



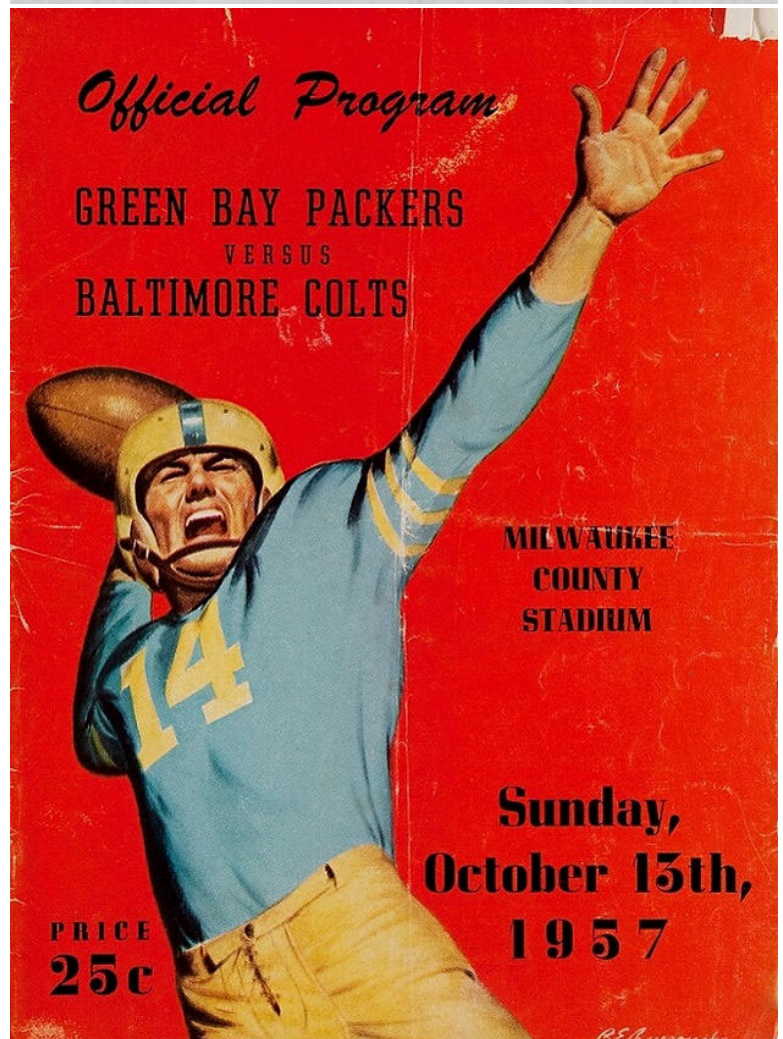
**Baltimore Colts (3-0) 45, Green Bay Packers (1-2) 17**  
**Sunday October 13th 1957 (at Milwaukee)**

# Packers Collapse in Second Half, Colts Win 45-17

## GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(MILWAUKEE) - The Packers fought the surprise team of the Western Division, the Baltimore Colts, on better than even terms during the first half at County Stadium Sunday, and then collapsed completely. Green Bay held a 10 to 7 lead at the intermission and the trend during the opening two frames indicated that the Pack could hand the Colts their first loss. But, woosh, the Packers proceeded to sandlot this major league park on offense and defense, and the Colts took quick advantage, rolling up 17 points in the third period and 21 in the fourth. The Packers scored a consolation Seven in the last two minutes to set the final reading at 45 to 17 – the Packers' worst licking in Milwaukee in years. It was the third straight triumph for the undefeated Colts and left the Green Bays with a 1-2 record. The Packers can even their record by beating San Francisco here next Sunday. The Colts got their mitts on the ball nine times in the second half and scored six times – five touchdowns and a field goal for 38 points. The Packers cooperated nicely toward the relief of the Colts in that second half by giving the frisky visitors the ball four times on interceptions, once on a fumble and once on downs. With such generosity, Packer Dick Deschaine had to punt only once. Both Packer units were guilty in that second half. The offensors pitched the ball away too many times, had no taste for blocking and seemed unwilling to get rough with the Colts' rough line. The defenders were tackling badly and seemed to get worst as the second half wore on. Whether the Colts are that good or the Packers are that bad won't be known until the returns are all in late in December, but the Colts are showing a fantastic ability to keep a team from rushing. And a team that can't gain on the ground is pretty helpless in any kind of football. The Packers were held to one first down and 47 yards rushing by the staunch Colt defense – chiefly ends Don Joyce and Gino Marchetti and tackles Daddy Lipscomb and Art Donovan, and they managed only 47 rushing. But lookee, the "mighty" Bears and Lions gained only 52 yards rushing between 'em on these Colts and held the Bears to no (zero) first downs rushing. The Packers were able to pass on the Cols and at the same time keep Bart Starr and Babe Parilli from being scalped. The Bays completed 15 out of 28 attempts for

## Bays Blow 10 to 7 Halftime Advantage





186 yards – two for touchdowns, but five pitches were intercepted, four during the second half panic. Defensively, the Packers gave up 387 yards, including 243 rushing. Wisconsin's Alan Ameche was given the honor of plunging for three touchdowns against his home state team, but he averaged less than two yards in 16 pokes, picking up 27 yards. The Packers had trouble with speedsters like Lenny Moore (12 for 81) and John Call (7 for 58), who were running away from the linemen and linebackers. The Colts ran off 72 plays against the Packers' 54, showing how the Baltimores dominated the forward action. Baltimore moved 89 yards in 10 plays to take a 7-3 lead in the first quarter and then scored their last five TDs on moves of 61 yards in five plays, 41 in six, 35 in 3, 56 in 10 and 21 in 3. The Packers' first lead, 3 to 0, came on Fred Cone's 25-yard field goal in the first quarter. Just before the half, with the Colts ahead 7-3, Gary Knafele made the catch of the day and probably of the year when he hauled in a 53-yard throw from Starr on the Colt 8. Three plays later Gary took Starr's short shot for a TD. Knafele took the ball over his shoulder while he was closely guarded by Bert Rechichar. Starr hurled eight yards to Billy Howton for the other Packer touchdown with 1:01 left in the game. Howton and Knafele each caught four passes, while Al Carmichael and Ron Kramer, who hurt his ankle on the third play of the game, each caught two. Jim Mutscheller led the Colts with five catches, three for touchdowns. The Pack's 47-yard rushing total was divided among five players – Paul Hornung with 20 yards in five trips, Carmichael 12 in 7, Cone 6 in 6, Starr 6 in 3, and Howie Ferguson 3 in 2. The Packers made their first break of the game early in the opening quarter when John Symank intercepted a deflected John Unitas pass and returned 17 yards to the Packer 33. Starr completed passes to Howton and Knafele for 25 yards, but the attack stalled and Cone field goaled from the 25. The Colts got a fine break next as Dick Myers fumbled on the kickoff return and the ball bounced smack into Colt Jackson's hands. From there (the 11-yard line), the Colts moved 89 yards to a touchdown – with the help of a disturbing interference call. The official called Bobby Dillon for interfering with Dupre on a long Unitas pass on which Dillon never touched Dupre. It (a 28-yard penalty) gave the Colts the ball on the Packer 13 and Unitas threw to Mutscheller 12 yards for the touchdown three plays later. Just before the first quarter ended, Hornung was short on a long field goal (56 yards) after which the teams exchanged punts. Then, in a quick switch-around, Nate Borden recovered Unitas' fumble in mid-air, Nelson intercepted Starr's pas and Dillon intercepted a Unitas pass to give the Packers possession on their own 31. From there the Packers scored in six plays, the big gain being Knafele's catch.

### MAKES, MISSES FIELD GOAL

The Colts tied the game just before the half but they were offside, ruining Rechichar's 28-yard field goal. With a minute to go, the Packers forced a punt but Billy Kinard fumbled the boot and Steve Myrha recovered on the Packer 20. Rechichar missed his field goal but the Colts were offside so he tried again from the 25. This time the kick was short. Hank Gremminger fielded the ball on the two and fumbled on the 10. Bill Forester recovered and returned to the 15 where he fumbled and Jim Temp finally recovered the hot potato. And now for the second half – once over lightly! Nyers took the opening kickoff and moved 61 yards in five plays to score. The third play was the backbreaker. Needing three yards for a first down, Moore took Unitas' flare pass and scampered 52 yards to the one-yard line as Bill Forester, Hank Gremminger and Dillon missed shots at him. Ameche made it on the second try and Rechichar converted for 14-10. Cone made a good runback, to the 35, on the

## Hosswhipped

### NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (Western Division)

	W	L	Pct.	PS	OP
Baltimore	3	0	1.000	100	73
Detroit	2	1	.667	48	55
San Francisco	2	1	.667	54	57
GREEN BAY	1	2	.333	48	86
Los Angeles	1	2	.333	44	46
Chicago Bears	0	3	.000	44	63

### (Eastern Division)

	W	L	Pct.	PS	OP
Cleveland	3	0	1.000	53	22
New York	2	1	.667	51	46
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667	69	50
Chicago Cards	1	2	.333	54	76
Washington	1	2	.333	64	66
Philadelphia	0	3	.000	40	65

### Sunday's Results

BALTIMORE 45, GREEN BAY 17.  
New York 24, Washington 20.  
Cleveland 24, Philadelphia 7.  
Pittsburgh 29, Chicago Cards 20.  
San Francisco 21, Chicago Bears 17.  
Detroit 10, Los Angeles 7.

### Next Sunday's Games

SAN FRANCISCO vs. GREEN BAY at Milwaukee.  
Baltimore at Detroit.  
Chicago Cards at Washington.  
Cleveland at Philadelphia.  
Los Angeles at Chicago Bears.  
Pittsburgh at New York.

### BALTIMORE:

Ends—Barry, Mutscheller, Nelson, Brasse, Joyce, Marchetti.  
Tackles—Parker, Preas, Donovan, Owens, Jackson, Lipscomb, Camp-annella.  
Guards—Spinney, Sandusky, Patera, Myrha, Shinnick, Eggers.  
Centers—Nutter.

Backs—Unitas, Dupre, L. Moore, Ameche, Taseff, Call, Womble, Thomas, Rechichar, Myers, Shaw, Pricer, Davidson, Davis, H. Moore.

### GREEN BAY:

Ends—Knafele, Howton, Deschaine, Massey, Temp, Borden, McGee.

Tackles—Masters, Spencer, Hel-luin, Vereen, Hanner.

Guards—Salsbury, Barry, Dan-jean, Bettis, Forester, Amundsen.

Centers—Ringo, Palumbo, Lauer.  
Backs—Starr, Carmichael, Kram-er, Cone, Kinard, Petitbon, Sym-ank, Dillon, Gremminger, McIl-henny, Parilli, Ferguson, Johnson, Hornung.

Baltimore	7	0	17	21—45
Green Bay	3	7	0	7—17

Baltimore Scoring: Touchdowns—Ameche 3 (1 yard, 8:38 of fourth; 1 yard, 2:32 of third; 1 yard, 8:50 of third), Mutscheller 3 (14-yard Shaw pass, 13:02 of fourth; 29-yard Unitas pass, 1:40 of fourth; 12-yard Unitas pass, 12:37 of first). Extra Points—Rechichar 5, Myhra. Field Goal—Rechichar (23 yards, 4:31 of third).

Green Bay Scoring: Knafele (5-yard Starr pass, 12:52 of second), Howton (8-yard Starr pass, 13:59 of fourth). Extra Points—Cone 2. Field Goal—Cone (25 yards, 8:09 of first).

Officials: Referee—Austin. Um-pire—Connell. Back judge—Coop-erman. Head linesman—Tracy. Field judge—Rohrig.

### Team Statistics:

	Pack	Colts
First downs rushing	1	15
First downs passing	8	6
First downs by penalties	3	1
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	12	22
Yds. gained rushing	47	243
Yds. gained passing	186	144
TOTAL YDS. GAIN	233	387
PASSES: Attempted	28	19
Completed	15	9
Intercepted by	2	5
Yds. Int. ret'd by	17	36
PUNTS: Number by	3	4
Average distance	46.7	36
Number returned by	2	2
Yds. punts returned by	9	5
KICKOFFS: No. ret. by	7	4
Yds. kickoffs return.	133	83
PENALTIES: No. ag'nt	1	10
Yds. penalized	41	105
FUMBLES	4	2
Ball lost	2	1

### Individual Statistics:

#### Rushing:

Baltimore: Moore gained 81 yards in 12 attempts, Call 58 in 7, Dupre 39 in 9, Ameche 27 in 16, Unitas 22 in 1, Womble 16 in 4.

Green Bay: Hornung 20 in 5, Carmichael 12 in 7, Cone 6 in 6, Starr 6 in 3, Ferguson 3 in 2.

#### Passing:

Baltimore: Unitas attempted 17, completed 7 for 120 yards, 2 touch-downs; Shaw attempted 2, completed 2, for 14 yards, 1 touchdown.

Green Bay: Starr attempted 22, completed 13 for 163 yards, 2 touch-downs; Parilli attempted 6, completed 2 for 23 yards.

#### Pass Reception:

Baltimore: Mutscheller caught 5 for 80 yards, Moore 1 for 52, Dupre 1 for 10, Berry 1 for 2, Ameche 1 for 0.

Green Bay: Knafele caught 4 for 82, Howton 4 for 46, Carmichael 2 for 19, Kramer 2 for 16, McIlhenny 1 for 9, Cone 1 for 8, Ferguson 1 for 6.

ensuing kickoff, but on the first play Rechichar intercepted Starr's short flip over the line and returned 21 yards to the Packer 22. The Packers tightened and Rechichar settled for a field goal from the 23 for 17-10. The Packers needed a foot for a first down on their own 41, but Cone was stopped at the line, and the Colts took over there. The Pack was offside on the play but would have had a chance to punt if Cone had made it. The Colts then scored in six running plays, Moore leading off with an 18-yard trip and Ameche going over from the one – standing up. The Packers made a couple of first downs at this point but big Don Joyce, a tackle, intercepted a lob pass by Parilli to end that. After an exchange of punts – one a short job by Deschaine, giving the Colts the ball on the Packer 35. Unitas pitched a short shot over the line to Mutscheller and the veteran end raced 25 yards for a 31 to 10 lead. Now it was Don Shinnick's turn to intercept a Packer pass and it set off another Colt score. The Baltimores had to work 10 plays to cover the 56 yards, with Ameche scoring from one yard out. Rechichar's kick made it 38-10. George Shaw replaced Unitas at quarterback and pitched 14 yards to Mutscheller among three Packers in the end zone for the score. Myhra, a rookie tackle, kicked the 45th point. After Don McIlhenny took the kickoff back 30 yards to the Pack 37, Starr hurled to Howton for 15. The Colts were called for interfering with Max McGee on a long Starr pass and the Bays had a first down on the Colt 16. Starr pitched to McIlhenny for eight yards and then to Howton for the last eight. Cone's kick set the final score.

**BALTIMORE - 7 0 17 21 - 45**  
**GREEN BAY - 3 7 0 7 - 17**

	<u>BALTIMORE</u>	<u>GREEN BAY</u>
First Downs	22	12
Rushing-Yards-TD	49-243-3	22-47-0
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	19-9-144-3-2	28-15-186-2-5
Sacked-Yards	18	41
Net Passing Yards	126	145
Total Yards	369	192
Fumbles-lost	2-1	4-2
Turnovers	3	7
Yards penalized	10-105	1-41

### SCORING

1st - BAL - Jim Mutscheller, 12-yard pass from Johnny Unitas (Bert Rechichar kick) BALTIMORE 7-0

1st - GB - Fred Cone, 25-yard field goal BALTIMORE 7-3

2nd - GB - Gary Knafelc, 5-yard pass from Bart Starr (Cone kick) GREEN BAY 10-7

3rd - BAL - Alan Ameche, 1-yard run (Rechichar kick) BALTIMORE 14-10

3rd - BAL - Rechichar, 23-yard field goal BALTIMORE 17-10

3rd - BAL - Ameche, 1-yard run (Rechichar kick) BALTIMORE 24-10

4th - BAL - Mutscheller, 29-yard pass from Unitas (Rechichar kick) BALTIMORE 31-10

4th - BAL - Ameche, 1-yard run (Rechichar kick) BALTIMORE 38-10

4th - BAL - Mutscheller, 14-yard pass from Shaw (Steve Myrha kick) BALTIMORE 45-10

4th - GB - Billy Howton, 8-yard pass from Starr (Cone kick) BALTIMORE 45-17

### RUSHING

**GREEN BAY** - Paul Hornung 5-20, Al Carmichael 7-12, Fred Cone 6-6, Bart Starr 2-6, Howie Ferguson 2-3

**BALTIMORE** - Lenny Moore 12-81, Jack Call 7-58, L.G. Dupre 9-39, Alan Ameche 16-27 3 TD, Johnny Unitas 1-22, Royce Womble 4-16

### PASSING

**GREEN BAY** - Bart Starr 22-13-163 2 TD 3 INT, Babe Parilli 6-2-23 2 INT

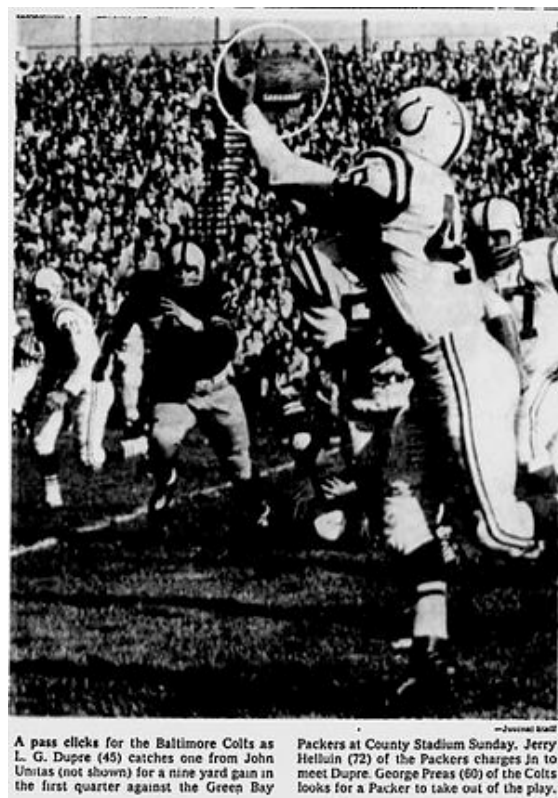
**BALTIMORE** - Johnny Unitas 17-7-130 2 TD 2 INT, George Shaw 2-2-14 1 TD

### RECEIVING

**GREEN BAY** - Gary Knafelc 4-82 1 TD, Billy Howton 4-46 1 TD, Al Carmichael 2-19, Ron Kramer 2-16, Don McIlhenny 1-9, Fred Cone 1-8, Howie Ferguson 1-6

**BALTIMORE** - Jim Mutscheller 5-80 3 TD, Lenny Moore 1-52, L.G. Dupre 1-10, Raymond Berry 1-2, Alan Ameche 1-

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A pass clicks for the Baltimore Colts as L. G. Dupre (45) catches one from John Unitas (not shown) for a nine yard gain in the first quarter against the Green Bay Packers at County Stadium Sunday. Jerry Heluin (72) of the Packers charges in to meet Dupre. George Preas (60) of the Colts looks for a Packer to take out of the play.





Alan Ameche scores a touchdown against the Packers in Milwaukee (Vernon Biever photo)

## *Sports Cocktail: It Wasn't Pretty!*

# **Lack of Short Gain Led to Packer Ruin**

### **HOME FANS GREET COLTS**

OCT 13 (Baltimore) - A crowd of cheering fans, estimated by airport police at 5,000, turned out Sunday night to welcome the Baltimore Colts home from a 45-17 victory over Green Bay. It was the Colts' third straight victory, but an uninformed bystander would have thought they had won the NFL championship. Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro of Baltimore headed the throng which crowded into the Friendship International Airport Terminal an hour before the plane carrying the team was due. Only the mayor and wives of the players were allowed on the field, but it took the players nearly an hour to get through the terminal once the wildly cheering fans started collecting autographs. There were no speeches, just a lot of cheering, hollering and back slapping.

### **COLTS TIED IN FIRST HALF- WEEB**

OCT 14 (Milwaukee) - The Baltimore Colts' diminutive Wilbur (Weeb) Ewbank, stimulated no little by eminently favorable circumstances, was a man with a sense of humor at County Stadium late Sunday afternoon. "Like Buzz Nutter (Colt center)





ALAN AMECHE  
Colt fullback held from TD on this play but tallied moment later

said," Weeb chuckled, obviously relishing the quip anew, "the turning point of this game was when they blew the whistle for the start of the second half." Sobering with difficulty, Ewbank contended this observation had real merit. "The boys said they felt tired in the first half when they came into the dressing room. They were flat. Maybe I've been letting 'em run too much in practice. Some of these fellows don't like to quit." Weeb, the only head coach in the NFL with a crew cut, conceded there had been at least one other factor in the visitors' 45-17 success – the Hosses' huge defensive line. "They have made a hell of record statistically," he said, "so I hated to put some subs in there in the fourth quarter. But I can't be worrying about statistics – I have to be looking to the next game." Weeb also admitted the eel-like Lenny Moore had considerable to do with the Colts' good fortune. "Moore is a good back," the Colts' major domo confided, indulging in understatement. "He can be as great as he wants to be and he wants to be. And that, of

course, is okay with me." It may be of small consolation to the Packers but, in Ewbank's estimate, they lost to the "best balanced team we've had since I've been in Baltimore. Proof of that," he said, "came when we lost our defensive captain, Bill Pellington, and made the adjustment. Joe Campanella, who has been running Alan Ameche's restaurant in Baltimore, came out of retirement and stepped right in there. It was a lucky break for us." Somebody passing through the dressing room called out, "The Lions beat the Rams, 10-7." "The Lions beat the Rams," Ewbank repeated, half to himself. "Looks like that will be THE game," said Weeb, whose inspired hirelings invade Detroit next Sunday. "They're really tough."...Ameche, once a horse of a different color with Wisconsin's Badgers, was taking things in stride as the Baltimore trainer taped a painful strawberry on his right elbow. The Horse, looking more svelte than usual despite his career as a part-time restaurateur, offered matter-of-factly, "The Packers couldn't have made much rushing through that line of ours." The Badger immortal also had a ready explanation for the Colts' success. "It just took us a while to get started," he declared. "We didn't play any football in the first half." His elusive backfield colleague, Moore, was the soul of modesty when encountered outside the stadium. Deprecating his key zig-zag run with a slant-in pass at the start of the second half, he grinned, "It was just luck, man. I could just as well have gone down as not." Looking ahead, he submitted, "We're going to have to keep the pressure on 'em. It gets tougher every week."...The Packer dressing room, until Friday the home of the world champion Braves, was even more somber than it had been after last week's Detroit disappointment. There was good reason – they had patently expected to win this one. Chunky Norm Amundsen, tossing shoulder pads into a duffle bag, summed up the prevailing sentiment with "We did everything wrong in the second half we possibly could do wrong. All we needed was a blocked punt to complete the cycle," he said, wryly, adding, "You can't give anything away in this league." A few doors down, big Norm Masters conceded, "They had a real good defensive line but I couldn't say it was better than the Lions. I thought we were in there in the first half," he sighed. "We were playing real good ball." Ron Kramer, applying an ice pack to his injured ankle two lockers away, could only shake his head and mutter, "I don't know, I don't know." In the steamy shower room, Bobby Dillon discussed the controversial first quarter pass interference levy upon him without emotion. "I did not think I touched him," said the forthright Texan, one of the NFL's premier interceptors, "but the official said I did. That cost us a touch." Bart Starr was still dissatisfied with his performance but a realist to the last. "They're good, they're good. I wouldn't

## That Packer Game

Editor, Press-Gazette: After such a terrible showing of the Packers in the second half of Sunday's game and only 26,000 fans in Milwaukee to cheer them on, I think it is time for some changes. Let's get all the games played in Green Bay where there will be 32,000. Now about the coaching what have they done with all that good material? I think it is time to get a man that can do a job like Buddy Parker is doing at Pittsburgh. Send Blackburn back to college for a while. He has a lot to learn. A Packer Backer from Sturgeon Bay.

## What's Wrong With the Packers?

Editor, Press-Gazette: Oh those Packers?

Let's all face the facts, Green Bay—with Tobin Rote the Packers were a terrible team and without him they make the East River smell nice in comparison.

I wasted \$9.50 on that Detroit game and if all you can see for that price is a bunch of stumblebums, I'll stick to my chess game.

After listening to that farce of a Baltimore game I think I will start my furnace fire with my tickets to the New York game.

Starr and Parilli just don't have it as a passer as the last two games show, and if Johnson, Carmichael and a few others don't fumble at least three, four a game, it only means Blackburn is not playing them. I doubt very much if the Press-Gazette will print this as to them and Art Daley the Packers can do no wrong.

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Green Bay, Wis.

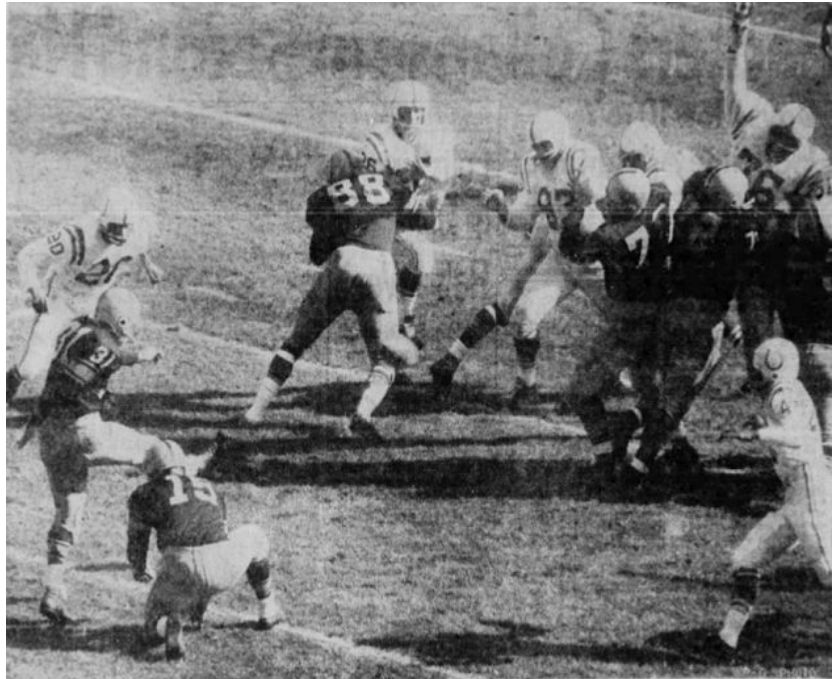
take a thing away from them," he said. "But we gave 'em a few and that made it tough."...Coach Liz Blackburn called it the "most frustrating loss" of a long coaching career "because we lost it through our own mistakes." Admitting there were others, he pinpointed "those first two things at the start of the second half. Moore's run and that interception really did it," he declared. "They not only gave the Colts a tremendous lift but, even more so, they brought us down – and we never came back up. Then," he added with a wince at the memory, "we started to throw a lot of interceptions." These untoward circumstances had in no way altered his confidence in his athletes, Liz made clear. "They can beat any team in the league," he insisted, "but they have to keep on playing football."...SHORT DAY: The Colts' veteran corner backer, Carl Taseff, took an early shower – and it wasn't his idea. He was thrown out for slugging the Packers' John Symank in the second quarter when Colt quarterback John Unitas was run out of bounds in front of the Baltimore bench, igniting the rhubarb. Confusion followed when officials, after assessing Taseff 15 yards, adjusted the yard sticks so they read first and 20 for the Colts. This was soon corrected after Blackburn and Kramer called their attention to the error...ANGRY CHORUS: The 26,000-odd witnesses of the afternoon's proceedings did not hesitate to voice their displeasure over the first quarter interference call on Bobby Dillon by Field Judge Herman Rohrig, an ex-Packer. As a matter of fact, they booed the men in stripes lustily after each of the Colts' next two plays, again after a third down play produced a touchdown and were still giving them the Bronx cheer after the extra point and before the ensuing Colt kickoff...ROYAL GUESTS: Seven members of the world champion Braves and their president, Joseph Cairnes, were guests of the Packers and introduced between halves by General Manager Verne Lewellen. Seated in a group in the lower box seats along the first base line, they included Red Schoendienst, Frank Torre, Bob Trowbridge, Eddie Mathews, Johnny Logan, Ernie Johnson and Gene Conley. Also with them were their trainer, Doc Feron, Publicity Director Don Davidson and Hal Goodnough and Charlie Blossfield of the club's front office. Another Brave representative, Ass't. Trainer Joe Taylor, was lending moral support to the Packer cause on the Green Bay bench. Ranging up and down the sidelines, Taylor kept exhorting, "Beat 'em up, beat 'em up, big team."...TV ENTERTAINERS: The Packerettes, the 40 majorettes drilled for the occasion by Mrs. Bernardine Boyer Matzke, Green Bay's acrobatic Karsten Family and the Packer Lumberjack band performed between halves before a nationwide TV audience, as well as an enthusiastic "live" house.

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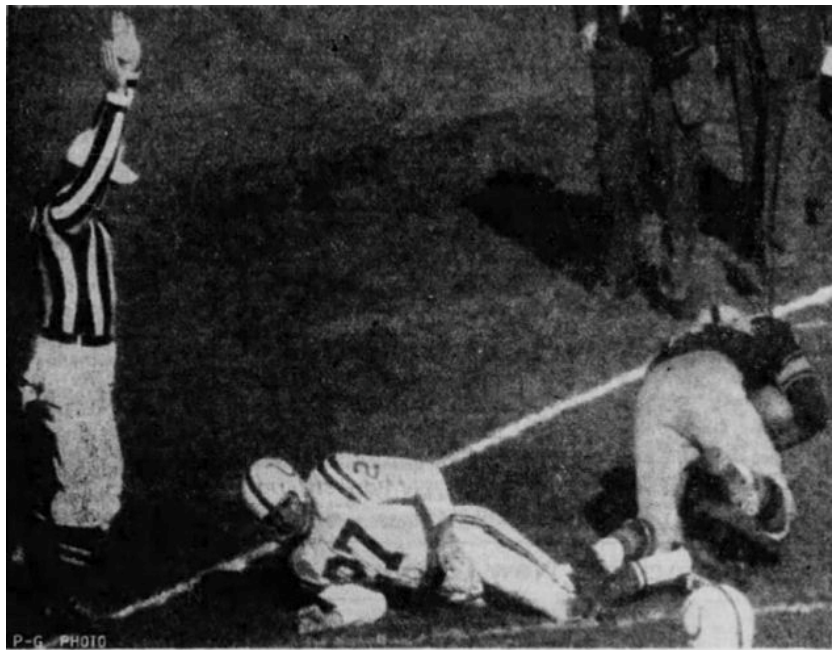
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#### NFL ATTENDANCE 50,000 BEHIND RECORD '56 PACE

OCT 14 (New York) - The NFL attracted 242,451 fans in its six Sunday games but has fallen almost 50,000 behind the record attendance pace it set last season. Sunday's individual crowds: Rams-Lions at Detroit, 55,914; Browns-Eagles at Cleveland, 53,493; Forty Niner-Bears at Chicago, 47,190; Redskins-Giants at Washington, 30,086; Steelers-Cardinals at Pittsburgh, 29,446; Colts-Packers at Milwaukee, 26,322. Crowd figures given out in the various press boxes so far this

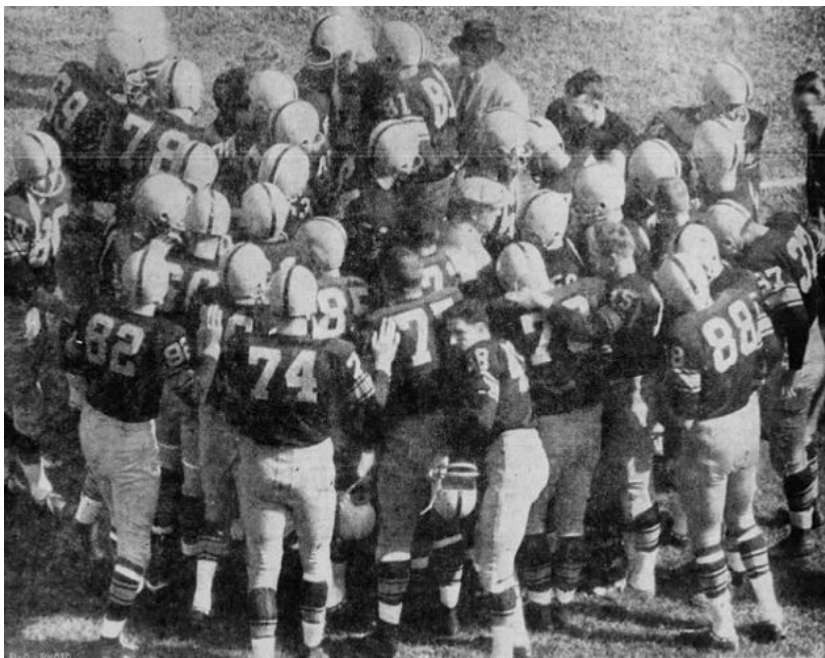


Field Goal Study — Packer Fred Cone (31) shows follow through as he kicks 25-yard field goal against Colts in first quarter in Milwaukee Sunday. Holding ball is Packer Bart Starr while Packers holding fort up front are Ron Kramer (88), Norm Masters (78), Jerry Helluin (72) and Sam Palumbo (53). Colts are Milt Davis (20), Royce Womble (26), Don Joyce (63), Gene Lipscomb (76) and Jesse Thomas (49). Boot gave Packers 3-0 lead early in first quarter.



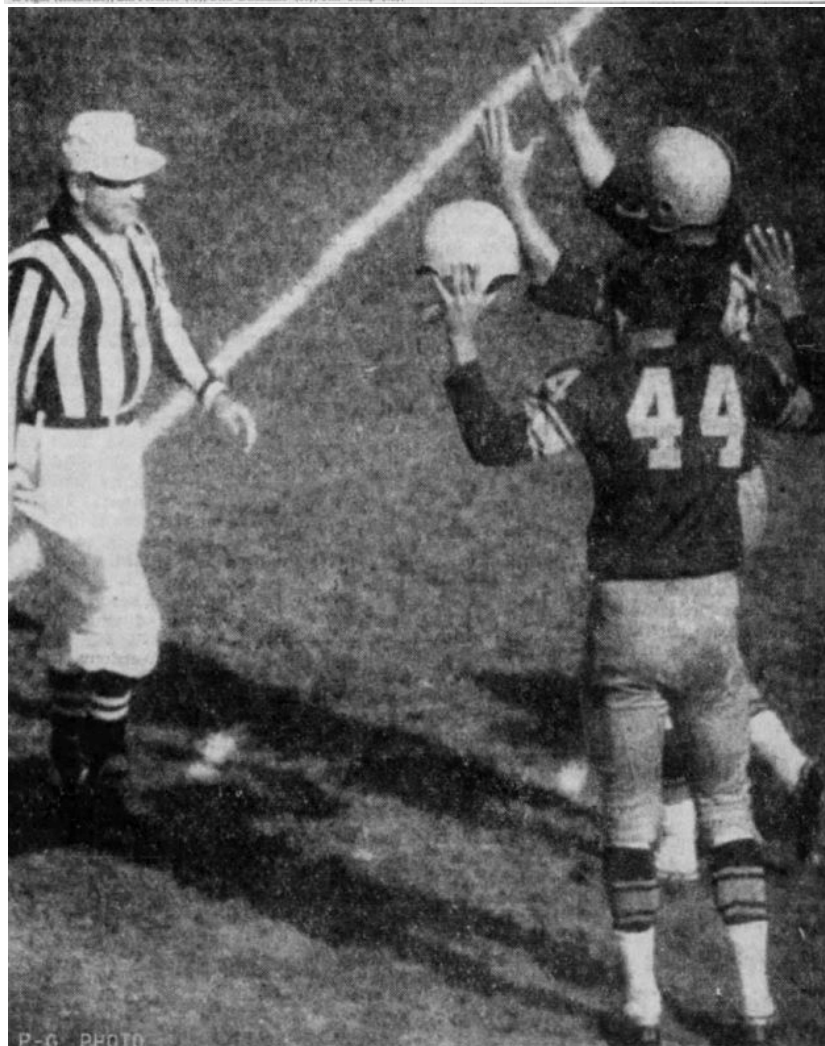
Touchdown—This touchdown gave the Packers a 10 to 7 lead just before the half against the Colts Sunday. Gary Knafelc is shown with ball at right just after catching five-yard pass from Bart Starr. Henry Moore is on ground at left while Official Herman Rohrig, the ex-Packer, signals touchdown.





**Let's Get Together**—The type of unity exemplified in this pre-game huddle could be the best medicine available for the Packers, who will be seeking to rebound against the 49ers Sunday, as well as their fans. Among the identifiable players clustered around Head Coach Lir Blackburn (with cap) are, left to right (clockwise), Bill Forester (60), Dick Deschaine (80), Jim Temp (82),

Carl Vereen (74), Max McGee (85), Oliver Spencer (77), Al Carmichael (80), crowding in to get final word, Dave Hanmer (79), Bart Starr (15), Ron Kramer (88) and Howie Ferguson (37). Also visible are assistant coaches Jack Vainoni (top, with hat) and Lou Rymkus, extreme right.



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**Holdup**—Two Packers hold up hands and arms in despair and demonstration for the benefit of Official Herman Rohrig, a one-time Packer halfback, after an interference penalty had been ruled against Bobby Dillon (44) on Colt L. G. Dupre in first quarter. Penalty set up Colts' first touchdown in opening quarter. Other Packer is Hank Gremminger.

season bring the total attendance to 722,102. The attendance totaled 769,759 after the first three weeks in 1956. The NFL drew a record total attendance of 2,551,263 last year.

## **PACKERS HELPLESS AGAINST THE COLTS**

OCT 14 (Baltimore) - Waiting for the Colts to be acknowledged nationally, I note that: Not even the second half against the Chicago Bears was as convincing a demonstration as Colts' last two quarters in Milwaukee yesterday against Green Bay. They scored six of the first seven times they got the ball. Thirty-four scrimmage plays produced 33 points, five touchdowns and a field goal, in the 45-17 triumph. There's nothing that beats you faster on football field than intercepted passes. Not only do they stop your offense, but generally give the ball to opponents in scoring territory. The Colts got ball that way four times in yesterday's second half. Detroit intercepted six in beating Los Angeles, 10-7. Seldom have so many Colts played such important roles in a victory. Besides catching of Jim Mutscheller, fine running of Lenny Moore, general handling of the team by John Unitas, interceptions from Bert Rechichar, Don Joyce, Don Shinnick and Milt Davis, Alex Sandusky recovered a fumble, Dick Nyers ran kickoff to 39, defensive line stopped fourth down rushing play by Green Bay on own 41, kept up its aggressive tactics on passers.

## **LACK OF SHORT GAINS LED TO PACKER RUIN**

OCT 14 (Milwaukee) - The Packers didn't lost a 45 to 17 football game Sunday for lack of six inches but the inability to make that distance sure ruined the Packers' morale - or something. The score was set at 17 to 10 on Bert Rechichar's 23-yard field goal early in the third quarter when the Packers took over on their own 32. Fred Cone took a pitchout from Bart Starr for eight yards to the 40. On the "free" down, Starr threw a long pass to Billy Howton around the Colt 15, but the throw was about a foot too high. On third down, Cone hit the middle for six inches, lacking a first down. The Packers decided to go for it - a real good move because the Bays at the time needed a shot in the arm and the Colts needed some deflating. Starr handed off to Cone and the Bay back was stopped cold. The Packer collapse set in at this point, it seemed, as the Colts scored from the Packer 41 in six plays - Lenny Moore 18 yards, Alan Ameche 2, L.G. Dupre 8, Ameche 9, Dupre 2 and Ameche in for the touchdown standing up. That was the closest we've ever seen a Packer team come to quitting. And it wasn't pretty. Incidentally, the Packers were offside on that first down attempt by



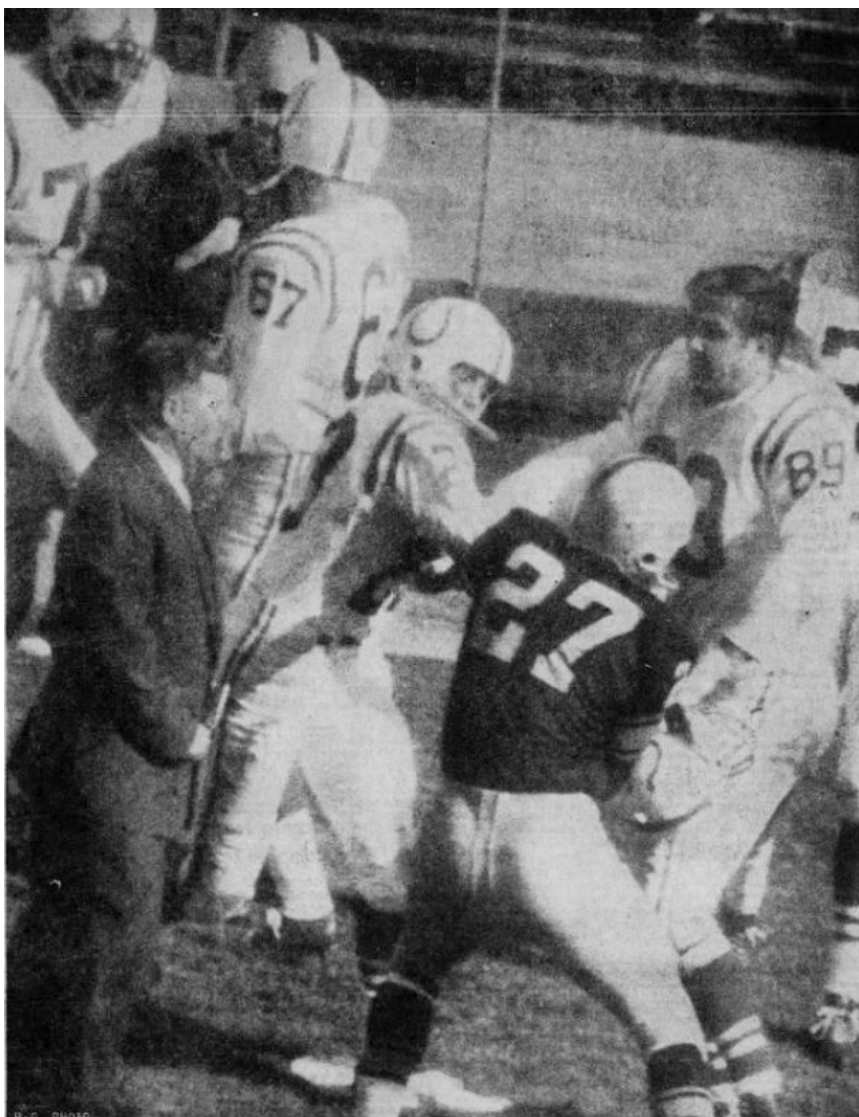
Cone and had they made the gain the Colts would have taken the penalty. But, then, the Packers would have had a chance to punt and at least forced the Colts back. Oddly enough, when the Pack missed those vital six inches we couldn't help but think – as the Colts gleefully took the ball – of a similar instance in the Packer-Bear game (remember 21-17?) in Green Bay Dedication Day. The Bears had fourth down on the 50 and needed two feet for a first down. Quarterback Zeke Bratkowski sent Bobby Watkins into the middle of the line and he went nowhere. The Packers took over and scored three plays later. The Chicago gents in the pressbox were hollering for Zeke's scalp for not carrying himself. That was the complaint in Milwaukee Sunday – why didn't the quarterback "lean" those six inches? But that's a second guess and, as we said, the Packers didn't lose for six inches. A few other things like the Packers' 47 yards rushing; the Colts' 243 yards rushing; the Colts' five interceptions; and the Packers' apparent dislike for fighting fire with fire. We haven't seen the Packers – as a team – belt anybody since the Bear game. Football is still a rough game!

## PACKERS DIDN'T WIN MANY FRIENDS SUNDAY

OCT 14 (Milwaukee Journal - Oliver Kuechle)  
- The Green Bay Packers showed how not to win friends in the football game with Baltimore Sunday. That was as bad an exhibit as they have put on here in years. A few passes they completed and a goal they kicked but that was all. They tackled atrociously and blocked feebly, and for most of the second half looked like a team content to go through the motions, no more. The Packers have long felt that they deserved better support in Milwaukee - and support they should have. They deserve it as well as the Braves. In turn, though, they can't play the kind of football they did Sunday and get it. There must surely be a great tightening up all around, two or three days on the tackling dummy by all mean, before they meet the San Francisco 49ers on this same field this week. Another game like Sunday's and they'll have the people leaving in the first half instead of the third quarter. That on Sunday was just inexcusably bad.

## COLT FAN JOINS IN CHORUS - BALTIMORE MAN WIRES CRITICISM OF PRO GAME OFFICIATING

OCT 14 (Milwaukee Journal) - A clear majority of the 26,322 fans in County Stadium and the Green Bay Packers figured official Herman Rohrig, himself a former Packer, missed on an interference call in the first half Sunday. Even one Colts' fan, an F.B. Ross, who was watching the game in Baltimore via television, figured the Colts had benefited unfairly from Rohrig's call which gave the Colts the ball on the Packers' 19 yard line, a gain of 41 yards, and led to the



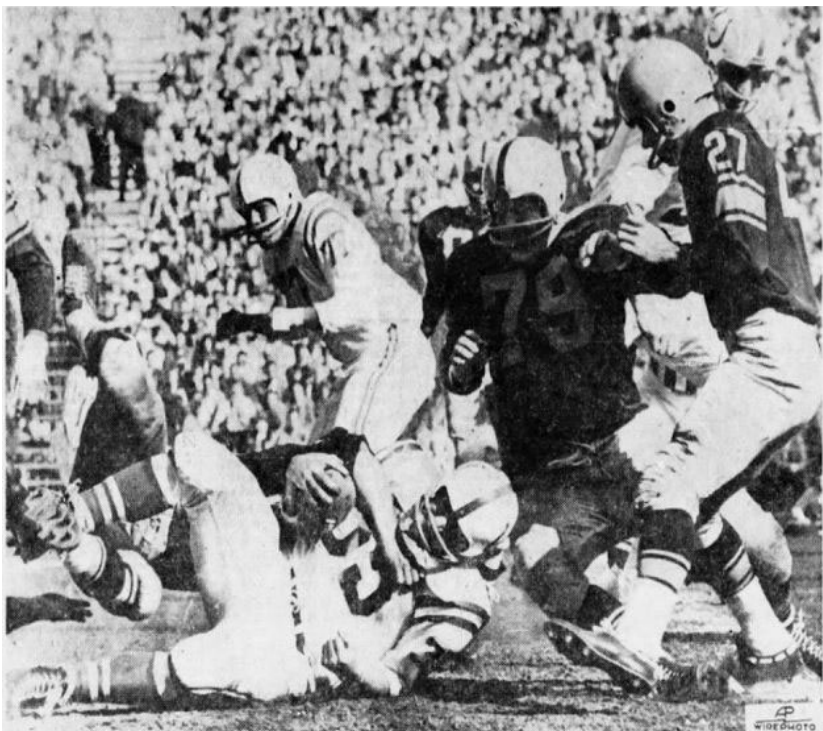
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**Fight Team Fight!** — The Baltimore Colts, who licked the Packers 45 to 17 in football, can do pretty well in another phase of the game as shown by the action above in Milwaukee County Stadium Sunday. Carl Taseff, Colt defensive back, is just completing a right cross at Packer Defensive Back John Symank on sidelines in front of Colt bench. Colt Coach Weeb Ewbank stands

at left while Gino Marchetti (89) looks like he might want to break it up. No. 44 at left is Bobby Dillon who is scowling at Colt Doug Eggers (67). Action occurred in second quarter when Colt Quarterback John Unitas was tackled near Colt bench after gaining 22 yards. Incidentally, Taseff was ejected from the game.

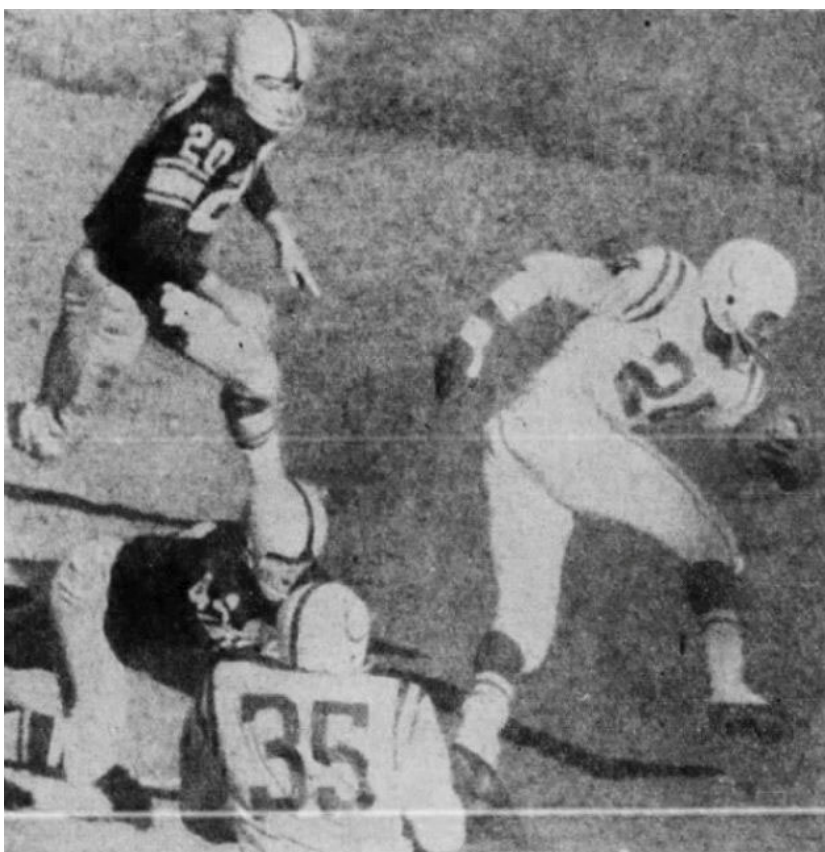
Colts' first touchdown. Ross dispatched the following telegram which was received in the press box at the half: National Football League, Milwaukee County Stadium. Officiating is terrible. F.B. Ross. Ross might well have waited a while longer to send his message. If he had waited, he could have added that the Packers didn't look so good, either. Rohrig, who was frequently greeted with catcalls, said later in the dressing room that, as he had seen the play, "Dillon hit Dupre before they went up for the ball." Colt coach Weeb Ewbank, who obviously didn't care to dwell very long on a discussion of the play, said that he had it the same way. Packer Coach Lisle Blackbourn declined comment until he had seen movies of the game. "I figure they earned about two touchdowns," a downcast Blackbourn said. "We gave them the rest." "So many things were wrong out there, I'm not sure what I'd blame it on," he continued. "What happened in the second half were those real crucifying type of things. We're just going to have to get back on the ball," he said. "I thought we were ready to play ball





**HOBBLED HORSE**—Alan Ameche, called The Horse, is stopped after picking up 9 yards for the Colts in second quarter. Henry Gremminger made the tackle. Others in the photo are Dave Hanner (79), Packers; Jim Parker (77), Colts.

that Ameche, the former Wisconsin All-American fullback, had come of age as a professional football player in the last two seasons. "He's always been a good runner," Ewbank said. "But now he's a good blocker as well." Unitas, who had far better protection for his passes than either Bart Starr or Babe Parilli of the Packers, completed only 7 of 17 for 130 yards. But it wasn't for his passing the Ewbank had particular praise. "He runs the team well," the coach said.



**Zip Zip and Seven Yards**—Lenny Moore, the Colts' slippery back, slices through the Pack for seven yards and a first down in second quarter as he steps away from Bobby Dillon (44). Watching are Packer John Petitbon and Colt Alan Ameche. Moore gained 81 yards in 12 attempts.

today. I still think we were. We didn't play badly in the first half. But the second half...the Colts had the breaks all their way in the third quarter. After that the game just got out of hand and the morale feature entered." The Packers' tackling went from bad to worse to nothing as the Colts began to roll. "I was surprised that the tackling became so bad," Blackburn continued. "But I think that could be attributed to the morale." How does Ewbank feel about the Colts' chances to win the Western Conference championship, now his team has a 3-0 record? "I haven't given it much thought," he said. "I haven't thought beyond our game next week with Detroit." "We came up here expecting a tough game," he said. "And we had a tough game for awhile. I was surprised that it became so easy in the second half." The final portion of the game, he said, was Baltimore's best half of the season. In their first two starts, they beat the Detroit Lions and Chicago Bears, limited the Bears to 29 yards rushing and the Lions to 23. Ewbank cited his own Lenny Moore, Alan Ameche, Johnny Unitas and Jim Muscheller for special praise. Ewbank said

#### **BAY STAFF ON SPOT**

**OCT 14 (Green Bay)** - The Green Bay Packers' executive committee Monday said it would call a special meeting with the coaching staff later this week. The committee, displeased with the club's early season performance, is asking the coaching staff to lay its troubles on the table. After an impressive pre-season campaign without a loss, the Packers won their league opener by jolting the Bears, 21-17. Then they lost to the Lions, 24-17, and were whipped by the Colts, 45-17.

#### **PACKERS GET BIG CHANCE AGAINST 'FRISCO SUNDAY**

**OCT 15 (Green Bay)** - Now that the gloom has lifted some, it can be announced that the Packers will play the San Francisco Forty Niners in Milwaukee County Stadium Sunday afternoon. Our town has been in a state of shock since last Sunday when the Baltimore Colts, behind 10 to 7, cut loose with 38 points and blasted the Packers into a 45 to 17 pulp. But that's history, man, and the Packers, now are in the process of getting ready for the San Francisco Forty Niners and a chance of getting back into the thick of the Western Division, NFL, race. This is a big opportunity for the Packers – almost as big as the shot last Sunday when the Colts invaded County Stadium with a 2-0 record against the Pack's 1-1. The Packers now have a one-two record while the Forty Niners have a



## Colts Open Big Hole in Packer Line on Way to 45-17 Victory



A big hole opens up for L. G. Dupre (45) of the Baltimore Colts as he heads through the Green Bay Packer line on a draw play in the second quarter of the National Football

league game at County Stadium Sunday. John Unitas (19) has just handed off to Dupre. George Preas (60) and Madison Nutter (50) prepare to block. The lone Packer defender

shown is Ernie Danjean (64). The hole closed quickly and Dupre was held to a five yard gain, but the Colts were seldom stopped otherwise and rolled to a 45-17 victory.

—Journal Staff by S. Niels Lauritzen

glossy two-one mark on the strength of two straight wins after an opening loss to the Chicago Cardinals. Frisco got the two by beating the Los Angeles Rams and Chicago Bears. The Packers and Forty Niners have one thing in common. They beat the Bears by the same score, 21-17, but the operations were different. Frisco downed the Bears in the last 27 seconds of the game on a seven-yard pass from Y.A. Tittle to R.C. Owens; the Packers downed the Bears in the last six minutes of the game on a six-yard pass from Babe Parilli to Gary Knafelc. The Forty Niners downed the Packers twice last year, 17 to 16 in the last game in Old City Stadium and 38 to 20 at San Francisco. The previous season ('55) the Packers whipped Frisco twice, 27 to 21 in Milwaukee and 28 to 7 at Frisco...EXCELLENT TEST: Actually, Frisco will provide an excellent test for the Packers, who remain something of a mystery after Sunday. San Francisco now ranks as one of the powerhouses in the league, although it posted both victories when defeat seemed inevitable. The 49ers beat the Rams and Bears in the final seconds. In other words, Frisco is (or was) about a minute from an 0-3 record. The Packers have played three different types of football in three league games thus far and, obviously, two of them are wrong. Bad breaks were a big factor in the Lions loss but the Bays were just plain ground under by the Colts – without much resistance...The Colts and Lions ran for a total of 492 yards against the Packers – 249 for the Colts and 243 for Detroit. The Bears, when the Packers were spunky, gained 141 yards. Against the Colts, linebacker Sam Palumbo made 15 tackles while his linebacking mates, Bill Forester and Tom Bettis, made eight, with Bettis getting only three. John Petitbon, Jim Temp and Jerry Helluin each had seven; Dave Hanner six. The others were five and/or under. In probably a closer scrutiny of tackles vs. the Lions, Palumbo had 10 tackles, Forester eight, Hanner eight, Hank Gremminger six, John Symank six and the others five or less...BRIEFS: Packer Publicitor Tom Miller is bedded down with the flu...The Packer executive committee had lunch with Packer Coach Liz Blackburn and aides Ray McLean, Lou Rymkus and Jack Morton today in an effort to offer the executive group's services to the coaches...The Packers came out of the Colt loss with one injury – end Ron Kramer, who picked up a damaged ankle...Television cameras were swung away from the fierce fist fights between the Browns and Eagles Sunday. Explained Commissioner Bert Bell: "We're not selling fights to the kids of this country. If the kids see their idols fight then they go out and do the same thing when they play football. In my judgment, focusing attention on fights and serious injuries is bad for football and for the kids watching."...The Forty Niners are practicing in Chicago this week.

### POOR SHOWING AGAINST COLTS A DOUBLE BLOW TO PACKER HOPES

OCT 15 (Milwaukee Sentinel - Lloyd Larson) - The many who walked away from County Stadium Sunday shaking their head and wondering how a pro football team could go into a complete tailspin so quickly, probably had company. Packer coaches, too, must have been groping for the answer. Hard to figure, but there it was for all to see - the same team that looked so good in the pre-league games, then knocked off the Bears and had Baltimore under control for a half, suddenly



losing all semblance of winning touch both ways, defense as well as offense. The lopsided defeat came at a particularly unfortunate time. Not that there is such a thing as the right time for a bad thumping. But there are degrees. And this was one of the worst bits of timing, what with missing the boat on selling the Milwaukee portion of the schedule in the season's first start at County Stadium. It was a reminder of the first football game ever played in the then new surroundings four years ago. The Packers that year were in the ball game only until the opening kickoff. Once the game got underway, the home club didn't have a chance against the Cleveland Browns, one of the big names in pro football...**TOUGH COMEBACK AHEAD:** That has been the pattern much too often through the years. Time and time again a key game here had been turned into a disappointing showing. Bad games naturally affect attendance the next time. That goes double for a team fighting uphill and trying to get back into winning business, as the Packers have been trying for a long time. The Baltimore game is down the drain, of course. Nothing can be done about it. Nothing to do but pick up the pieces and reassemble the machine for the next one with San Francisco here this coming Sunday. This won't be easy for Liz Blackburn and his staff under any circumstances. The fact that the 49ers showed such explosive qualities in upsetting the Bears makes the task even tougher. The one ray of hope is that there is no reason to believe that Sunday's brutal second half is typical of the 1957 Packers. They have played a lot of good, solid ball since the start of the exhibition season. And they can bounce back - if they have the desire. How they react is strictly up to them. Needless to say, others have come off the floor before them. So it can be done.

#### **SLOPPY TACKLING HURT, ALONG WITH OFFENSE, BLACKBOURN SAYS**

OCT 15 (Milwaukee Journal) - "We're just going to have to keep our heads about this thing," Lisle Blackburn, Green Bay Packers' coach said Tuesday. "We can home back." He was talking about the Packers' 45-17 licking by the undefeated Baltimore Colts at County Stadium Sunday. The defeat was Green Bay's second in a row after going undefeated through six exhibition games and its NFL opener with the Chicago Bears.

Did the defense which had played well enough to win in every game up to Sunday's, get discouraged because the Packer offense was going no place? "That could be," the coach said. "Certainly morale entered in after Baltimore got ahead. No question but that the one supplements the other." "We did fine in the first half. That catch by Gary Knafele was as brilliant a one as I've ever seen. Our defensive play in the first half was good. After all, we were ahead then, 10-7. Why it should go so bad in the second half...Giving them the ball on that interception on our first play of the second half didn't help. Bart Starr converted the play on the line of scrimmage. It hadn't even been called in the huddle. Then he didn't see Rechichar apparently and threw the ball right to him. And then not making four inches on fourth down didn't help at all." Blackburn was asked what he planned to do in preparation for the games with the San Francisco 49ers at County Stadium Sunday. "We're just going to pull 'em back together again," he said. "We can't make any changes. We've got the 35 players for the whole season. We can straighten things out. We've got to. This team still can be a good football team." The coaches will meet with the Packers' executive committee later in the week. "They want to know what they as a board can do to help the situation," Blackburn said. The committee, displeased with the club's record, will ask the coaches to discuss their problems firmly.

#### **FIGURES POINT UP PACKER PROBLEMS AGAINST 'FRISCO**

OCT 16 (Green Bay) - NFL statistics for the first three games point up some of the problems facing the Packers in

## **Figures Point Up Packer Problems Against 'Frisco**

**49ers' Connor Leads NFL Receivers,  
Hugh McElhenny Second in Rushing**

Milwaukee Sunday! This is the first chance to compare an opponent statistically since there are the first figures to be presented this year. The Packers have shown some difficulty stopping enemy rushers, chiefly John Henry Johnson of the Detroit Lions and Lenny Moore of the Baltimore Colts. Johnson, who gained 109 yards over the New Stadium turf two weeks ago, isn't even in the league's first 10 but Moore, who picked up 81 last Sunday, ranks third. Ranking above Moore are Tom Wilson of the Los Angeles Rams, a no-college kid, and Hugh McElhenny of the San Francisco Forty Niners. Let us not worry about Wilson now. McElhenny is the problem since the Packers play the Forty Niners in Milwaukee Sunday. Hugh is second in the league with 293 yards in 47 attempts for an average of 6.2 per attempt; Wilson has 350 in 53 for 6.6. McElhenny had field days against the Packers in two games

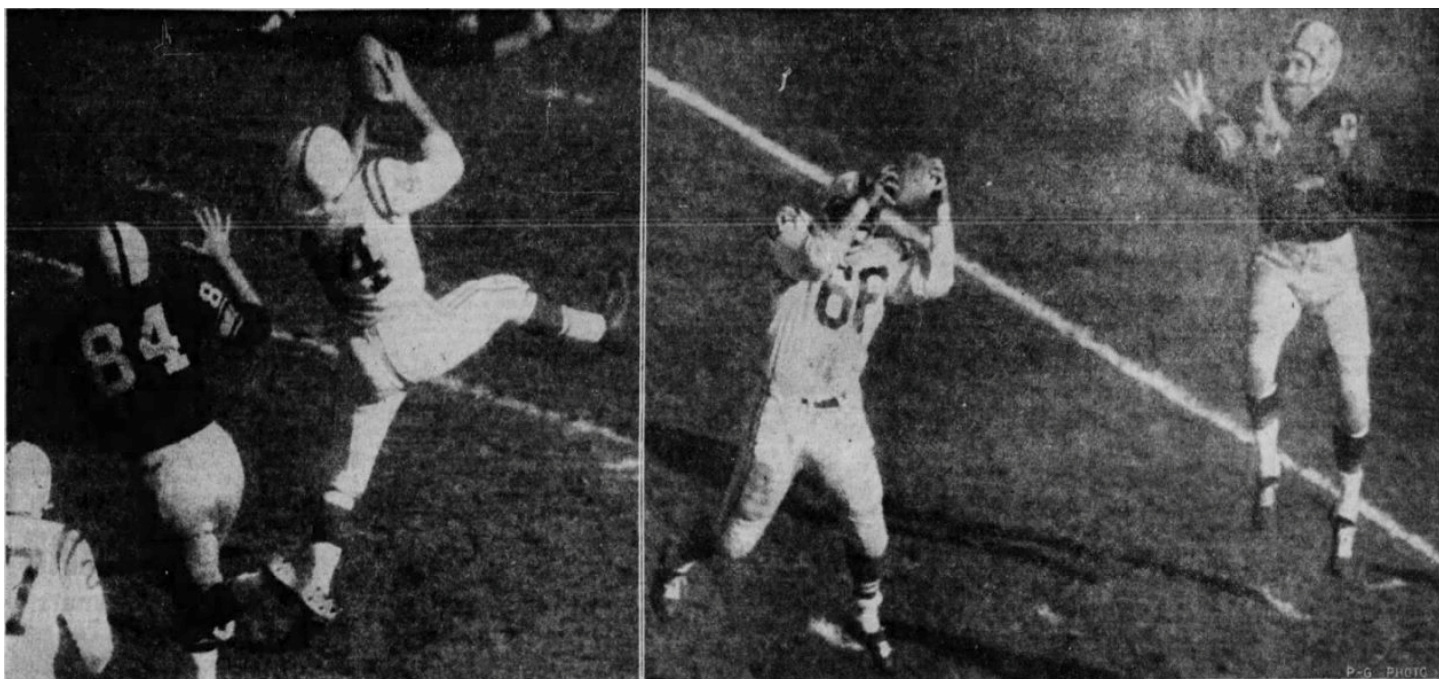
#### **Packer Fan Win or Lose**

Editor, Press-Gazette: This letter is for all these so-called Packer Backers. They are fans while the team is winning, but leave them lose, then it's different. The team and coach aren't any good.

As for Tobin Rote, I'm glad he's gone. I'll admit he is a good player, but he was all for himself and not for the Packers. Have you so-called fans forgotten the wonderful game against the Bears? To top it all the Packers did it without mighty Rote. No man is so valuable that he is irreplaceable. Starr and Parilli are just as good. Everyone is bound to have an off day. If these so-called Packer Backers don't think so I would like to meet them for they are odd indeed.

The Packers have only lost two games where the Detroit Lions with wonderful Rote have only won two. So let's not be turncoats when the going gets rough, and really back our Packers.

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**Wayward Passes**—The Packers had five passes intercepted and two of the steals by the Baltimore Colts in County Stadium Sunday. At the left, a short pitch by Quarterback Bart Starr aimed at Gary Knefelc (84) is intercepted by Bert Rechichar (44) in third quarter. At right, Linebacker Don Shinnick grabs Starr pass aimed at Max McGee (right) early in fourth quarter. Colts won 45 to 17 with 38 points in second half.

last year, rolling up 272 yards in 37 attempts for an average of 7.3. He picked up 140 yards in 18 trips in the 17-16 Frisco victory here, including an 86-yard TD jaunt. He added 132 in 19 tries, including a 26-yard teedee, in the nightcap at Frisco. McElhenny isn't likely to repeat with that kind of luck against the Pack. The statistics show another 49er in a prominent position – Clyde Connor, the College of Pacific end, who leads the pass catching with 16 receptions for 218 yards. Conner leaped into that position with nine receptions for 142 yards against the Bears last Sunday. The Packers' Billy Howton, who drew a blank against Detroit, is fourth in the league with 12 for 211 yards. Other than Howton, the Packers have only two players high in statistics – Dick Deschaine, who leads the punters with an average of 49.2 yards, and Bobby Dillon, who is in a two-way tie with Milt Davis Baltimore on interception. Each has four steals while Jack Christiansen of Detroit leads with six. Deschaine has punted 13 times and his longest was 71 yards. Don Chandler of New York is second with 46.3. The 49ers' Y.A. Tittle, now in his 10th pro season, ranks third among league quarterbacks with his average gain of 8.42. Ya Ya had a hot day vs. the Bears, completing 16 in 26 attempts for 268 yards and three touchdowns, including the playoff TD in the last few seconds...The Packers worked lightly Tuesday, working out kicks and bruises. The all-night rain put the practice field on Oneida Street in good condition for today's drill. Ron Kramer is the only injured player; he's nursing a hurt ankle...BRIEFS: Packer Coach Liz Blackbourn looked at the scouting report on the 49ers after practice yesterday and worded: "They're tough!" Which explained the report of the 49ers' 21-17 victory over the Bears...Roger Zatkoff, the former Packer linebacker, handed out cigars the other day and the newcomer turned out to be a boy – to go with three girls...Lamar Lundy, the Rams' new slot back, wears a size 15, width C shoe...Whatever became of Ronnie Knox? And Harvey?...Commissioner Bert Bell was unhappy about the fighting between the Browns and Eagles in Cleveland Sunday and he said so. Next Sunday, the Browns and Eagles will play again – this time in Philly, and Bert will be a spectator. Six players were thrown out in last Sunday's afternoon fight in Cleveland.

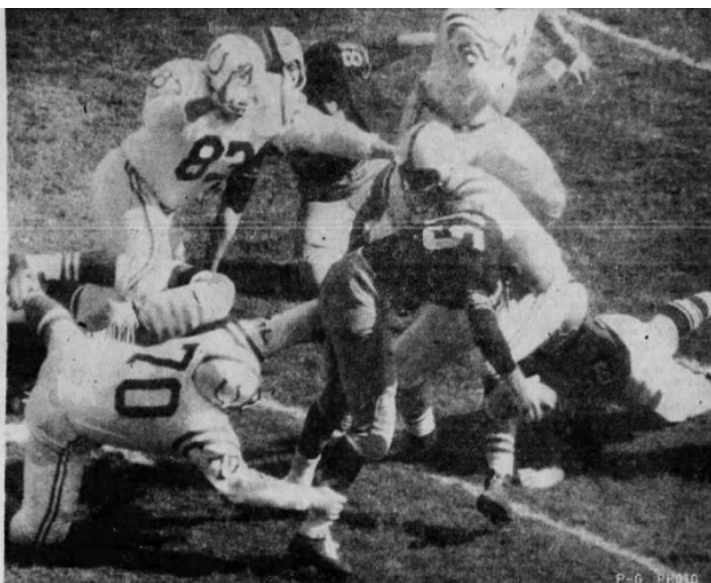
#### **49ERS RISE TO OCCASION WITH TITTLE**

OCT 16 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - The Packers battle the 49ers at the Stadium Sunday, a team which can come off the floor when it looks like it's in real trouble. They dumped the Rams, 23-20, with eight minutes to go, They shocked the Bears, 21-17, with 27 seconds remaining. They also can be had. A so-so Cardinal outfit pinned a 20-10 loss on the Golden Gaters in the season opener. Y.A. Tittle, a 30-year old veteran who is playing his 10th season in pro ball, is still the man to watch. He has completed 37 out of 65 passes for 542 yards and five touchdowns. He has had just two intercepted, both in the first game. Tittle is off to his greatest start because Frisco has two of the fastest receivers in the business - R.C. Owens, a rookie flanker back, and Clyde Conner, who won his spurs last season. Billy Wilson, the league's best receiver last year, is an outstanding "hook" catcher. The 49ers have lost nothing as a running threat. Hugh McElhenny has a 6.2 average, carrying the ball 47 times for 293 yards. McElhenny is also effective on screen passes. Rookie Gene Babb has taken over the fullback post from the injury-plagued Joe Perry. Babb, the 49ers' 18th draft choice, has gained 118 yards in 32 carries for a 3.7 average. "Owens is our outstanding rookie," 49er publicitor Dan McGuire beamed Tuesday. "He was more noteworthy as a basketball player when he attended College of Idaho. He played for the Buchan Bakers, who gained the semi-finals of the national AAU tournament last March. Teammates call him 'Alley Oop' because he can jump eight feet," chuckled McGuire.





**Wall of White**—The quarterbacks in Sunday's Packer-Baltimore Colt game were surrounded by a wall of white, as pictorial evidence above indicates, but there was a difference. In left panel, Colts' John Unitas (19) literally has "all day" to take aim as his pass protectors fend off Packer defenders Carlton Massey (81) and Jerry Helluin, far right. Protector to Unitas' immediate right is George Preas (60). At right, a white



wave engulfs Packers' Bart Starr (15) as his protection breaks down. Artie Donovan (70) gets grip on Starr as Don Joyce (83), Jack Patera (61) and Gene Lipscomb (in front of Starr) storm in to finish job. Packers in picture are Al Barry (66) and Ron Kramer, in background, (88).

"So far he has caught seven passes, four of them for touchdowns." The 49ers strengthened themselves in trades. Val Joe Walker, who last year played with the Packers, latched on to Frisco after Detroit released him and is the starting right safetyman. Walker's presence makes it possible for Dicky Moegle to move to an offensive post. Linebacker Marv Matuszak was acquired from Pittsburgh for quarterback Earl Morrall and guard Mike Sandusky. The Steelers also had to toss in their first draft choice for the next two years. Matuszak is a Gibraltar of a middle guard. The other acquisition is defensive halfback Bill Stits from the Lions. All-American John Brodie is sitting on the bench because Tittle is having such great success. Brodie called only one series of plays when the Bears roughed up Tittle. Veteran halfback Joe Arenas will do in a pinch as a quarterback. The 49ers are presently using the facilities of the U. of Chicago, working out at Stagg Field and in the fieldhouse. They'll come to town Saturday afternoon.

#### **PACKER COACHES FREED OF BLAME**

OCT 16 (Green Bay) - Coach Lisle Blackbourn and his assistants were absolved of blame for the Packers' two successive defeats Wednesday by the Board of Directors. "Everybody was perfectly happy with the coaches," Board Chairman Emil R. Fischer said after the board conducted what was termed as a "routine" meeting Monday. Problems involved the team are strictly in the hands of the coaches, the board indicated. The comments followed a news report which said that the board was unhappy with the play of the team. The story was "blown up," said Fischer. The board said it did not have a meeting schedule with the coaches for later in the week to discuss the situation.

# Packers Mold Victory Spirit for 49er Test

#### **PACKERS MOLD VICTORY SPIRIT FOR 49ER TEST**

OCT 17 (Green Bay) - The Packers are doing more than planning strategy for the 49ers this week. They're framing a winning spirit! With few exceptions down through the years, the Packers have always had a winning spirit. The latest exception was the second half of the Colt game in Milwaukee last Sunday. During those 30 minutes, at the start of which the Packers had a 10-7 lead, Green Bay blew sky high, permitting 38 points on five touchdowns and three extra points. The Packers had the ball for 26 plays and four of them were interceptions of Bay passes by the Colts. Baltimore had 44 plays. The Packers have been run over in the past and they will be in the future but the sad part of the Black Thirty in County

Stadium was that the team quit. Maybe that's now such a terrible sin in view of the fact that TWO of the 36 quarters played by the Packers thus far this season were on the give-upish side. But coming as it did on the heels of a 5-0-1 record on exhibitions; a sock-'em victory over the Chicago Bears; and a never-quit performance against Detroit, the fold in the Colt game took on gigantic proportions. The Two Quarter Shocker shocked everybody into action and the Packers, themselves, are dead determined in their chores this week. And if determination means spirit, then the Packers will have it for San Francisco in Milwaukee Sunday. That Second Half Flip suddenly became a problem for all of Packerland to solve Sunday, and the Packer executive committee, the corporation's ruling body, immediately offered its services. The group talked over the problem with Coach Liz Blackburn at its regular weekly meeting Monday noon – a usual procedure because Blackburn meets with the committee every Monday during the football season. The committee's contract committee later met with Blackburn and aides Ray McLean, Lou Rymkus and Jack Morton in effort to solve any problems facing the coaches...PLAYERS MEET:

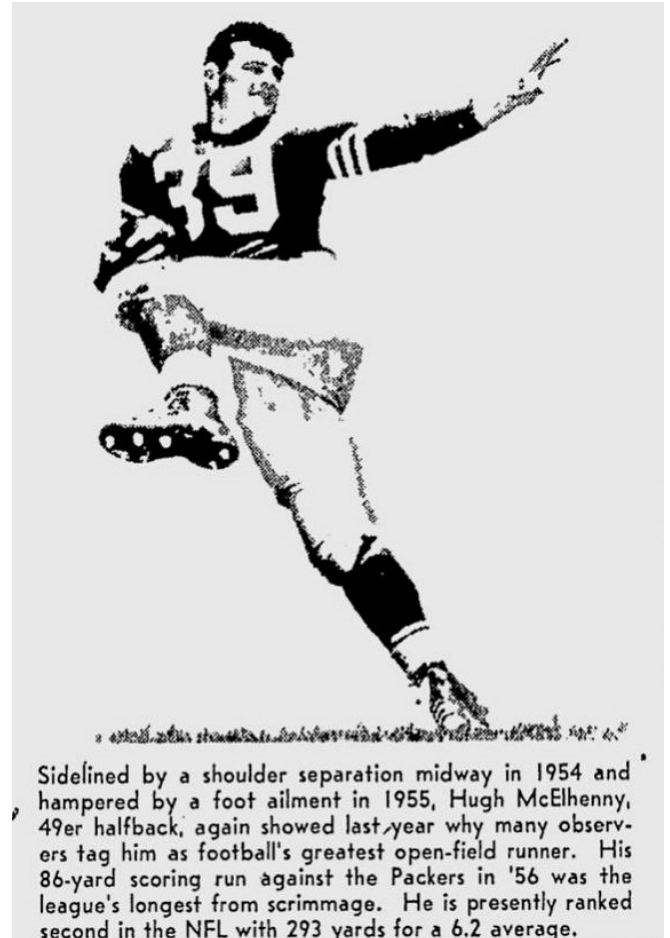
Meanwhile, Packer players, called together by Billy Howton, Fred Cone and Dave Hanner, held their own squad meeting – apart from the coaches. Howton, Cone and Hanner then sat down with the contract committee to talk over the situation. Meeting with player representatives is not unusual; it is done frequently. Meeting this week revealed that the morale of the Packers is exceptionally high – just as it has been since the Bays started belting people along the training trail...For the umpteenth time, the Packers' Don McIlhenny and the 49ers' Hugh McElhenny (the spelling is different) are not relatives. People are always wondering! Frisco Publicitor Dan McGuire, here last night, said "Don did well against us last year in both games with Detroit." McIlhenny came to the Pack with Ollie Spencer, Norm Masters and Jim Salsbury from Detroit in the Tobin Rote deal. Incidentally, the Lions, including McIlhenny, Spencer and Salsbury, did right well against Frisco last year, winning both games 20 to 17 and 17 to 13. McIlhenny has played little thus far, working behind Al Carmichael. Don carried five times for nine yards while Carmichael moved 20 times for 71 yards...Two former Packers will be in Frisco livery Sunday – Val Joe Walker and Tom Dahms. Walker, who went to Detroit along with Rote, was traded to Frisco, while Dahms was picked up last week when Bob St. Clair suffered a shoulder separation. Walker is sharing right safety with Dickie Moegle, who also works some on offense. Val Joe was hurt early in the Bear game and retired but will be ready for Sunday. Dahms is the third offensive tackle, working behind Bob Cross and John Gonzaga. Tom started the season with the Cardinals and was working out with the Philadelphia Eagles when the 49ers grabbed him off.

#### **GREEN BAY COACH PUT ON SPOT!**

OCT 17 (Milwaukee-San Francisco Examiner) – Green Bay Packer directors, upset about two consecutive losses after six straight exhibition and one league triumph, held a secret meeting with Coach Liz Blackburn this week and supposedly applied the pressure. It's undoubtedly a chain reaction from the Braves' success. They're flushed with victory in these parts and anything less than a champion won't do. Blackburn, reportedly, was given a "conditional" vote of confidence. The outcome of Sunday's game here with the 49ers may be "crucial" in Blackburn's future. The Packer coach isn't the only one on the hot seat. Paddy Driscoll, of the Chicago Bears, is under steady cannonading after three straight losses. Ray Richards, of the Chicago Cardinals, also is being bombarded. Windy City writers are taking on Driscoll for eight different reasons, among them (1) rotation of three quarterbacks; (2) failure to inspire the Bears; (3) lack of imagination on offense, etc. The main complaint against Richards is that his split-T attack is futile in pro ball. Even Ollie Matson, who finished as the second best runner in the NFL last year behind Rick Casares of the Bears, is being hammered by the critics. They're saying the ex-USFer is guilty of "lethargic running."

#### **PACKER HEAT IS ON - GRUMBLING IS VOCAL AFTER 45-17 WHIPPING**

OCT 17 (Milwaukee Journal) - The tomahawks are out for Lisle Blackburn's scalp. The heat is on in Green Bay. The coach is on the pan for the Packers' 45-17 licking at Baltimore's hands in County Stadium Sunday. Most NFL games are close. The teams are generally well matched. So when a game gets one sided, especially when the home team is on the wrong end, the grumbling turns to shouting. In football today, however, especially in the pro game, things can swing one way or the



Sideline by a shoulder separation midway in 1954 and hampered by a foot ailment in 1955, Hugh McElhenny, 49er halfback, again showed last year why many observers tag him as football's greatest open-field runner. His 86-yard scoring run against the Packers in '56 was the league's longest from scrimmage. He is presently ranked second in the NFL with 293 yards for a 6.2 average.





**Key Men**—These four animated performers are likely to be key figures in Sunday's Packer-San Francisco 49er game in Milwaukee. At far left is the Packers' Max McGee, making his starting debut at left end in place of the injured Gary Knafelc. Second from left is R. C. (Overdrive) Owens, the prize 49er rookie who caught the touchdown pass that beat the Chicago Bears for 'Frisko last Sunday. Next is Dick

Moege, the 'Frisko defensive back who also doubles in brass on offense. At far right is Bobby Dillon, the Packers' veteran safety man who is still unhappy about his 1956 showing in San Francisco and determined there shall not be a repetition Sunday after noon.

other fast and far. Even between close rivals. The rout of Green Bay is not the first to happen nor will it be the last. The big thing now is whether the Packers can bounce back. Blackbourn, admittedly a fine coach, has brought them back from lickings before. In his four years at Green Bay, his teams have been well prepared. They have been well coached. Because Baltimore got the Packers on the run last Sunday does not mean Blackbourn has suddenly become a poor coach. These things have happened to other teams. The San Francisco 49ers, who will play Green Bay at County Stadium Sunday, were undefeated in exhibition play when they met the Rams at Los Angeles a few weeks ago. The Rams beat them, 58-27. A few weeks later, the teams met in their first league game at San Francisco. The 49ers won, 23-20. The reverse is form is inexplicable. So is the present plight of the Chicago Bears. Three starts, three defeats. And how about the results of the last three championship game? Cleveland 56, Detroit 10 in 1954; Cleveland 38, Los Angeles 14 in 1955; and New York 47, Bears 7 in 1956. Green Bay stated the season with some obvious weaknesses. Sunday, some of its strengths became weaknesses. The big question is whether the team can pick itself off the turf and bounce back against San Francisco. If anyone can pick up the pieces, Lisle Blackbourn can. His record as a coach, at Washington High School here, at Marquette University, and with the Green Bay Packers, would indicate that...49ERS IN CHICAGO: The 49ers are staying in Chicago this week, preparing for their game here Sunday. They work out every day at the University of Chicago's Stagg Field and have the use of the indoor facilities of the field house there in case of rain. They will arrive here Saturday and stay at the Ambassador Hotel...Val Joe Walker, former Packer defensive back, who was traded to Detroit in the Rote deal and then was sent by the Lions to the 49ers, may not play against his old teammates. He was injured late in the Ram game 10 days ago. He started against the Bears in Chicago last Sunday, but reinjured his ankle midway in the first quarter and sat out the rest of the game.

# Packers Lose End, Knafelc, Sign FB

## PACKERS LOSE END, KNAFELC, SIGN FB

OCT 18 (Green Bay) - The Packers lost a veteran end Thursday and gained a rookie fullback today. Gary Knafelc, the regular offensive left end in 1955-56 and for three games this season, was called out for the season with a cartilage lock in his knee. And Frank Purnell, a 225-pounder who started the season with the Cleveland Browns, took Gary's place on the active list. Knafelc, who came to the Packers in 1954 as a rookie after training with the Chicago Cardinals, underwent

This Is It!					
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (Western Division)					
	W	L	Pct.	PS	OP
Baltimore	3	0	1.000	100	73
Detroit	2	1	.667	48	55
San Francisco	2	1	.667	54	57
GREEN BAY	1	2	.333	48	86
Los Angeles	1	2	.333	44	46
Chicago Bears	0	3	.000	44	63
(Eastern Division)					
	W	L	Pct.	PS	OP
Cleveland	3	0	1.000	53	22
New York	2	1	.667	51	46
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667	69	50
Chicago Cards	1	2	.333	54	76
Washington	1	2	.333	64	66
Philadelphia	0	3	.000	40	65
Sunday's Games					
SAN FRANCISCO vs. GREEN BAY at Milwaukee. (WJPG, 1:05)					
Baltimore at Detroit.					
Chicago Cards at Washington.					
Cleveland at Philadelphia.					
Los Angeles at Chicago Bears.					
Pittsburgh at New York.					
Probable Offensive Lineups:					
SAN FRAN'CO			GREEN BAY		
Conner	LE		McGee		
Cross	LT		Masters		
Palatella	LG		Barry		
Morze	C		Ringo		
Connolly	RG		Salsbury		
Gonzaga	RT		Spencer		
Wilson	RE		Howton		
Tittle	QB		Starr		
McElhenny	LH		Ferguson		
Owens	RH		Kramer		
Babb	FB		Cone		
Green Bay-San Francisco Series:					
Green Bay won 3, San Francisco won 9. Points: Green Bay 201, San Francisco 332.					

surgery on his knee at St. Vincent Hospital this morning. He was placed on the injured reserve list. The long-legged end, a former University of Colorado star, hurt his knee in practice Wednesday afternoon while turning to catch a low pass. He slipped on the wet practice field when he reached for the ball. At first, it was hoped the knee could be "unlocked," so to speak, and make him ready for the 49ers in Milwaukee Sunday, but observation Thursday prompted immediate surgery for removal of the cartilage. Knee operations are quite common in football and in nearly all cases the athlete comes back with a stronger knee. Bobby Dillon, for instance, underwent surgery on his knee two winters ago, and presently has no trouble. Knafelc's position will be filled, of course, by Max McGee who, oddly enough, was a sort of teacher for Gary back in 1954. McGee was the Pack's regular left end that year and Knafelc rarely played, finishing up five catches for 48 yards. McGee went into the Air Force after the '54 season and Knafelc took over in a big way, catching 40 passes for 613 yards and eight touchdowns in 1955. He nailed 30 for 418 yards and six TD's in '56 and had snared nine for 164 yards and two touchdowns through last Sunday...CAUGHT 16 FOR TD'S: In all, Knafelc matched his jersey number with his catches, 84, for 1,243 yards and 16 touchdowns. McGee, who kept "up" with the sport by playing in the Air Force, had a terrific rookie year with 36 catches for 614 yards and nine touchdowns. He caught three TD passes against the Eagles and his longest TD catch that season was an 82-yarder against Detroit. McGee was a star halfback-fullback at Tulane but Coach Liz Blackbourn drafted him for duty as an offensive end. Purnell, signed by the Browns as a free agent after Army football, becomes the heaviest man in the Packer backfield with his 225 pounds. The Alcorn College product, who made the Fourth Army All Star team last year, was the last back cut by the Browns and was considered a better prospect than veteran Maurice Bassett who was released earlier. The newcomer wasted no time Thursday afternoon, working awhile overtime with quarterback Bart

The announced starting offensive lineups:		
S.F. 49ers	Pos.	Green Bay
Conner (195)	LE	(200) McGee
Cross (250)	LT	(210) Masters
Palatella (230)	LG	(230) Barry
Morze (280)	C	(230) Ringo
Connolly (240)	RG	(235) Salsbury
Gonzaga (240)	RT	(250) Spencer
Wilson (190)	RE	(190) Howton
Tittle (195)	QB	(200) Starr
McElhenny (198)	LH	(190) Carmichael
Owens (205)	RH	(220) Kramer
Babb (207)	FB	(206) Cone

Starr who passed to Parilli on runs to the right and left. On the subject of fullbacks, Blackbourn said yesterday he plans to use two fullbacks, Fred Cone and Howie Ferguson, in the backfield at the same time at some stages during the San Francisco game. Cone will be at fullback and Fergie at left half. "We hope we can get a little better blocking," Liz said. Cone and Fergie normally are the team's two fullbacks, with Al Carmichael and Don McElhenny playing the left halfback spots, Paul Hornung, who plays both left half and fullback, may see some action at quarterback. With McGee going at left end full time, Hornung will step in with Carmichael at punt and kickoff returns. McGee had been returning kickoffs. The Packers worked on defense in yesterday's drill, with Hornung, Starr and Babe Parilli playing the role of Y.A. Tittle, the 49ers' 10-year quarterback. The linemen and linebackers were cautioned to be particularly alert because of the presence of one Hugh McElhenny, the 49ers' elusive back who ranks second in rushing in the league. Hugh plays left half and Joe Perry or Gene Babb, a highly-rated rookie, is at fullback. The slot or flanker back is the noted R.C. Owens, whose catch beat the Chicago Bears last Sunday. Owens stands 6-3, weighs 210 and had tremendous spring in his leg. Center Jim Ringo was missing from practice yesterday. He was bedded down with the flu. Guard Al Barry missed Wednesday's workout, but was back Thursday and feeling good.

### PACKERLAND STACK LONG TIME COMING DOWN...!

OCT 18 (Green Bay) - This had been an emotional year for the Packers. So many things happened. There has been so much tension. The year started innocently enough with Tobin Rote announcing his retirement - here and in Los Angeles where he stated point blank he was finished. That turned out to be a ruse to get more money - which he got when he signed about the time the Braves started baseball. Then the cruelest blow of all - the stroke that felled Tom Hearnden, the Pack's defensive coach who was coming back after a year at the University of Wisconsin. That was May 19, and left Coach Liz Blackbourn with a coaching problem. Blackbourn not only needed a new coach, he needed a new offensive line due to service losses. About that time, Ron Kramer, the Packers' first draft choice, finished his collegiate career. The contract tug-of-way had his locals up in arms. Blackbourn hired Jack Morton to work on defense and then tackled the job of getting an offensive line and toughening the defense. He made steps in those directions by trading off Rote, Roger Zatkoff, Val Joe Walker and Bobby Garrett for 10 players. Emotion? Excitement? About the only thing missing was the game itself. Just about the time folks were feeling pretty good about the team's prospects, there was a strike - a three-weeker - at the new stadium and for a spell it appeared that old City Stadium would creak once more. Soon, the strike's over and George Hougard whips his





**Surgical Toast**—Gary Knafelc, the Packers' offensive left end, drinks a toast (with malteds) with his wife to the success of the surgery on his knee. The Packer pass catcher underwent surgery at St. Vincent Hospital this morning. He suffered a cartilage lock in practice and will be out for the season.



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GREEN BAY, WIS.,  
THURSDAY, OCT. 17, 1957

**Old Tormentor . . . New Threat**—Two of the San Francisco 49ers' most potent offensive weapons, one "old" and one new, are presented above. Pivoting at left is Hurryin' Hugh McElhenny, the six-year veteran who currently ranks second in rushing in the National Football League and hopes to pad his total against the Packers at Milwaukee Sunday. Big fellow at right is Gene Babb, 6-3, 207-pound rookie fullback from Austin College who has shown bright promise. He also can double in brass at right half.

men back into action – only to run into another strike flurry, not long but just long enough to make a guy wonder about our so-called hometown Packer spirit. So the stadium is finished on time, the Packers don't lost (5-0-1) any of their exhibition games, and the stadium is dedicated with a fantastic weekend that included a 21-17 victory over the defending champion Chicago Bears. Emotion based along these lines: "We've got the greatest everything!" And that includes the team, the stadium, the fans, the coaches, etc. So what happens? Cloud 9 springs a leak – two of 'em, and Packerland promptly blows its collective stack. Which is okay in view of those last two quarters the Packers played against the Colts Sunday. But methinks the aforementioned stack was wafted just a little higher because of all of the previous emotion. And as a result it's taking just a little longer getting down. Advice: Let us cool off a little quicker – like on Tuesday maybe. And don't forget: The Packer record still reads a hopeful 1-2!

### PACKERS BAFFLING TO 49ER ANALYSTS

OCT 18 (Milwaukee-San Francisco Examiner) – San Francisco's 49ers pull into town tomorrow, after a week of Chicago preparation, to await their Sunday engagement with a Green Bay Packer club which has all the analysts baffled. One of the puzzlers is why the Packers, who called the cream of the crop in the last draft, should suddenly go into a tailspin and take two sound beatings from Detroit and Baltimore after a promising start which saw them win all their exhibitions and the NFL opener from the Chicago Bears. A second mystery is the running game which, despite the presence of such competent hands as Fred Cone, Al Carmichael, Don McIlhenny, Howie Ferguson and Paul Hornung, has contributed only 242 yards to the cause in three games, no more than 98 in any one outing...**HORNUNG MYSTERY:** But the one that has all the experts stumped is the virtual benching of Hornung, the Notre Dame All-American whom the Packers grabbed as their bonus choice when they outflipped the Chicago Cards for the first grab. It was thought the handsome 215 pounder couldn't be kept out of the lineup because of his many talents. But, to date, he has hardly had opportunity to soil his Packer uniform. He has carried the ball only eight times for a net of eight yards. He has attempted two lengthy field goals, both of which he missed, and he has done the kicking off. That's the extent of the highest paid rookie in the league. He has not appeared as a quarterback and he hasn't tossed a pass...**BLAMES LINE:** Sunday,

against the 49ers, Coach Liz Blackbourn will have him returning punts for the first time. This limited service doesn't sit well with the boys in the Green Bay press corps and has brought on strong criticism of Blackbourn. "The offense hasn't been consistent all year largely because the line isn't doing a good job," he says. "The guards and tackles have been troublesome. They'll have to start coming through real quick." Defensively, the Packers were, according to Blackbourn, "exceptional" until they blew up in the second half of a Baltimore game, in which Green Bay led 10-7 at the intermission. The "defensive" trade which sent quarterback Bobby Garrett and linebacker Roger Zatkoff to Cleveland for Parilli,



linebackers Sam Palumbo and John Petitbon, end Carlton Massey, halfback Billy Kinard and tackle John Macerelli, has worked out much more effectively than the "offensive" deal with Detroit...CAN CATCH 'EM: Ron Kramer, the big Michigan end who was Green Bay's No. 1 draft choice, has been established as the starting slot back since the first game and has been earning his keep mainly as a blocker. Some experts say the 6 foot, 3 inch 220 pounder hasn't been used enough as a receiver, although he's the third leading pass catcher behind flashy Billy Howton and the sidelined Gary Knafelc with seven receptions for 72 yards. It can be expected that with Knafelc out of action, Starr and Parilli will make more use of Kramer Sunday. Max McGee, a former Tulane star who was grabbed by the Army after a brilliant 1954 rookie year when he caught nine TD passes, will take over for Knafelc. Liz can't see any particular reason why his Packers can't measure the 49ers Sunday. "I'm confident we have what it takes if we hook together," he said. "The 49ers should be the favorites, but that doesn't mean they're going to win." The San Franciscans will stay at the Ambassador Hotel here. They'll leave for home immediately after the game.

#### 49ERS SLIM FAVORITES OVER BAYS

OCT 19 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - The 49ers are a slim 1 1/2 point favorite to beat the Packers at the Stadium Sunday. Oddsmakers seem to believe Liz Blackburn has injected a winning frame of mind into his hoss-whipped team - or the point spread would be fantastic. The word from Green Bay describes the club as being dead determined in chores all week. Yet San Francisco is equally ambitious. The Gold Coasters are very much in the fight of things after snatching last minute victories over the Rams and Bears. Last Sunday's lallapalooza against the Colts had certainly affected the advance sale. At the moment, a crowd of 20,000 is likely. This gate could swell as fair and warmer weather is forecast. There will be no telecast in Milwaukee or Green Bay. Blackburn Friday added a rookie fullback to his roster to replace end Gary Knafelc, who underwent surgery for a locked cartilage. The new man is 24-year old Frank Purnell of Alcorn A&M. Purnell, 6-0, 230 pounds, was recently cut by Cleveland. He is regarded as a good runner and was an All-Army back while in service at the Brooks Army Medical Center in Texas. Mrs. Gary Knafelc, when reached by phone in Green Bay, reported her husband "was just fine" after coming out of surgery Friday morning. Dr. James Nellen performed the 1-hour operation at St. Vincent's Hospital. Knafelc will remain in the hospital for about a week.

#### AROUSED BAYS AIM FOR ONE GOAL: WIN!

OCT 19 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers expect to be on a double rebound in County Stadium Sunday afternoon. They hope to be bouncing back from two successive losses - 24 to 14 to Detroit and 45 to 17 to Baltimore - when they tackle the San Francisco Forty Niners in the second straight appearance here. Close to 20,000 fans are expected to watch the fourth NFL clash for both clubs. Kickoff is set for 1:06. Green Bay, which opened the season with a 21-7 victory over the Chicago Bears, lapsed into a letdown in losing to Detroit. The Bays had hoped to rise up and stop the Baltimores and during the first half it appeared that the Pack would do it. But the Colts, behind 10-7, slammed back with 38 points and won easily. This sudden drop in Packer fortunes created a stir in Packerland and after a hectic week of howling

## 'Stix'

### LEADING GROUND GAINERS

	Att	Yds	LG	Av.
Wilson, L. A.	53	350	46	6.6
McElhenny, S. F.	47	293	61	6.2
Moore, Baltimore	32	218	55	6.8
Webster, New York	50	184	26	3.7
Epps, New York	26	156	55	6.0
Brown, Cleveland	46	156	15	3.4
Casares, Bears	47	156	15	3.3
Hanulak, Cleveland	36	145	64	4.0
Bosseler, Wash.	35	135	11	3.9
Gifford, New York	37	133	23	3.6

Longest Run: 64 Yds. Chet Hanulak, Cleveland vs. Philadelphia. 10-13-'57, TD.

Best Performance One Game: 135 yards in 17 attempts—Thomas Wilson, Los Angeles vs. Philadelphia. 9-29-'57.

### \*LEADING PASSERS

	att	comp	yd	td	int	av.
LeB'n, Wash.	43	27	459	4	2	10.67
O'C'ell, Clev.	32	19	278	2	0	8.69
Tittle, San F.	65	37	547	5	2	8.42
Unitas, Balti.	66	38	555	8	6	8.41
McHan, Cards	33	22	429	2	4	8.09
Morrall, Pitt.	74	38	589	5	3	7.96
Parilli, G. Bay	33	13	239	2	6	7.24
Brown, Bears	60	25	434	2	7	7.23
Rote, Detroit	31	16	209	2	2	6.74
Conerly, N. Y.	40	23	269	1	3	6.73
V'Brock, LA	58	25	384	2	8	6.62
Starr, G. Bay	46	25	301	2	6	6.54
Layne, Det.	38	16	218	0	4	5.74

Longest Completion: 83 yards — Lamar McHan, Chicago Cardinals vs. Washington. 10-6-'57—TD.

Best Performance One Game: Y. A. Tittle, San Francisco vs. Chicago Bears 10-13-'57—26 attempts, 16 completions, 268 yards—3 TDs.

\*Standings based on average gain per pass attempted.

### \*PUNT RETURN LEADERS

	No.	Yds	Av.	L	TD
Lewis, C. Cards.	8	83	10.4	25	0
James, Washington	7	70	10.0	27	0
Taseff, Baltimore	6	60	10.0	49	0
Scudero, Wash.	9	84	9.3	21	0
Reynolds, Clev.	7	64	9.1	23	0
Filipski, N. Y.	6	48	8.0	17	0

\*Standings computed on the basis of average return.

Longest Return: 49 Yds. — Carl Taseff, Baltimore vs. Chicago Bears. 10-5-'57.

### \*KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

	No.	Yds	Av.	L	TD
Wells, Pitts.	3	131	43.7	96	1
Scudero, Wash.	3	95	31.7	45	0
Smith, San F.	4	125	31.3	38	0
Galimore, Bears	3	90	30.0	47	0
Lewis, C. Cards.	5	145	29.0	52	0
McDonald, Phila.	5	142	28.4	50	0
Nyers, Baltimore	4	103	25.5	46	0
Carmichael, G. B.	9	227	25.2	33	0
Filipski, N. Y.	7	175	25.0	34	0
Arnett, L. A.	5	122	24.4	33	0

\*Standings computed on the basis of average return.

Longest Return: William Wells, Pittsburgh vs. Chicago Cardinals. 10-13-'57—96 yards, TD.

### INTERCEPTION LEADERS

	No.	Yds	TD	L
Christiansen, Det.	6	64	1	29
Davis, Baltimore	4	19	0	44
Dillon, Green Bay	4	1	0	1
Karlivacs, Detroit	3	47	0	30
Butler, Pittsburgh	3	25	0	17
Harris, Philadelphia	2	70	1	65
Larry, Detroit	2	64	0	63
Shinnick, Baltimore	2	31	0	22
Rechichar, Baltimore	2	21	0	21
Konz, Cleveland	2	4	0	4

Longest Return: 99 yards—Jerry Norton, Philadelphia vs. New York 10-5-'57, TD.

### LEADING PASS RECEIVERS

	Rec'd	Yds	LG	TD
Conner, San Fran.	16	218	41	1
Carson, Washington	14	238	35	2
Dooley, C. Bears	13	183	21	0
Howton, G. Bay	12	211	41	2
Mutscheller, Balti.	12	175	44	2
Nagler, C. Cards.	11	228	82	2
Dupre, Baltimore	11	119	35	2
Knafelc, G. Bay	9	164	53	2
Schneider, N. Y.	8	167	66	2
McClairn, Pitts.	8	147	28	0
Reichow, Detroit	8	118	32	2
Webster, N. Y.	8	95	41	0

Longest Completion: Gern Nagler, Chicago Cardinals vs. Washington, 10-6-'57—83 yards, TD.

Best Performance One Game — Clyde Conner, San Francisco vs. Chicago Bears, 10-13-'57—9 received, 142 yards, 1 TD. Gern Nagler, Chicago Cardinals vs. Washington, 10-6-'57—5 received, 153 yards, 2 TDs.

### LEADING SCORERS

	tp	td	tt	exp	fg	fga	tp
M'scheller, Balt.	0	5	5	0	0	0	30
Girard, Pitts.	0	4	4	2	1	1	29
Ameche, Balti.	3	1	4	0	0	0	24
Owens, S. F.	0	4	0	0	0	0	24
Groza, Clev.	0	0	0	5	6	9	23
Baker, Wash.	0	0	0	7	5	6	22
Cone, G. Bay	2	0	2	7	1	2	22
Rechichar, Balt.	0	0	6	12	3	7	21
Blanda, Bears	1	0	1	5	3	5	20
S'merall, Cards.	0	0	0	6	4	7	18

Best Performance One Game: Al-lan Ameche—18 points, Baltimore vs. Green Bay, 10-13-'57; Jim Mutscheller—18 points, Baltimore vs. Green Bay, 10-13-'57.

### \*LEADING PUNTERS

	Stdg.	No.	Av.	L
Deschaine, G. Bay	1	13	49.2	71
Chandler, N. Y.	2	15	46.3	61
Mann, C. Cards.	3	15	44.8	67
V'Brocklin, L. A.	4	14	44.6	55
Norton, Phila.	5	21	44.0	63
Brown, C. Bears	6	10	43.5	62
Girard, Pittsburgh	7	16	40.6	55
Konz, Cleveland	8	20	40.3	54
Jessup, San F.	8	7	40.3	49
Barnes, San F.	10	10	40.2	86

Longest Punt: 86 yards — Larry Barnes, San Francisco vs. Chicago Cards, 9-29-'57.

\*Standings computed on average distance.



### Packer Coach

Editor, Press-Gazette: Before hanging Blackburn as some people seem intent on doing, let's bear a few things in mind regarding the Packers. Most experts picked the Packers to finish in last or second last. Half of the Packer team is new. In their starting lineup offensively they have a rookie left guard, rookie left tackle, rookie right halfback, banged up fullback, practically a rookie quarterback, first year on the team right guard and right tackle. Doesn't leave you with much experience does it? Give them time and they'll develop.

Look at the way Gregg and Skoronski developed last year. Check your other teams for the number of new men in their first teams. Also check the new men lost to service by other teams and compare them to what Blackburn has lost to service, Gregg, Skoronski, Switzer, etc. After the Bear game, Blackburn was a hero. After a loss he's a bum. Come on Green Bay, quit acting like Milwaukee fans. We're too mature for that. I hope your bosses are more tolerant than you are in regards to coaches. I see the Bears, a championship pick, are losing a few games too.

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### Coaches Are Special

Editor, Press-Gazette: Just a few words about football and coaches to "A Packer Backer from Sturgeon Bay" and "P. V."

Not every well coached team performs well at each game, and plenty of poorly coached teams all of a sudden make a good showing. Oddly enough, there was to be a winner and loser in each game, and sometimes nothing seems to work right.

Perhaps the Packer Backer (this seems doubtful) from Sturgeon Bay who made the statement about ending Coach Blackburn back to college, thinks that the coach enjoys "support" like this, and thrives on this kind of "loyalty."

P. V. is a real solid citizen, Packer fan, and a self-styled critic—he can't seem to understand that the Press-Gazette and Art Daley are behind the team cheering them on—not dragging them down because they lose.

Well, whether it's high school, college or pro football—it's the age-old story of "hero when you win, bum when you lose."

Believe me, football coaches are a special brand of men—they can take it, and still come back for more. Not many men can take what they do and not fight back physically.

A Packer Backer and  
Coach's Wife.  
Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

### Stick With the Team

Editor, Press-Gazette: To the Packer Backer from Sturgeon Bay and P.V., Green Bay:

Now, now, boys!! Just because the Pack lost two of

their first three games is no reason to get so disgusted, is it? I'll admit Sunday's game was, shall we say, disheartening; but don't start picking at our good coach and persevering quarterbacks.

Coaching a professional football team is no bed of roses. It's nice to know the fans are with you when you lose as well as when you win. Keep it in mind that a good football team is developed, not just selected in the draft. Our coach is trying to do just that—develop a team of champs for Green Bay.

There's nothing wrong with Starr and Parilli. If the linesmen would give them some protection they'd be all right. As for the team being better off with Rote, if you'll note the statistics you'll see that Parilli is ahead of Rote in the passing department.

If I were you, P.V., I'd save those tickets for the New York game—those "stumblebums" might just surprise you!!

J. R.

Green Bay, Wis.

### The Green Bay Packers

Editor, Press-Gazette: I am writing this letter in connection with two articles which appeared in the People's Forum on Oct. 16, one labeled "That Packer Game" and the other "What's Wrong With the Packers?"

In the first article a so-called Packer Backer from Sturgeon Bay criticizes Coach Blackburn and said that Blackburn should go back to college because he has a lot to learn. In my opinion this is a very untrue statement. Coach Blackburn is doing a very good job of coaching our team. Coaching a professional football team is a mighty tough task. Football is a game that consists of skill and luck, so let's not blame the coach because the team loses two games. Their luck wasn't running and that's why they lost. Maybe if this person was a real Packer Backer he would not be talking like this.

In the other article a person whose initials are PV says that he feels like burning his season ticket because he does not want to see the Packers do as terrible a job with the other teams as they did with the Detroit Lions. Does this show any of that Packer spirit? Of course it doesn't. Then this person had the nerve to say that he didn't think that his article would be printed because Art Daley and the Press-Gazette could not see anything wrong with the Packers. This person has a lot of gumption saying this. The Press-Gazette and Art Daley are doing all they can to make the Packers' name stand out. Thanks to them we also get a tip-top coverage of every game and pictures of exciting plays. What more could a person ask from a newspaper? Maybe this letter will make certain people come to their senses and be thankful for what they have got.

A True Packer Fan.  
Green Bay, Wis.

the Packers and their fans bonded together for one big common goal Sunday—a victory over 'Frisco. The Packers are anxious to prove that the second half last Sunday was a mistake. They have been working toward that end in spirited workouts this week. The experts don't share the Bays' serious enthusiasm since the 49ers are favored to win by a few points. The Packers, with a 1-2 record, hope to pull into a second place tie with the 49ers, who have 2-1 by virtue of a loss to the Cardinals and consecutive wins over the Rams and Bears. The Packers will have something of a new look Sunday—particularly at left end. Offensive left end Gary Knafelc suffered a knee injury Wednesday and underwent surgery the next day, ending his action for the 1957 season. The new look will be a fulltime view of Max McGee who won ranking as one of the top ends in the league as a rookie in '54. Knafelc, also a rookie in '54, played under Max then but quickly blossomed into a star in his own right while Max worked in the Air Force the next two seasons. In fact, McGee is playing while on leave from the service but just yesterday received word that he'll be separated shortly. McGee will be something of a stranger to the 49ers whose films of earlier Packer games will show mostly Knafelc. Max has played little behind Gary, who had caught nine passes for 164 yards and two touchdowns in three games. Frisco might look at another "stranger" Sunday—fullback Frank Purnell, a 225-pounder who took Knafelc's place on the active roster. Purnell is a former Brown and Alcorn grad who won his reputation in service football. There will be nothing strange about the chief Packer goals Sunday—points! The Bays averaged only 16.3 marks in their first three and they'd like to bring that well over 20. They beat the Bears with 21 marks but then scored only 14 against Detroit and the same figure vs. Baltimore. Quarterback Bart Starr will start for the Pack and he'll open with two fullbacks as his closest blockers and ball carriers, Fred Cone and Howie Ferguson. Rounding out the backfield is Ron Kramer, the slot back who is recovering from an ankle injury. The rest is pretty much up to the offensive line—plus speed backs like Al Carmichael and Don McIlhenny. Babe Parilli and Paul Hornung will be in QB reserve. The Packer offense will be facing a horde of hot material and a member of the 49er defensive flock will be the familiar Val Joe Walker, who plays a safety spot. Val Joe was traded to Detroit in the Tobin Rote deal and then was sent to Frisco by the Lions. He was hurt early in the Bear game last Sunday but will be okay for tomorrow...500 YARDS RUSHING!: The Packer defense, on the basis of the Colts' 45 points last Sunday, will have to tighten some to stop the 49ers. The Bays allowed nearly 550 yards rushing in their last two games and the 49ers likely will try to exploit the Packers' unwillingness to tackle with such go boys as Hugh McElhenny, Gene Babb, Joe Perry and others. The Packers pass defense has always been a tough performer but, as usual, the unit headed by Bobby Dillon will be facing a stiff job. Oddly enough, the 49ers had the league's top receiver in Billy Wilson last year; thus far this season they've got two receivers who are leading right end Wilson—Clyde Conner, who plays left end and leads the league with 16 catches, and R.C. Owens, a jumping jack slot back. Owens caught the winning touchdown passes to beat both the Bears and Rams. All of the 49er talent is led by the one and only Y.A. Tittle! The Packers are staying at the Astor Hotel here tonight. They'll return on the 8:35 North Western Sunday night.

### PITT SHOULD LOSE 4 OF NEXT 5 GAME: DRULIS

OCT 19 (Green Bay) - After Pittsburgh beat the Chicago Cardinals 29 to 20 last Sunday, Cardinal Line Coach Chuck Drulis, the former Packer aide, said: "The Steelers will lose four of their next five games." Drulis based his thinking on the ease with which the Cardinals took the play away from

Pitt after the Steelers had built up a 26 to 6 lead. Can we count on that, Chuck? The Packers play at Pitt, Nov. 24...Warren Lahr, Browns' defensive back, after last Sunday's big brawl with the Eagles: "Just another meeting of the Bird-Watching and Shawl-Knitting Societies."...The gloom was thick in the Packer dressing room after the Colt game last Sunday. We asked Joe Taylor, the Braves' equipment chief who helps Packer Trainer Bud Jorgenson, if it's like this after the Braves lost a game: "I'll say it's gloomy, only the Braves are lucky; they get another crack at the other team the next day."...Frankie Albert, 49er coach after his team beat the Bears last Sunday: "Don't go berserk about winning this game. Just remember you have beaten a team that has yet to win a game." Adds Albert: "Passing is the only way you can beat the Bears. They have a great defensive line."...Along with that thinking, it might be repeated that Y.A. Tittle of the 49ers completed 17 out of 27 for 262 yards on the Bears, John Unitas of the Colts completed the same in the same attempts for 184 yards, and the Packer Babe Parilli-Bart Starr combo completed 12 of 22 for 235 yards...SAME THEME: Ray Renfro, Browns' offensive back, after Bears trounced Browns in windup exhibition game: "It may sound silly to say this but I had less trouble getting free against their pass defense than any other except the 49ers. Against us, the Bears' rush on the passer hid the weak spots in the secondary."...SERIOUS THOUGHT: Clyde Conner, the 49er pass catcher, has nailed almost as many passes as the Cleveland Browns have completed. Conner caught 16 and the Browns completed only 20 in three games. The reason, of course, is that the Browns have thrown only 40 passes thus far. Cleveland has banked mostly thus far on a sound ground offense and a terrific seven-point defense...DOLLAR DAY: Former Lion Coach and present Steeler Coach Buddy Parker didn't like Jug Girard as a Lion so he sold him to Baltimore for \$1. When Buddy reached Steelerland, Parker obtained Girard for \$1. After three games, Jug is second in the league in scoring with 29 points.

#### 49ERS IN TOUGHIE

OCT 19 (Milwaukee-San Francisco Examiner) - The San Francisco 49ers had better be on their toes tomorrow afternoon when they go after their third straight NFL win against the Green Bay Packers in the beer capital's County Stadium. The Packers already stung to the quick by consecutive losses to Detroit and Baltimore, following an opening win over the Chicago Bears, will be playing this one for their beleaguered coach, Lisle Blackbourn. "Liz" has been raked over the coals since Green Bay was stampeded by Baltimore's Colt, 45-17, last week and some sources are going to far as to day that his occupancy of the head coaching job rides with the outcome tomorrow. Actually, it isn't that bad since Blackbourn has another season to go on his five year contract. It's unlikely that tomorrow's game, barring complete humiliation, will get him the boot...SF FAVORED: Certainly the fighting 49ers have given no indication that they can run over anybody. They are rightfully favored, by from 3 to 7 points, off their two wins over Los Angeles and the Chicago Bears while the Packers were losing to the Colts and the Detroit Lions, 24 to 14. Loss of Gary Knafelc, clutch catching Packer end, with a knee injury this week, had considerable effect on the odds. The experts here assume that with Knafelc out of commission, the 49ers' defensive problems are lessened considerably and that the versatile San Francisco passing attack will be the deciding factor...LOGICAL TAB: Nevertheless, one has to be logical and remember that the 49ers beat the Bears by exactly the same score as did the Packers (21-17) and that a matter of only 4 minutes and 47 seconds, plus some fantastic catching by R.C. Owens, marks the difference between a 2-1 record and 0-3 for the San Franciscans. There was 4:20 to go when Owens, the talk of the league at the quarter pole of the NFL campaign, caught an 11 yarder to beat the Rams, 23-20. The 49ers shaved

## 49er-Packer TV Numbers

County Stadium, Milwaukee

11:00 a.m., S. F. time, KPIX-TV, Channel 5


SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS			GREEN BAY PACKERS		
No.	Name	Pos.	No.	Name	Pos.
12	Brodie, John,	qb.	5	Hurnung, Paul,	qb.
14	Tittle, Y. A.,	qb.	10	Parilli, Vito,	qb.
20	Stits, Bill,	hb.	15	Starr, Bart,	qb.
22	Arenas, Joe,	hb.	25	Kinard, Billy,	hb.
24	Smith, J. D.,	hb.	27	Symank, John,	hb.
27	Owens, R. C.,	e-hb.	31	Cone, Fred,	fb.
32	Babb, Gene,	fb.	37	Ferguson, Howard,	fb.
34	Perry, Joe,	fb.	40	Johnson, Joe,	hb.
35	Barnes, Larry,	fb-lb.	42	McIlhenny, Don,	hb.
39	McElhenny, Hugh,	hb.	43	Petitbon, John,	hb.
40	Holladay, Bobby,	hb.	44	Dillon, Bobby,	hb.
42	Ridlon, Jim,	hb.	46	Gremminger, Henry,	hb.
44	Walker, Val Joe,	hb.	48	Carmichel, Al,	qb.
47	Moegle, Dicky,	hb.	51	Ringo, Jim,	c.
50	Sheriff, Stan,	c-lb.	53	Palumbo, Sam,	c.
52	Rubke, Karl,	c.	56	Spencer, Oliver,	t.
53	Morze, Frank,	c-t.	57	Masters, Norm,	t.
54	Matuszak, Marv,	lb.	58	Lauer, Larry,	c.
55	Hazeltine, Matt,	lb.	60	Barr, Al,	g.
57	Carr, Paul,	lb.	62	Amundsen, Norm,	g.
64	Connolly, Ted,	g.	64	Danjuan, Ernest,	g.
68	Palatella, Lou,	g.	65	Bettis, Tom,	g.
72	Herchman, Bill,	t.	67	Salsbury, James,	g.
73	Nomellini, Leo,	t.	69	Forester, Bill,	g.
74	Toneff, Bob,	t.	72	Helluin, Jerry,	t.
75	Henke, Ed,	e-lb.	74	Vereen, Carl,	t.
76	Gonzaga, John,	t.	79	Hanner, Dave,	t.
77	Bosley, Bruce,	g-t.	80	Deschaine, Dick,	e.
78	Cross, Bobby,	t.	81	Temp, Jim,	e.
82	Soltan, Gordy,	e.	82	Massey, Carlton,	e.
84	Wilson, Billy,	e.	84	Knofolc, Gary,	e.
85	Jessup, Bill,	e-hb.	85	McGee, Max,	e.
87	Powell, Charlie,	e-lb.	86	Howton, Bill,	e.
88	Connor, Clyde,	e.	87	Borden, Nate,	e.
			88	Kramer, Ron,	e.




it even finer against the Bears. A scant 27 seconds were left when R.C. Owens caught Y.A. Tittle's seven yarder on his knees for the win last Sunday...**POOR GAINS:** Green Bay has gained only 242 yards from running in three games but could improve considerably if halfback Howie Ferguson is as healthy as Coach Blackburn claims. Green Bay can't concern itself solely with the 49ers' air game. Blackburn painfully recalls the 140 yards Hugh McElhenny galloped at Green Bay last season when the 49ers won, 17-16. Hugh jolted Green Bay with one 86-yard TD gallop. Later against the Packers at Kezar, Mack broke loose on a 25 yard scoring run, sprinted 50 to set up another TD and totaled 132 yards while the 49ers racked up a 38-20 triumph. All the 49ers, except defensive halfback Val Joe Walker, reportedly are in top condition. In NFL competition with the Packers, the 49ers have won 9, lost 3. San Francisco ran a string of seven straight from the second game of 1950 through 1954.

## Packers Plan Rebound Against 49ers Sunday!

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I'm way ahead of you Son! L&M wins for taste and flavor!

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### PACKERS

Probable Starting Line-up

No.	Name	Position
84	KNAPFELC	LE
78	MASTERS	LT
62	AMUNDSEN	LG
51	RINGO	C
67	SALSBURY	RG
77	SPENCER	RT
86	HOWTON	RE
15	STARR	QB
42	McELHENNY	LH
88	KRAMER	RH
37	FERGUSON	FB

### GREEN BAY PACKER SQUAD

5	Hornung, QB	48	Carmichael, HB	77	Spencer, T
10	Parilli, QB	51	Ringo, C	78	Masters, T
15	Starr, QB	53	Palumbo, C	79	Hanner, T
20	Petitbon, HB	58	Lauer, C	80	Deschaine, E
25	Kinard, HB	62	Amundsen, G	81	Massey, E
27	Symank, HB	65	Danjan, FB	82	Temp, E
31	Cone, FB	65	Bettis, G	84	Knafelc, E
37	Ferguson, FB	66	Barry, G	85	McGee, E
40	Johnson, HB	67	Salsbury, G	86	Howton, E
42	McElhenny, HB	69	Forester, G	87	Borden, E
44	Dillon, HB	72	Helluin, T	88	Kramer, E
46	Gremminger, HB	74	Vereen, T		

### COLTS

Probable Starting Line-up

No.	Name	Position
82	BERRY	LE
77	PARKER	LT
63	SPINNEY	LG
50	NUTTER	C
68	SANDUSKY	RG
60	PREAS	RT
84	MUTSHELLER	RE
19	UNITAS	QB
45	DUPRE	LH
24	MOORE	RH
35	AMECHE	FB

### BALTIMORE COLTS SQUAD

14	Shaw, QB	36	Pellington, LB	70	Donovan, T
18	Davidson, QB	40	Thomas, HB	72	Owens, T
19	Unitas, QB	44	Rechichar, HB	74	Jackson, G
20	Davis, HB	45	Dupre, HB	76	Lipscomb, T
21	Nyers, HB	50	Nutter, C	77	Parker, T
23	Taseff, HB	60	Preas, T	80	Nelson, QB-HB
24	Moore, HB	61	Patera, G	81	Braase, E
25	Call, HB	63	Spinney, G	82	Berry, E
26	Womble, HB	65	Myhra, G	83	Joyce, E
27	Moore, HB	66	Shinnick, LB	84	Mutscheller, E
31	Pricer, FB	67	Eggers, LB	89	Marchetti, E
35	Ameche, FB	68	Sandusky, G		