grabbed 23 and scored six touchdowns. To go with this passing game, the Packers have Fred Cone and Rote to lug the leather on the running attack. Cone is a driving fullback who has averaged 4.2 yards on 67 attempts. Rote, who directs the spread formation offense and runs as well as he passes, is the second leading ground gainer for the Packers with 239 yards in 47 carries. So, Detroit's defensive platoon will have its work cut out. Coach Parker has indicated that Bill Swiacki and Hart would get the starting end assignments. Bobby Layne will start at quarterback for the Lions with Girard and Bob Hoernschmeyer at the halfbacks. Durable Pat Harder

This Is It!

National Football League (National Conference)

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
GREEN BAY	6	3	0	.667	230	195
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	210	141
San Francisco	6	3	0	.667	233	149
Los Angeles	6	3	0	.667	242	172
Chicago Bears	4	5	0	.444	191	247
Dallas Texans	0	9	0	.000	128	325

(American Conference)

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
Cleveland	6	3	0	.667	218	152
New York	6	3	0	.667	173	107
Philadelphia	6	3	0	.667	171	195
C. Cardinals	3	6	0	.333	137	179
Pittsburgh	3	6	0	.333	199	231
Washington	2	7	0	.222	162	201

Thursday's Games

GREEN BAY AT DETROIT
Bears vs. Dallas in Akron, O.

Next Sunday's Games

Los Angeles at San Francisco
New York at Pittsburgh
Philadelphia at Cardinals
Cleveland at Washington

Probable Offensive Lineups

GREEN BAY	DETROIT
Mann, le	le, Swiacki
Afflis, lt	lt, Creekmur
Ruzich, lg	lg, Martin
Rhodemyre, c	c, Banonis
Stephenson, rg	rg, Stanfel
Dowden, rt	rt, Cifelli
Howton, re	re, Hart
Parilli, qb	qb, Layne
Canadeo, lhb	lhb, Girard
Reid, rhb	rhb, Hoernschmeyer
Cone, fb	fb, Harder

Packer-Lion Results

Det.	Opp.	Packers	Opp.
3	S. 'Frisco	17	14 Bears
17	L. Angeles	14	35 Washington
0	S. 'Frisco	28	28 L. Angeles
24	L. Angeles	16	24 Dallas
52	Green Bay	17	17 Detroit
17	Cleveland	6	12 Philadelphia
31	Pittsburgh	6	41 Bears
43	Dallas	13	17 New York
23	C. Bears	24	42 Dallas
210		141	230
Det. Won 6, lost 3		Pac. Won 6, lost 3	195

will be at fullback. The Detroit line will have to provide better pass protection for Layne that it did against the Chicago Bears last Sunday. Currently, the wise money is making the Lions seven-point favorites to win. But you can't find many who will take the bet. A crowd of 35,000 is expected to see the contest if the weatherman cooperates. One of the largest TV networks ever to see a pro team will open the game to millions more. The game will not be telecast in the Detroit area, but will be piped to points as far west as Oklahoma City and Dallas and south to New Orleans and Miami. All told, 48 stations will carry the telecast. Locally, the game will be broadcast over WJR and the Goebel Football Network.

Underdog Packers Try for Biggest Upset in Detroit



Setting Up a Touchdown—This picture, taken from the top of the pressbox by P-G Photographer Orvell Peterson, shows Ace Loomis setting up the first Packer touchdown against the Texans at City stadium Sunday afternoon. Loomis is returning a punt 31 yards to the Texan 21 from where

Tobin Rote passed to Tony Canadeo for the six points. Behind Loomis, Packer Dave Hanner cuts down a Texan. Other Packers are Clarence Self (28) and Billy Grimes (22) who later returned a punt 72 yards. Texans are Weldon Humble (66) and Pat Cannamela (35).