



New York Giants (1-0) 42, Green Bay Packers (0-1) 40
 Sunday September 19th 1971 (at Green Bay)



Packer Rally Can't Save A Bizarre 42-40 Setback

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(GREEN BAY) - It's doubtful if even the Greeks had a word for it...Bulky Dave Hanner, marking his 20th National Football League season as coach and player, said it was a "first" for him. Willie Wood, well into his 13th Packer semester, was openly incredulous. And debuting Coach Dan Devine was unavailable for comment - because of a broken leg. That was the kind of day it was in Lambeau Field Sunday afternoon, where the bizarre was commonplace as both the skies and the principals opened up, the latter with explosive and perverse consistency.

SHORT ATTEMPT

Ken Ellis touched off the pyrotechnics with a 100-yard scoring runback of a short field goal attempt by the New York Giants' Pete Gogolak before the game was five minutes old. Ten touchdowns, a field goal and a safety later, the hitherto winless New York Giants emerged with a 42-40 victory, leaving 56,263 customers spent as well as more than somewhat soggy. Along the way, the Giants recovered two Packer fumbles in the Green Bay end zone for touchdowns to mount a 28-7 lead. Those misadventures occurred within the space of six seconds and caused the faithful, sitting through a chilling, game-long downpour, to ponder what other calamities might be in store for the green and gold. Ironically enough, there were more. One of them was a fumble by rookie quarterback Scott Hunter, recovered at the Green Bay 20 by the enemy and quickly converted into a Giant touchdown, by way of a Fran Tarkenton pass to Tucker Frederickson.

FILES INTERCEPTS

There also was a comeback-ending interception by New York's middle linebacker, Jim Files, that short circuited the Packers final push with only 1:03 to play. Some might view that as a poetic denouement, considering what had happened earlier in the fourth quarter - tight on the heels of good fortune. Doug Hart, victimized by Tarkenton in the third period, had just retaliated with an interception along the western sidelines and been jolted out of bounds in front of the Green Bay bench by ex-Packer Bob Hyland, among others. Hyland's momentum swept him into Devine, who was upended and landed grotesquely, breaking his left leg. Hanner, named acting coach after Devine was borne from the field on a stretcher, later shook his head in disbelief over the events of the day.

PACK HAD MOMENTS

"It's the first game like this that I can remember," he said. "A number of years ago, we lost games almost every way we could...But today, both teams couldn't keep the other one from scoring." As he suggested, the Packers also had their moments, beginning with Ellis' early excursion. Veteran quarterback Zeke Bratkowski, making his first start since 1968, weighed in with a 19-yard touchdown pass to Dave Hampton in the left corner of the end zone before giving way to the electrifying Hunter at the start of the second half. Although it was an errant pass of his that ended it all for the home forces, the freewheeling freshman had more than a few big moments before he ran afoul of Files. He quickly escorted the Packers to a 28-yard field goal by newly-activated Lou Michaels at the start of the third quarter, and after the Giants had struck once again on an 81-yard Tarkenton collaboration with Dick Houston, he wafted a 19-yard scoring strike to tight end Rich



McGeorge. That one followed a 72-yard kickoff return by Hampton, run out of bounds at the Giant 21 by Pete Athas. The colorful Alabamian also rebounded from his costly fumble to direct a 73-yard scoring drive climaxed by a brilliant 19-yard by Donny Anderson, who shook off two Giant tacklers en route to the end zone. And, following Hart's interception, he moved the Packers 59 yards to score, climaxing the drive with an 18-yard pitch to Carroll Dale, who took it in stride at the two and carried Bennie McRae into the end zone with him. "I think Scott did a real fine job, especially considering he is a rookie," Hanner said. "But we aren't surprised. We felt that he was capable of it, even though he is a rookie."

KEY GRATUITY

It might appear difficult to pinpoint a key gratuity, considering all that transpired. But Hart found one - that third quarter scoring pass from Tarkenton to Houston, on which the latter bounced off the Packer strong safety to streak the distance. "The big play to me was the 81-yard touchdown to Houston," Hart said dolefully. "You're supposed to make the big plays (a reference to his subsequent interception), not the bad plays...I turned into him on the play and I just didn't make the tackle."

HIT RANDOLPH'S FOOT

That, in retrospect, was only slightly more embarrassing than a second quarter punt which ricocheted off the foot of Al Randolph and was recovered by the Giants' Joe Green at the Green Bay 39. Ironically, Green was not immediately aware of what he had contributed to the Giant cause. "I didn't see if the ball hit Randolph's foot or not," he said. "I couldn't tell if it was live. All I know is the guys were yelling at me to jump on the ball." One play later, Tarkenton parlayed that maneuver into six points, by way of a 39-yard pass to Houston in the left corner of the end zone, a development which nullified an interference penalty on the Pack's Al Matthews. Further trauma was just around the proverbial corner. A clipping penalty on Wood, following an Ellis return of a short Gogolak field goal attempt, set the Packers back to their own 3-yard-line. On first down, the ball squirted loose on an end zone exchange between Bratkowski and Dave Hampton. Linebacker Ralph Heck beat an anguished Bratkowski to the ball and the Giants suddenly had a two-touchdown lead.

PURSUING PLAY

"Bratkowski handed off and it sort of looked like the ball slid off Hampton's hip and fell down," Heck said. "I never hit the ball carrier...Bratkowski tried to come for the ball but he couldn't get to it. I was just pursuing the play and fell on it." Hampton was less sure of what had happened. "I'll just have to see the films to find out if I had the ball," he said. "I really don't know." The Packers had barely taken their unhappy eyes off the scoreboard when disaster struck again. Gogolak's kickoff was permitted to bounce between receivers Larry Krause and Hampton into the end zone. Hampton darted back to retrieve it but the ball eluded him and the ubiquitous Green emerged with it for a fourth New York touchdown - the Giants' second within six seconds.

TRIFLE TOO LONG

"I knew that one was live," Green said. "It was almost out of the end zone, about a foot from the end line. I was going for the ball and somebody else (Athas) hit Hampton, clearing the way for me to fall on it." After that, the Packers obviously had nowhere to go but up. And, to their considerable credit, they did. Yet, despite the magnitude of their second half revival, the road back looked just a trifle too long until Hunter found Dale with the strike that pulled them within four points, 42-38, with 4:20 remaining. Visions of a storybook finish then began to surface when the defense closed down the Giants following the kickoff and Hyland's snap soared over the head of punter Tom Blanchard. He pursued the loose leather into the end zone, where Hart pounced on him to register a safety. "I was hoping I could get to the punter down around the five, which would have put us in great scoring position," Hart said, "but Scott Eaton blocked me to the outside on the play. I saw the ball go over Tom Blanchard's head into the end zone and I had a clear shot, but the kicker just got there ahead of me."

BIG FIRST DOWN

With 2:38 to play and a field goal now the obvious requirement, the drama heightened. Ellis returned the Giants' second free kick 22 yards to the Green Bay 46 (New York drew an offside penalty on the first). Hunter engineered one big first down, hitting Brockington with a 9-yard pass in the right flat and then sending the rookie fullback off tackle for four more after calling a timeout. This last was an expensive maneuver, since it came just prior to the two-minute warning, which automatically stops the clock "I had my mind on the field rather than the clock," Hunter sheepishly confessed. "Coach Schnelker told me to look at him for a signal. But I was too anxious. I called time without looking." After a pass to Carroll



Dave Hampton (25) celebrates scoring a touchdown in front of fans. Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette

Dale was off target, Anderson hit right tackle for five yards with 1:22 remaining, putting the Packers at the New York 36 and presumably within field goal range. On the next play, intended receiver Rich McGeorge fell down and Files bolted in front of him to intercept. He rumbled 29 yards down the sidelines to the Packer 43 and the Giants had carried the day. "I had help from the bench on the drive," Hunter said, "but the interception was one I called."

NEW YORK - 0 28 14 0 - 42

GREEN BAY - 7 7 10 16 - 40

	<u>NEW YORK</u>	<u>GREEN BAY</u>
First downs	12	17
Rush-yards-TDs	31-102-0	30-124-1
Comp-Att-Yd-TD-INT	21-13-236-4-1	26-15-224-3-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-15	0-0
Net Passing Yards	221	224
Total yards	323	348
Fumbles-lost	3-0	6-4
Turnovers	1	5
Yards Penalized	5-25	4-28

SCORING

- 1st – GB – Ken Ellis, 100-yard field goal return (Dave Conway kick) GB 7-0
- 2nd – NYG – Rich Houston, 6-yard pass from Fran Tarkenton (Pete Gogolak kick) TIED 7-7
- 2nd – NYG – Houston, 39-yard pass from Tarkenton (Gogolak kick) NYG 14-7
- 2nd – NYG – Ralph Heck recovered fumble in end zone (Gogolak kick) NYG 21-7
- 2nd – NYG – Joe Green recovered fumble in end zone (Gogolak kick) NYG 28-7
- 2nd – GB – Dave Hampton, 19-yard pass from Zeke Bratkowski (Conway kick) NYG 28-14
- 3rd – GB – Lou Michaels, 28-yard field goal NYG 28-17
- 3rd – NYG – Houston, 81-yard pass from Tarkenton (Gogolak kick) NYG 35-17
- 3rd – GB – Rich McGeorge, 21-yard pass from Scott Hunter (Conway kick) NYG 35-24
- 3rd – NYG – Tucker Frederickson, 20-yard pass from Tarkenton (Gogolak kick) NYG 42-24
- 4th – GB – Donny Anderson, 19-yard run (Conway kick) NYG 42-31
- 4th – GB – Carroll Dale, 18-yard pass from Hunter (Conway kick) NYG 42-38
- 4th – GB – Safety, Doug Hart tackled Tom Blanchard NYG 42-40

RUSHING

GREEN BAY – Donny Anderson 16-99 1 TD, John Brockington 9-34, Scott Hunter 2-(-1), Dave Hampton 3-(-8)

NEW YORK – Tucker Frederickson 10-42, Joe Morrison 6-30, Rocky Thompson 2-9, Bobby Duhon 2-8, Fran Tarkenton 7-7, Junior Coffey 4-6

PASSING

GREEN BAY - Zeke Bratkowski 10-6-66 1 TD, Scott Hunter 16-9-158 2 TD 1 INT

NEW YORK – Fran Tarkenton 21-13-236 4 TD 1 INT

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY – John Spilis 3-70, Carroll Dale 3-66 1 TD, John Brockington 3-9, Rich McGeorge 2-34 1 TD, Dave Hampton 2-25 1 TD, Donny Anderson 2-20

NEW YORK – Rich Houston 6-151 3 TD, Rich Kotite 3-52, Tucker Frederickson 2-20 1 TD, Clifton McNeil 1-7, Bobby Duhon 1-6

DEVINE JOKES OVER BREAKS, VIEWS FILMS

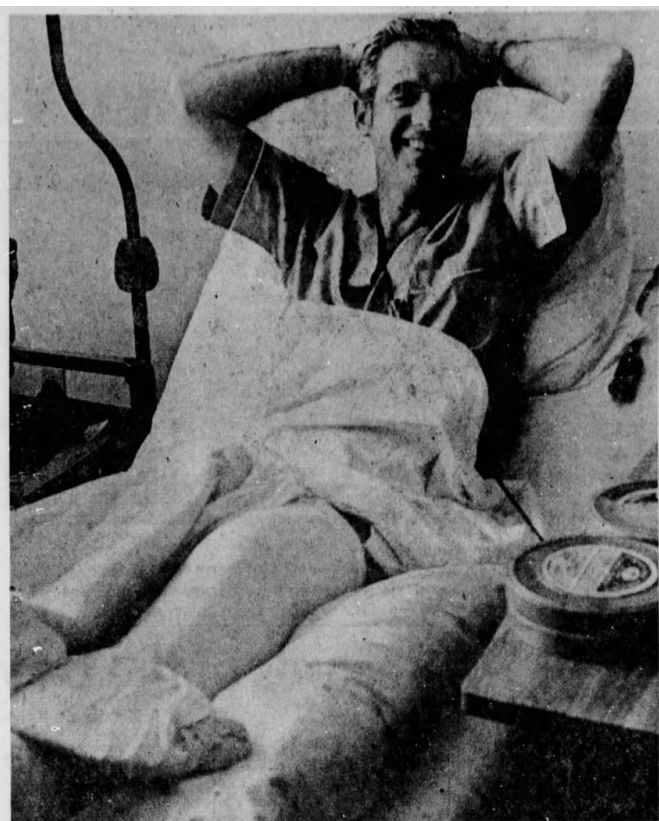
SEPT 20 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "The game was just getting interesting, too," Dan Devine said with tongue ever so slightly in cheek. "Earlier, I was trying to find a way to get out of the stadium." With a projector at bedside in his St. Vincent Hospital room, the Packers' head coach and general manager was adapting to the strictures of a broken leg with characteristic humor and admirable facility today. "Somebody said I'd do anything to get out of a party," he quipped, referring to a post-game affair which had been scheduled at his home – until New York's Bob Hyland inadvertently rolled into him on the Lambeau Field sidelines during Sunday's 42-40 loss to the Giants...HAS YEAR'S SUPPLY: "We invited about 50 people, and you know what, everybody accepted," he said. "Now we've got a year's supply of lasagna at the house." Though the party had to be cancelled in haste, Devine is determined the injury will cause only minimal interference with his coaching duties. "This is a walking cast," he said, gesturing to the plaster of paris foundation which encases his left leg from mid-thigh to ankle. "I presume I'll be walking real soon. I intend to be at practice Tuesday and get around as best I can. "Right now, the staff is looking at the film and taking notes on it for me. And I'm looking at the game film myself right now. In fact, Al Trembl brought me a projector at 10 o'clock last night and I looked at film off and on from then until 4 o'clock this morning." "That," he said appreciatively, "was a helluva comeback...They're a pretty good bunch." Surprisingly sprightly for one who had suffered a double fracture, Devine added in businesslike fashion. "We also have a staff meeting scheduled here in the hospital tonight...This is just something I'm going to have to live with. I really feel much better than I thought I would at this point. I'm a heckuva lot more concerned about Mike McCoy right now than I am about myself." McCoy, the Packers' starting left tackle on defense, sprained a knee on the first play of the game and Devine said, "The best estimate now is that Mike will be out for 10 days." The Packer headmaster found his own confinement highly ironic. "I've been hit so many times – at

least 50 times – during my coaching career," he said. "And many times, I've been hit harder than I was yesterday...JUST TOO INTERESTED: "I was just too interested in the game, and I was blindsided. I hug the sidelines too tightly, I know that...But I was trying to find a way to keep people off Doug Hart. People were closing in on him after he made the interception there in the fourth quarter and I was thinking that we were short of defensive backs. I've had people tell me before that I was too close to the sidelines. In fact, once by the commissioner of officials of the conference when I was coaching in college. But you never listen...Of all the blows I've taken, though, this was the lightest. If I'd had my back turned a little, I'm sure it wouldn't have happened. But I got the leg pinned between two players and there was no other way for it to go."...HYLAND APOLOGETIC: Hyland, who crashed into Devine after attempting to knock Hart out of bounds in front of the Packer bench, expressed regret before enplaning for New York with the Giants. "I'm just sick about it," he said. Devine, evincing concern over Hyland's remorse, revealed, "I sent him a telegram telling him to forget about it...It's not his fault. He has just doing his job. Bob is a fine player and one I've always admired. He's a player I wouldn't mind having on my squad." Dr. James W. Nellen, the team physician who accompanied Devine to the hospital from the stadium and set the leg, said the Packer coach "will have to wear a cast for several weeks...It's hard to tell exactly how long at this point...He fractured both bones (the fibula and the tibia) between the knee and the ankle."...WANTED TO HEAR END: Devine admitted that the setting procedure had been delayed at his request. "When we got to the hospital, I asked them if they could wait while I listened to the end of the game on radio and they were very nice about it. They did a marvelous job of setting it, I might add. It's set perfectly. I only have the inconvenience of it." The leg, Devine also assured, "doesn't hurt a bit. I feel great...But I'd feel better if we'd won."

'IT KIND OF FLOATED THERE, SAYS FILES AFTER BIG PICKOFF

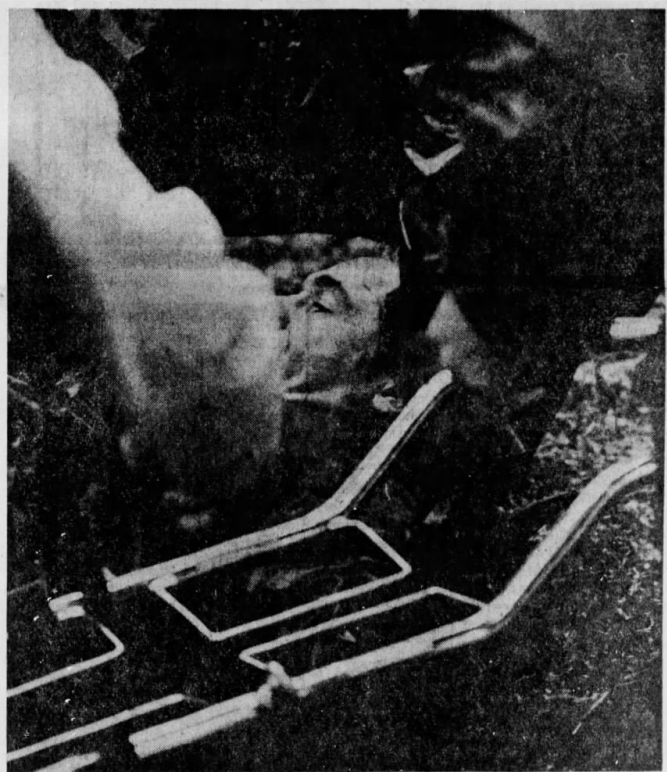
SEPT 20 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "I made sure I was going to hold on to that one," said exuberant Jim Files in the steamy New York Giants dressing room. Just moments before the husky, 6-foot-4, 240-pound second year linebacker from Oklahoma had picked off a Scott Hunter pass with less than two minutes remaining and thereby preserved the New Yorkers' 42-40 conquest in their NFL opener Sunday. "We were playing a zone," said Files. "I wasn't on any particular man. When he (Hunter) started to roll to that side of the field I went with him. I just dropped off from the middle."...KIND OF FLOATED: Files snatched the ball on his own 28-yard line and returned it to the Packer 43. "I really don't know what kind of a pass it was, but it seemed like it kind of floated there. I just wanted to hang on to it." New York Coach Alex Webster admitted Files' pickoff was a big play, but he was at a loss to describe the defensive strategy on that particular play. "We have three different kinds of zones," said Webster. "I don't know which one we were in, but it looked like Files just dropped off."...WEBSTER WHEWS: He then mopped his heavily perspiring brow and released a tremendous "Whew." Webster confessed that he "had not expected a 42-40

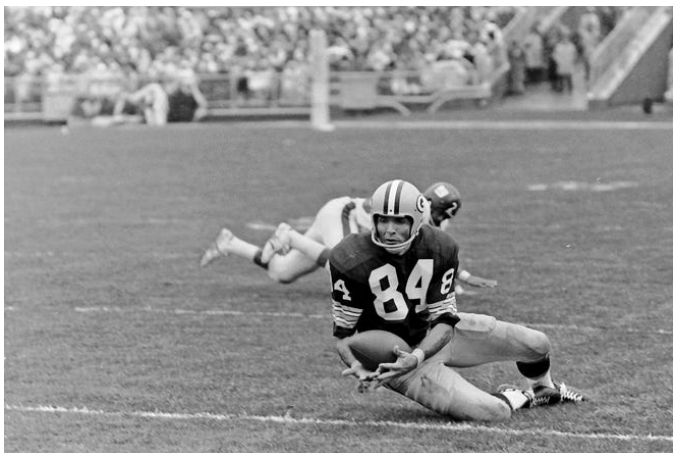
game. The weather could have had a lot to do with it. The ball was squibbing around a lot." He added, however, "We put in three or four new passing plays against them. We thought we could work on their cornerbacks." Commenting on his team's 0-6 record in exhibition play and then their rolling up 42 points in the league opener, Webster said, "We used a lot of people in the pre-season. We moved a lot of rookie and free agents around trying to find the combination. Nine rookies were on the roster today...BLANCHARD DID RIGHT: "Tarkenton (quarterback Fran) was throwing to many different receivers in the pre-season," Webster said when asked why Tarkenton suddenly clicked for four touchdown passes Sunday after limited



Breaks of the Game—Dan Devine, making his NFL debut as Packer head coach, smiles from his bed in St. Vincent Hospital today after suffering double fracture of his left leg in

pileup of players on sidelines late in Packer-Giant game in Lambeau Field Sunday. Below, Devine rests on stretcher before he was carried from field. (Press-Gazette Photos)





Carroll Dale (84) makes sliding catch of quarterback Scott Hunter's (16) pass to help set up a Packer touchdown. (Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette)



Gale Gillingham (68) and running back John Brockington (42) block for halfback Donny Anderson (44) (Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette)

success in the grapefruit games. "And Fran didn't play as much in the exhibitions as he has in the past." Webster admitted he was worried when a bad punt snap gave Green Bay a safety late in the fourth period and closed the point spread to two. "The ball could have been wet. I think our punter (Tom Blanchard) did the right thing by downing it in the end zone. They only got two points instead of seven. It certainly wasn't the kind of game we expected," summed Webster. "But we learned Green Bay has a real fine football team."...TARKENTON PLEASED: Tarkenton, understandably, was pleased with his four TD passes, but he added, "I should have kept the ball on that interception." Packer safety Doug Hart pilfered the Tarkenton aerial and set up Green Bay's final touchdown. "It was a wild game anyway," lamented Tarkenton. Three of Tarkenton's TD bombs were rifled to converted defensive back Dick Houston, the longest an 81-yarder. "It seems like every time I come to Green Bay I have a real good game," smiled the wide receiver from East Texas State. "I'd been working at the position in practice since Tuesday," Houston went on. "Offense or defense doesn't make any difference, I just prefer being anywhere I can play."

ELLIS SAW SCORE AFTER FIRST WAVE

SEPT 20 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "When I broke through the first wave, I figured I could go all the way." The speaker was Packer cornerback Ken Ellis, author of a 100-yard scoring runback of a short Pete Gogolak field goal attempt in the first quarter of Sunday's 42-40 loss to the New York Giants in Lambeau Field. "That's the secret of running back kickoffs and punts - to get by that first wave," he said. "I knew Fran Tarkenton had a shot at me but I wasn't worried about him. I don't think he wanted to make the tackle anyway." On a third quarter play which saw the Giants' Dick Houston slice between him and Doug Hart to go the distance on an 81-yard pass play, Ellis said, "I never did get to him. Doug and I collided and he knocked me off...It was a quick slant and we were both converging on Houston. If we hadn't collided, Doug probably would have made the tackle."...Willie Wood: "Tarkenton's scrambling forces you

out of your normal defense. He makes it tough - that scrambling gives him more time to spot a receiver. I'm disappointed that we lost, but the way the team kept coming back after making the mistakes we made is definitely encouraging. It shows that the team has at least some kind of character...Lou Michaels: "I was thinking about getting a shot at a field goal there in the last two minutes, but it didn't work out. "The leg felt great...I just hope I can stay around a little while...about 10 more years."...Dave Hanner: "It's pretty hard to put your finger on why both teams had poor coverage of kicks. I thought, though, that both teams had some pretty good blocking on the returns, plus that number 22 (Rocky Thompson) and our Dave Hampton are fine kick returners. I don't think it was so much a matter of the coverage as it was the tackling. In a number of cases, the tackling was very poor."

DAVE ROBINSON'S SOCKS TELL WHAT KIND OF DAY IT WAS

SEPT 20 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - What kind of day was it? Let Dave Robinson answer as he dresses in the wake of the Packers' deeply disappointing and bizarre 42-40 defeat at the hands of the New York Giants Sunday. "Look here, I've got brown socks to go with black pants. That's the kind of day it's been. Looks like everything going against us. That's why I wanted to win so badly, particularly after Coach Devine was hurt. Anybody can win when everything goes your way. But you have to win when things go against you. That's what champions are made of." But the Packers didn't win. They lost and lost with play that was at times ignominious. If you don't know the meaning of that word, look it up. It's an accurate description. They made mistakes you might expect to see in a high school game...but very seldom do. Yet, the people who trudged out of Lambeau Field as the third quarter was ending...and there were many who did so...missed a superb effort in the fourth quarter. That was their mistake, rain or not. You see, Dan Devine was right. His Packers won the fourth quarter, as he promised they would. They were down 42-24 at the third stop but they scored 16 points in that final period and were within winning distance when disaster struck. And that brings us to: Second Guess Department - Scott Hunter, the rookie quarterback who appeared ready to seize the hero's role in a sensational fireman's stint, made a rookie error. Trailing by just the two points, Hunter had his team in field goal range...not "certain" field goal range but surely in very possible range...at the Giant 36. Third down and five with just over a minute to play. A key play. Hunter, presuming the play was not ordered from the sideline, elected to pitch down the middle. Rich McGeorge, the target, had slipped and fallen on the wet turf. But it made little difference because the pass did not get that far anyway. Giant linebacker Jim Files stole it cleanly and that was the final fling for the Pack. A pass down the middle is always dangerous because of the coverage possible. With time rapidly

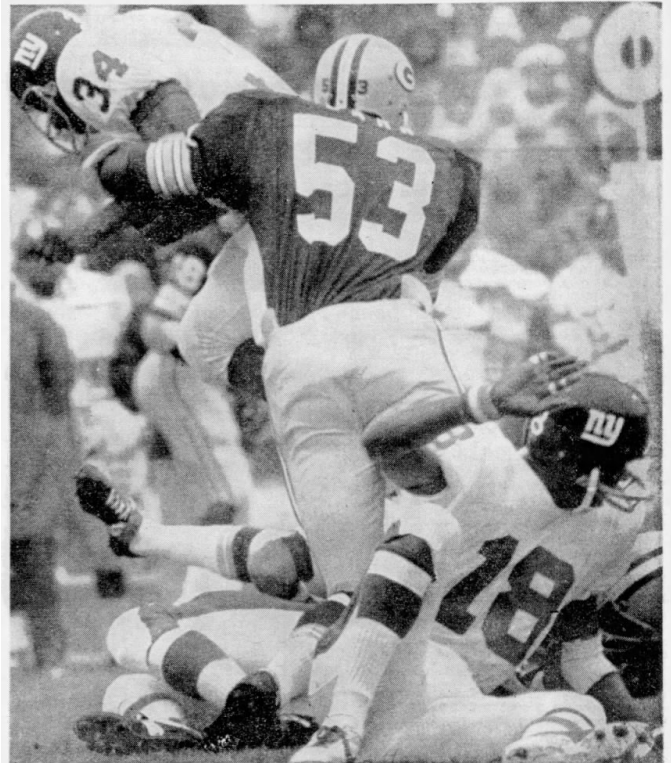
running out, the situation called for sideline passes...where the receiver could get out of bounds after the catch...and, equally or more important, where the passer could throw the ball safely away if necessary. There's no safe place to throw it away down the middle. Files ruined the script. Everything pointed to a Packer win in the final seconds. The plot was obvious. A big rally in the last period...featuring a "win it for the coach" plea. As one of the New York writers cracked when Devine was carried from the field with a broken leg, "That's an old Notre Dame trick." It most certainly was not a trick...but it might have had much the same effect...except for Files. The play that perhaps epitomized the frustration of the afternoon for the Packers was the Giants' kickoff just after Ralph Heck recovered Dave Hampton's fumble in the end zone for a touchdown, making the score 21-7 with 1:33 left in the first half. The ball came down toward Larry Krause with Hampton converging on the same spot. Then, like a couple of Little League outfielders, they let bounce between them...into the end zone. Hampton made a last try to recover the precious leather but it got away again and Joe Green claimed it and six more points for the Giants. Krause explained later that his responsibility on the kick extended from the right hashmark to the sideline while Hampton had responsibility for the rest of the field. "I was standing right on the hashmark, so I was going to take it," Krause said, "but Hamp called me off and then neither of us took it."...Hampton, making it clear he didn't want to talk about it, said "It was a foul up." After some thought, he added, "That's all I can say."...FOOT-NOTES: Lou Michaels, the kickoff specialist, manage to get just one into the end zone. His 28-yard field goal was a line driver floater of the kind Jerry Kramer used to kick with regularity...When Dave Conway toed the Packs' first extra point, the Packers had only 10 men on the field. Indicative of the game was that two consecutive punts, the first by the Packers' Donny Anderson and the second by New York's Tom Blanchard, the distances were 24 and 21 yards...I haven't decided if the kick coverage was that poor or the kick returns were that good. The films will tell...The Giants' field position in the first half was a Webster dream and Devine nightmare. Only once did they begin a series inside their own 39...Bob Hyland, the ex-Packer, who earlier in the week had been traded by the Bears to the Giants and who promptly told the Giants he didn't want to play tackle, as assigned, and so wound up at guard, was the center who snapped the ball over Blanchard's head for the safety.

CONWAY WAIVED

SEPT 21 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Dave Conway, who kicked six of seven field goals in the exhibition season, was waived this morning by the Green Bay Packers. No explanation was given immediately by the Packers and Conway was claimed by the New Orleans Saints.

WORD FROM ROOM 912: PACK PROGRESS NOT HURT

SEPT 21 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The extent of physical injury, to both playing and coaching personnel, had been largely determined. Now Dan Devine, smartly attired in Nile green pajamas and reposing in a St. Vincent Hospital bed, had been asked to assess what damage Sunday's 42-40 loss to the New York Giants might have inflicted upon the Packers psyche. The suggestion, made at a somewhat congested press conference in Room 912, was that it could have been substantial, considering the Giants are a team the Packers had been favored to beat...HATE 0-AND-1: Devine demurred. "I honestly don't think we will have any loss in morale," he said, fingering the television microphone suspended from his neck as he spoke. "Certainly, I hate to be 0-and-1. That's the big thing about it. But I don't think it's going to hurt the development of the team or how we play next week. If when it was 28-7, it had ballooned to 55-12, I would have been very concerned. But when you get it back to 42-40, as we did, and you only have to kick a 43-yard field goal to win, you've come a long way back." Despite traumatic events of the day, personally climaxed when he suffered a broken leg in a fourth quarter mishap along the sidelines, Devine was inclined to take the positive approach. "It's hard for me to be critical when they played as hard as they did," he explained. "I like to speak in areas of improvement."...NOT HANDICAPPED: He was even more emphatic about his plans to resume his coaching role on the Packers South Oneida Street practice field, presumably from a golf cart. "I've only missed one practice in 23 years of coaching and I don't intend to miss Tuesday," he vowed. "I'd like to divorce myself from the injury thing. I don't feel nearly as handicapped as I thought I would...I'm more concerned about the squad." Dr. James W. Nellen, Packer team physician, differed with Devine, however. He permitted the coach to appear at the Packer office to view films this morning but then ordered him back to the hospital while the team went out to practice. His most specific concern revolves around the condition of defensive tackle Mike McCoy, who suffered a sprained knee on the first play of Sunday's match. "I just talked to Domenic Gentile (Packer trainer) and he said they're going to take a wait-and-see approach for three or four days," he reported. "The best estimate now is that Mike will be out for 10 days...But I'm not going to rule him out. There's no noticeable instability in the ligament, I'm told, but there's soreness in the cartilage area "...CAUTIOUS STANCE: Devine adopted a cautious stance on another matter, the status of quarterback Zeke



Giants' Junior Coffey is stopped by Packers' Fred Carr after short gain

Word From Room 912: Pack Progress Not Hurt

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Eastern Division

	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000	22	0
New England	1	0	0	1.000	20	6
Miami	0	0	1	.000	10	10
Buffalo	0	1	0	.000	37	49
New York Jets	0	1	0	.000	0	22

Central Division

Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000	37	14
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	31	0
Houston	0	1	0	.000	0	31
Pittsburgh	0	1	0	.000	15	17

Western Division

San Diego	1	0	0	1.000	21	14
Denver	0	0	1	.000	10	10
Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	14	21
Oakland	0	1	0	.000	6	20

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Eastern Division

	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Dallas	1	0	0	1.000	49	37
New York Giants	1	0	0	1.000	42	40
Washington	1	0	0	1.000	24	17
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	14	37
St. Louis	0	1	0	.000	17	24

Central Division

Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	17	15
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	—	—
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	—	—
Green Bay	0	1	0	.000	40	42

Western Division

Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	20	17
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	24	20
Los Angeles	0	1	0	.000	20	24
San Francisco	0	1	0	.000	17	20

RESULTS SUNDAY

Atlanta 20, San Francisco 17
 Dallas 49, Buffalo 37
 Cincinnati 37, Philadelphia 14
 Cleveland 31, Houston 0
 New England 20, Oakland 6
 New York Giants 42, Green Bay 40
 Chicago 17, Pittsburgh 15
 Washington 24, St. Louis 17
 New Orleans 24, Los Angeles 20
 Miami 10, Denver 10, tie
 San Diego 21, Kansas 14
 Baltimore 22, New York Jets 0

GAME TONIGHT

Minnesota at Detroit, 8 p.m.

	Minnesota	Detroit
First downs	14	15
Rushing yardage	29-43	38-160
Passing yardage	232	56
Return yardage	21	54
Passes (C-A-I)	19-32-2	7-25-0
Puns	5-49	4-41.9
Fumbles lost	2	1
Yards penalized	65	52
Minnesota	0 3 7	6-16
Detroit	10 3 0	0-13

Det—Fg Mann 20
 Det—Farr 3 pass from Landry (Mann kick)
 Det—Fg Mann 36
 Minn—Fg Cox 13
 Minn—Grim 45 pass from Cuozzo (Cox kick)
 Minn—Fg Cox 42
 Minn—Fg Cox 9

Bratkowski and Scott Hunter. "I don't like to get into a competition type thing in this," he said. "I don't feel there is any competition on our team to start. All Zeke and Scott want to see the Packers do is win...Zeke was a big help to Scott every time he came out of the game in the second half...I think by the time the season is over, we'll be glad we've got both Zeke and Scott. But I wouldn't have any reservations about starting a rookie quarterback. In fact, I did during the pre-season. I did start Hunter. But anybody who stands around and gets his leg broken," he said with a grin, "is liable to do almost anything."...NOT ONE MAN: Hunter, it was noted, had triggered the Packers second half comeback - from a 28-14 halftime deficit. "I think the same thing would have happened if we'd put in somebody else," Devine was quick to assert. "It was a team thing. I don't think one man would make that much difference...It's not Zeke's fault, for example, that Dave Hampton doesn't pick up the ball in the end zone. And if Hampton doesn't trip over Dick Himes on that kickoff return in the second quarter when it's 14-7, you don't know how the game would have developed from there...ONE WEEK DECISION: "As far as who starts is concerned, I said last week that this was strictly a one-week decision. I'm not going to say who will start against Denver Sunday. It could be that Scott will start and Zeke will bail him out, if that should be necessary." Appraising the Pack's overall performance, he observed, "We didn't break down in the technical aspects. We broke down on a play we've run at least 200 times, a trap play that's been in the book here forever. It was a little bit of a gamble, running a trap down there (Hampton fumbled in the end zone and the Giants recovered for a second quarter touchdown), of course...DON'T FUMBLE: "It was just a dropped handoff. This is not the difference between college and pro football - my teams didn't fumble in the end zone when I coached in high school. I just thought that happened to the other team - fumbling in the end zone," he said dryly. "I guess we're just going to have to work on fundamentals a lot more from now on and next fall when we go to camp. Another thing I've said is we're a poor tackling team and the Dick Houston touchdown (he broke away from Doug Hart to complete an 81-yard pass-run collaboration with Fran Tarkenton) was a crucial play...HAD MOMENTUM: "At that point, we come out for the second half, get a field goal and have all the momentum. We had them backed up third-and-12 and would have had them punting into the wind." Devine admitted the Giants had surprised with "some special plays, but they didn't make that much difference. Their first touchdown was just a double wing and the tight end ran a drag-and-down. You're just matching one guy against one guy. The Giants just played like a team that had great spirit last year and a quarterback who threw four touchdown passes...Plus we didn't rush real well and we didn't contain real well."...EXPECTED FUMBLE: Despite this lack of artistry, Devine said he had been confident of victory, even while lying in the hospital during the game's final minutes. "I was listening on the radio and you kind of get those feelings," he said. "I knew the Giants were going to fumble on that punt, even before they did. But the fumbled snap did just what we didn't want it to...It got into the end zone and we came out with a safety instead of maybe getting it on the two or three - because it would have been our ball - and probably getting a touchdown out of it. I told the team at halftime that we would find a way to win...And we did find a way, but we just couldn't quite get it done. Lou Michaels had visions of being another George Blanda. I asked him if he could kick a field goal from there (43 yards)...He said he could and I believe it."...PACKER PATTERN: While Devine studied the game film in his hospital room, the balance of the Packer coaching staff analyzed the Packer-Giant

proceedings in the team's Lombardi Avenue projection room Monday under the direction of Assistant Coach Dave Hanner, who had been named acting head coach following Devine's injury during the waning minutes of the game. The staff later adjourned to a conference room at St. Vincent Monday night for a staff meeting with Devine, who is wearing a walking cast...Sunday's free scoring struggle made Packer history. The 82 points the Packers and Giants amassed were the most ever scored in Lambeau Field, dedicated in 1957. The previous high was 73, set in a 38-35 Packer victory in 1958 and equaled in a 45-28 decision over the Cardinals in the Pack's 1969 season finale.

ABSOLUTELY CRAZY

SEPT 21 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Absolutely the craziest game I've ever seen. The words varied with the individual but fan after soggy fan staggered away from Lambeau Field Sunday mumbling something along that line. The analysis stemmed primarily from the zany second quarter, which saw the Giants score four touchdowns and the Packers one under such weird circumstances that the entire production deserves a recap here. Actually, it began just moments before the first quarter ended when Giant Spider Lockhart misjudged a Donny Anderson punt and had to make an over the shoulder fair

catch like Willie Mays in Candlestick. Tarkenton then passed to Kotite for a 55-yard advance to the Packer 1-yard line, the play befuddling Doug Hart, a most unusual circumstance in itself. Now let's pick up the second quarter...

1 - Junior Coffey hits the line and fumbles. Only nobody sees the ball squirt backward except Tarkenton, who dives among a tangle of legs to retrieve it.

2 - Tarkenton passes to Houston for the touchdown off a scramble.

3 - Dave Hampton brings the kickoff back upfield and has wide open spaces in front of him...except for Dick Himes. And Hampton manages to trip over his teammate.

4 - The Packers reach the Giant 39 but Dave Conway's field goal attempt is short and Lockhart returns it to the 19.

5 - The Giants are forced to punt and Al Randolph, trying to swing back and block for the returners, gets his toe in the way of the ball, which is officially interpreted as a fumble and the Giants recover.

6 - On the first play thereafter, Tarkenton tosses to Houston for a touchdown while Al Matthews is being called for pass interference.

7 - Larry Krause returns the kickoff 29 yards to the Packer 41 for fine field position.

8 -- The Pack loses yardage and Donny Anderson punts from the 35...for 24 yards after being rushed hard. In fact, he was bumped but the official waved off any penalty.

9 - The Packers stop the Giants with nine yards on three plays and Tom Blanchard punts for New York...21 yards.

10 - After the Packers punt back, Tarkenton passes to Clifton McNeil, who drops the perfect pass going away.

11 - Pete Gogolak's field goal try is short and Ellis takes it one yard in the end zone, hesitates slightly and then runs out. But Willie Wood is called for clipping and the ball is put on the 3-yard line.

12 - On the first play, the handoff from Bratkowski to Hampton is fumbled. Zeke crawls for the ball but Giant Ralph Heck beats him to it for a touchdown.

13 - The kickoff bounces between Krause and Hampton into the end zone, where Hampton tries to get it but loses it and Giant Joe Green recovers the free ball for a touchdown...the second Giant TD within six official seconds.

14 - Hampton, continuing the remarkable kick return script, brings the kickoff back to the Packer 48 and Francis Peay is detected holding on the first play, putting the ball on the Packer 33.

15 - With 1:10 left in the half, Bratkowski moves the Packers to a touchdown, the payoff coming on a 20-yard pass to Hampton, who makes a sensational catch after Rich McGeorge did his best to inadvertently tip it away. After that, the fact that the two teams exchanged touchdowns within 22 seconds in the third quarter...actually, a field goal and two touchdowns within two minutes and 10 seconds...seemed rather commonplace.

WEAVERS, LOYAL FANS, MAKE POINTS AFTER PACKERS GAME

SEPT 21 (Wisconsin State Journal) - If you think you spent a miserable Sunday afternoon watching the Green Bay Packers on television, you should have been with the president of the University of Wisconsin and his wife. They were there. The John Weavers loyally went to watch the debut of another "transfer" from the University of Missouri, Dan Devine, the Packers' new coach. "We wanted to see the Packers launched with Devine guidance," Mrs. Weaver told the Madison Catholic Woman's Club before her talk there Monday afternoon. They sat in the stands in the afternoon-long rain. **WEAVER WORE** a plastic garbage can liner over his head, breathing through two holes he poked with his finger. "I was much more fashionable," Mrs. Weaver pointed out. She covered her hair with a plastic scarf that dripped icy water down her neck all afternoon. "Before the game people kept telling Devine it never rained like this when Lombardi was coach," she reported. The Weavers emerged wet and chilled. Their team lost, 42-40, in a game where "anything that could possibly happen did." In one of the weirdest casualties in professional football history, their host suffered a broken leg when an opposition player accidentally crashed into him on the sidelines. And on the way back, the Weavers' car broke down in Oshkosh and they had to hire a substitute to get home.

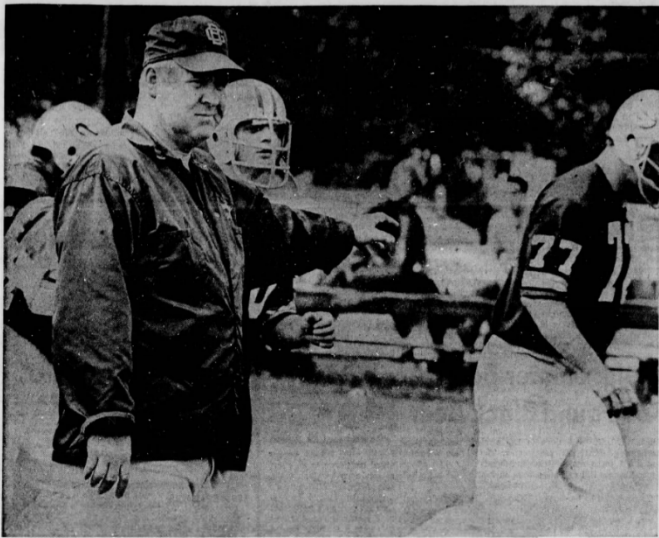


EX-PACKER CAFFEY TRADED TO DALLAS

SEPT 22 (Chicago) - The Chicago Bears traded veteran linebacker Lee Roy Caffey to the Dallas Cowboys for an undisclosed draft choice Tuesday. Caffey, 30, was acquired by the Bears from the Green Bay Packers in a trade after the 1969 season and played in all 14 NFL games last season.

DEVINE CLOSES 'TOE CASE, MICHAELS THE PACKER KICKER

SEPT 22 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "I'd much rather kick an extra point than a field goal any day, because that means you've got seven points." On this highly practical note, left-footed Lou Michaels solemnly stepped into his role as THE Packer placekicking specialist Tuesday, an assignment which has been fraught with professional peril hereabouts ever since Don Chandler retired following the 1967 season. This substantial responsibility devolved upon the 35-year-old former Colt, who will be 35 next Tuesday, after Dan Devine revealed that Dave Conway, the kicker of record through most of the exhibition season, had been placed on waivers in the wake of what the Packer coach termed "a very tough decision." Devine made the announcement from a wheelchair, his only mode of mobility at the moment, in the Packers meeting room at Lambeau Field after viewing film of Sunday's 42-40 loss to the New York Giants in company with his team...CHIEF IRONSIDE: Shortly thereafter he returned to his St. Vincent Hospital bed by way of a small van, a la TV's Chief Ironside, to elevate the left leg broken in a sideline accident during the fourth quarter of that misadventure. He said, however, that he



Assistant Coach Dave Hanner Directs Practice Tuesday . . .



While Head Coach Dan Devine Rests in the Dressing Room

hoped to be out on the practice field today. Michaels, fifth ranking scorer in pro football history, expressed regret over Conway's departure - and the hope that future events will uphold the coaching staff's judgment. "I don't like to see anybody go," he said. "I feel sorry that Dave had to be the one. He's a good boy and I hope things turn out for him...He didn't do a bad job here - in fact he had a wonderful record. It's just one of those things. I just hope Coach Devine's decision was correct and that what I do from now on will make it the right decision."...CONWAY SURPRISED: Conway, meanwhile, described himself as "very much surprised" by the turn of events. Successful in six of seven pre-season field goal tries after checking in from the Dallas Cowboys' camp, he had missed his only effort in Sunday's NFL opener, a 47-yard attempt. He contacted the New Orleans Saints and said he was told to report immediately by owner John Mecom Jr. "I guess they were impressed by the 49-yard field goal I kicked against them when I was with the Cowboys earlier in the season," Conway said.

Michaels, a kicker for 12 previous seasons with the Steelers, Rams and Colts, is only too well aware of the burden he assumes...LIMIT THE MISSES: "Pro football isn't as much fun as most people think it is," he said soberly. "It's a pretty big business. I feel that I'm in a position where I can't afford to make mistakes. When another player misses a tackle, it usually isn't that important. But everything counts when you're a kicker and you miss. When you miss one, that's three points the whole team has lost," said the dark-browed former University of Kentucky star, who has amassed 915 points with his well-traveled foot in NFL competition. Devine indicated that experience and versatility weighed heavily in the decision to go with Michaels. "Conway had a fine record with us," he admitted, "but we weighed the situation very carefully and just decided we couldn't take up that much space with two kickers." "Certainly a big factor in the decision also was Lou's experience," Devine said. "He's kicked in bad weather, he's kicked in the mud, and he's kicking well now. And his kickoffs are better than Dave's. In the coaching staff's opinion, Lou was the one we should go with." Resolution of the placekicking issue also will affect other areas, Devine reported. "This move means that Ken Duncan probably will be our punter against Denver Sunday, backed up by Donny Anderson," he said. "Duncan also is a wide receiver, so he's a pretty valuable guy. With Donny banged up the way he has been because he's been playing so much, he hasn't punted quite as well as he normally does." Turning to other matters, Devine observed, "Now I'd just as soon forget last Sunday and my leg and concentrate on Denver. I think the Broncos have two of the best running backs around in Bobby Anderson and Floyd Little. In

fact, Little made a couple of moves in a film I've just seen of their game against the Bears that made me realize he's the closest thing to Gale Sayers around right now. And any team that can trade Alden Roche to us (for Don Horn) shows what they have in the defense line. To my mind, Roche again gave us a great effort against the Giants. In our last two games, I'm not so sure he hasn't been our best defensive player. He's played great on special teams, too. Don Horn looks pretty good for them in the film I've seen. As far as Sunday's game is concerned, I don't think his knowledge of our defense would help them but I think his knowledge of our offense might help them." The conversation once again shifted to the inconvenience Devine's immobilized leg has been causing him and to his immediate coaching future. "People keep insisting that I must be having pain, but I'm really not," he said with a smile. "The only pain I have is being stuck in this wheelchair... I feel good, except for a fantastic feeling of stupidity, for lack of a better word. I've been so comfortable in my life," Devine joked. "It's like sitting in front of the fireplace toasting marshmallows." On the subject of his return to the hospital, he said, "I'm a good patient - I do everything they tell me because I want to get out of this thing as soon as possible. Doctor Nellen just wants to keep the leg elevated so it will cut down on the swelling so I can get out of the cast quicker. "As far as that's concerned, I can do everything I normally do in the office at the hospital. I hope to be out tomorrow and on the practice field, but I'm really a good patient. Right now, I'm working on being on the sidelines on crutches Sunday back out of the way, of course," he added with a chuckle. "If I can't be, I'll be in the press box."...PACKER PATTERN: When it was noted that Conway's departure leaves the Packers with only one bona fide placekicking specialist, Devine informed, "Tim Webster is in Arkansas, but he's close to a telephone...We can always call him in, if we need him. We also have people on the roster who can kick in an emergency...Willie Wood can placekick and Ken Duncan also can kick a little bit."...To replace Conway

numerically, the Packers added rookie center Richard (Wimpy) Winther to the taxi squad. The move leaves 39 active and eight taxied at this point...On the matter of injuries, Devine said that defensive tackle Mike McCoy currently is listed as questionable and linebackers Dave Robinson and Jim Carter as probable for Sunday's game. McCoy, who reported good progress in his recovery, strained knee ligaments on the first play of the Giant match. Robinson has a fractured bone in his right wrist, although he went the route against New York, and Carter a pulled hamstring muscle which kept him out of action. Following the morning's film session, the Packers worked out on the South Oneida Street practice field for an hour under the direction of defensive line coach Dave Hanner.

BARTENDER LOU GLAD PACK LOOKED HIM UP

SEPT 22 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Left-footed Lou Michaels is back, starting a second career in the National Football League at 34. He doesn't think he deserved to be away in the first place. Michaels, after kicking 912 points in a 12-year NFL career, was cut by the Baltimore Colts last summer. None of the 25 other teams took a chance on him until the Packers, desperate for placekicking since Don Chandler retired before the 1968 season, looked him up in Swoyersville, Pa., less than a month ago. Michaels was not impressive his first two weeks with the Packers, but the snap suddenly returned to his leg. He was handed the regular job Tuesday when Green Bay released its other kicker, Dave Conway...RAN BAR: "I spent the year at home, running a little bar I have," Michaels said, "I thought I might be called back when the exhibition season ended last year, but I didn't know if some people might have been trying to keep me out of the league. Actually, I thought I might turn up here last year," Michaels said. "But I heard Phil Bengtson didn't want me." Michaels, a No. 1 draft choice of the Los Angeles Rams as a defensive end and kicker in 1958, admits he had a hard-to-handle reputation in his early days. "I wasn't the nicest kid in the world when I was a rookie, but whatever I did off the field never jeopardized the guys on the field," he said. "I like to win, and all I want to do now is help the Packers win. I'm very happy Coach (Dan) Devine gave me this opportunity."...CAN'T UNDERSTAND CUT: Michaels still can't understand why Baltimore dropped him in favor of rookie Jim O'Brien-who went on to win the Super Bowl with his last-minute field goal. "It was funny, in a way," he said. "George Blanda and I got cut the same day. So Blanda comes back and he's the player of the year. I made four out of five field goals in the exhibition season last year, and the kid (O'Brien) missed something like nine out of 12. They made the right move, though, let me say that, because he made the big one. But I don't think they would have needed it in that situation if I had played." Michaels concedes he had his worst season in 1969, which may have influenced the Colts' thinking...LOST HOLDER: "I had lost Bobby Boyd, who had been my holder for years, and when you're left-footed, finding the right holder is touchy," he said. "They gave me Rick Volk as a holder and it just didn't pan out," Michaels said. "I missed some I know I should have made. But then I got Earl Morrall to do it, and it came back to par." Michaels' holder at Green Bay is Donny Anderson, another lefty. "Donny's only worked a few weeks with me and he's getting better every day," he said. "He works hard at it and keeps his mind on it, which is a good feeling."...LEG HURRIED BACK: Michaels told the Packers when they called he would have to do a lot of kicking to regain the strength in his leg after a year in exile. "They understood when I wasn't kicking real well when I first got here," he said. "I did an awful lot of running, but I didn't really have a tired leg. It just wasn't strong enough." "But when it did come back, it did in a hurry. It was the Thursday before the last exhibition game. A kicker doesn't lose much in a year. Oh, this leg might get a little weak. But kickers are born, not made. You shouldn't lose it if you keep in decent condition. If I'd been here at the start of the year, there wouldn't have been any problem." Michaels' confidence extends to pressure situations. "You know, whatever will be will be," he said. "There's nothing you can say - you just miss it or make it. The more you think about it, the more you miss."...CHANDLER FG NO GOOD: Michaels' career with Baltimore included a number of memorable battles with Green Bay, including the 1965 championship game won by the Packers in sudden death on a disputed Chandler field goal. To this day, the Colts insist the kick was no good. Has Michaels reconsidered, now that he wears the green and gold? "I know it was not good - and so does Chandler," he snapped. "I'm the kind of guy, if its good or no good, I'll tell him."

STARTING ROCHE'S GOAL

SEPT 22 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Ever since mid-July, Packer railbirds have been smitten with Alden Roche's awesome potential. When the mustachioed Louisianian began laying about him with abandon in the season's very first scrimmage, they nodded approval and enthused, "He's going to be hard to keep out of that front four." To date, their unanimous prediction has not become a reality. But, off his impromptu performance in behalf of the injured Mike McCoy at



Happy kicker
Packers' Lou Michaels puts his shoes into his locker after workout at Green Bay Tuesday. Michaels became the team's only place kicker after Coach Dan Devine placed Dave Conway on waivers.

Dave Bradley

Guard — Penn State
Height 6-4, Weight 245
Born in Burnham, Pa., Feb. 13, 1947

3rd year in pro ball . . . Second round draft choice . . . 5.0 speed in 40 . . . Excellent pass blocker with quick feet and good power . . . Played in Orange Bowl, American Bowl, E-W Shrine Game, and College All-Star game . . . Active for 4 games in 1969 and in 1970. Residence: Green Bay, Wisconsin.

tackle during Sunday's 42-40 duel with the New York Giants, the day of fulfillment may be close at hand. Defensive line coach Dave Hanner, for one highly pertinent example, was taken with the former Denver Bronco's efforts. "Right now, Roche stands a real good chance of breaking into the starting lineup," he says. "At what position, I don't know yet. But we're going to have to get better performance out of some of our other people or he will be in there. He hasn't played that much tackle, but he stood in there against the Giants, was strong and did a pretty good job. I realize the field was wet for both teams, but I think we'll get a better pass rush out of him. He made several good moves in rushing the passer and also was strong against the run... STARTING STATUS OBJECTIVE: Roche freely admits that starting status is his immediate and long range objective, but he was somewhat less than enchanted with his play, despite the fact that he is basically an end and had not performed at tackle in a game since his college days at Southern University. "I didn't do as well as I wanted to," said Alden, who is deadly serious about his violent profession. "That's probably because my expectations are different from what other people's might be. "If I make one mistake during a game, it bothers me. So it's very seldom that I ever feel good after a football game...About the only time I'd feel good about a game I played is if they don't gain a yard over my position and I put pressure on the quarterback all the time." This, he concedes, may not be entirely realistic. "But that's my goal," Roche declared. "I can't be happy if I'm blocked twice in a game, even if I did good the rest of the time. Somebody else might say it was a good game, but to me it's not." Although he found some adjustments were necessary when he was suddenly called upon to replace McCoy on the second play of the game, he noted with simple practicality, "One thing you know is that you can't be wrong if you go in there and hit somebody. You don't have to move too much at tackle, compared to end, unless you're in a 5-1, so you're mainly concerned about hitting the guy front of you and reacting."...STUDIED YOUR MAN: "It does affect you some, I guess, when you have been playing end most of the time and you are preparing to play against a tackle. You've studied your man on film and you know exactly what you're going to do...This way, you might make some mental mistakes you wouldn't make if you weren't playing two positions." Roche, scheduled to face his former Denver teammates in Milwaukee County Stadium Sunday afternoon, admits he is looking forward to the confrontation. "You have to give everything you've got in every game, but I guess I'll have a little extra incentive in this one," says the 6-4, 250-pound strongboy, acquired last January in the trade which sent quarterback Don Horn to the Broncos. He is more concerned with other matters at the moment. "For a guy who is just coming into the league (he is in his second season), you're primarily thinking about getting a shot to play," he says. "My objective is to be a starter...I won't be satisfied until I am. Any football player has pride and he doesn't want to be second to anybody else. I guess once you make the starting lineup, you won't be satisfied until you're all-pro," he philosophically summed up. "You're always striving for perfection. That's the way it should be, I guess."

PEPPLER TO COACH: NEW FACES ON PACKER FIELD, OFFICE STAFF

SEPT 23 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - There is a "new" face on the Packer practice field today...and another in the front office. A. P. (Pat) Peppler, assistant to the general manager and director of player personnel, henceforth "will devote more time to on-the-field coaching responsibilities," GM—Coach Dan Devine announced today. In a companion announcement, Devine revealed that Gary Lane, employed only last week as a taxi squad quarterback, has joined the organization's personnel department "and also will have other duties assigned to him." Elaborating on Peppler's partial reassignment, Devine said, "Green Bay has one of the smaller coaching staffs in the league and I feel we can use more personnel in that area." Peppler has an extensive background in coaching, having produced state high school championship teams in football in the East Lansing, Mich., area before moving on to the University of North Carolina, where he served as an assistant coach for eight seasons. He also was an assistant coach at Wake Forest for one year before coming to Green Bay in 1963 to succeed Dick Voris as director of player personnel. Lane played for the Cleveland Browns, New York Giants and Los Angeles Rams after starring under Devine at the University of Missouri. He was with Saskatchewan of the Canadian Football League in 1970 and joined the Packers in July after obtaining his release from the Rough Riders.

DEVINE WATCHES AS HUNTER QUARTERBACKS FIRST TEAM

SEPT 23 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "I had the best seat in the house," Dan Devine jested. Enconced in a wheelchair, he delivered the quip from the rear platform of a golf cart nestled against the east fence of the Packers' South Oneida Street practice field early Wednesday afternoon. A billowy plastic covering enveloped his cast-encased left leg fractured in a sideline mishap during the fourth quarter of last Sunday's 42-40 loss to the Giants, and it was supported by a board to assure stability. It was Devine's first appearance on the practice field since the accident - he had been required to forego Tuesday's workout under doctor's orders -- and the weather could have been somewhat more benevolent...NIPPY TEMPERATURES: But the Packer coach had no complaints, despite the nippy temperatures, which he endured in virtual immobility for nearly two hours. He had arrived in a small van, driven by new assistant Gary Lane, and been transferred to

Elijah Pitts

Running Back — Philander Smith

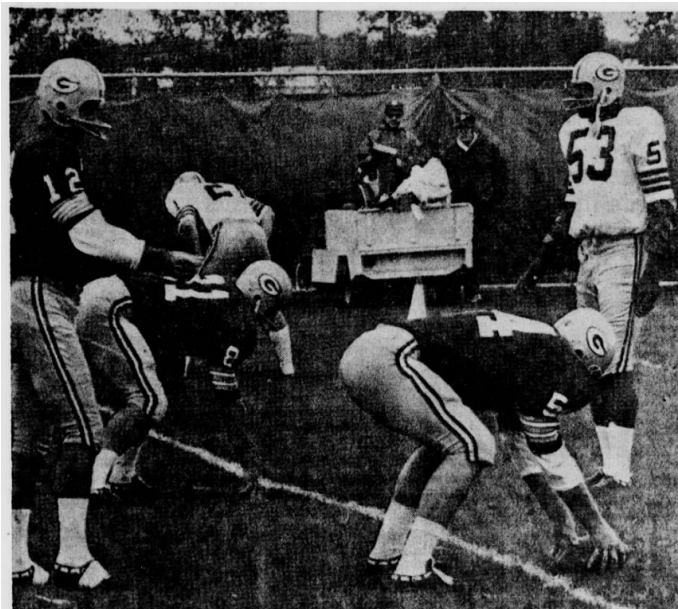
Height 6-1, Weight 210

Born in Conway, Ark.,

Feb. 3, 1939

11th year in pro ball . . . Packers thirteenth round draft choice in 1960 . . . 9.6 speed in 100 . . . Holds collegiate conference 440 record with 47.1 . . . Gulf Coast Conference scoring record holder . . . Economics Major . . . Fifteenth leading Packer ball carrier all-time . . . Started seventh game of 1966 season . . . Rushed 113 times for 373 yds. and 7 TDs . . . Caught 26 passes for 460 yds. and 3 TDs . . . Leading Packer ball carrier in 1966 NFL Title game with 12 rushes for 66 yards and caught one pass for a 17 yard TD . . . Rushed 11 times for 45 yds. against Chiefs in Super Bowl scoring 2 TDs and caught two passes for 22 yds. . . . Scored 60 points in 14 League games in 1966 . . . 13th leading Packer scorer with 204 career points . . . Missed final six games of 1967 season with torn Achilles tendon . . . Traded to Bears prior to '70 season as part of McCoy deal . . . Active with Saints in 1970 . . . Reacquired by Packers as free agent in 1971. Residence: Brown Deer, Wisconsin.

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Special Vantage Point

Green Bay Packer coach Dan Devine watches Wednesday's practice from a new vantage point — a wheelchair mounted on the flatbed of a golf cart. Devine suffered a broken leg during Sunday's game against the New York Giants — AP Wirephoto.

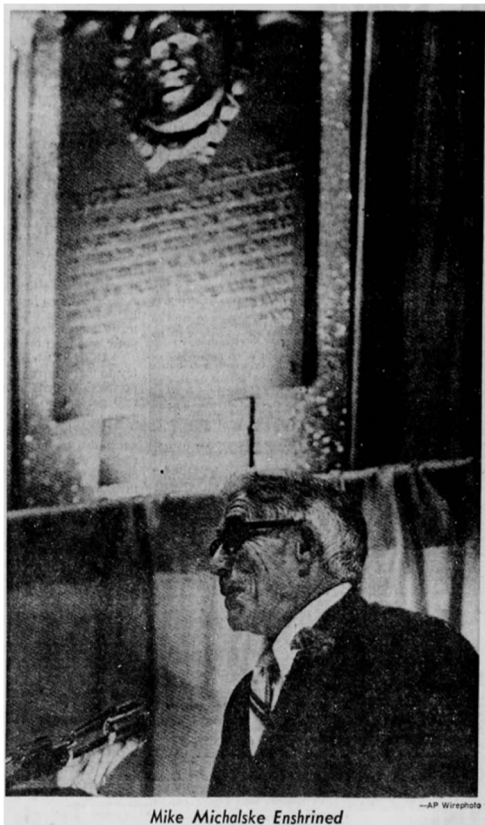
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HILTON TO VIKES

SEPT 23 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - John Hilton, released last week by the Packers, has been signed by the Minnesota Vikings, who have lost regular John Beasley and recently acquired Bob Brown through injuries.

TURNER BACK TO BOOK

SEPT 24 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Placekicker Jim Turner's biographical sketch in the Denver Broncos' 1971 press-radio-television guide begins, logically enough, on a positive note. After explaining that he had come to Denver in an even up trade for kicker Bobby Howfield, it optimistically confided, "The Broncos feel Turner's consistency will more than offset the loss of Howfield's booming kickoffs and long distance field goals." The foregoing was written, needless to say, before Turner ever put foot to football in behalf of the Broncos, printing deadlines being what they are. And, based on past performance, it was a highly reasonable assumption. Howfield, a British born soccer kicker, had diminished the value of his towering kickoffs and distance shots from the field with inconsistent success on medium to short range field goals...much like the one Detroit's Erroll Mann missed in the closing seconds of the Lions' 16-13 loss to Minnesota last Monday night...DESERVED REPUTATION: Turner, on the other hand, had acquired a deserved reputation for consistency, rather than distance, although he came to Denver with two 50-yard field goals on his career dossier. And he had gained such eminence in the Jets' drive to the world championship two years ago that he had been persuaded to author a book on the art of placekicking. But things, ironically, have not gone well for the former Utah State quarterback since becoming a Bronco.



"Turner is off to a rocky start," reports Denver Publicity Director Bob Peck, here to discourse upon the Broncos in connection with Sunday's Milwaukee appearance against the Packers. "The trade hasn't worked out that well thus far. Jim has been very inconsistent." The first "pure" kicker in American Football League history to amass more than 500 points, he hit on only one of three field goal attempts in the Broncos' opening 10-10 tie with the Miami Dolphins last Sunday and both misses, ironically, were in his primary range - from 20 to 30 yards. That performance was only the continuation of erratic artistry that plagued him throughout the pre-season. Coach Lou Saban, however, remains confident that Turner will find himself...HORN NOW HOLDING: "He has too good a record to pan him," Peck says. "For one thing, he's changed holders a couple of times and he's had trouble with snappers. Now Don Horn has taken over as his holder and he's a good one. So everybody feels Jim should be getting back into the groove. Turner, I might add, isn't the only kicker who has been having troubles. Garo Yepremian missed three out of four field goal attempts against us for Miami. Part of it may be that teams are doing more defensively than they used to try to foul up field goals...and with pretty good success. Everybody's overloading and stunting. We like to think we had something to do with Yepremian's three misses." Turner, meanwhile, has been a frequent visitor to the projecting room, studying film of his kicking motion at length. He has discovered that he, like many a Sunday golfer, has been taking his eye off the ball. "He found out he was looking up a little bit," Peck says, "and not kicking his old style...That should be easy enough to correct, so Jim is confident he'll get going now."

STATE 'HALL' INDUCTS MICHALSKE

SEPT 24 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – About 1,000 spectators and a host of celebrities turned out Thursday for the enshrinement of six former sports greats in the Wisconsin Athletic Hall of Fame. The six, all athletes of three or more decades ago, were presented bronze portrait plaques which will now hang among 51 others in the Hall of Fame at the Arena. Enshrined were:

August "Iron Mike" Michalske, called the "Guard of the Century" for his performance on the Green Bay Packers 1929, 1930 and 1931 world championship teams.

William A. (Billy) Sixty, a sportswriter more than 50 years with the Milwaukee Journal and a former standout in bowling and golf.

Charles "Chuck" Fenske, called the "Monarch of the Mile" while a star runner at the University of Wisconsin in the late 1930's and early 1940's.

Kenneth Keltner, star Cleveland Indians third baseman during the 1940's who appeared in eight All-Star games for the American League.

John N. Sick, All-American halfback for Marquette University who later starred for the Chicago Bears.

Harold "Bud" Foster, All-American UW basketball center of 1930 who later coached the Badgers to the 1941 NCAA championship.

Among the celebrities attending and presenting awards were UW President John Weaver, UW Athletic Director Elroy "Crazy Legs" Hirsch, Baseball Hall of Famer Lou Boudreau, and Green Bay Packers President Dominic Olejniczak. The Wisconsin hall of Fame was founded in 1951. Michalske, the 10th Packer to enter the state Hall of Fame, looked at his bronze plaque during his enshrinement and said "I think that looks better than I do." Michalske paid tribute to the Packers in his acceptance speech, pointing out "win, lose or draw the Packers are a great organization." The former Packer lineman, also a member of pro football's Hall of Fame, was presented for induction by Olejniczak who said "Mike was among those early stars who formed the foundation for the future of the Packers." The Michalske plaque was unveiled by former teammates Buckets Goldenberg and Verne Lewellen. Other Packers in the Hall of Fame are Don Hutson, Clarke Hinkle, Cub Buck, Red Dunn, Johnny Blood, Curly Lambeau, Arnie Herber, Lavvie Dilweg and Lewellen.

SABAN SEES HORN AS KEY TO BRONCOS

SEPT 24 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - A year ago, the Denver Broncos startled their American Football Conference brethren by breaking from the gate with a 4-1 record. Their early successes included a 26-13 stunning of the then world champion Kansas City Chiefs, conquerors of Minnesota's mighty Vikings in the 1970 Super Bowl. Unanimously consigned to the basement in pre-season forecasting, they were not supposed to do that sort of thing. And, as the season wore on, they did permit the prognosticators to save some face, winning only one of their last nine games to emerge with a mediocre 5-8-1 record. Despite that unsettling swoon, Coach Lou Saban is convinced the Broncos are ready to make a run for the roses this year, an opinion he expects them to substantiate against the Packers in Milwaukee County Stadium Sunday afternoon...ERRATIC RADAR: The man largely responsible for this show of confidence, curiously enough, is quarterback Don Horn, an athlete who has yet to fulfill the late Vince Lombardi's prediction that he would become "the greatest quarterback in National Football League history" as the potential successor to Bart Starr. Horn was plagued with highly erratic radar while wearing Packer colors in 1970, completing only 28 of 76 passes and throwing 10 interceptions, a performance which undoubtedly hastened his departure in a January trade for Alden Roche. Apparently renewed by a

change of scenery, he has made a believer of Saban, who calls the flamboyant former San Diego State field general the key to Denver's 1971 hopes...**HUNTER TO START:** Poetically, Horn will be paired with the talented young Alabamian who is the new heir apparent to Starr's Packer mantle, Scott Hunter. Coach Dan Devine announced Thursday that the ever confident rookie will be his starting quarterback against the Broncos. Horn's arm, always his primary asset, and his take-charge approach have impressed Saban, who has been on the prowl for a quarterback ever since he left the University of Maryland campus in 1967 to become the Broncos' head coach and general manager. The team, Denver Publicity Director Bob Peck reports, also is sold on the outspoken Californian. "The players like him," he says. "He runs the team well, throws the ball well and throws the ball well under pressure." The Broncos' board of strategy already was well satisfied with Denver's defense. The Coloradans sacked enemy quarterbacks 50 times in 1970, second best record in the National Football League, and followed up that performance by felling Miami's Bob Griese five times in last week's 10-10 tie with the Dolphins. "The addition of cornerback Leroy Mitchell in a trade has really improved the defense," Peck noted, "and Saban feels the only other way to improve it is to keep them from playing too much...And Don Horn is the key to that." The Packers' Doug Hart, who has been studying his former colleague on film, finds considerable evidence of the "old" Don Horn. But he also finds indication of new restraint. "Don is still a dangerous passer," he said, "and he's pretty good in play selection...And he can throw quickly under pressure - he's always had a quick release. But now he appears to be throwing more short passes. He's throwing to both backs quite a bit. But he still has a couple of outside receivers that he'll test you with on the long ball." Hart politely declined comment on Horn's assertion the Packers "are a team I know we're going to beat." "I can't think of a player who has left a team who didn't want to beat the team he had left very badly," the Pack's veteran strong safety diplomatically observed...**PACKER PATTERN:** Devine, who again viewed practice from a golf cart-mounted wheelchair Thursday, reported there now is a chance that injured defensive tackle Mike McCoy will be available against the Broncos. "There's some hope that Mike will be able to play," he said. "He looked pretty good this morning. In fact, he looked better than I thought he would. Before practice, I was about ready to write him off." Devine said that another casualty, middle linebacker Jim Carter, is likely to be ready. Carter has been hobbled by a pulled hamstring muscle, suffered three days prior to last Sunday's opener against the New York Giants. "Jim may not start," Devine said, "but he will be able to play." Commenting on his announcement that Hunter would start at quarterback, he pointed out, "This decision will probably be made each week. It's conceivable that Scott will start some weeks and that Zeke Bratkowski will start in some others." Devine effervesced over the practice performance of placekicker Lou Michaels, asserting, "Lou has been doing some fantastic kicking the last two days. He's been kicking them through there without any trouble, despite the wind." On the subject of his own confinement to the wheelchair, occasioned by a broken leg suffered in the Giant game, Devine said, "I feel like I'm getting into it out here more than I thought I would. I don't feel quite as helpless as I thought I would. I'm just trying to stay out of the way, so nobody has to avoid me." The Packer leader pronounced himself "very pleased" with the manner in which coaching aide Dave Hanner has directed the week's practices.

LITTLE, CLOSEST THING TO SAYERS, TO TEST PACKERS

SEPT 25 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers haven't seen much of Gale Sayers lately, which is all right with them. Not that they're particularly anti-social, nor that they are unfeeling about the injury problems the Chicago Bear nonpareil has been having. But they have some harrowing memories of the Kansas Comet, among them a gray November day in 1968 when he rolled up a record 205 yards against them in Lambeau Field. Sunday afternoon, the green and gold are due to encounter an athlete Coach Dan Devine has labeled a more than reasonable facsimile...Denver's Floyd Little. "He's the closest thing to Sayers I've seen," DD has said. Lionel Aldridge, who will have an opportunity to ascertain the validity of this appraisal at close hand, is inclined to agree with Devine's assessment after studying the former Syracuse star on film. "He's an outstanding runner, no question about it," Aldridge observed following Friday's practice. "He appears to be just about as hard to hit as Sayers, although he seems to go down a little quicker after he's hit than Gale does. "But that," the senior member of the Packers defensive line whimsically added, "is still pretty good...Little also gets free as easily as Sayers does. The other running back, Bob Anderson, appears to be a better receiver than Little, although he also is a good runner...Probably their fastest runner is one of their wide receivers, Dwight Harrison. He lines up on the wing and runs the reverse for them. In the films we've seen, he shows more speed than the other two." Judging by Little's track record, Aldridge and his fellow defenders are likely to find Floyd very much in evidence. The American Football Conference's rushing champion a year ago with 901 yards, he carried the ball 33 times in one exhibition this year. When he was twitted about extending himself in a no-count game, Little rejoined, "Fifty times a game wouldn't be enough. I make my living as a ball carrier and I'd just as soon carry it every play if they'd let me." That is a somewhat surprising statement, coming from a fellow who is a scant 5-foot-10 and 198 pounds...and who last season appeared in all 14 games for the first time in his five-

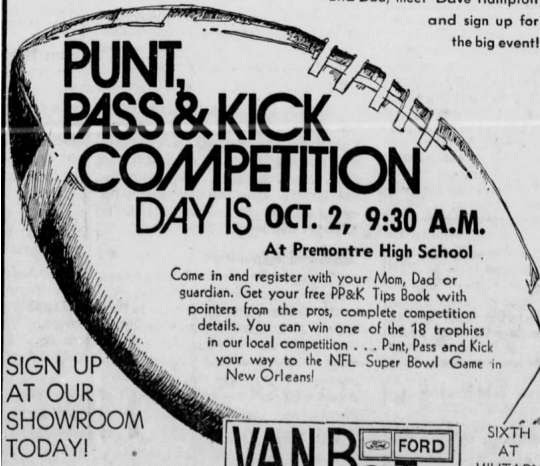


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week's final practice. He will direct operations from the press box by telephone Sunday afternoon...A familiar face will be missing from the Packer bench Sunday for the first time in 15 years. Equipment Manager G. E. (Dad) Braisher entered St. Vincent Hospital Friday afternoon for treatment of an ailing back.

PACKER PLUS IS THAT DENVER HAS SOMEWHAT OF PATCHWORK SECONDARY

SEPT 25 (Milwaukee) — Scott Hunter, man with a mission for the Green Bay Packers, may meet some solid opposition Sunday when he leads the National Football Conference club against the Denver Broncos. The most solid of the opposition—and the most frequent visitor to the Green Bay backfield, could be all-pro defensive end Rich Jackson of the Broncos. The 6-foot-3, 255-pound Jackson led the Broncos defense last season when it dumped opposing quarterbacks 50 times, highest in the American Conference. But Hunter, who plays with equal parts of skill, exuberance and confidence, may have a slightly unfair edge on Jackson and the other three members of the Denver front four. He will be throwing to his usual corps of receivers, led by Carroll Dale, Rich McGeorge and John Spilis. And the receivers will be working against a patchwork defensive backfield of the Broncos. Denver's regular safeties, George Saines and Charley Greer, are out with injuries, and will be replaced by Cornell Gordon and Butch Byrd. Denver has a young quarterback of its own, one Don Horn, who would like nothing better than to make Packer Coach Dan Devine eat his words and trade. One of the first moves Devine made when he arrived in Green Bay was to trade Horn to the Broncos, in exchange for Alden Roche and a better position in the draft. Roche is listed as a starter Sunday in place of the fast-healing Mike McCoy, and the Packers got running back John Brockington in their improved draft spot. One part of the trade may hurt the Packers "We have some keys in our passing game that haven't changed," Devine said. "Horn knows what they are and will pass them on to the defense."... Horn has completed better than 50 per cent of his passes during Denver's first seven games, and his coaches say they are pleased with his leadership ability on the field. He completed 11 of 20 passes for 118 yards last week in snow and cold at Denver. His one touchdown pass in a 10-10 tie with Miami was to rookie Dwight Harrison. Harrison is the only receiver Denver has settled on this season - 17 men have shuttled in and out of their camp in attempts to fill the other pass catching positions. Hunter, who has been pushing veteran Zeke Bratkowski all preseason for the starting quarterback spot, was a sixth round draft choice from Alabama. Hunter relieved Bratkowski in the second half last Sunday after the New York Giants, with the aid of two Packer fumbles in their end zone, had taken a 28-14 halftime lead. The drawling rookie completed nine of 16 passes for 158 yards and two touchdowns and had the Packers within field goal range with less than two minutes left in the 42-40 loss. Then all of a sudden, he was a rookie again, and he threw an interception that squashed the Packer comeback. "Zeke might have been all right, had the game not deteriorated the way it did," Devine said. "Sometimes the quarterback tends to get blamed when it isn't his fault." "If Scott had been in there and all those things happened to him, I'm not so sure he could have bounced back quickly," the coach said. The Packers have a tradition to uphold in the game — they have yet to lose a regular season, or Super Bowl, game to a former American Football League team. Devine, his leg encased in a cast from ankle to thigh, will watch the game from the press box, having evicted the Denver broadcasters from their customary spot. Dave Hanner will supervise on the field.

EX-PACKER STARS OPEN SUPPER CLUB

SEPT 26 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Fuzzy Thurston and Max McGee are returning to Green Bay. Not in the colors of the Green Bay Packers, but as businessmen operating a Left Guard Supper Club at W. Mason and Hinkle Streets in the Packerland Industrial Park. The owners, along with Bill Martine, former manager of the Green Bay Elks Club, will hold a

year pro career. And he played the last two with a broken bone in his back. Aldridge feels the defense's ability to cope with Little and Anderson, plus the passes of former teammate Don Horn, will be the decisive factor in County Stadium. "I think the key part of the game will be how well we do against their offense," he said. "I'm not demeaning our offense in any way, but the Broncos have a truly outstanding defense. Their defense is probably the best we will face this season. It's going to be a really tough football game, especially as high as Horn will have that offensive team...I know he'd like nothing better than to beat us."...PACKER PATTERN: The status of defensive tackle Mike McCoy, injured in last Sunday's opener against the Giants, will not be resolved until Sunday morning, Devine said following Friday's sun-splashed workout. "Mike looked very much improved today," he noted, adding, "We don't have to decide about it until an hour before game time, so we're going to hold off on activating anyone until we see how he is then." Devine indicated earlier in the week there was a possibility Jim DeLisle, late of the University of Wisconsin, would be brought up from the taxi squad. There also is a chance rookie punter Ken Duncan will be activated...If McCoy is available, Devine said Alden Roche "probably would go to the sidelines, but he probably wouldn't stay there long if somebody else isn't playing well." Roche went the distance against the Giants after replacing McCoy, who suffered strained knee ligaments on the first play...Although he now has some mobility, having been equipped with crutches earlier in the week, Devine did not ride the team bus to Milwaukee this morning. On a stretcher to ease the burden on his fractured leg, he was taken by station wagon to County Stadium for the

formal opening of the supper club Monday noon. This is the seventh supper club to be opened by the three men since the original in Menasha in 1962. Thurston and McGee were both members of the Packer squads during their long championship era under the late Vince Lombardi. The new Left Guard has more than 14,000 square feet of space. Facilities are designed to serve more than 350 diners at one time along with another 150 persons in the cocktail lounge. Entertainment will be featured six nights a week Monday through Saturday. Martine reported that the new facility will be managed by Martin Cady, former manager of the Appleton Elks and manager of the Left Guard at Menasha. The assistant manager will be Jerry Tesch, formerly with the Village Inn at Antigo. Martine said the Green Bay Left Guard expects to employ more than 20 persons. Construction costs totaled approximately \$250,000. Another Left Guard is under construction at Eau Claire with an opening scheduled for Jan. 1. Others planned for construction are at Racine, Janesville and Minneapolis. The three men own and operate five other supper clubs, in Appleton, Menasha, Fond du Lac, Madison and Milwaukee. There also is an affiliated club in Manitowoc. Martine said there are no plans to franchise the operations, but study is being given to the public sale of stock. A formal dedication of the Green Bay restaurant is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Monday.

PACK BACK -- IN UNDERDOG ROLE

SEPT 26 (Racine Journal-Times) - My, how time flies! Not too many years ago, back in the days when people still laughed at American Football League teams, a Green Bay Packer loss to the likes of the Denver Broncos would have been, well, unthinkable. Today those same Denver Broncos invade Milwaukee County Stadium (kickoff time, 1 p.m.) and the Packers, who blew one in the unaccustomed role of favorites last week, find themselves back in the more familiar position of being the underdog. Obviously, a 42-40 opener will be a difficult act to follow and the Packers have no particular desire to stage any encores. Hopefully, they can dismiss the Giant misadventures as "one of those weird things" and get back to basics (including, of course, the fine art of capturing kickoffs in the end zone)...MEET OLD FRIEND: If there is something special about the Denver game, it has to be the confrontation with old friend Don Horn, who never found himself with the Pack and finally was dealt away to the Broncos. Horn was an enigma as a Packer He labored long in the shadow of Bart Starr, often showing flashes of brilliant promise but then proving a disappointment when it appeared he might be ready to take over. Whether Horn's capabilities have flowered in different surroundings is something the Packers may learn today. In any case, his duel with young Scot Hunter, now considered the heir apparent to the injury-plagued Starr, may prove interesting. Horn completed 11 of 20 aeriels for 118 yards and one touchdown as the Broncos tied favored Miami 10-10 last week. Hunter, although guilty of a couple of booboos that Packer fans may have to learn to accept during the learning processes, directed a 26-point Green Bay second half that nearly turned a lost cause around...ATTACK CLICKED: It seems clear that Green Bay possesses a more dangerous offense than anyone expected. The question now is whether the defense can rebound from the embarrassment of yielding four touchdown passes to Fran Tarkenton. Tarkenton, offered good field position by Packer errors and untroubled by a consistent rush, unloaded several long ones against the Packers, who must now be concerned with Horn's penchant for throwing the bomb. Trying to lead the rush on Horn, and perhaps just as anxious as Don to have a good day, will be Alden Roche, who came to the Packers in the Horn deal that also enabled them to draft for John Brockington. Floyd Little, the former Syracuse ace, heads a good stable of Bronco runners and the Denver defense has been staunch. This is a game that the Packers can win but one they will not win unless they settle down and avoid mistakes. The Broncos have come a long way in the last two years.

VICTORY OVER VISITING BRONCS A 'GOT TO' FOR PACK

SEPT 26 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "This game isn't only a must for us," Carroll Dale solemnly asserted. "it's got-to." That final word may not be found in Webster's voluminous lexicon, even the most up-to-date version, but it eloquently sums up the Packers' competitive status at the moment. "By that, of course, I mean we just have to win this one if we're thinking about staying in contention," said the peerless flanker, "which is the only thing you should be thinking about." Coach Dan Devine sees this afternoon's County Stadium exchange with the Denver Broncos (1 o'clock, WNFL, Channel 5) in much the same light, although he qualifies his evaluation...ALL GAMES CRUCIAL: "Certainly it's a crucial game, but they're all crucial," he said. "When you're 0-and-1 and you want to win the thing, 0-and-2 is not a very good position to be in. But you

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Green Bay PACKERS

No.	Name	Pos.
10	Patrick, Frank	QB
12	Bratkowski, Zeke	QB
16	Hunter, Scott	QB
18	Duncan, Ken	P/WR
21	Hall, Charles	CB
24	Wood, Willie	DB
25	Hampton, Dave	RB
29	Matthews, Al	DB
30	Krause, Larry	RB
31	Williams, Perry	RB
37	Randolph, Al	DB
42	Brockington, John	RB
43	Horn, Doug	DB
44	Anderson, Danny	RB-P
47	Davis, Dave	WR
48	Ellis, Ken	CB
50	Carter, Jim	LB
53	Carr, Fred	LB
56	Crutcher, Tommy Joe	LB
57	Bowman, Ken	C
58	Withrow, Cal	C
61	Bredley, Dave	G
62	Lusick, Bill	G
66	Nitschke, Ray	LB
68	Gillingham, Gale	G
71	Pacy, Francis	T
72	Himes, Dick	T
74	Smith, Donnell	DE
75	Michaels, Lou	K
76	McCoy, Mike	DT
77	Mayhew, Bill	DT
78	Brown, Bob	DT
81	McGeorge, Rich	TE
82	Aldridge, Lionel	DE
83	Williams, Clarence	DE
84	Dale, Carroll	WR
85	Spills, John	WR
87	Roche, Alden	DT-DE
88	Garrett, Leonard	TE
89	Robinson, Dave	LB

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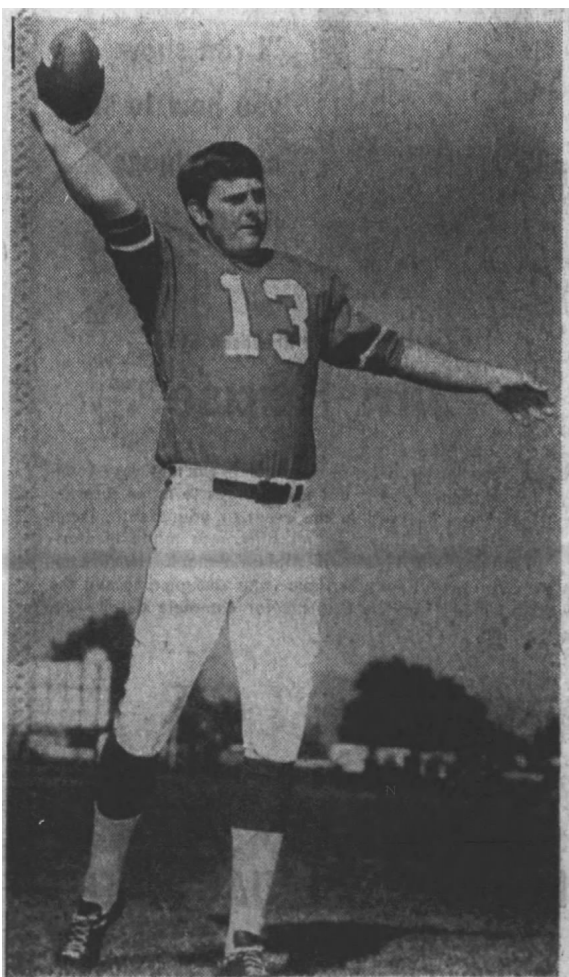


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Denver BRONCOS

No.	Name	Pos.
10	Ramsey, Steve	QB
11	Anderson, Bobby	RB
13	Horn, Don	QB
15	Turner, Jim	K
20	Greer, Charlie	S
23	Post, Dickie	RB
24	Byrd, Butch	CB
26	Soimes, George	S
28	Gordon, Cornell	CB
35	Turner, Clem	RB
36	Thompson, Bill	CB
40	Gehrke, Jack	WR
41	Mitchell, Leroy	CB
42	VanHeusen, Bill	WR-P
44	Little, Floyd	LB
50	Underwood, Olen	LB
52	Forsberg, Fred	LB
53	Criter, Ken	LB
54	Myrtle, Chip	LB
56	Washington, Dave	LB
58	McKoy, Bill	LB
59	Kaminski, Larry	C
61	Lyons, Tommy	C
62	Inman, Jerry	DT
63	Costa, Dave	DT
64	Schnitzer, Mike	G
65	Bochman, Jay	CB
68	Jackson, Laron	G-T
70	Smith, Paul	DT
72	Brunelli, Sam	G
74	Current, Mike	T
75	Shoals, Roger	OT
77	Alzado, Lyle	DE
78	Montgomery, Marv	T
79	Campbell, Carter	DE
80	Simmons, Jerry	WR
81	Masters, Billy	WR
82	Harrison, Dwight	WR
83	Whalen, Jim	TE
87	Jackson, Rich	DE



DENVER'S DON HORN
... The Packers Meet an Old Friend ...

can't give up on 12-and-2 either."...DEVINE IN PRESSBOX: The Packers are unhappily aware they not only lost a game they should have won in last Sunday's opener, a 42-40 disappointment further marred when Devine suffered a broken leg in a sideline accident, but that National Football League traffic will get progressively heavier in the weeks to come. Cincinnati's bristling Bengals, the Detroit Lions and Minnesota Vikings, to name just three neighborhood bullies, are immediately ahead. Dale's stress on beating the Broncos thus hardly suggests over-emphasis. It is possible the Packers will be handicapped in pursuit of their first victory by Devine's absence from the sidelines, although he will be directing operations by remote control from the press box, to which he will be ferried by wheelchair. Defensive line coach Dave Hanner, who conducted all of last week's practices, will be in charge on the field below...PACKERS BATTLE FUMBLES: A football version of "Return of the Native" also could complicate matters. Quarterback Don Horn, a former Milwaukee resident who wore Green Bay silks for four years, will be at the Denver controls and assuredly will be committed to fulfilling his week-old prediction of a Bronco victory. The Coloradans also own one of the NFL's premier running backs in Floyd Little, the 1970 American Football Conference rushing champion, and one of its better defenses, anchored by all-pro end Rich (Tombstone) Jackson. The Packers, inexplicably generous against the Giants, are hoping to curb their philanthropic impulses. Two end zone fumbles, quickly converted into New York touchdowns, and four scoring passes by the highly mobile Fran Tarkenton were more than even a blistering second half revival could overcome...ROCHE TO START: The catalyst in that comeback, swashbuckling Scott Hunter, has been rewarded with the starting assignment at quarterback. The strong-armed rookie goes into action as the fifth ranking passer in the National Football Conference, based on a 9-for-16 performance against the Giants. It will be the first regular season start for Hunter, although he started two exhibition games after veteran Zeke Bratkowski suffered back spasms just prior to kickoff of the Miami game Aug. 21. Another change in the Pack's opening day format will come at left tackle on defense. Alden Roche will start for injured Mike

McCoy. That could make for an interesting confrontation, considering Roche was acquired from Denver in the January trade which sent Horn to the Broncos. Devine also reported Jim Carter will replace Ray Nitschke as middle linebacker in an attempt to get more speed on defense. Hunter will be playing behind a line which will be risking a spotless record. The Giants failed to sack either Bratkowski or his rookie replacement, who managed to complete 15 of 26 passes for 214 yards and three touchdowns between them. Sharing the Green Bay backfield will be the NFC's leading rusher, Donny Anderson, and rookie John Brockington. Anderson averaged a plush 6.2 yards per carry against the Giants, rolling up 99 yards in 16 carries. His talented understudy, Dave Hampton, goes into action as the conference's kickoff return leader. He averaged 38.8 yards on five runbacks against New York, including one excursion of 72 yards. Interest in today's encounter to be viewed by a capacity crowd of approximately 48,000 fans, has been piqued by the fact the two teams will be meeting for the first time. "Never having played them, we don't know their personnel," veteran defensive end Lionel Aldridge noted. "But we do know a little more about them than we did Kansas City when we played the Chiefs in the first Super Bowl in '66." Be that as it may, Horn is sure the Broncos have no questions about themselves. "We know what our limitations are, what our strengths are," he says. "We can win with our limitations, and our strengths are gigantic."

Probable Starting Lineups:

OFFENSE

DENVER		GREEN BAY
Harrison	WR	Spillis
Shoals	LT	Peay
Brunelli	LG	Lueck
Kaminski	C	Bowman
Schnitker	RG	Gillingham
Current	RT	Himes
Whalen	TE	McGeorge
Gehrke	WR	Dale
Horn	QB	Hunter
Little	RB	D. Anderson
B. Anderson	RB	Brockington

DEFENSE

Jackson	LE	C. Williams
P. Smith	LT	McCoy
Costa	RT	Brown
Alzado	RE	Aldridge
Myrtle	LLB	Robinson
Forsberg	MLB	Nitschke
Washington	RLB	Carr
Mitchell	LCB	Ellis
Thompson	RCB	Matthews
Greer	LS	Hart
Saimes	RS	Wood

Victory Over Visiting Broncs A 'Got To' For Pack

DEVINE AN EARLY CASUALTY

OCT 2 (The Sporting News) - "They didn't quit on me, did they?" Dan Devine never got to see the finish of the first regular-season pro football game he coached. No, the Packers did not quit. They did not

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By JERRY GREEN



quit although they were down 42-24 after three quarters to the Giants. They rallied with 16 points and wound up losing grudgingly, 42-40. It was the old college try, so to speak, for the rookie pro coach out of the college ranks at Missouri. During the Packers' abortive rally, Devine was under anesthesia at St. Vincent's Hospital, Green Bay, having his broken left leg set. Devine showed in his debut he is a coach close to the action. Doug Hart, one of Devine's veterans, was returning an interception when he was driven out of bounds in front of the Packers' bench. One of the tacklers, Bob Hyland, rolled into Devine. Two major bones in Devine's leg were broken...CHICAGO - The Bears have followed the bouncing ball a number of times these past years and it always bounced against them. There was a jinx. Once a popped-up center snap took off on a wayward flight of its own and it resulted in a gift touchdown for the other team. Peculiar hops and weird skips deprived the Bears of touchdowns or provided the enemy with them. But now the hex is ended. The ball bounced the other way for the Bears as the new season opened with a 17-15 victory over the Steelers...BEARS DROP CAFFEY: First, the ball popped in the air-and this time a Bear, Ross Brubacher, caught it. He ran 30 yards to score a touchdown. Then Dick Butkus popped a Steeler and the ball popped out. The result was another touchdown moments later and two touchdowns to win a game. George Halas said the Bears deserved to lose. When Brubacher beat him out at right linebacker, Lee Roy Caffey asked the Bears to trade him away. They obliged by dropping him from the roster before the season opener...MINNESOTA - The Vikings' big preseason frolic with the Chargers turned out to be expensive. Every Viking who ran off the bench to swing in the battle royal was fined \$200 by Commissioner Pete Rozelle. Reports were that Carl Eller was fined \$500 for precipitating the brawl when he decked the Chargers' Johnny Hadl. "Two and possibly three players did not leave the sidelines," said Jim Finks, the Vikings' general manager, in confirming the \$200 fines. He couldn't identify the two or three but they couldn't have been very popular with their teammates for staying away when it got to team vs. team. Finks wouldn't say anything about whether Eller was fined \$500. "It's a league matter and a private matter," said Finks. Which is balderdash. When a high-priced football player fights in public during a game, the public has the right to know the amount he was fined...DETROIT - Joe Schmidt installed secret practice sessions for the opener with the Vikings. Private guards-rent-a-cops-were hired to patrol the playing fields at the Cranbrook School where the Lions practice daily until Tiger Stadium is available at the end of baseball season. The only way any Vikings' espionage agent could have discovered what the Lions were up to was if he infiltrated the Cranbrook junior varsity. The prep school kids practiced on an adjoining field at the same time as the pros...SCHMIDT SHRUGS OFF CATCALLS: "The smoke cleared yet downtown?" Schmidt asked post-practice visitors two days after he sent Alex Karras packing. The dismissal of Karras was largely hooted by the town's populace. Schmidt, who had been more popular than Karras as a player, was at the ebb of his popularity as a coach. "I don't care what they think," said Schmidt. "I've become callous." But, on the other hand, Schmidt was despondent that he had to inform Karras in a telephone call, rather than man to man. "I don't like to hurt people," he said. "I wished I could have told him personally. But he was in New York that day taping the Johnny Carson Show and I had to phone him. Telling him that way had no class."...GREEN BAY - Some teams use a two-quarterback system. But the Packers have a two-placekicker system. In their opener, Lou Michaels handled the field goal work and Dave Conway did the extra-point kicking. A wonderful quote from Devine about Ray Nitschke's preseason attitude after his demotion from regular middle linebacker: "Ray's done two things actually. He's worked hard and he's kept his mouth shut. And those are two things people can do to get very popular with me." Dave Hampton had a nightmarish two-play sequence against the Giants. He fumbled the ball in his own end zone, and Ralph Heck recovered to give the Giants a touchdown. So Hampton lined up to take the kickoff and that, too, he fumbled in the end zone. The Giants' Joe Green recovered it for another touchdown.