



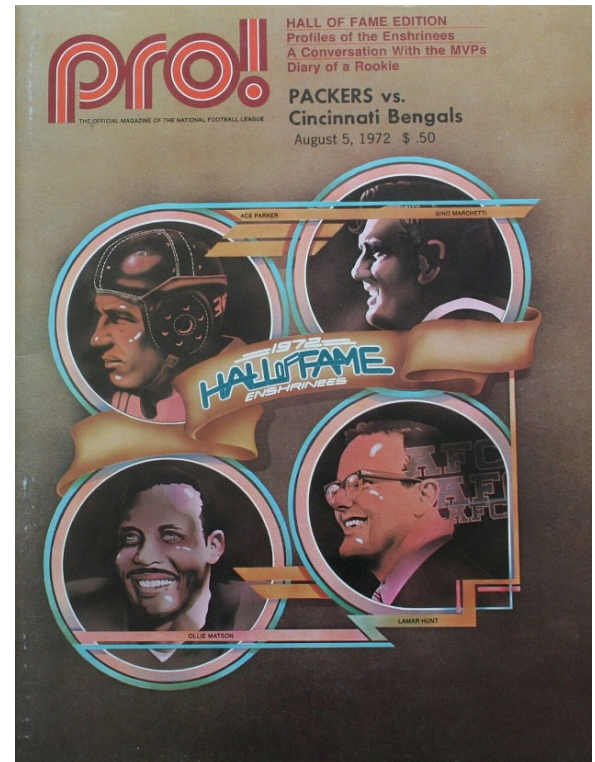
Green Bay Packers (1-0) 24, Cincinnati Bengals (0-1) 14  
Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup> 1972 (at Green Bay)



# Hampton, Hunter Spark Packer Win

## GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(GREEN BAY) - Blending the heavy foot of rookie Chester Marcol with the arm and artistry of Scott Hunter and a tightfisted defense, the Packers surprised the Cincinnati Bengals 24-14 in the pre-season opener at Lambeau Field Saturday night. Marcol, a long-awaited weapon, kept the Bengals at bay with his booming kickoffs, in company with Dave Hanner's hard-hitting defenders, and Hunter scored one touchdown and passed for another to key an attack which rolled up 244 yards, to the unalloyed delight of a capacity house of 56,263 fans. It was a much happier opener for Coach Dan Devine than his pro coaching debut in 1971, when he watched the Packers yield a 2-0 decision to the Bears in Milwaukee County Stadium. With the Packers out front 24-9 at the end of three quarters, he was afforded the luxury of experimentation and the Bengals took advantage, collecting a 24-yard field goal by Horst Muhlmann and a safety in the closing minutes when center Wimpy Winther's snap soared over the head of punter Ken Duncan. Duncan overtook the ball at the end line and fell out of the end zone as he was buried by a host of Bengal tacklers. Amid the tension of combat, there even was time for sentiment. Ken Dyer, the Bengal safety whose career was ended when he suffered a paralyzing injury here last October, was given a standing ovation when he walked into the north end zone early in the third quarter. There also was a bizarre touch. It came when the Packers Fred Carr picked up a fumble of the snap on the extra point attempt following Cincinnati's touchdown and rambled all the way into the Cincinnati end zone. Unfortunately for him, he discovered it was just for exercise. The ball, of course, was already dead. Parlaying a miserly defense with a surprisingly productive offense artfully engineered by Hunter, the Packers raced to a 21-3 halftime lead. Hunter maneuvered the Green and Gold 51 yards to an early 7-0 bulge, keeping the ball on the ground all the way, after the revamped defense quickly shut off the Bengal attack following the opening kickoff, a towering shot by Chester Marcol that Cincinnati's Bernard Jackson was forced to down six yards deep. After fumbling a handoff at the Cincinnati 45, a development the visitors converted into a 12-yard field goal by Horst Muhlmann, the sophomore field general made expeditious capital of a 69 yard kickoff return by Dave Hampton to build a 14-3 lead. Then, switching the pitch, he took to the air to pad that advantage, collaborating with veteran Carroll Dale on a 40-yard scoring strike. Hampton, the National Football League's kickoff return leader last season, launched that first TD drive with a 19-yard burst up the middle on the first play from scrimmage. Seven plays later, John Brockington bolted over the left side for the score behind blocks by Bill Lueck and Bill Hayhee, who had replaced Francis Peay at left tackle after the latter was forced to exit temporarily because of a twisted knee. Tim Webster added the first of three extra points. Hampton, who fell just two yards short of league leading return yardage last season, took Muhlmann's post-field goal kickoff at the goal line and set sail up the middle. Sprung by Donnell Smith's block near midfield, he shot into the open and appeared to be on his way. But he reckoned without Cincinnati rookie Tommy Casanova, who streaked from out of nowhere to over-take him at the Bengal 31. Hunter required 11 plays to finish the project from there, a matter which he took into his own hands with fourth-and-one at the one. Faking a handoff to Brockington, who was promptly fallen upon by the heart of the defense, he bootlegged into the right corner of the end zone untouched at 2:51 of the second quarter. The Packers struck more swiftly on their next possession, sweeping 62 yards in five plays. The 40-yard payoff came on a perfectly executed stop-and-go pattern by the incomparable Dale, who got behind rookie Bernard Jackson to take the ball in stride at 12. Although Jackson overtook him at the goal line, the rest was easy. The Bengals, who hadn't been able to mount a touchdown drive, struck by less conventional means early in the third quarter to temporarily dampen the holiday air which prevailed in the stands. Rookie Tommy Casanova, counted by Paul Brown to quarterback his secondary this season, consummated in one master stroke what the Bengals hadn't been able to collectively achieve in the first 30 minutes. Running under a Ken Duncan punt at his own 48, Casanova veered to his left, shed a succession of would-be tackles and cut back to the middle. Suddenly flashing into the open, he angled to his right and headed for the end zone. Duncan, cutting across the field, caught Casanova with a desperate lunge at the Packer 4 but the former LSU star's momentum carried him into the end zone. Aided by illegal procedure and face mask penalties on the Bengals, the latter as the result of some cavalier treatment of MacArthur Lane,



the Packers shortly got three of those points back when Marcol made his first pro field goal attempt a success from the Cincinnati 25, "Pudding" the Packer bulge to 24-9.

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|                    | <b>CINCINNATI</b> | - | 3 | 0  | 6                | 5 | - | 14 |
|                    | <b>GREEN BAY</b>  | - | 7 | 14 | 3                | 0 | - | 24 |
|                    | <u>CINCINNATI</u> |   |   |    | <u>GREEN BAY</u> |   |   |    |
| First downs        | 12                |   |   |    | 17               |   |   |    |
| Rush-yards-TDs     | 26-86-0           |   |   |    | 42-132-2         |   |   |    |
| Comp-Att-Yd-TD-INT | 20-10-64-0-0      |   |   |    | 17-9-112-1-0     |   |   |    |
| Sacked-Yards Lost  | 0-0               |   |   |    | 0-0              |   |   |    |
| Net Passing Yards  | 64                |   |   |    | 112              |   |   |    |
| Total yards        | 150               |   |   |    | 244              |   |   |    |
| Fumbles-lost       | 1-1               |   |   |    | 1-1              |   |   |    |
| Turnovers          | 1                 |   |   |    | 1                |   |   |    |
| Yards Penalized    | 3-25              |   |   |    | 3-25             |   |   |    |

### **SCORING**

1<sup>st</sup> – GB – John Brockington, 2-yard run (Tim Webster kick) GB 7-0

1<sup>st</sup> – CIN – Horst Muhlmann, 12-yard field goal GB 7-3

2<sup>nd</sup> – GB – Scott Hunter, 1-yard run (Webster kick) GB 14-3

2<sup>nd</sup> – GB – Carroll Dale, 40-yard pass from Hunter (Webster kick) GB 21-3

3<sup>rd</sup> – CIN – Tommy Casanova, 52-yard punt return GB 21-9

3<sup>rd</sup> – GB – Chester Marcol, 25-yard field goal GB 24-9

4<sup>th</sup> – CIN – Muhlmann, 24-yard field goal GB 24-12

4<sup>th</sup> – CIN – Safety, Wimpy Winter snap into the end zone GB 24-14

### **RUSHING**

**GREEN BAY** – MacArthur Lane 13-43, Dave Hampton 9-42, John Brockington 9-23 1 TD, Perry Williams 5-16, Bob Hudson 2-7, Scott Hunter 4-1 1 TD

**CINCINNATI** – Essex Johnson 6-27, Fred Willis 6-24, Jess Phillips 6-14, Paul Robinson 5-14, Ken Anderson 1-6, Steve Conley 2-1

### **PASSING**

**GREEN BAY** - Scott Hunter 17-9-112 1 TD

**CINCINNATI** – Ken Anderson 8-7-42, Virgil Carter 11-3-22, Fred Willis 1-0-0

### **RECEIVING**

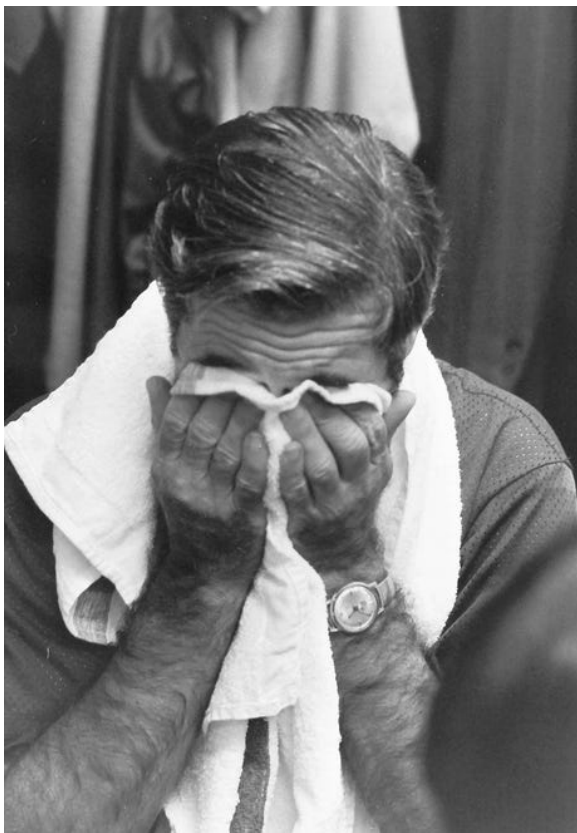
**GREEN BAY** – Carroll Dale 3-69 1 TD, Dave Hampton 3-34, John Brockington 2-2, MacArthur Lane 1-7

**CINCINNATI** – Speedy Thomas 4-46, Chip Myers 2-18, Mike Kelly 1-14, Steve Conley 1-3, Fred Willis 1-2, Jess Phillips 1-(-9)

# Devine Mildly Satisfied

## **DEVINE MILDLY SATISFIED**

AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - A football coach is not supposed to be entirely happy with his team at this pre-season point, even in victory. That is one of the fraternity's cardinal laws. And Dan Devine, a conservative by profession if not by nature, was not inclined to break it in the wake of his Packers 24-14 decision of the Cincinnati Bengals at Lambeau Field Saturday night. "I would say I was somewhere between satisfied and mildly satisfied with our performance overall, for this early point in the season," he said. "We did some silly things, but I suppose they did, too." "At times, I thought we looked good," Devine admitted. "But I suppose neither coaching staff would like their team to play like that during the regular season. We're like Cincinnati, actually, a young team, a very young team. We've got a second year guy at quarterback (Scott Hunter) who was a sixth round draft choice. And behind him, we've got a guy (Frank Patrick) who really hasn't played quarterback since he was a sophomore in college...and we also have a young secondary." "I think we're making progress," Devine conceded, "but we've got a heckuva long way to go. We've lost so many people that we got nothing for. For example, we lose Zeke Bratkowski and Bart Starr off last year's team and get nothing for them...and Willie Wood. That's the way it's been for years...It's almost like building a new franchise." Conceding he had been encouraged by the work of the defense, which held the Bengals to a lone touchdown on a 52-yard punt return by rookie Tommy Casanova of LSU, he said, "The important thing that we're doing is we're flying all around. Our backs are coming up and making tackles...We're much more aggressive than we were last year. We're still not getting to the passer like we'd like to, but Carter (Cincinnati quarterback Virgil) got some great catches from his receivers, too...Overall, even though it was just one game, the defense was more cohesive. Their first field goal was set up by a fumble and their touchdown came on a punt return." "By the way," Devine interjected, "I think this probably would be a good time to announce that I'm going to make Ray Nitschke a permanent defensive co-captain, along with Gale Gillingham on offense. I'm appointing Ray because of his leadership. I prefer having permanent captains - I don't like the rotating thing, although I'll probably appoint somebody else to work in there with



*Green Bay Packers head coach Dan Devine after a 24-14 preseason victory over the Cincinnati Bengals on Aug. 5, 1972 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wisconsin. (Sources: Green Bay Press-Gazette)*

Nitschke and Gillingham. That will be on a game-to-game basis." The Packer generalissimo, beset by kicking concerns in 1971, was obviously heartened by the range of rookie Chester Marcol's kickoffs, the first two of which soared deep into the Cincinnati end zone, forcing receiver Bernard Jackson to down the ball. "I don't notice the crowd very often," he said, "but I noticed Marcol got a big ovation when he put that first kickoff in the end zone." Pleased that his athletes emerged largely unscathed, he reported, "Donnell Smith had a shoulder injury and Francis Peay re-injured his knee slightly, but he went back in there. So we came out of the game pretty well physically." Devine, who now takes the team on a two-week road trip (Miami and Houston), said he may alter his approach in Saturday night's invasion of the Orange Bowl for a match with the Miami Dolphins, Super Bowl finalists last January. Although he went with his No. 1 units for three quarters against Cincinnati, he said, "I don't think we'll play Miami quite the same way. If I decide to put the second group in for the first half, we'll do that. I never decided just what we were going to do against the Bengals...I just kind of played it by ear." One probable development, Devine said, will be Jerry Tagge's pro debut at quarterback. Tagge, who joined the Packers only one week prior to the Bengal game after performing for the College All-Stars, viewed Saturday night's proceedings from the bench. But that, DD indicated, is likely to change in Miami. "I think Jerry will play this week," he said.

#### **RAY IMPRESSED WITH DEFENSE**

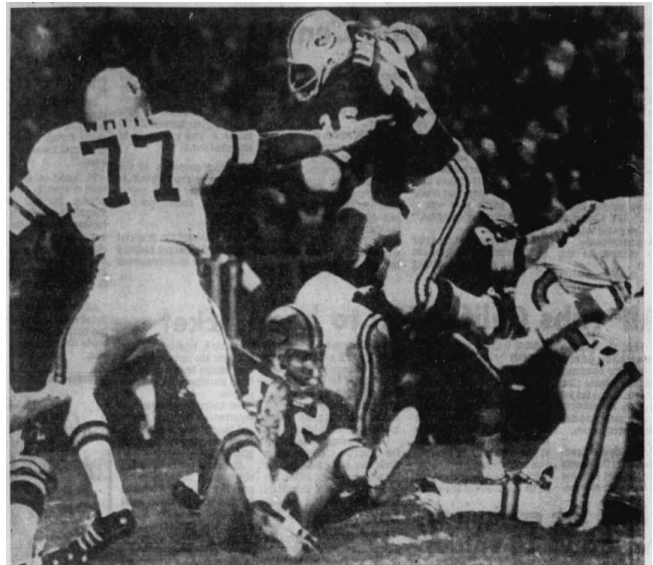
AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - As always, the big plays caught the casual eye...Like Dave Hampton's 69-yard return of a kickoff and Scott Hunter's 40-yard collaboration with Carroll Dale for a second quarter touchdown, items which inevitably loomed large in the Packers' 24-14 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals at Lambeau Field Saturday night. These maneuvers would suggest the Pack has the kind of striking power it clearly lacked in 1971, when points were hard to come by despite the presence of a stout running game headed by 1,000-yarder John Brockington. But even more noteworthy in long range terms, considering it is deemed more important in the National Football League to hold your opponent than to score yourself, was the birth of a defense that venerable campaigner Ray Nitschke expects to be "really outstanding." Nitschke, newly named a permanent co-captain by Coach Dan Devine following Saturday night's success, admitted, "It's early, but for a start, I was impressed with the performance of our secondary...There weren't too many mental errors on our part, either." "We played the ball real well in the secondary and our running defense was good - we were tackling well. Those were the two things we were weak in the last few years, playing the ball and tackling. "There's always room for improvement," the 14-year veteran noted, "but that's what pre-season games are all about. They give you a chance to get your coordination and timing down. And that is what you have to have. It's got to be eleven guys, playing the ball and reacting in cohesion. That's what defense is - not individual ball players. It's eleven guys playing together." Nitschke, who senses this kind of unity developing, added, "We're sharp...We've had a good training camp and there's a good feeling on this time. I think there is a good attitude, not only overall, but on the defense. It's a young defense, so the only way you can go is to improve...And I think it's going to be a really outstanding defense. With the speed we have in the secondary and the ability of our linebackers, plus the quickness of our front four with a guy like Mike McCoy, I think the Packers are going to have a real pursuing defense...a quick defense...which is what you have to have." "That's what we had in the years we were winning championships...We had good speed overall and we played the ball well in flight and on the ground." "It's only one game," he repeated, "but it's a good start."

Youthful Charlie Hall, who made his first pro start at the left corner, pointed out, "If we would have stopped that punt return by Tom Casanova, the defense would have had a good overall game." "And if Casanova had stayed with his wall, I'm sure I would have gotten him. I KNOW I would have gotten him because I had a good angle on him. But he left the wall and cut right back across the grain. It wasn't the thing to do, really, but it worked out all right for him." The offense, which had been

somewhat erratic in the second half after exhibiting flashes of brilliance prior to the intermission, attributed this turnabout largely to attrition plus changes in the Cincinnati defense. "There's no way to get in shape to play a football game expect to go out and play a game," center Ken Bowman, senior member of the offensive line, explained. "It takes me two or three pre-season games to get into shape to play a football game. You can do all the ups and downs you want to, but it still won't get you ready to play a game." "We sputtered a little in the second half," he conceded, "but part of that was the fatigue factor. We've worked pretty long and pretty hard in training camp. And part of it was that they made some defensive adjustments in the second half." "They went into a very conventional 'under' defense (understacked), which had one of the tackles, Steve Chomyszak, on my nose. And they also had the middle linebacker up close. So any time Bill Lueck is pulling on a play, I have to worry whether the middle linebacker is blitzing. As a result, I have to call Gillie (Gale Gillingham) down to take care of the man on my nose and I take the middle linebacker. So that left us one man short. It was largely my fault we didn't do better in the second half," Bowman confessed. "We didn't adjust, and it stymied us for quite a while." The eight-year veteran, probably the premier center in the NFL last season, was heartened overall, however. "We were zit-and-2 on the underside of the Bears in our first game last year," he pointed out. "We put some points on the board tonight. But we need a lot of polish, a tremendous amount of polish. For example, in my own case, I did a lot of things wrong that I thought I would never do, and don't normally do. It's a matter of concentration, of making it automatic." Hunter, who hit on five of his first six passes in outpitching the veteran Virgil Carter, shouldered a portion of the blame for the attack's eventual decline. "We fired out of there in the first half but we didn't do much in the second," he said. "I think I relaxed a little bit in the second half. I wasn't as sharp as I was earlier concentration-wise." Commenting on a change in approach, effected in the third quarter, Hunter explained, "We went to those short passes in the second half because the running game was working so well, we thought we'd just use some play action passes off it." Scanning the statistics, which revealed he had gone without an interception, Scott noted with a sly grin, "None of those things tonight...That'll make money for you." Carroll Dale, who conceals a dry, understated sense of humor beneath a quiet demeanor, had a whimsical explanation of that second quarter "bomb" from Hunter. "If you have a young cornerback covering you as I did (rookie Bernard Jackson) and he sees in the game program that you're 34 years old, as I am, he's probably looking for the square out pattern from you. He's not looking for you to go deep." "On that touchdown play, I wanted Jackson to take my square out move and, fortunately, he did. When he did, I just headed up field. Scott said he had to throw the ball a little early because they had a blitz on, so I had to come back for it a little." "Jackson was probably about five yards behind me when I caught it. When I had to slow up a little for the ball, he was able to catch me just about the time I got to the goal line and he knocked me across the corner." "The main thing is winning the game," Dale said, facetiously adding, "but when you get to be 31, it makes you feel good to know you can still go get that long one...There are advantages to not being a 9.2 guy...If you're a streaker, they're sitting back on their haunches, waiting for you to go deep." For punter Ken Duncan, haunted by the memory of a safety in the closing minutes, it had been a long evening. "I realized right away that the snap (by Wimpy Winther) was going to be high," he said, "but I also knew if I was able to flag down the ball and kicked it that it would have been a touchdown for them had it been blocked. Just the same, I kind of second guessed myself when I got to the sidelines...But then I decided I couldn't have reached it, no matter how high I jumped. The way things were going for me," Duncan added wryly, "I probably would have kicked it four yards, anyway."

#### PACKERS CUT FIVE

AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Green Bay Packers cut five players this morning, including two veterans, reducing their roster to 64, one over the player limit which must be reached by 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The veterans cut were wide receiver Mike Carter, who spent last year on the taxi squad after being active in 1970, and linebacker Larry Ely, a third-year player acquired during the off season from



PACKERS' MACARTHUR Lane leaps teammate Bill Lueck and gains eight yards to set up Packers' first touchdown Saturday night during exhibition game against the Cincinnati Bengals at Green

Bay, Bengals Sherman White, (77) helps make the tackle. Packers won the game, 24-14.—AP



High Time — Carroll Dale leaped high to catch this pass for a big gainer during Saturday's night's game with the Bengals. (Press-Gazette Photos by Russ Kriwanek and John Roemer)

# Tagge Ready To Play

Cincinnati. Rookies cut were 15th round choice Rich Thone, a defensive back from Arkansas Tech, and free agents Rich Searl, a safety from Duke, and wide receiver Al Pearman of Colgate.

## **PACK WAIVES ROOKIE PAIR**

AUG 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Green Bay Packers asked waivers on two more rookies today, reducing their roster to 62. Released were tackle Gerald Peterson of St. Mary's and guard Paul McPipkin of Georgia. Both were free agents.

## **TAGGE READY TO PLAY**

AUG 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - An eager glint in his eyes, Jerry Tagge said, "Coach Devine told me about it right in the team huddle on the field today, just before we started practice. He mentioned that everybody should be ready for the Miami game and said that I was going to play Saturday night. That fired me up." Tagge, assured that his pro football bow is close at hand, was an exceedingly happy young quarterback as he slipped into his civvies before his locker in the Packer dressing room following Monday afternoon's practice. "That left no doubt in mind," he said with satisfaction. "It's a better feeling to know that you're going to get into a game. It gives you a better attitude...You can concentrate better when you know you're going to play." Devine, who tabbed the former Nebraska field general in the first round of this year's draft, had been equally positive in a post-practice press conference. "Jerry Tagge definitely will play," he said. "He will not start, but he will play." Conceding that Tagge had only been in camp a week following a stint with the College All-Stars, Devine indicated this was not a matter of great concern to him. "Jerry adapts pretty quickly," he assured. "He's a bright chap." The one-time Green Bay West luminary may have preferred making his NFL debut before the home folks in Lambeau Field, where the Packers opened their season with a 24-14 exhibition victory over Cincinnati Saturday night, but there was no evidence of disappointment. Tagge, the first home-grown quarterback the Packers have had since the late Arnie Herber engineered the Green Bay offense from the old Notre Dame box in the early 1940s, pointed out, "It'll be away from home, but they'll be watching on television here, though." Refreshingly forthright, he made no pretense at being casual about the prospect. "I was a nervous wreck before the All-Star game," he said, "and I'm sure I'll be nervous Saturday night. "This means that, after playing against Dallas in the All-Star game, I'll now be playing against Miami, the other team in the last Super Bowl...in other words, the two top teams in the league last season. At least I'm getting started against the best." Tagge, who last week admitted he was having absorption problems after arriving from the All-Star camp, said those bewildering moments are a thing of the past. "I've got myself organized," he said. "I know what to expect - I can read the game plan and know what they're talking about...I'm familiar now with the two-minute offense, too...I'm much more at ease than I was last week. It's a different system and different terminology than we had at Nebraska, of course, I still have to think a lot. It's not automatic. I study a lot every night. Fortunately, it's the same principle, reading defenses of the team you're playing, as I had at Nebraska," said Jerry, who led the Cornhuskers to the national collegiate championship last season. "They give you set things to do, set defense, things to check out...Now it's just a matter of getting some experience running through the plays." Tagge, who earlier had announced he intends to challenge incumbent Scott Hunter for the starting quarterback assignment before the season is out, added, "The biggest thing I've learned is to be patient. I realize that I can't be like most other rookies and jump right in there and play. Now I know it's impossible to do that. I'm just going to do the best I can and try to put pressure on the other quarterbacks," he said soberly. "If that makes them better football players, we will have a better football team. Anything I can contribute to the team I want to do. I feel I can contribute best by putting pressure on the other quarterbacks to improve...That's my objective." Enthused over his initial exposure to pro football and the Packers, he said, "I love it here. I'm excited about it. In fact, at the close of practice each day, I feel I should be out there doing something else. I haven't been participating that much, of course," he matter-of-factly noted. "I've been standing around and doing a lot of watching. I'd sure like to get in there and hand off the ball, if nothing else."...PACKER PATTERN: Devine found that the film of the Packers opening success revealed little that he had not gleaned from his "live" observation post on the sidelines. "We did some good things," he said, "but we need experience badly - and talent." The Packer strategist, who had had his team on the field for an hour and half Monday afternoon to begin preparations for the Dolphins, viewed the two-week road trip immediately ahead with mixed emotions. "As far as going down to Miami to play, it's nothing but a handicap," he said. "But practicing there the following week for our game in Houston should be a help because of the warm weather (as a conditioning agent). "As far as playing in that kind of weather is concerned. I took five bowl teams to Florida and the worst game we played was after we'd been practicing there the longest. It's like going to play in Denver. If you worry about the altitude, it's going to bother you. And if you worry about the heat, it's going to bother you."...Preparing for Don Shula's Dolphins presents a new set of problems, Devine said, addressing himself to the technical and strategic difficulties ahead. "They were doing a couple of things against Detroit in their game last week a little different than they've done them in the past...And the Dolphins are an entirely different kind of team than the Bengals," DD asserted. "For just one thing, they block differently. And Nick Buoniconti is different than Bill Bergey of the Bengals. They're both great middle linebackers but Buoniconti will jump into the line and jump back out. It's also hard to simulate Larry Csonka and Jim Kiick...and Paul Warfield...and Bob Griese."...Noting that the current exercises continue to serve a dual purpose. Devine

said, "We're still trying to condition this team...It's still a conditioning and learning period. We're going to put some stuff in tomorrow which we may not use against Miami, for example, but will want to use later on."...In addition to Tagge, fellow rookies Willie Buchanon, Dave Pureifory, Bob Hudson and Leland Glass, among others, will be given "a good look" in Saturday night's game. Discussing the kicking game, he said, "It hasn't been fully decided, but I can give you an educated guess. Ken Duncan will punt again, hopefully better, and I think I'll let Chester Marcol do all of the placekicking this week." Marcol, who hit on his first pro field goal attempt, a 25-yard bull's-eye against the Bengals, chuckled about that baptismal success Monday and noted, "It was nice and close...we'll see what happens when we get out to the 50." Duncan attributes his punting problems (he averaged a mere 34.7 yards for three kicks) to pressing. "I think my concentration is bad." He says. "I think I'm trying too hard. The Cincinnati game here last October is when I hurt my leg (he tore a muscle and was sidelined for the balance of the season) and I think I was trying to outdo myself against the Bengals. And make up for that."...Ray Nitschke, pleased over his appointment as permanent co-captain of the defense, said, "I just hope that I can be a good example, and a good leader and a totally dedicated athlete."...The Packers will practice in the afternoon (at 3 o'clock) the rest of the week. Devine said. Following Saturday night's game in Miami, they will remain in neighboring Fort Lauderdale and work out here from Monday through Thursday before leaving for Houston and their third pre-season match.

#### **DEVINE MAPS SUBSTITUTION PLAN FOR MIAMI**

AUG 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Packer rookies can relax...at least for the moment. The axe, which has struck seven times within the last 48 hours, will not fall again this week. Coach Dan Devine has assured. "We won't be making any more cuts until after Saturday night's game in Miami," DD said following Tuesday afternoon's weather-shortened workout, staged in raw, fall-like temperatures abetted by a cutting wind and driving rain. That may not sound like long term security, as such things are reckoned, but it can be a veritable eternity in the precarious life of a pro football rookie. Injuries can and do happen, with little respect for talent and longevity, profoundly altering the prevailing personnel prospectus.

Another game and the opportunity to perform also can bring a change in judgment that may have been previously arrived at by the coaching staff, which must remain constantly flexible at this pre-season point. With this in mind, Devine made a public commitment to give his yearlings every chance to prove themselves in Miami, despite the fact the Packers will be facing one of last year's Super Bowl finalists in Don Shula's Dolphins. "We're going to have a plan for substitution and we're going to stick with it," he said. "If we decide to go with the first offensive line in the first quarter and the second offensive line in the second quarter. We'll stick with it. "But we might spot receivers, and we might spot running backs...We also might rotate the secondary. Of course, the defensive line doesn't have too many people (Jim DeLisle and Donnell Smith are injured) so we won't be able to do much experimenting there." Devine is aware the Dolphins did not use some of their key performers in their opening pre-season loss to Detroit over the weekend and are likely to be somewhat more serious about Saturday night's home debut in the Orange Bowl. But he indicated this will not affect his plans. "I know they didn't play Bob Griese at quarterback in Detroit, or Bill Stanfill or Many Fernandez on defense - they didn't play with their top guys - but we have to look at these people, that's all," he said. "These people" include running back Bob Hudson (Northeast Oklahoma), receivers Sam Dickerson (USC), Leland Glass (Oregon), Dave Bailey (Alabama) and Moody Jackson (New Mexico State), offensive tackle Kevin Hunt (Doane, Neb., College), guard Keith Wortmann (Nebraska), linebackers Larry Hefner (Clemson) and Eric Patton (Notre Dame), defensive end Dave Pureifory (Eastern Michigan) and defensive backs Nate Ross (Bethune-Cookman) and Bob Kroll (Northern Michigan). They are chief among the 21 yearlings still struggling for survival, aside from prize picks Willie Buchanon, the heir apparent at left cornerback, quarterback Jerry Tagge and placekicker Chester Marcol. All three of these, drafted to fill critical needs are morally certain to remain. The fate of the others, however, is largely uncertain at this point, with the possible exception of Hudson, Hefner and Pureifory. All apparently stand a good chance of sticking, even though a veteran would be forced to exit in each case. Although no roster reductions are imminent, Devine admitted there could be an addition before the week is out. The Packers, now down to 62 athletes, may carry 63 players (including their three College All-Stars) at this point. "We held one spot open deliberately when we cut down today," he said. "We're likely to claim somebody to fill it. In fact, we have claimed somebody, but we don't know if we'll be able to take him, or if the club involved will withdraw him." That "somebody" presumably is a defensive lineman, because of the injuries that have sidelined DeLisle and Smith, leaving rookies Bill Johanningmeier (Colorado State) and Pureifory as the only replacements for front four starters Clarence Williams, Mike McCoy, Bob Brown and Alden Roche. Along the way in Miami, Devine will be taking a long and searching look at the kicking game, particularly the punting, which he found disappointing in last Saturday night's 24-14 opening victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. "Ken Duncan's going to punt - he's going to have to kick," he said, adding, "He's going to have to kick better." Devine was quick to assure that he has not given up on the

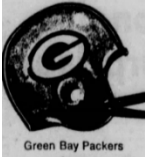


*Miami Coach Don Shula (right) and quarterback Bob Griese are shown at a practice session as the Dolphins get ready for Saturday night's exhibition game against the Packers. (AP Wirephoto)*

former University of Tulsa athlete, who has punted exceedingly well in practice, for the most part. "Chester Marcol and Willie Buchanon are good punters," he said, "but just because Kenny didn't kick well Saturday night, I don't feel like I just want to drop him." The Packer leader also assured that he intends to give Tim Webster an extended opportunity to display his placekicking wares under fire, even though he plans to use Marcol exclusively against Miami. "Webster's been kicking the ball great in practice," Devine said. "I just want to see the other guy. We'll look at Tim in next week's game in Houston." Disappointed over having to curtail Tuesday's practice because of the weather, he noted that it had hampered preparations for the Dolphins. "I would have liked to have gotten today in," he said regretfully, "for the season and the game, both. But it wasn't a completely wasted day. Maybe I should be thankful we were able to get something done. We got a little offensive and defensive teamwork done, but what suffered was the individual work on passing, ball handling and punting, that we were going to do. We also wanted to put in some plays but never did get to that. "As a result, we won't be able to do some things against Miami that we had hoped to do. It sounds like another plug for artificial turf, but I don't know how much good artificial turf would have done today. I don't think it would have made much difference in this situation. It was just one of those days. We spent three hours planning this practice, what everybody would be doing all afternoon...That's the frustrating thing about coaching." The weather also had done nothing to enhance conditioning for the Florida invasion, he noted. "With that wind as strong as it was, it must have gotten below 60 degrees...And it might be 100, easily, at game time in Miami Saturday night. "I guess I should just be thankful the day wasn't lost completely, though, because we have a good camp, although it could have been a little warmer. But I guess we should have it a little hotter next week," he dryly noted, looking ahead to a week of workouts in the highly humid heat of Fort Lauderdale."...PACKER PATTERN: Asked if he considered the Dolphin match "the toughest game" on the Packers' pre-season schedule, Devine replied, "It depends on how they play it. They didn't play Bob Griese against Detroit, and some of their other regulars, but they're coming back home off a loss in the Super Bowl and in their first pre-season game this year. And knowing Coach Shula - I have great respect for him - I know that he likes to lose about as much as I do. "We're tied," DD said with a twinkle, "for being the poorest losers around."...On a more serious note, he added, "I'm assuming they're going to play the game a lot differently than they played in Detroit."...Devine listed Donnell Smith as the only casualty certain to sit out Saturday night. The second year performer has a shoulder injury, suffered against Cincinnati. "If Francis Peay (twisted knee) doesn't get better, I'll probably hold him out, too," DD said. "Doug Hart, however, will play. He didn't play last week (because of rib and finger injuries)...Kickers Marcol and Webster had their problems with Tuesday Afternoon's obstreperous wind. Kicking into the teeth of it at one point, they saw several kicks follow their normal upward trajectory until they reached the vicinity of the crossbar at the north end of the practice field, then abruptly plummet to the ground as if sucked down an elevator shaft...Combative Cal Withrow, Ken Bowman's understudy at center, made one of the big plays in Saturday night's Cincinnati success single-handedly. He not only jolted receiver Tommy Casanova with sufficient force to cause a fumble on Ken Duncan's post-safety punt in the final two minutes, but also made the tackle himself. "The ball popped out of Casanova's arm when I hit him," Cal said, "and I landed on all fours like a cat...As soon as I hit the ground, I saw the ball bouncing about three or four yards to my right and I just jumped on it."...Thursday afternoon's o'clock session will be the Packers final Green Bay practice until Aug. 21, when they return from Houston.

#### **PERSONALITY PARADE: FRED CARR**

AUG 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Freddie Alton Carr, a walking testimonial to the theory that all men are little boys at heart, is a free and blithe spirit. Or at least, until very recently, he was. Freddie has never lacked enthusiasm for his profession but he has always been a relaxed, happy-go-lucky citizen, particularly in his leisure moments. Now, beginning his fifth Packer season, he suddenly has become serious about the art of linebacking, both on and off the field. The transformation has been strikingly evident in his performance, ever since the early days of training camp, and was underscored in Saturday night's opening pre-season victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. Carr, whose dynamic dedication has elicited an approving nod from Defensive Coordinator Dave Hanner, emerged with five unassisted tackles, only one less than team leader Al Matthews. Actually, Freddie's determination dates from the Packers first rookie camp, held at Scottsdale, Ariz., in April. The rangy Texas-El Paso product, hailed by the late Vince Lombardi as "the greatest athlete in the country" when he tabbed him his No. 1 pick in the 1968 draft, was deeply impressed by the rookies' zest. "Their enthusiasm got to me," said Freddie, who took part on a voluntary basis. "What I am taking with me will rub off on some of the veterans when I get to training camp in July. I've really got the will to win this year - there's nothing else in my mind," he announced at that early date. "I won't settle for less." Following Saturday night's 24-14 decision of the Bengals, he repeated that vow. "At the moment, win is the most important thing in my mind," he said. "If there's anything I can do to help the ball club, I'm here to do it." Although he's happy at his present station (and at 235 pounds feels "those big offensive tackles might have me for lunch"), Freddie added, "If it takes playing defensive end for me to help the team, that's what it'll be." Despite the pronounced improvement he has exhibited, Carr feels he has some distance to go. "As soon as I get a little more disciplined. I should be all right," said Carr, resplendent in an elegantly "mod" houndstooth suit as he relaxed at a post-game buffet for the squad. "I know what I have to do now technically - I just have to discipline myself...If I apply myself, I'm sure I can. And I shouldn't have any trouble applying myself because you keep your discipline under Coach Hanner - he sees to that...If you do what he tells you to technique-wise, you'll come out on top in the game. That's what I've learned from him. I think he's one heck of a defensive coach," Freddie noted with evident sincerity. "If a ball player is using a wrong technique, he'll point it out to you in a hurry...You can't make the same mistake twice because you like playing for him. You really put out for him. Coach Hanner is a winner - he has all the characteristics of a winner. That's why all the guys love to play defense for him...You can go to him any time with a question or a problem and he'll help you. I feel I'm a winner, too," said Carr, a gifted all-around athlete who helped Texas-El Paso win the NIT championship in basketball as a collegian, "and



## Offensive Backfield Gets Test

# Pack Out To Narrow Recognition Gap



I feel the other guys on the team also are winners...I just hope I can help the team as much as the team has helped me. I'm playing with such a good bunch of guys I wouldn't want to be the one to put a slack in their progress. I want to be a hustler and a hitter. This game (against Cincinnati) showed me a lot about our team." Freddie concluded, "I think this will be a heckuva year for us as far as aggressiveness goes. I sit in my room studying my book and I'm thinking how I can be aggressive and making things happen." And that, of course, is what defense is all about.

### PACK OUT TO NARROW RECOGNITION GAP

AUG 9 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers, and the offensive backfield in particular, will be out to narrow a recognition gap Saturday night when they collide with the Miami Dolphins in the Orange Bowl. The Dolphins were the most prolific rushing team in the National Football League last year, amassing 2,429 yards or an average of five yards per carry on their course to the Super Bowl. The Packers ranked a close fourth with 2,229 yards behind Miami, Detroit and Dallas. But the accomplishment paled in the face of their 4-8-2 record. Green Bay's John Brockington was duly acknowledged as the first rookie in NFL history to rush for 1,000 or more yards. But most of the publicity went to the Dolphins and their mustachioed duo of Larry Csonka and Jim Kiick. Csonka, nicknamed the "Sundance Kid," rushed for 1,051 yards, third in the league behind Floyd Little of Denver and Brockington. Kiick, called "Butch Cassidy," piled up 738 yards and Miami's No. 3 rusher, speedster Mercury Morris, led the NFL in kickoff returns. The Packers will counter with Brockington, Dave Hampton and newcomer MacArthur Lane when the teams meet in what will be the second preseason game for both. The Packers opened last Saturday with an impressive 24-14 victory over Cincinnati as the offense punched out 132 yards rushing. That was far under the 535 yards they totaled in two games with the Bengals last year, but there was much better balance with Scott Hunter hitting on nine of 17 passes with none intercepted. Hampton, a regular for the first time in four years as a Packer, sparked two touchdowns with runs of 19 yards from scrimmage and 69 with a kickoff return. "What I've got to do is be ready every time I'm called upon to prove I'm deserving of starting," Hampton said. "I'm sure Mac (Lane) feels the same way. Both Mac and I really feel we're going to have a great backfield this year," he said. "I just think any combination of backs we use will be good. We certainly all know what John can do." Lane, playing behind Hampton but himself a 977-yard runner two years ago at St. Louis, rushed for 43 yards and Hampton 42 against the Bengals while Brockington was held to 23. Fred Carr was another who played impressively against Cincinnati, so impressively the Packers have all but scrapped plans to try him at defensive end. "This doesn't mean that in a pinch we couldn't use him at defensive end. But right now you might say that he's our outside linebacker," said Dave Hanner, assistant coach and defensive coordinator. Hanner said the Packers had been thinking of moving Carr to defensive end to strengthen the pass rush, but that ends Alden Roche and Clarence Williams have shown improvement since last season. "We expect them to continue to improve," Hanner said. "They have a long way to go but we think they will make it and provide us with a pass rush."

### PACKERS' SECONDARY 'UNDER CONSTRUCTION'

AUG 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - There ought to be a sign in the Packer secondary...like "Under Construction." Once the domain of Willie Wood, Herb Adderley and Bob Jeter at a time when the Packer outfield was pre-eminent in pro football, it now is very much in transition. When the Packer defense took to the field for last Saturday night's pre-season baptismal against Cincinnati, Ken Ellis was the long starter in evidence from the 1971 secondary - at least at the same old

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stand. And he is something of a newcomer himself - a third year performer who was starting at a new position, right cornerback. Elsewhere in a total realignment, ex-cornerback Al Matthews was to be found at strong safety; Jim Hill, an impressive acquisition from the San Diego Chargers, at Willie Wood's free safety spot; and Charlie Hall, a rookie last season, at Ellis' former left corner station. Don Doll, the knowledgeable architect of this major rebuilding project, necessitated in part by attrition and in part by inexperience that was accompanied by embarrassing vulnerability to the "bomb" in 1971, is hopeful ...and realistic. Aware that the final returns may be a long time in coming, experience being the key to efficiency on defense, he will be seeking clues to individual and collective potential in Saturday's night's invasion of Miami. Still attempting to arrive at the right blend "back there," in company with his fellow coaches, he will be trying to determine just how soon No. 1 draftee Willie Buchanon can step into a regular role, presumably at the left corner, or whether the latter should go to eight-year veteran Doug Hart, just coming off of rib and finger injuries. And whether Matthews has found a home at strong safety, where six-year pro Al Randolph also is in contention. He likewise will be taking another look at rookies Nate Ross (Bethune-Cookman), Bob Kroll, the former Preble High School star who was one of the nation's leading collegiate interceptors at Northern Michigan last season, and Lee Hitt (Texas Tech). Although a number of questions remain to be answered, Doll is soberly sure of one thing. His fledgling pass defenders could hardly find a more traumatic test than the one they are likely to encounter in the Orange Bowl Saturday night. The Dolphins, already possessed of such proficient wide receivers as Paul Warfield, Howard Twilley and Karl Noonan, complemented their passing game by acquiring Marlin Briscoe from the Buffalo Bills in the off-season. Briscoe, the AFC's leading receiver in 1970, has caught 101 passes in the last two seasons. Just for purposes of comparison, that is 30 more than the redoubtable Warfield collected during the same span. "His addition certainly can enhance Warfield's opportunities to get free," said Doll, a quiet, scholarly citizen who three times ranked among



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## **TO: PACKER FANS!**

We arrived here Thursday to begin rehearsal for Saturday night's telecast of the Packer-Dolphin game. Bob Schulze and Chuck Lane will again be doing the play-by-play for the WLUK State Packer Network.

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the NFL's leading interceptors while toiling at defensive back for the Lions, Redskins and Rams. "You can't double Warfield all the time and let Briscoe go free, so it presents another problem for the defense." Stuck by a sobering thought, he added, "If the Dolphins do what a lot of teams do, they'll put both of them on the same side some of the time, which presents an additional problem. What makes the Dolphins particularly tough to defense is that they have very good pass receivers among their running backs. Jim Kiick, for example, caught 40 passes last season. They keep you honest with your linebackers by throwing to their backs as much as they do. In other words, they have a very balanced attack with both running and passing...It keeps you honest pass defense-wise throughout the game. There's no question, it'll be a real test for our kids. They didn't play their quarterback, Bob Griese, in their first game against Detroit last week, but they've announced he will start against us, so we'll be facing their best." Be that as it may, experimentation will continue on the Packer perimeter. "We have been dividing up our defensive backs in practice, putting a veteran with a rookie in combination, and we probably will continue to until the last three exhibition games, when we'll have to start playing one unit to get ready for the regular season," Doll said. The prospectus? "It couldn't be much better...The thing that was disappointing in our first game is that we played together the first two or three series against the Bengals, but then in the second half, they completed seven of eight passes. So we have to eliminate that kind of consistency by the offense. As far as their future and potential is concerned - how good they can become - it's really all up to them. There's a good group there that could jell into a fine secondary, if they really commit themselves to it. If the attitude is there, and continues to be, there is no reason why it couldn't become a really fine secondary. "The thing they lack right now is that they don't challenge every down like we'd like to see them do. But that will come with working together and as they gain confidence in their play. How good they become depends to a great extent upon the defensive line and linebackers. It works both ways, of course. If we keep good position in the secondary, it forces the quarterback to hold the ball longer and gives the pass rush more time to get to the passer. If there's a good pass rush, it forces the passer to throw the ball sooner and enables us to react to the ball better." His clean-cut features relaxing into a smile, Doll facetiously concluded, "In other words we can't both rest on the same down."...PACKER PATTEN: Dan Devine, still shopping around for a defensive lineman, said he had "nothing new to report" on a prospective addition following Wednesday's workout. "I just don't know when we will have somebody," he said, "although hopefully it will be before we go to Miami."... On another personnel matter, the health of offensive tackle Francis Peay, Devine reported, "Peay will be available Saturday night. As a matter of fact, I think everybody will be available, although I don't know what the scoop on Donnell Smith is yet." Peay has been troubled with a twisted knee, Smith with a shoulder injury...DD reiterated his intention to extensively assess his troops, asserting, "We hope to use all of our rookies in these next two games against Miami and Houston - and really look at 'em."...The

weather, which had abbreviated Tuesday's workout, again proved to be handicap Wednesday - at least on a long range basis. Although the cool (low 60s) temperatures did not require curtailment of the Packers' exertions, as a chill rain and cutting wind had Tuesday, Devine assured, "This weather is exactly the opposite of what we'd like to have. It's hard to condition a team when it's this cool."... The retirements of Bart Starr and Elijah are now official. They have NFL waivers, largely a formality in such cases, and have been placed on the retired list where they technically remain Packer property...The Packers, who won't be back until Aug. 20, enplane for Florida at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Their United Airlines charter will take them to Miami, where they will work out in the Orange Bowl Friday night. Following Saturday night's game (7 p.m., WNFL, WLUK-TV), they will move to neighboring Fort Lauderdale, where they will practice from Monday through Thursday before heading for Houston.

### **GLASS UP FOR CLOSE SCRUTINY**

AUG 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Up to now, Leland Glass has labored in relative anonymity. Admittedly, the former University of Oregon flanker has made a big hit while singing for his supper at the Packers' St. Norbert College training bases, where his throaty tones have boisterously applauded by his teammates. But the opportunities to display his football

talents, which prompted Dan Devine to draft him the eighth round last February, thus far have been limited. Now comes word from DD that the 21-year-old Oregonian will be extensively exposed to public and professional scrutiny for the first time in Saturday night's game at Miami, the second pre-season exercise for both the Packers and Dolphins. Devine prefaced this announcement by reporting, "I think we won't start Carroll Dale in this game to give somebody else a chance. We'll start either Dave Davis or Glass." "We want to look at Glass," said the Packer headmaster, still on the hunt for a long ball threat at wide receiver, "and if we don't start Carroll, our chances of being able to do that are a lot better." Glass, in a five-way scramble to join Dale and three-year-veteran John Spilis among the final 40, may have earned the starting nod by his performance in Thursday's practice, the Packers' last on home soil prior to launching a 10-day road trip this morning. Flashing deft moves and a sure pair of hands, he caught the ball well all afternoon, including the closing minutes when he portrayed Paul Warfield to test the No. 1 Packer defense. In addition to Davis, the 6-foot, 185-pound receiver is competing with Sam Dickerson, a returnee off the taxi squad, and fellow rookies Dave Bailey (Alabama) and Moody Jackson (New Mexico State). Only one of these, presumably, will survive the final cut. Glass, whose 4.5 speed in the 40-yard dash enabled him to catch 90 passes for 1,243 yards in the last two seasons at Oregon, is quietly confident that he is making artistic strides. "I think I'm improving within myself," he said following the 2-hour and 10-minute workout. "My patterns are getting better and I'm catching the ball a little better than I was." He attributed his increased proficiency to "just settling down - getting all the nervous kinks out of me...I'm getting more used to being in pro ball." "It's not really up to me to decide who stays and who goes, of course, but, personally, I think I'm improving...I don't know how the coaches feel. They've been giving me little tips on how to run things and improve my routes though...And every day I'm watching and learning, particularly by watching the older people running their patterns. Coach Polonchek (John, coach of the receivers) has pointed out some of the little minor things that are so important, like coming back to the ball instead of waiting for it...Little things that make the difference between making a pass complete or incomplete."...PACKER PATER: Devine, touching upon other personnel plans for Saturday night's match, indicated rookie Jerry Tagge is likely to play the entire second half at quarterback against the Dolphins. "Scott Hunter will start," he said, "and probably play the first half. Tagge will start the second half and probably play the complete second half."...Frank Patrick, a standout in the intra-squad game, has what Devine described as a "minor injury" and will be held out. "Frank deserves a chance to play though," the Packer leader noted, "and he will against Houston next week. It's hard to play three quarterbacks, of course, and we already had made up our minds to play Hunter and Tagge against Miami. We'll also play Willie Buchanon early and a lot. And we'll play Larry Hefner and Dave Pureifory a lot. Offensively, we probably will substitute by units in the line. We want to end up with Tagge working with the first line part of the time, I might add. I suppose that's pushing him a little, considering this is Jerry's second week in camp." Devine admitted...On another subject, the status of punter Ken Duncan, he said, "We're going to have to make a decision on our kicking game. When you start cutting down, it gets a little tough. In order to carry Kenny, he's going to have to be an exceptionally good punter...And I think he will punt better this week."...Devine conceded Thursday afternoon's session, which began at 2 o'clock and adjourned at 4:10, was "a little longer than I had planned. We had hoped to be off the field at 3:50, so we ran 20 minutes longer than I had expected. And the practice schedule was long in the first place."...The Packers, who flew out of Austin Straubel Field this morning for Fort Lauderdale, Fla., will practice in Miami's Orange Bowl at 9 o'clock tonight - after the Dolphins finish their workout. They will headquarter at Fort Lauderdale's Galt Ocean Mile until next Thursday, when they leave for Houston. Practices will be held at a high school field adjacent to FL's Yankee Stadium.

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#### **PACKERS CHALLENGE DOLPHINS HERE TONIGHT**

AUG 12 (Miami Herald) - Before a capacity Orange Bowl crowd of 75,372, Charles Irving Leigh will be running for his life tonight. In his eighth season of professional football at various levels, the 26-year-old Leigh has just three NFL years toward his pension credit. He needs two more before beginning to gain a measure of security for his wife and three children in Albany, N.Y. The kids are Sherrel, 7, Charlie Jr., 6, and Carla, 2 1/2. A grin creased the swarthy features of Charlie Sr. as he thought of them Friday. "They'll be down in September - hopefully," Charlie said. "Nine running backs are still around. You need a lot of luck with a lot of work to make it. Nothing can be taken for granted." Because nobody knows better than Leigh that nothing can be taken for granted in his business, Charlie will be intent on an all-out performance at 8:05 tonight, particularly if the Dolphins receive and he is under Green Bay's kickoff with Mercury Morris. Leigh had a good start this summer. Running with utter abandon last Saturday night in Detroit, Charlie returned three kickoffs 105 yards and carried eight times from scrimmage for 41 more. But he knows from hollow experience that the deeds of August have usually been erased by September in his case. Leigh joined the NFL by order of the commissioner. He came to the Pittsburgh Steelers for a tryout at 19, right out of Albany High. He was captain of the football team but never much for books. "I never planned on college. My grades were not too good and I got married," Leigh said softly. Charlie is mostly silent, and brief when he is

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not. In his company, a pindrop is noticeable. "So I wrote to the commissioner," Leigh said. Assured that Charlie's intentions toward college matched his grades, Pete Rozelle permitted the Steelers to employ him, if a year on the taxi squad can be considered gainful employment. From Pittsburgh, lost in the shuffle, Leigh dropped into the Continental League for two years at Orlando, Philadelphia and Norfolk. His best season was 1967, his third as a sort of pro. Leigh rushed for 452 yards, a 4.1 average, and caught 15 passes for 112 yards while scoring eight touchdowns for the Norfolk Neptunes. He did it for peanuts because he was playing out the one-year option clause in his contract. He had bought some experience but he needed to escape the minors, where a man could be buried for a career. "Playing that minor league ball," Charlie said, and shook his head. Leigh always had confidence in his ability and toughness, but he was so quiet and unassuming that most coaches never bothered to explore him. Never complaining, Charlie was easy to cut when it came to this guy or that quiet guy. Charlie found a friend in Bob Brodhead, a former Continental quarterback who progressed to the Cleveland Browns' front office. "I wrote to him and he put in a word for me," Leigh said. Signed as a free agent in 1968, Leigh was a reserve back while returning punts and kickoffs for the Browns. The following year he was listed as a starter with Leroy Kelly, but the honeymoon was brief. "I hurt my ankle and was out six weeks," he said. Six weeks is a lifetime for a pro without reputation, so Charlie found himself in Canada the following year, toiling for the Ottawa Rough Riders. But he had another friend in Anthony O'Hara, an Albany ad man who served as Charlie's agent. O'Hara reached Don Shula in Leigh's behalf last year. He went through Canadian waivers and became a free agent again, so they told me. I guess Coach Shula talked to Monte Clark about me," Leigh said. Clark, the Dolphins' offensive line coach, was Leigh's teammate his two years in Cleveland. Charlie responded well enough last summer, as he is responding now, to make the squad. He knows the mathematics, though. No college education is necessary to perceive that the first three backs on Shula's squad are named Csonka, Kiick and Morris. For the fourth and fifth spots in the backfield, Leigh must outdo his pal, Hubert Ginn, handicapped himself by leg injuries this summer; or Terry Cole, on temporary waivers with a back injury; or rookies Gary Kosins and Ed Jenkins, or newcomer Ron Lamb, a fifth-year pro acquired from Cincinnati in the Les Shy trade last Monday. Nobody knows whom Shula might summon to join the competition next week. But with assists from Brodhead and O'Hara and Clark, Leigh continues to survive in the only business he knows. "O'Hara must be good," Leigh said, smiling. "He's still got me playing ball." Wrong, Charlie. The ones most responsible are named Leigh, with credits to Sherrel, Charlie Jr. and Carla...NOTEBOOK: Tonight's crowd will be the second-largest for an exhibition, topped by the 76,712 spilling into temporary bleachers for Baltimore in 1970. It will be the fourth largest in Dolphin history, behind the 1971 American Conference championship game with the Colts. (78,629) and the 1971 season finale with the Packers (76,812)...Coach Dan Devine, whose Packers opened with a 24-14 victory over Cincinnati last week, will start quarterback Scott Hunter against Bob Griese. Rookie Jerry Tagge from Nebraska will see his first action as a pro, probably against Jim Del Gaizo in the second half...Younger and newly acquired Dolphins had a morning catch-up practice "by invitation only" (Shula's) before the entire 58-man squad worked out briefly in the Orange Bowl Friday night...The AFC championship flag will be hoisted atop the Orange Bowl tonight...The significance of exhibitions can be appreciated from the brief Miami-Green Bay rivalry. Last summer the Packers won, 10-7, in Milwaukee. The Dolphins romped, 27-6, last December in the Orange Bowl season windup...Green Bay's John Brockington, Dave Hampton and MacArthur Lane have been compared favorably as runners with Larry Csonka, Jim Kiick and Mercury Morris. Brockington tore up the Dolphins a year ago...Howard Twilley (leg) and Nick Buoniconti (recent surgery) will remain sidelined tonight with Earl Morrall, inactive all week because of a pulled abdominal muscle. Wayne Mass, idle most of the camp with a bruised Achilles, is doubtful at offensive tackle, leaving the brunt of the work to Norm Evans, Wayne Moore and Al Jenkins.

#### **'NO COMMENT' FROM DD ON CONCANNON STORY**

AUG 12 (Ft. Lauderdale) - Green Bay Packer Coach Dan Devine had "no comment" here Friday on a report that Chicago Bear quarterback Jack Concannon had been in Green Bay last week for a physical examination in connection with an alleged trade for the player rights to Zeke Bratkowski. Bratkowski, presently a Bear assistant coach, remains Packer property. The report indicated that Concannon had been in Green Bay to be checked over by Packer team physician Dr. E. S. Brusky and had failed to pass the examination, voiding the proposed trade. There appears good reason to believe that such was the case, as reported in Chicago newspapers. Devine, however understandably, offered only "no comment" to all questions on the subject.

#### **DEVINE'S ROSARY SETS BEEPER BEEPING**

AUG 12 (Ft. Lauderdale-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The recent wave of skyjackings had a humorous off-shoot for Packer Coach Dan Devine Friday. As a precautionary measure, United Airlines checked all Packer baggage with a magnetometer, a metal detecting device, as the Packers boarded their chartered UA 727 at Green Bay's Austin Straubel field Friday morning. Ironically enough, the machine began to "beep" furiously as Devine approached. Chuckling, United's Tom Kaminski subsequently reported, "Coach Devine's rosary triggered it...it was in the pocket of his suitcoat." "I was afraid it would do that," Devine said. "It's happened to me before." Kaminski later noted, "Coach Devine was pleased we made the check. You never know what might happen if you set a piece of luggage down in an airport terminal and leave it, even briefly. Anybody could put something into it - there are a lot of strange people around these days."

#### **WINNING ONLY SECONDARY TONIGHT?**

AUG 12 (Miami-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "I feel very, very uneasy about this game," said Dan Devine, gazing pensively out a window of the Packers' United Airlines charter as it zeroed in on Ft. Lauderdale International Airport Friday afternoon. He was quick to assure it was not merely because his team would be encountering the Miami Dolphins, Super Bowl finalists last January, in the Orange Bowl tonight (7 o'clock, WNFL, WLUK-TV). "That's because I know what we're trying to do and how difficult it's going to be to do it," said Devine, who is committed to putting all Packer rookies under the microscope in

this one, regardless of the consequences. "Plus the fact that we're playing a good team. Our game plan has suffered, too. We virtually lost Tuesday and part of Wednesday because of the bad weather, which cut down on our preparations. I hate to keep mentioning the weather, but it is and has been a factor." The Packer generalissimo, who employed his veterans most of the way during a 24-14 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals in last week's exhibition opener at Green Bay, has come to the reluctant conclusion that winning will have to be a secondary consideration tonight. "We've got to look at the football team," he said. Though the memory of a 27-6 embarrassment at the Dolphins' hands here last December is not overly pleasant, Devine pointed out, "If you want to look at people, you've got to leave your emotions out of it." Playing on artificial turf and in 80 degree heat common hereabouts but a rarity around Green Bay these August days, is not calculated to enhance the Packers chances, he conceded. "I think the turf will affect it some - I don't know how much. But that, along with the heat, won't help any. Certainly the combination isn't one that gets us all excited," DD dryly observed. Returning to the need for experimentation, he noted, "We'll be playing a quarterback (Jerry Tagge) who is only in his second week with the team against a club that was in the Super Bowl. I wouldn't, for example, do it with the average kid but I know it won't affect Jerry's confidence." Tagge, who joined the Packers July 29 after a three-week stint with the College All-Stars is scheduled to relieve starter Scott Hunter at the beginning of the second half. Devine also is anxious to get another look at his two other prize rookies, placekicker Chester Marcol and defensive back Willie Buchanan, under combat conditions. Sophomore Dave Davis is another who is likely to receive searching evaluation, along with fellow wide receiver Leland Glass, a rookie from Oregon, Guard Keith Wortmann (Nebraska), running back Bob Hudson (Northeast Oklahoma), Defensive end Dave Pureifory (Central Michigan), Linebackers Larry Hefner (Clemson) and Eric Patton (Notre Dame) and defensive backs Nate Ross (Bethune-Cookman) and Bob Kroll (Northern Michigan) Davis will start at Flanker in place of Veteran Carroll Dale as part of the analytical process. The rest of the starting lineup will be the same as it was last week with the exception of Rich McGeorge and Francis Peay. "Bill Hayhoe will start at left offensive tackle and Leonard Garrett at tight end," Devine said. "Peay will be available in an emergency but he will not start. He has a minor injury (a twisted knee) but it would be better if he didn't play this week. "McGeorge now becomes very questionable because of a thigh muscle injury, so we will start Garrett." Injuries also have complicated matters for the Dolphins. Left offensive tackle Doug Crusan and middle linebacker Nick Buoniconti, heart of the Miami defense, will not play. Crusan has a pulled leg muscle and Buoniconti is recovering from surgery for removal of an anal abscess. Also due to sit out are wide receiver Howard Twilley, who has a hamstring pull, and venerable quarterback Earl Morrall, until recently a Baltimore Colt, who has been sidelined by a strained stomach muscle. Jim Kiick, Larry Csonka's versatile running mate, also will not start, although he will play. Kiick, who caught 40 passes for the Dolphins last year, is recovering from a pulled leg muscle. The Dolphins will hardly be left with an empty arsenal however. In addition to Csonka and Mercury Morris, scheduled to team at running back, they also will be able to mount a Lethal passing attack. Bob Griese, now recognized as one of the NFL's premier passers, has Paul Warfield and Marlin Briscoe of his primary targets. Warfield caught 43 in 1971, Briscoe 44, while toiling for the Buffalo Bills. The Miamians also feature ex-Packer Marv Fleming, described by Coach, Don Shula as "the best blocking tight end in the League and the NFL's No. 1 Placekicker last year, pocket-sized Garo Yepremian. Briscoe is not the only major new face on the Dolphin roster aside from Morrall. Defensive tackle Jim Dunaway, who will pair with all-pro Manny Fernandez in the Miami front four, also was acquired in an off-season trade with Buffalo. A sellout crowd of 75,372 fans, lured by the Packer mystique as well as the Dolphins' 1971 success, will sit in on the proceedings. "There is tremendous enthusiasm," Dolphin publicity director Charlie Callahan reported. "The Packers always come in big here. This is the second straight sellout we've had here for Green Bay. We drew 76,812 for our game last December when we had some temporary seating".

| GREEN BAY         |            | MIAMI       |  |
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| OFFENSE           |            |             |  |
| Spillis .....     | W R .....  | Warfield    |  |
| Peay .....        | L T .....  | Moore       |  |
| Lueck .....       | L G .....  | Kuechenberg |  |
| Bowman .....      | C .....    | Langer      |  |
| Gillingham .....  | R G .....  | Little      |  |
| Himes .....       | R T .....  | Evans       |  |
| Garrett .....     | T E .....  | Fleming     |  |
| Davis .....       | W R .....  | Briscoe     |  |
| Hunter .....      | Q B .....  | Griese      |  |
| Hampton .....     | R B .....  | Morris      |  |
| Brockington ..... | R B .....  | Csonka      |  |
| DEFENSE           |            |             |  |
| Williams .....    | L E .....  | Den Herder  |  |
| McCoy .....       | L T .....  | Fernandez   |  |
| Brown .....       | R T .....  | Dunaway     |  |
| Roche .....       | R E .....  | Stanfill    |  |
| Robinson .....    | LL B ..... | Swift       |  |
| Carr .....        | RL B ..... | Matheson    |  |
| Hall .....        | LC B ..... | Foley       |  |
| Ellis .....       | RC B ..... | Johnson     |  |
| Matthews .....    | L S .....  | Anderson    |  |
| Hill .....        | R S .....  | Scott       |  |

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