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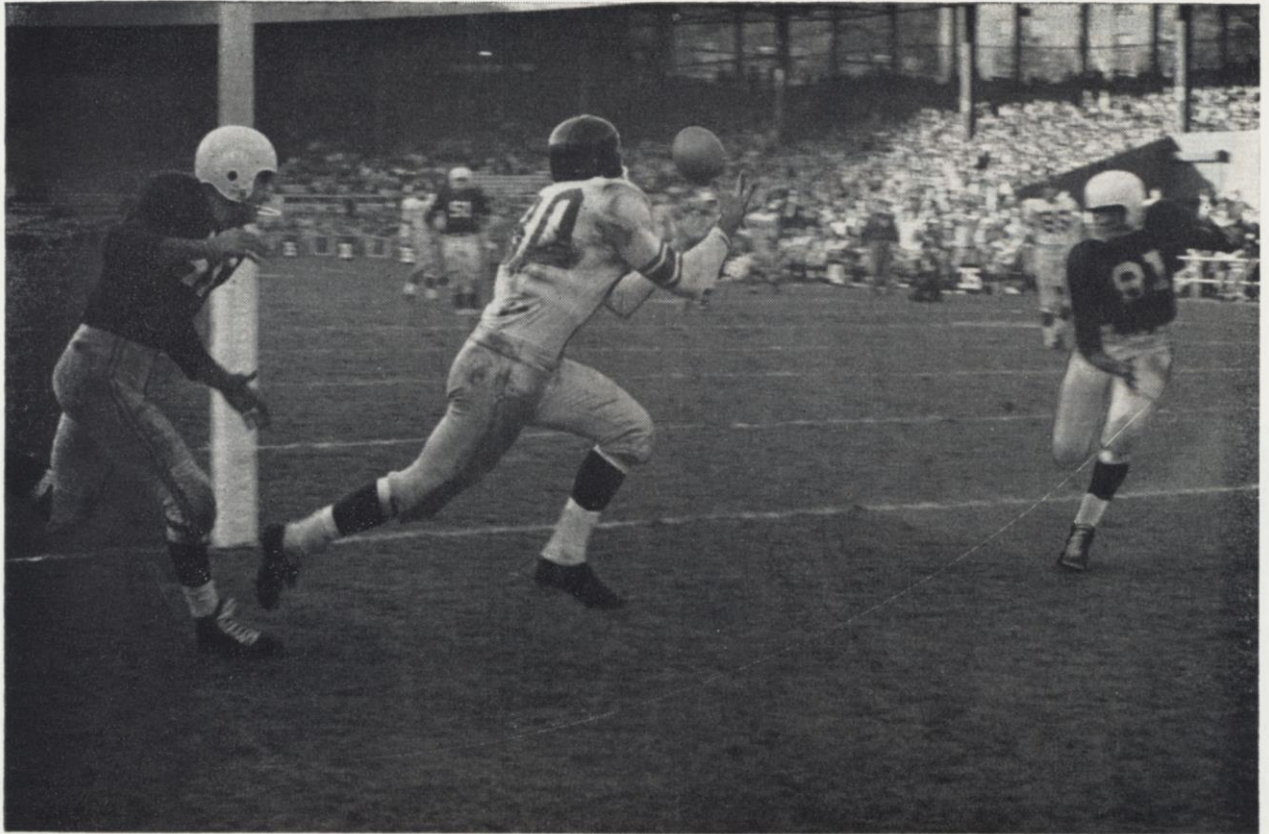
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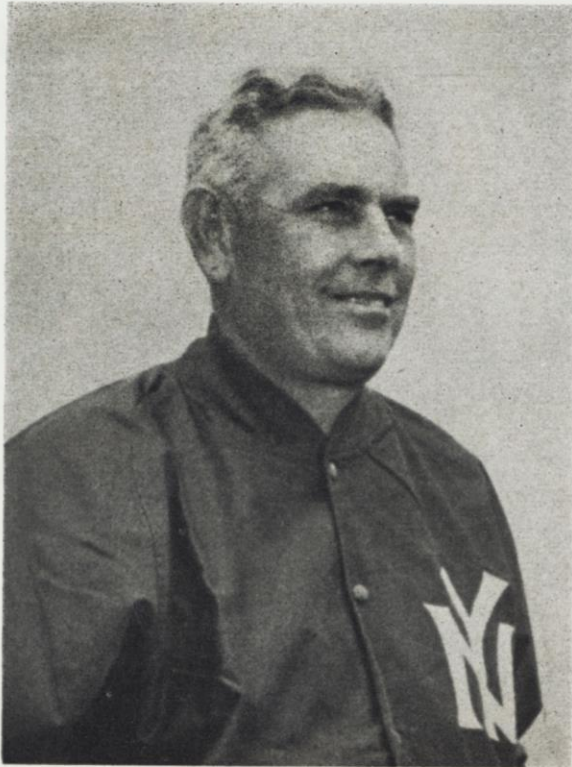
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JIM LEE HOWELL

Giants Close Home Season With Heads Held High

TODAY'S game with the Browns ends the Giants' home season. Jim Lee Howell and his lads reluctantly bid farewell to the Polo Grounds. They have played some of their best football here and never have failed to put on an interesting show.

It has been a frustrating season for the Giants. Injuries and other misfortunes knocked them out of the title race before it got fairly under way.

However, they are entitled to exit from the home stage with heads held high. Steadfastly refusing to be discouraged by adversity, they rebounded vigorously to win three games of their last four.

Their performance of the last month underlines the truth of Howell's statement that this is an improved Giant team. It is, beyond all doubt. It's a young team, too, which augurs well for next year.

With the Giants contributing a full share to the general excitement, this certainly has been the greatest season professional football ever has had—and 1956 promises to be even better.

There are no weak sisters in the National League any more and a new crop of college stars will help to improve the circuit's balance even further this winter.

Commissioner Bert Bell, checking over the season's scores the

other day, came up with the interesting information that underdogs had won 28 of the 54 games played through last Sunday.

"This to me is the best indication that we have a fine league and a fine game," said the commissioner.

"What more can any one ask than to be able to go a game in the expectation that he will see a real contest?"

"Believe me, professional football never has had it so good—and I've been associated with this game for more than thirty years.

"It's significant that for the fifth year in the last six, National League attendance has risen substantially.

"That, more than anything I might say, shows we are headed in the right direction," Bert concluded.

To the loyal followers who have turned out in bad weather (of which there was all too much this season) and good, the Giants express their appreciation.

There'll be more of the same exciting National League football at the Polo Grounds next year.

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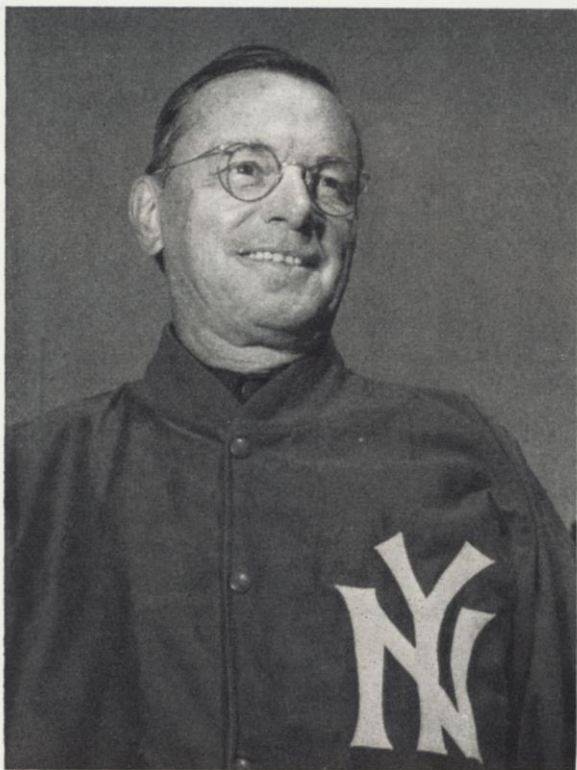
AN important Giant concludes his twenty-fifth season of service at the Polo Grounds today. The anniversary celebrant is the one, only and inimitable Francis J. Sweeny, M.D.

Probably the dean of athletic physicians, although he so bouncy and dapper that he could pass for a member of last year's graduating class at medical school, Doc Sweeny has been a ministering angel to the Giants and Manhattan College's various teams for more than a generation.

It's a testimony to his professional skill and warm interest in people that many former Giants and Manhattanites still pay regular calls to his office and bring their sons along with them.

In a field where sprains, bruises and breaks are painfully inevitable, Doc Sweeny has established a notable reputation as a diagnostician, healer and man of principle.

The Giants value him because they know that an injured player will receive the best available treatment and be restored to duty as soon as possible. The players are devoted to him for the same reasons, plus their justified confidence that the welfare of a patient is his prime consideration.



FRANCIS J. SWEENEY, M.D.

Doc Sweeny probably is the most rabid Giant fan—ask any official. But he'd rather see the Giants lose—perish the thought—than approve the use of a player who wasn't recovered beyond the danger point.

He scorns radical treatment. He operates only when absolutely necessary and when all other treatment has failed. He will not "shoot" a painful injury with pain-killer just so a boy can play, although this is almost automatic procedure in some quarters.

The keys to his success are long experience, an exact knowledge of the marvelous recuperative powers of healthy young athletes and a belief in the incalculable power of the human spirit in overcoming injuries.

A few seasons ago, Kyle Rote injured his knee. The coaches figured he would be out indefinitely and wanted to substitute another player on the roster.

Dr. Sweeny advised against it. "Rote has much more determination than the average player," said Doc. "I wouldn't be surprised if he were back in three weeks." He was.

The gamest Giant of all in Doc's opinion, however, was Ward Cuff. The great halfback once was carried off the field with a broken back. A specialist told him he might never walk again. Ward just laughed. He walked within a few weeks and played seven more seasons of dazzling football.

No story of Dr. Sweeny would be complete without mention of his relations with the officials. Frankly, relations are touchy and, frankly, it's Doc's fault. A gentle soul at all other times, he's a ferocious umpire-baiter once the whistle blows and pulls no vocal punches in expressing his disdain, disgust and utter contempt for any official so blind, prejudiced and dubiously bred as to make a call against the Giants.

However, Doc's devotion to the Hippocratic oath exceeds even his hatred of officials. He was the first to rush to the aid a few years back when an umpire contrived to shoot himself while drawing his pistol to fire the game-ending shot.

"You'll have to go to the hospital," said Dr. Sweeny. "But Doc..." objected the official. "You're spending the night in the hospital," said Doc with a malicious twinkle in his eyes, "I've waited years for a chance to get even with you."

One of the big Giants is Dr. Sweeny.

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Punting
 Landry40.4-yd. avg.

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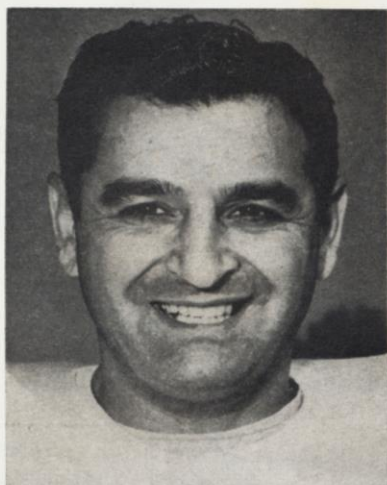
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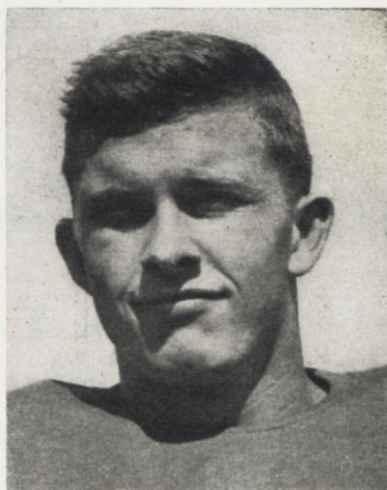


Meet the Giants



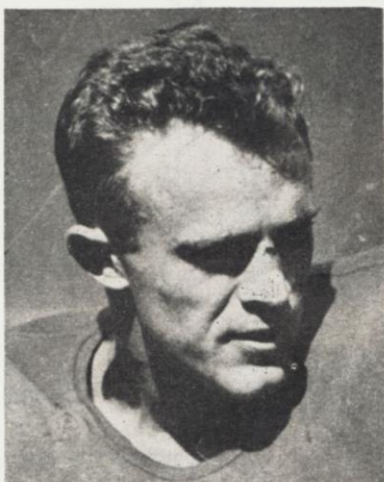
Ben Agajanian

Ben Agajanian (8) led the Giants in scoring last year with 75 points and probably will be the top pointmaker again this season. As good a place-kicker as there is around, Bootin' Ben is a field-goal threat from anywhere inside midfield. Because of an elevator accident that sheared off four toes, Agajanian wears a size 7 shoe on his right foot, size 10 on his left. A New Mexico graduate, he hails from Long Beach, California.



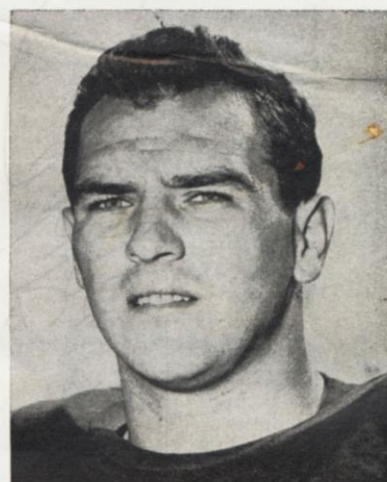
Ray Beck

Ray Beck (61) who returned to the Giants this season after two years of military service, has been a valuable all-purpose player for Coach Jim Lee Howell. He started the campaign as a regular offensive guard, then was shifted to middle guard on the defensive platoon. In one game, he even was used as a defensive end. Wherever he plays, the husky 220-pounder from Georgia Tech does a great job.



Joe Heap

Joe Heap (48) a four-year star at Notre Dame, was the Giants' No. 1 choice in last winter's college draft. Blocked off by Alex Webster and Kyle Rote, Joe hasn't had much chance to play at right halfback, his normal position. However, he has given a good account of himself on the punt and kick-off return platoons. A rangy 185-pounder who has good speed, he's a threat to go all the way every time he lays hands on the ball.



Ray Wietecha

Ray Wietecha (55) now in his third season with the Giants, he is generally acknowledged to be the No. 1 offensive center in the NFL. The 225-pound Northwestern graduate has the speed of a halfback and blocks with crisp decisiveness. He was the iron man of the 1954 Giants, playing more minutes than any other member of the squad. He's just as serviceable on defense as he is on offense, although it hasn't been necessary to use him on defense this season.



Larry Weaver

Larry Weaver (28) came to the Giants this season without benefit of college experience. However, he's no green pea in football. He played at Fullerton Junior College and distinguished himself in fast company during his four years in the Air Force. One of the fastest Giants, he is used mostly as a member of the special units that go into action for punts, punt returns and kick-offs.



Rex Boggan

Rex Boggan (73) who won All-America rating at Mississippi last year, has been one of the most impressive Giant rookies. He's a "swing" tackle, who serves as first replacement on both offense and defense. A 245-pounder who stands 6-4, Rex has the strength to withstand heavy pressure on defense and the speed to do a good job of blocking on offense.

AUTOGRAPH COLLECTORS: "Meet the Giants" will be a weekly program feature.

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OFFENSE

R. H. Morrison (32) F. B. Modzelewski (36) Q. B. Graham (14) L. H. Renfro (26)
 R. E. Lavelli (86) R. T. McCormack (74) R. G. Bradley (60) C. Gatski (52) L. G. Gibron (64) L. T. Groza (76) L. E. Brewster (88)

DEFENSE

L. E. Massey (82) L. T. Kissell (72) M. G. Gain (79) R. T. Colo (70) R. E. Ford (80)
 L. H. Lahr (24) L. L. B. Noll (65) L. FETY Kono (22) R. SAFETY Petitbon (44) R. L. B. Michaels (34) R. H. Paul (20)

Brown Roster

No.	Player	Position	Weight	Height	Age	College	Years with Browns
14	Graham, Otto	QB	205	6:01	33	Northwestern	10
16	Ratterman, George	QB	180	6:01	28	Notre Dame	4
20	Paul, Don	HB	195	6:00	29	Washington	2
22	Konz, Ken	HB	182	5:10	26	L. S. U.	3
24	Lahr, Warren	HB	194	5:11	31	Western Reserve	7
26	Renfro, Ray	HB	190	6:01	24	North Texas State	4
30	Bassett, Maurice	FB	232	6:01	24	Langston	2
32	Morrison, Fred	HB	218	6:01	28	Ohio State	2
34	Michaels, Walter	FB	229	6:00	25	Washington and Lee	4
36	Modzelewski, Ed	FB	210	6:01	24	Maryland	1
40	Jones, Dub	HB	200	6:04	30	Tulane	8
42	James, Tom	HB	185	5:10	31	Ohio State	8
43	Smith, Robert	HB	195	5:10	22	Nebraska	1
44	Petitbon, John	HB	195	5:11	24	Notre Dame	1
46	White, Bobby	HB	180	5:11	25	Stanford	1
52	Gatski, Frank	C	240	6:03	33	Marshall	10
54	Palumbo, Sam	C	225	6:00	23	Notre Dame	1
60	Bradley, Harold	G	230	6:02	25	Iowa	2
62	Forester, Herschel	G	230	6:00	24	Southern Methodist	2
64	Gibron, Abe	G	249	5:11	29	Purdue	6
65	Noll, Charles	G	220	6:02	23	Dayton	3
70	Colo, Don	T	250	6:04	30	Brown	3
72	Kissell, John	T	248	6:03	32	Boston College	5
74	McCormack, Mike	T	248	6:04	25	Kansas	2
76	Groza, Lou	T	242	6:03	31	Ohio State	10
78	Sandusky, John	T	252	6:02	29	Villanova	6
79	Gain, Bob	T	250	6:04	26	Kentucky	2
80	Ford, Len	E	258	6:05	29	Michigan	6
82	Massey, Carlton	E	218	6:04	25	Texas	2
83	Weber, Charles	G	225	6:01	25	Westchester	1
84	Gillom, Horace	E	225	6:01	34	Nevada	9
86	Lavelli, Dante	E	192	6:00	32	Ohio State	10
88	Brewster, Darrell	E	210	6:04	24	Purdue	4

GIANT STAFF
 Punting—Landry (49)
 PAT and FG—Agajanian (44).
 Kick-Offs—Agajanian (44).

OFFENSE
 Ronald Gibbs
 James Beie
Head Line
 John Highberger
Back
 John Tracy (25)
Field
 William McHu

BROWN STAFF
 Punting—Gillom (84)
 PAT and FG—Groza
 Kick-Offs—Groza (76)

BROWN STAFF: Paul E. Brown, Miami U., head coach and general manager; Paul Bixler, Mount Union, end coach; Howard Brinker, Miami U., backfield coach; Fritz Heisler, Miami U., guard coach; Edward Ulinski, Marshall, tackle coach; Dick Gallagher, Kentucky Wesleyan, assistant coach and personnel scout; Leo Murphy, trainer; Morris Kono, assistant trainer; Dr. Victor D. Ippolito, physician; Dr. Edward I. Robbins, dentist.

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OFFENSE

R. H. Webster (29) F. B. Epps (35) L. H. Gifford (16) Q. B. Heinrich (11)
 R. E. Rote (44) R. T. Yelvington (72) R. G. Stroud (66) C. Wietecha (55) L. G. Austin (60) L. T. Brown (79) L. E. Schnelker (85)

DEFENSE

L. E. Yowarsky (78) L. T. Krouse (70) M. G. Beck (61) R. T. Boggan (73) R. E. Grier (76)
 L. H. Landry (49) L. SAFETY Tunnell (45) L. L. B. Svoboda (30) R. B. Knicker (34) R. SAFETY Rich (27) R. H. Nolan (25)

Giant Roster

SPECIALISTS
 Conerly (42).
 Gifford (16),
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 St. Thomas
 (17)
 Carnegie Tech
 (Ohio)
 DePaul

SPECIALISTS
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 Konz (22).

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20	Patton, Jim	HB	175	5:10	23	Mississippi	1
25	Nolan, Dick	HB	185	6:01	23	Maryland	2
27	Rich, Herb	HB	185	5:11	27	Vanderbilt	6
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Looking Over the Browns



ED MODZELEWSKI

The Cleveland Browns have a record of success that is without a parallel in pro football. They won four straight All-America Conference titles and five straight National Football League divisional crowns, with another in reach, and have bagged the world championship three times.

Paul Brown, who organized the team in 1946 and has coached it ever since, follows a classically

simple pattern. It features pinpoint passing, a stonewall defense and kicking. Aside from inevitable changes in personnel, the Browns of today are indistinguishable from the pioneer Browns.

For that matter, there still are four "originals" on the squad and mighty important they are too. They are Automatic Otto Graham (14), the peerless passer and quarterback; Dante Lavelli (86), his favorite target; Lou Groza (76), long-range field goal kicker, and Frank Gatski (52), hard-blocking center. Another key long-service man is Horace Gillom (84), the prodigious punter.

With powerful Ed Modzelewski (36) and Fred Morrison (32) operating from the deep positions, the Browns pack more running punch than usual. But in the clutch, they still rely mainly on Graham's passing to Lavelli, Pete Brewster (88), Ray Renfro (26), and Dub Jones (40).

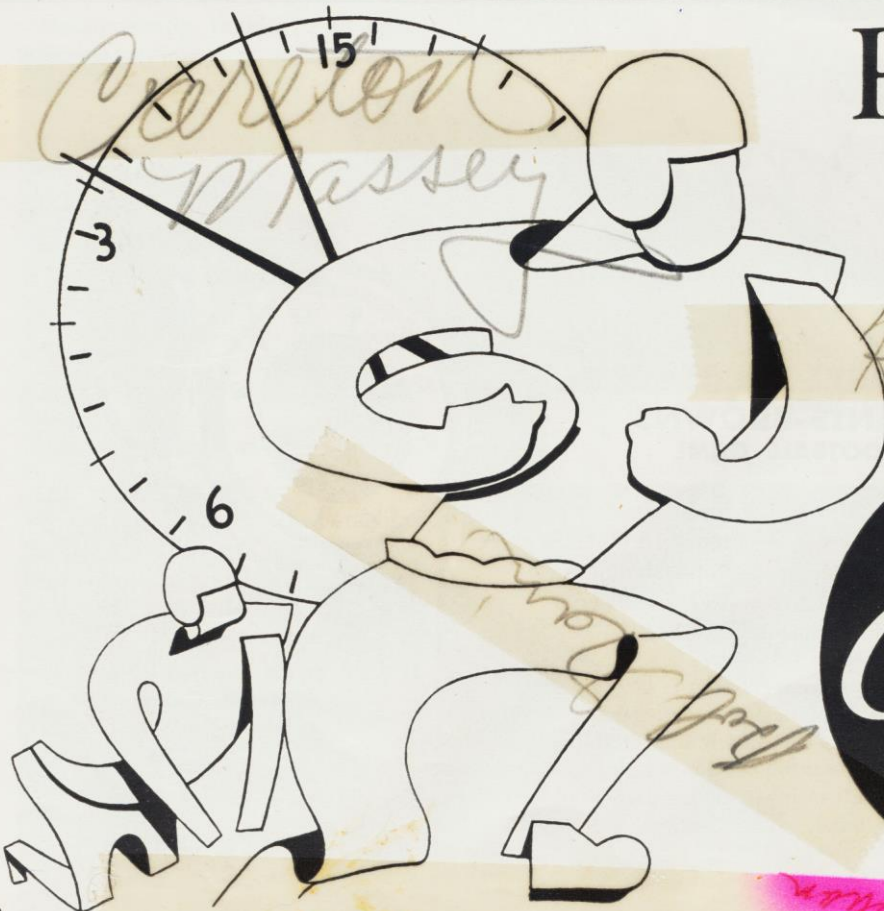
They'll send Groza back to try for three points any time they



FRED MORRISON

stall beyond midfield and when they're stopped in their own territory Gillom will boom the ball 60 yards or more downfield.

Cleveland's defensive platoon, which specializes in rushing the passer and harrying receivers, is led by Carlton Massey (82), Len Ford (80) and Don Colo (70), up front, Walt Michaels (34) at linebacker, and Warren Lahr (24) and Don Paul (20), corner men.



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CHARLEY CONERLY, the “old pro” quarterback of the Giants, is at his best when the competition is toughest. Some of his finest games in the past eight seasons have been against the rough, tough Cleveland Browns, whom he faces here this afternoon.

These are the Browns who seemingly have locked up another championship, thanks to an opening spurt which spreadeagled the field. They feature an explosive offense led by Otto Graham and Ed Modzelewski. More importantly from Conerly’s viewpoint, they feature a pair of crashing ends, Len Ford and Carlton Massey.

Judging by the records, Conerly will not be daunted. He is the only quarterback to beat the Browns four times. No other back before Conerly had ever thrown four touchdown passes in a single game against the world champions’ stout defense.

Getting back to the crashing ends, Ford and Massey, Conerly does not enjoy ducking these fellows any more than the next quarterback. But a tough end who often causes a passer to wish he were in some other town seems to have just the opposite effect on Conerly.

There was the time in 1953, for instance, when he threw four

touchdown passes to knock a superior Eagle team out of the race. Time after time the Eagles’ great defensive end, Norm Willey, came crashing in on Conerly. Conerly weighs 180, Willey 225. Conerly was standing still, having just loosed the ball, slightly off balance from his throw. Willey was coming with the speed and force of a freight train. A dozen times in succession Willey slammed Conerly to the ground. Charley did not even complain to the guard who was supposed to be blocking Willey. He merely called the same play again, and calmly added another first down to the Giants’ march down the field.

It was an unusual display of courage. After the game one of the reporters spoke to Conerly in the dressing room. “Charley,” he said admiringly, “you were magnificent out there today.”

Conerly shrugged. “I was just doing my job,” he said.

The cheers which ring in Conerly’s ears these days are among the first he has heard in the Polo Grounds. All over the league home crowds are rough on their own quarterbacks, who, like the coach, must take the rap whenever things go wrong. That Conerly has finally been accepted by the fans who are hardest to please is as much a tribute to his greatness as the

many records he has established.

In 1948 Conerly was rookie-of-the-year, establishing a mark which still stands, 36 passes completed in one game. That year he completed better than 54 percent of his throws. Then last season, he became the third player in National Football League history to complete 100 touchdown passes. Sammy Baugh and Sid Luckman were the others.

Conerly’s best performance this year came against the Pittsburgh Steelers when he completed 10 in a row and 13 of 15 on the afternoon. His longest touchdown pass went to Kyle Rote, good for 71 yards.

Conerly, who has a wry sense of humor, frequently jokes that every season he leads the league in running for extra points—a purely accidental play caused by a flagrant offside by the defense, with Conerly scooping up the ball and running around end. A few games ago he got his first chance to actually kick an extra point.

The Giants were leading 34-7 against the Redskins. Ben Agajanian held the ball and a nervous Conerly kicked it. It was not a particularly nifty kick, but it was good. Doubtless, Conerly was more pleased than if he’d passed for a touchdown.

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Giant Jottings

By holding the Eagles to seven points last Sunday, the Giants took the NFL lead in defense. They have surrendered 149 points in nine games, as against Cleveland's 152. Considering the difficulties Jim Lee Howell and his aides had in getting the defensive platoon organized, because of the failure of key men to return, the unexpected shortcomings of several rookie hopefuls and because of injuries, this sharp improvement is one of the most pleasing aspects of the season.

The touchdown he registered against the Eagles on his brilliant 66-yard punt return dash was Em Tunnell's first score since 1951. Em also accounted for two of the six Giant pass interceptions. His brilliant all-around performance won him the weekly Shields award as the outstanding Giant player on defense. Charley Conerly, who turned in another solid job at quarterback, received the prize for the best offensive showing.

Joe Heap, the former Notre Dame star, saw his first extensive service with the Giants last Sunday against the Eagles. He supplied a key block on Tunnell's scoring punt return and ripped through impressively for big gains on offense on a couple of occasions. Larrye Weaver, used on offense for the first time, also caught the eye with his determined running.

Opposing teams have begun to pay Kyle Rote the supreme compliment of assigning two men to cover him on pass defense. It hasn't helped. The Mighty Mustang is so fast and elusive that he continues to get loose. With better luck, he would have had three touchdowns, instead of one, against the Eagles. Don Heinrich overshot him when he was in the clear in the end zone and he dropped a pass from Heinrich on the goal line.

A leading candidate for the designation of "most improved Giant" is Jack Stroud. The strong, silent man from Tennessee has been doing a tremendous job of blocking, in the line, downfield and on pass protection. Rosey Brown's blocking also has been conspicuously good. With Ray Wietecha now rated the best offensive center in the NFL, Bill Austin continuing his outstanding play and Tom Yelvington doing solid work too, the Giants present one of the strongest attacking fronts in the whole pro circuit.

In their last couple of games, the Giants have kept the opposition befuddled with their skillful execution of the "ride" or "belly" series. This sequence features a fake feed to the fullback who blasts into the line and a last-moment extraction of the ball from his grasp for re-delivery to a trailing halfback who may either hit inside tackle (as Frank Gifford and Alex Webster did with good effect against the Eagles) or swing wide around end (as the same pair did against Baltimore.)

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I WAS at the Cleveland-Pittsburgh game last Sunday. It was a good contest for the first half. Then the Steelers, who were playing without Lynn Chandnois, Ed Bernet and Bill McPeak, fell apart. So it wound up being pretty much of a romp for the Browns.

I've seen the Browns a lot sharper but they were plenty good enough to carry the day. Otto Graham received a lot more protection than he did against the Eagles the week before. Ed Meadows, who has developed into a fine end, got to him a few times early in the game but over the full route, Otto prevailed. He was like truth—mighty.

The Steelers had plenty of support in the stands. Ten special trains brought more than 14,000 fans from Pittsburgh to the game. They had a gay, old time, displaying banners that read "Crybaby Otto." It must have been a long, quiet trip home, though.

A delegation of fans from their home town of Natrona, Pa., presented the Modzelewski boys—Ed (Big Mo) of the Browns and Dick (Little Mo) of the Steelers—with shotguns, radios and other loot. Little Mo could have used a cannon with Big Mo and Curly Morrison roaring off tackle at him all afternoon. With those two fellows in back of the ball, Cleveland packs its heaviest running punch it's had for years.

People have been asking me who are the best rookies I've seen around the league this year. It's a tough question. There are a lot of good ones. Among the ends, I'd say Bernet of Pittsburgh is as good as any. I think that our boy, Rosy Grier, stands out among the tackles. Offhand, I can't name any one outstanding guard, Dick Szymanski of Baltimore gets my vote at center. George Shaw of the Colts is the top new quarterback. There are a lot of good new halfbacks—for instance, our Alex Webster, Rick Casares and Bobby Watkins of the Bears, Dave Middleton of Detroit, Dave Mann of the Cardinals and Long Gone Dupre of the Colts. At fullback, you have to give top ranking to Alan Ameche, although it looks as though the defense has begun to catch up with him lately.

One thing that has impressed me this year is the general clamping down on defense. Those touchdowns don't come as easy as they used to. It's just another reflection of the improvement in quality all around the league. Every team is loaded with good passers, receivers and runners but they're passing, catching and carrying against stronger and faster opposition.

THIS WEEK'S SELECTIONS—Three winners, one loser and a tie—that was last week's score. Could be better, could be worse. This week I like Green Bay over Detroit (on Thanksgiving Day), the Bears over the Cardinals, Philadelphia over Los Angeles, Baltimore over San Francisco and Washington over Pittsburgh. Wait until next year!

(Super-Scout Jack Lavelle has filed his confidential report in this space each week.)



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Today's NFL Pairings

Home Team		Visiting Team	
N. Y. GIANTS		CLEVELAND	
<i>Won 4, Lost 5, Tied 0</i>		<i>Won 7, Lost 2, Tied 0</i>	
17—Philadelphia (a).....	27	17—Washington.....	27
17—Chicago Cards (a).....	28	38—San Francisco (a).....	3
23—Pittsburgh (a).....	30	21—Philadelphia.....	17
10—Chicago Cards.....	0	24—Washington (a).....	14
17—Pittsburgh.....	19	41—Green Bay.....	10
35—Washington.....	7	26—Chicago Cards (a).....	20
14—Cleveland (a).....	24	24—New York.....	14
17—Baltimore.....	7	17—Philadelphia (a).....	33
31—Philadelphia.....	7	41—Pittsburgh.....	14
—Cleveland.....	—	—New York (a).....	—
—Washington (a).....	—	—Pittsburgh (a).....	—
—Detroit (a).....	—	—Chicago Cards.....	—
181	149	249	152

Home Team		Visiting Team	
CHICAGO CARDS		CHICAGO BEARS	
<i>Won 3, Lost 5, Tied 1</i>		<i>Won 6, Lost 3, Tied 0</i>	
7—Pittsburgh (a).....	14	17—Baltimore (a).....	23
28—New York.....	17	3—Green Bay (a).....	24
24—Washington (a).....	10	19—San Francisco.....	20
0—New York (a).....	10	38—Baltimore.....	10
24—Philadelphia.....	24	34—San Francisco (a).....	23
20—Cleveland.....	26	31—Los Angeles (a).....	20
27—Pittsburgh.....	13	52—Green Bay.....	31
14—Green Bay (a).....	31	24—Los Angeles.....	3
0—Washington.....	31	24—Detroit (a).....	14
—Chicago Bears.....	—	—Chicago Cards (a).....	—
—Philadelphia (a).....	—	—Detroit.....	—
—Cleveland (a).....	—	—Philadelphia.....	—
144	176	242	168

PHILADELPHIA		LOS ANGELES	
<i>Won 3, Lost 5, Tied 1</i>		<i>Won 5, Lost 3, Tied 1</i>	
27—New York.....	17	23—San Francisco (a).....	14
30—Washington.....	31	27—Pittsburgh.....	26
17—Cleveland (a).....	21	17—Detroit (a).....	10
7—Pittsburgh (a).....	13	28—Green Bay (a).....	30
24—Chicago Cards (a).....	24	24—Detroit.....	13
24—Pittsburgh.....	0	20—Chicago Bears.....	31
21—Washington (a).....	34	27—San Francisco.....	14
33—Cleveland.....	17	3—Chicago Bears (a).....	24
7—New York (a).....	31	17—Baltimore (a).....	17
—Los Angeles.....	—	—Philadelphia (a).....	—
—Chicago Cards.....	—	—Baltimore.....	—
—Chicago Bears (a).....	—	—Green Bay.....	—
190	188	186	179

BALTIMORE		SAN FRANCISCO	
<i>Won 4, Lost 4, Tied 1</i>		<i>Won 3, Lost 6, Tied 0</i>	
23—Chicago Bears.....	17	14—Los Angeles.....	23
28—Detroit.....	13	3—Cleveland.....	38
24—Green Bay (a).....	20	20—Chicago Bears (a).....	19
10—Chicago Bears (a).....	38	27—Detroit (a).....	24
13—Washington.....	14	23—Chicago Bears.....	34
14—Green Bay.....	10	38—Detroit.....	21
14—Detroit (a).....	24	14—Los Angeles (a).....	27
7—New York (a).....	17	0—Washington (a).....	7
17—Los Angeles.....	17	21—Green Bay (a).....	27
—San Francisco.....	—	—Baltimore (a).....	—
—Los Angeles (a).....	—	—Green Bay.....	—
—San Francisco (a).....	—	—Baltimore.....	—
150	170	160	220

PITTSBURGH		WASHINGTON	
<i>Won 4, Lost 5, Tied 0</i>		<i>Won 6, Lost 3, Tied 0</i>	
14—Chicago Cards.....	7	27—Cleveland (a).....	17
26—Los Angeles (a).....	27	31—Philadelphia (a).....	30
30—New York.....	23	10—Chicago Cards.....	24
13—Philadelphia.....	7	14—Cleveland.....	24
19—New York (a).....	17	14—Baltimore (a).....	13
0—Philadelphia (a).....	24	7—New York (a).....	35
13—Chicago Cards (a).....	27	34—Philadelphia.....	21
28—Detroit.....	31	7—San Francisco.....	0
14—Cleveland (a).....	41	31—Chicago Cards (a).....	0
—Washington.....	—	—Pittsburgh (a).....	—
—Cleveland.....	—	—New York.....	—
—Washington (a).....	—	—Pittsburgh.....	—
157	204	175	164

DETROIT		GREEN BAY	
<i>Won 2, Lost 7, Tied 0</i>		<i>Won 5, Lost 4, Tied 0</i>	
17—Green Bay (a).....	20	20—Detroit.....	17
13—Baltimore (a).....	28	24—Chicago Bears.....	3
10—Los Angeles.....	17	20—Baltimore.....	24
24—San Francisco.....	27	30—Los Angeles.....	28
13—Los Angeles (a).....	24	10—Cleveland (a).....	41
21—San Francisco (a).....	38	10—Baltimore (a).....	14
24—Baltimore.....	14	31—Chicago Bears (a).....	52
31—Pittsburgh (a).....	28	31—Chicago Cards.....	14
14—Chicago Bears.....	24	27—San Francisco.....	21
—Green Bay.....	—	—Detroit (a).....	—
—Chicago Bears (a).....	—	—San Francisco (a).....	—
—New York.....	—	—Los Angeles (a).....	—
167	220	203	214

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

RUSHING

Ameche, Baltimore.....	164 for 780 yds.
Ferguson, Green Bay.....	149 for 718 yds.
Morrison, Cleveland.....	126 for 648 yds.

PASSING

Graham, Cleveland.....	64 of 117 for 1066 yds.
Brown, Bears.....	79 of 136 for 1237 yds.
Title, San Francisco.....	108 of 215 for 1705 yds.

PASS-RECEIVING

Hill, Bears.....	39 for 741 yds.
Howton, Green Bay.....	39 for 648 yds.
Fears, Los Angeles.....	39 for 478 yds.

SCORING

Walker, Detroit.....	77 pts.
Janowicz, Washington.....	73 pts.
Blanda, Bears.....	66 pts.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W.	L.	T.	Pct.	Points For	Points Agst.
Cleveland.....	7	2	0	.778	249	152
Washington.....	6	3	0	.667	175	164
NEW YORK.....	4	5	0	.444	181	149
Pittsburgh.....	4	5	0	.444	157	204
Philadelphia.....	3	5	1	.375	190	188
Chicago Cards.....	3	5	1	.375	144	176

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Chicago Bears.....	6	3	0	.667	242	168
Los Angeles.....	5	3	1	.625	186	179
Green Bay.....	5	4	0	.556	203	214
Baltimore.....	4	4	1	.500	150	170
San Francisco.....	3	6	0	.333	160	220
Detroit.....	2	7	0	.222	167	220

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Scoring	Walker, Detroit	77 pts.
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