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1939 DODGER PROSPECTS

WITHOUT seeming too optimistic, we think we can safely predict that this year's Dodgers will be the best in the club's entire history. With a nucleus of experienced veterans to build around, Coach Potsy Clark has completed his roster by plucking some of the best available material from last year's college ranks.

In Ace Parker, Clark has the best passer in pro football today and statistics will bear this out. Last season Ace collected a total of 865 yards through the air against 848 for Ed Danowski of the Giants and 853 for Slingin' Sammy Baugh of the Washington Redskins who is supposedly the best tosser in the league. Just to clinch the argument let us remind you further that only 7 of Parker's passes were intercepted against 8 of Danowski's and 11 of Baugh's.

Ralp Kercheval, of course, heads the Dodger kicking department. Ralph just loves to split those goal posts with one of his booming field goals from far out. He's kicked his mates out of plenty of tough spots with his coffin-corner thrusts and Potsy thinks he can handle the booting end with little trouble.

Besides Parker and Kercheval the roster is stacked with plenty of other tried material such as Beattie Feathers, the sensational ball carrier, Boyd Brumbaugh, Perry Schwartz, Louis Marks and Bruiser Kinard, around whom the line is built.

Clark reaped the cream of last year's college crop. He originally had twenty-three new men, eleven of them captains last year of their college teams. Ray Carnelly, Carnegie Tech's sensation last season—the perfect player—and Waddie Young, Oklahoma's All-American end, are the best of this year's freshman squad. Then there's Pug Manders, brother of the famous Jack, and a first-flight fullback in his own right. Add to these several more of last year's college greats and you have the neatest group of newcomers in the entire circuit.

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FINAL 1938 TEAM COMPARATIVE CHART OF PERFORMANCES

	WESTERN DIVISION						EASTERN DIVISION				
	Green Bay	De- troit	Bears	Cleve- land	Cards	New York	Wash- ington		Phila- delphia		
Number of games	11	11.	11	11	11	11	11	-11	11	11	
First downs	134	129	141	101	121	132	147	96	86	103	
Yards gained rushing	1,571	1,893	1,686	798	1,149	1,550	1,424	1,212	1,011	1,414	
Yards forward passing	1,466	747	1,222	1,363	1,340	1,142	1,536	992	917	916	
Yards laterals	0	0	71	92	23	0	26	27	-1	28	
Total yards gained	3,037	2,640	2,979	2,253	2,512	2,692	2,986	2,231	1,927	2,358	
Forward passes	210	148	197	245	240	186	248	171	191	194	
Forwards completed	91	49	72	88	114	91	114	69	64	72	
Pass interceptions	22	23	24	23	18	34	19	28	16	14	
Number laterals	1	0	29	11	11	0	1	7	1	6	
Laterals completed	1	0	25	0	8	0	1	.5	1	6	
Average distance punts	42	39	40	44	40	41	41	46	40	.39	
Yards, runback punts	300	280	293	317	178	626	427	423	373	512	
Yards penalized	250	345	350	195	286	233	410	332	220	225	
Fumbles	18	18	56	23	34	23	4.5	24	13	14	
Opponents fumbles recovered.	12	13	14	16	10	14	9	9	17	8	
Touchdown runs	10	11	14	9	11	16	11	10	7	6	
Touchdown passes	20	3	12	9	4	10	9	6	15	5	
Points after touchdowns	28	12	22	14	12	21	1.3	12	19	10	
Field goals tried	14	10	11	4	8	11	12	15	9	6	
Field goals made	5	7	4	3	3	5	5	7	1	1	
Opponents' gains	2,594	2,199	2,187	3,020	2,558	2,029	2,174	2,958	3,270	2,626	
Opponents' passes	232	205	190	172	182	226	195	246	197	185	
Opponents' passes completed	92	77	76	77	80	77	69	105	97	74	
Total points scored	223	119	194	131	111	194	148	131	154	79	
Opponents' points	118	108	148	215	168	79	154	161	164	169	

Safeties were scored by Chicago Bears (2), Detroit, New York and Brooklyn.

JERRY DOWD



Jerry, 205 pound center from St. Mary's had the best punting average in the country last season among the college stars. He averaged 44 yards per boot. Jerry starred for three years for the Galloping Gaels under Slip Madigan. Madigan used to pull him out of the line to handle the Gaels' punting assignments. Jerry was a member of this year's Western All-Stars and makes his home in San Francisco.





The BROOKLYN DODGERS

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CLEVELAND RAMS

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Wednesday Night, September 20th

PROBABLE PITTSBURGH PIRATES LINE-UP

Boyd	Midler	Gentry	Tosi	Perko	Niccolai	Scherer
42	23	18	64	39	17	24
Left End	Left Tackle	Left Guard	Center	Right Guard	Right Tackle	Right End

Bond 55 Quarterback

McCullough	Francis	Nardi		
25	50	10		
Left Halfback	Fullback	Right Halfback		

PITTSBURGH PIRATES FOOTBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Weight	Height	College	Years Pro.
10	Nardi, Dick	. H.B.	195	5:11	Ohio U.	0
11	Grabinski, Ted	. C.	195	6:3	Duquesne U.	0
12	Davidson, Bill	H.B.	180	6:0	Temple U.	2
14	Kakasic, George	. G.	205	6:0	Duquesne U.	3
15	Wheeler, Ernie	H.B.	185	6:1	No. Dakota Aggies	2 3 0 0 5 2 3
16	Lee, Jack		210	6:0	Carnegie Tech.	0
17	Niccolai, Armand		235	6:3	Duquesne U.	5
18	Gentry, Byron		225	6:0	U. S. C.	2
19	Fiske, Max	E.	205	6:0	De Paul U.	3
20	Sortet, Wilbur	. E.	190	6:1	West Virginia U.	6
21	Tomasetti, Lou	H.B.	190	6:0	Bucknell U.	0
22	Maras, Joe		210	6:1	Duquesne U.	0
23	Midler, Lou		225	6:3	Minnesota U.	0
24	Scherer, Bernie	. E.	195	6:1	Nebraska U.	0
25	McCullough, Hugh	H.B.	190	6:0	Oklahoma U.	0
26	Littlefield, Carl	. F.B.	205	5:11	Washington State	0
27	Williams, Joe		178	5:9	Ohio State	0
28	Doyle, Ted	. G.	220	6:1	Nebraska U.	1
29	Campbell, Don		235	6:0	Carnegie Tech.	0
30	Tomerson, Clarence		195	6:2	Wisconsin U.	0
33	Platukis, George E		185	6:0	Duquesne U.	0
35	Schuelke, Carl		201	5:10	Wisconsin U.	0
36	Karp, Edwin	T.	220	6:3	Catholic U.	4
39	Perko, John		210	6:0	Duquesne U.	2
40	Farrar, Vince	G.	195	5:11	North Carolina State	0
42	Boyd, Sam	E.	210	6:3	Baylor U.	0
44	Bartlett, Earl	H.B.	200	6:0	Center U.	0
45	Pavkov, Stonko		215	6:1	Idaho U.	0
47	Souchak, Frank	1	190	6:0	Pittsburgh U.	0
50	Francis, Sam		205	6:0	Nebraska U.	1
53	Masters, Bob		200	6:0	Baylor U.	0
55	Bond, Rink		200	6:0	Washington U.	.0
64	Tosi, John		225	5:10	Niagara U.	0

Head Coach—John Blood Assistant Coach—Walter Kiesling Team Colors—Gold and Black

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Field Judge—R. S. Lynch (Brown)



PROBABLE BROOKLYN DODGERS LINE-UP

Kinard Sivell Merlin Mark Disend Schwartz 14 25 29 12 27 99 Left End Left Tackle Left Guard Center Right Guard Right Tackle Right End

> Brumbaugh 18 Quarterback

Manders Gutowsky Feathers
9 11 48
Left Halfback Fullback Right Halfback

BROOKLYN DODGERS FOOTBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Weight	Height	College	Years Pro.
0	Reissig, William	. E.	195	6:0	Ft. Hays, Kansas State	0
1	Kercheval, Ralph		193	6:1	Kentucky University	5
2	Carnelly, Ray		190	6:2	Carnegie Tech.	0
3	Janiak, Len		195	6:1	Ohio University	0
4	Leckonby, William		185	6:0	St. Lawrence	0
5	Kosel, Stan	H.B.	190	5:11	Albright	1
6	Young, Waddie		205	6:3	Oklahoma University	0
7	Parker, Ace	. Q.B.	168	5:11	Duke	2
8	Brumbaugh, Boyd		195	5:11	Duquesne	1
9	Manders, Pug		210	6:0	Drake	0
10	Lenc, George		198	6:3	Augustana	0
11	Gutowsky, Ace		205	6:0	Oklahoma City	7
12	Mark, Louis	. C.	195	5:11	North Carolina State	7
13	Hodges, Herman		195	6:2	Howard (Ala.)	0
14	Hill, Harold	E.	200	6:134	Howard (Ala.)	1
15	Kaplanoff, Carl		235	6:0	Ohio State	0
16	Lane, Leslie		205	6:3	South Dakota University	0
17	Golemgeske, John	. T.	225	6:2	Wisconsin	2
18	Heikkinen, Ralph	. G.	180	5:10	Michigan	0
19	Haak, Robert		245	6:1	Indiana	0
20	Farrell, Scrapper		205	5:81/4	Muhlenberg	1.
21	Ratica, Joe	. C.	205	6:0	St. Vincent	0
22	Folk, Richard	. H.B.	200	6:0	Illinois Wesleyan	0
24	Humphrey, Paul		195	6:0	Purdue	0
2.5	Kinard, Bruiser	. T.	210	6:1	Mississippi	1
26	Zarnas, Gust		212	5:11	Ohio State	1
27	Disend, Leo	T.	224	6:1	Albright	1
28	Sivell, James	. G.	200	5:8	Auburn	1
29	Merlin, Edward		200	5:10	Vanderbilt	1
48	Feathers, Beattie	H.B.	185	5:10	Tennessee	5
66	Butcher, Wendell		200	6:136	Gustavus Adolphus	1
99	Schwartz, Perry		200	6:2	California	1
	Head Coach—George () Assist Coach—George () Trainer—Ray Sweeney	Potsy) (llark en		m Physician—Dr. Jerome Asch m Colors—Red and White	

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POTSY CLARK

Eight years ago when the National Football League was tossing aside its swaddling clothes and assuming adult proportions, Portsmouth, Ohio, reached out into the elite of the national football ranks and plucked George (Potsy) Clark as its head coach. Potsy is now entering upon his ninth year in the pro game's big circuit and only during the past two years while at Brooklyn have his teams failed to be in the thick of the championship race right up to the final game. Last year the Dodgers came close, but were knocked out of the running in the final seconds of their game with the Giants.

For Potsy's three years at Portsmouth his teams wound up in the runner-up spot. Then he took his team to Detroit and after winning 10 straight, he finished in the same position in 1934. But the following year Potsy hit the jackpot and landed the division championship itself. Clark is one of the league's cornerstones, sharing honors with George Halas, owner of the Chicago Bears, Curly Lambeau, coach of the Green Bay Packers and Steve Owen, coach of the championship Giants.

Tousle-haired Potsy was a real behemoth during his college playing days on the gridiron. He was Bob Zuppke's pride and joy at the University of Illinois where he quarterbacked the 1914 and 1915 Illini teams which Bob declares were the best he ever coached—and Bob has coached plenty. Potsy was quarterback of the championship AEF team during the World War. Later he went on to master-mind at Kansas University and Butler before he joined the National Football League.

Potsy is often called a coach's coach because in addition to the lore of the game, the wile and guile and strategem, he injects that certain something into his teachings that make his men superior players. He's a hard driver of men when he thinks they can take it and this season he's had his charges up at 6 in the morning, working them all day until 8 at night. Potsy believes that this year's squad is just about the roughest and hardest he's ever handled and is perfectly adaptable to his tactics.

Though his stay at Brooklyn has been beset with every kind of tough luck he still has faith in his ability to give Brooklyn a winner and he thinks that this year will be the one.

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JOE RATICA

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Nov. 23 (Thanksgiving Day) New York Giants at Brooklyn

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AT HOME:

Sept. 14 Pittsburgh Pirates (nite)

Sept. 20-Cleveland Rams (nite)

Oct. 22-Philadelphia Eagles

Oct. 29 New York Giants

Nov. 12-Washington Redskins

Nov. 19-Green Bay Packers

ABROAD:

Sept. 24 Detroit Lions

Oct. 1-Philadelphia Eagles

Oct. 8-Washington Redskins

Nov. 5-Pittsburgh Pirates

Nov. 26 New York Giants

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	EASTERN DIVISION Opp.							WESTERN DIVISION							
	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Points	Points		Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Points	Points		
New York	8	2	1	.800	194	79	Green Bay	8	3	0	_727	223	118		
Washington	6	3	2	.666	148	154	Detroit	7	4	0	.636	119	108		
Brooklyn	4	4	3	.500	131	161	Chicago Bears.	6	5	0	.545	194	148		
Philadelphia	5	6	0	.455	154	164	Cleveland	4	7	0	.364	131	215		
Pittsburgh	2	9	0	.182	79	169	Chicago Cards.	2	9	0	.182	111	168		

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