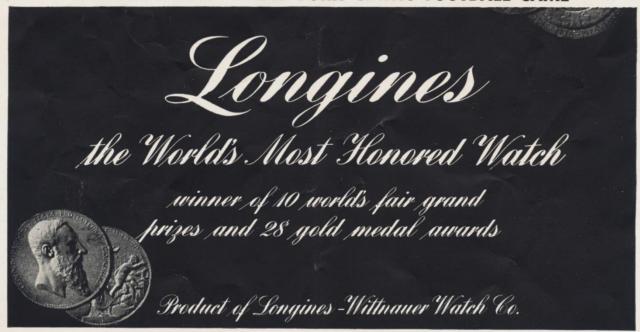
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TED COLLINS

Owner BOSTON YANKS



TED COLLINS

If Ted Collins has as much success picking diamonds from the gridiron rough as he has had selecting radio talent from the field of obscurity, the Boston Yanks should ultimately cut quite a figure in The National Football League.

The owner of the newest franchise in the circuit is known best as the discoverer of Kate Smith, but over the years he has given countless other screen and radio stars their first chance.

It was Collins who picked Abbott and Costello out of nowhere and plugged them to popularity. Other discoveries of his include Tommy Riggs, the Aldrich Family, and Henry Youngman. It was he who introduced Rudy Vallee to radio. And as an indication that he knows something about football talent, too, when he sees it, his first act as a National Football League owner was to select Angelo Bertelli as his first Boston Yanks player at the first draft meeting he was allowed to attend.

Collins was willing to wait for the war to end to get the use of Bertelli. It was his opinion that Bertelli was the best asset a professional football team of the future could possibly possess. Considering that he didn't have a single player available for the 1944 season at the time, the selection of a member of the United States Marine Cerps who would be unavailable for gridiron action so long as this country remains at war was a heavy price to pay for future

profits. Such action also indicated that Collins is not in professional football because of an impulsive whim.

The purchase of a professional football league franchise is not his first undertaking. Collins has always been deeply interested in sports. He played professional basketball and for a six-year period owned the Celtics. He has seldom missed a big college football game in recent years. In fact, he missed only one Fordham game in nine years previous to the war.

Collins developed into one of radio's most successful showmen chiefly through his astute handling of Kate Smith's career, but he has been successful in other undertakings too. He was in the phonograph business, scouting talent for recordings when he met Kate Smith for the first time while she was playing in the musical comedy hit "Flying High."

Ready to gamble his future and life's savings on the voice of a girl who had been known primarily as a dancer and comedienne, Ted booked Kate on a radio spot opposite Amos and Andy, when they were at the height of their popularity. Despite such competition, Miss Smith became an overnight success. Collins had bigger plans for his star than a 15-minute program, however. He developed a full hour variety program with Kate as the singing mistress of ceremonies. Quickly she won a tremendous following and became one of America's foremost personalities.

Featured as producer, director, and announcer on the same program, Collins, too, amassed a huge following. He moved into the daytime field and presented Kate Smith, not as a singer, but as a friendly commentator who chatted in a homey, philosophical style about general topics. When this country entered the war, Collins projected himself into the program as a news reporter reading the latest bulletins and analyzing them. Now "Kate Smith Speaks" tops all five-a-week daytime programs in popularity ratings.

The new owner of the Boston Yanks was born October 12, 1899 in New York City. His father was a doctor and Ted intended to follow in his footsteps. When the first World War broke out, however, he entered the Navy at 17. After being mustered out, he entered Fordham intending to study to be a physician. His father's death, however, changed his plans.

At the age of 22 he became a salesman for the Columbia Phonograph Company, selling records. Eight months later, at the age of 23, he became sales manager and a few months later, he became the youngest recording manager Columbia ever had.

Collins activities on behalf of the war effort on the home front are many and varied. As consultant to the War Manpower Commission, he traveled far and wide making speeches and conducting morale sessions to enlist war workers. He accompanied Kate Smith on a tour of Army and Navy camps throughout the country and Canada, covering some 60,000 miles to entertain the men in the service.



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THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

By George A. Strickler

JIM THORPE

On September 16, 1920, sixteen men, summoned to Canton, Ohio, by Jim Thorpe, met in Hay's Automobile Agency. There at night, seated on running-boards of Hupmobiles and Pierce-Arrows, they communed with an idea. Thus was the National Footall league born.

At first these sixteen castle-building godfathers called it the American Professional Football Association. It was an incorrigible, sickly youngster. But in 1925 a vitamin named Red Grange cured its publicity rickets. Then the depression, ironically, gave it a chance to make some money and the Chicago Tribune's All-Star game eventually brought it across the tracks into polite athletic society. By the time it became of age in 1940, this struggling orphan which once peddled franchises to all comers at \$100 apiece was an exclusive four million dollar organization bidding for a \$25,000 a year chief executive.

Today professional fooball as played in the National league is universally accepted as a major league sport. Its rise to pre-eminence was not quite as simple as that, however. There were long years of intense struggle against an uninformed public opinion. The first headline the game ever got appeared in the Chicago Herald and Examiner on January 30, 1922. It read: "Stagg Says Conference Will Break Professional Football Menace."

The story of the National Football league is, however, not so much this series of glorified milestones as it is a story of unusual personalities. Many before them had tried to make something of the idea conceived by those Latrobe, Pa., Y.M.C.A. boys and their Jeanette neighbors who met in the first professional football game on Tuesday, August 31, 1895.

Connie Mack had put a team into Philadelphia in 1902, with Christy Mathewson and Rube Waddell on his roster, and claimed the "championship of the United States." Teams had sprung up throughout Pennsylvania and Upper New York. For a time the game thrived sufficiently on neighborhood rivalry to reach old Madison Square Garden for indoor contests between national champion claimants of the early 1900's.

Then Ohio, erroneously called the "cradle of professional football," moved into the picture with its famous Canton Bulldogs, Massillon Tigers, Akron Indians and the six Nesser brothers, a whole family of gridiron phenoms from Columbus.

But through it all professional football remained as socially acceptable as porchclimbing and purse-snatching, until George Halas and Curly Lambeau came along in 1920. Lambeau and Halas were a couple of bulky muscled young prospectors who could take their football in the raw, but could not leave it, nor understand how anyone else could. They placed the game on a full time basis with daily practice. Together with the late Joe F. Carr, a sportsman with a flair for organization who served as the league's president for 19 years, they wrought order out of chaos and set the National league off on a solid competitive plane.

Five years later Tim Mara organized the Giants, introducing professional football to metropolitan New York. After Mara came George P. Marshall, who installed his first team in Boston, and after five years of venturesome promotion removed his Redskins to Washington where the club surged to tremendous prosperity.

Technically, the National League's outstanding contributions to the game include the man-in-motion offense, popularly known as the T formation (originated and perfected by Halas and his Chicago Bears) and the most extensive scientific survey ever made of the game. Out of this study, during which 300,000 stop watch readings were analyzed and page after page of statistics were averaged, came a set of rules which in recent months has moved college coaches to virtual revolt against their own rule makers.

The future development of professional football will continue to gestate in the National League body, according to the opinions of the better informed and solid sages of the game. The National League owners have endured the hazards of pioneer promotion to establish their teams and inculcate interest in the advanced character of football. This has been a long and arduous and expensive, development, and their success may not be readily duplicated by the ambitious and venturesome who believe that this success may be garnered without intensive and costly cultivation.

That the National Football League will grow by adding new clubs in football conscious cities is a natural expectation. The League owners have practised caution in adding new cities to their League and believe that this prudence has been wise. Boston is expected to be one of the more successful National League cities now that it has again placed a team in League ranks.



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BOSTON YANKS PLAYERS

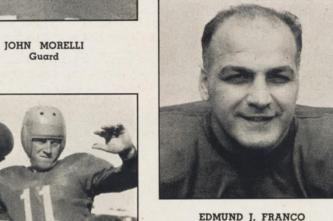


BOB DAVIS Back



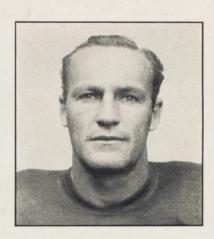
JOE CROWLEY End





EDMUND J. FRANCO Tackle





DAVE SMUKLER Back

EDWARD D. McGEE Tackle

KEITH RANSPOT End



Back



PROBABLE NEW YORK GIANTS LINEUP

ADAMS 30 Left End COPE 36 Left Tackle 55 Left Guard HEIN 7 Center YOUNCE 60 Right Guard

CARROLL 26 Right Tackle LIEBEL 22 Right End

BARKER 42 Quarterback

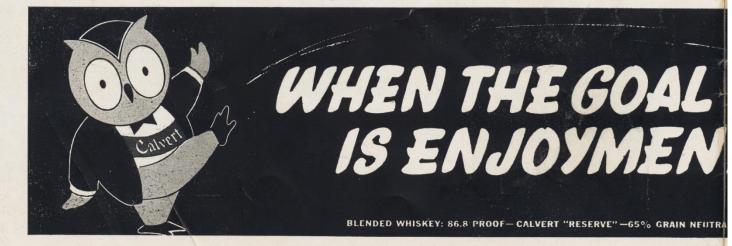
HERBER 20 Left Halfback PASCHAL 8 Fullback PETRILAS 5 Right Halfback

NEW YORK GIANTS 1944 FOOTBALL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	College	Hgt.	Wgt.	Age	Years Giants
2	Turbert, Francis	В		5.11	188	24	First
5	Petrilas, William	В		6.	195	27	First
8	Paschal, Bill	В	Georgia Tech.	6.	198	23	Second
11	Weiss, John	E		6.3	195	23	First
12	DePaul, Henry	G	Duquesne	6.	230	28	First
15	Soar, Hank	В	Providence	6.	216	29	Eighth
20	Herber, Arnie	В	Regis	6.	210	33	First
21	Clay, Roy	В	Colorado	6.	185	24	First
22	Liebel, Frank	E	Norwich U.	6.2	205	25	Third
24	Livingstone, Howard	В	Fullerton	6.1	190	22	First
25	Kinscherf, Carl	В	Colgate	6.	185	24	Second
26	Carroll, Vic	T	Nevada	6.4	230	30	Second
27	Barrett, Emmett	C	Portland	6.2	194	25	Second
28	Adams, Verlin	E	Morris-Harvey	6.1	205	26	Second
29	Piccolo, Bill	C	Canisius	5.11	186	23	Second
30	Adams, O'Neale	E	Arkansas	6.3	195	25	Third
31	Visnic, Larry	G	Kansas	5.11	195	24	Second
36	Cope, Frank	T	Santa Clara	6.3	232	28	Seventh
37	Sulaitis, Joe	В		6.2	210	23	Second
39	Kane, Herbert	T	E. C. Teachers	6.	220	22	First
42	Barker, Hubeth	В	Arkansas	5.11	195	24	Third
44	Beebe, Keith	В	Occidental	5.9	180	22	First
49	Damiani, Frank	T	Manhattan	6.1	225	22	First
50	Strong, Ken	В	N. Y. U.	6.1	210	37	Fifth
55	Avedisian, Charley	G	Providence	5.9	205	28	Third
60	Younce, Len	G	Oregon	6.1	210	25	Third
69	Umont, Frank	G		5.11	220	26	Second
70	Caranci, Roland	T	Colorado	6.	214	21	First

Head Coach: Steve Owen, Phillips U.

Backfield Coach: Tuffy Leemans, George Washington Backfield Coach: Leland Shaffer, Kansas State Line Coach: Richard (Red) Smith, Notre Dame Trainers: Gus Mauch and Charley Porter Physician: Francis J. Sweeny, M.D.



PROBABLE BOSTON YANKS LINE-UP

RANSPOT 14 Left End

FRANCO 19 **Left Tackle**

LIO 41 **Left Guard** DUBZINSKI 39 Center

GAZIANO 38 Right Guard Right Tackle

McGEE 40

CROWLEY 15 Right End

DAVIS 10 Quarterback

WILLIAMS 22 Left Halfback SMUKLER 33 **Fullback**

SANDERS 25 **Right Halfback**

BOSTON YANKS 1944 FOOTBALL ROSTER

						Year in
No.	Player	Pos.	College	Hgt.	Wgt.	National League
10	Davis, Bob	В	Univ. of Kentucky	6.1	190	Third
11	Cafego, George	В	Univ. of Tennessee	5.11	185	Third
14	Ranspot, Keith	E	Southern Methodist	6.3	205	Sixth
15	Crowley, Joe	E	Dartmouth	6.	190	First
16	Morelli, John	G	Georgetown	5.10	185	First
17	McRoberts, Robert	В	Stout Inst. (Wis.)	5.11	190	First
18	Gudmundson, Scott	В	George Washington Univ.	5.9	175	First
19	Franco, Ed	T	Fordham	5.81/2	210	First
20	Magee, James	C	Villanova & U. of Ga.	6.11/2	202	First
21	Steinmetz, Kenneth	В	High School	6.	189	First
22	Williams, Ted	В	Boston College	5.101/2	185	Second
23	Crain, Milton	В	Baylor	6.2	215	First
24	Rexer, Freeman	E	Tulane	6.1	212	Second
25	Sanders, Paul	В	Utah State	5.111/2	205	First
29	Wynne, Harry	E	Arkansas	6.3	200	First
30	Korisky, Ed	C	Villanova	6.1	210	First
32	Stasica, Leo	В	Colorado	5.11	185	Fifth
33	Smukler, Dave	В	Temple	6.11/2	225	Fifth
34	Harrison, Dick	E	Boston College	6.1/2	196	First
36	Riggs, Thron	T	Univ. of Washington	6.1	225	First
37	Albrecht, Arthur	T	Wisconsin	6.1	215	Third
38	Gaziano, Frank	G	Holy Cross	5.8	218	First
39	Dubzinski, Walter	C	Boston College	6.	200	Second
40	McGee, Ed.	T	Temple	6.11/2	225	Second
41	Lio, Augie	G	Georgetown	6.1	232	Third
43	Giddens, Wimpy	T	Louisiana Tech	6.21/2	215	First
44	Walker, Bill	G	V. M. I.	6.	220	First
45	Wilson, Gordon	G	Texas College of Mines	6.	205	Fourth

Head Coach: Herbert M. Kopf

Line Coach: John Del Isola

Backfield Coach: Tillie Manton

Trainer: Jack Fadden

Physician: Dr. Edw. J. Sawyer

NEXT HOME GAME-WASHINGTON REDSKINS-SUNDAY, OCT. 15





By Peter Arno

"She says she likes you 'cause you don't have '5 o'clock Shadow'."

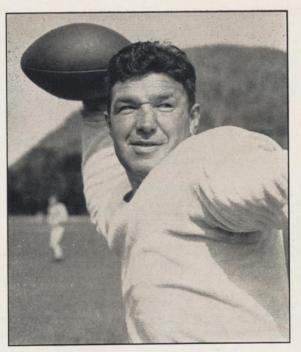
"Gee, I guess underneath it all she's just like the girls back home, huh?"



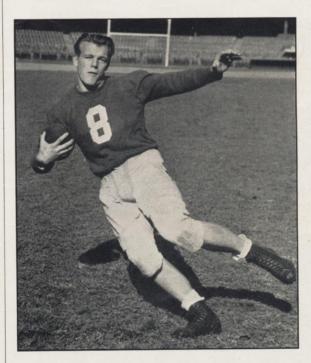
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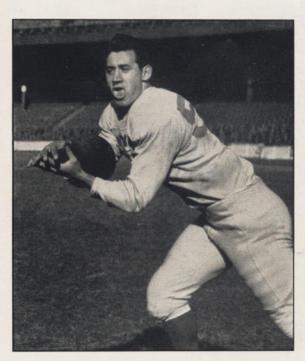
ARNIE HERBER—Now Pitching for Giants
Arnie Herber, who pitched to Don Hutson to form the gridiron's All-time No. 1 battery, now heads the Giants' aerial attack. The stocky 33-year wizard still operates with much of the power and skill that enabled him to score many forward passing records during the 11 years he made history with the Green Bay Packers. Herber stopped in 1941 to devote all his time to business in Wisconsin.



BILL PASCHAL—Champion Ball Carrier Leads Giants' Attack
The New York Giants' 1944 offense is spearheaded by
Bill Paschal, the National League's leading ground gainer.
With only three minutes of college competition at Georgia
Tech, Paschal, green but willing rookie, joined the New
York Club last season. The blond 23-year Georgian quickly
adjusted himself to new surroundings and raced through
all opposition to the league's ball carrying title, 572 yards
in 147 rushes.



KEN STRONG—Now Kicking for Giants
The New York Giants' latest kicking specialist is Ken
Strong, who still boots 'em over from mid-field. One of the
game's greatest all-time stars, Strong helped restore the
foot in football in twelve years of pro competition, as he
punted and scored field goals with remarkable success.
The 37-year veteran culminated his sensational New York
U. career with 162 points in his senior year, more than
anyone ever tallied in the sport's long history.



FRANK LIEBEL—Giants' Star Pass-Catching End Honorably discharged from the Marines in 1942, Liebel signed with the Giants last season and soon attracted attention with his fast end play and pass-receiving ability. The former Norwich U. star showed great improvement this season. His clever catch of Nix's long pass and brilliant run for the touchdown was one of the vital plays in the Giants' 31-4 victory over the Redskins that deadlocked the Eastern championship.



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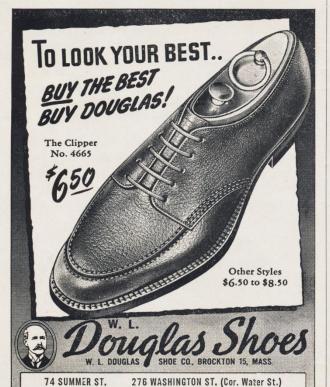


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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Roster of Officials

REFEREES

No.	Name	School						
2	Samuel A. Weiss	Duquesne						
4	Tom Dowd	Holy Cross						
5	Ronald J. Gibbs	St. Thomas						
7	E. F. Tommy Hughitt	Michigan						
8	Carl K. Rebele	Penn State						
	FIELD JUDGES							
No.	Name	School						
22	Chas. J. Sweeney	Notre Dame						
23	Lloyd Brazill	Detroit						
25	Wm. E. Downes	Ill. Tech						
26	Eugene E. Miller	Penn State						
29	Eddie Tryon	Colgate						
	UMPIRES							

No.	Name	School
12	John J. Schommer	Chicago
14	C. H. Brubaker	Ohio Wes.
15	Harry D. Robb	Penn State
17	Fay Vincent	Yale
18	John B. Kelley	Loyola

	HEAD LINESMEN	
No.	Name	School
30	Earl Cavanaugh	Pittsburgh
31	Charlie F. Berry	Lafayette
32	Irv Kupcinet	No. Dakota
34	Larry Conover	Penn State
35	Louis James Gordon	Illinois

The 1944 Schedule

Sept.	3	14	Sampson Naval Training Station at Sampson	0
	6	0	Cleveland Rams at Cleveland	9
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	17	38	Walsh Kaiser Frigates at Providence	7
	26		Philadelphia Eagles at Fenway Park	
Oct.	8		New York Giants at Fenway Park	
	15		Washington Redskins at Fenway Park	
	22		Philadelphia Eagles at Philadelphia	
	29		Brooklyn Tigers at Brooklyn	
Nov.	5		New York Giants at New York	
	12		Chicago Bears at Chicago	
	19		Brooklyn Tigers at Fenway Park	
	26		Washington Redskins at Washington	

Detroit Lions at Detroit

Dec. 3

PUNTS, PASSES AND FUMBLES

By JOHN J. STACK, Sr.

The 1945 Boston Yanks will train at Lake Placid, N. Y., which is one of the best year around recreation centers in the country. On many occasions, Owner Ted Collins has publicized Lake Placid over the ether waves. He is thoroughly sold on the Empire State resort and is confident that there isn't a better place to whip the Yanks into topnotch condition.

The 1944 Yanks were well treated at Dean Academy this year but they were unfortunate enough to encounter the hottest spell in the annals of the weather bureau. True, the weather is hot at Lake Placid in August but the nights are cool. The players can idle away their spare time on golf courses, tennis courts, in swimming pools and, if so inclined, can do some ice skating, not to mention hike through the mountains.

Arnie Herber, who is making his debut here as a New York Giant this afternoon, played for the Green Bay Packers against the Redskins 12 years ago at Braves Field. He had been picked up on the sandlots of Denver, Col., by "Curly" Lambeau and, if memory serves me, he never attended any college, although he was, and still is, listed from Regis. Herber is now 33 years old and came out of retirement to take another whirl at the pro game with the Giants.

Earl "Curly" Lambeau founded the Green Bay Packers twenty-six years ago and is the dean of National Football League coaches. After one year (1918) at Notre Dame, Curly returned to Green Bay, where he had starred as a schoolboy, and launched the Packers. During his twenty-six years as coach, Lambeau has established an enviable record by winning 214 games, losing 75 and tieing 22 for a .740 average.

Tillie Manton, the Yanks back field coach, was a member of the Border Patrol, which is affiliated with the Texas Rangers. When the Boston Braves and the St. Louis Browns journeyed from San Antonio, Texas to Monterrey, Mexico in 1941, Tillie was stationed at Laredo.

Keith Ranspot, the Yanks' giant end, who entered pro football after graduating from Southern Methodist, is open for a proposition to play professional basketball this winter... His wingmate, Joe Crowley is a product of Boston Latin School, where he received his early coaching from the late Fred J. O'Brien, one of the greatest of all time schoolboy mentors.

Bill Paschal, who is the young man the Yanks must stop this afternoon if they hope to break into the games won column, is one of the few "freshmen" ever to lead the National League in ground gained by rushing. Last year, Paschal picked up 572 yards in 147 rushes for the Giants, a most remarkable achievement in view of the fact that his experience as a college player was limited to two minutes of freshman football at Georgia Tech. He was obliged to resign from college to help support his family. Bill Paschal was in the Army Air Corps but was given a medical discharge.

Dennis Shea, who was business manager of the Redskins when they represented Boston and then went to Washington when George Marshall shifted his grid club to the Nation's capital, is now treasurer of the National Football League. He is located in Chicago but hopes to be able to see the Yanks in one of their games at Fenway Park.

One week from this afternoon, George Marshall and his Washington Indians will make their first appearance at Fenway Park since 1936, when they made the playoffs for the first time in five tries. But, in the past seven years, the Redskins have been in the money series four times and won the league playoff from the Chicago Bears in 1937 and again in 1942. But, that 73 to 0 shellacking his Redskins received from the Bears is still a touchy subject to refer to in George Marshall's presence.

Although it has been eight years since National Football League clubs have played here, the oldtime fans still remember how Bill Hewitt "worked" on the Redskins, while he was playing for the Chicago Bears and Philadelphia. Hewitt, who starred at Michigan before entering the pro ranks, was rated by the experts as the craftiest end in the game. There was nothing he couldn't do and do well and it was a treat to watch him decoy the defense while building up a play.

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PUNTS, PASSES AND FUMBLES

Walter Dubzinski, for whom Owner Ted Collins paid the New York Giants a pretty penny, was a fullback when he entered Boston College in the fall of 1937 but he was converted into a centre. For two seasons, Wally battled Chet Gladchuk at The Heights. Gladchuk went with the Giants in '42 and Dubzinski played for Coach Steve Owen last fall. And, Walter Dubzinski and Chet Gladchuk have always been a credit to B. C. both on and off the aridiron.

Back in the early '20s, a mere fifty dollars could get you a membership to the pro football circuit. But, today, a National Football League franchise costs a cool \$50,000. And, that ain't hay.

When Jim Crowley takes over the head coach's berth after the war. Tillie Manton will return to the job he was signed to held, scout. It will be his duty to tour the country for gridiron talent but not necessarily the more highly publicized variety. Too many players, who seldom made the headlines in Metropolitan districts, have made the grade in pro football for any scout to pass up small colleges on a tour of duty. Take the case of Cliff Battles, the former Redskin star, who had starred at West Virginia Wesleyan for three years, without getting a tumble from any of the All-America selectors.

With the exception of Tom Keady, the veteran coach, we had never heard anyone mention Cliff Battles, until the Redskins signed him. Keady predicted before Battles even came here that George Marshall had signed one of the greatest backs he'd ever seen in action. And, Cliff Battles lived up to John Thomas Keady's advance notice. And, that same Mr. Keady is still one of the best judges of football ability in the country.

Johnny Del Isola, the Everett boy who made good at Fordham and then with the New York Giants, is a fine asset to the Yanks and Herb Kopf. Johnny is the Yanks' line coach and is very well qualified for that berth, He came to the Yanks from Dartmouth where he did a fine job developing linemen among the Indians of the North. Johnny is far from loquacious, preferring to allow the results of his coaching speak for him. He fits perfectly into the Yanks' coaching staff picture.

Another member of the Yanks staff, who is hiding his light under a barrel, is Trainer

PUNTS, PASSES AND FUMBLES

Jack Fadden. For years, Jack Fadden was at Harvard, working directly under Dr. Thomas K. Richards. But, when "T.K." pulled out of Cambridge, Jack went to Amherst as football trainer for Head Coach Lloyd Jordan. He made good immediately and was given a year-round job but the war stopped athletics at Amherst, making it possible for the Yanks to sign him.

Although the attendance at the Yanks-Eagles game exceeded expectations, the poor lighting detracted from the spectacle. Until lights are installed the Yanks will play no more night games at Fenway Park.

All of the National Football League clubs are in action today. Coach "Curly" Lambeau's Green Bay Packers are hosts to the Cardinal-Pittsburgh squad, the Redskins are tangling with"Greasy" Neale's Eagles in the City of Brotherly Love, Brooklyn is at Detroit and the Chicago Bears in Cleveland.

If Detroit had nosed out the St. Louis Browns for the American League pennant, today's game between the Lions and Tigers probably would have been transferred to Brooklyn.

Coach Steve Owen of the Giants is working on a defense to stop Johnny Grigas, the Chelsea boy, who starred at Holy Cross before he joined the Chicago-Pittsburgh club. In an exhibition game last Sunday in the Smoky City, Johnny put on a one man show and knocked off the Giants 17 to 16, scoring two touchdowns in the final quarter.

With three regularly scheduled games under their belts, the Green Bay Packers are going to be the club to beat for the Western Division title. One of their three wins was over the Chicago Bears.

The Washington Redskins and the Chicago Bears are without their star passers this season. "Slinging" Sammy Baugh, who pitched the Redskins to many victories, elected to remain out of football for the duration and Sid Luckman, the Bears' passer, who was selected as the most valuable player last season, is an ensign in the Navy.

Coach Herb Kopf will drive his Yanks at top speed this week. He realizes fully how much benefit professional football in general and his Yanks in particular would derive from a victory over George Marshall's Washington Redskins.



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N. E. AIDED FOUNDING NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

By BILL GRIMES

Twenty five years ago, products of New England gridirons assisted in the laying of the corner stone of professional football from which developed the National Football League.

Although there were pro grid clubs in various sections of the country a quarter of a century back, the "big money" was out in Ohio, at Canton, Akron and Massillon and up in the anthracite regions of Pennsylvania.

In those days, highly publicized college stars were in great demand. The promoters offered worthwhile inducements, \$150 to \$200 for linemen and \$250 to \$350 for backs, plus all expenses to and from the players' colleges. Naturally, the collegians played under assumed names.

After playing for their alma maters on Saturday, many players, and, yes, even college elevens, almost intact, quietly slipped out of town on trains bound for Canton, Akron, Massillon, Mahanoy City, Shamokin, Steelton and Tamaqua.

Among the New Englanders, who started the professional football enterprise rolling were Dan O'Connor, Mark Devlin, Bunny Corcoran, Tom Whalen, George "Bull" Lowe, Al Pierrotti, Babe Tonry, Charlie Brickley, Harry Dadmun, Cuddy Murphy, Guy Coggeswell, Johnny Gilroy, Ty Cobb, Lou Little and Tom Keady.

The Canton Bulldogs, with a backfield comprising Jim Thorpe, Joe Guyon, Pete Calac and Cecil Griggs, not to mention Dan O'Connor, Tom Whalen, Mark Devlin, Bull Lowe, Bunny Corcoran, Johnny Gilroy, Harry Dadmun and Fat Spears, was the outstanding club and the team that the other promoters scoured the country for talent to beat.

Tom Keady coached the Massillon Tigers and he had such stars as Ty Cobb, Waltham,

Babe Tonry, Al Pierrotti, Tuz McLaughry, Milt Ghee and Austie Tate on his regular pay roll. But, when the Tigers played the Canton Bulldogs, Coach Keady brought Knute Rockne and Gus Dorais down from Notre Dame and also had Tiny Thornhill and Jock Sutherland in his line up.

Until he accepted a part ownership of the club, Jim Thorpe received \$500 per game from the Canton Bull Dogs, while Joe Guyon was paid \$250 and full expenses from Atlanta, Ga. where he was attending Georgia Tech.

Cuddy Murphy and Guy Coggeswell played a couple of games for Akron before the Dartmouth authorities caught up with them. In their first game, Cuddy and Guy appeared on the field in green jerseys, against the advice of a well wisher, who went West on the same train with them. A week later, Akron was scheduled to play Canton. Murphy and Coggeswell knew that their coach Fat Spears was playing tackle for the Bull Dogs but they understood that he wasn't going to leave Hanover that week end. They were wrong. And, that mistake wound up their collegiate careers.

Charlie Brickley limited his participation in pro football as far as the Canton Bull Dogs was concerned to an exhibition of drop kicking against Jim Thorpe. However, Harvard Charlie did bring a body-guard with him in the form of the Boston College backfield.

Professional football has come a long way since our New England boys blazed the trail twenty five years ago. In those days, gambling on the outcome of the contests financed the game. Today, at least as it is played in the National Football League, the pro game is above reproach and is sponsored by a smooth and efficient organization of moneyed sportsmen.

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