

**PRESEASON: Green Bay Packers (2-0) 28, Phil-Pitt Steagles 10  
Saturday September 11th 1943 (at Pittsburgh)**

## **Second Exhibition Win Gives Bays Further Hardening for Bear Tilt; Hutson, Comp Star**

### **Packers Win, 28-10, Despite Tough Pitt-Phil Line**

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

(PITTSBURGH) - Despite a line that yielded 381 yards to the Pitt-Phil T-formation, the Green Bay Packers scored a touchdown in each quarter to defeat the Steagles, 28 to 10 here Saturday night, and learned valuable lessons for the invasion of the Chicago Bears T-formers in Green Bay Sept. 26. Playing more alert ball and taking advantage of three Steeler fumbles, the Packers overcame a 10-7 deficit in the first quarter to post their second exhibition victory in the east. A week ago they trimmed the World Champion Washington eleven, 23-21, in Baltimore. To the 19,369 fans huddled in Forbes field, the game was a pleasant surprise, for the underdog Steagles sifted through the highly-touted Packer line most of the night. For Coach Curly Lambeau, his players and the handful of Packer fans, the contest meant hours of work before the Bear struggle. The Steagles enjoyed a statistical edge of 17 first downs in 11, outrushed their opponents 381 yards to 203, and trailed only in the important forward passing department where Lambeau's boys set the pace by rolling up 175 yards to 29 for the Pitt-Phil club. In the final analysis, it was Don Hutson, the Packers' great end, combined with great work by Irv Comp on defense and offense, Tony Canadeo in passing and running and the running and blocking of Lou Brock and Ben Starrett, that represented the difference between the two teams. Old Fly Paper Don scored the third touchdown on a 55-yard pass play and Comp Scored the fourth by picking up a fumble and running 65 yards down the sidelines. Andy Uram, on his favorite fake to the right, tossed a pass to Harry Jacunski on a 52-yard play for the first touchdown. In the second frame, Ted Fritsch plunged two inches for a touchdown, Hutson kicked the first three extra points, and Glen Sorenson added the fourth.

#### **STEAGLES ARE IMPRESSIVE**

All in all, the Steagles, despite the sizeable difference in score, made an impressive debt. They caused the Packers a good deal of embarrassment, and were especially effective on delayed bucks, with Jack Hinkle and Ernie Steel doing most of the carrying through gaping holes carved in the Packer wall. The Packer line got a severe jolt late in the second period when tackle Chet Adams was carried off the field. The injury proved to be a slight sprain of his right ankle, and he will be in shape for the Bears. The Steagles started out in a reckless manner and their opening onside kickoff paid off four plays later when Jack Hinkle went over for the opening touchdown. The kick landed on the Packer 45 and Hinkle scooped it up and stepped out of bounds on the Packer 43, leaving the Bay forces rather surprised. Operating off the tough T-formation, Hinkle and Leroy Zimmerman, late of Washington, charged to the seven, from where Hinkle scored, Zimmerman's kick was good. The Packers, slightly embarrassed, went to work immediately. Uram took the kickoff back to the 30, Fritsch added 13 and Tony Canadeo picked up five. Then Uram ran wide to his own left, wheeled and pegged a 25-yard pass to Harry Jacunski, who ran the remaining 27 for the touchdown. The Steagle secondary was completely fooled on the play. Hutson, wearing a slipover jersey and no helmet, entered the game and kicked the extra point to tie the score. The Steagles started a threat again, but Canadeo stopped that by intercepting Zimmerman's pass on the Packer 20. Tony soon kicked deep into Steagle territory and Steele fumbled with Charley Brock recovering on the 23. A charging Pitt-Phil wall drove the Packers back to the 45, from where a field goal attempt by Chet Adams went wide. Pitt-Phil demonstrated its superiority in the line by plunging all the way to the Packers 20, from where Zimmerman stepped back on the 26 and kicked a field goal to give the Steagles a 10-7 lead as the first quarter ended.

#### **SORENSEN GRABS FUMBLE**

The Steagles continued to dictate the pace in the second frame but a fumble by Johnny Butler, which was recovered by Sorenson on the Packer 36, gave Green Bay the lift it needed. With Canadeo pitching and Hutson and Jacunski catching,

the Packers drove 61 yards to the Steagles three before the Steagles knew what happened. But the last three yards were the toughest and Fritsch just managed to get it over on fourth down for a touchdown. Hutson added the extra point and Green Bay led 14-10 at halftime. The Steagles went wild as the second half opened and immediately rolled up four first downs to the Packers' 28 before Lambeau sent in a new line into action. Baby Ray threw Steele for a three-yard loss to force the Steagles to try a fourth down pass which fell incomplete and the Bays took over. Two line plays failed and Canadeo threw a low pass to Uram, who was in the clear, but the ball skidded into the dirt. The Steagles completed their first pass a moment later when Zimmerman tossed to Butler for 12 yards to the Bay 40. The Packer line started to fail again and Pitt-Phil led by Zimmerman and William Pollock charged to the Packer four when Mother Luck stepped in. A lateral went wild and out of bounds on the 18 after which Ray tossed Zimmerman for a five-yard loss trying to pass. Hutson knock down a pass in the end zone to end the threat.

**BROCK IS FRESH**

Lou Brock, showing little signs of a tough summer on the farm, picked up 14 yards to spark the Packer offense and Canadeo added five for a spot on the 44.

The crowd got its first look at the new Canadeo to Hutson combination shortly as Canadeo stepped back and pegged a 30-yarder to Hutson on the 25, from where he eluded Zimmerman and ran for a touchdown. Don added the extra point and the Bays were leading, 21 to 10. The third period ended shortly after Sorenson kicked off over the goal posts. The Packer line forced Pitt-Phil to punt and the Packers swung into high gear. Joe Laws uncoiled a left hand pass to Irv Comp for 14 yards and Comp and Laws ran the ball to the Steagle 40. Lou Brock found a big hole at left tackle and made a first down on the 27. Three plays gained five yards and Sorenson's field goal try from the 33 went wide.

**PACKERS GET SCARE**

Hinkle gave the Packers a scare when he peeled off 27 yards to the 47 before Comp nailed him, and Steele further scared them with a 23 yard run to the Packer 31. Comp got nose on the next play and grabbed a Steele fumble and ran 80 yards down the sidelines for a touchdown. Sorenson entered the scoring column by booting the extra point, putting the Bays into a 28-10 lead. The last few minutes saw the Bay wall stop the Pitt-Phil line and Sorenson attempted a 50-yard field goal which fell short. On the last play of the game Zimmerman went through guard for 58 yards before Laws nailed him on the Packer 27.

<b>GREEN BAY</b>	-	7	7	7	7	-	28
<b>PHIL-PITT</b>	-	10	0	0	0	-	10

**Grid Review**

**STEELERS - EAGLES**  
vs.  
**GREEN BAY PACKERS**  
September 11, 1943  
FORBES FIELD - PITTSBURGH

Price  
**TWENTY-FIVE CENTS**

## SCORING

1ST - PP - Jack Hinkle, 6-yard run (Roy Zimmerman kick) PHIL-PITT 7-0

1ST - GB - Harry Jacunski, 52-yard pass from Andy Uram (Don Hutson kick) TIED 7-7

1ST - PP - Zimmerman, 26-yard field goal PHIL-PITT 10-0

2ND - GB - Ted Fritsch, 1-yard run (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 14-10

3RD - GB - Hutson, 55-yard pass from Tony Canadeo (Hutson kick) GREEN BAY 21-10

4TH - GB - Irv Comp, 65-yard fumble recovery (Glen Sorenson kick) GREEN BAY 28-10

# Another One

## The Starting Lineups:

### GREEN BAY

Mason, le  
Ray, lt  
Kuusisto, lg  
Flowers, c  
Fries, rg  
Adams, rt  
Jacunski, re  
Craig, qb  
Canadeo, lhb  
Uram, rhb  
Fritsch, fb

### PITT-PHIL

le, Getchell  
lt, Sears  
lg, Michaels  
c, Graves  
rg, Conti  
rt, Doyle  
re, Cabrelli  
qb, Zimmerman  
lhb, Steele  
rhb, Hinkle  
fb, Hewitt

## Replacements

Green Bay: Ends—Hutson, Evans.  
Tackles—Berezney, Croft. Guards—  
Gudauskas, Sorenson. Centers—C.  
Brock, McPherson. Backs—L. Brock,  
Falkenstein, Kahler, Laws, Comp, Star-  
rett.

Pitt-Phil: Ends—Bova, Miller, Pla-  
seckly, Hinte. Tackles—Disend, Kilroy,  
Schultz, Wistert. Guards—Digris,  
Paschka, Smith. Centers—Wukits,  
Brunski. Backs—Laux, Sherman, Par-  
tin, Pollock, Thurban, Gauer, Hoague,  
Lankas, Butler.

## Score By Periods

Green Bay	7	7	7	7—28
Pitt-Phil	10	0	0	0—10

## The Scoring

Green Bay. Touchdowns—Jacunski,  
Fritsch, Hutson; Comp. Points after  
touchdowns—Hutson 3, Sorenson.

Pitt-Phil: Touchdown—Hinkle. Point  
after touchdown—Zimmerman. Field  
goal—Zimmerman.

## The Officials

Referee—Carl Rebele, Penn State.  
Umpire—Harry Robb, Penn State.  
Field Judge—Ed Miller, Penn State.  
Linesman—George McLaren, Pitt.

## The Statistics

First downs—Green Bay 11, Pitt-Phil  
17.

Total yards gained—Green Bay 378,  
Pitt-Phil 410.

Yards gained rushing—Green Bay 203,  
Pitt-Phil 381.

Yards gained passing—Green Bay 175,  
Pitt-Phil 29.

Forward passes—Green Bay 12, Pitt-  
Phil 12.

Passes completed—Green Bay 7, Pitt-  
Phil 4.

Passes intercepted—by Green Bay 1,  
by Pitt-Phil 0.

Yards punts returned—Green Bay 7,  
Pitt-Phil 31.

Yards kickoffs returned—Green Bay  
31, Pitt-Phil 79.

Penalty yardage—Green Bay, 1 for 15  
yards; Pitt-Phil, 3 for 25 yards.

Average yardage of punts—Green Bay  
37, Pitt-Phil 39.

Fumbles—Green Bay 2, Pitt-Phil 3.

Own fumbles recovered—Green Bay 2,  
Pitt-Phil 0.

Opponents fumbles recovered—Green  
Bay 3, Pitt-Phil 0.

# Packers Launch Preparations For Chi-Bear Struggle Here

## PACKERS RETURN

SEPT 13 (Green Bay) - The Packers wasted little time getting home from Pittsburgh after the game Saturday evening. They took a night train out of the Smoky City and arrived here at 4:35 p.m. Sunday. Although several of the gridgers were bruised and somewhat battered, Chet Adams was the only casualty in the Pitt-Phil game. Examined by Dr. W.W. Kelly, team

physician, the big tackle was found to have only a sprained ankle. Dr. Kelly said he will be back in shape long before the Chicago Bear game here Sept. 26.

### **BALTIMORE SEEMS TO BE RIPE FOR NATIONAL GRID FRANCHISE**

SEPT 13 (New York) - The attendance for two exhibition football games at Baltimore may help the Maryland metropolis considerably in its campaign to get a franchise in the NFL. A crowd of 56,000 saw the Chicago Bears beat Washington Sunday at Baltimore's municipal stadium. On Sept. 5, a turnout of 45,000 saw Green Bay shade Washington on the same field. A total of 101,000 fans at two exhibition grid games is a talking point, at least. Three different groups of Baltimore sportsmen are desirous of obtaining a National circuit franchise. One of these groups made an official bid for a franchise at the league's June meeting, but the bid was tabled without a vote because of war conditions...**MARSHALL HAS POWER:** There is a belief in some quarters that the bid was tabled because of rumored opposition from George Preston Marshall, the laundry magnate who owns the champion Redskins. The league code provides that a franchise owner has protective priorities on all territory within 100 miles of his city; that no other franchise may be granted in that territory without his permission. Baltimore is only 40 miles from Washington. However, we learned from a well-informed Baltimore source Sunday night that this belief about Marshall's opposition is entirely unfounded. Instead, our informant emphasized Marshall heartily favors granting Baltimore a franchise, thus paving the way for a lively neighborhood rivalry. Marshall, who promoted the two exhibition games at Baltimore, has expressed his hopes publicly several times that the Maryland city can get a franchise, our informant said...**BALTIMORE IS RIPE:** Baltimore, with a wartime population of more than 1,000,000, apparently is ripe for professional football. Moreover, the new mayor and his partisans have permitted use of the municipal stadium for Sunday sports - an innovation. This stadium normally seats 59,000 fans but special seating arrangements - such as were provided for the Notre Dame-Navy football games - can provide for 80,000. Because of Baltimore's nearness to both Washington and Philadelphia, no transportation problem would be raised by Baltimore's inclusion in the league. The circuit now has eight clubs, but Boston - which was readmitted at the June meeting - will not become until next season. Also, Cleveland, temporarily withdrawn, may decide to resume operations. Baltimore's bid for a franchise will probably be considered at the league's next meeting in December.

### **PACKERS LAUNCH PREPARATIONS FOR CHI-BEAR STRUGGLE HERE**

SEPT 14 (Green Bay) - Ideal football weather greeted the Green Bay Packers today as they opened preparations for the "ideal" football game of the season - the Chicago Bears encounter on the afternoon of Sunday, Sept. 26. For further clarifications, the game will be played at City stadium a week from next Sunday; 268 hours from 2 o'clock this afternoon; or, better yet, 17,280 minutes from 2 o'clock this afternoon. Multiply 17,280 by 60 and you have the number of seconds. Coach Curly Lambeau, who arrived in Green Bay Monday night after scouting the Detroit-New York game in Akron, O., Sunday and a meeting with Commissioner Elmer Layden in Chicago Monday morning, put his gridders "on the double" starting today. From today until Friday before the Bears game, which will open NFL play, he'll conduct morning and afternoon workouts at the City stadium practice field. Some of the sessions will be held in the stadium to assure complete secrecy. Taking check of his squad this morning, the coach found only two casualties from the tough eastern exhibition trip - Chet Adams, who suffered a sprained right ankle as the Packers trimmed Pitt-Phil, 28 to 10, Saturday night, and Don Perkins, who sustained a wrenched knee as the Bays downed Washington, 23 to 21, in Baltimore Sept. 5. Among the new faces in the Bay clubhouse were Buckets Goldenberg, who signed a contract just before the team left for the east, and Pete Tinsley, who was discharged from the Army last week. Tinsley is unsigned but a Pete-Curly Lambeau conference is expected later today or Wednesday. Guard Goldenberg officially started his 11th season in a Packer uniform today, and thereby became the "daddy" of the Packer players. No. 2 "daddy" is Joe Laws, the durable halfback, who is in his tenth season. Another oldster is Forrest McPherson, center, who is in his 10th year of pro ball. He competed for teams on the west coast, and this is his first year with the Packers. Coach Lambeau expects to have his entire squad in perfect condition for the Bear battle. Adams and Perkins are expected to get back into the tough stuff later this week. Goldenberg, who is 32 years old, has been working out on his own in Milwaukee the past two weeks, and probably will need little conditioning to reach "Bear peak". Don Hutson, the tiniest man on the squad, developed a number of "footaches" working on the hard Monument Hill practice field in Pittsburgh, and after the Pitt-Phil game he admitted "mah feet are really singing the blues tonight." The two-week period, however, will give the pass catcher plenty of time to rest his dogs. The Bears will play one more game before colliding with the Packers. They'll tangle with the combined Steagles in Philadelphia Thursday night in a special charity contest sponsored by a Philadelphia newspaper.

### ***Bear Game Ducats Are Not Sold Out***

Tickets for the Chicago Bears-Green Bay Packers game here Sunday, Sept. 26, are not sold out, Ralph C. Smith, director of sales, announced today. All of the \$3.30 seats are gone, Smith said, but there are still some 7,000 available in the \$1.10, \$1.65, \$2.20 and \$2.75 brackets.

The ticket office in the Legion building is open daily, including Sunday, from 9 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock at night.

## PACKERS BACK HOME SET SIGHTS ON BEARS

SEPT 14 (Milwaukee) - The Green Bay Packers passed through town Monday night on their way home from a two game exhibition trip through the east, happy over what they had accomplished and eager to get underway in the league race against the Chicago Bears at Green Bay a week from Sunday. The club beat the Washington Redskins, 24-21, in Baltimore 10 days ago and the Pittsburgh-Philadelphia Steagles, 28-10, in Pittsburgh Saturday. "We got a lot of good out of these two games," Curly Lambeau said during the stopover. "Not everything worked as smoothly as we would have liked it to, but we expected some rough edges at this time. We'll come along." Lambeau was especially enthusiastic over the improvement in the running game, in the squad's desire to win and



Green Bay Halfback Tony Canadeo is thrown out of bounds on the three-yard line just before the Packers scored gains clinching a touchdown against the Pittsburgh Steagles in the second quarter at Pittsburgh Saturday night. The Packers won, 28 to 10.

in the strength of the passing game, with Canadeo, Uram, Brock and Comp all pitching. Grave fears had been expressed, of course, that the Packers would even as much as approach their old passing form without Cecil Isbell, now an assistant coach at Purdue. But the backs upon whom the passing burden has fallen have done a great job. "Canadeo especially gave us an eye-ful in both games," Lambeau said. "He outpassed Baugh in efficiency and in yardage in the Washington game and looked just as impressive in the game in Pittsburgh. You know, there's no real reason why we should not have another passing team. Canadeo, Uram, Brock and Comp all were good passers in college. They didn't have much chance to pass with Isbell around, but now that he's gone and they are having their chances, they're making the most of them." On the debit side of the ledger, Lambeau mentioned the spotty defensive play, the lack of poise in some of the new men and the insecure blocking, especially in providing protection for the passers. "We have work to do in these phases," he said, "but we have 10 days to do it and we should be ready for the Bears." The only real blow on the trip was the ankle injury sustained by 249 pound Chet Adams, veteran tackle, in the Steagle game. Lambeau was doubtful whether Adams would be ready for the Bears.

## BEATING FROM PACKERS DOESN'T DAMPEN STEAGLE PILOTS' HOPES

SEPT 14 (Pittsburgh) - Co-coaches Greasy Neale and Walt Kiesling of the Pitt-Phil Steagles and a prominent Pittsburgh football citizen, Clark Shaughnessy, were well pleased with their local National league entry after watching it bow to the Green Bay Packers Saturday night. Kiesling, the former Packer lineman who handled Pittsburgh last year, gave all the boys praise - especially the linemen who, he said, "gave your Packer line a good going over." Walt, who seemed to shudder every time a fumble or Don Hutson's touchdown run was mentioned, admitted that "Green Bay's got it this year."...**"WHY, I'M SURPRISED"**: Heale, former Philadelphia pilot, was all smiles. "Why, I'm surprised and mighty pleased with our boys. They're only kids and the mistakes they made are excusable. Three of those mistakes resulted in three Green Bay touchdowns." Greasy referred to the fumble which Irv Comp scooped up and ran for a touchdown; LeRoy Zimmerman's error in trying to intercept Tony Canadeo's touchdown pass to Don Hutson rather than knock it down; and the backs who failed to cover when Harry Jacunski got into the clear for his first quarter touchdown pass. Shaughnessy, the man who taught George Halas the T formation and who now coaches the University of Pittsburgh, predicted a great future for the Steagles. "I liked the way our (Pitt-Phil) line played and opened holes in the strong Bay line. Those kids will go places." All agreed that "that Lambeau has got something to be proud of this fall." Though they admitted that the Packer line looked weak at times, they said that the wall should carry Green Bay to a great many victories...**LAMBEAU LIKED REBOUND**: Coach Curly Lambeau felt particularly good about the way his boys rebounded after the Steagles scored in four plays. He thought the boys lost "that overconfident feeling when they scored first." The Packers, it may be added, got an overdose of publicity after the Washington game...**HERE'S AN APOLOGY**: The officials apologized to Coach Lambeau after the game for muffing a play in the third quarter. On the Packers' four-yard line, the Steagles fumbled a lateral. Dick Evans chased the ball to the 19 and touched it, just before it went out of bounds. The officials gave the ball to Pitt-Phil on the 18, but, according to league rules, the ball should have gone over to the Bays because a Packer touched it last. Thus, the apology..**MR. BABY**



**STEAGLE TOUCHDOWN** as Right Halfback Hinkle drives through center for the score from the 7.

**FACE:** The public address announcer got slightly mixed up when mentioning Baby Ray. He'd call the Packer tackle, "Baby Face Ray". In Baltimore a week ago, the announcer called him, "Tiny Ray", apparently getting him mixed up with Tiny Croft...**A MYSTERY NO MORE:** That mystery passer on the Packer team is Don Hutson, who specializes in pass receiving. Operating on his end-around play, Hutson went wide to his right and tossed a long pass to Harry Jacunski, but the ball just touched his fingertips. After the game, Hutson said, "Wonder if ah'll ever complete a pass," in recalling the first time he threw an aerial. It was in a Bear game in Green Bay several years ago, and that time the ball bounced out of Earl

Scherer's arms in the end zone. Until Saturday night, Hutson kept his passing ability undercover...**CLEVER PIECE OF WORK:** Coach Lambeau thought Don Hutson's catch of Tony Canadeo's pass for a touchdown in the third quarter was the cleverest piece of work he ever saw. "Don made that Steagle back look silly as he went into the air and then circled around the back in almost the same motion." Bert Bell, Steeler president, added that "that should teach our boys that you can't intercept a pass with Hutson around. You've got to knock the ball down." Incidentally, Hutson played only ten minutes...**LET ME IN, COACH:** Big Chet Adams pleaded with Coach Lambeau to let him back in the game in the last quarter after he was carried off the field in the second quarter. But Lambeau said no, with an eye on that Bear game in Green Bay Sept. 26. Adams suffered a slight sprain of his right ankle...**WHAT, NO FULLBACKS:** The Packers found themselves "fullback shorthanded" when Ted Fritsch got the wind knocked out of him early in the game. Coach Lambeau exchanged Tony Falkenstein and Lou Brock at fullback, since Don Perkins, the fullback who was injured his leg against Washington, helped out the radio announcer in spotting Packer players. Brock put in a great performance in a position that he hoped he would not have to play this fall. Lou is a right halfback by trade...**PREGAME HASH:** Sherwood Fries drew the first round of applause a half hour before the game started. Trying for a field goal from the 50-yard line, Fries placed the ball on the crossbar, and it bounced into the end zone. Tony Falkenstein, Packer fullback, and Jim Lankas, Steagle back, shook hands briefly while practicing before the tilt. They were teammates at St. Mary's of California. Mrs. Chet Adams came in from Cleveland for the game and returned with her Packer husband to Green Bay where they will take up residence. Also from Cleveland were Chet's two sisters.

## Packers Get Special Type of Training for Bear Encounter

### **PACKERS GET SPECIAL TYPE OF TRAINING FOR BEAR ENCOUNTER**

**SEPT 15 (Green Bay)** - "Boys, we play the Chicago Bears a week from Sunday..." Everybody knows that the Bears and Green Bay Packers collide in their National league opener at City stadium Sept. 26, but the terse statement by Coach Curly Lambeau was his way of telling his charges that the time has come for strenuous physical exercises, mental calisthenics and secret sessions. A Bear-Packer game calls for an extra special type of training. One of the chief reasons is the Bears' T-formation, a system against which the Packers had some experience in Pittsburgh last Saturday night. By strenuous physical exercises Lambeau means that his gridsters must be in perfect condition for 60 minutes of action, because "there'll be no excuses for a letdown of any kind during that game," he emphasized...**PACKERS GO TO SCHOOL:** It may sound funny to refer to mental and physical calisthenics in the same breath, but Lambeau, in a way, has enrolled his gridsters in a "Bear

school". His boys are learning every minute detail of the T-formation, every shift, every block and every maneuver employed by the Bear linemen and backs. It may be explained further that the T-formation calls for a different kind of defensive play. For instance, defensive linemen do not charge straight ahead as far as they can go. Oh, no! They charge ahead a step or two and then stop, look and listen. By stopping and looking, the defensive forward is in a position to go to his right or left, and tackle the backs who slide through the slit-like holes in the line. The Bears' line offense is quite simple. It consists of nothing more than nudging a defensive lineman

## Second Packer Touchdown of Game Goes Over



Ted Fritsch, Green Bay Packer fullback, is shown above as he crossed the goal line for the second touchdown scored by his team against the Steagles Saturday night. Fritsch was given the ball three times in succession to batter his way over for the score. The Packers won the game, 23 to 10, after the Steagles had taken an early lead and looked like winners.

out of the play - for one split second while the back charges through the "hole". By secret sessions, Lambeau means that every practice will be strictly "under cover". No one will be allowed on the practice field, and later this week and most of next week, drills will be held in the stadium...PLAY TOUCH FOOTBALL: Tuesday morning's drills, the first since the two-game eastern tour, consisted of a touch football game - the ideal way of putting some spring back into the gridders' legs and getting their wind back. Today's practice saw Line Coach Red Smith start intensive workouts with the forwards, while Lambeau took the backs and drilled them on offensive deception and pass defense. Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith announced today that all orders for season tickets have been put up and may be called for at the ticket office in the Legion building. He emphasized that they must be picked up by Saturday. Chet Adams, who sprained his right ankle during the Pitt-Phil game, was unable to practice and spent most of the time under the lamps in the training room. He may not be able to practice for several days. Also limping around is Don Perkins, who wrenched his knee in the Washington game at Baltimore. Conversation about the Bears is filling the Packer dressing rooms. Joe Laws and Lt. Milt Gantenbein, here on leave from the U.S. Navy, were discussing the bruising play of the Bears after Tuesday's workouts and Gantenbein, former Packer end and captain, recalled the time he caught a short touchdown pass from Arnie Herber. "After I caught the ball I looked at Arnie. His nose was all over his face," he said. Incidentally, his nose was "put there by a chap with the initials L.J."

### BAYS' CENTERS HAVE 17 YEARS OF PRO FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE

SEPT 15 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers' three centers have 17 years of professional football experience under their belts. Forrest McPherson is the "old man" of the trio with 10 years; Charley Brock is next with five and Bob Flowers is the infant with two. However, McPherson, a talkative 30-year older, is playing his first year with the Packers. He formerly saw action with west coast teams and had a tryout with the Chicago Bears when Bulldog Turner was cutting so much ice. Flowers made a name for himself in the Packers' first game last fall - an exhibition tilt with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Brock started and played only a half-minute when he injured his shoulder. Flowers played the remaining 59 1/2 minutes brilliantly...TOSSES OFF INJURY: Brock, however, tossed off the injury and proceeded to put in his best year here, the result being that Flowers played only intermittently. Charley, who weighs 210 pounds and stands six feet, two inches tall, has been rather "unfortunate" in that he was unable to grab off all-league honors, although his importance to the team has never been diminished. For instance, it was his misfortune to play at the same time with such super performers as Mel Hein of the New York Giants and the Bears' Turner. Against Hein and Turner, rated as two of the greatest in pro ball, Brock handled himself capably. Packer fans will swear by Brock and so will Coach Curly Lambeau. Brock missed the first two weeks of practice but arrived in time to make the eastern trip. One of Brock's most noted achievements took place against the Cardinals in Chicago last fall when he stole the ball from fullback John Morrow and ran for the winning touchdown. McPherson must come from a family of speakers. The man keeps up a continual line of chatter during practice, and, as a result, puts fire into his teammates. McPherson weighs 248 pounds and stands five feet, 11 inches tall. Flowers, who packs 275 pounds around

a six-foot, two-inch frame, is as rugged as they come. His Texas Tech coast, Pete Cawthorn, who now mentors the Brooklyn Dodgers, told Lambeau that Bob could make any pro team in the country. Cawthorn made his statement while still at Tech.

### **BEARS, 'SKINS RATED AS TOPS IN PRO CIRCUIT**

SEPT 15 (New York) - With the major league pro football season opening Sunday - and it'll outclass the college brand this year just the way big league baseball does - this corner offers a scouting report from one of the biggest scouts in the business. To get it over quick, he picks the Bears and the Redskins...REDSKINS SKINNED: The way our informant sees it, you can laugh off those three preseason games the Redskins lost. They couldn't do much scrimmaging with a 28-man squad, he explains, and they had to get ready in a hurry for the All-Stars with 80 men. But Sammy Baugh seems to have recovered from whatever ailment was bothering him at the start and is hitting his pass receivers in his best form. The older players are just beginning to get into shape and when they do, they'll be tough. The Skins may lose Jack Jenkins, who looks good, but they have a whale of a defensive players in Wilbur Moore. Their only competition in the East should come from the Giants, who'll be a lot better than last year since the rookies seem to be coming along just the way Steve Owen hoped they would...MORE BEAR STORIES: The Bears and Packers will have another race in the western division but the Bears, as usual, seem to have the ball club. They have those big guys, Fortmann at guard, and Musso at tackle, and a good looking boy named Merkel from Kansas - also Sid Luckman and Bill Geyer, who is stronger and better than last year. Curly Lambeau has been boasting about the Packer line but the inside dope is that the line isn't as good as he claims. Tony Canadeo's passing to Don Hutson is okay, and so is a back named Fritsch. It'll help the Packers when Goldenberg and Charlie Brock return. Detroit's Lions have a good passing club but so far their running attack hasn't looked so hot. Frankie Sinkwich may improve that department. You can lump the other clubs under the "I dunno" headlines, but the safest bet is that they'll have a big season at the gate.

## Washington Redskins, Despite Three Pre-Season Losses, Should Repeat for Eastern Division Title

### **WASHINGTON REDSKINS, DESPITE THREE PRE-SEASON LOSSES, SHOULD REPEAT FOR EASTERN DIVISION TITLE**

SEPT 16 (Chicago) - The Washington Redskins to repeat as the Eastern division champion of the NFL. That's one of the grid season's better wagers and the forecast is made in spite of three consecutive losses in preliminary games by the Redskins. In preseason contests, Washington has been beaten by the college All-Stars, 27 to 7; by the Green Bay Packers, 23 to 21; and by the Chicago Bears, 21 to 14. Discount those losses, for the Redskins have been at the disadvantage of installing a new offensive system under the direction of Arthur (Dutch) Bergman, who succeeded Coach Ray Flaherty. By Oct. 10, when Washington opens its championship campaign against the Brooklyn Dodgers, the Indians figure to be ready. From the world championship team of a season ago, the Redskins lost outstanding performers like Dick Todd, Ed Cifers and Ki Aldrich, but there's a nucleus of veteran material and it is surrounded by enough promising newcomers to support the title rating. The biggest asset of the Redskins once again is Sammy Baugh, the whip-armed Texan who rates as football's greatest forward passer. The chief competition apparently will come from the New York Giants. The Giants have suffered some heavy losses by service calls and retirements, but have plugged most of those gaps with one of the best crops of newcomers culled by any league members. The amalgamated Phil-Pitt teams rates as the third choice in the Eastern sector. Roy Zimmerman, obtained in a trade with Washington, will be the regular quarterback; with Jack Hinkle and Ernie Steele at the halves and Bill Hewitt at fullback. Hewitt, who starred at end for the Bears and Philadelphia for eight seasons, has been out of competition since 1939. His attempted comeback as a ball carrier is one of the season's most interesting pro grid experiments and one that is of great import to the Eagles' fortunes. Picked to bring up the tail end of the division are the Brooklyn Dodgers. The Dodgers have a new coach in Pete Cawthorn, and the former Texas Tech mentor has inherited a major line problem.

### **AS ISBELL REPLACED HERBER, SO CANADEO REPLACES ISBELL**

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - The time has come! For what? Just this! To put the name of Cecil Isbell in the Green Bay Packer and NFL record book and substitute the name of Tony Canadeo for the old headlines - Arnie Herber to Don Hutson and more recently Isbell to Hutson. Isbell is deep in his coaching career at Purdue university, while Canadeo in his first two starts in the east has made it quite plain that he can pass, run and punt with the best of triple-threatening left halfbacks. Coach Curly Lambeau is sold on the grey-haired Italian, who is nicknamed "Dago". Lambeau also has a warm spot for Irv Comp, who came here ticketed to fill Isbell's shoes. However, Canadeo, with two years of "under-Isbell" work to his credit, gained the inside track and is well on his way to making local fandom forget about Cece. After all, it took two years for Isbell to replace Herber at Hutson's chief passing mate. Seems funny to be talking so much about the passers. What about the guy



The three Green Bay Packer centers above represent 17 years of professional football experience. They include (upper, left) Charley Brock, a five-year veteran here; (upper, right) Forrest McPherson, newcomer who put in ten years with west coast teams; and Bob Flowers, who is starting second year here.



who "outlived" Herber and Isbell - Mr. Donald Robert Hutson? Well, Sticky Don is 30 years of age, weighs 175 pounds (three less than he weighed when he came here in 1935), hasn't lost any height, and, generally, seems to be just as fast as he was in his first game when he snatched a pass and ran 60-odd yards for a touchdown to beat the Bears, 7 to 0. He's been catching 'em ever since, and holds nearly 25 different records...**MORE ABOUT CANADEO:** But let's get on with Canadeo. Besides passing, running and punting, Canadeo calls the signals for his group which includes Lou Brock or Andy Uram at right half, Ted Fritsch at fullback, and Larry Craig at blocking quarter. Joe Laws, ten-year veteran, is the other signal caller. Joe mixes his experience with such boys as Tony Falkenstein and Don Perkins at fullback; Comp and Bob Kahler at halfback; and blocking quarter Ben Starrett. Like a good passer, Canadeo can take punishment, although his nose has not been given that "fullback twist". He showed this in the Pitt-Phil game when the Steagle forwards were

rushing Tony most of the night. On one occasion, a great, big Steagle lineman used his elbows too much and Canadeo quickly gave him a dose of his own medicine. Several plays later the officials and the players separated them when both decided to use their elbows. Canadeo pegged to Andy Uram for a 65-yard touchdown gain against Washington and threw to Hutson for a 55-yard touchdown in the Pitt-Phil game. In between he completed something like 12 out of 25 tosses, a fair figure considering the infancy of the season. Uram, who has come to be known as Lambeau's darkhorse thrower, shifted to left half on one occasion in Pittsburgh and threw a touchdown pass to Harry Jacunski. Uram was playing right half when he caught Canadeo's T.D. aerial in the Washington game. At any rate, it looks like a great season for Lambeau's pet offensive explosive passing. Let us hope this statement can be repeated on Sept. 27, a day after the Chicago Bear game here.

**TINSLEY SIGNS PACKER CONTRACT; KAHLER MOVED TO BLOCKING BACK**

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - Pete Tinsley, former private in the United States Army, signed a Green Bay Packer contract Wednesday afternoon and took his first workout with the team this morning. Given an honorable discharge because of "chronic arthritis and ear trouble", Tinsley reported at "peak" condition, weighing 195 pounds - ten less than his playing weight. In other words, he has no preseason "fat" to work off. Tinsley, now 30 years of age, received his Army discharge at Keesler Field, Miss. The former University of Georgia star, who is starting his sixth season with the Packers, planned to join the Merchant Marine if he did not play professional football. Tinsley became the seventh guard on the Packer roster today as Coach Curly Lambeau continued workouts leading to the Chicago Bear classic at City stadium Sunday, Sept. 26. The other veterans are Buckets Goldenberg and Bill Kuusisto, while the newcomers are Sherwood Fries, Glen Sorenson, Pete Gaudauskas and Walter Gudie. Lambeau announced two switches Wednesday afternoon and tried them out in this morning's practice. Bob Kahler, Nebraska right halfback, was moved to blocking quarter and will work with Larry Craig and Ben Starrett, while Forrest McPherson, Nebraska center, was shifted to right tackle...**BOLSTER RIGHT TACKLE:** McPherson, a husky veteran of 10 years of pro action on the west coast, will bolster the right tackle spot which may be weakened with the possible loss of Chet Adams, who suffered a sprained ankle in the Pitt-Phil game last Saturday night. Also at right tackle is Paul Berezney, who may not get in too much practice since he is continuing his studies at the Marquette university medical school. Shifting of Kahler to blocking quarter makes the Packers three deep in every position in the backfield, although the club has only 11 backs. At left half, Lambeau has Tony Canadeo, Irv Comp and Andy Uram, while

at right half he has Lou Brock, Joe Laws and Uram who can play both positions equally well. The fullbacks are Ted Fritsch, Don Perkins and Tony Falkenstein. Uram, Brock, Laws and Canadeo are all "switch hitters", inasmuch as all can play two positions. Uram is chief of the group since he is shifted constantly, while Laws often steps over to left half to throw a pass or two. Canadeo is set at left half, although he could chance over to right. Brock, a right half by trade, is Lambeau's fullback insurance. In the Pitt-Phil game, for instance, Brock had to exchange fullback duties with Falkenstein when Fritsch was knocked out. Perkins was out of the game with an injured knee suffered the previous week. Lambeau has 11 backs and 20 linemen, a total of 31 players. Under league rules, he can have only 28 gridders on the bench for the National loop opener. A reminder from Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith was issued today in regard to ducats for the big Bear battle. He announced that the ticket office in the Legion building is open every day and that season tickets should be picked up before this Saturday night.

## How About It, Packers? This Guy Predicts That Bears Will Be Rulers in Western Division Again

### **HOW ABOUT IT, PACKERS? THIS GUY PREDICTS THAT BEARS WILL BE RULERS IN WESTERN DIVISION AGAIN**

SEPT 17 (Chicago) - The Chicago Bears' domination of teams in the Western division of the NFL will continued another season. A review today of team prospects in the Western sector of the pro circuit brings the conclusion the Bears are "loaded" again and rate as the top-heavy choice to grab their fourth straight sectional crown. Service losses have cut performers like Lee Artoe, Hugh Gallarneau and Frank Maznicki from the Bruin roster, but there's a plentiful supply of veterans back and they are supported by a good cast of newcomers...**BEARS BACKFIELD TALENTED:** The Bears line is strong at all positions except the tackle spots. The backfield is crowded with talent that is three deep. From the ball carrying brigade of a season ago the Bears have the brainy Sid Luckman, Harry Clark, Bill Osmanski, Ray McLean, Gary Famiglietti and Bill Guyer. The Bears also came up with two prize performers in the draw of the talent from the Cleveland Rams, end Jim Beton and fullback Dante Magnani. Second place in the divisional standing will likely go to the Green Bay Packers. The Packers have 27 players on their roster who have previous experience with the club and that's a factor which weighs favorably in the season's forecast. Green Bay lost one of its greatest stars when Cecil Isbell, the passing marvel, retired, but his departure won't spoil the Packers' chances. Tony Canadeo, a veteran of three seasons with Green Bay will be counted upon to carry the brunt of the passing burden now. With him in the starting backfield will be Larry Craig at quarter; Andy Uram at right half; and Ted Fritsch at fullback...**DEPEND ON HUTSON:** The Packer offense naturally will depend heavily on the glue-fingered Don Hutson, the phenomenal end who led the league in scoring last season. The rest of the line will have Harry Jacunski at the other end; Buford Ray and Chet Adams, obtained from Cleveland, at the tackles; Bill Kuusisto and Buckets Goldenberg at the guards and Charley Brock at center. The rejuvenated Detroit Lions figure third in the rating. The Lions will have a new coach in the clever Gus Dorais and have received a big break in getting Frankie Sinkwich, the nation's top collegiate gridder last season, who was able to join the team following his release by the Marines. Sinkwich, if he approaches the form that helped carry Georgia to the Rose Bowl last season, should be the league's top box office card. On the line Detroit has a good combination topped by the burly Alex Wojciechowicz at center. The Chicago Cardinals are picked to be the division's cellar dweller. The team has improved over a season ago, but not enough to be very high in the standings. The Cardinals, with a new coach in Phil Handler, will have a good backfield composed of Johnny Hall, Bob Morrow, Marshall Goldberg and Joe Bukant, but its line is of questionable strength.

### **ARE BEARS PLANNING ON PASSING ATTACK?**

SEPT 17 (Green Bay) - Coach Curly Lambeau and his Green Bay Packers got to wondering today about the Chicago Bears' form of attack. In the past four or five years the Bears - who invade City stadium at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Sept. 26 - were noted for their terrific running game which accounted for three-quarters of their yardage and incidentally most of their touchdowns. For 1943, however, there are strong indications that the bad Bears are turning to passing, which - in Lambeau's book - is the shortest distance between two points. For instance, the Bears' running game broke down in Philadelphia Thursday night and the Bruins immediately took to the air for a 20 to 7 exhibition victory over Pitt-Phil, the same team the Packers clipped, 28 to 10. The Bear-Washington exhibition was another example of where the Chicagoans are emphasizing passing. The statistics for that tilt reveal that the Bears made 318 of their 427 yards by completing 18 out of 26 passes, leaving only 109 yards gained by rushing. Washington, by the way, gained 85 of its 151 yards by passing...**12 FIRST DOWNS BY AIR:** In that Washington game, the Bears made 12 first downs via the air and only four by rushing. That represents a definite right-about-face from other years. At Philadelphia, Sid Luckman tossed three passes that spelled victory for the Bears. Two of them were good for touchdowns and the others set up the play that gave Chicago its final score. In



Just one of the things the Packers will have to contend with when the Bears invade City stadium Sunday afternoon is George Musso, above, huge left tackle. Musso is no newcomer to professional football wars. The 270-pound tackle, who prepped at Millikin in Illinois, is starting his 11th season with the Bears.

the Packer camp nobody is confused or even interested in what the Bears may specialize when they open their National league season here. The reason is simple, because the Packers spend an even amount of time drilling against the Bears' ground and passing plays...SHOW BEAR PICTURES: Lambeau showed pictures of previous Bear games for the first time at a squad meeting in the Hotel Northland today and particularly for the newcomers, the filmed Bears provided quite an interesting sight. It was an excellent chance for Lambeau to explain just how the T-formation works. The Packers put on their pads Thursday and went through a two-hour session on fundamentals, punting, pass defense, pass offense, blocking and charging. "Live" tackling practice among the backs was directed by Lambeau while Line Coach Red Smith sent the linemen through a long session on hitting the ball carrier low and hard...ADAMS "SOAKS"

ANKLE: Missing from action Thursday were tackle Chet Adams and guard Buckets Goldenberg. Chet remained in the dressing room to "soak" his injured ankle while Buckets donned a sweat suit and pranced around lightly. The 11-year veteran and Adams probably will be mixing it later this week. Don Perkins, who injured his knee in the Washington game, ran hard but did not take part in the contact work. Pete Tinsley, who signed his contract Wednesday afternoon after getting an honorable discharge from the Army, jumped into the scheme of things and took plenty of bumps

and knocks with the other linemen.

#### **NAGURSKI TO JOIN CLUB AT WAUKESHA**

SEPT 17 (Chicago) - Bronko Nagurski, absent from football for five seasons, left his 300 acre Minnesota farm Thursday in the care of his father and went to join the Chicago Bears at Waukesha, Wis., where the Bears will train next week for the National league opener with the Packers at Green Bay September 26. The 34-year old Nagurski poohpoohed reported that he had developed a trick knee in his four years of professional wrestling from which he retired in 1941. "I feel great; weigh 230 pounds, only two more than when I played my last game against the Washington Redskins in 1937," he said. "There is nothing wrong with my left knee as some folks insist." Playing at tackle will be nothing new to Nagurski. He played the position in his first year at Minnesota.

# Bays Try 'Perfect' Plays--in Practice

Gridiron Flawlessness Up for Discussion  
As Packers Continue Drills for Chi-Bear  
Struggle Here Sept. 26; Double Duty Booked

## **BAYS TRY 'PERFECT' PLAYS - IN PRACTICE**

SEPT 18 (Green Bay) - While the Packers are secretly practicing for the Chicago Bear invasion Sept. 26, it is interesting to take note of football's perfect play. This particular phase of gridiron flawlessness was brought to mind Friday during a Packer practice when an offensive club produced eight "perfect" plays in succession. Both the offensive and defensive players wore their pads and were tackling and blocking for keeps. A perfect play generally is known as a scoring play - one in which every man takes out his opponent and the ball carrier either runs around or over the 11th defensive gridder. Sometimes the ball carrier doesn't have to worry about the 11th man, because his teammate may be lucky enough to knock out two opponents. The Packer offense, on those eight plays, left you wondering why the Bays, or any other pro club, do not run up anywhere from 100 to 300 points a game. Looks easy! All you have to do is take out your man. Figuring that there are about 60 plays, exclusive of punting, in a game, a team could run up 420 points, providing all of the 60 extra points were made...**WON'T SAY A WORD:** The Packers' plays are not all scoring plays, although it is possible to score every time the ball is passed from the center to the back. Coach Curly Lambeau has plays that are used only to gain three or four yards, but the Bay pilot won't say a word if the runner happens to break loose and score a touchdown. When thinking about perfect plays in connection with a Bear-Packer game, it must be reported that there are 20 to 22 good reasons why a perfect scoring maneuver will not work. For instance, there are guys like Bulldog Turner and Danny Fortmann of the Bears and Chet Adams and Buckets Goldenberg of the Packers (to mention a few on both squads) who just won't be taken out of every play. If they were blocked out consistently they wouldn't be in the National league...**SCORING PASS TO HUTSON:** There is another type of perfect play the Packers have made famous - a scoring pass to Don Hutson. The wiry end has been known to evade as many as three men in the opponents' backfield. This leaves the offensive line with "little" more to do than protect the guy who throws the ball to Hutson. At any rate, the perfect play is Lambeau's chief want in practice. By "perfect" he means accuracy and perfection in carrying out assignments. In other words, every lineman must block his opponent out of the picture and every guy in front of the ball carrier must nail the men coming in for a shot at the carrier. Lambeau called a double practice session Friday for the first time this week, and passed out big doses of Bear medicine. Preceded by Bear-Packer pictures at the Hotel Northland, the morning session featured a scrimmage which saw the squad split into offensive and defensive teams. The emphasis was on offense as left halfback Tony Canadeo led one team in passing and receiving. Outside of the activities of Canadeo, the goings-on at the Packer practice field are strictly off the record...**GOLDENBERG IS FRISKY:** It may be reported, however, that Buckets Goldenberg, veteran guard, is as frisky as the youngest rookie. Buckets is playing his 11th season here. Also, it can be made known that Chet Adams was not in uniform Friday; that the practice field has been chalked off like the City stadium field; that no spectators are allowed; and so forth. Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith issued another reminder to Packer fans to "get your seats for the Bear game". He asked holders of season tickets to pick them up "at the latest tonight". The Packers will have an off day Sunday but will plunge into heavy practice Monday morning.

## **CARDINALS, DETROIT OPEN PRO SEASON TODAY**

SEPT 19 (Chicago) - They said the NFL was "through" on Pearl Harbor day in 1941. They said the Cleveland Rams' withdrawal last spring meant the circuit was disintegrating - just a matter of weeks. They said there weren't enough players available. Yet Sunday the Chicago Cardinals will play the Lions at Detroit in the first of 40 games on this fall's league

schedule. The league is smaller by two teams than last year, when 10 operated. The Rams are out for the duration, and the Philadelphia Eagles and Pittsburgh Steelers have combined into an entry known unofficially as the "Steagles". There is manpower galore. Every team took far more players to camp than it could use. Exhibition contests have indicated that the caliber of play is not far off from that of peacetime years. Three more teams will play their first games next Sunday - Brooklyn at Detroit and the Chicago Bears at Green Bay. Brooklyn and the Phil-Pitt Eagles play at Philadelphia in a night game Saturday October 2. New York opens in a night game October 9 at Philadelphia and the champion Washington Redskins will start at home October 10 against Brooklyn.

## Everything Is 'Secret' as Packers Prepare for Loop Opener Against Chicago Bears at City Stadium Sunday

### EVERYTHING IS 'SECRET' AS PACKERS PREPARE FOR LOOP OPENER AGAINST CHICAGO BEARS AT CITY STADIUM SUNDAY

SEPT 20 (Green Bay) - The Packers today began to move their battle forces into position for the 1943 opening of their ten-game NFL schedule at City stadium at 2 o'clock Sunday, against the Chicago Bears, but what the battle tactics will be remains pretty much of a confidential nature. Winners of two exhibition tilts against the championship Washington Redskins and the combination Phil-Pitt club - teams also beaten by the Bears in exhibitions - Coach Curly Lambeau's men mean to make the league start of their silver jubilee successful at the expense of their arch rivals from the Windy City. While the National league opened play on Sunday with the Chicago Cardinals losing to the Detroit Lions, the Packer-Bear contest will draw principal attention because the teams are figured one-two in the preseason dope. The fact that Green Bay is considered second only to the Bears, however, doesn't mean a thing when the two clubs tangle...**HOLD DOUBLE SESSIONS:** Naturally, not everything about the Bays' preparations are of a secret nature. This much can be told today - every morning this week the team will assemble at the Hotel Northland for chalk talks. Double practice sessions will be held Tuesday and Wednesday and possibly Thursday. To keep the squad injury free, scrimmage will be eliminated but some "rough" stuff is on the program. The chalk talks will not only emphasize the tactics which the Green Bay eleven plans to spring against the Bears but also will include something about the Chicago club's offensive and defensive tactics. Some consideration, no doubt, will be given to the Bears' passing game which was used with considerable success in their exhibition games in the east. As the two squads prepare for the 49th clash since they first met in 1921, fans who expect to see the game are asked to get their tickets as soon as possible at the Packer ticket office in the Legion building and those who wait until the last minute may not be able to obtain ducats, Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith warned today. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. including the lunch and supper hours. The Bays' secret preparations are matched by those of the Bears, who are working out at Waukesha. Little or nothing is known about what the Chicago eleven's co-coaches are planning for the tilt on Sunday. However, there is no question that the Bears will be "high" for the contest and nothing short of the "works" will be shot at the Packers' defense...**SEEM EVENLY MATCHED:** If exhibition game figures mean anything the Sunday rivals are quite evenly matched. The Packers tipped the Redskins, 23 to 21, and the Steagles, 28 to 10, while the Bears were knocking off Washington, 21 to 14, and the Steagles, 20 to 7. The Bears have the added momentum of a third exhibition win over New York, 42 to 28. The joker in the pre-game figuring is that anything can happen when these two elevens lock horns in a continuation of warfare which started in 1921. Both teams this year will use a strong running attack mixed with plentiful passing, which equals "wide open" football...**DODGERS MEET LIONS:** The only other game in the National league Sunday sends the Dodgers against the Lions at Detroit. The Lions, in scoring more touchdowns in 39 minutes than they produced while losing 11 games in 1942, served notice by their victory over the Cardinals that they do not intend to be the league's doormat this fall. Brooklyn, under the direction of new coach Pete Cawthon, hold a 28 to 6 decision over Camp Lee. Chuck Fenebrock, formerly of UCLA and the Los Angeles Bulldogs, tossed three touchdown passes to fullback Harry Hopp. Fenebrock, who weighs about 175 pounds and is 5 feet 7 inches tall, may become the best passer for his size since Davey O'Brien. Although Frank Sinkwich, Georgia's All-America, had only two days of practice with the Lions after coming in from the Marines, he fired a 17-yard touchdown pass to Bill Callihan during his brief appearance in the game and gained 24 yards in four ball carrying trips.

### PACKERS HAVE GOOD CHANCE TO WIN NATIONAL FOOTBALL CROWN, LAMBEAU TELLS LIONS CLUB

SEPT 21 (Green Bay) - "If" is a small word - one of the shortest in English - but to Coach Curly Lambeau of the Packers a million possibilities depend on it when he is speaking about the chances of this year's silver jubilee team to cop the National league flag come December, if everything goes right. In an informal, "off the record" talk before the Lions' club at the Beaumont hotel Monday, Lambeau did not discount the power which his team this year has in all the departments which make up a football factory tuned to turn out touchdowns. But neither did he forget the "ifs" in the form of ten games to be

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Substitutions: Cardinals—Ends, Kexer, Currivan; tackles, Albrecht, Booth; guards, Marotti, Rhea, Gheranich; center, Pierce; quarterbacks, Rankin, Parker, Puplis; left half, Cahill; right half, Purdin; full back, Grigas.

Detroit—Ends, Layden, Busich, Matheson; tackles, Batinski, Ketzko; guards, Rockenbach, Liles; center, Conlee; quarter back, Callihan; left half, Colella, Sinkwich, N. Matthews; right half, Cardwell, Keenes; full back, Hackney.

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played between Sunday and Dec. 5. The most important "if" of all is the Chicago Bears, who assist the Packers to open their 23rd National league campaign at City stadium at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Lambeau makes no bones about the fact that the tussle probably will be the most important of the season for the Packers, and he contends that the team knows it, too...GET DOUBLE DRILL: In the meantime, the Packers were doing "double duty" to prepare every phase of their tactics for the Windy City powerhouse. Chalk talks continue to take up the team's time during early morning, after which they tear up the turf at their practice site near City stadium. Wednesday will be another double session day, and there is the possibility of two drills Thursday. Not only the squad but citizens of Wisconsin, Chicago and the upper peninsula of Michigan are showing extreme interest in the blood and thunder battle. Tickets are going like the proverbial hotcakes in an all-night restaurant. The ticket office is open from 9 in the morning to the same hour in the evening. As far as other preparations for Sunday's tussle are concerned, all is a deep, dark secret. The Packers will have 28 men in uniform - divided among four ends, four tackles, six guards, three centers, and 11 backs - and the Bears will have the same number. The player limit affects both teams equally, the only difference being in the individual quotients. "The winner of Sunday's game looks like a good bet for the inside tack to the flag," said the dean of league coaches who has been summing up contenders'



Hampton Pool, above, is not only an end for the Chicago Bears. He also drops back sometime to do a bit of punting, as the photo indicates. He is one of a raft of veterans the Bears will throw against the Packers Sunday afternoon at City stadium. The game is the National league opener for both clubs.

chances for more than two decades, "if it can get by the other teams on its schedule between them and December." How about the outcome of Sunday's game? "We'll know that at 5 p.m. Sunday," Lambeau said without being committal. There is no denying that the expected manpower shortage has not hurt the Packers or any other of the league teams for that matter, a fact which led National league officials to change the player limit from 25 to 28, the coach said. With Isbell gone, the Packers have Tony Canadeo, rookie Irv Comp and Andy Uram to fill the passing slot. All three have been working overtime with Canadeo getting the nod because of previous experience. Comp is rapidly attaining poise, Lambeau said, and is a valuable addition to the squad, defensively as well as offensively. If it will give the Chicago club any consolation, it might be mentioned that the Packers this year are considerably stronger in the kicking department with at least four men who can boot them either from the ground or from punting position. The running attack and defensive strength - well, let the Bears find that out for themselves. Turning to the strength of the other National league clubs, Lambeau emphasized that Detroit in the Western

division and the defending champions, Washington, should not be overlooked in the preseason figuring. The Redskins, particularly, he said are tough even though they lost to the All-Stars, Packers and Bears in preseason tilts.

#### **CHET ADAMS, CLEVELAND'S GIFT TO PACKERS, AWAITS SUNDAY**

SEPT 21 (Green Bay) - Chet Adams, 240 pounds of Packer tackle, is looking forward to the Bear-Packer game at City stadium Sunday with anxiety. The former Cleveland ace, who was drawn out of a hat by Coach Curly Lambeau when the Rams caved in last spring, has never beaten the Bears despite the fact that he put in four years with Cleveland. Obviously enough, the Rams' record against the Bears in that period has been ZERO. Big Chet appeared against the Bears eight times starting in 1939 and the closest Cleveland came to beating them was in 1940. "We had 'em down, 14 to 0, in the first quarter and, by golly, if they didn't trim us 21 to 14." Chet likes to recall the 1938 Cleveland season, when he was a senior at Ohio university. "That year Cleveland beat the Bears, 14 to 7 and 23 to 21, and it made me quite anxious to join the Rams," he said. Incidentally, 1938 was a championship year for the Packers, and the Bears finished third in front of Cleveland, with Detroit second. That season, the Bears clipped Green Bay, 2 to 0, in the rain at City stadium but the Packers turned the tide in Chicago, 24 to 17...**THE EASIEST WAY:** Adams, who was named on the all-league second team last season and received honorable mention in the three previous years, feels that the easiest way to gain further honors for himself and the Packers in the National league is to beat the Bears. There are seven Packer veterans who will be looking for their first victory over the Bears. They include tackle Paul Berezney, tackle Milburn Croft, end Joel Mason, center Bob Flowers, fullback Ted Fritsch, halfback Bob Kahler and blocking back Ben Starrett...**SLOWING UP?:** 'Tis said that Bullet Bob Osmanski, Chicago Bear fullback, has slowed up "very noticeably." Osmanski apparently hasn't recovered completely from the knee injury suffered on the eighth play of the Bear-Packer game here last season. Of course, word that Bill is slowing up may be so much hokum but the fact remains that knee injuries are mighty damaging to gridgers...**BAYS FURNISH THRILLS:** The Bears may have outdrawn the Packers, 56,000 to 45,000, in Baltimore earlier this morning but the most satisfied fan was the one who saw the Packer-Washington game. A report in a Washington newspaper on the Redskin-Bear tilt read: "In comparison to last week's crowd which was on its toes throughout the 23 to 21 loss to the Packers, the fans yesterday were a bored lot for the most part." The Bears downed Washington, 21 to 14....Did you note who kicked one of the extra points for Great Lakes in the Bluejackets' 20 to 19 victory over Fort Riley in Chicago the other day? It was Russ Letlow, former Packer guard, whose kicking was confined to kicking off for the Packers. Letlow actually kicked two but got credit for only one. His team was guilty of holding on his next try from the 17-yard line. He made good on the next attempt which tied the score at 13-all.

#### **BEARS GET AL BARBATSKY IN SECRET DEAL**

SEPT 21 (Chicago) - Al Barbatsky yesterday did a quick change from a Chicago Cardinal uniform into a more brilliant hued one which the Chicago Bears wear.

The maneuver was so swift that even the NFL wasn't in on the play. There was Barbatsky, all 225 pounds of him, practicing yesterday afternoon with the Bears in Waukesha, Wis. And just before he closed up shop late in the day, Elmer Layden, president of the league, had received no information that a Barbatsky deal had been made. Doubtless, the papers covering the deal will be on President Layden's desk when he arrived at his office this morning. When he learned last night that Barbatsky had worked out with the Bears, Layden said, "I had no record of any trade. He's got no gosh-darned business there."...**NO REPORT ON DEAL:** National league regulations make it necessary for a player to be signed to a contract when he works out with one of its teams. The league, having no report of the deal, naturally had no record yesterday of Barbatsky having signed a contract with the Chicago Bears. One of the contracting teams must advise the league when a deal is made, with the other team confirming it. Layden, as president, acts in the capacity of an overseer and determines if the transaction is in order. Pressed for details, General Manager Ralph Brizzolara of the Bears announced late last night that

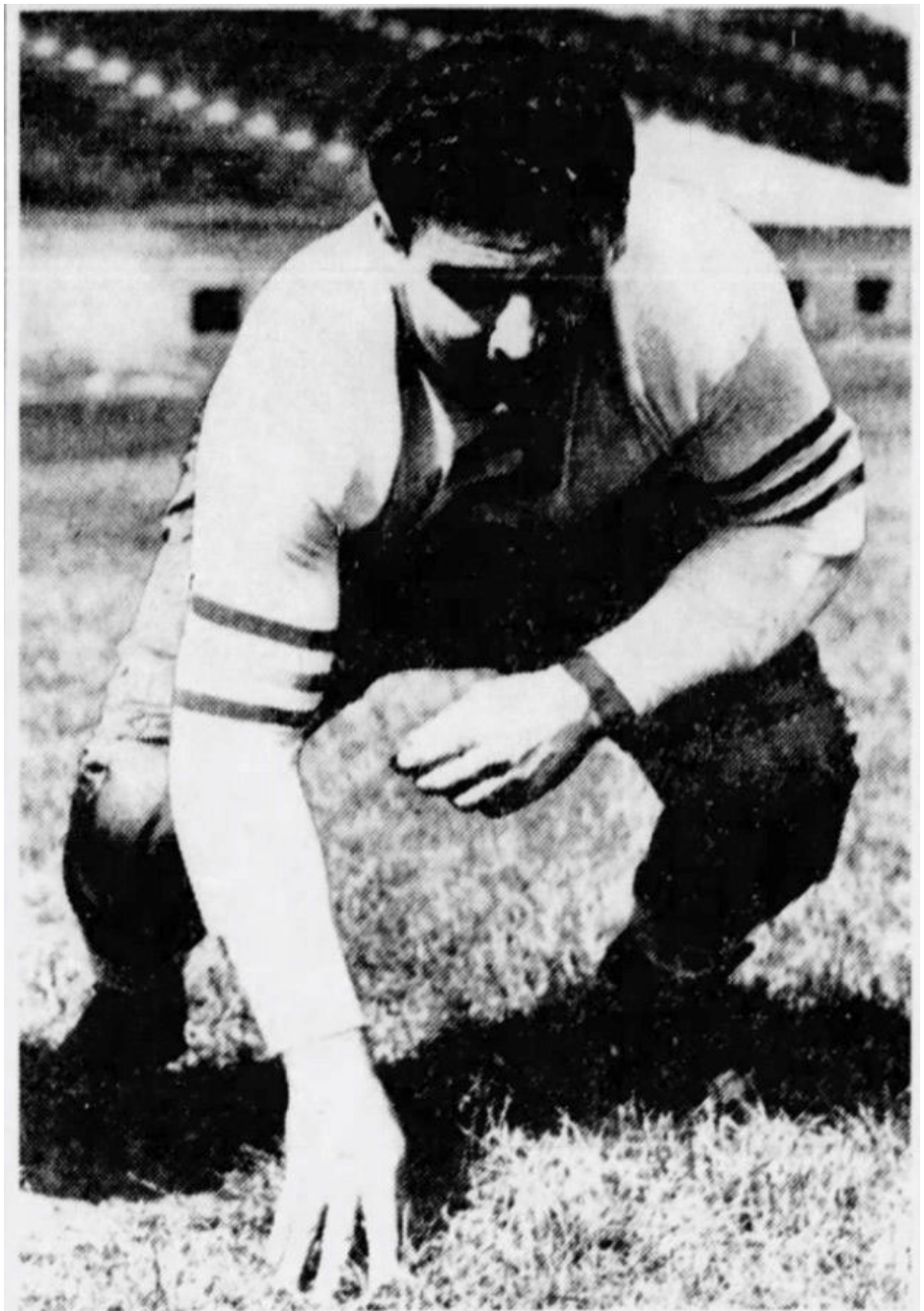
#### **Bears Welcome Him**



**Al Babartsky, veteran tackle, who escaped the Chicago Cardinals' doghouse yesterday and joined the Chicago Bears. The Cards gave up Al for Quarter Back Walt Masters and End Clint Wager.**

#### **Bears Obtain Babartsky in Secret Deal**

a trade had just been completed. In exchange for the tackle, who was one of Fordham's seven blocks of granite - the picturesque description of the Rams' line - the Cardinals will get Clint Wager, 6 foot 5 inch end, and Walter Masters, a quarterback who once played for the University of Pennsylvania...**INVITED TO LEAVE:** It was no secret to rivals of the Cardinals that Barbatsky had fallen from the good graces of his coach, easy going Phil Handler, to such an extent that he had been invited to leave camp. Later Barbatsky returned, apologized, and then departed. The Bears' weakest department is at tackle, where they lost Lee Artoe, Joe Stydahar and Ed Kolman of last year's team. They were so short of tackles that they persuaded Bronko Nagurski, their one time fullback terror, to come out of retirement and try a comeback in the line, where he first won fame at Minnesota. Bronko, according to advices from the camp at Waukesha, where the Bears are drilling for Sunday's league opener with the Packers in Green Bay, is working harder than any player...**PACKER COACH DISAPPOINTED:** Curly Lambeau, coach of the Green Bay Packers, was disappointed when advised in Green Bay that the Bears had obtained the gigantic tackle. "Gee, they get all the breaks!" exclaimed Lambeau. "Sure, we were trying to get Barbatsky. This just means that we'll have a little tougher job up here Sunday against the Bears." Lambeau said the advance sale for the game is the heaviest than any preceding one in Green Bay. He said only 3,300 tickets are unsold. A sellout crowd of 25,000 is anticipated. Barbatsky had suffered a broken leg practicing with the Cards before the 1942 season started and never got back into action. He joined the Cardinals in 1941 after having stayed out of football the previous year. He is 6 feet and 28 years old. Co-coaches Luke Johnsos and Hunk Anderson were reported to be pleased with the acquisition of Barbatsky.



One of the standouts in the Chicago Bear backfield for the last five years has been Gary Famiglietti, 214 pound full-back. He will be starting his sixth season with the Bears when they clash with the Packers Sunday afternoon at City stadium in the 49th renewal of the annual Green Bay football classic.

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SEPT 21 (Green Bay) - The Chicago Bears, who all sports fans admit have come up in this war year with a team that is a favorite to regain the crown in the NFL pro loop, have landed another star player on the eve of the club's important opener next Sunday at Green Bay against the Packers. He is Al Babartsky, of the Chicago Cardinals, a tackle. The 235-pound lineman switched uniforms when the Cards got back to Chicago from Detroit. He hurried on to Delafield to join the Bears' training there for Sunday's tilt. The deal was secret in that there is nothing on file in the office of Elmer Layden of the league

advising of the transfer. In exchange for Babartsky the Cardinals will get Clint Wager, 6 foot 3 inch end and Walter Masters, a quarterback who once played for Pennsylvania, from the Bears. It's no secret to rivals of the Cardinals that Babartsky had fallen from the good graces of his coach, easy going Phil Handler, to such an extent that he had been invited to leave camp. Later Babartsky returned, apologized, then departed. The Bears' weakest department is at tackle, where they lost Lee Artoe, Ed Kolman and Joe Stydahar of last year's team. They were so short of tackles that they have persuaded Bronko Nagurski, their one time fullback terror, to come out of retirement and try a comeback in the line, where he first won fame at Minnesota. Bronko, according to advices from Waukesha is working real hard to get down to playing weight. Curly Lambeau, Green Bay coach, was disappointed when advised the Bears had obtained the big tackle. "Gee, they get all the breaks!" exclaimed Lambeau. "Sure, we were trying to get Babartsky. This just means we'll have a little tougher job up here Sunday against the Bears." Lambeau said the advance sale for the game is heavier than for any preceding one in Green Bay between the old-time pro rivals. He said only 3,300 tickets are unsold. A sellout crowd of 25,000 is anticipated. Babartsky suffered a broken leg practicing with the Cardinals before the 1942 season started and never got back into action. He joined the Cardinals in 1941 after having stayed out of football the previous year. He is 6 feet tall and is 28 years old. The Packers held double practice today in preparation for the Bear game. The same program will obtain tomorrow. Lambeau is stressing a running attack this year, realizing that forward passing, long a weapon of the Packers, may not be quite so potent this year with the great Cecil Isbell absent. The Green Bay line is all veteran from end to end with capable replacements. In his search for his replacement for Isbell, Lambeau apparently has hit the jackpot with not one but three men taking turns at connecting with the fleet Don Hutson, Canadeo, Uram and Joe Laws all have passed muster in this regard and a fourth, Irv Comp, a Milwaukee youth fresh from St. Benedicts' college, has shown promise. Laws, former Iowa university star, has inherited Isbell's signal calling duties. He has been around the pro league 11 years and should know all the answers, Lambeau feels. Heavy withdrawal which hit the Packers like all other teams, aren't apparent in the first string lineup that awaits the coming of the Chicago Bears Sunday. Each of the probable starters has had at least one full season in the league and the only newcomer, tackle Chet Adams, is a former member of the Cleveland Rams which have withdrawn from the circuit for the duration. Holdovers include ends Don Hutson and Harry Jacunski; Tackle Buford (Baby) Ray; guards Bill Kuusisto and Buckets Goldenberg; center Charley Brock; quarterback Laws; halfback Canadeo and Uram, and fullback Fritsch.



Bill Osmanski, above, is one of the quartet of piledriving fullbacks that the Chicago Bears can throw in the direction of the Packer defenses Sunday in City stadium, where the two teams open their National Football league season. Weighing 197 pounds, Osmanski probably will see plenty of action on the turf that has felt his cleats in four previous games.

## Packers' Household Riled Up Over Latest Chicago Bear Player 'Deal'

## PACKERS' HOUSEHOLD RILED UP OVER LATEST CHICAGO BEAR PLAYER 'DEAL'

SEPT 22 (Green Bay) - The Chicago Bears have a new tackle today, but they have also - in heroic measure - provided the spark necessary to set off a couple of tons of Packer dynamite when the two elevens line up for their 49th league clash since 1919 and the opening contest of their NFL season at City stadium Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Coach Curly Lambeau is mad. Assistant Coach Red Smith is mad. Twenty-eight Packer players - 17 linemen and 11 backs - are mad. And the Bears, with the assistance of their rival-in-arms, the Chicago Cardinals, have nobody to blame but themselves. It all goes back to the acquisition by the Bears of a Cardinal tackle in return for a Bear end and quarterback. Tuesday it was revealed that the Bear-Cardinal combination had made a curious, off-the-record deal involving tackle Al Barbatsky of the Cards and end Clint Wager and back Walter Masters of the Bears. Of course, it is not curious that the Bears have been involved in such "deals" before, but nothing quite as smooth as this one...

**PACKERS GET MADDER:** The more the Packers think about it, the madder they get. By Sunday at 2 p.m., there likely will be an explosion, and it isn't going to be the Green Bay team which is on the receiving end. This time, Coach Lambeau and the Packers are intent on one job - to shove the latest Bear player deal right down the Bears' throats - collectively as well as individually. The first inkling Lambeau and his team had of the later Bear stunt was in a Chicago newspaper story, which told about Barbatsky appearing in a Bruin uniform Monday at the Waukesha training site. This despite the fact that Elmer Layden, president of the league and general overseer of such transactions, had no knowledge of the switch. And further that the Cardinals had not asked waivers on Barbatsky. League rules provide for a player to be signed to a contract when he works out with one of its teams. One team advises that the contract has been signed and the other confirms the transaction. But in this case the league had no record of a contract having been signed, and without such knowledge Layden couldn't very well pass judgment on whether the transaction was in order...

**WAIVER RULE CITED:** The league rules also require that waivers be asked on a player by the team which wishes to release him. No waivers were asked on Barbatsky - he was just ushered into the Bear camp. The Packers, for one, Lambeau said today, certainly would have picked up the waiver of the Cardinal tackle, a chance they would get before the Bears because they finished second in the league last fall. "The trouble with the whole business," the Green Bay coach said, "is that the weaker clubs have always asked concessions at league meetings to make themselves stronger. Then they turn right around and supply the Bears with some of their strongest material. The Bears this year were known to be weak at the tackle, so the Cardinals turn around and give them one of their best men." As a matter of record, it was recalled by Coach Lambeau, the Bears acquired George McAfee from Philadelphia and Sid Luckman and Norm Standlee from Pittsburgh in similar "deals" which didn't hurt the Chicago club's chances any in the league race. And there is nobody in either division of the



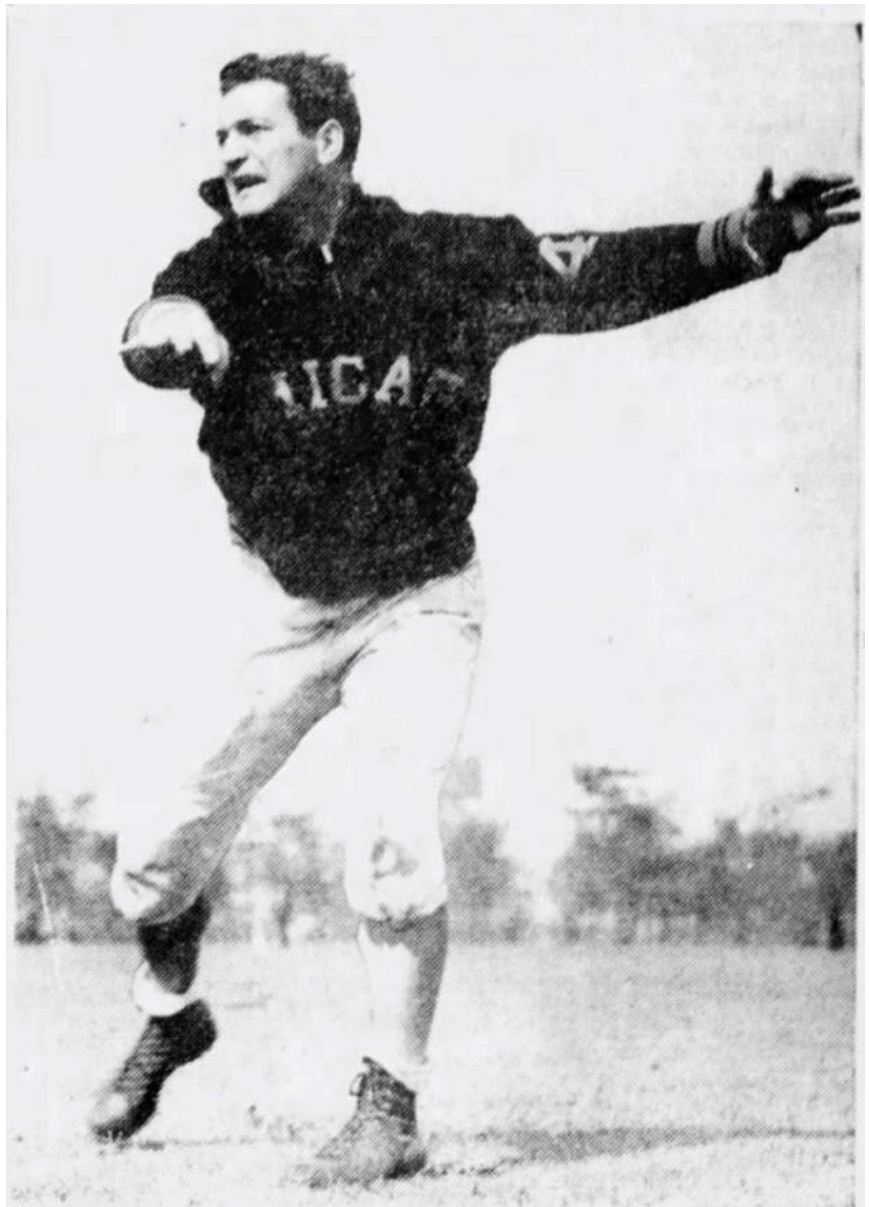
One of the all-time greats of post-graduate football, Assistant Coach John (Paddy) Driscoll, takes a bit of time out as the Chicago Bears train for their game with the Green Bay Packers here next Sunday afternoon. Shown with him are two veterans, Johnny Siegal (left) and George Wilson, both ends.

The two players were mere tots when Paddy was starting with the Chicago Cardinals in 1920. His exceptional speed, punting and drop-kicking ability is one of the brightest chapters in football history. Paddy played six seasons with the Cards and two with the Bears. He also played professional baseball for years, coached at St. Mel High school in Chicago and Marquette university. This is his third season with the Bears' coaching staff.

pro loop who would argue that neither Pittsburgh nor Philadelphia could use those players...**16 FIRST CHOICES:** During the last six years, the Bears have managed to manipulate their business in football flesh to the extent that they have had 16 first choices to six for the other teams, figuring on the basis of one first choice each year. The Packers feel it's perfectly all right to be shrewd but not to the exclusion of everything else. Up to this morning, the Green Bay coach had not received any further information about the transaction nor was there any word regarding Commissioner Layden's thoughts on the matter. To say that Lambeau is worked up over the deal is putting it mildly, and there is likewise going to be no inclination on the part of the players to play "upsadaisy" when game time rolls around. And that's as it should be because the teams are evenly matched otherwise. The Packers, thinking not only about this latest bit of skulldruggery but also about the two losses in 1942, can with that extra "oomph" begotten by going into the struggle all-our mentally as well as physically...**TICKETS GOING FAST:** While the team continued its secret preparations for the contest, another communique from ticket headquarters in the Legion building reports that only some 3,600 seats are left. These will be snapped up in a hurry, Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith says, in advising those who plan to attend to hurry up to 319. E. Walnut, site of the office. There is no question the game will be another Packer-Bear sellout. The emphasis in Tuesday's drill was on defense. Several combinations ran off Bear plays from the celebrated T-formation while defensive squads were schooled in the proper methods to stop the attack. Both the ground and aerial tricks of the Chicago club came in for considerable attention, while Lambeau cast a practiced weather eye to see little slips on assignments. Other than that, nothing can be told. The Packers are waiting until Sunday, when they figure to do all the talking themselves.

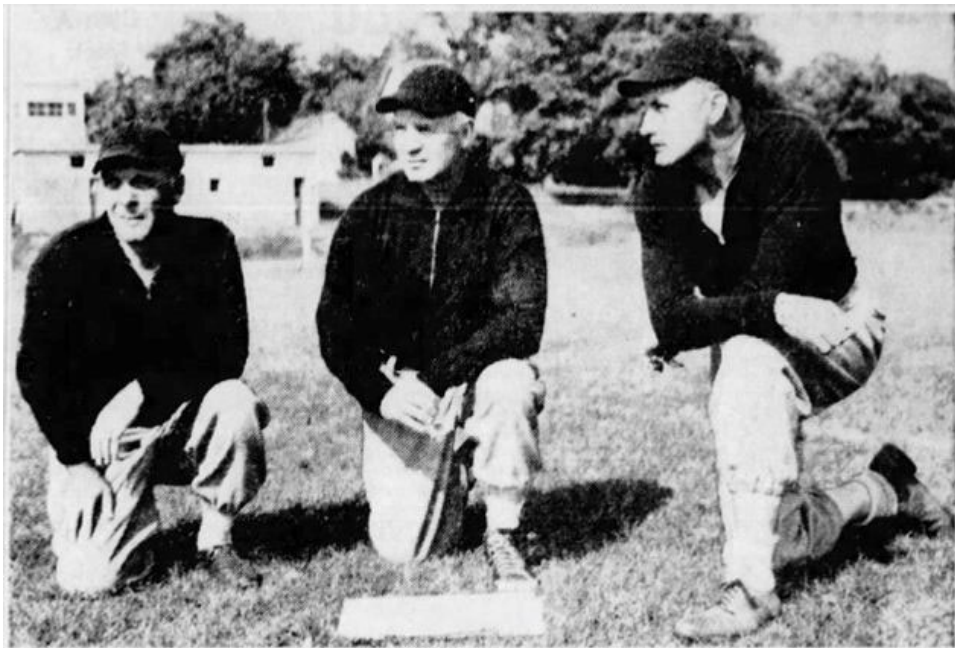
**BEARS' T-FORMATION WILL BE 13 YEARS OLD ON SEPT. 28**

SEPT 22 (Green Bay) - The T-formation as used by the Chicago Bears will become 13 years of age on Sept. 28 - just two days after the Bear-Packer game at City stadium. George Halas first used the T against the Packers on Sept. 28, 1930 without too much success since his team lost, 7 to 0. Since that day, which saw Verne Lewellen score the only touchdown and Red Dunn kick the extra point, the Bears won 18 games from the Packers and one ended in a tie, while the Packers were copping an even dozen decisions. Coach Curly Lambeau, after drilling his gridders on how to combat the T in practice the other day, recalled that Halas picked up the formation from Ralph Jones, coach at Lake Forest college, who is the "father" of the formation. Halas' Bears have been using it ever since, although single wing formations were inserted occasionally...**WORKED WITH BEARS:** Clark Shaughnessy, in the late 1930's, worked with the Chicago Bears as coach at the University of Chicago. When Shaughnessy moved to Stanford he took the T with him, and for this reason Shaughnessy won a Rose Bowl game with Norm Standlee, Hugh Gallarneau and others, is often, in error, referred to as the originator of the T. "This is wrong," Lambeau pointed out. Standlee and Gallarneau later joined the Bears. Shaughnessy took the T to the University of Maryland and at present is using it at the University of Pittsburgh. He is offering



Much of the success of the Chicago Bears' T-formation depends on the ability of the young man pictured above as he follows through after pitching a pass. He is Sid Luckman, the former Columbia ace who has been quarterbacking for the Bears for four years. The Bears and Luckman tangle with the Packers at City stadium Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

his services to Co-Coaches Greasy Neale and Walt Kiesling of the Pitt-Phil team. Pitt-Phil piled up 381 yards on the ground against the Packers with quick-breaking plays off the T in their game recently. Probably the first Green Bay citizen to play the T-formation was Fred Murphy, who played under Jones at Lake Forest before it was used by the Bears...**HINKLES NOT RELATED:** Jack Hinkle, ace halfback of Pitt-Phil, was honorably discharged from the Army Air corps because of stomach disorders. He is not related to the Packers' late Clarke Hinkle...**DON HUTSON'S TOE:** Don Hutson has the distinction of winning the last game of the 1942 season and the first tilt of 1943 with his toe. At Milwaukee last winter, he kicked a field goal that gave the Packers a 24-21 decision over Pittsburgh. At Baltimore, his field goal was the deciding factor in the Packers' 23-21 victory over Washington.



The gridiron fortunes of the Chicago Bears are directed by this "little triumvirate," who will send the Bruins into action against the Packers at City stadium Sunday. Taking the reins when George Halas entered the Navy, they are, left to right, Hartley (Hunk) Anderson, Paddy Driscoll and Luke Johnson. Anderson and Johnson are designated co-coaches and Driscoll is the assistant.

#### **MUSSO'S ANDY LOTSHAW ACT HELPS NAGURSKI - AND MUSSO**

SEPT 22 (Chicago) - The most famous twosome in the Chicago Bears' happy little family up in Waukesha, Wis., is George Musso and Bronko Nagurski, who know each other from another era of Bear elevens. It isn't only friendship which makes the two oldtimers so inseparable, either. Musso, whose playing schedule will be upped this season because of a short of Bear linemen, knows that if Nagurski, after being out of football for five seasons, rounds into condition, the wear and tear on his (Musso's) physique will be considerably lessened. That is why, at the finish of each practice session, big George puts his arm around the Bronko, leads him to the rubbing table, and proceeds to rub his pal in the best Dr. Andy Lotshaw manner...**LOOKS AFTER BRONKO:** "George wants to see to it Bronko is in the best shape possible," says Co-Coach Luke Johnsons, "and it isn't just a case of friendly concern, either. The Moose admits the better shape Nagurski's in, the easier his job will be this season." Nagurski, who will wear his old No. 3 again, yesterday completed his third day of training with the Bears. They are preparing for Sunday's NFL contest with the Packers in Green Bay. Bronko, at 230 pounds, actually is lighter than when he rounded out his fullback career with the Bears in 1937. His big concern now is to get his legs in shape. After the morning and afternoon workouts, Bronko, as serious with this comeback business as a rookie trying to make good, does three or four laps around the field. This makes Musso very happy...**SIEGAL WILL BE READY:** Musso, who during the Bears' recent lush manpower years, had been content to take a minor role as a member of the guard department, has been seriously used as a tackle in the team's three exhibition games. He also has been stationed at guard. Johnny Siegal, one of the Bears' veteran ends, who suffered his first painful injury in pro football in the Phil-Pitt game last week, received treatment in Detroit over the weekend and will be ready Sunday. He still is limping from being hit on the leg...**WAGER, MASTERS REPORT:** The Bears-Cardinals secret deal, which was revealed in the Tribune yesterday, came under the scrutiny of Elmer Layden, president of the NFL. He talked with representatives of each Chicago eleven. Al Barbatsky, while still officially a member of the Cardinals, worked out Monday with the Bears in Waukesha, which is against league rules.

# Hutson's Brother Killed in Action; Father Dies

## HUTSON'S BROTHER KILLED IN ACTION; FATHER DIES

SEPT 23 (Green Bay) - Death in Pine Bluff, Ark., of Roy B. Hutson, father of Don Hutson, the Packers' ace end, dealt a severe blow to the team's hopes for victory over the Chicago Bears at City stadium Sunday afternoon although it appeared possible that Don would be able to return here in time for the contest. In a long distance conversation with his mother, Hutson also learned from her that his brother, Robert, 23, has been officially reported as killed in action somewhere in the South Pacific Aug. 27 while he was on duty with the Transport Fleet squadron. Mr. Hutson told her son that she and Mr. Hutson had received news of Robert's death several days ago but did not wish to tell him for personal reasons...**HUTSON GRIEF STRICKEN:** Hutson was reported grief stricken, and suddenness of the blow devastated Coach Curly Lambeau, the Packer team and townspeople. There was no previous indication that the father had been in ill health. Since the time of the funeral has not been set it was uncertain today whether Hutson would be able to play with the Packers here Sunday. Several possible means were being considered to make it possible for the star wingman to return from Pine Bluff to Green Bay, a distance of about 800 miles, in time for Sunday's game if the funeral should be held on Saturday. It was not learned whether Raymond, a twin brother of Robert's, would be able to go to Pine Bluff for funeral services, which are tentative. Raymond is a pilot in the ferrying command with headquarters in Wilmington, Del. There are no girls in the family. Don was the only son married. Always vitally interested in the Packer team, Mr. Huston had managed to see his son in action with the squad on several occasions, it was recalled. He visited Green Bay when the Packers were in action here and also saw contests in Milwaukee and Chicago. Wednesday morning the Packer squad was divided with one group working out under Lambeau and the other under Assistant Coach Red Smith. It doesn't reveal anything to the opposition to say that the Packers are working hard. They have attained a degree of timing and polish in other departments where they count when the chips are down...**TICKETS GOING FAST:** In the ducat camp, Director Ralph C. Smith said this morning that a couple thousand tickets remain in the racks and when they are sold there just won't be any more. Everyone in the park will have a seat, he said, but advised against waiting until the last minute. One thing is certain, the ball park will be crammed to the rafters...**LAYDEN HERE SUNDAY:** Coach Lambeau announced this morning that Elmer Layden, president of the league, will be on hand for Sunday's game. He also received word from Lt. (jg.) Benny Friedman, former Michigan All-Conference quarterback, that he and a group of other officers from Great Lakes, Ill., will be on hand. Friedman told the Packer coach he is anxious to revisit, for the first time since 1932, the spot where he played with the New York Giants against Green Bay. The interest in the game is further indicated by requests for accommodations for working newspapermen from all over the midwest, the east and the south. More newsmen are expected for this contest than any other ever played in the local park.

## MR. NAGURSKI IS TERRIFIC AND NO LESS, SAYS BEARS

SEPT 24 (Waukesha) - Bronko Nagurski is terrific - no less - and will start at left tackle for the Chicago Bears Sunday in their NFL opener in Green Bay if the Packers kick off. That was the announcement tonight by the Bears' coaching staff of Hunk Anderson, Luke Johnsos and Paddy Driscoll as they reviewed their strategy and prepared to leave their training base. Nagurski, who retired a couple of seasons ago after a long and brilliant career as a fullback, is attempting a comeback as a lineman and apparently has exceeded even his own expectations. But all the players, Nagurski not excepted, had plenty on their minds today as they prepared for their "final examinations", a mere matter of answering correctly 288 questions on play assignments and fundamentals propounded by the board of strategy at the price of \$5 per question - if incorrectly answered. The news of the double tragedy which today struck Don Hutson, star end of the Packers, brought sympathy from the Bears and the expressed hope that it would not mean the Packers' loss of Hutson Sunday. Hutson first learned today that his 23 year old brother, Robert, an aviator, had been reported killed in action in the South Pacific. Then word was received that his father, R.B. Hutson, 56, had died in a Booneville, Ark., sanitarium, presumably from shock. Hutson left at once by place for his parent's home in Pine Bluff, Ark.

## Bears Face Quiz By WMC; Quit War Jobs, Claim

A front-page story in today's Chicago Sun stated that the War Manpower commission will investigate "to determine whether members of the Chicago Bears professional football team have the necessary certificates of availability to leave essential war jobs to play football."

If the players do have such certificates enabling them to change from war to non-war jobs at increases in pay, Regional WMC Director William H. Spencer is held as saying, he will seek to learn how and why such certificates were issued.

The newspaper story said Spencer decided to make the probe after receiving numerous inquiries concerning a Bear publicity release which told of several players leaving shipyards and farms to play football.

Among the players in question are Dante Magnani, fullback, who was employed as a pipe-fitter in the Mare Island Navy yard; Hampton Pool, end, a mechanic in a California shipyard; Clyde (Bulldog) Turner, center, recreation worker; Al Hoptowit, tackle, a farmer; and Harry Clark, halfback, war plant worker. Others also are believed involved.

### THREE VETS, TWO NEWCOMERS FORM PACKERS' GUARD CORPS

SEPT 23 (Green Bay) - Coach Curly Lambeau was worried about his Green Bay Packer guard setup a month ago, mostly because his two aces - Buckets Goldenberg and Pete Tinsley - were not expected to return. Goldenberg announced for the "umpteenth" time that he was retiring, while Tinsley was in the United States Army - a place not to be if you expect to play football. Buckets, however, signed a contract for his 11th season and Tinsley got an honorable discharge for medical reasons. Working with Buckets and Pete are a veteran, Bill Kuusisto, and two crack rookies, Sherwood Fries and Glen Sorenson. This quintet is expected to divide guard duties quite evenly throughout the season...**GREAT AGAINST BEARS:** Goldenberg knows all the tricks and will get his first big test this season against the Chicago Bears next Sunday. Probably one of the greatest games Goldenberg ever played was against the Bears in Chicago last fall, outplaying the rookies, who in most cases, were from five to ten years younger. Now 32, Buckets still packs 220 pounds on his five-foot, 10-inch frame. Tinsley is starting his sixth season, and he reported in good physical condition after undergoing the Army's tough training. He weighs 205 pounds and stands 5-8. Kuusisto rounds out the veteran corps. Bill is in his third year here and the rugged boy seems to be getting better with every game. Off the field, he's a quiet chap but has plenty of drive, speed and chatter in a game. Kuusisto, who was married a week before reporting for practice, supports 230 pounds on a six-foot structure. Fries has been installed at right guard in the first Packer line with Kuusisto. Ideally built and hard as a rock, Fries cracked 'em hard in the line and is exceptionally fast for pulling-out-and-blocking assignments. He weighs 238 pounds and stands six feet, one inch tall. Sorenson is an unusual fellow. He operates under a handicap that really isn't a handicap to him at all. The 225-pound six-footer is without two fingers on his right hand, but the youngster has no trouble whatsoever. Sorenson is a crack field goal, kickoff and extra point kicker. He boots 'em over the goal line consistently on kickoffs.

### BEAR-PACKER LINES TO BE ON SPOT SUNDAY

SEPT 23 (Chicago) - Recent battles between the Chicago Bears and Green Bay Packers have been noted for the exploits of fellows like George McAfee, Cecil Isbell, Don Hutson, Sid Luckman and a host of scoring stars. Their performance on the gridiron was so explosive that the workers down in the line received scant attention. Maybe it's the return of Bronko Nagurski to action - this time as a lineman - maybe it is because many of the individual stars are engaged in a more important battle. But there's a lot of talk going around about the rival lines which will move against each other up in Green Bay Sunday when the Bears and Packers open their NFL season. Big, tough tackles, guard and centers who played "up to their eyeballs," as the saying goes, contributed heavily to the Bears' spectacular success in 1940, 1941 and 1942. The Bear forwards tackled through and blocked through their men. They took pride in rolling up a record breaking penalties, the total yardage of which almost equaled the ground gained by some of the league's weaker clubs...**LINEMEN GIVEN CREDIT:** Not a few of the pro football scientists say that the Bears moved ahead of the Packers in these three last

## STRENGTHENS BEARS



Bronko Nagurski, one of the greatest stars in the history of the National Football league, who will be with the Chicago Bears for their league opener with the Green Bay Packers in Green Bay today. He last played with the Bears in 1937 and was best known as a full back. He will be used at tackle, a position at which he started his college career at Minnesota.

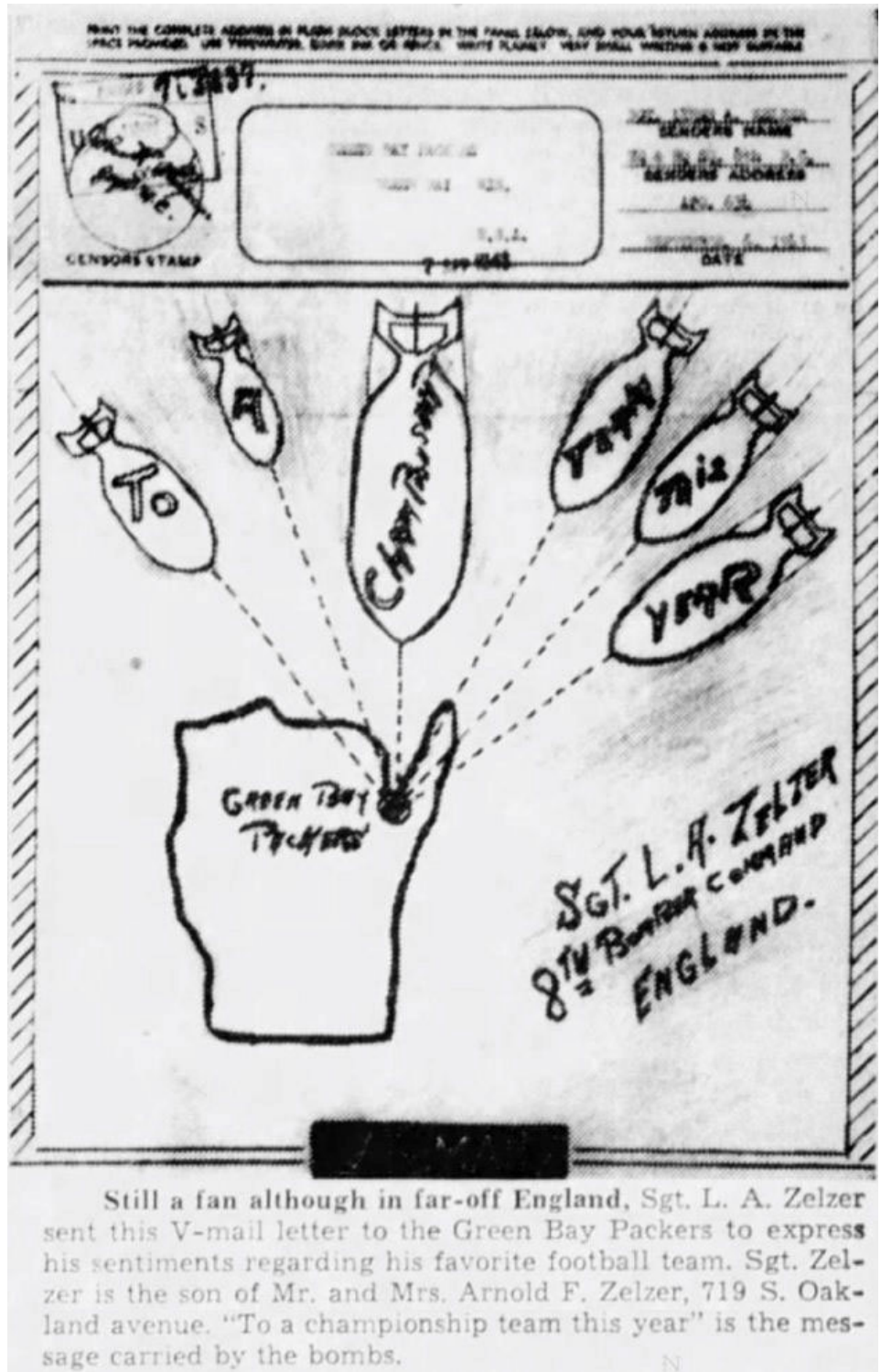
years because of the terrific play of their linemen. The Packers had big name fellows in the front line, but they have been too gentlemanly with but few exceptions. One of these was in November, 1941, when the Green Bay team came to Wrigley field, whipped the Bears, 16-14, and forced a playoff for the western title. The Bears won that one. The Bears seem to have been hurt more in the line than the Packers in men missing since the last campaign. The Packers have big, rough tackles, five centers, competent guards and strong defensive ends. The Bears' 1942 tackle department has gone to war - Lee Artoe, Ed Kolman and Joe Stydahar. They were among the toughest of the Bears. Two of their top guards, Ray Bray and Art Drulis, also are gone. This makes an inviting picture for the Packers. It also looks like a swell opportunity for them to get even for three straight defeats inflicted by the Chicagoans. The Packers boast they have their best running attack in years and if this is so the patched up Bear line will get its first big test in the very first of 10 league games.

**LAYDEN O.K.'S DEAL**

SEPT 23 (Chicago) - Elmer Layden, president of the NFL, yesterday relued that the recent three man deal between the Chicago Bears and Cardinals was in order. Al Barbatsky, Cardinals' tackle, went to the Bears for Walt Masters, a quarterback, and Clint Wager, an end. The deal came under Layden's scrutiny because Barbatsky reported to the Bears and worked out with them in Waukesha, Wis., Monday afternoon before his office had been advised of the deal. It developed that last week the Cards had agreed to send Barbatsky to the Bears for two of four players mentioned. The Cards, however, desired to wait until after last Sunday's game with the Lions in Detroit before picking their two men.

**LAMBEAU THINKS WINNER OF SUNDAY GAME TO TAKE FLAG**

SEPT 23 (Green Bay) - Coach Curly Lambeau of the Green Bay Packers predicted at a dinner talk in Green Bay this week that if the Packers get by the Chicago Bears in the league opener for both clubs at City Stadium there Sunday afternoon the team may go on to win the championship of the NFL. "The winner of Sunday's game looks like a good bet for the inside track to the flag," Lambeau said. "If we can get by the other teams on the schedule." With Isbell gone the Packers are relying more on a ground attack than in other years when the Isbell to Hutson combination was always a happy means of eating up yardage. Assigned to the passing end of the Packer offensive are Tony Canadeo, rookie Irv Comp and Andy Uram. Turning to the strength of the other National league clubs, Lambeau emphasized that Detroit in the Western division and the defending champion, Washington, should not be overlooked in the pre-season figuring. The Redskins, particularly, he said are tough even though they lost to the All-Stars, Packers and Bears in pre-season tilts.



Still a fan although in far-off England, Sgt. L. A. Zelzer sent this V-mail letter to the Green Bay Packers to express his sentiments regarding his favorite football team. Sgt. Zelzer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold F. Zelzer, 719 S. Oakland avenue. "To a championship team this year" is the message carried by the bombs.

## **PACKERS CONCEDE BEARS NOTHING IN KICKING BALL**

SEPT 23 (Green Bay) - In one phase of play at least the Packers won't be wanting when they open the league season against the Bears at Green Bay Sunday. They'll have kicking, perhaps the best they have had in four or five yards. "I don't know what the Bears are going to do to us," Curly Lambeau said Wednesday morning, "but I'm pretty sure they're not going to outkick us - at least much." Lambeau's kicking department is his pride and joy at the moment and not without reason. Is it first rate punting you'd like to see? Tony Canadeo, Ted Fritsch, Lou Brock, Ben Starrett and Irv Comp all have been booting the ball a mile. Is it a kickoff that sails into the end zone? Fritsch, Glen Sorenson and Chet Adams, the last named despite a bum leg, all have consistently whipped the ball into the deepest zones. Is it a field goal? Don Hutson, Brock, Fritsch, Adams and Sorenson have specialized in them. Not in a long time have the Packers had such depth in their kicking strength. Aside from his strength in kicking, though, in which he concedes the Bears nothing, Lambeau regards the invasion of the Bears with mild alarm. "They're tough again," he said, "as they proved on their undefeated swing through the east. And don't think that Bronko Nagurski and Al Babartsky won't help them at the tackles, where they needed help. (The Bears got Babartsky in a deal with the Cardinals Tuesday.) On the other hand, we haven't looked so good this week. Except for Adams, we're in good physical shape, but we still have quite a ways to go to be ready for a game like this." The pressing situation at the guards has been eased quite a bit, Lambeau conceded, by the recent addition of Buckets Goldenberg and Pete Tinsley. Goldenberg joined the club after its return from the eastern junket. Tinsley, another veteran, signed after getting an honorable discharge from the Army. While some tickets still remain, indications are that Sunday's game, with good weather, will draw a near capacity crowd.

## **EXPECT 25,000 TO WITNESS PACKER-BEAR GAME SUNDAY**

SEPT 23 (Green Bay) - It looks like a sellout crowd will watch the Green Bay Packers and the Chicago Bears pry open the 1943 National Pro league season at City Stadium in Green Bay Sunday afternoon. Reports from Green Bay today said less than 3,000 seats are left and Ticket Director Ralph Smith predicted these will be snapped up hours before game time. If all the tickets are sold, it will mean a crowd of 25,000 for this battle between traditional rivals. The Bears, who brought out the now famous T formation just 13 years ago and have operated successfully with it ever since, rule slight favorites to win Sunday's game although the Bays are conceding the visitors nothing. Coach Curly Lambeau and his squad of 28 Packers are said to be all riled up over the deal this week that brought tackle Al Barbrtsky of the Chicago Cardinals into the Bear fold on the eve of the Sunday game. The Packers charge that the Cards had not asked waivers on the tackle before disposing of him to the Bears. The Packers, for one, Lambeau said, certainly would have picked up the waiver of the Cardinal tackle, a chance they would get before the Bears because they finished second in the league last fall. "The trouble with the whole business," the Bay coach said, "is that the weaker clubs have always asked concessions at league meetings to make themselves stronger. Then they turn right around and supply the Bears with some of their strongest material. The Bears this year were known to be weak at the tackles so the Cardinals turn around and give them one of their best men. As a matter of record, it was recalled by Coach Lambeau, the Bears acquired George McAfee from Philadelphia, Sid Luckman and Norm Standlee from Pittsburgh in similar deals, which didn't hurt the Chicago club's chances any in the league race. And there is nobody in either division of the pro loop who would argue that neither Pittsburgh nor Philadelphia could use those players. During the past six years the Bears have so managed things they have 16 first choices to six for the other teams, figuring on the basis of one first choice a year. Lambeau is putting special emphasis this week on defense as he drills the squad for the Bear invasion. The quick opening thrusts of the Bear backs must be stopped if the Packers are to have a chance. Green Bay is said to be in excellent physical condition. The Bears are working out this week at Delafield, and will probably not travel to Green Bay until late Saturday afternoon.

# Hutson Decides to Play Against Chicago Bears in Sunday Tussle

## **HUTSON DECIDES TO PLAY AGAINST CHICAGO BEARS IN SUNDAY TUSSLE**

SEPT 24 (Green Bay) - Don Hutson will play with the Packers Sunday. Green Bay's star end, who was informed Thursday about the death of his father, Roy B. Hutson of Pine Bluff, Ark., and the death in action of his brother, Robert, 23, somewhere in the South Pacific, has decided to remain here to play against the Chicago Bears in the opening of the NFL schedule for both teams at City stadium. Torn between what he felt was his duty to return home and a similar obligation to his team and fans. Hutson will fulfill both obligations with the full approval of his mother, with whom he spoke late Thursday afternoon. After the conversation, the ace announced he would remain. This followed several hours of indecision about his remaining. Funeral services for Mr. Huston will he held at Pine Bluff Monday afternoon, giving both Don and relatives living in

# 49th Session

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

### Sunday's Games

CHICAGO BEARS AT GREEN BAY,  
Brooklyn at Detroit.

### Probable Lineups:

#### BEARS

Siegel, le.  
Musso, lt  
Fortmann, lg  
Turner, c  
Merkel, rg  
Hoptowitz, rt  
Wilson, re  
Luckman, qb  
Geyer, lh  
Clark, rh  
Famiglietti, fb

#### PACKERS

le, Hutson  
lt, Ray  
lg, Kuusisto  
c, C. Brock  
rg, Tinsley  
rt, Berezney  
re, Jacunski  
qb, Craig  
lh, Canadeo  
rh, L. Brock  
fb, Fritsch

### Bear-Packer Serie

1921—Packers	0	Bears	20
1921—Packers	0	Bears	3
1924—Packers	5	Bears	6
1924—Packers	0	Bears	3
1925—Packers	14	Bears	10
1925—Packers	0	Bears	21
1926—Packers	5	Bears	6
1926—Packers	13	Bears	19
1926—Packers	3	Bears	3
1927—Packers	6	Bears	7
1927—Packers	6	Bears	14
1928—Packers	12	Bears	12
1928—Packers	16	Bears	6
1928—Packers	6	Bears	0
1929—Packers	23	Bears	0
1929—Packers	14	Bears	0
1929—Packers	25	Bears	0
1930—Packers	7	Bears	20
1930—Packers	13	Bears	12
1930—Packers	0	Bears	21
1931—Packers	7	Bears	0
1931—Packers	6	Bears	2
1931—Packers	6	Bears	7
1932—Packers	0	Bears	0
1932—Packers	2	Bears	0
1932—Packers	0	Bears	9
1932—Packers	7	Bears	14
1933—Packers	7	Bears	10
1933—Packers	6	Bears	7
1934—Packers	19	Bears	24
1934—Packers	6	Bears	10
1934—Packers	14	Bears	27
1935—Packers	7	Bears	0
1935—Packers	17	Bears	14
1936—Packers	3	Bears	30
1936—Packers	21	Bears	10
1937—Packers	2	Bears	14
1937—Packers	24	Bears	14
1938—Packers	0	Bears	2
1938—Packers	24	Bears	17
1939—Packers	21	Bears	16
1939—Packers	27	Bears	20
1940—Packers	10	Bears	41
1940—Packers	7	Bears	14
1941—Packers	17	Bears	25
1941—Packers	16	Bears	14
1942—Packers	28	Bears	41
1942—Packers	7	Bears	38
Packers	421	Bears	590
Packers won 19; Bears 25; four tied.			

California time to reach the Arkansas city, which is approximately 800 miles from Green Bay. Hutson will leave here at 5:30 Sunday on a Milwaukee road train, transfer for a plane in Chicago, and go to Memphis, Tenn., where friends from Pine Bluff will pick him up. Memphis is about 150 miles from Pine Bluff...OTHER BROTHER HOME: Hutson announced this morning his other brother, Raymond, had arrived home from his bomber ferrying base in Wilmington, Del. Besides Mrs. Hutson, the mother, there are no other members of the immediate family. Robert, who had been reported missing in action August 27, was in a Transport Fleet squadron as a pilot of a paratroop transport ship. With the announcement that Hutson would be here, his Packer mates and Coach Curly Lambeau breathed a sigh of relief although they have felt that, under the circumstances, there would be nothing for the team's offensive star to do but return home. The Chicago Bears, as well other elevens in the league, know that Don is valuable on every play of a game, even though passes may not always be directed at him. During Thursday morning's drill, everyone that was connected with the ball club felt "down", to think that not single, but double, tragedy had struck at probably their most effacing teammate. Today they more than ever want to beat the Bears for him and get a flying start in their quest for their sixth National league bunting...PRACTICE AT STADIUM: The team got the "feel" of City stadium turf for the first time Thursday morning. Dummy scrimmage was held during part of the session with the remainder being given over to another "all out" drill on the offensive and defensive tactics which will be used against the Chicago eleven. Today was tapering off day with only a light workout scheduled for Saturday. Morning chalk talks continue to be held before each drill. In the meantime, Ticket Director Ralph C. Smith said this morning that seats are still available for the contest and anyone applying now may be assured of a reserved seat. Ducats may be picked up at the ticket office in the Legion building on E. Walnut street opposite the courthouse anytime between 9 o'clock in the morning and the same hour in the evening. Smith also suggested that servicemen and others attending the tussle buy a program and mail it after the game to some friend in the armed services. This will serve a double purpose, he said, of bringing pleasure to the recipient and spreading the fame of Green Bay's famous gridders. The program includes notes, pictures and general information about the Packers. The Bears, training at Waukesha, Wis., will arrive on the Milwaukee road Chippewa at 4:38 Saturday afternoon, the team will be headquartered at the Hotel Northland, and will remain in Green Bay until Monday morning...RIVALRY IS CONTINUOUS: Under ordinary conditions, the rivalry between the football teams is something that holds for a week before the game, during 60 minutes of play and for a short period after, but that is not the case with this rivalry nurtured during 23 years of battling. The feeling, which exists between the Packers and Bears, is not something which stutters and starts and stops. It continues 365 days a year and reaches fever pitch during game time. Nor does it take any psychological needling to work the players up. They have the college try without that. The Packers know that this year's Bear team is not something to be sneezed at. Surrounded by a raft of veterans who have been through the title wars, Co-Coaches Hunk Anderson and Luke Johnsos will have a fancy team to throw at the Green Bay eleven's defenses on Sunday. There are such boys ready and willing as Sid Luckman, the lad who handles the balls from

the quarterback position in that pesky T formation...FAMIGLIETTI BACK AGAIN: Giving Luckman help will be Gary Famiglietti, the five-year veteran fullback, and Bob Steuber, a Missouri bone crusher who understudies the blockbuster from Boston university. At the halfbacks the Bears will have Harry Clark and Ray McLean, both in their fourth year. Fortunate, indeed, they were to pick up Cleveland's Dante Magnani, when the Rams folded last spring. It is axiomatic in football that the best backs in the world are worthless unless the line ahead of them is good enough to open those holes through which the ball carriers seem to scamper so effortlessly, sometimes. The 25,000 fans at Sunday's game will recognize the figures and numbers of many of those front line Bears. At the wings there are John Siegal and George Wilson, who have 11 years of pro experience between them. Adequate replacement is provided by Hampton Poole, also a veteran with the Bears, and

Jim Benton, who played four years with the Cleveland club. George Musson, starting his 11th season, is teamed up with Al Hoptowit. Then come the two question mark tackles...NAGURSKI OFF FORM: Bronko Nagurski, out of retirement after five years of farming in Minnesota, will try his hand (and elbows probably) at tackle - a position he played one year at Minnesota before being shoved into the fullback slot, where he made quite a name for himself. Al Barbatsky, who joined the club Monday in a "sneak" deal with the Cardinals, will aid the tackle corps. Plenty of "inside" work can be expected from Danny Fortmann, in his 11th year at guard. Monte Merkel, the former Kansas bombshell, will be at the other guard. The center corps is tough, too, with Clyde (Bulldog) Turner and Al Matuza in fine fettle. Add up that line and throw in the backfield and you have a passing fair ball club.

**BEARS' PUBLICITY STARTS WAR JOB INVESTIGATION**

SEPT 24 (Chicago) - Elmer Layden, president of the NFL, offered the full resources of his office Friday to aid the war manpower commission in an investigation of Chicago Bears players who left essential war jobs they had held during the offseason. Layden made his offer before a conference with William H. Spencer, regional director of the WMC. "The clubs of the NFL," Layden said, "have always cooperated in the war effort. If there are any irregularities we want to know about them, and they will be corrected. The war comes first." Reference by Layden to "irregularities" concerned possible defects in the certificates of availability the players are required to have before leaving war jobs to play football. Ralph Brizzolara, general manager and secretary of the Bears, conferred with Spencer Thursday and declined later to tell newsmen whether all players named in the inquiry had the necessary certificates. Spencer's inquiry was started after receipt of a series of "public complaints" occasioned by a publicity release from the Bears' office which outlined the jobs the players had given up to return to the team. Spencer said he would study the individual cases before making any recommendations or decisions. "It may be that I do not have jurisdiction," he said. "Most of the players involved were employed on the west coast and it may be a matter to be handled there." Two other professional teams, the Chicago Cardinals and Green Bay Packers, are in Spencer's regional territory but he said no investigation of them was planned.

**HUTSON TO PLAY IN TOMORROW'S BEAR CONTEST**

SEPT 25 (Chicago Tribune) - The biggest news in Green Bay today was that Don Hutson will play with the Packers Sunday when they launch a campaign to wrest the western professional superiority from the Bears. "It looks like our biggest football crowd of all time - 25,000," said Curly today between presiding at a strategy meeting with his players. "And Hutson definitely will play." There had been some doubt concerning Hutson's participation because of the death of his father yesterday in Pine Bluff, Ark. Don's mother told him over long distance telephone that his father expressed the wish that his son would play. Hutson learned yesterday of the reported death of his brother in recent action in the Pacific war theater. This news is believed responsible for the death of the elder Hutson. Only four of the Packers who started against the Bears in the 1942 opener for both teams will be repeaters Sunday. They are Bill Kuusisto at left guard, Paul Berezney at right tackle, Tony Canadeo at left half and Ted Fritsch at fullback.

**PACKERS, BEARS SET TO TANGLE 49TH TIME IN NATIONAL LEAGUE OPENER HERE SUNDAY**

SEPT 25 (Green Bay) - The classic look of the NFL will be opened to another chapter Sunday afternoon at City stadium where the Packers and the Chicago Bears reenact for the 49th time a football story which has continued since 1921. The struggle, opener of the league schedule for both clubs, will start at 2 o'clock. The teams have been bitter enemies since they first met 22 years ago. There is no indication that this spirit is less heated now. Contributing as much as anything to the feeling is the fact that both have been frequent contenders for the world championship in football - a title each has won five times. Over the span of years, the Bears have the better of the argument in the victory column, which merely shows who won or lost and not all the background of chills and thrills, heartbreaks and joys which makes the game what is generally considered to be - a classic of precision and power, no matter what the score. The record book shows the Bears have won 25, the Packers 19. Four games were deadlocked. In the 48 games to date, the Chicago team scored 590 points, the Packers 471 - a distance of 119 markers...BOTH HAVE EXPERIENCE: Neither team is going into the tussle without previous game experience this year. The Packers knocked off the defending champions, the Washington Redskins, 23 to 21, and the Bears did the same, 21 to 14. Each has a victory over the Pitt-Phil combination, the Packers 28 to 10, and the Bears 20 to 7. The

**BEARS, AIDED BY NAGURSKI, MEET PACKERS TODAY**

**Open League Activities in Green Bay.**

**Revive Old Feud**

CHICAGO.	GREEN BAY.
Benton .....	L.E. .... Hutson
Nagurski .....	L.T. .... Ray
Formann .....	L.G. .... Kuusisto
Turner .....	C. .... C. Brock
Merkel .....	R.G. .... Tinsley
Hoptowit .....	R.T. .... Berezney
Wilson .....	R.E. .... Jacunski
Luckman .....	Q.B. .... Craig
Clark .....	L.H. .... Canadeo
Geyer .....	R.H. .... L. Brock
Osmanski .....	F.B. .... Fritsch
Referee - Ronald Gibbs, Umpire - John Schommer, Field Judge - Chuck Sweeney.	
Head linesman - Irv Kupcinet.	
Radio broadcast - WIND, Chicago.	

latter also added a third win over New York, 42 to 28. These exhibitions, while they were only that, served notice on the other clubs in the Eastern and Western divisions that the Packers and Bears will likely be in the running for that championship bunting come December. Much depends on Sunday's game outcome, although there are other clubs to be met between then and the end of the playing season. Oddly enough, while the game is figured to be another splendid display, Coaches Curly Lambeau of the Packers and Co-Coaches Hunk Anderson and Luke Johnsos of the Bears have said nothing during drills or in post-drill analysis to indicate how they will distribute their manpower. The fact is only the game can tell...**BEARS ARE FAVORED:** The Bears probably should be given the nod inasmuch as they were the only team to defeat the Packers in the 1941 and 1942 seasons. They will be going into the game seeking their third straight victory over Lambeau's club, having been forced into a Western division playoff in 1941 after the Packers won the Chicago contest, 25 to 17. Coach Lambeau is not making any predictions on the outcome, although he feels reasonably sure that his squad this year is somewhat stronger than it was in 1942. As he pointed out earlier in the week, the Packers have more ground power than before, while the passing attack is at par despite the loss of his star tosser, Cecil Isbell. Today he announced that he will start a veteran combination of Don Hutson and Harry Jacunski at ends, Baby Ray and Paul Berezney at tackles, Bill Kuusisto and Pete Tinsley at guards, and Charley Brock at center. The backfield will consist of Larry Craig at the blocking back spot, Tony Canadeo and Lou Brock at left and right half, respectively, and Ted Fritsch, fullback. Lambeau said he plans to use all of the remaining 17 players on the roster, which includes such veterans as Buckets Goldenberg, who can play either side of the line. Joel Mason, Dick Evans, Tiny Croft and Bob Flowers among the linemen, Joe Laws, Andy Uram, Bob Kahler and Ben Starrett in the backfield. Newcomers will also get their chance to feel major league fire. Although the Bear coaches have not indicated just who will use to open up, a good starting combination would include John Siegal and Hampton Pool, ends; George Musso and Al Hoptowitz, tackles; Monte Merkel and Dan Fortmann, guards, and Bulldog Turner, center. The backfield quartet could include Sid Luckman at quarter, Bill Geyer and Harry Clark at the halves and Gary Famiglietti at full...**LAYDEN TO BE HERE:** The Bears were to arrive in Green Bay on a Milwaukee road train at 4:38 this afternoon. They will stay at the Hotel Northland until Monday morning. They have been training at Waukesha. In the vanguard of fans from all over Wisconsin, the upper peninsula and the area around Chicago will be Elmer Layden, National league commissioner. Indications were that he will be one of some 25,000 watching the game. Ticket windows at City stadium open at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and gates at 11:45. Tickets may also be bought at the downtown headquarters in the Legion building until 9 o'clock tonight. For the convenience of those who wish to purchase tickets for the Packer-Detroit game here Oct. 10, the downtown ticket office will be open after Sunday's game, Ticket Director Ralph Smith said today. The names of the officials working the contest will not be known until sometime shortly before time for the kickoff. Under a system used during the last several seasons, officials' names have been kept secret following their assignment by Layden to the various games. Usually, however, the four work as a team. Each thus becomes more intimately acquainted with the manner in which the others interpret various problems...**NO WEATHER PREDICTIONS:** The United States government also has a secret which it guards closely for fear the enemy might be listening. Under wartime regulations, weather predictions are prohibited except for a period extending from one day to noon the next day. Therefore, it is impossible even to predict under what conditions the teams will play. The only other league contest Sunday sends the Brooklyn Dodgers against the Lions at Detroit. The Dodgers previously won an exhibition over Camp Lee, Va., while Detroit opened the league season last Sunday by defeating the Chicago Cardinals, 35 to 17.

#### **NAGURSKI RETURNS, BUT HINKLE WON'T BE PRESENT THIS TIME**

SEPT 25 (Green Bay) - When Packer fans see the familiar figure of Bronko Nagurski in a Bear uniform at City stadium Sunday afternoon, their memories of another Nagurski and other Packer-Bear tilts will come back - but a once familiar figure will not be in a Packer uniform to rush up and jar the "Nag" with bone cracking tackles. The man not present is fighting another battle as an officer in the United States Coast Guard. His name is W. Clarke Hinkle, probably the only NFL player to tangle with Nagurski when the former Bear fullback, now tackle, was in his prime and to come out best in every encounter. There was the time, fans will remember, that the Bucknell Beauty and Nagurski crashed head-on in the first game of the 1935 series here. The resounding smack could be heard from one end of the stadium to the other and some fans groaned at the thought of the irresistible force meeting the immovable object. Who got nonchalantly off the ground and adjusted his headgear? It wasn't Nagurski. For once the Minnesota All-American had met his match - he was carried off the field while Hinkle went on. In the 1936 game in Chicago, Nagurski attempted to stop Hinkle from scoring a touchdown but putting his usual "shoulder block" on him. Clarke loved that. Boom - and the touchdown was scored from 60 yards out. Hinkle is second only to Don Hutson in the Packers' all-time scoring department. In ten years he manufactured 46 touchdowns, 50 points after and 28 field goals for a 390 total. His mark of 28 field goals probably never will be equaled. Nor will his mastery over Nagurski, who is in a comeback role after five years on his Minnesota farm.

#### **HUTSON DOES HIS BOOSTING WITH DEEDS**

SEPT 25 (Green Bay) - Don Hutson always has played square with the Green Bay Packers and their fans. Don is deadly serious about keeping in peak condition, he is punctual and earnest about practice, he considers the welfare and morale of the team a personal responsibility. On and off the field, Mr. Donald Hutson is a gentleman. The inner strength of the NFL's

most valuable player was never brought out more clearly than this week, when death called twice on the Hutson household. His brother, Lt. Robert Hutson, previously listed as missing, was officially reported as killed in action in the South Pacific. A few hours after receiving this grim message, the father, Roy B. Hutson, succumbed to the effects of shock at his home in Pine Bluff, Ark. You can imagine the conflicting emotions that beset Don's mind when this news came to him. Ought he rush home to give what comfort he could to his bereaved mother? Ought he stay in Green Bay, despite his sense of filial duty and his own deep grief, so that he could be present Sunday afternoon to fill his role in the Packers' classic struggle against the arch foes, the Chicago Bears? No, it wasn't easy for Don to decide, and he hesitated long before making his decision. His decision to stay was extremely difficult to make, and there can't be a Green Bay Packer fan who would have blamed him if he had gone. But Don will be here for Sunday's struggle with the Bears, and the fans won't forget it. Don, you may be certain, is going to do his utmost to help win that game for Green Bay. And you may be doubly certain that his teammates have resolved to do their best - to do it for Don. Don won't be here when the congratulations are showered upon the Packers. He'll be a passenger on a late afternoon train for Chicago, where he will find a plane waiting to carry him to Memphis, Tenn. Friends will meet him in Memphis to take him the remaining 150 miles to his home in Arkansas. And you might, too, give a thought to that lonely, grief-stricken mother and wife in Arkansas. It was with her full approval that Don remained in Green Bay, his adopted city, for that 49th meeting of the Bears and Packers Sunday afternoon...LITTLE PETE COMING: A seat in the front row at City stadium has been reserved for 22-months-old Peter Jakubiak and his mother, Mrs. Joseph Jakubiak of Oak Park, Ill. Young Peter doesn't know much about football but he has been looking forward with great anticipation to Sunday's game, because he's the namesake of Pete Tinsley, veteran Packer guard. Mrs. Jakubiak, incidentally, predicts the Packers will win by 22 to 10 over the Bears.

### **BEARS, AIDED BY NAGURSKI, MEET PACKER**

SEPT 25 (Green Bay - Chicago Tribune) - Tomorrow is the day the Chicago Bears and Bronko Nagurski make a new start in professional football, and appropriately enough, it is against the Green Bay Packers in this tidy little northern Wisconsin town. The Bears are a few months removed from being overlords of the gridiron. The Bronko, until last week, hasn't had a football in his hand, save for photographic purposes, since he played a whale of a game in 1937 in the Bears' losing championship battle with the Washington Redskins. Al Barbatsky, obtained from the Cardinals this week in a trade, also will be available for tackle services. It's a starter for the Packers, too, and impressive as were the Bears in three exhibition triumphs over eastern NFL teams, Green Bay has an idea it has the stuff this year to topple the Bears for the western division title...RUNNING ATTACK IMPROVES: The Packers aren't so sorrowful as might be expected at losing their record breaking passer, Cecil Isbell. In the last two seasons, Isbell and his catcher, Don Hutson, were so busy making records that the overall performance of the team suffered. Now, with their super passer gone, the Packers have developed a better running attack that they've had in many seasons. They haven't suffered too much in the air, either, for Andy Uram, Tony Canadeo and rookie Irv Comp all are superior passers. The Packers are confident they can do things to the Bears' line, which has lost such stalwarts as tackles Lee Artoe, Joe Stydahar and Ed Kolman, and guards Ray Bray and Art Drulis. This is where Nagurski fits into the Bear picture after five seasons away from big time football. The one time fullback terror will take his place at tackle in tomorrow's game...SURE HE'LL HELP TEAM: At 34, he's confident he will be able to give a good account of himself. A new generation of Bear fans might like to know that Nagurski is modest almost to the point of bashfulness. It takes prodding to get him started recalling his exploits and then he's embarrassed to death while reciting them. The Packers, like the Bears, enjoyed an undefeated tour of the east, whipping the Washington Redskins and the Phil-Pitt Eagles. Curly Lambeau's current team stacks up as having more speed in the backfield than last year. Lou Brock, after a year at fullback, has returned to his normal spot, right halfback. Comp tops a group of new backs which also includes Bill McWilliams, Tony Falkenstein and Don Perkins. The latter two will give big Ted Fritsch help at fullback. Many of the oldtimers are ready - Uram, Canadeo, Joe Laws, Larry Craig, Ray Starrett and Bob Kahler. Indications are that close to 25,000 will watch the game.

### **BIG, BAD BEARS GET BAY ALL AGOG AGAIN**

SEPT 26 (Green Bay) - Only two things mattered up here Saturday night. The first was that the Bears were in town again for a football game Sunday. The second was that Don Hutson had decided, despite the death of his father in Pine Bluff, Ark., Thursday, to play against them. Nothing ever riled up this otherwise calm community quite as much as the Bears. The whole town sees red when the Bears move in. And nobody means quite as much to the Packers and their chances as the fleet pass snatching Hutson. On Thursday Hutson was a doubtful starter. He had just received word that his father had died in Pine Bluff, Ark. Late Friday he decided to play when he learned of arrangements for the funeral, which will be held Monday and found that he could leave immediately after the game and still reach home in time. The Bears, typical ig, bad Bears again, were general favorites. They move into town Saturday afternoon with a record of three victories in three preseason exhibitions and with a roster which included most of the men who in the last few years have made the Bear machine such a fearful thing. Only at the tackles did they appear to be weaker than in other recent years and even this was something of a conjecture. Bronko Nagurski, just out of retirement, and Al Babartsky, recently obtained in a trade with the Cardinals, were slated to start in the slots which Lee Artoe and Joe Stydahar filled last year. The rest of the line looked like a familiar Bear

line with Clyde Turner at center, Musso and Fortman at guards and Poole, Wilson or Siegel at ends. There was more than a hint that the Bears intended to turn loose another backfield scourge like McAfee in the person of Bob Steuber of Missouri, obtained in the draft. Steuber, a 216 pounder, has been the talk of the camp with his speed and powerful running. In other ways, too, the backfield is loaded with veterans like Luckman, Osmanski and McLean. While the Bears ruled general favorites, Curly Lambeau refused to concede them a thing. He is high on his own club, on its speed, weight, experience, kicking and passing, and he believes that with an even split in breaks, it can win. Against the Bears' line he will throw a big, experienced one of his own with Jacunski and Evans or Hutson at ends, Baby Ray and Chet Adams or Paul Berezney at tackles, Pete Tinsley and Bill Kuusisto at guards, and Charlie Brock at center. Adams will not start because of a leg injury, but he will play if needed. The backfield, too, will match the Bears' power, Lambeau thinks, with Lou Brock at right half, Larry Craig at quarterback, Tony Canadeo at left half and Ted Fritsch at full. Only in reserve strength does Lambeau think the Bears may have it on him. A wide open fight is almost certain to be waged with passes filling the air much of the afternoon. Only a few thousand seats remained to be sold Saturday night.

## Packers, Bears Set to Tangle 49th Time In National League Opener Here Sunday