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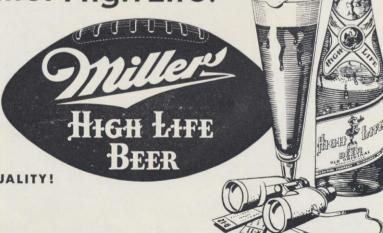


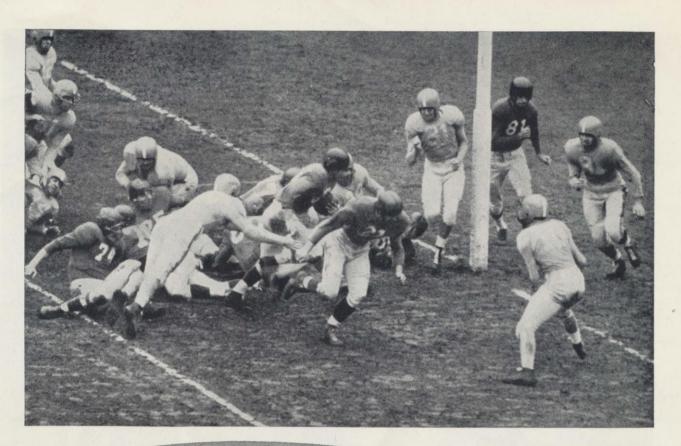
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GIANTS LOOK TO 1954

AS a season which has been disappointing to all of us closes, the New York Football Giants wish to thank their fans for continued loyalty and patronage.

If 1953 has been discouraging to the fans, it has been no less so to the Giant management and players. It takes just as much time and effort and expense to field a losing team as a winning team. Everyone connected with the organization has done his best. The result has been discouraging. It is useless to say that with a few breaks things might have been different.

But as Coach Steve Owen, winner of eight divisional and two world championships has said, "Football is like a monkey on a stick. When you are going up you always see somebody going down. And vice versa."

And the Giants, who were going down in 1953, may be up at the top next year. A comeback in 1954 is already launched with a wealth of T quarterbacking unapproached in quantity and quality by any team in the league available to the Giants.

Charlie Conerly, record holding veteran, is expected to return. So will Arnie Galiffa, heading for stardom in his first full season as a Giant. Don Heinrich of Washington, six-foot, 190 pounder who twice was champion passer of the NCAA, is expected out of the Army in time for training camp.

The Giants may complete a four ace hand with Jim (Slats) Gray, 6 foot 3, 200 pounds, who set an all-time intercollegiate record for touchdown passes at East Texas State.

To take fullest advantage of this tremendous fire power at quarterback, the chief goal of the Giants in the January draft will be speedy receiving ends. Lack of a deep driving end has been a vital weakness of the club through the 1953 season, after Bob McChesney's late retirement to remain with his family in California.

Other Giant targets in the draft will be backs and a place kicker. These are the urgent requirements. There is no need for a rebuilding job. Many of the rookies this season made splendid progress



COACH STEVE OWEN

and should be "old pros" next season, notably Buford Long, Rosie Brown, Ray Wietecha, Butch Avinger and Jack Stroud.

Also there are a number of players already drafted by the Giants who will report to training camp next summer. One of them is Ken McAfee, noted end at Alabama, now starring with the Quantico Marines. Two top backs are John Kastan of Boston U. and Jim Dillon of California, both previously selected. Kastan was the eighth best rusher in the nation in 1951 and the premier back in the Eastern Service League this year. Dillon was seen in the east in a two-touchdown performance against Penn.

Others are Ted Kukowski of Syracuse, Billy Shipp of Alabama, Joe Matesic of Arizona State, Bob Hengartner of Miami and Pat Flanagan of Marquette.

Kukowski is a 200-pound linebacker. Hengartner, six-five, 240 pounds, and Flanagan, 230-pound speedboy, are linemen coming out of service. Shipp is a 250-pound tackle. Matesic, an offensive tackle, weighs a mere 235.

Just a few more men in key spots and the Giants will be heading for a glorious comeback in 1954.

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TERRIFIC TANDEM: Price and Rote

COMPETITION against the best often brings out hidden resources in an athlete. In college football in 1949 the best was Notre Dame. Eddie Price was a senior at Tulane, Kyle Rote a junior at SMU.

Most football fans remember the spectacular game Rote played against the Irish that year. Notre Dame had been unbeaten for four years. With Doak Walker hurt, the Mustangs didn't have a chance. But they had Rote.

Unknown until then because of the brilliant Walker, Rote ran, passed, caught passes, returned kickoffs and punts and scored three touchdowns. One newspaper man wrote "in a rare display of football virtuosity, he seemed to stand single-handed against one of the renowned teams of all time." Mighty Notre Dame won the game, but barely. Rote's performance was voted the outstanding athletic feat by a Texan in this century.

Earlier that same season, Eddie Price's Tulane team had come up against Notre Dame. Tulane wasn't expected to win either but with a back like Price the Tulane fans were hoping.

However, Price had been hurt. Two games before he had sprained an ankle and then, coming back too soon, he had reinjured it the previous Saturday. His injury was kept secret. At practices before the game Price would stand in uniform talking to team managers at the sideline. He could barely stand, could not run at all.

The day of the game Price could use his ankle pretty well but the pain was intense. The foot and ankle were shot in four places with novocaine because, without Price in the lineup at least as a decoy, Tulane would have been helpless.

Price didn't help much, for Tulane was overwhelmed by the Irish. But he kept trying all afternoon to run with the ball. He felt like he had no foot at all and was running on the stump of his leg. In the press box reporters were saying, "That fellow Price isn't so hot, is he?"

Price has since gone on to prove that he is pretty "hot" after all. For three years he has been the most feared ball carrier in the league, gaining more yardage than any other back. Though small for a fullback he has been extremely durable and holds a league record, 271, for most carries in a season.

Price and Rote are roommates in training camp and on road trips, and together with their respective families, are inseparable during the season. Each is the other's best rooter.

Rote always has been a superlative athlete. He hit well over .300 in a brief whirl at minor league baseball two years ago. A right-handed hitter, he played catcher, first base and the outfield. He is



Eddie Price and Kyle Rote

also a golfer of prominence. Once in a celebrity tournament he shot 75-70. Only Cary Middlecoff beat the 70.

Rote was never injured at SMU but in his fifth game with the Giants he tore a knee cartilege so severely that he missed the rest of the 1951 season. An off-season operation further weakened the knee and when 1952 began Kyle had lost confidence in himself and his leg.

But his teammates admired the way he worked getting himself in shape. Hour after hour he walked up and down the bleacher steps. He hired a bicycle from a little boy and rode it all around the St. Peter, Minn., training camp. When the Giants opened the season against the Texans in Rote's beloved Cotton Bowl, Kyle carried the ball for one play and ran 52 yards for a touchdown.

So well do Rote and Price complement each other with their running that they seem created just for that purpose. In addition Rote is one of the best pass catchers in the game. Price is second to him among the Giants and is the team's most effective blocking back.

Price's blocking ability is the result of long and tortuous hours. He couldn't block at all when he came to the Giants and once, practically in tears because of his failure, asked backfield coach Al Sherman to send him home because "I can never learn to block in your league."

In the off season Rote directs an insurance agency in San Antonio, his home town, while Price has a TV show in New Orleans. Both are married. Eddie and Joyce Price have three children, the oldest a first grader. Kyle and Betty Rote have two, Garry who is less than two months old, and Kyle Jr., a three-year-old blond known as "Rookie."

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Meet the Giants

Charley Conerly (42), winding up his sixth season as quarterback and passer-in-chief of the Giants, has established a glowing reputation as a clutch performer. Through the game with the Eagles two weeks ago, he had fired a total of 80 touchdown passes for the Men of Mara. A collegiate record-breaker at Ole Miss, Chuckin' Charley has completely rewritten the passing section of the Giant record book and has earned several listings in the NFL guide.

Arnie Weinmeister (73) is generally recognized as football's greatest tackle. The 235-pound graduate of Washington, amazingly fast for his bulk, ranges from sideline to sideline and far downfield to plague opposing passers, kickers and ball-carriers. He's a defensive triple threat: you can't run over him, you can't run around him and you can't fool him. Besides anchoring Steve Owen's line, Arnie calls defensive signals for the Giants.

Tom Landry (49), has been a sturdy spoke in the famed umbrella secondary defense of the Giants for four seasons. The strong-jawed Texan, who performs equally well at safety or halfback, is a decisive tackler and a vigilant, farranging pass-defender. One of the most versatile members of the Giants, he also does the team's punting, spots the ball on extra points and field goals and serves as standby offensive quarterback.

John Cannady (52), a big, friendly guy from Charleston, S. C., who played his college football at Indiana under the late Bo McMillin, has been helping opposing ball-carriers to their feet at the Polo Grounds for the past six seasons. Most of them needed help getting up, for they had been smacked down by Big John—and when he smacks 'em, they stay smacked. There isn't a better line-backer in the business.

Joe Sulaitis (21), one of the few players ever to make the grade in pro football without the benefit of college experience, is the senior Giant in point of service. The Jersey Jolter is rounding out his tenth campaign at the Polo Grounds. You never know where Joe is going to bob up in the line-up. He's played every position on the team, including quarterback. This year he is supplying stalwart service to the defensive unit at right end.

Jack Stroud (66), Tennessee's captain in 1950, came to the Giants this season after a two-year hitch in the Army. A tackle in college, Jack was converted to an offensive guard and has done a good enough job in the new position to warrant confidence that he will become one of the league's best blockers when he acquires more experience. He's a hard-hitting 215-pounder who has enough speed to get out ahead of the ball-carriers on wide plays.



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Jack Stroud

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DETROIT LIONS—LINE UP

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DEFENSE

L. E.	L. T.	M. G		R. T.	R. E.	
Hart (82)	McGraw (7	3) Bingaman		Miller (74)	Cain (88)	
L. H.	L. L. B.	SAFETY	SAFETY	R. L. B.	R. H.	
David (25)	Schmidt (56)	Christiansen (24)	Lary (28)	Torgeson (53)	Smith (40)	

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22	Layne, Bobby		190	6:01	26	Texas 6	
23	Girard, Earl		175	5:11	26	Wisconsin 6	
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25	David, James		175	5:10	25	Colorado A. and M. 2	OFFICI
26	Gedman, Gene		195	5:11	21	Indiana 1	
28	Lary, Yale		180	6:00	23	Texas A, and M. 2	
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33	Cline, Ollie	FB	200	6:01	26	Ohio State 6	Thomas Timlin (35),
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63	Stanfel, Dick		230	6:03	26	San Francisco 2	James Hamer (49), Calif
65	Bingaman, Les	G	295	6:03	27	Illinois 6	
66	Sewell, Harley	G	220	6:01	22	Texas 1	Field Ju
73	McGraw, Thurman	T	235	6:05	26	Colorado A. and M. 4	Warren Knight (33)
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76	Creekmur, Lou	T	250	6:04	26	William and Mary 4	
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83	Doran, Jim		195	6:01	25	Iowa State 3	Walker (37).
85	Gandee, Sherwin		210	6:01	24	Ohio State 2	PAT and FG—Walker
87	Dibble, Dorne		200	6:02	24	Michigan State 2	Kick-Offs-Martin (62)
88	Cain Iamas		200	6.04	95	Alabama	Kick-Ons-Martin (02)

LION STAFF-Raymond (Buddy) Parker, Centenary, head coach; George Wilson, Northwestern, Aldo Forte, Montana State, Garrard Ramsey, W. and M., and Russ Thomas, Ohio State, assistant coaches; M. Grant Faster, trainer; Dr. Richard A. Thompson, physician; Roy Macklem, equipment manager.

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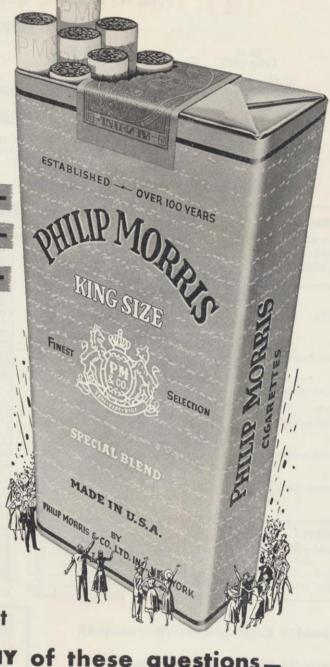
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While the Lions do not lead the NFL in any major statistical department, it is significant of their balance that they show to good advantage in each important phase of the game. On offense, they pack a sharp sting on the ground and in the air. On defense, they yield ground grudgingly alow and aloft.

On a roster that abounds in "name" stars, Bobby Layne (22), Bob Hoernschemeyer (14), Doak Walker (37), Leon Hart (82), Cloyce Box (80), Les Bingaman (65), Lou Creekmur (76) and Thurman McGraw (73) are recognized as outstanding performers.

Layne, at quarterback, not only gives the Lions firm direction and pinpoint passing but is one of his team's chief running threats. The blond Texan puts a heavy burden on the defense with his skilled execution of the "option" play.

Hoernschemeyer, strong, fast and durable, is one of football's most dynamic ball-carriers, and Walker, who does everything well, has a glowing reputation as a clutch player. The Doaker runs, kicks, passes, catches passes and boots placements with deadly effect. A talented rookie fullback, Gene Gedman (26), complements these tried-and-true veterans in Detroit's offensive backfield.

Box, swift, elusive and surehanded, is a pass-catching genius who led the league in 1952 with 15 touchdown receptions. The monstrous Hart, a Notre Dame im-



BOBBY LAYNE

mortal, is a devastating two-way end who runs more like a pony halfback than a 260-pounder.

The 295-pound Bingaman, at middle guard, and the slashing 235-pound McGraw, at left tackle, are the kingpins of a rugged defensive line, while the 250-pound Creekmur is a key blocker for the offensive forward wall at left tackle. The Lions also have two brilliant rookies up front, huge Charley Ane (50), who plays offensive center, and Harley Sewell (66), a crack running guard.

Statistical Comparison of Today's Rivals

TEAM STATISTICS			
	Giants	Lions	
Won-Lost Record	3-8	9-2	
Points scored	163	244	
Points yielded	250	189	
First downs made	148	190	
First downs yielded	173	176	
Total yards gained	2,492	3,277	
Total yards yielded	3,387	3,604	
Yards gained, rushing	986	1,665	
Yards yielded, rushing	1,213	1,517	
Passes attempted	310	288	
Passes completed	138	127	
Yards gained, passing	1,506	1,939	
Passes had intercepted	29	25	
Passes attempted against	430	319	
Passes completed against	156	139	
Yards yielded, passing	2,174	1,760	
Passes intercepted by	21	33	
Ball lost, fumbles	9	15	
Opponents' fumbles recovered	14	15	
Yards lost, penalties	386	372	

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Lions won 7; Giants won 3; one tie. Points: Lions 222, Giants 118.

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Hoernschemeyer (14), Lions		90	432	4.8
Layne (22), Lions		82	339	4.1
Walker (37), Lions		61	267	4.4
Gedman (26), Lions		73	232	3.2
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Rote (44), Giants	. 6	0	0	36
Clay (12), Giants	. 1	2	18	30
Walker (37), Lions	. 3	12	24	78
Hoernschemeyer (14), Lions	. 9	0	0	54
Hart (82), Lions	. 6	0	0	36



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TUNNELL: Secret Weapon of the Giants

RECORDS for durability are seldom noted by football fans. Few were impressed two years ago when Eddie Price set one for most times carried the ball in one season, 271. But other football players shake their heads admiringly. Said Frank Gifford, for instance, "I carried the ball only



Em sparkles in the open field

38 times and after every game I was so tired I could hardly walk."

Last Sunday Em Tunnell returned 3 punts a distance of 19 yards, bringing his season total of punts returned to 37. This is a new league record, beating Tunnell's own mark of 34 which he set in 1951.

Tunnell has returned the 37 punts 216 yards, averaging almost six yards a clip. But none of these figures is as impressive as the amount of punishment he has taken the many times he has been smashed down by onrushing linemen before he has taken a step or the fact that he has not fumbled a single time.

Coach Steve Owen is frequently asked why a runner of Tunnell's ability is not used on offense. "Because he can gain more ground for us on defense," Steve always answers.

The statistics bear this out. Last season the league's leading ground gainer was Dan Towler. His total yardage was 894. Tunnell, meanwhile, returned 7 interceptions for 149 yards, 30 punts for 411 yards



EM TUNNELL

and 15 kickoffs for 364 yards. That's a total of 924 yards, 30 ahead of Towler.

Tunnell is running behind that total this season, though not by much. With one game still to play he has returned 4 interceptions 58 yards, 37 punts 216 yards and 15 kickoffs 443 yards. That adds up to 717 yards.

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GIANT JOTTINGS

FTER today's game, 35 Giant players will be returning to their homes in 22 states. Texas will claim the most, four, all of them backs. They are Tom Landry, Randy Clay, Don Menasco and Kyle Rote. California gets three, Frank Gifford, Joe Ramona and Bob Peviani, as does Florida, which is home to Cutter Long, Dewayne Douglas and Dick Yelvington. Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Washington, D. C., each call two players "citizen." Arnie Weinmeister in Seattle, and Long in Lake Wales, Florida, live farthest apart; Ray Wietecha and Merv Hodel, both of whom live in the Chicago area, live closest together. None of the players is a native New Yorker.

Hal Mitchell, starting offensive tackle last year, together with other members of the Fort Lee football team, watched the Giant-Eagle game two weeks ago as guests of the management.

Leo Miles, defensive halfback, returned to the active player list last week. He tore knee ligaments against the Rams in September. It was a severe tear which healed slowly. Miles, though available, may not see much service today. Great things had been expected of Leo, an exceptionally fast 200 pounder. He had a fine exhibition season and in the league opener with the Rams, caught Dan Towler from behind to prevent a sure touchdown. Miles should return as sound as ever next season.

Arnie Galiffa has been making splendid progress since his back injury on November 8th. He has been taking light workouts for some time now and even has been taking his turn in passing drills.

This season 13 rookies made the Giant squad. In 1937 the Giants had 18 rookies, including Kavo Lunday, Ward Cuff, Jim Poole, Jim Lee Howell, Will Walls, Chuck Gelatka, Pete Cole, Orville Tuttle, Ox Parry, Ed Widseth and Tarzan White. That year Tuffy Leemans and Hank Soar were second year men. The Giants won the world title in 1938 and the division title in 1939 and 1941, before that squad was broken up by the war.

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SCOUTING AROUND With Jack Lavelle

I HAVE a lot of respect for this Detroit team....
It should be a whale of a battle when the Lions and Browns get together in the championship play-off, which is how things look now from here....However, in this league, no team is ever safe.... The Lions had a real squeaker against the Bears last Sunday.... The score was 13-7, with Detroit shut out and the Bears coming on in the second half.

There was a good reason for the Bears coming on...George Halas assembled his team on the field before the second half kick-off and gave the darnedest pep talk I've ever heard...After this oration the Bears were tigers and the Lions were lucky to get out of the jungle alive...Even Clark Shaughnessy was moved...He dropped about 250 of his charted play variations and forget all about them until the game was over.

Looking over my notes on the Lions, here are a few items that might interest you.... Lary and Christiansen who play the deep defensive positions for Detroit cover more ground than Willie Mays and Jim Piersall.... How do you handle a guy who's fast, nifty and 275 pounds like Hart?... There isn't a stronger middle guard in the league than Bingaman.

I'd say that Hoernschemeyer is the key to Detroit's attack.... When he's going good, the Lions really roar.
... They're running
Hunchy from fullback
quite a lot these days
with young Gedman
at right half... Ah,
that Gedman! He's a
good one, too. . .
You'll get a real show
from Doak Walker.
... He surprises you



every time he handles the ball. . . . You never know what he's going to do. . . . He runs, passes, catches passes, place-kicks and, believe it or not, blocks.

Bobby Layne is another real solid pro and, like Walker, he's hard to figure out.... Sometimes I think he takes a perverse delight in being rushed hard on a pass play.... It gives him an extra chance to carry the ball.... Creekmur and McGraw could be the best offensive-defensive tackle tandem in the league.

THIS WEEKEND'S SELECTIONS: Los Angeles over Green Bay (they played this one yesterday afternoon but if I was really cheating I'd have the score down, too). San Francisco over Baltimore. Bears over Cardinals (this could go the other way; the poor old Cards have a lot of percentages running for them). Cleveland over Philadelphia. Pittsburgh over Washington.

(Super-Scout Jack Lavelle has filed his confidential report in this space every week and hopes to do the same next year.)

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Home Town	Visiting Town	Home Team	Visiting Team
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NATIONAL LEA	GUE LEADERS	NATIONAL LEAG	GUE STANDINGS

RUSHING

1. Perry, San Fran	ncisco	175 for 910 yds.
2. Towler, Los An	geles	142 for 795 yds.
3. Quinlan, Los A	ngeles	94 for 680 yds.
	PASSING	
1. Graham, Clevela	and15	2 of 234 for 2,481 yds.
2. Van Brocklin, I	os Angeles14	2 of 260 for 2,198 yds.
3. Tittle, San Fran	cisco12	0 of 215 for 1,750 yds.
	PASS-RECEIVING	
1. Pihos, Philadelr	ohia	58 for 969 yds.
2. Nickel, Pittsbu	rgh	56 for 679 yds.
3. Stonesifer, Card	inals	53 for 669 yds.
	SCORING	
1. Groza, Clevelan	d	99 pts.
2. Soltan, San Fran	ncisco	99 pts. 93 pts.
3. Walker, Detroit		78 pts.

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Cleveland	11	0	0	1.000	321	120
Philadelphia	6	4	1	.600	310	188
Washington	6	4	1	.600	195	201
Pittsburgh	5	6	0	.545	197	250
NEW YORK	3	8	0	.273	163	250
Chicago Cards	0	10	1	.000	166	320
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Detroit	9	2	0	.818	244	189
San Francisco	8	3	0	.727	327	223
Los Angeles	7	3	1.	.700	333	219
Chicago Bears	3	7	1	.300	201	238
		0	0	.273	168	
Baltimore	3	8	U	.410	100	305

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