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BOYS ON EDGE FOR GRID CLASSICS ON THURSDAY

The annual THANKSGIVING DAY FOOTBALL CLASSICS this year will climax the biggest and best football season the N.B.C. has ever had. More than 200 games have been played since the start of this season on the gridirons at Paul Revere Park and the peak of the schedule will be reached on Thursday with sixteen (16) games on the card. As early as 8:00 A.M. six teams will clash in the wake of the morning with all the pep and enthusiasm that has marked our successful program of football this fall. Every hour six different teams will take over the fields in a battle with their closest opponents, and in four of the six leagues the top game of the morning will no doubt decide the championship. That's the kind of a race it's been - nip and tuck with underdogs never conceding a thing.

Teams have been holding special and secret practice sessions and will definitely be putting forth their best efforts to win that one BIG GAME of the year, and if fortunate enough to have dry fields to play on, you can be sure that their plays will be clicking to perfection. From the Baby to the Senior League you'll see fast, hard charging backs ripping through the line from the famous "T" position. Regardless of team standings, whether they are on the top or the bottom of the league, these games are the most important of the grid season, for a victory on that day will even make last record successful for every kid on the team.

As usual a public address system will be used to announce the starting lineups as well as the scores and highlights of the various games. College music will blast forth during the quarters and halves, and to top off the morning on the colorful side, 16 teams will be sporting new jerseys. That's the kind of spirit that's in evidence for this big event. Even the U.S. Army will be playing to make this feature morning of football, "tops". They will furnish walk-and-talkie outfits to relay messages back and forth from the field of play to the broadcasting room, and the Signal Corps will be on hand to take pictures. The N.B.C. Alumni, back at full strength again after 6 months, will be present to lend a hand in officiating. Approximately 800 boys will be on the gridirons to give their "all" for the team they are proud of, and you can be sure that every one on every team will live up to the N.B.C. battle cry motto -- "Fight To Win".

A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO THE ALL PLAYERS. Everything possible has been done to make this the best athletic event for you to take part in, and now it's up to all of you to do your utmost to win that all important game! Every boy should be ready to play at least 1/2 hour before the scheduled starting time so the lineups may be announced over the loud speaker system. The games will be played whether it snows or rains and no matter how cold it is. You should invite your parents and friends to attend your game. Before each game the Star Spangled Banner will be played and all the boys should stand at attention holding their helmets. Immediately after the National Anthem the whistle will start the games. After each game the players will be served hot drinks in the basement of the fieldhouse.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE DAY:

8:00 A.M.

NO. 1 GRIDIRON - TROJANS VS CUBS * This game will in all probability decide the Frosh champions. In their previous four encounters the Cubs have won two and tied one, while the Trojans just last Saturday whipped the Cubs 6 to 0 for their first setback of the season. This game will be a battle of great lines. The Trojans' line is led by Burt Tompkins and the "Blonde Bomber" Ralph Mueller at guards, Art Schalk, and Rich Grace at tackles, and Jack Walter at end. The backfield consists of Al Barkow, Dick Freeman, Ron Kushner, and Jim Smith. Kushner has scored four touchdowns in the past few games, and Jim Smith is a very hard driving back. The outstanding Cub linemen are Chuck Gottmann, Don Schoon, Henry Reitz, Dan Schlatterer, and Roy Brown. The backfield

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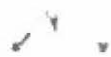
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15 BIG GAMES

KICK OFF AT
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3 GAMES EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR



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8:00 A.M.

2 GRIDIRON - TROJANS VS CUBS - works off the T with Ray Wolf at quarter-back and "Hibb" Reibel and Don Dieckrich at halfbacks. Jerry Baumhart operates at fullback and is the best kicker and passer in the league. The Cubs are coached by "Sparky" Adam who says they have a surprise which will break up the Trojan offense. This game will be worth getting up early for.

2 GRIDIRON - SPIDERS VS COBRAS - The Spiders still can win the football championship and even if on the team is pointing towards that goal. Recently they have been beating all of their opponents by a splendid passing attack from the arm on Ron Saizer. Bob Evans is another fine back and their line is excellent from end to end. The Cobras don't look good in the won & lost column but they've got spirit and can whip any team in the league. Their star runners are Heinz and Russ McIn, and they also have a fine pass combination from Gessinger to Lippert and Lund. Dace and Ker in skill will make it plenty tough on the Spiders line crushers. The Cobras are also favored with an excellent coach in Jim Martin and he's sure to spring a real surprise against the favored Spider.

3 GRIDIRON - TERRIERS VS ROYAL AGES - This is the battle of champions! Having run over all opposition in their respective leagues these two teams will fight it out for the championship of the Big & Little Baby League. The Royals possess a fine passing combination in Michaels to Shred which is their main weapon, while the Terriers have several tricky reverses that leave their opponents baffled. Both teams have excellent defenses. The Royals defense is built around Michaels, Shreiner and Lombardo, while Folk, Wilson and Bert Anderson stand out in the Terriers defensive play. The Terriers are undefeated while the Royals have lost only once.

9:00 A.M.

1 GRIDIRON - WARRIORS VS LEATHERNECKS - The Warriors will enter this game as favorites to win due to their excellent backfield material. They possess the finest runner in the Frosh League in Jerry Hansen who drives very hard and is deceptive. Besides him they have Marsh Black, "Moose" Sembholz, Bob Roeder and Tom Heyd. In the line they have such stalwarts as Menzenberger, Rodger Sage and Kittler. The Warriors, however will probably be troubled a great deal by the passing of Ned Peterson who is likely to toss a game-winning touchdown whenever the Leathernecks are in scoring territory. Roy Paul, Ron Bishop and Norm Werner complete their backfield, while the line is led by Gene Jessick, George Bauer, Ray Donner and Vern Rosen. The Leathernecks have always been a good team when the chips are down so watch out Warriors!

2 GRIDIRON - ROBINS VS WINGS - The Robins have a small, but very fast backfield led by Capt. Bob Adams. Along with Adams they have Jim Golemis, Ken Hechler, and Gerry McElhany, who also does the passing. Their line mainstays are Carl Cascioppo, Don Brunner, Ron Uskali, and Chuck Verschoor. The Robins work off the T-formation. The Wings have an undependable team. Their backfield stars are Dave Abram, and Ed Dunn is a fine blocking back. Their backfield is rounded out by Russ Roushman and Ben Heinstra. They have a strong line led by Fred Kerner, Ed Schaefer, Ron Hoffmann, George Calhoun, and Ken Everson. The Wings have the potential power to lick any team in their division but always seem to lack the necessary spirit and cooperation to be a consistent winner. They've got all the material, but the Robins got the fight!

3 GRIDIRON - SPARKS VS TIGERS - This should prove to be one of the most evenly matched games of the day as both teams have almost identical records, and in their 3 previous matches each one possesses a 7 to 0 victory and a scoreless tie. Neither team has a potent offense but both have the spirit which makes their games interesting. The Sparks offense is built around Jimmy Hays and Don Dickover, while Jack Welter, Sandy Sorenson, and Harry Mann make most of the tackles. The Tigers Eddie Turnbull is the whole offense and Lenzie Newman usually makes about 90% of the tackles. The only advantage either team may have over the other will be the punting of Harry Mann of the Sparks. This game promises to be a low-scoring hard fought game.

10:00 A.M.

1 GRIDIRON - WILDCATS VS GREMLINS - Ever since these two teams have been playing each other it's always a battle, as several years ago they were combined as one group. The split left them friends but bitter opponents on the field of play. Thanksgiving is just another day that both teams feel they can make it miserable for the other. This year the Gremlins have one of the finest runners in the N.B.C. in "Hot" Lotts, Bandanza who is likely to break away for long runs during any part of the game. It usually takes several tacklers to bring him down. He is aided by the backfield by Richards, Harris and Don Olberg. Their line is good and studded with such stars as Cliff Kantor, McPhillamy, Durand and Carlson. The Wildcats recently acquired 5 of the former Raiders, Bob Mergens, Tom Mader and "Sparky" Adam in an attempt to give them new needed life. Their backfield stars are Ron Marwitz, Jim Schorn, Tom Mader and Bob Mergens, while their line is led by John Hemmer, Dick Schluenke, Dick Baker, Bob Lang and Adam. Who will win this clash?

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ALL DIVISIONS

10:00 A.M.

No. 2 GRIDIRON - SPARTANS VS ACES - This is the big game of the Prep League. The Spartans have a mathematical chance to win the championship but must do one job right, and that's whip the Aces. Up to this writing the Aces are undefeated with 15 victories and 2 ties and don't have any intentions of letting any team stop them, especially the Spartans. The Aces, coached by Joe Milligan, have a smooth-clicking backfield led by Ken Morrow, who is one of the leading scorers in the league. At fullback they have Marty Gemaldt and Eddie Erdl & Ed Palen alternate at right half. Marty Drake, the quarterback, handles the ball from the T formation and is a fine passer. Their line is sparked by Jack Morrow, Ray Mensinger, Bob Milligan and Gerry "odrow. Dave Leader and Ken Holm are also fine linemen. The Spartans have the classiest runner in the league in George Bartsch. He's the pride of Coach Jack Cronin and the envy of every other coach. Bill Connolly isn't heard from much but Bartsch and Jerry Fudala know he's around as he's always cutting down would-be tacklers with his fine blocks. The Spartans have also 2 huge guards, Dick Reddy and Ed Lioske. Rich Jonnich, Don Guiler, and Bruce Pearson fill up the center of the line. At the ends they have Don Leo and Bob Nilson. This'll be a dog fight from start to finish as the bitter rivals in every sport and more so in football!

No. 3 GRIDIRON - BUGGS VS ARMY - This game will involve a fight for second place. The Army has a touch of a running attack but they're practicing some tricky reverses to spring on the Buggs on Thursday. Little Joey Kalbe, Wilmore Wiley and Howie Juske do all their running and should give the Buggs plenty of trouble. Kenny Christensen and Tommy Souden do the running for the Buggs. Both are very capable and together should give the Buggs a better ground offense. On defense they may have the outstanding performer although "Little Joey" is one of the league's best fullbacks despite his size. The Buggs defense is built around Bert Baker, Leroy Tichy and the Kangaroo backs. A victory for either team will make their first year of football a success!

11:00 A.M.

No. 1 GRIDIRON - SEABEES VS NAVY - This is the feature game of the entire morning and the focus in the lips of every member in the Junior League soon to say "Will any team score against the Seabees?". The Seabees come into this game with a perfect slate; they have scored 227 points to none for their opponents and have won 10 straight games. In their previous meeting they whipped the Navy by three touchdowns. Their backfield, which works off the T and the wing, has Ed Robinson handling the ball at quarter-back, Bill Lindahl at right half, hard-driving Dick Schults at left-half, and little Sam Matsumoto at fullback. They can all pass and have two fine receivers in Fudala and Fiala. Their forward stone wall consists of Roe Olson, Al Brown, Ray Tolson, Bill Redell, Jack Jensen, Jim Martin, and Jack Cronin. The Navy has a steady line but been strengthened by the addition of George Dreyer and Arvy Kuller in the line. Considered the best line backer in the league, and Tom White and Tom Hanning are also fine defensive players. Their backfield is led by the aggressive Fred Stocsser. He can run and pass with the best of them, however Ray Crund does most of the passing. Joe Henniges and Jim Conardine will lead the Seabees' excellent backfield. The Navy must win to stay in the running. If they lose, the Seabees are the undefeated champions of the Junior League.

No. 2 GRIDIRON - ROCKETS VS DEMONS - This is the top game in the Prepper League. Nobody gave the Demons a chance at the start of the season, yet they lead the league and seem to be headed for their first championship. The Rockets, champions of 1943 & 44, will be their opponents fighting desperately to retain their title. The Demons possess the fastest backfield the Prepper League has ever seen. They should be called the four horsemen of H.D.C. Al Gregorek at Quarterback, Jim Slater at fullback, Jim Diebold at left half and Jerry Hader at right half are always streaking down the field on end runs, kick returns, etc. They don't pass much because they feel the other teams can't match their speed. Al Gregorek is their greatest defense man; he's constantly breaking up plays by knifing through the opponents line. Other fine defense men are Kramer, Kausch and Kaczmarek. Kaczmarek also does the place kicking and punting. The Rockets will depend upon the great running of Jimmy Black their fullback. Their star defense man will be Don Catanz and Mel Klack will do the kicking. In their previous 3 games each team won one and tied the other. The captain of the Rockets predicts a 7 to 0 victory. He also states the Demons are good but the Rockets are better!

No. 3 GRIDIRON - PIRATES VS MERCURIUS - This game promises to be a personal duel between two of the Baby League's best runners - Eddie Bertany of the Pirates and Billy Braun of the Mercurius. This game also has the added interest in as much as they will be fighting for second place. Both of these teams have had their "ups and downs" this season but feel pretty certain of a victory on that day. The Pirates are predicting a one-sided victory, and the Mercurius simply say "That's the one day that we're really going to win for sure". This will be an interesting game to watch for the many parents expected.

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12:00 NOON

NO. 1 GRIDIRON - DAGGERS VS HAWKS - This is a game which could go either way. Both teams have had their share of "ups and downs" but feel certain that in this final game of the season they'll make up for everything with a brilliant victory. The Hawks as usual will depend upon the spectacular running of Jim Taylor, and he'll be aided by Bill Pallister and Don Larsen. The Hawks' line is led by Fritz Hebecker, Jim Lesperance, John Ditter, Bob Grundtvig and Bob Cody. Herman Soucek of the Daggers is one of the finest runners in the league and Mike Winandy is a fine passer. Other starters in the backfield will be Mike Lucarelli and Ed Brink. At the ends they have two big fellows in Bob Schmitt and Les Peterson. The other linemen include Jack Pittges, John Anderson, Bob Moosman and Ray Kimbrel.

NO. 2 GRIDIRON - CARDINALS VS PARATROOPS - Even though these two teams are the tail end teams of the Prep League the game is expected to be one of the hardest fought of the day. The Cardinals must a strong line with Johnny Lang the outstanding performer at center. Lang also does the blocking. Don Ulrich is a very fine runner and if he breaks into the open the Paratroops will find him difficult to stop. Their favorite play is a line smash on which Rosenberg hands the ball either to Jack Ezell or Ken Fisher, while Larry Lakamp is their best pass receiver. The Paratroops on the other hand have a good passer in John Wilcox who is consistent in making yardage to Tom Brown. Tom is the Paratroops' most feared runner and a fine pass receiver. On defense Joe Fargo is their outstanding player. The Paratroops feel sure that this will be their big day!

NO. 3 GRIDIRON - BULLDOGS VS GHOSTS - This game should be very interesting as the Bulldogs are the most improved team in the Club. Ever since they acquired Nordgren as their coach the Bulldogs have shown tremendous spirit. Frohler is a terrific runner and the Bulldogs offense will be built around him. The Ghosts have Jimmy Ring who is considered the best runner in the Baby League. The Ghosts would be higher in the standings if their attendance and spirit was better but Thursday should be altogether different with every boy on the team trying his utmost to win. The Bulldogs have predicted a one-sided victory!

1:00 P.M.

NO. 2 GRIDIRON - INFANTRY VS COBRAS - The Cobras have volunteered to play two games in order to give the Infantry competition as their are only 5 teams in the Prepper League. We've told all about the Cobras in the writeup for their 8:00 o'clock game. The Infantry has a fine line led by the all-around play of John Skelnik, and also boast some fine backfield men in Don Korytoski, and Jerome Jasinski. The Cobras are tied for the cellar position with the Infantry so both will be fighting for a higher berth in the standings.

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

WON LOST TIED POINTS

SEABEES	10	0	0	10
NAVY	9	1	0	9
HAWKS	5	7	0	5
GRIELINS	3	7	0	3
BILDCATS	3	8	0	3
DAGGERS	2	9	0	2
<u>FROSH LEAGUE</u>				
CUBS	9	1	2	10
PROJANS	6	2	1	8½
WARRIORS	2	7	2	3
LEATHERNECKS	1	10	1	1½
<u>PREP LEAGUE</u>				
ACES	15	0	2	10
SPARTANS	14	2	2	15
WINGS	10	5	3 1	11
ROBBER	7	10	1	7½
CARDINALS	2	15	1	2½
PARATROOPS	1	17	1	1½
<u>PREPPER LEAGUE</u>				
DEMONS	8	2	4	10
SPIDERS	7	2	5	3½
ROCKETS	3	2	5	8½
INFANTRY	2	10	2	3
COBRAS	1	8	4	3

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

WON LOST TIED POINTS

ROYAL ACES	6	1	4	8
ARMY	6	4	2	7
BUCCS	4	6	2	5
TIGERS	4	6	2	5
SPARKS	3	6	2	3
<u>LITTLE BABY LEAGUE</u>				
TERRIERS	10	0	0	10
PIRATES	4	6	0	4
BULLDOGS	3	7	0	3
MERCURIUS	3	6	0 1	2½
GHOSTS	1	8	0	1

Note: The standings in all divisions include all games of Saturday, November 23rd.

GAMES FOR THIS WEEK

BIG BABY LEAGUE

Mon. Nov. 25, 4.00	- Sparks	- Royals
THURS. " 28, 8.00	- ROYALS	- TERRIERS
THURS. " 28, 9.00	- SPARKS	- TIGERS
THURS. " 28, 10.00	- BUCCS	- ARMY

LITTLE BABY LEAGUE

Tues. Nov. 26, 4.00	- Ghosts	- Mercuries
THURS. " 28, 8.00	- TERRIERS	- ROYALS
THURS. " 28, 11.00	- PIRATES	- MERCURIUS
THURS. " 28, 12.00	- BULLDOGS	- GHOSTS

(END OF THE SEASON)

Enter: Be at least 1/2 hour early for your big game on Thanksgiving Day.

