



Green Bay Packers (2-1) 16, Dallas Cowboys (2-1) 13
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Packers Beat Champion Cowboys

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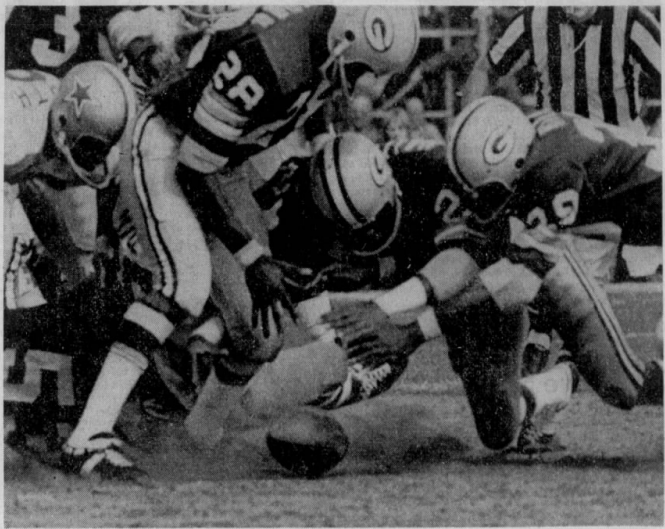
GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS- GAZETTE)

(MILWAUKEE) - It was Wednesday and Dan Devine had just totally restructured the Packers injury-ridden offensive line. Surprisingly cheerful as he contemplated his handiwork, Devine approached the challenge at hand with enthusiasm. "Just between you and me," he said, speaking softly lest the Dallas Cowboys should hear. "I like these impossible games." So, apparently, do his Packers. Closing ranks smartly in the face of their physical adversity, they pressured the world champions into uncharacteristic errors Sunday afternoon and parlayed them into a 16-13 victory that ended the longest winning streak in pro football. Devine was only partially able to conceal his elation over this startling County Stadium turnabouts. "This was our most important win since I've been with the Packers," he said. "We played a fine game against Minnesota over there last season but we didn't win (the Vikings prevailed, 3-0). "We just got a great team effort today, and that is what you've got to have. Everybody played well - the defense was great, the special teams were great and our offense played well, too, considering we lost Kevin Hunt on the first play of the game. He was out of it when he jumped offside on second down. We were scrambling all week to put an offensive line together and then have that happen to Hunt (knocked woozy on the opening kickoff) on the first play. Bill Lueck went in there then, of course, and played the opposite guard to what he normally plays." "I think the fact that we were playing the world champions was a special motivation for us," Devine conceded, "but I think more than that, the squad knows Dallas is an excellent football team and that we would have to tighten our belts because of the injuries, and everybody did." Tom Landry, who saw his customarily consistent Cowboys victimized by three interceptions and two lost fumbles, tacitly admitted it could have been worse. "We were very fortunate with the errors, plus the field position we gave them," he said. "We should have been way down at halftime the way we were playing." "Usually, when you make errors, you're not ready. You don't make mental errors when you're concentrating. We just weren't moving sharp or crisp." The Packers, meanwhile, avoided all such misadventures and Devine hinted it was not entirely by chance. "The thing we stressed all week," he said, "was no offensive turnovers." In fact, we stressed it until I'm sure they were sick and tired of hearing it. "And we didn't have any. Not that you can win merely by not having offensive turnovers but we didn't think we could win if we had them today." Despite the Packers freedom from error, the issue was largely resolved by the defense, which limited the explosive Cowboys to a lone touchdown. And, ultimately, it came down to one play - a fourth-and-one gamble by the Texans at the Packer with 3:34 remaining after Landry had first sent placekicker Toni Fritsch and the field goal team onto the field. Due to a bristling charge by the Packer front four, plus a fortuitous fumble, that gamble fell inches short and the Packers ran down the clock to 1:00 before giving up the ball, shortly returned by way of a Willie Buchanon interception that officially sealed the verdict. Landry, who had found his world champions in arrears 16-13 at that point and a 12-game winning streak in considerable jeopardy, explained, "We felt like we'd just go for the win...I just had a change of mind. The reason I called timeout after sending the kicking team in was that



Members of the Green Bay Packers defense surround cornerback Willie Buchanon (28) after his interception in the closing minute ensured victory over the Dallas Cowboys. Packers Fred Carr (53) and Dave Robinson (89) celebrate with Buchanon.

we wanted to discuss it. The play we selected (a counter by Walt Garrison) was a good play. We made the first down but we fumbled." Quarterback Craig Morton, who recovered the fumble, attributed the play's failure to the officials. "I picked up the ball and tried to advance it," he said, "and I felt that I had the first down. But the guy (the official) put the ball way back at the line. I don't know how he ever placed the ball there." None of the instigators of that mass confusion was quite sure who had been responsible. "I don't know if any one guy made the initial hit," said mountainous Bob Brown, who all but destroyed the Cowboys' all-pro guard, John Niland, during the course of the afternoon. "We had four or five players around Garrison, but I couldn't pinpoint anybody. We had a 6-1 defense on and our line penetrated low and hard, and our linebackers came from the outside. In my mind, that was the play of the game - that and our goal line stand just before the half." Both, Brown said, had stemmed from massive psychic preparation. "Mentally, we were ready for the Cowboys. We knew we had to make the big play in order to win. We knew we had personnel hurt on offense and



GOLDEN EGG — The football is up for grabs after a fumble by Dallas' Calvin Hill and three Green Bay Packers (from left) Willie Buchanon, Al Matthews and Jim Hill swoop down to make a first period recovery.

we knew we had to make big plays to help out. So the guys on defense stuck together all week and patted each other on the back. The only thing in my mind today was coming off the ball as fast as I could. We knew that fourth down play was the one we had to stop. I knew they were going to run it all the time. Even though I saw the field goal team on the field, I didn't think they were going to try a field goal at that stage of the ball game." Bob's gigantic colleague, Vernon Vanoy, credited his considerable contributions to Brown. Vanoy, who sacked Morton three times along the way in his first regular season start as a pro, said, "It was all Bob Brown. He opened the side for me - I just walked in." Al Matthews, whose second interception triggered Chester Marcol's decisive 22-yard field goal in the fourth quarter, attributed his theft to opportunity and erratic radar. "My man blocked on the play and Robby (Dave Robinson) picked him up, leaving me free." Matthews said. "The ball was overthrown - I think they were throwing to Bob Hayes down the middle. Overall, I don't know whether Morton was overthrowing the ball so much as he was throwing high. When you have 6-7, 6-6 and 6-5 guys in your face, the tendency is to throw high...Morton's a good passer, though. The first one I intercepted was a deflection." Center Ken Bowman, something of a surprise starter because of a shoulder injury which caused him to miss most of the practice week, paid sincere tribute to Matthews and his defensive colleagues. "The defense did a tremendous job," he said. "They turned over the ball to us with great field position, although we didn't capitalize on it as much we could have. That is partially attributable to the Cowboys' great defense. John Brockington was running his fool head off (91 yards in 26 carries) and MacArthur Lane did a great job of blocking as it was, but I wish we could have done more on offense. The defense played too long." Bowman's understudy, Cal Withrow, cast a vocal vote for the suicide squads, which have improved dramatically in recent weeks. "They played a little more today than the 33 1/3 percent role they're supposed to play," he declared. "They never let the Cowboys get out of the hole. The only goof-up was the blocked field goal. I think the young guys on the special teams feel more like they're a part of the team when they do well, because they're not among the 22 starters. And the better they play, the more pride they take in what they're doing. And that Ron Widby did a great job - he's kept us in three games. He pulled down a couple of high snaps today, wiggled around, got the strings up and kicked the daylights out of the ball. He's a cool customer - he never gets excited." Devine, meanwhile, was commendably impartial. "I'm not going to pinpoint any group," he said firmly. "In order to win, you have to get 47 guys going together, and that's what we had today." Where, somebody jested, had he managed to get 47 athletes together? Devine, who now finds his surprising Packers sharing first place in the NFC's Central Division with Detroit, grinned appreciatively and rejoined, "Oh, somewhere." And how, in the same facetious vein, had he liked the officiating? Now able to smile upon being reminded of last week's already historic "muff," he said, "The officiating is always better when you win."

DALLAS	-	3	3	7	0	-	13
GREEN BAY	-	3	7	3	3	-	16

	DALLAS	GREEN BAY
First downs	16	11
Rush-yards-TDs	32-138-1	40-124-1
Comp-Att-Yd-TD-INT	29-16-169-0-3	18-4-53-0-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-38	1-9
Net Passing Yards	131	44
Total yards	269	168
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Turnovers	5	0
Yards Penalized	2-19	1-5

SCORING

- 1st – DAL - Toni Fritsch, 46-yard field goal DAL 3-0
- 1st – GB – Chester Marcol, 44-yard field goal TIED 3-3

2nd – GB – John Brockington, 2-yard run (Marcol kick) GB 10-3

2nd – DAL – Fritsch, 9-yard field goal GB 10-6

3rd – GB – Walt Garrison, 10-yard run (Fritsch kick) DAL 13-10

3rd – GB – Marcol, 26-yard field goal TIED 13-13

4th – GB – Marcol, 22-yard field goal GB 16-13

RUSHING

GREEN BAY – John Brockington 26-91 1 TD, MacArthur Lane 12-33, Scott Hunter 2-0

DALLAS – Calvin Hill 18-87, Walt Garrison 14-51 1 TD

PASSING

GREEN BAY - Scott Hunter 17-4-53, Jon Staggers 1-0-0

DALLAS – Craig Morton 29-16-169 3 INT

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY – Leland Glass 2-31, Carroll Dale 1-14, MacArthur Lane 1-8

DALLAS – Lance Alworth 4-55, Walt Garrison 4-10, Bob Hayes 3-72, Calvin Hill 3-18, Mike Ditka 1-8, Billy Truax 1-6

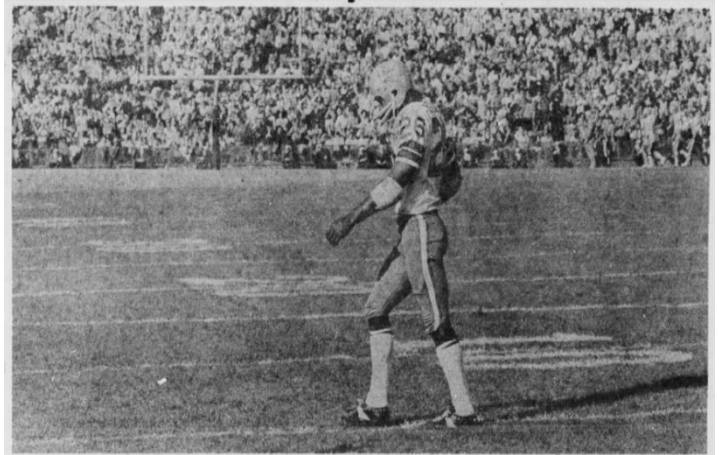
ROSTER JUGGLED

OCT 2 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Acting to cope with last week's injury epidemic, the Packers juggled their roster in wholesale fashion prior to Sunday's 16-13 victory over the Cowboys in County Stadium. They activated five players, four from their taxi squad, and transferred three others to the move list. Added were wide receiver Jon Staggers, defensive back Bob Kroll, offensive tackles Mike McCoy and Kevin Hunt and tight end Pete Lammons. Tackles Gale Gillingham and Francis Peay, both out with knee injuries, were moved to the taxi squad along with return specialist Ike Thomas, who has rib injuries. This means that all three will have to miss at least one more game, since they are ineligible to return for two games. In other maneuvers, the Packers added Paul Gibson, a safety-wide receiver, from Texas-El Paso, to the taxi squad and placed quarterback Frank Patrick on the injured reserve list. Patrick, who thus will be sidelined for the season, joins running back Larry Krause and tight end Rich McGeorge in the latter status.

PACK DIDN'T SURPRISE HERB

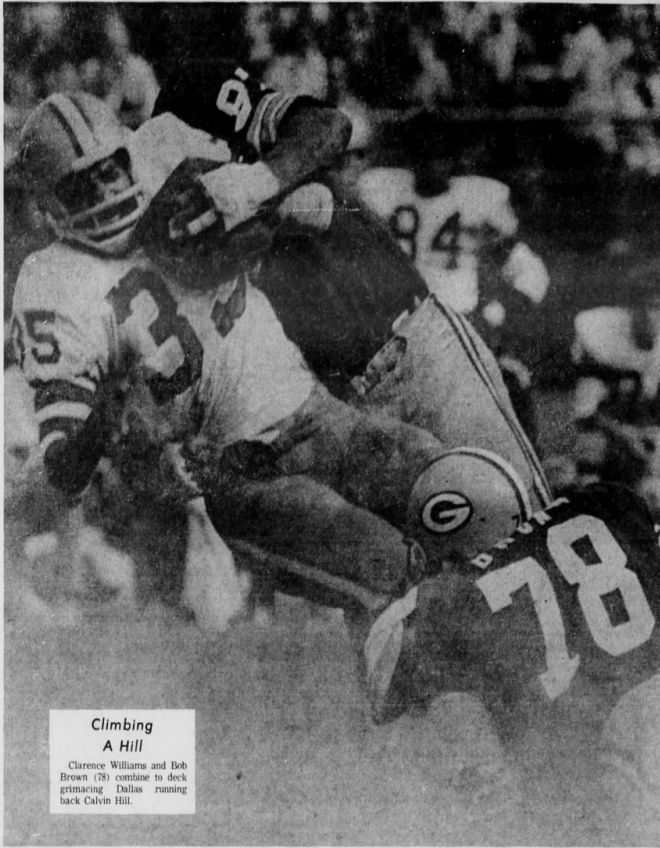
OCT 2 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The bleak reports that filtered out of the Green Bay Packer camp last week may have lulled many of the Dallas Cowboys into a state of complacency – Coach Tom Landry so much as admitted that - but one who didn't buy them was Herb Adderley. "It was bad psychologically," Landry solemnly said of the extensive injury reports released by the Packers "They (his players) read that everything is going to be bad for them and you play bad yourself. And we didn't play - we made the errors." Adderley, however, said, "I'm not surprised. I knew they would be mentally prepared. There is something about the Cowboys that the Packers get up for. I know when I was with the team there was something about the Cowboys, that they were the only team out of the black and blue division that we were always up for. "I knew Bart

(Starr), Robby (Dave Robinson) and Bob Brown, and people like this, would remind the younger players and help the situation." In continuing his appraisal of his former club, Adderley, once a perennial all-pro for Green Bay, said, "Running the ball, that's the philosophy of the Packers And wait until you make the mistake, and that's what they did today. They go in with one thought in mind, and that is the team that runs, blocks and tackles will win the game. That's the way it was in the '60s, that's the way it is today and that's the only way to look at it." The running game with John Brockington and MacArthur Lane toting the ball accounted for the majority of the Packers yardage, and both Landry and Adderley were impressed. "I thought they did a good job of running," Landry praised. "They had some big plays with Brockington. They're as good as we've faced - you won't find better running backs than Brockington and Lane as a pair. And Lane is such a good blocker he makes Brockington even better." Adderley agreed that in six pre-season contests and three "play for pay" games thus far, the Packers presented the strongest running game Dallas faced. When asked how they compared to Jim Taylor and Paul Hornung, who he played with during the 60s, Adderley replied, "I have seen very few guys in my life who ran harder than Jim Taylor. Brockington might be faster. but Jim Taylor was one of the gutsiest players I ever saw. "In comparison, I think they are better off with MacArthur Lane. He's quicker, faster and stronger than Paul Hornung. But then Paul could do so many things." Adderley added that he couldn't concentrate on the running of Brockington and Lane and "had to be alert for the pass," because "Bart Starr was making all the calls. I was prepared for the old play: the fake to Jim Taylor, pull the ball out and throw the long ball to Boyd Dowler." Is the Packers rebuilding program reaching the point where it can attain the efficiency of the people and clubs of the past Adderley so proudly mentioned in his postgame comments? He seems to think so. I think they've got a good club. They're going to beat a lot of people," he said. "The important thing with having a great team is with age. Some guys can play after 10 or 12 years in the league, and some guys can't. It's a feeling the coaches have to have - to get new young people in there then or you're going to go down. And the Packers are doing this



A Long Walk for Lonesome Herb Adderley

Press-Gazette Photos by Ken Behrend



Climbing A Hill

Clarence Williams and Bob Brown (78) combine to deck grinning Dallas running back Calvin Hill.



The Packers' Jon Stoggers battles defender Cliff Harris for this pass.

—State Journal Photo by J. D. Patrick

now. Take their secondary for example, they're young and they have to play together a few years, but then I think they'll be the best in the league. Right now they have the fastest cornerbacks in the league."

THIRD STRING WIDBY GETS HIS KICKS

OCT 2 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - A lot of teams don't even have third string quarterbacks. And so it is rather unusual when a third string quarterback turns out to be a hero. But the Packer' third string quarterback for Sunday's game here against the Dallas Cowboys turned out to be quite a hero...even though he had a very sore passing arm. Fortunately, the Packers third string quarterback didn't need his arm. His leg was fine...and Ron Widby was quietly happy while changing togs in front of a locker sort of tucked into a corner of the County Stadium dressing room. Widby had been practicing the fine art of quarterbacking all week under the expert tutelage of Bart Starr and he acknowledged, with a grin but also with tongue noticeable not in cheek, "I was ready if they needed me. But we've got two fine quarterbacks...and besides, my arm is sore from all that passing this week." His new emergency duties didn't interfere a bit with his regular job, however, as he punted six times for a beautiful 48.0 average against his teammates of not too long ago. "It makes you feel great," the 6-foot-4, 210-pound veteran toeman admitted in his casual manner. "It's kind of a double thrill, winning and beating Dallas. That's where I live in the off season too." Widby had come to the Packers from Dallas along with Ike Thomas just before the regular season and, though he wouldn't say he was disappointed, he said he was indeed shocked. "They changed their philosophy down there (Dallas)," he said. "They decided they weren't interested in punting average. They wanted out of bounds kicks and the kind that couldn't be returned. And I guess they didn't feel I could handle that." Ironically, Widby's kicks in his first appearance against his old comrades not only averaged 48 yards but averaged only 3.7 yards per return, giving his kicks an effect of 44.3 yards per. In order, his punts sailed 39 yards with a five yard return, 54 yards with no return, 51 yards with no return, 50 yards with an eight yard return, 42 yards with a seven yard return and 51 yards with a two yard return. The last one, of course, was a real biggie. The Packers were on their own 44, clinging to that three point lead. They needed a boomer without much in the way of return possibilities. And Widby delivered. Not bad for a third string quarterback...You've heard of games of inches? Considering Widby's punts and Chester Marcol's field goals, this one might be termed a game of feet...Vernon Vanoy got the

quarterback three times in the first regular season starting assignment of his career but his silent partner was Bob Brown. All three sacks came on what the Packers call a "tackle twist," in which Brown actually blocked out the blockers and Vanoy looped around behind him and then shot in at the quarterback. "I think I got bumped once but there was always a clear way," he said. Insisting that the credit belonged with Brown, Vanoy observed, "I know I got the three sacks. But that was lucky. You can't be doing THAT much right." And what did he think about Coach Dan Devine's move in shifting the now injured Gale Gillingham to defensive tackle? "I'm not a coach, I'm just a player," he tactfully answered...Funny thing about this game, the Packers didn't try a single pitchout play...Defensive Coordinator Dave Hanner said the Packers were in a 6-1 defense when Dallas failed to convert its vital fourth down and Vanoy, at whom the play was aimed, was pinching down and was not even involved by the time Walt Garrison and the ball arrived...though the circumstances of whether Garrison and the ball arrived at the same time remained cloudy...So now the Packer record reads two wins and one Shachting...Al Matthews, who blew a golden interception opportunity in the first quarter and saw Dallas turn his misplay into a field goal, came up with two later thefts. But his big play of the day was not even officially noted. It came in that key series that started with the Cowboys on the Packer 1-yard line just before the half ended. On first down Dave Robinson and Willie Buchanan stopped Garrison for no gain. And on second down, Buchanan was given credit for the tackle that stopped Calvin Hill back on the four. But it was Matthews who played off a blocker in the Dallas backfield and forced Hill to slow down and maybe swing wider than he intended, allowing Buchanan to knife in for the tackle. On third down, Jim Hill stopped Garrison at the two after the Cowboy fullback took a pass from Craig Morton and Dallas had to settle for a field goal. Normally, it is felt that



Big efforts

John Brockington (42), top, battles the Dallas Cowboys' Cornell Green (34) and Lee Roy Jordan (55) for a first down in the fourth quarter Sunday. Willie Buchanan (28) choked off the Cowboys' last hopes with an interception (lower photo) and lengthy return to the Dallas 2-yard line where he had a thunderous collision with Ralph Neely (73). Green Bay surprised the Cowboys, 16-13. (Post-Crescent News Service Photos)

a team scoring just before the half has a big psychological edge for the second half but in this case, the psychology was all with the Pack...And it was John Polonchek, an assistant coach for the offense, who very simply summed up the game as he leaned over and gave Hanner a friendly punch in the shoulder as Dan Devine held his post-game press conference. "Beautiful, Dave," Polonchek said.

MATTHEWS COMING OF AGE

OCT 2 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - A year ago, Al Matthews was an apprentice cornerback with a somewhat uncertain future on the "outside." Sunday afternoon, the free-hitting Texan found himself saluted by the Packer faithful, not only as a major contributor to Sunday's 16-13 upset of the world champion Dallas Cowboys in County Stadium, but as an established strong side safety. Matthews, whose second interception led to Chester Marcol's game-winning field goal, resisted all attempts to cast him in a hero's role, however. "I don't think you can worry about individual things," he said. "I made two interceptions but the important thing is that every time the defense intercepts, it gives the offense another chance to score. "Sure I'm happy about the interceptions, but more so I'm happy we're winning - if I was playing linebacker." Matthews did admit he had emerged from the day's proceedings with a personal high water mark. "That's the first time I've picked off two passes in one game in the pro ranks," he said. "And I'm already ahead of last year - I only had one all season. I almost had four today and I should have had three." The third one was a Morton pass that slipped through his eager fingers on the Cowboys' first series of the afternoon. Matthews, inclined to be practical about such things, declared, "One play never made a game." The former Texas A. and I. athlete generously shared the credit for his successes with the defensive line. "Any time you get a good rush from the front four," he said, "it means the quarterback has to get rid of the ball in a hurry." "I can't give credit to any one guy for the interceptions, though. You have to give it to the whole front four. Bob Brown, for example, might have been double teamed and opened it up for somebody else to put the pressure on the passer." Matthews termed execution, rather than deception, the key to the Packers' defensive success. "I don't know what Dallas' game was," he said. "We just played our game and tried to avoid mistakes. We laid back and tried to get them to make the mistakes. By that, I don't mean we laid back literally because I think we took it to 'em - we hit today." Happy at his new position, which he moved to during training camp in mid-July. Matthews reported, "I feel better than I did at the corner. But I don't think I was a bad corner, really. If we had the pass rush last year that we have now, it would have made a big difference." Determined not to be typecast, he asserted his professional individuality. "I'm not a Lem Barney type," he said. "I'm not daring like him. I consider myself more of a conservative." "I don't pattern myself after anybody," Matthews also assured. "If I can't be my own man, I can't be anybody."

QUICK QUOTES: AGE WILL MAKE PACK EVEN BETTER

OCT 2 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Quick Packer-Cowboy quotes: Dan Devine (on the Packers' potential): "We didn't fold our tent even during the pre-season, when we didn't play well against Houston and St. Louis - we still hit. This is going to be a good football team some day, but I can't tell you when. What do we have to do to get better? Get older, get a little more talent and continue to play like they did today. I'm proud of their performance."...John Brockington (on the same subject): "They can't take us for granted any more. We're no bush league team - they have to come after us. Other teams have got to deal with us now. In the last couple of years, we made a lot of stupid mistakes that beat us. But those days are gone. Chester (Marcol) got our special teams together. He keeps 'em fresh, kicking that ball into the end zone."...Bill Lueck: "That Cowboy defense is a great defense. They're so smart - they know just about everything you're going to do and they're well coordinated. They play so well together. I wasn't too worried when they went ahead of us in the third quarter, though. I felt if we hung in there, something good would happen to us. We were due for some decent luck."...Vernon Vanoy: "I really don't know if I'm a starter or not. I'm still trying to play. I just want to do my best."...Dan Devine (on the Sunday date with the Bears): "You can only drag so much emotion out of a ball club. But we're going to have to work as hard for the Bears as we did to get ready for this game."...Herb Adderley: "Bart Starr and Carroll Dale know more about me than anybody in

NOTES AND NOTIONS

**DEFENSIVE BACKS GO ON OFFENSE AS AL
MATTHEWS HAS WILLIE BUCHANON AS
BLOCKER AFTER INTERCEPTION AGAINST
COWBOYS (SOURCE: 1973 PACKER YEARBOOK)**



By The Associated Press National Football League American Conference						
	East					
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Miami	3	0	0	1.000	70	37
New York Jets	2	1	0	.667	105	84
New England	2	1	0	.667	52	74
Baltimore	1	2	0	.333	54	54
Buffalo	1	2	0	.333	51	78
Central						
Cleveland	2	1	0	.667	64	49
Cincinnati	2	1	0	.667	52	68
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	69	62
Houston	1	2	0	.333	56	84
West						
Kansas City	2	1	0	.667	75	61
Oakland	1	1	1	.500	65	65
San Diego	1	1	1	.500	57	65
Denver	1	2	0	.333	58	99
National Conference						
	East					
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	64	36
Washington	2	1	0	.667	71	55
New York Giants	1	2	0	.333	57	65
St. Louis	1	2	0	.333	39	52
Philadelphia	0	3	0	.000	35	82
Central						
Detroit	2	1	0	.667	78	74
Green Bay	2	1	0	.667	56	43
Minnesota	1	2	0	.333	69	50
Chicago	0	2	1	.167	58	88
West						
San Francisco	2	1	0	.667	91	32
Atlanta	2	1	0	.667	88	45
Los Angeles	1	1	1	.500	50	58
New Orleans	0	3	0	.000	33	91
Monday's Result						
New York Giants 27, Philadelphia 12						
Sunday's Games						
Chicago at Green Bay, 2 p.m.						
Denver at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.						
Detroit at Atlanta, 1 p.m.						
Kansas City at Cleveland, 1 p.m.						
Miami at New York Jets, 1 p.m.						
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.						
New Orleans at New York Giants, 1 p.m.						
Philadelphia at Washington, 1 p.m.						
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 2 p.m.						
St. Louis at Minnesota, 2 p.m.						
San Diego at Baltimore, 2 p.m.						
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.						
Monday's Game						
Oakland at Houston, 9 p.m.						

Devine Agrees Pack a Contender

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OCT 3 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Sounds of levity, intermingled with cheers, issued from the Packer projection room late Monday morning. Dan Devine, subsequently queried about this boisterous demonstration, laughed and reported, "That was brought on by a block by Cal Withrow on the 55-yard kickoff return made by Bob Hudson in the third quarter. The film shows Cal really put the wood to the guy." It was that kind of a day on Lombardi Avenue in the wake of Sunday's 16-13 surprise of the world champion Dallas Cowboys in Milwaukee County Stadium, a triumph enhanced no little by the trying circumstances under which it was achieved. And Devine, ever candid, made no attempt to play it down. "There's no way you can minimize winning a big football game when you're bunged up," he said. "The big thing is not to lay an egg the next week. We've played four good football teams in a row, Kansas City, Cleveland, Oakland and Dallas, and we played 'em nose to nose. It's got to do something for your ball club. "But," he cautioned, "We can get beat 54-6 by the Bears next Sunday just as easy as we can play a good football game." Exhilarating as Sunday's stunning success had been, Devine discovered soon that it brought with it a new if edifying concern. Inevitably, he was asked if he now considers his team, tied with Detroit for first place in the NFC's Central Division, a legitimate contender. I have to feel that way - I can't feel any other way until it is proved otherwise," he said. "I'm not blowing our horn. We've got a lot of weaknesses and a long way to go. And we're not where we want to be but, yes, I feel we're a contender. When a ball club gives you a helluva effort four weeks in a row, you've got to feel that way." A positive approach and freedom from error, Devine indicated, had been the keys to Sunday's victory. "We decided we were not going to run scared," he said, "and let them force us out of running the ball. We worked a lot on third-and-four, third-and-five and third-and-six situations. We didn't make a lot of them, but we did fairly well. We discovered that all the key plays the Dallas defense had been making in their other games were on third-and-nine, third-and-10 and third-and-11 situations. They blitzed a lot more than they normally do, which was a smart move for them against an injured team. You couldn't work against the blitz in practice because it's depressing enough to work against them when your team is healthy. And you can talk about it but with a young ball club, it doesn't do any good. You have to be able to work against it. Of course, MacArthur Lane had a great day blocking. He picked up some blitzes - he's unbelievable. I've never seen anybody like him. On John Brockington's touchdown run, he got Cornell Green screwed into the ground with his block. And John ran hard. These are all the things we felt we had to do." Paying tribute to the Cowboys, he said, "They have a great defense, they really have. We thought we had an action pass set up to Lane one time in the fourth quarter. There's no way Chuck Howley could have read pass on the play, but he did. And Mel Renfro came off Leland Glass and dang near made an interception. They had two men over there. On revamping our offensive line because of the injuries, we had to neutralize Bob Lilly and Jethro Pugh. That's why we had to get Malcolm Snider and Dick Himes inside. We had to have people in there who had a reasonable change to neutralize them or they would have smothered everything we tried." Surprisingly, the new format responded with admirable precision, drawing only one penalty over the route - an offside levy on the Packers first series, incurred when rookie Kevin Hunt "jumped." "Kevin really got hit on the kickoff and didn't know where he was," Devine explained. "The guy who hit him just gave himself up to lower the boom on Hunt." The Packers also had survived without fumbling or throwing an interception, prompting DD to observe, "We worked on it, of course. That was our big aim." Although the defense had been widely applauded by the faithful for its ability to contain the high scoring Cowpokes, Devine was inclined to view its performance somewhat more critically. "At times, the defense was very good," he conceded, "but I think we could have done better. We didn't play Walt Garrison's touchdown run too well. There again, they're a good football team." Devine took mild issue with a suggestion there had been a conservative approach to the passing game. "It's not that we didn't pass that much," he said. "We didn't complete that many. A team that throws 18 times can't be too far off the league average. I think the thing was that Scott was out all week. I don't think it's that easy to step right in there and play. He also had one or two passes that were dropped. And, of course, we don't have the speed burners that some teams have. The Giants made a lot of yards passing against the Cowboys, but we don't have a Rich Houston. Also, our protection wasn't that good because of the jumbled up lineup, and right now, we don't have anybody who is catching the impossible throw. That helps the quarterback out." The conversation turned to the kicking game, which finds rookie placekicker Chester Marcol very probably en route to a Packer season record for field goals. The heavy-footed freshman already has connected on seven of 12 field goal attempts in three games and has 11 more weeks in which to surpass the record of 19, set by Don Chandler in 1967. "Marcol had one poor kick Sunday," Devine said. "The one that was blocked was more a matter of poor protection. There again, this was another week we didn't work on it. You can do that with a veteran team, but not with a young one like ours. Chester is a rookie, I might add, and he's got a lot to learn. I haven't said this before but on the kick he had blocked in the Cleveland game, he had the ball spotted only 612 yards back of the line of scrimmage. Seven yards is the maximum. and we actually prefer to have him back 712 yards. He's done extremely well but he has a lot to learn. The long one he missed was well kicked. Just as he kicked it, the wind came up. It wasn't a great kicking exhibition, as far as field goals are concerned, but I'm very pleased with him. He's going to have some days when he's not so good...His kickoffs were great." Devine also made these other comments and appraisals: "We came out of this game pretty well physically. We had a lot of little stuff but nothing like last week. As far as Gale Gillingham is concerned, where he will play when he returns to the active list all depends on where he's needed. I suspect he'll be needed more on offense than defense.

"As far as what we will do with the offensive line this week, I know the one we line up with Tuesday will be the same one we'll start Sunday.

"Don't kid yourself, Chicago has a great defense. We have to neutralize Willie Holman, and they have other good people. We'll have to look at the film before we decide just what to do. The Bears really stuck the ball at Detroit - they got 253 yards rushing.

"I'm just as apprehensive this week as I was confident last week...I had to feel confident last week - there's no way a squad could feel that way if you don't. You can't hide your feelings."

"You can't afford to get that high and you can't get too low. You have to ride the valleys between the mountains - you have to try to stay pretty much on a level. As far as head coaching is concerned, the guy at Premontre is going to get just as excited as I am and it means just as much to him.

"I've been in this business for 20 years and I've been up and I've been down. Unfortunately, I'll probably be down again some time, but I kind of like this feeling a little better.

"As Shakespeare once said, 'Two games not a season maketh.' And now we're not going to sneak up on anyone. We snuck up on Kansas City, maybe a little on Oakland and we snuck up on Dallas. But we won't be able to any more."

LION SITE SWITCH?

OCT 3 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - It may be necessary to transfer the Packers' Oct. 16 game in Detroit to Milwaukee County Stadium, the Packers announced today. The National Football League has advised the Packers this possibility exists because the Detroit Tigers of the American League may have their city's facilities tied up in a World Series game. This would occur, however, only if the Tigers win the AL's Eastern Division title and also defeat Oakland in a playoff series for the league championship. Should this happen, the Oct. 16 game would be moved to Milwaukee and the Detroit-Green Bay game scheduled for Dec. 3 at Lambeau Field would be shifted to Detroit. Such a switch could bring a related transfer, Packer Ass't. General Manager Bob Harlan said today. "To be honest, we don't know yet exactly what would be done," he said. "All the NFL has told us is that if Detroit does get into the playoffs, the game may have to be moved. If we do have to exchange home dates with the Lions, we almost would have to move a Milwaukee game to Green Bay to make up for the one shifted to Detroit. That means we would move either the Oct. 22 game with Atlanta or the Nov. 5 game with San Francisco here. However, we still have hope that if Detroit should lose the playoff, assuming it wins its division, we could still move the game back to Detroit. That series would start Saturday and, particularly should it end in less than five games, there might be time enough to move the game back to Detroit. We haven't been given a deadline as to when we would have to make such a change," Harlan said, "and I don't think Detroit has either. Frankly, we hate to even think about it because of all the ticket problems it would involve. There are so many ifs right now, we're just going to play it by ear." The complicating factor in the situation is a technical one. Ordinarily, a simple exchange of games would be possible. However, because the Oct. 16 game is a Monday night national television game, it would have to be played in County Stadium because its lighting system is superior to that in Lambeau Field.

DAVE HAMPTON HONORED

OCT 4 (New York) - "I always wondered if I could carry the ball 20 or 25 times a game," Dave Hampton said. "Now I know." The Atlanta Falcons now know something, too. They've got a strong runner. And, perhaps, the Green Bay Packers also know something. Maybe they let one get away. "I never expected to do this well," he said after leading Atlanta to a 31-3 National Football League victory over Los Angeles last Sunday, "but you always hope for such a big day and enjoy it." Hampton set a Falcons' record with 161 yards rushing on 29 carries and scored twice as the Falcons beat the Rams for the first time in 12 games. For that reason, Hampton was selected today as The Associated Press Offensive Player of the Week in the National Football League. Hampton, a 6-foot, 210-pounder, came to the Falcons in a trade with Green Bay just a week before the start of the season - ostensibly as a kickoff return specialist. Hampton's performance, which included a 56-yard dash for his first touchdown and a one-yard plunge for the second, overshadowed a 103-yard day by teammate Art Malone.

DEVINE PLAYS QB FOR BEARS

OCT 4 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "...And at quarterback for the Bears, Dan Devine." Thought that would get your attention. Seriously, this somewhat startling "merger" came to pass Tuesday as the Packers reluctantly emerged from post-Dallas euphoria to begin concentrating upon the next order of business. That brings the Bears, certain to be disagreeable in the wake of an 0-2-1 record, to Lambeau Field Sunday afternoon for the 107th renewal of pro football's oldest and most implacable rivalry. Devine, openly apprehensive over facing the Midway Monsters, despite the stimulus of a 16-13 conquest of the world champion Cowboys, felt constrained to take a more active role in the preparations for Sunday's match. Moving in under the center as the Packer defense began to toil against the anticipated Bear offense for the first time, Devine executed a series of handoffs and pitchouts in emulation of the Bruins' quarterback, Bobby Douglass. Admittedly, it required a little imagination to visualize the Packers diminutive leader as the king-size Douglass, a robust 6-foot-3 and 215 pounds. But, Devine later indicated, his primary concern was technical rather than illusory. "The Bears run a different type of offense

Al Matthews

**Defensive Back — Texas A
and I**

Height 6-0, Weight 190

**Born in Austin, Texas, Nov.
7, 1947**

3rd year in pro ball. . .second
round draft choice for 1970. .
.4.7 speed in 40; 9.8 in 100. .
.good hitter, courageous, good
reaction to ball. . .excellent
character. . .good citizen,
cleancut and intelligent. . .ex-
tremely quick and fast. .
.quick feet. . .good athlete. .
.can play both corner and
safety. . .second team Little
All-American and first team
All-Lone Star conference. .
.played offense first two colle-
giate seasons and was used to
return punts and kickoffs. .
.Vice-President of Student
Body senior year. . .Health
and P.E. major. . .Missed
most of 1970 training camp
while with College All-Stars. .
.Started last game of '70 sea-
son vs. Lions at right corner. .
.In Army Reserve prior to
1971 season. . .Moved from
corner to safety in 1972. . .first
black coach in University of
Texas history during 1972 off-
season. Residence: Austin,
Texas.

Wimpy Winther

Center — Mississippi
Height 6-4, Weight 260
Born in Biloxi, Miss., Oct.
22, 1947 (Present age 21)
2nd year in pro football.
Drafted No. 4 by New Or-
leans Saints in 1971 and
traded to Packers early in
pre-season. . . Played in Senior
Bowl game. . . Makes long
snap well. . . Enthusiastic
competitor. . . Works for boys
club in Green Bay during off-
season. Residence: De Pere,
Wis.

Clarence Williams

Defensive End — Prairie
View A and M
Height 6-5, Weight 255
Born in Brazoria, Texas,
Sept. 3, 1946 (Present age 26)
4th year in NFL. . . drafted
eleventh by Dallas in 1969. .
taxied with Cowboys in 1969
and came to Packers with
Mal Walker for Herb Adderley
prior to 1970 season. . . Started
last 8 games at left defensive
end in 1970. . . Good pass rush.
Great potential. . . Student
teaches in Green Bay during
off-season. Residence: Green
Bay, Wis.

than we've looked at this year," he said, "and I just wanted Charlie Napper (a taxi squad member who portrays the opposing quarterback each week) to look at it for a while before he went to work. We can learn from my mistakes," Devine facetiously appended, adding on a more serious note, "If you don't get a good picture of it defensively, you might as well forget it. "That Detroit-Chicago game last Sunday was a game of quarterback offenses. Douglass had nearly 100 yards rushing and so did Greg Landry of the Lions, which shows what we'll be up against. The Bears' big play is where Douglass comes back deep on the option and gives it to Jim Harrison (a former Devine protege at the University of Missouri). Harrison, I might add, has played very well." Following his unheralded performance, Devine feigned chagrin when it was suggested it had been some time since he had played the position. "My feelings are hurt," he jested. "I didn't think I was that bad." For the record, it has been 25 years since I last crouched behind a center in a game. That was in 1947, when he quarterbacked the University of Minnesota Duluth football team, which he also served as captain. Returning to the subject at hand, Devine soberly observed, "As far as the Bears are concerned, nobody has stopped them - they've stopped themselves. I'm still very apprehensive about this game." Just how apprehensive he indicated by reporting, "We will be working in the stadium the rest of the week. All of our practices will be closed to the public." Devine conceded privacy was the primary motive. "We work better in there," he said. "And they're working behind locked gates in Chicago. Why give them an advantage? I guarantee you nobody gets in there (Soldier Field) to watch them work out." Devine then documented this point by wryly adding, "I know we tried to get in there and had people thrown out." Wally Cruice, the Packers' longtime game scout, shares Devine's concern about the Bruins. Here Tuesday to report to the team and coaches on Sunday's Bear-Lion game, he was sounding the alarm. "They (Bears) are a lot tougher than their record shows," he solemnly volunteered. "In their first game, they were behind, 21-0, early because of mistakes and they came back and did a pretty good job. The next week, against the Rams, they went behind, 13-0, because of more mistakes and they came back to finish in a tie. Last week, they drove the hell out of the ball every time they got it, even though they lost (28-24). But the big thing about them is that they opened with three home games in a row and didn't win any of 'em, which means this has got to be a must game for them. If they don't beat us, they know they might as well forget it. And Abe Giron (the Bears' head coach) has been saying that the Packers and Lions don't like to play the Bears because they're so physical. The Bears have been kind of snake bit the last couple weeks, but that can't keep up. I just hope it lasts another week. Where Giron has done a good job with his team is physically. The Bears' have good morale. The players have a lot of camaraderie, which they didn't have before. And the coaches get along a lot better. There's none of that bickering they used to have on their staff."

PERSONALITY PARADE (KEVIN HUNT)

OCT 4 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Ever since the projector became commonplace in pro football, coaches and players have taken cautious refuge in the now venerable cliché which begins, "I'll have to see the film..." A convenient out, it obviously spares eventual

embarrassment, should celluloid disclose a play to have been somewhat different than immediately reconstructed by the principals in the dressing room. Kevin Hunt was dead on the level, however, when he resorted to it in appraising his pro football debut, a day which will become doubly memorable for him because it was accompanied by the Packers' sabotage of the world champion Dallas Cowboys in Milwaukee County Stadium Sunday. "I was a little foggy even as late as Sunday night," said the rookie offensive tackle, abruptly forced out action after the opening series. "I'll have to wait and see the film to really know what happened. I got my bell rung on the wedge on the opening kickoff. I remember I went after somebody and that was it. I don't remember what I did after that. When Dick Himes told me I jumped offside on second down and drove my man backwards, I said, 'That's not right. That couldn't be.' I didn't believe it." Hunt, whose big chance came when injuries forced realignment of the offensive line last week, lamented, "It was a heckuva way to start." His fervor was understandable, considering the football fates already had delayed his baptismal for more than a year...KNEE INJURY: A 10th round draft choice a year ago, 'he was the victim of a knee injury in training camp last August. Following surgery, he sat out the 1971 season, working as an aide in the Packer personnel office. "I'd like to avoid any more of that sort of thing," Hunt declared, "and play a little ball. I hated to have it happen that way Sunday because I was feeling I really wanted to play. I knocked quite a few nerves out getting ready for Sunday and I felt I was ready to do a job. I didn't get much sleep Sunday night because I kept going back and trying to recall what happened and it was really bugging me because I couldn't. I don't remember anything through the first quarter. I was surprised as hell when I looked up at the clock from the bench and saw there was only a minute and 13 seconds left in the quarter. I said, 'Where did the time go?' I was able to put two and two together after that, although I was still a little foggy at night." The upset victory materially eased the pain, he admitted. "I don't care how bad you feel, you enjoy winning," he said. "I'd just like to know what went on." Philosophical about missing his first big opportunity, Hunt said, "It was a heckuva a way to start but there will be other times. We get the Bears this week and I should get a chance to play, hopefully. I think with experience, I can do the job. And the only experience you get is the game. What has helped me a lot is the confidence Coach Dotsch has showed in me, particularly

at a time when he probably shouldn't have showed that much. The offensive line is a close group and they've helped me, too. Guys like Dick Himes, Bill Lueck, Gale Gillingham and Ken Bowman. These guys really help you out. They talk it up with you, hustling." Also a baseball start at Doane, Neb., College, where he was a heavy-hitting first baseman, the 6-foot-4, 260-pound Hunt twice was drafted by the Minnesota Twins but has no regrets over having cast his lot with football. "Football was my first love and there was no question at all about what I was going to do after the Packers drafted me," he said. "If any team in the whole league was going to draft me, to be picked by the Packers was a big thrill because all I heard about from the time I was a little kid on was Green Bay."

NO DECISION ON SWITCHING LIONS' TEST

OCT 4 (Green Bay) - No decision on a possible switch of the Packers' Oct. 16 game in Detroit will be made until after the Detroit Tigers' American League playoff series with the Oakland Athletics has been decided, the Packers were informed by the National Football League today. "That is a best three out of five series," Packer Assistant General Manager Bob Harlan explained, "which means it will end by next Thursday at the latest (four days before the scheduled Monday night game with the Lions). So we've still got a shot at playing the game in Detroit, particularly if Oakland should get hot and win it in three straight. The playoff schedule calls for the series to open in Detroit Saturday and continue there Sunday. After a travel day Monday, the last three games - if needed - are scheduled in Oakland Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday." If it is necessary to move the Packer-Lion game because of a World Series in Detroit, it would be transferred to Milwaukee County Stadium. In that event, the Packers Dec. 3 date with the Lions here would be moved to Detroit and a Milwaukee game (either the Oct. 22 game with Atlanta or the Nov. 5 contest with San Francisco) would be moved to Green Bay.

PETE ROZELLE OPPOSES LIFT OF BLACKOUT

OCT 5 (Washington) - The National Football League has said there is no such thing as a television blackout, then gone on record as opposing a bill that would lift the blackout for pro football fans. "NFL home territories are no longer blacked out on television on Sunday afternoons even when the home team is playing a game at home," NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle told a Senate subcommittee Wednesday. A bill eliminating local blackouts of home games "does not deal with blackouts," Rozelle said. "It is an effort to prescribe by statute which NFL games must be telecast in what area on what occasions." Rozelle, accompanied by three NFL team executives, was joined in opposing the measure by Walter Kennedy, National Basketball Association commissioner; Robert Carlson, American Basketball Association president, and Don Ruck, vice president of the National Hockey League. Two witnesses, both identifying themselves as football fans, supported the bill that would allow home games to be televised locally if they are sold out 48 hours before the contest is to begin. The three-day hearing ends today with several witnesses, including Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn; Dean Burch, Federal Communications Commission chairman; Roone Arledge, president of ABC Sports; John A. Schneider, president of CBS Broadcast Group, and David Foster, president of the National Cable Television Associations Inc. The NFL commissioner said only nine teams - the Cincinnati Bengals, Chicago Bears, Green Bay Packers, Minnesota Vikings, New York Giants, New York Jets, Philadelphia Eagles, Washington Redskins and Denver Broncos - are sold out for their remaining games of the 1972 season. Robin Ficker of Silver Spring, Md., who identified himself as president of a Redskins fan club, said the Skins' 53,000 season tickets are purchased by only 13,569 persons or corporations. Ficker asked the subcommittee to amend the bill to allow no one to purchase more than two season tickets "until everyone who wants two season tickets has them." Sen. John O. Pastore, D-R.I., co-sponsor of the bill and chairman of the subcommittee, said President Nixon has endorsed the bill and wants to see it passed before Congress adjourns. "I'll tell you how serious this has become," Pastore said. "This has become a national crisis."

BEARS VS. PACKERS; BART VS. ZEKE

OCT 5 (Chicago Tribune) - Packers vs. Bears. 106 games, 1,000 memories. Lombardi vs. Halas. Hornung vs. Butkus. This week it's Starr vs. Bratkowski. Starr vs. Bratkowski? Bart Starr and Zeke Bratkowski are best friends. They quarterbacked

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

PASSING
(Minimum of 30 Attempts)
(Alphabetically Listed Prior to Game of October 2)

	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yds.	TD.	Int.	Pct.	Avg. Yd.
				Comp.	Pass	Long	Int.	Comp.
Berry, Atlanta	41	22	53.7	435	3	57	2	4.9
Brodie, San Francisco	50	30	60.0	330	5	45	3	6.0
Conzo, St. Louis	48	23	47.9	293	0	29	4	8.3
Douglass, Chicago	43	15	34.9	214	3	38	5	11.6
Gabriel, Los Angeles	44	17	38.6	237	1	31	4	9.1
Hunter, Green Bay	43	15	34.9	269	2	49	0	6.0
Kilmer, Washington	69	34	49.3	367	5	62	2	2.9
Landry, Detroit	44	20	45.5	377	4	66	3	6.8
Liske, Philadelphia	42	23	54.8	293	0	35	3	7.1
Manning, New Orleans	54	25	46.3	492	3	43	5	4.6
Morton, Dallas	82	44	53.7	562	3	46	5	6.1
Reaves, Philadelphia	33	19	57.6	251	1	59	2	6.1
Senead, New York	51	35	68.6	435	3	94	2	3.9
Spurrier, San Francisco	33	13	39.4	232	1	35	3	9.1
Tarkenton, Minnesota	69	36	52.2	533	5	56	3	4.3
Van Gilder, St. Louis	30	18	60.0	195	0	71	2	6.7

RUSHING

	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs.
L. Brown, Washington	67	366	5.5	1
Hampton, Atlanta	52	307	5.9	3
Malone, Atlanta	52	250	4.8	1
Harrison, Chicago	54	250	4.6	2
Douglass, Chicago	28	247	8.8	1
Brockington, Green Bay	67	247	3.7	3
Owens, Detroit	58	244	4.2	1
Hill, Dallas	55	243	4.4	1
Thomas, Los Angeles	19	159	8.4	2
Reed, Minnesota	31	143	4.6	0

SCORERS—TOUCHDOWNS

	Tot.	Rush.	Pass.	Ret.	Pts.
G. Washington, SF	4	0	4	0	24
Brockington, Gr. Bay	3	3	0	0	18
Landry, Detroit	3	3	0	0	18
Hampton, Atlanta	3	3	0	0	18
Osborn, Minnesota	3	2	1	0	18
Gilliam, Minnesota	3	0	3	0	18
Smith, Washington	3	0	3	0	18

13 players tied with 12 points each.

PASS RECEIVING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs.
Jackson, Philadelphia	16	292	18.3	1
G. Washington, San Fran.	15	269	17.9	4
Taylor, Washington	15	189	12.6	2
Gilliam, Minnesota	11	253	23.0	3
Schreiber, San Francisco	11	81	7.4	0

Two players tied with nine each.

SCORERS—KICKING

	XP	XPA	FG	FGA	Pts.
Gossett, San Fran.	10	10	7	8	31
Bell, Atlanta	10	10	6	9	28
Marcol, Green Bay	5	5	7	12	26
Mann, Detroit	9	9	5	6	24
Fritsch, Dallas	7	7	5	6	22
Ray, Los Angeles	5	5	5	11	20

PUNTING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Chapple, Los Angeles	11	527	47.9	64
Blanchard, New York	7	325	46.4	55
Wildby, Green Bay	17	772	45.4	63
Green, Chicago	10	440	44.0	58
Jones, Atlanta	9	378	42.0	49
McNeill, Philadelphia	7	290	41.4	51
McCann, San Francisco	16	650	40.6	54
Eischeid, Minnesota	16	649	40.6	52
Anderson, St. Louis	18	721	40.1	61
Braga, Washington	13	515	39.6	62
Fagan, New Orleans	21	824	39.2	56

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs.
Taylor, San Francisco	11	113	10.3	0
Waters, Dallas	4	36	9.0	0
Burney, Detroit	7	57	8.1	0
Ellis, Green Bay	4	45	7.5	0
Brown, Atlanta	4	29	7.3	0
Low, Los Angeles	7	38	5.4	0
Vactor, Washington	3	15	5.0	0
Belton, Atlanta	4	16	4.0	0

INTERCEPTIONS

	No.	Yds.	Long	TDs.
Hays, Atlanta	3	10	8	0
Johnson, San Francisco	3	3	8	0
Bryant, Minnesota	2	54	34	0
Lyle, Chicago	2	53	32	0
Nettles, Los Angeles	2	52	35	0
Winston, Minnesota	2	46	23	0
Bradley, Philadelphia	2	39	21	0
Buchanan, Green Bay	2	37	26	0
Kassulke, Minnesota	2	25	22	0
Matthews, Green Bay	2	8	8	0
Lucci, Detroit	2	0	0	0

(Statistics do not include game of October 2.)

Bears vs. Packers; Bart vs. Zeke

Sam Dickerson

Wide Receiver — U.S.C.
Height 6-2, Weight 200
Born in Commerce, Texas,
June 21, 1949

2nd year in pro ball.
.Drafted 3rd by 49ers in '71.
.Claimed on waivers by Packers just prior to '71 season.
.Caught 24 passes for 527 yards and four TDs in senior year. .63 receptions for 1252 yards and 12 TDs in three years. .Fifth all time U.S.C. receiver. .Sprinter. .Runs 40 in 4.6 in shorts, 9.7 in 100. .Grew up in Stockton, Calif. where he now lives.

the Packers thru the glory years. Both thought they might be quarterbacking the Packers this year. Both are quarterbacking, all right - from the press box. Sunday in Green Bay, Starr will be calling the Packer plays and Bratkowski will be seated only a few feet away calling the Bear plays. Starr will be telling Scott Hunter what to do and Bratkowski will be telling Bobby Douglass what to do and whoever does it best will probably win. Ironically, Hunter and Douglass will not do what their coaches used to do best - throw the football. The Packers and Bears have pro football's worst passing attacks. Hunter and Douglass have each completed only 15 passes in three games. That hasn't made either attack particularly weak, however. Last Sunday the Packers beat the world champion Dallas Cowboys 16-13 to extend their record to 2-1. John Brockington ran thru the National Football Conference's leading rush defense for 91 yards, bringing his season total to 247 yards. "Brockington is the best back in football," said Bear Coach Abe Gibrion yesterday. Gibrion's runners have outgained the Pack while losing two games and tying one. Douglass has run for exactly as many yards as Brockington has and may become the first quarterback ever to gain 1,000 yards in a season. Fullback Jim Harrison has 250 yards and a 4.6 yard average. The Packers made no mistakes against Dallas and intercepted three passes, recovered two fumbles and dumped the quarterback four times. The Bears gave up 38 points against Detroit as the Lions ran at will over the Bear defense. "That won't happen again, our defense is too proud," warns Gibrion, and Packer Coach Dan Devine apparently believes him. Devine has closed his practices for the rest of the week. "Nobody has stopped the Bears yet," he points out. "They've stopped themselves, but nobody else has stopped them." "Everybody should close their practices," said Gibrion yesterday as the Bears worked out in semi-secrecy behind the Soldier Field

bleachers. "You don't know who's working for who anymore, it's an old Paul Brown idea." Running Back Don Shy's cast has been removed from his wrist, but tight end Bob Parsons appeared with a cast on his wrist which is supposed to come off before Sunday. Parsons broke a bone against Detroit. "Hell, if you X-rayed everybody after every game, there'd be no football," snapped Gibrion.

BEARS HIT, RUN, SCORE

OCT 6 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Chicago Bears, never overly sociable, are even less congenial than usual these days. And little wonder. The Monsters of the Midway already have gone to the post three times in the 1972 season and they have yet to win, although they did manage one tie. But that isn't all. Abe Gibrion's free hitting Bruins haven't chomped the fruits of victory since the middle of the 1971 season and that sort of thing gets a little old, especially for one with Gibrion's bristling antipathy for losing. They now have gone eight games, better than half an average season, since the last one, a circumstance which should only serve to hone their appetites for their 107th collision with the Packers in Lambeau Field Sunday afternoon. Ironically, the Bears' most recent victory was a 23-19 upset of the Dallas' Cowboys, then en route to the world championship. That should underscore the peril that faces the Packers, who last Sunday dealt the Cowpokes their first defeat since that comeuppance in Chicago's Wrigley Field. The Bears, moreover, are a vastly different team than the one which sabotaged the Texans. In the five games which followed that startling development, they went without a touchdown and twice were shut out. Since re-molded in the hit-and-run image of Gibrion, who succeeded Jim Dooley as head coach last winter, the Bears have been finding their way to the end zone with some degree of consistency. "That's the one big thing Abe wanted to remedy," Bear publicity director Dan Desmond told the Mike & Pen Sports Club at the Beaumont Motor Inn Wednesday, "and he has. We've scored 58 points in three games." That, for comparative purposes, is two more than the Packers have collected in forging a 2-1 record, good enough to tie the Detroit Lions for the NFC's Central Division lead. "There is no doubt this is the Bears' best running team in years," Desmond announced with some satisfaction. "We're second in the National Football Conference with 611 yards - we're averaging 5.2 yards per attempt." Principals in this project have been Jim Harrison, the Bruins' bulking halfback, and Bobby Douglass, the strapping quarterback many Bear fans feel would be more productive at running back. Principals in this project have been Jim Harrison, the Bruins' hulking halfback, and Bobby Douglass, the strapping quarterback who has a highly developed penchant for running with the football. Harrison, a 6-foot-4, 235-pound University of Missouri alumnus who was the Bears' No. 2 draft choice a year ago, is their leading rusher -but not by much. He has amassed 250 yards in 54 carries and Douglass 247 in 28 attempts - a glossy 8.8 average. "People in Chicago say Douglass should be a running back," Desmond said, "but I think they are not taking into account that he has been as successful as he has been running because he is taking advantage of the defense, which also has to respect the pass. They don't realize that as a setback he probably wouldn't have the speed to be as effective as he is running from quarterback." "But Bobby is really strong. And he can pass, too - he can throw, even though he's only completed 15 of 43 passes to date. Zeke Bratkowski, who coaches our passing game, has been working with him and he's done a good job. Douglass is a much improved quarterback. "I'm sure there are some things wrong with Douglass technically and I think Zeke has smoothed off those rough edges." Bobby seems to be more sure of himself, more poised. "He's a lot smarter than people give him credit for, too. In fact, he's a pretty smart guy." Since Bratkowski presently is the Bears' novelist, there has been considerable speculation about his possible return to active status against the Packers. Desmond, however, ruled out such a development, asserting, "I don't think Zeke would be activated unless both quarterbacks (John Huarte, in addition to Douglass) were injured. But he's good insurance to have on the taxi squad. He's in great shape. The Bears' Achilles heel to date has been generosity, Desmond said. "We already have had 10 turnovers - five interceptions and five lost fumbles. And three of those interceptions and four of the fumbles have been developed into scores by the

opposition, either touchdowns or field goals." Some of the Bears' problems have been traceable to an erosion of the defensive line, which has lost Ed O'Bradovich, who has retired, and George Seals, a recalcitrant who was traded to Kansas City for the Chiefs' 1973 No. 1 draft choice. "Willie Holman at left is quite a football player," Desmond said, "but we have a rookie from Southern U., Jim Osborne, at left tackle. Tony McGee, a kid they wanted to move to the outside because they felt it was his best position,

is playing right tackle and Steve DeLong, who we got from San Diego, is the right end. I'm not apologizing for our front four," the veteran publicist assured, "but we haven't had a good pass rush." His observation is borne out by the statistics, which reveal that the enemy has completed 55.3 per cent of its passes, connecting on 21 of 38 attempts for 326 yards. The figures also indicate the Packers will have to make a quick getaway if they hope to cope with the Midway Monsters. "We've given up 62 points in the first half and only scored 17," Desmond pointed out. "On the other hand, we've given up only 26 points in the second half, 13 in each quarter." He chuckled and added, "Some wag suggested Abe take them over to Grant Park and scrimmage 'em for two quarters before they start the game."... **PACKER PATTERN:** The Packers put in their longest practice day of the week Wednesday, warming up on the South Oneida Street practice field before moving into Lambeau Field for privacy purposes. After the game plan was installed at a dressing room meeting, the offense worked extensively against the anticipated Bear defense and the defense later toiled against what is presumed will be the Bear offense...Following the workout, Coach Dan Devine had high praise for the enemy. "The Bears have the most difficult offense we've faced," he said, "and the most talented defense. They have defensive capabilities equal to those of Dallas."...Ex-Packer Bob Jeter may be activated by the Bears for Sunday's game in following the loss of defensive back Garry Lyle, out for the season in the wake of knee surgery. Jerry Moore, however, is scheduled to start at Lyle's free safety post.

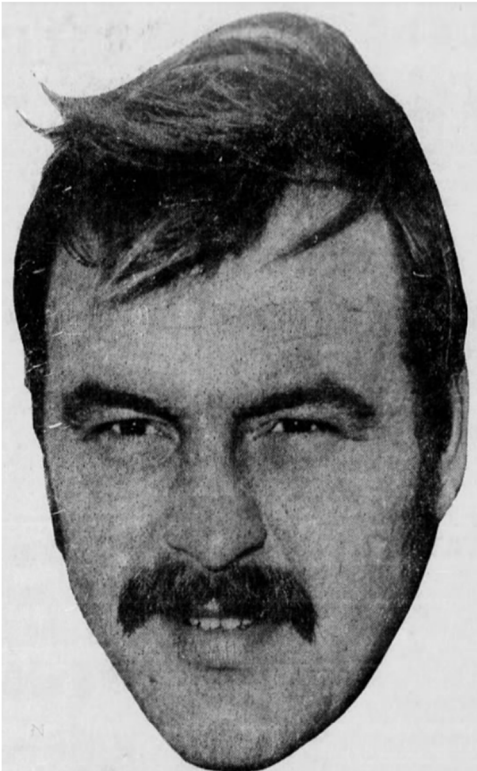
BEARS' STYLE UNIQUE

OCT 6 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Dan Devine's sense of foreboding continues to grow. All week long, he has described himself as "apprehensive" about Sunday's Lambeau Field date with the somewhat ravenous Chicago Bears, who have yet to win in 1972. It may only be because the Packers next moment of truth was another day closer, but his concern about the quality of the Bruins' imminent response appeared even more acute Thursday than it has been earlier in the week. If it wasn't, the Packers canny field leader has become a highly professional actor. Devine took elaborate pains to document his apprehension following a lengthy, sun-drenched workout, divided between the South Oneida Street practice field and the more private confines of Lambeau Field as "Bear Week" secrecy continued. "If you analyze how the Lions beat the Bears' last Sunday (38-24), he said, "you will discover they did it largely with plays we don't have in our repertoire. They scored one touchdown on a quarterback rollout by Greg Landry. They scored another on a busted play which he ran in. We haven't even gotten back to the line of scrimmage on a play like that this year. And they cored another on a long quarterback sneak, which we don't have." This capsule review brought him to the basic premise of his dissertation. "They didn't score on anything like we run," he pointed out. In this connection, he subsequently was prompted to observe. "They said this sort of thing couldn't be done in the pros, but it's working. This whole game is going to change in the next three or four years because of guys like Landry and Bobby Douglass of the Bears. That Douglass takes that first step quicker than just about anybody," he said, shaking his head. "He's something else. And, as far as the Bears' defense is concerned, all they have to do is guess right for 30 minutes. Theirs is a guessing defense - it's a very good defense, I might add - but sometimes they guess wrong." Illustrating the problem this approach presents for the Packers. Devine pointed out, "You look down your roster and you will find we have 10 first year men, six second year men and 12 third year men. or a total of 28 with less than three years' experience. To throw them against all those varied defenses the Bears give you is asking a great deal. Landry is so quick he was able to avoid being trapped and tackled, but the average quarterback would have been sacked." To compound the situation, Devine noted, the Bears make heavy use of the blitz. They scored about 10 times more often against the Lions than Dallas did against us last Sunday," he said. The National Football League's latest team statistics, released Thursday, suggest Devine was not merely crying wolf. They show the bears rank a strong fourth in the National Football Conference with a three-game yield of 795 yards, just 25 more than permitted by the Packers whose defense suddenly has become the talk of the league. The Packers current physical status has deepened Devine's concern about Sunday's struggle. "We started out today's practice down below on the practice field so we could work on the seven-man sled," he said. "That was before I found out four of our starting offensive linemen couldn't hit the sled because of injuries. If you can't hit a seven-man sled on Thursday,"

Tommy Joe Crutcher

Linebacker — T.C.U.
Height 6-3, Weight 230
Born in McKinney, Texas.
Aug. 10, 1941
8th year active, 9th in League.
Packers third round draft choice for 1964 after playing fullback in college. . .Used immediately at outside linebacker by Pack. . .Backed up All-Pros Robinson and Caffey 1964-67. . .Traded to N.Y. Gi-

ants with Steve Wright (now with Bears) prior to '68 season for Francis Peay (still with Packers). . .Started for Giants in 1968 and 1969. . .Traded to Rams in 1970 season and returned to Packers via trade early in 1971 pre-season. . .Started several games for Green Bay in 1971. . .Owns ranch in Texas. . .Residence: McKinney, Texas.



Midway Monster Dick Butkus

Rich McGeorge

Tight End — Elon College
Height 6-4, Weight 235
Born in Roanoke, Va., Sept.
14, 1948

3rd year in pro ball. . Packers second number one draft choice in 1970. . 4.9 speed in 40. Top rated tight end in CEPO Scouting Combine. . plays basketball and golf. . great hands and excellent blocker. . catches ball well in traffic and runs well after catch. . breaks tackles. . captain of college team and good leader. . a student of the game. . aggressive. . honors; NAIA All-American, AP Small College All-American, lineman of the year Carolina Conference. . played on South squad in North-South Game. . caught 224 passes for 3486 yds. and 31 TDs in four years at Elon. . Caught two passes rookie year, both 16 yds. and both TDs. . Started every League game in 1971. . best day vs. Miami in 1971 catching five for 51 yds. . Works for bank during off-season. Residence: Roanoke, Va.

Devine wryly appended, "how are you going to hit Willie Holman and Dick Butkus on Sunday?" DD's outlook was not enhanced by the level of artistry displayed during Thursday's session. "It was a better practice than we would have had if we had worked out outside exclusively." He said, "but it wasn't too good. It started out poorly and then finished fairly well."...PACKER PATTERN: Tackles Gale Gillingham and Francis Peay worked out lightly on their own in sweat clothes along the sidelines. "They're both coming along pretty well and should be ready for next week's game with Detroit," he said, "but I'm not even thinking about that right now." Both Gillingham and Peay, presently members of the move list, are ineligible to return until that date, along with defensive back-return specialist Ike Thomas, who is recuperating from rib injuries. To date the Packers have fashioned a 2 ½ - 1 ratio of rushing plays to passing attempts in what has been described as a "close-to-the-vest" offense. They have rushed 124 times for 412 yards and completed but 16 of 48 passes for 253 yards en route to the 2-1 record which presently has them tied for first place with Detroit in the NFC's Central Division. Other figures indicate the Packers will have to make a quick getaway if they hope to cope with Abe Gibrón's Monsters of the Midway. The Bears have given up 62 points in the first half, while scoring only 17. In significant contrast, they have allowed only 26 points in the second half, 13 in each quarter. Taking note of this disparate performance, Bear publicity director Dan Desmond reported with a chuckle, "Some wag suggested Abe take the Bears over to Grant Park and scrimmage 'em for two quarters before they start the game."

GIBRON HAS MADE THEM HIS BEARS

OCT 7 (Chicago Tribune) - It is obvious this year's Bears are an extension of Coach Abe Gibrón's personality. Despite the adversity of an 0-2-1 season, the Bears, like Abe Gibrón, are a bluff, gruff, jovial kind of crew off the playing field, but exhibit their coach's dedication to blocking and tackling on the field. It was quite evident this week as Abe led the men thru a strong week of work preparing for tomorrow's contest against the surprising Packers in Green Bay. The workouts included a short scrimmage Thursday and a longer-than-usual session yesterday in which the offense ran thru its burgeoning repertoire of plays. This week Gibrón is maneuvering a 39-man squad, one short of the limit. It's 39 because Gibrón hasn't made a replacement for the injured defensive back, Garry Lyle, out for the season with knee surgery. "I can always make that move," said Gibrón after practice. "But I'm not going to do it." He might have include the words "not now." The team can make a move any time before noon tomorrow. Jerry Moore, who played the last half of last week's game against Detroit, will replace Lyle in the secondary - which doesn't figure to get that much of a workout. The Packers [2-1] are guided by Scott Hunter, a second-year man who has as poor a pass record as the Bears' Bobby Douglass. Both are 15 for 43 passing so far this season, but Hunter has one more touchdown pass [3 to 2]. Douglass has had five passes intercepted, while Hunter

has avoided any thefts. But Douglass has developed his running ability this year under the Gibrón scheme of things, and his 247 yards tie him with the Green Bay wheelhorse, John Brockington. That well-publicized fact this week has added an extra element into the game. Green Bay's mentor, Dan Devine, has been conducting secret practices this week - a ploy that was thought to have gone out of style with the single wing. But it is the Bears vs. Green Bay, and even after 106 games it still means something.

BROCK NIXES 'SOPHOMORE JINX'

OCT 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Practice was in its final stage and the Packer scouting team was portraying the Bears, leaving John Brockington to his own devices for the moment. The Packers' gifted young fullback could have indulged in a brief breather, the customary reaction when such opportunities occur, since they are all too rare under Dan Devine's highly organized modus operandi. But Brockington resolutely cantered to the Lambeau Field sidelines, dropped his helmet near the players' bench and proceeded to run a series of sprints along the field's western boundary, punctuated only by a short pause for oxygen. Running at top speed in full pads under a surprisingly brilliant sun - it was Thursday and the temperature had soared to an unseasonable 70 - is a substantial stint in itself and perspiration was cascading down Brockington's face and neck before he called it a day. Later, as he relaxed in the dressing room, the former Ohio State wheelhorse indicated those voluntary exertions were a form of personal insurance. Brockington volunteered this intelligence while expounding on what has come to be known as "the sophomore jinx," a condition he contends is sheer fiction. A rare all-pro choice as a rookie last season, when he amassed more yards than any other first year runner in National Football League history, Brockington flatly asserted, "I don't think there is such a thing as a sophomore jinx. If you're ready to play, if you put everything you have into what you're doing, you shouldn't have to worry about it - unless you get an injury that's going to slow you up. And injuries can happen any year. I think what it really amounts to is getting big-headed after a big rookie year and taking too much for granted, not getting to the holes, missing holes - not pushing enough. But I'm not concerned about the sophomore jinx - I'm not worried about a letdown. That's why I'm running sprints after practice. In the course of a game, you might get tired. I can't afford to get tired. If I carry the ball 20 times in a game, I can't afford to come back to the huddle breathing hard. Plus it helps me in the fourth quarter." Understandably, Brockington is more than routinely interested in maintaining his 1,000-Yard Club membership, acquired in 1971 when he rolled up 1,105 yards in 216 attempts. At the moment, after three games, he is tied for fifth place in National Football Conference rushing figures with 247 yards in 67

carries, sharing that position with one of Sunday's antagonists, Bear quarterback Bobby Douglass. "Talking about getting a thousand yards," he said, "I know you have to average 73 yards a game in order to do it. I'm in that clip right now (it's 82-plus at this point) but I'd still like to do better. My average is down quite a bit from last year (to 3.7 from 5.1). It may be somewhat surprising but Brockington doesn't get the impression enemy defenses are zeroing in on him out of deference to is spectacular '71 season. "I can't honestly say that I sense they are keying on me," he says. "I think it's just that they know they have to stop our running game. MacArthur Lane helps me there, I'm sure. Mac is strong and fast and they know if they stop me, he's going to be just as bad for them to handle. If it was me and Donny Anderson back there, they'd stop me. Donny wasn't a hard runner. He did everything well but they could stop him. Now if they stop me, they've got Mac to worry about - and he's faster than I am, and he's stronger. When it comes to lifting weight, he's a lot stronger than I am. Of course, I never do any lifting." Although he is aware the peril of injury is ever present in his violent profession, Brockington feels his approach to it reduces the risk. You're less likely to get hurt if you run hard," he says. "Dick Butkus is going to hit you anyway. And they're not going to get any madder at you if you run harder, so you'd best get up in there. All I can do is run as hard as I can break one when I can," the bespectacled sophomore said, confidently appending, "I'll be all right. I'll get 1,000 yards again."...PACKER PATTER: Asked about quarterback Jerry Tagge's availability following Friday's practice, Devine reported, "There is a chance Jerry will play against the Bears Sunday. Physically, he is ready. But I would say right now that Jerry would play only if something happened to Scott. Two other guys I'm going to play are Ray, Nitschke and Tommy Joe Crutcher. Carter's been playing tremendous football at middle linebacker, so that isn't a factor, but Ray always plays well against the Bears. And Tommy Joe has been playing well. Mike McCoy also could play defense if we have any injuries in the front four, or need any help there. But basically, we're thinking of Mike on offense. It's quite likely he will play some there at tackle Sunday. We're only three games into our season and we're going to need every red-blooded American that we have so, as I said, it's no reflection on anyone's play or ability. As a matter of fact, I think many people don't understand middle linebacker play these days. The way most people play defense now, certain things are going to take the middle linebacker out of there. So he's not responsible every time somebody gains up the middle. For example, if our tackles pinch, they're supposed to take care of the middle. And if he's keying on a back man for man out of the backfield, you have somebody else assigned to the draw. Our opposition, who get a chance to see our game film, respects Carter."...Speaking of defense, Devine addressed himself to the problem the Bears' Jim Harrison will present for the Packers. "Harrison is a very unsung running back," he said. "He's 6-4 and 235 pounds and he can run a 4.4 in the 40, which means that Willie Buchanon and Kenny Ellis would have trouble catching up. I don't know that we have anyone who can run a 4.4. Harrison is a great young man." said Devine, who coached the strapping Texan at the University of Missouri. "They're just scratching the surface with him. He never had a spring or fall practice at Missouri because he was always hurt."

BEARS-PACKERS COULD BE 'FUN GAME'

OCT 7 (Green Bay-Chicago Tribune) – There have been many grand and glamorous games in the history of the rivalry between the Chicago Bears and Green Bay Packers. Tomorrow's encounter, the 107th in the storied series, probably will be neither grand nor glamorous. But it may be a whale of a lot of fun. Picture this: Picture a Bear team coached by one of pro football's legendary characters, rotund Abe Gibrion, versus a Packer club in the hands of Dan Devine, a fellow so fresh out of the college ranks that he tries such gimmicks as a fake end-around play developing into a pass thrown by a kid just up from the taxi squad. Picture a Bear team with a tradition for sound defense which only last Sunday gave up 38 points to the Detroit Lions. Picture a Packer team with no Bart Starr, and a replacement [Scott Hunter] so unsteady that he completed only four of 17 passes, yet managed to beat the Dallas Cowboys! Picture a Bear team which still has memories of George Halas standing on the sideline and whipping the late Vince Lombardi twice in one season-1963, the last time the Bears won a championship. Picture a Packer team with no Ray Nitschke as middle linebacker, tho he's still on the squad, and an agile Goliath named Jim Carter playing the position as if he invented it while some Packer fans yell for Nitschke. Picture Bobby Douglass, the fellow everybody says can't play quarterback, playing quarterback for the Bears with a gleam in his eye that says he still will someday make dummies of all his critics. Picture a Packer team with no Hank Jordan or Willie Davis to intimidate rival quarterbacks, but with a rawboned three-year pro from Kansas [Vernon Vanoy] at defensive tackle. Vanoy, replacing Gale Gillingham, sacked Craig Morton three times last Sunday. Picture Dick Butkus, slightly embarrassed by his recent performance against the "bunch of jerks" from Detroit, zeroing in on John Brockington, without doubt the finest fullback in the league. Picture Carroll Dale, the one-time great Packer end, who only last week caught his very first pass of the season, trying to shake himself loose for one of Hunter's errant bombs. Picture Hunter, with the benefit of Starr's play calling but still nursing a sore back which obviously affects his throwing, trying to find more pass targets but still heeding his coach's edict to avoid interceptions at all costs. Picture Gibrion, inwardly seething at the fine he must certainly have been handed by Commissioner Pete Rozelle for his remarks about last week's officiating, but too proud to admit it hurts. Picture it black and blue. That's the nickname of the Central Division in which the Bears and Packers participate, and that's the kind of games these two teams always play.

GIBRON - I MAY BRING UP WHOLE DARN TAXI SQUAD

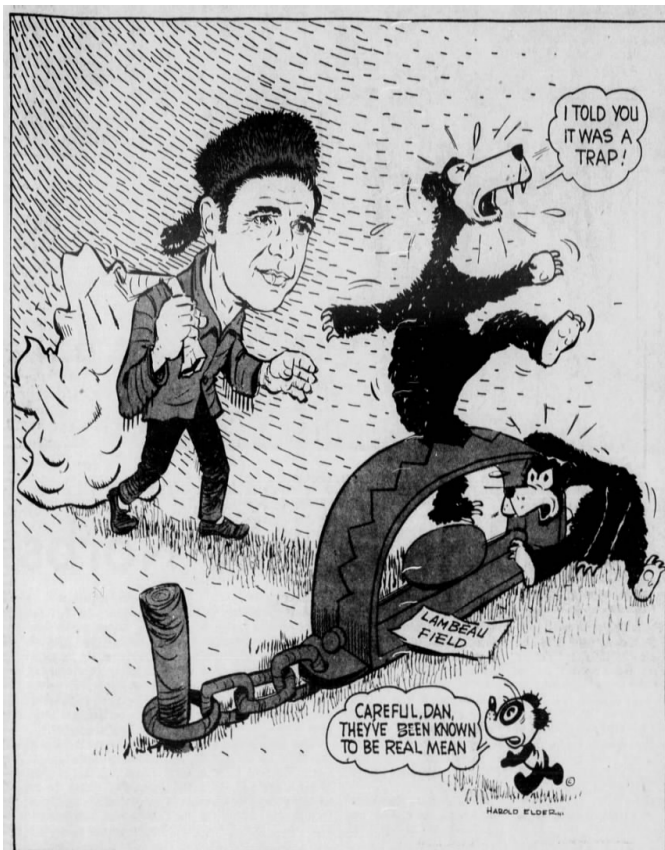
OCT 8 (Chicago Tribune) – The Green Bay Packers, foes of the Bears today, are doing a lot of switching around - both from a personnel and schedule standpoint. Just before the kickoff last Sunday against Dallas, Green Bay announced several

P a c k e r-Bear individual-comparison:						
RUSHING						
	Att.	Yds.	Ave.	L	TD	
Harrison, Bears	54	250	4.6	19	2	
Brock, Pack	67	247	3.7	23	3	
Douglass, Bears	28	247	8.8	26	1	
Lane, Pack	38	122	3.2	15	0	
Pinder, Pack	20	69	3.5	11	1	
Hudson, Pack	9	27	3.1	17	0	
PASSING						
	Att	Comp	Yds	TD	Int	
Douglass, Bears	43	15	214	3	5	
Hunter, Pack	43	15	278	2	0	
RECEIVING						
	No.	Yds.	Ave.	Lp.	TD	
Thomas, Bears	5	98	19.6	38	2	
Lane, Pack	4	79	19.8	49	0	
Glass, Pack	3	62	20.7	31	0	
Farmer, Bears	3	37	12.3	20	0	
Harrison, Bears	3	27	9.0	20	0	

roster changes, including the activation of Jon Staggers, Bob Kroll, Kevin Hunt, and Mike McCoy. Moved were Gale Gillingham, Francis Peay, and Isaac Thomas, while Quarterback Frank Patrick and Tight End Rich McGeorge were put on injured reserve. There also is activity in the Packer ticket office. The Detroit Tigers have seen to that by copping a spot in the American League baseball playoffs. The Packers have been advised by the National Football League office that if the Tigers win the A. L. playoffs against the Oakland Athletics, then the Monday night, Oct. 16 Packer-Lion game at Detroit will have to be switched to Green Bay or Milwaukee, and the Dec. 3 contest, scheduled for Lambeau Field, will be played at Detroit. Meanwhile, Abe Gibrion may make some last minute moves before today's game in Green Bay. "I may bring up the whole darn taxi squad, you never know," jested Abe, who doesn't seem at all perturbed about the Bears' record of 0-2-1. Abe has job security, and he knows it.

OPPORTUNITY, BEARS KNOCK ON PACK DOOR

OCT 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Opportunity knocks, if ever so timorously, for the Packers today. With the grudging cooperation of the Chicago Bears, their guests in Lambeau Field (1 o'clock, WNFL), and the assistance of the burgeoning Atlanta Falcons, Dan Devine's rapidly fusing young tigers could break in front of their Central Division rivals in the National Football conference before dusk descends on Titledown. It has been five years since they have enjoyed such lofty status after the fourth game of the season. The last time was in 1967, at which point they were en route to a third consecutive National Football League championship. They moved into Game Five that year with a 3-0-1 record, a length ahead of Detroit which then was 2-1-1. At the moment, the green and gold share the Central lead with those same Lions, who face an Atlanta team which suddenly has become violently respectable in the wake of a 31-3 thumping of the Los Angeles Rams - and on the Falcons' home grounds. So much for the possibilities. Of more immediate concern to the Packers is a Bear team which is eminently capable of clouding their delightful first place vista in the 107th renewal of pro football's most venerable rivalry. Winless to date, Abe Gibrion's bruising behemoths are certain to be bristling, particularly their anti-social leader and literary light, Dick Butkus, who has recently become a somewhat controversial author. That could make for a long afternoon, a gospel which Dan Devine has preached throughout an apprehensive week in the wake of last Sunday's upset of the world champion Dallas Cowboys. And his message apparently has "taken" with his athletes. Last week, Devine emphasized that they could not hope to beat Dallas unless they eliminated all offensive turnovers. The Packers, happily, were flawless in that department and won, 16-13. MacArthur Lane, for one, is convinced a similar performance will be required today. "I think we're going to have to do pretty much the same thing," he said. "We can't afford to make mistakes. We can't turn over the ball to them in good field position, or we're going to be in trouble. "As far as overconfidence is concerned, I don't think there should be any letdown - certainly hope there isn't - because everybody knows we're going to be playing the Bears. And when you play the Bears, you know you're going to have to play football. Everybody knows you're going to have to do some hitting." As Lane suggested, the Packers can be assured the Bruins will be doing more than their share. A longtime Bear trademark, it has been accentuated, if that is possible, since Gibrion assumed the coaching controls last winter. The portly ex-Cleveland Brown guard also has constructed a running game for the Bears, who finished a distant 12th in rushing in the 13-team National Football Conference last season, and that is certain to be their major weapon. A triple option style offense built around quarterback Bobby Douglass and strapping sophomore Jim Harrison, which should offer the Packer defense a hefty challenge, their ground attack has improved to a point where they now rank second in the NFC with an average of better than 200 yards rushing per game. That, it should be pointed out, is materially better than the Packers have been able to do, although their running game is much more widely acclaimed than that of the Bears. This development, in turn, has triggered a substantial upturn in the Chicagoans' point production. The Monsters of the Midway, who went without a touchdown in their last five games of the 1971 season, already have rolled up 58 in three games - 24 of them in last Sunday's 28-24 loss to the Lions. The Packers are expected to retaliate in kind. With Lane and reigning NFC rushing champion John Brockington operating in tandem, they also prefer to go by land. But Devine likewise is hoping for a revival of the passing attack, which, like the Bears' overhead game, Has been somewhat ineffectual to date. Scott Hunter, who will be making his fourth consecutive start at quarterback. and his counterpart, Douglass, enter the game with identically anemic 15-for-43 passing



CHICAGO		GREEN BAY	
Seymour	WR	Glass	
Jackson	LT	Hayhoe	
Holloway	LG	Lueck	
Coady	C	Bowman	
Newton	RG	Snider	
Asher	RT	Himes	
Thomas	TE	Garret	
Farmer	WR	Dale	
Douglass	QB	Hunter	
Pinder	RB	Lane	
Harrison	RB	Brockington	
DEFENSE		C. Williams	
Holman	LE	Vanoy	
Osborne	LT	Brown	
McGee	RT	Roche	
DeLong	RE	Robinson	
Buffone	LLB	Carter	
Butkus	MLB	Carr	
Brubacher	RLB	Buchanon	
Ford	LC	Ellis	
Taylor	RC	Matthews	
Smith	LS	Hill	
Moore	RS		
Packer-Bear Series Packers won 45. Bears 55, 6 tied Points - Packers 1,555. Bears 1,729			

records. In the Packers' case, extreme care is indicated in passing situations. The Bears, with the brawling Butkus complemented by the highly mobile Doug Buffone and Ross Brupbacher. have a highly developed penchant for the blitz. Fortunately, the Packer offensive line is in more stable condition for today's match than it was a week ago, when injuries forced a massive realignment. Although not all of its members are entirely sound physically, the only absentee from the season's original starting format will be tackle Francis Peay. For the second straight week, towering Bill Haynoe will be standing in for the seven-year veteran, who is still hobbled by a knee injury along with Gale Gillingham. One change will find Bill Lueck who went most of the way at right guard last Sunday, returning to left guard and Malcolm Snider moving from there to his normal right side station. Ken Bowman. who went the distance against Dallas despite a shoulder injury, will open at center.

STAFF STUFF

OCT 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - For Packer fans, Chester Marcol's booming kickoffs are a long-overdue joy. But after last Sunday when Toni Fritsch of Dallas and Marcol were taking away the other team's return on practically every kickoff, it took something away from the game too, I thought. One more play in the pro game that has always generated excitement is becoming more and more a rarity...Listening to some of the Dallas Cowboys after the game, I was given the very distinct impression that the Packers came away with a steal in the Donny Anderson-MacArthur Lane trade. LeRoy Jordan, Herb Adderley and Tom Landry were all quick to praise Lane's contribution. And I agree. Along with Lane, I'd take Ron Johnson, Larry Brown. Calvin Hill, Willie Ellison, Jim Kiick or Mercury Morris, O. J. Simpson, Leroy Kelly, Ed Podolak and Floyd Little over Anderson. And that's 10 of the 25 other starting halfbacks in the league. And I'm not so sure I wouldn't take some others like Vic Washington and Mike Garrett. And speaking of the Lane trade, Dan Devine has proven to be an astute trader and drafter. In fact, as a general manager he took a team, which three years ago was rapidly deteriorating as a result of poor swaps (Marv Fleming and John Rowser were "given" away) and draft picks (remember 1969 when Rich Moore, Dave Bradley and John Spilis were the first three picks) and has appreciably improved its personnel. There have been boo-boos - the drafting of Virgil Robinson second and trading a high draft pick for Al Randolph - but most of his maneuvers have upped the timetable for reconstruction. Actually the Packers appear to be only two players - an outstanding pass rusher and outside receiver - away from having a solid 22-man starting cast. Most of the other positions, except for one spot in the defensive line and a wide receiver berth, are manned either by a proven veteran or a promising youngster on the verge of maturity. There are two other key positions, though, quarterback and middle linebacker. The Packers hopes for the future at these positions fall into that class of player which is on the verge of maturity. But most championship clubs have so-called superstars playing these spots and Jim Carter must still reach the level of performance a title contender requires at these posts. Hunter certainly is an immensely improved quarterback over last year if for no other reason than the way he has limited his interceptions. And Carter has the physical tools, is aggressive and has played well, although inconsistently... Should Lane be sidelined again, wouldn't Perry Williams and John Brockington be teamed up in the same backfield?...NOTES: One pro grid writer recently dug up this quote: "If we still had Fran Tarkenton, we'd be 7-7 every year." The speaker was Jim Finks, general manager of the Minnesota Vikings, and the year was 1969, when Joe Kapp was directing the Viking offense...Don Horn is listed as the third quarterback on Denver's depth chart behind Steve Ramsey and Charlie Johnson...Running back Herb Mul Key, discovered by the Washington Redskins in their public tryout camp, made the 40-man roster but has since been placed on the taxi squad...The Pittsburgh Steelers recently placed former Wisconsin linebacker Carl Winfrey on their roster after he was cut by the Vikings...Steve Kingman, a rookie wide receiver from Beloit, made the Cincinnati Bengals taxi squad...Here is a reversal from last year! After three weeks of the season the Packers have the fewest turnovers in the NFL. Green Bay and Washington have turned the ball over to the opposition just three times, the lowest figure in the league. Denver has the most TOs with 13.

Bears-Packers Could Be 'Fun Game'

Packer Statistics

1972 GREEN BAY PACKERS (3 GAME STATISTICS 2 - 1)

GB	RESULTS & ATTENDANCE	OPP.	SCORES BY QUARTERS					TOTAL
			ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR		
(w)	26 Browns at Cleveland (75,771)	10						
(l)	14 Raiders at Green Bay(56,263)	20	G.B.	17	24	6	9	56
(w)	16 Cowboys at Mil. (47,103)	13	Opp.	16	10	17	0	43
10/8	BEARS AT GREEN BAY							
10/16	Lions at Detroit		RUSHING	ATT	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
10/22	Falcons at Milwaukee		Brockington	67	247	3.6	23	3
10/29	Vikings at Green Bay		Lane	38	122	3.2	15	0
11/5	49'ers at Milwaukee		Hudson	9	27	3.0	17	0
11/12	Bears at Chicago		Williams	4	13	3.3	7	0
11/19	Oilers at Houston		Glass	1	13	13.0	13	0
11/26	Redskins at Washington		Davis	1	-7	0.0	-7	0
12/3	Lions at Green Bay		Hunter	4	-3	0.0	1	0
12/10	Vikings at Minnesota		GB TOTAL	124	412	3.3	23	3
12/17	Saints at New Orleans		OPP. TOTAL	101	396	3.9	19	2

TEAM STATISTICS		GB	OPP.	RECEIVING		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS		41	50	McGeorge	5	50	10.0	23t	2	
By Rushing		23	26	Lane	4	79	19.8	49	0	
By Passing		14	19	Glass	3	62	20.7	31	0	
By Penalty		4	5	Brockington	2	53	26.5	33	0	
Third Down Efficiency		10/43	16/42	Davis	1	11	11.0	11	0	
TOTAL NET YARDS		665	770	Dale	1	8	8.0	8	0	
Total Off. Plays		175	189	Kopay	1	8	8.0	8	0	
Ave. Gain Per Play		3.8	4.1	GB TOTAL	16	262	16.4	49	2	
NET YARDS RUSHING		412	396	OPP. TOTAL	38	412	10.8	52	0	
Total Rushing Plays		124	101							
Ave. Gain per Rush		3.3	3.9	PUNTING		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	BLK
NET YARDS PASSING		287	374	Widby	17	772	45.4	63	0	
Lost Attempting to Pass		3/25	7/70	GB TOTAL	17	772	45.4	63	0	
Gross Yards Passing		312	444	OPP. TOTAL	16	692	43.3	61	0	
Attempts/Completions		48/16	83/38							
Percent Completed		.333	.458	INTERCEP.		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
Had Intercepted		0	6	Buchanon	2	37	18.5	26	0	
Ave Net Passing Per Game		92.7	124.7	Matthews	2	8	4.0	8	0	
PUNTS/YDS.		17/772	16/692	Robinson	1	7	7.0	7	0	
PUNT RETURNS/YDS.		8/45	9/53	Hill	1	0	0.0	0	0	
KICKOFF RETURNS/YDS.		10/239	5/105	GB TOTAL	6	52	8.7	26	0	
MISC. RETURNS/YDS.		1/29	3/171	OPP. TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	
INTERCEPTIONS/AVE. RET.		6/52	0/0							
PENALTIES/YARDS		10/107	13/160	K.O. RET.		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
FUMBLES/BALL LOST		5/3	6/4	Thomas	4	100	25.0	40	0	
TOTAL POINTS		56	43	Hudson	4	120	30.0	55	0	
Ave Points Per Game		18.7	14.3	P. Williams	1	9	9.0	9	0	
Touchdowns		5	4	Garrett	1	0	0.0	0	0	
by Rushing		3	2	GB TOTAL	10	229	22.9	40	0	
by Passing		2	0	OPP. TOTAL	5	105	21.0	27	0	
by Returns		0	2							
Field Goals		7/12	5/6	F.G.	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	
Conversions		5/5	4/4	Marcol	2-3	2-3	0-0	3-5	0-1	
				OP TOTAL	2-2	1-1	0-0	2-3	3-4	

FIELD GOALS (Good, b=blocked):

Marcol: 51, 42b, 41, 19, 49, 17; 44, 16, 27b, 26, 41, 22;

SCORING	TDR	TDP	TDRt	FG.	PAT.	TOTAL
Marcol	0	0	0	7/12	5/5	26
Brockington	3	0	0	0	0	18
McGeorge	0	2	0	0	0	12
GB TOTAL	3	2	0	7/12	5/5	56
OPP. TOTAL	2	0	2	5/6	4/4	43

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	F.C.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
Ellis	6	0	45	7.5	25	0
Hudson	1	1	0	0.0	0	0
Staggers	1	3	0	0.0	0	0
GB TOTAL	8	4	45	5.6	25	0
OPP. TOTAL	9	1	53	5.9	21	0

PASSING	ATT.	COMP.	YDS.	PCT.	AVE/ATT	TD.	PCT	LG.	INT.	INT.	LOST/ATT.
Hunter	43	15	278	34.8	6.3	2	.047	49	0	.000	2/14
Patrick	4	1	9	25.0	2.5	0	.000	9	0	.000	1/11
Staggers	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0
GB TOTAL	48	16	287	33.3	6.5	2	.042	49	0	.000	3/25
OP TOTAL	83	38	444	45.8	5.3	0	.000	52	6	.072	7/70