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TEAMS EAGER TO MEET GRID FOES ON THANKSGIVING DAY

CHAMPIONSHIPS AT STAKE

The 18th annual THANKSGIVING DAY FOOTBALL CLASSICS of the N. B. C. will again be held at Paul Revere Park on Thursday morning. Sixteen games, which is a record high, will be played on the three gridirons, and before the sun rises, there'll be a steady flow of enthusiastic football players arriving at the park to play the first three games of the morning, scheduled to start at 8:00 o'clock. Thereafter every hour on the hour until 1:00 o'clock 6 more teams will take over the field to settle a championship of their league or gain supremacy over a neighborhood rival. It's been a nip & tuck race in each league since the season began late in September, and in 5 of the leagues the top game of the morning will no doubt decide the title. Yes, there'll be plenty of fireworks in store for the spectators on Thursday!

Special practice sessions are being held by many of the teams in order to shoot the works for a big victory, and if the boys are fortunate to have dry fields they'll most likely be clicking better than at any other time this season. Every league has its share of hard blocking backs along with great runners, passers and kickers, and in some of the best games it'll be a battle of great lines. Regardless of the present team standings, the opponents of that day feel that a victory will even make a previously poor record look good for every kid on the team.

As usual a public address system will be used to announce the starting lineups as well as scores and highlights of the various games. College music will blast forth during the quarters and halves, and the National Anthem will be heard before each game. It will be the first time that the new powerful system, which the dads purchased, will be used. Officiating will be handled by N.B.C. Alumni Members, and the N.B.C. Dads will be on hand again to help with the program wherever needed. Yes, after each game, the Dads will serve all the players with hot chocolate. Approximately 500 boys will be on the gridirons to give their "all" for the team they are proud of, and we're sure that every boy on each team will live up to the "motto" of the week - - - - "FIGHT TO WIN".

A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO ALL THE PLAYERS: The games WILL BE PLAYED whether it snows or rains and no matter how cold it is. Everything has been done to make this the best athletic event of the year - - 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 starting time so the lineups may be announced over the loud speaker system. When the Star Spangled Banner is played before each game you should stand at attention; hold your helmet with your left hand and the other hand should be across your chest. Immediately after the National Anthem the whistle over the loud speaker will start the games. If it's cold be sure to wear long stockings and also gloves to prevent unnecessary bruises. Be sure to put on your clean clothes after the game before entering the banquet hall for your hot drinks.

THE SCHEDULE OF GAMES:

GRIDIRON NO. 1

8:00 A.M. DEMONS VS STAGS - For the third consecutive year the Demons and Stags will battle each other in N.B.C.'s football classic. In 1947 it was Jim Faber's 85 yard punt return to beat the Stags and last year Bauer turned the trick with two fine touchdown runs. Can the Demons do it again or will the Stags win this year's clash? The Stags have a well balanced line led by Gerry Fudala, Bob Geegan, Ray Wagner and Larry Notalli which they feel will stop the Demons. In Allan Dunn, the Stags have probably the fastest backfield man in the entire N.B.C. and he'll have a

GRID RIVALRY CLASH ON THURS.!



FOOTBALL STANDINGS

BABY LEAGUE

	WON	LOST	TIED	SHORT	PTS.
LEOPARDS	10	0	2	0	11
VULTURES	9	1	3	2	9½
BOMBERS	6	5	2	0	7
SNAKES	6	3	3	1	7
BLUEJAYS	2	11	0	0	2
DIAMONDS	1	12	0	0	1
TORPEDOES	0	6	0	0	0

PREPPER "B"

WILDCATS	13	3	1	0	13½
BATS	12	1	1	0	12½
JETS	7	8	4	0	9
ROCKETS	6	8	1	0	6½
TORNADOES	4	10	4	0	6
DRAGONS	5	10	1	1	5
BEAVERS	1	10	2	0	2

PREPPER "A"

PANTHERS	9	2	1	0	9½
PYTHONS	6	4	3	1	7
HORNETS	5	4	3	0	6½
CUBS	4	5	2	0	5
INDIANS	3	4	5	1	5
RENEGADES	0	8	2	0	1

PREP "B"

PIRATES	9	1	2	0	10
MERCURIES	9	4	0	0	9
GOPHERS	6	5	2	0	7
MONARCHS	5	7	0	0	5
RAIDERS	5	8	1	1	5
ARLY	0	9	1	0	½

PREP "A"

BUCCS	9	1	2	0	10
SPARKS	7	1	2	0	8
ROYALS	4	2	1	0	4½
TERRIERS	4	6	1	0	4½
EAGLES	2	9	0	0	2
TIGERS	2	9	0	0	2

FROSH

SPIDERS	9	0	1	0	9½
APACHES	8	1	1	0	8½
STAGS	2	7	0	0	2
DEMONS	2	8	0	0	2
COBRAS	0	9	0	0	0

Varsity

CARDINALS	6	2	0	0	6
NAVY	4	2	0	0	4
GREMLINS	4	3	0	0	4
LEATHERNECKS	3	0	0	0	3
BEARS	2	5	0	0	2
GREMLINS	2	6	0	0	2
JOKERS	0	3	0	0	0

Note: The above standings include all games of Saturday, November 19th.

GAMES FOR THIS WEEK

Varsity

Tues. Nov. 22,	7.00	- Bears	- Navy
Tues. " 22,	8.00	- LeatherN	- Cards
Tues. Nov. 29,	7.00	- Grem. B	- LeatherN
Tues. " 29,	8.00	- Bears	- Grem A
Thurs. Dec. 1,	7.00	- Cards	- Bears
" " " "	8.00	- Navy	- Grem. B

FINAL FOOTBALL GAMES

FROSH

Mon. Nov. 21,	5.00	- Spiders	- Cobras
Tues. " 22,	5.00	- Apaches	- Stags
THURS. " 24,	8.00	- STAGS	- DEMONS
THURS. " 24,	11.00	- SPIDERS	- APACHES
Mon. " 28,	5.00	- Cobras	- Demons
Tues. " 29,	5.00	- Cobras	- Stags

PREP "A"

Mon. Nov. 21,	4.00	- Terriers	- Royals
Tues. " 22,	4.00	- Royals	- Eagles
Wed. " 23,	4.00	- Buccs	- Terriers
Wed. " 23,	5.00	- Sparks	- Eagles
THURS. " 24,	9.00	- SPARKS	- TERRIERS
THURS. " 24,	10.00	- ROYALS	- BUCCS
Fri. " 25,	9.30	- Royals	- Eagles
Sat. " 26,	5.00	- Royals	- Sparks
Mon. " 28,	5.00	- Royals	- Sparks
Tues. " 29,	4.00	- Terriers	- Eagles

PREP "B"

THURS. " 24,	11.00	- MERCURIES	- PIRATES
THURS. " 24,	12.00	- GOPHERS	- MONARCHS
THURS. " 24,	1.00	- RAIDERS	- EAGLES
Fri. " 25,	11.30	- Pirates	- Monarchs

PREPPER "A"

Mon. Nov. 21,	4.00	- Pythons	- Renegades
Tues. " 22,	4.00	- Hornets	- Renegades
THURS. " 24,	8.00	- PANTHERS	- HORNETS
THURS. " 24,	11.00	- INDIANS	- RENEGADES
THURS. " 24,	12.00	- PYTHONS	- CUBS
Fri. " 25,	9.30	- Hornets	- Indians
Fri. " 25,	10.30	- Cubs	- Panthers
Sat. " 26,	9.30	- Renegades	- Panthers
Sat. " 26,	10.30	- Cubs	- Indians
Mon. " 28,	4.00	- Cubs	- Renegades

PREPPER "B"

THURS. NOV. 24,	9.00	- JETS	- DRAGONS
THURS. " 24,	10.00	- WILDCATS	- BATS
THURS. " 24,	8.00	- ROCKETS	- TORNADOES
Fri. " 25,	11.30	- Rockets	- Bats
Sat. " 26,	11.30	- Beavers	- Bats
Mon. " 28,	4.00	- Beavers	- Bats

BABY LEAGUE

Mon. Nov. 21,	4.00	- Leopards	- Snakes
Tues. " 22,	4.00	- Vultures	- Bombers
THURS. " 24,	9.00	- BOMBERS	- SNAKES
THURS. " 24,	10.00	- LEOPARDS	- VULTURES
THURS. " 24,	12.00	- BLUEJAYS	- DIAMONDS

RESULTS OF LAST WEEK'S GAMES

BABY LEAGUE: The Leopards & Vultures won or tied their games of last week to set the stage for a real battle on Thanksgiving Day. The Bombers & Snakes went into a tie for 3rd place last week so their Thanksgiving Day too will be of great importance.

PREPPER "B": The Wildcats had a golden opportunity to win the championship last week as the Bats were defeated by the Rockets and tied by the Tornadoes, however the Jets were "up" and beat the Cats 6 to 2. The lowly Tornadoes were the surprise team of the week as they beat the Beavers and then tied the Jets and Bats; now they're gunning for the Rockets on Thanksgiving to take over 4th place.

PREPPER "A": The Panthers continued on their victory streak to beat the Indians and Pythons, and now feel that they'll be right in stride in the



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THANKSGIVING DAY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE CONTINUED

MONS-STAGS cont'd: a great amount of help from Don Korytowski and Tom Washburn. The Demons forward wall led by John Lang, "Gruesome" George Kaczmarek, Steve Lange, Ed Steppan, Harold Stanley and George Richter will prove difficult for the Stags to crack. When the Demons go on offense it will be Jim Faber and Chuck Rauch who'll batter the line, and Bob Niemitz and Jim Bauer streaking around the ends. It should be a real battle all the way!

9:00 A.M. - SPARKS VS TERRIERS - A traditional neighborhood rivalry will be settled in this game, and even though the Sparks are right up in the fight for the championship, the Terriers are confident of a victory, forgetting their 4th place standing and pointing to their recent tie with the Sparks. The Sparks have a good line with such stalwarts as Collins, Carlson, May, Sorensen and Hilton. Dickover is a fine speedy halfback who will threaten the Terriers' hopes for a victory. Other backs who the Terriers will have to stop are Fisher, Gavlin and Barr. The Sparks also have a fine passing attack from Sorensen to Collins. The Terriers boast a powerful line in Capt. Juricek, Nilson, Lowden, Johnson, Helmetag, Thorholm and Murphy, while Dale Catanzaro, John Casey & Doty Lewis are the top ball carriers. Catanzaro is a constant threat with his speedy end runs and is also a good pass receiver along with Nilson and Juricek. Both teams have fine kickers in Collins and Johnson. The winner? - well, we'll predict that in next week's Monkeyshine.

10:00 A.M. - BUCCS VS ROYALS - The defending champions facing last year's runner-ups; that's the situation when the Buccs and Royals face each other on Thursday. The Buccs are on top again, however the Royals are determined to come through with an upset and stay right in the running for the coveted football medals. Capt. Don Schreiner will lead them in this effort from the "T" formation quarterback post. The Royals have a scrappy hard-hitting line which is made up by Michels, Hervig, Lombardo, Alm, Pembleton, Peterson and Liebfritz. The Royals have a good running attack with Brubaker and Sodden taking the handoffs on most of the line bucks and Horner gathering in laterals on the end sweeps. Schreiner does the passing with his favorite targets being Michels and Alm, and also handles the kicking chores. Only one tie and one loss mar the fine record of the Buccs whose main attack is built around the ability of Mel Jancik to snare those aeriels. They also have a fine line with Jancik, Strauss, Wurtz, Miller, Eagle and Dunn. Besides their excellent passing attack, they have several fine runners in Heinstra, Parra and Jones. This game should be one of the highlights of the morning.

11:00 A.M. - APACHES VS SPIDERS - This is the outstanding game of the heavy schedule and promises more thrills than seen in many a Thanksgiving Day battle. Both teams have been pointing for this game all season. The Spiders hold a one game edge due to their 2 to 0 victory over the Apaches as their first encounter ended in a scoreless tie. The other teams in the league have not been able to match the skill of these two teams who deserve the top rating they have. The Spiders employ the single wing formation, while the Apaches switch from the single wing to the "T" - doing both very well. Dick Lemke, Joe Wild, Dave Durston, Ron Sauer, Tom Rappel, "Mac" Jerger and Joe Pinzatti make up the Spider line which is probably the best defensive unit in the league. Joe Farago leads the team from his tail back spot in the single wing and is an excellent passer as well as a very deceptive open field runner. Jim Black is another boy who is very tough to stop once he gets past the line. When they need a yard or two they usually call on Bob Evans or Ken Hendricks to smash through the line. In Ron Sauer the Spiders have the punting star of the league; his great kicks often have eased the team out of very tough spots. The Apaches are somewhat smaller than their opponents but have tremendous speed. The backfield made up of Wilhelm, Hayes, Schmidt and Panitch shifts from a "T" to a single wing and back and always has the opposition guessing. The line has a lot of team spirit and fight which more than makes up for its lack of weight. Jim Bischoff, Gailen Liesky, Clyde Quid, Bill Gorman, Harold Diedrich and Fred Lindquist are the fellows who make up that fighting Apache forward wall. In 1947 the Apaches beat the Spiders 6 to 0 but the latter won the championship. In the classic of 1948 these same teams battled to a scoreless tie which gave the Apaches the title. A victory or tie will give the Spiders the title, while an Apaches' victory will make a play-off necessary.

12:00 NOON - MONARCHS VS GOPHERS - This game will mark a real neighborhood rivalry. The Monarchs & Gophers have met twice this season and both times it ended with a victory for the Gophers. This is just too much for the Monarchs to take and the Gophers will no doubt find the going very rough. The Monarchs running attack is led by the hard plunging of Fred Krueger and the broken field running of Fred Beck. Lowenstein is also a fine runner and relies upon his speed to get in the clear around the ends. They also boast a fine defense led by Mason, Reid, Callaga and Friz. The Gophers haven't been going too well lately but feel confident of taking the Monarchs for the third straight time. The short passes of Berry will be a constant threat to the defense of the Monarchs. The defensive stars of the



THANKSGIVING DAY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE CONTINUED

1:00 P.M. - RAIDERS VS EAGLES - Like a big inter-sectional game, this one too hasn't any bearing on their particular league, however it does involve neighborhood prestige. The Eagles & Raiders are both in 5th place in their respective leagues but this won't take away from a real hard fought battle. The Eagles will rely on the long end runs of Ramspeck and the tricky running of Roger Yost who is one of the best. The Eagles also have a great kicker in Schramm and two fine passers in Kaiser & Bliss. The Raiders will rely mostly on their triple threat man, Jim Slater and the fine defensive play of Kleeman, Goerner, Bassing, White, Germann and Mergens.

GRIDIRON NO. 2

8:00 A.M. - PANTHERS VS HORNETS The Panthers seem destined to win the 1949 championship. They have an excellent line with Drewke and Talaber making it tough on all runners while Horn Evans, Schertler and Fallen make up one of the best backfields in the league. Evans is a great open field runner and Fallen a hard driving back; Evans also does the punting. The Hornets have been beaten in both encounters with the Panthers thus far but feel sure of stopping them in the big game Thursday as Wiard and Melzl carry the ball in an all-out effort. A victory in this game will assure the Hornets of 3rd place and possibly 2nd. Can they do it?

9:00 A.M. - DRAGONS VS JETS - The Jets will definitely be out for revenge in this game. Twice the Dragons have beaten them, and if the results were reversed the Jets would be battling for the championship. Just last week the Jets beat the Wildcats in an upset that was heart-breaking for the losers. The Jets have a great kicker in Elkin and fine passers in Greleck and Baumhart, and the Dragons will find plenty of trouble in scoring against the fine defensive play of Kaczmarek, Edwards and Baumhart. The Dragons on the other hand feel sure of whipping the Jets again on the all around ability of their star plunger, Larry Hanks. Ron Garlinski is also a fine ball carrier, and when it comes to broken field running, Jack Howat will be hard to stop. In the line the Dragons will depend upon such stars as Vasile, Sklena, Lindmark, Brown, Tom Wallisch and Steinkopf. Last Thanksgiving Day the Dragons beat the Jets in a big upset by a score of 15 to 0. The Jets would do very well if the Dragons weren't in the same league.

10:00 A.M. - WILDCATS VS BATS - This will be one of the great games of the morning. The Wildcats must win to stay in the running for the title. They have lost to the Bats in their two previous games but are a greatly improved team since then. In Klein and Slater they have two great shifty runners and Dace & Reysa round out a wonderful backfield. Slater, the "Cats" triple-threat man, does all the kicking and throws long & short passes to the waiting hands of Klein and Reysa. Outstanding linemen are Whiteman, Burks, Cassata and Ways. The Bats have the most deceptive team in the league with a variety of trick plays, and if they're in top form, the Wildcats will have a hard time. Kangas is a great plunging back and Otto Henke twist his way loose and go for touchdown runs any time he gets his hands on the ball. The Bats have the best in one department for sure, and that's blocking; they certainly have made it easy for the runners in most of the games. They also have a fine passing attack which usually goes from Howard Helwig to Nelson and Russo. The Bats can practically win the title by taking this one. Remember last Thanksgiving? The Wildcats completed the only perfect season in the N.B.C. by beating the Bats in a thriller by a score of 8 to 6.

11:00 A.M. - PIRATES VS MERCURIES - This is a traditional rivalry on Thanksgiving Day. In 1946 the Pirates won 8 to 0, then in 1947 the Pirates nosed out the Mercs for the championship with a 6 to 0 victory. Last year the Mercs lost the title to the Army on Thanksgiving Day, but this year they're again fighting for the title with the Pirates. Losing on this day just seems to be a jinx for the Mercs but they're really determined to win this one. In other years the Mercs have always been the favorite but now they're the underdogs. They'll depend a great deal on their great quarterback, Billy Braun, a fine passer, terrific plunger and good open field runner. Other stars in the backfield are Shoeman, Ressler and Ettelt. They use the "T" formation to good advantage with Braun tossing passes to their capable ends, Arnold Muench and Bob Vercurysse. The Mercs feel they'll stop "Chris" the Pirates' great open field runner. The Pirates possess the finest defensive team in the league, proven by their wonderful record of having only 6 points scored against them all season. They also have good kicking and passing led by Pawela, Winkler and Kleinhardt. The Pirates backfield of Christopher, Arens, Catanzaro and Pawela will be out to build up a score to win their second football championship.

12:00 NOON - PYTHONS VS CUBS - The Cubs, last year's champs, got off to a bad start this year, but in the last 3 weeks have been going strong again, and no doubt will give the Pythons a rough battle. The Pythons beat the Cubs in their first two games this season, so they'll be out for revenge. They have 3 fine runners in Feehan, Mortenson and Detloff and a good passing attack which goes from V. Feehan to Morten-



THANKSGIVING DAY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE CONTINUED

PYTHONS VS CUBS cont'd: - son and Doles. Their best defensive men are Fred Dische and Bob Stueve. The Pythons have a fine backfield with Johnson as a fine plunging back and Hedquist and Drafts as reliable broken field runners. Lovejoy does a fine job at hand-offs. They also possess a fine passing attack with Maxwell firing the short ones and Yaffee the long spirals. The star defense men are Wuestenfeld, Preston, Alheid, Mertes, Maxwell, Lovejoy, Johnson, Hedquist and Drafts.

GRIDIRON NO. 3

8:00 A.M. - ROCKETS VS TORNADES - The Rockets have been going great lately and promise to give the Tornados a real battle for fourth place honors. Just last week the Rockets surprised the whole N.B.C. by handing the Bats their first defeat of the season by a score of 7 to 6. Now they want to make up for an earlier defeat and tie at the hands of the Tornados. The Tornados, however point that they too are in rare form proven by the fact that they tied the Bats 13-13 in their last game. The Tornados will rely on their two fine broken field runners, Ron Maxwell and Fred Lichtenauer to run the ball across the goal of the Rockets, while Carl Dominick, Maier and Maxwell will make it hard for the Rockets to gain. The Rockets have a good backfield with Brunner, Scoville, Stjernberg and Brand, and when it comes to defense, just ask the Bats.

9:00 A.M. - BOMBERS VS SNAKES - In this battle for third place the Bombers will rely on the all around play of Alan Johnson and Jack Kelly who seem to do most of the running, passing and kicking. Their best defense man is Don Kleich. Joe Ostovits will lead the Snakes from his quarterback position and no doubt will toss quite a few passes to his ends, Kenny Halverson and Glen Bridier. Both teams are playing their first year of football, and they'll be out to win their first Thanksgiving Day game.

10:00 A.M. - LEOPARDS VS VULTURES - The Leopards seem headed for the championship of the Baby League and at this writing are still undefeated with 10 victories, however the Vultures have different ideas and are pinning their hopes on the broken field running of Panitch and Taylor and the hard plunging of Wiske. The Vultures also boast a good passing attack which usually goes from Panitch to Taylor and Falvey. The Leopards will bank on the running of Lindsay & Pfeiffer to remain undefeated in trying for their first championship. When it comes to passing the Leopards are very strong as they have two fine receivers in Lindsay and Denny Roper who take the throws from John Pfeiffer. John Imburgian does all the kicking. This should be the most thrilling game of the Baby League!

11:00 A.M. - INDIANS VS RENEGADES - Although neither team is in the running for the title, this game should prove to be one of the best. The Renegades have been playing much better since acquiring a coach and will be out to regain a little prestige which they lost earlier in the season. They have a good line and will depend upon their backfield men, Ostness, Julitz, Nussbaum and Strantz to bring a victory. The Indians still have a chance of taking 3rd place and will count heavily on the plunges of Steve Vrablic and the fast, broken field running of Danny Finch. They also have some good defense men in Keehn, Baden, Blazic and Finch. Last year the Indians celebrated Thanksgiving with a 6 to 0 victory over the Tornados.

12:00 NOON - BLUEJAYS VS DIAMONDS - These are the two smallest teams in the N.B.C., but nevertheless they'll be out there fighting just as hard for a victory as any of the other teams. A victory for the Diamonds will put them in a 5th place tie with the Bluejays, so you can be sure they'll give everything they have. They'll depend upon the fine playing of Muscarello, Schmidt, Gavin, Meckleburg, Mattice, Englund, Palm, Logan, Stevenson and Maier. The Bluejays beat the Diamonds in their last game and will count on Cianciola and Lee in every phase of the game, running, passing and kicking. The outstanding man in their line will be Dave Koziol.

CHRISTMAS PLAY REHEARSALS

WED. NOV. 23, 4:00 - R. Schilling, R. Maxwell, J. & G. Milligan, T. Fair, R. Schuster, R. Chisesi, J. Desherow, T. Boik, R. Arena.

WED. at 5:00 - Lund, Sieben, Martin, Hilton, Fisher.

FRI. NOV. 25 - 4:00 - Catanzaro, Skie, Steinkopf, Presaler, Bach, Klein, Casey, Rubel and L. Schneider,

FRI. at 5:00 - Stanley, Hallford, Schramm, Yost, P. Murphy, Maier, Topper, Prohaska, Melal, Nicolai, Leick, Franzen, McDonough.

MON. NOV. 28 - 7:00 - Julian, Dace, Valentin, R. & B. Germann, Goerner, Geib, Berine and K. Dace.

CHRISTMAS PLAY REHEARSALS cont'd.

MON. NOV. 28 - 8:00 - Thorholm, Lund, Reck, Sorensen, Rottman, Lowden, Richter, Stumpf, Calhoun, Lampert, Rappel.

ATTENTION OF POINT LEADERS

ON FRIDAY, the day after Thanksgiving, you should report to the office anytime between 1:00 & 5:00 P.M. or 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.

BE EQUIPPED FOR THANKSGIVING DAY GAMES
Equipment is available at the N.B.C. Sport Store at a big discount until Wednesday



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