



**Preseason: Washington Redskins 13, Green Bay Packers (1-2) 6  
Saturday September 5th 1953 (at Green Bay)**

**Bays Display Defense  
In 13-6 Loss to 'Skins**

**GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)**

(GREEN BAY) - The Packers found themselves in a strange position today. They're holding down their foes but can't score themselves. The Packers sizzled through the 1952 season as the fifth highest scoring team in the NFL and the 10th "highest" on defense; they never had such trouble scoring but the big monkey wrench was keeping the other guy from registering. The Washington-Green Bay game, before 16,425 fans in City stadium Saturday night, served as a good example. The Packers scored six points – one touchdown – against the heaviest team in pro football and permitted the Redskins a respectable 13. This 13-6 affair was virtually the same as the 13-7 loss to the Chicago Cardinals in Spokane a week ago Saturday night, except that the Packer defense was even better because six of the Cards' points came on the two field goals. How did the Packers beat New York 31 to 7 in Minneapolis two weeks ago? Can't rightly answer that one but we're almost positive the Packers were playing a poorly-conditioned pack of Giants that night. The Packers have two more games in which to sharpen or polish an offense – the Pittsburgh Steelers in the fourth annual Shrine game in Milwaukee Saturday night and the Cleveland Browns in Cleveland the following Saturday night. The Packer offense was, to put it mildly, rather frightful against Washington. Our boys entered Redskin territory only three times all night – to the 46-yard line in the first quarter when a holding penalty knocked 'em back; to the 33 in the second quarter when a pass interception interfered; and to the end zone for six points in the second frame on a 10-yard pass from Babe Parilli to Bob Mann. The Packers produced only two first downs in the entire last half and both of those came in the last four minutes of play in the fourth quarter. In the dismal last half, the Packers made only 19 yards rushing and 24 yards passing while Billy Hair was forced to punt six times. Part of the Packers' offensive difficulties could be traced to the fact that Parilli and Rote had little or no time to pass. Their protection folded like paper as they went back to throw and the Packer backs, in most cases, were stopped before they could dig in on rushing attempts. The Packer offensive line appeared too small against the Washington defensive line, anchored by big Paul Lipscomb, who played himself a terrific game. Though

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**WASHINGTON  
REDSKINS  
vs.  
GREEN BAY  
PACKERS**

**SAT., SEPT. 5, 1953 — 8:00 P.M.**  
GREEN BAY CITY STADIUM

PRICE  
**25¢**

the road was rocky, Packer coach Gene Ronzani stuck with his newcomers for rushing. Veteran Larry Coutre and Breezy Reid never carried the ball all night, but Gib Dawson lugged eight times and Al Carmichael and J.R. Boone four times each. The bright spot from the Green Bay slant was the defense which, incidentally, was given a good boost from a man whose most violent exercise for more than a year before Saturday night was working in a hardware store. We're referring to veteran Dick Wildung, who joined the club two hours before the game. Wildung hadn't played since 1951 (he was forced out last year because of personal business), but he played about 15 minutes on defense and picked up three clean tackles. Use of Wildung permitted the Packers to shift veteran tackle Dave Hanner into the middle guard spot for Floyd Harrawood. The Packer defense was anchored by the club's three ace linebackers, Deral Teteak, Clayton Tonnemaker and Bob Forte. In addition, rookie Val Joe Walker showed signs of giving the Packers' defensive outfield a big lift. Adding to the defense were Bennie Aldridge and Bobby Dillon, who each intercepted Jack Scarbath passes. The Redskin air game was limited to 55 yards. Washington went into the lead with a "negative" or unearned touchdown in the second quarter - a 68-yard runback of a punt by Harry Gilmer. Just before the half, the Packers went the same distance in 12 plays to tie the score, 6-6. Bob Dean's extra point try was wide, and Dawson's attempt was blocked. A 36-yard second down run by Scarbath around end set up Washington's final TD late in the second frame, Scarbath going over from the one on second down. Dean's kick was good. While the game was dull from the scoring standpoint, it had fisticuffs from time to time. Even the crowd-pleasing aerial game offered no particular excitement, except Mann's TD catch, which was one of those spectacular leaping snatches that only Mann can make. He took Parilli's throw less than a foot off the ground in an outstretched position. Of the 52 passes thrown in the entire game, only 17 were completed, the Pack completing 11 out of 28 for 83 yards and Washington 163 yards - most between the 20-yard lines, while the Packers were limited to only 70. Another highlight of the game was the punting of two rookies - the Packers' Hair and Washington's Sam Baker. Billy won the private duel, averaging 42 yards in 11 tries while Baker averaged 38 in seven. The big difference was in returns, the Redskins taking back nine for 145 yards and the Packers three for seven. Washington made the first first down of the game on Heath's 10-yard run after the Redskins received the opening kickoff by Dawson. An offside penalty and Heath's eight-year smash gave the Redskins another first down after the Packers couldn't gain. But John Martinkovic threw Scarbath for an eight-yard loss to force Baker's second punt. The Packers got their first inspiration shortly when Aldridge made a leaping interception on the Packers' 32. This brought on the Bays' first first down as Rote ran for two and Dawson 10 in two tries. But a holding penalty forced Hair to punt for the fourth time in the first frame. A fumbled punt and recovery by Lynch set up a Redskin field goal try early in the second quarter, but Dean missed from the 20. On Hair's fifth punt, which was delivered after Billy fielded a bounce pass from Jim Ringo, Gilmer took the ball on the 32 and sailed down the north sideline for the score. Parilli moved the Packers for the first time after the TD. He hurled to Howton for 11, to Boone for seven and then ran up the middle himself for 18 to the Washington 44. After hitting Howton for seven, Parilli, apparently trying to ground the ball as he was rushed, threw directly into the arms of Lipscomb. After more punting, the Packers started their TD drive with six minutes left in the first half. Parilli hurled to Carleton Elliott, who was replacing the injured Howton, for 10 yards and a 15-yard penalty for roughness on Washington advanced the ball to the Packer 47. Boone and Cone ran for 13 yards and Parilli threw to Elliott for 17 to the 23. Boone lost two, but Cone took a pass from Parilli for four and Boone took one for nine to the 12. After Boone made two and a pass between Parilli and Cone went awry, Parilli threw to Mann for the Pack's only TD. The Redskin defense was brutal in the third period. Rote was thrown for a total loss of 25 yards in the first two series, after which the Redskins went on their TD drive. It started on

The Lineups:		PASSES:	
<b>WASHINGTON</b>		Attempted .....	28 24
Ends — Taylor, Brito, Selznick, Tereskinski, Dekker, Yonakor, Hennessy.		Completed .....	11 6
Tackles — Boli, Niemi, Lipscomb, Clark, Dean.		Had intercepted .....	1 2
Guards — Suminski, Ramsey, Steber, Brown, Lynch.		Yards intercepted .....	25 4
Centers — Uliniski, Ricca.		Yards lost attempting	to pass .....
Backs — Scarbath, Gilmer, Justice, Baker, Davis, Haynes, Rykovich, Alban, Williams, Drazenovich, Heath, Papit, Cloud.		45 8	
<b>GREEN BAY</b>		<b>PUNTS:</b>	
Ends — Mann, Elliott, Martinkovic, Howton, Faverty, Georges, Noppinger.		Numbered by .....	11 7
Tackles — Afflis, Ruetz, Wildung, Serini, Rimkus, Hanner, Harrawood.		Average dist. punts ...	42 38
Guards — Ruzich, Stephenson, Teteak, Logan, Szafaryn, Zatkoff.		Number of punts	returned by .....
Centers — Ringo, Tonnemaker.		3 9	
Backs — Rote, Parilli, Reid, Boone, Dawson, Johnson, Walker, Mayes, Dillon, Coutre, Carmichael, Seif, Aldridge, Sanifer, Ferguson, Forester, Cone, Forte.		Yds. punts returned ...	7 145
<b>Score By Quarters</b>		<b>KICKOFFS:</b>	
Washington .....	0 6 7 0—13	Numbered returned by	3 2
Green Bay .....	0 6 0 0—6	Yds. kickoffs returned	66 8
<b>The Scoring:</b>		<b>FUMBLES:</b>	
Washington: Touchdowns — Gilmer, Scarbath. Extra Point — Dean.		Opp. fumbles recovered	0 1
Green Bay: Touchdown — Mann.		<b>PRANLTIES:</b>	
<b>The Officials:</b>		Number against .....	3 3
Referee — Ronald Gibbs; Umpire — Jim Beiersdorfer; Head Linesman — Dan Jehan; Backfield Judge — John Pace; Field Judge — Bill McHugh.		Yards lost penalties ...	25 45
<b>Team Statistics</b>		<b>Individual Statistics:</b>	
	GB Wash.	<b>Rushing:</b>	
<b>TOTAL FIRST DOWNS</b>	11 14	Washington: Scarbath gained 46 yards in 6 attempts, Baker 35 in 10, Heath 29 in 7, Rykovich 17 in 6, Papit 12 in 4, Justice 10 in 4, Drazenovich 9 in 3, Haynes 5 in 1.	
First downs rushing ...	3 10	Green Bay: Parilli gained 21 yards in 2 attempts, Cone 13 in 5, Carmichael 12 in 4, Dawson 9 in 3, Rote 3 in 2, Boone 9 in 4, Forester 6 in 1, Ferguson 5 in 2, Sandifer minus 1 in 1.	
First downs passing ...	7 4	<b>Passing:</b>	
First downs penalties ..	1 0	Washington: Scarbath attempted 22, completed 5 for 45 yards, 2 intercepted. Gilmer attempted 2, completed 1 for 10 yards.	
Yards gained rushing ...	70 163	Green Bay: Parilli attempted 24, completed 9 for 80 yards and 1 touchdown, 1 intercepted. Rote attempted 4, completed 2 for 3 yards.	
Yards gained passing ...	83 55	<b>Pass Reception:</b>	
<b>TOTAL YDS. GAINED</b>	153 218	Washington: Dekker caught 3 for 30 yards, Taylor 3 for 25 yards.	
		Green Bay: Howton caught 3 for 30 yards, Elliott 2 for 28, Mann 1 for 10, 1 touchdown, Boone 1 for 9, Forester 1 for 3, Cone 2 for 3, Dawson 1 for 0.	

the 50. Julie Rykovich and Baker ran to the 40. Scarbath tried a handoff to Drazenovich, but the big fullback wasn't present so Jack wheeled around right end for 36 yards. Two plays later, Scarbath went over. Neither team gained anything interesting in the fourth frame. Near the end, Parilli hit Howton for an 11-yard gain but the Redskins forced Hair to punt. The Packers got one more shot with less than one minutes left. Three passes went bad and on fourth down Parilli completed one to Elliott for 15 yards as the game ended.

**WASHINGTON - 0 6 7 0 - 13**  
**GREEN BAY - 0 6 0 0 - 6**

	<u>WASHINGTON</u>	<u>GREEN BAY</u>
First Downs	14	11
Rushing-Yards-TD	39-163-1	29-70-0
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	24-6-55-0-2	28-11-83-1-1
Total Yards	218	153
Fumbles-lost	0	1
Turnovers	2	2
Yards penalized	3-45	3-25

### SCORING

2ND - WASH - Harry Gilmer, 68-yard punt return (Kick failed) WASHINGTON 6-0

2ND - GB - Mann, 10-yard pass from Parilli (Kick failed) TIED 6-6

3RD - WASH - Jack Scarbath, 3-yard run (Bob Dean kick) WASHINGTON 13-6

### RUSHING

**GREEN BAY** - Babe Parilli 2-21, Fred Cone 5-13, Al Carmichael 4-12, J.R. Boone 4-9, Gib Dawson 8-8, Tobin Rote 2-8, Bill Forester 1-0, Howie Ferguson 2-0, Dan Sandifer 1-(-1)

**WASHINGTON** - Jack Scarbath 4-46 1 TD, Sam Baker 10-35, Leon Heath 7-29, Julie Rykovich 6-17, John Papit 4-12, Charlie Justice 4-10, Chuck Dravenovich 3-9, Hall Haynes 1-5

### PASSING

**GREEN BAY** - Babe Parilli 24-9-80 1 TD 1 INT, Tobin Rote 4-2-3

**WASHINGTON** - Jack Scarbath 22-5-45 2 INT, Harry Gilmer 2-1-10

### RECEIVING

**GREEN BAY** - Bill Howton 3-30, Carleton Elliott 2-28, Fred Cone 2-3, Bob Mann 1-10 1 TD, J.R. Boone 1-9, Bill Forester 1-3, Gib Dawson 1-0

**WASHINGTON** - Paul Dekker 3-30, Hugh Taylor 3-25

## Curly Cautious on Skins' Future; Pack Finds Foes 'Tough'

### **CURLY CAUTIOUS ON SKINS' FUTURE**

SEPT 8 (Green Bay) - Earl Louis (Curly) Lambeau, once regarded as an incurable optimist, today is the soul of caution by comparison. Time was, when Curly was with the Packers, that he considered every year as a potential championship season. Now, in his second year as head coach of Washington's Redskins, he is inclined to be moderate, to temper his forecasts with reservations. Take, for example, the victorious occasion of his third return to City stadium over the weekend. Though in an expansive mood, as expected, over the successful conclusion to his latest visit, Curly would not begin to speculate on a divisional title for his team in 1953. In fact, he indicated displeasure that anyone might voice such a thought. "We're definitely not talking championship this year," Curly declared, flatly. "We're talking it for '54. We don't it have yet but we could pester a lot of clubs - and I think we will." Discounting his Redskins, who did he like for the NFL's Eastern title? "The Browns," came the reply, without hesitation. "You've got to pick the Browns, at least at this point in the season."...GIVE ALL OF THEM A RUN: But, momentarily reverting to familiar type, he vowed, "But we'll be giving all of them a run for their money, you can be assured of that." This last brought a smile from Redskin owner George Preston Marshall. Up to then, the usually voluble GPM, apparently overcome by the heady wine of victory, had been content to merely beam his satisfaction. "In the Western division," Curly volunteered, "it looks like the Rams and Detroit - with the Packers right up there with them. The Packers," he added, "are going to have a ball club." Elaborating on this theme, Curly contended, "Green Bay is a lot better than they looked tonight. Rote, Parilli and Howton make them a threat - and that's a tough threat." Analyzing his own club, the Redskin chieftain said, "We played such a lousy game at San Francisco last Sunday (they lost

### BADGERS REMEMBER HIM



Wisconsin fans will remember one Mr. Al Carmichael. The Southern California halfback caught the winning touchdown pass against the Badgers in the Rose Bowl last January. This season, Wisconsin football fans can see Carmichael wearing friendlier colors. He's the Green Bay Packers' No. 1 draft choice and will start against the Pittsburgh Steelers in the Shrine charity game at Marquette Stadium Saturday night.

7-0), the boys got mad at themselves and played themselves a ball game. That's all there's to it." Curly was particularly impressed with two of his hirelings - tackle Paul Lipscomb, once a Packer, and rookie QB Jack Scarbath, 1952 All-American from the University of Maryland...SCARBATH GREAT AS ROOKIE: "Paul had one of the best days I've seen him have in a long time," Curly declared. "And as for Scarbath, he's only been with us since the All-Star game. I thought he did a great job for a rookie. And, do you know, he reported to us with a broken finger." Always a chain smoker on the sidelines during his years here, Lambeau replaced the "weed" with chewing gum throughout Saturday night's contest. Asked for an explanation, he reported, "I quit smoking," while flicking ashes from a cigarette...On the sidelines, Lambeau, still one of the most photogenic men in football at 55, had been his old self. "Let's get some zip, let's get some life out there," he exhorted early in the first quarter. Minutes later, he exploded,

### HE'LL PLAY HERE SATURDAY



Tackle Dick Wildung, who rejoined the Packers last week after a two year retirement, will be in the lineup Saturday night when Green Bay meets the Pittsburgh Steelers in a Shrine charity football game at Marquette Stadium. Despite lack of practice, Wildung provided some of the brighter moments last Saturday as the Packers lost to the Redskins. He was one of the best tackles in pro football at the time of his retirement to go into business.

"What the hell's the matter with the defense on that side out there?" as the Packers punched out a first down. With the score still 0-0 early in the second quarter, he warned the bench, "Nobody can let up on any play in a situation like this one." Hugh (Bones) Taylor, the Redskins' ace pass receiver, shortly returned to the bench after dropping a pass on the Packer 10-yard line and muttered, "I'm sorry about that one." "That's all right," Curly reassured him, "get the next one. Not long after, he raced down the sidelines to congratulate Harry Gilmer after his 68-yard return of a Packer punt for a touchdown. Going over to rookie guard Bobby Dean, who had missed the extra point, Curly told him, "Just keep your head down, boy, and you won't miss anymore." Jack Cloud, anxious to play against his old teammates, came up to inform Curly after Leon Heath had been injured, that "Chuck's (Drazenovich) is going both ways, you know." Curly replied, "I know, you'll be in there a little while." Cloud may have had a few regrets a little later, however, after Babe Parilli had completed a pass to Carleton (Stretch) Elliott in Jack's area on the Packer touchdown drive just before the half. Curly met Cloud as he reached the sidelines and demanded, "Why didn't you knock down that end? He went right by you and you did nothing about it."...The respect his opponents have for Clayton Tonnemaker's ability was reflected in a remark by the Redskins' Charley (Choo Choo) Justice in the fourth quarter. Two bulky Washington lineman double-teamed the giant linebacker to knock him out of the play and Justice exclaimed, as if doubting his eyes, "They got Tonnemaker!"...Johnny Williams, sophomore defensive halfback, was the first to notice that Dick Wildung was entering the game for the first time and called it to Lambeau's attention. "Hey coach," he yelled, "they got Wildung in there and it's his first day!" And the former Packer captain didn't waste time making his presence known. On the succeeding play, he burst through the Redskin line to dump rookie halfback Sam Baker for a five-yard loss. The announcement by P.A. Announcer Jim Coffeen that Wildung had made a tackle brought applause and a cheer from the stands.

### PACK FINDS FOES 'TOUGH'

SEPT 8 (Green Bay) - Big Clayton Tonnemaker, his massive frame draped over the end of a stool in the Packer locker room, kicked the City stadium mud off an enormous cleated brogan and smiled wryly. "That outfit is tough," Clayt signed. "No doubt about it. Their line play was fast and aggressive and they've got plenty of weight from end to end. The 'Skins are going to give every club in the league an argument before the season is over." The soft-spoken All-American from Minnesota dropped his pensive air for a moment and remarked enthusiastically: "It certainly was fine to get back here and play again before the Green Bay fans. They're the finest in the world." Later, the big linebacker returned from his shower, pulled on "tent-like" sport shirt, and resumed his thoughtful meditation. "You know, this Washington club is similar in many respects to the last Redskin team I played against before going into the Army in '50. They burned up the exhibition trail that year. Had the best preseason record in the league if my memory serves me correctly. They seem to be an early season ball club and find the going tougher when the season starts. But I do think that any team that comes up against the 'Skins this year will have an argument on its hands."...DICK WILDUNG AGREES: At the other side of the Stadium lock room, another Gopher All-American nodded an affable greeting. Appearing trim and lean despite his one-year enforced absence from pro football, tackle Dick Wildung spoke in the friendly, unassuming style which has won him the respect of fans, his teammates



Watch Out for the Interference—Julie Rykovich, Washington halfback, runs into his own interference after gaining eight yards in third quarter against Packers at City stadium Saturday night. Tackling him over shoulder is Packer Bennie Aldridge. No. 25 at left is Redskin Johnny Papit and ducking away on ground at right is Redskin Hugh Taylor. Redskins won 13-7.

and sportswriters. "How do I feel? Pretty well, considering I just got here in time for the game." Had he been working out in any way? "No, I'm starting from scratch. I've been busy with my hardware business and hadn't touched a piece of football equipment prior to tonight. But I've never stopped thinking about the game, and I hope I can help out." For a gent who hasn't been exposed to the rigors of the devastating pro game in more than a year, Dick gave a highly creditable performance. Rushing in his usual aggressive style, the rugged tackle spent considerable time in the Redskin backfield during his brief stint on the City stadium turf Saturday night. Other Packers moved silently about the locker room - but none seemed anxious to leave. "I guess we've got plenty of work to do," end Stretch Elliott observed. "Man, they had a rough line - big and fast. Not taking a thing away from them - but I think it was just one of those nights for us. We've got offensive punch on this club and it's going to come to the front before long. Dick (Wildung) will give us a real defensive lift, too. We'll get rolling." Packer coaches and players alike were united in their respect for the work of the Washington line (Paul Lipscomb, Gene Brito, Bobby Dean, et al), backs Sam Baker, Chuck

Drazenovich and Harry Gilmer, and rookie signal caller Jack Scarbath...WHERE TO PUT LEBARON: Scarbath, the former Maryland All-American, came in for special praise from assistant coach Hugh Devore. "I don't know where they'll put Eddie LeBaron if that youngster keeps coming through like he did tonight," Devore commented. "He's quick and he knows how to run the Split-T - learned it from Jim Tatum at Maryland and his quarterbacking was good enough to spark the Terrapins to their memorable victory over Michigan State (the number one college team in 1952) last year. The kid is a real addition to their ball club." Devore also had considerable praise for the play of Harry Gilmer. "Many fans think Gilmer is a great passer, but can't do anything else," Hugh observed. "That seems natural because he generally had been publicized as a passer and field general. But Harry always has been an explosive runner. He carried the ball frequently during his college days at Alabama and always was a scoring threat. I guess there was no doubt about his ball carrying ability tonight. That 67-yard punt return was a beautiful clutch performance and I'd say it was the key play of the game." Head coach Gene Ronzani moved slowly from the coaches' office to the locker room, looked at the floor for a moment, then quietly addressed his players. "It was just one of those games," Ronzani began. "They had a big, tough line, and we just couldn't make our offense jell under the circumstances. The thing to do is to forget this one and start pointing for the Steelers." (Shrine game with Pittsburgh in Milwaukee Saturday)...LOTS OF WORK ON OFFENSE: Ronzani told players and coaches alike that this would be a week devoted primarily to ironing out flaws in both defense and offense. "We're particularly going to do lots of work on our offense," Ronzani said. "I know we've got the good to score. Now we've got to go out and make sure we do score from now on." Ronzani, Devore, Chuck Drulis and Ray McLean, the Packers' board of strategy, all agreed that the hard-charging Washington line was the primary factor in the Green Bay loss. "They were fast as well as big" - was the general consensus. The Packer coaches also agreed with Mr. Tonnemaker that other NFL clubs soon will discover just how tough the "new-look" Redskins are.

#### **BIG FOOTBALL-BASEBALL WEEKEND COMING UP**

SEPT 8 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - The spotlight will be overlapping seasons next weekend - very likely the biggest weekend in Milwaukee sports history from an attendance standpoint. Braves vs. Dodgers Friday night at the Stadium...more of the same Saturday afternoon...Packers vs. Steelers in the annual Shrine benefit football game Saturday night at Marquette Stadium...the Packers' first 1953 appearance in the Milwaukee half of their "double house"...Braves vs. Giants Sunday afternoon at the Stadium. Milwaukee host to major league teams from Brooklyn, Pittsburgh and New York over a span of less than 48 hours. Prospective total attendance: 125,000. What a weekend! With the Packers on the upgrade in their fourth season under coach Gene Ronzani, and Pittsburgh threatening to jam into the championship picture in a serious way, the football phase of the crowded program should have considerable appeal strictly as a contest. Add that unquestioned charitable angle and the game should attract a sellout crowd. No game ever is played for a more worthy cause for the Shrine's profits, every dime, will be devoted to the care and cure of crippled youngsters who wouldn't have a chance in the world if it weren't for the hospital facilities provided for them by the Shrine. "Strong legs will run so that weak legs may walk" is

the appealing slogan. And behind it is something even more heartwarming, for the hospital doors are opened to youngsters desperately in need of help, regardless of race, color or creed. The only question: Is the youngster indigent? In other words, does he or she have anyone who can afford to pay for the treatments and lengthy hospital stay? If the parent are without means, the unfortunate kids are accepted with open arms. Those able to pay must undertake the rehabilitation struggle elsewhere. Nobody has a "pull" or "drag". Not even a member of the Shrine. The hospitals were founded for the sole purpose of providing the finest care FREE OF CHARGE and, again, only to those economically in no position to assume the financial burden. That's charity in purest form - immeasurably more so when the racial background, color and creed of the beneficiaries are of absolutely no concern to the sponsors. Would that same refusal to set up barriers along nationality, color-of-skin and religious lines spread to all walks of life, to all people everywhere. The best week coming up. So let's team up and jam Marquette Stadium for the Packer-Steeler game next Saturday night. Tickets are on sale at the Sentinel and Journal Public Service Bureaus, at the Milwaukee County Stadium and Packer offices in the Schroeder Hotel and Green Bay.



One of the greatest line backers and centers in pro football today. Clay Tonnemaker, will be in Milwaukee Saturday night with Gene Ronzani's Green Bay Packers for the annual Shrine exhibition game with Pittsburgh's Steelers at Marquette university stadium. Just back from two years in the army, including service in Korea, Tonnemaker is down to the lowest playing weight of his career—230 pounds.

#### **PACKERS ACQUIRE SKYKINUS FROM GIANTS**

SEPT 8 (Green Bay) - Bill Skyinkus, rookie guard from Syracuse, reported today to the Green Bay Packers, who obtained him in a deal with the New York Giants. The Packers gave New York an undisclosed draft choice next year for Skyinkus. The rookie guard probably will see action in the Packers' exhibition game with the Pittsburgh Steelers in Milwaukee Saturday night.

#### **WHAT NEXT FOR RINGO? PACK IN SCRIMMAGE**

SEPT 9 (Green Bay) - What's next for the Packers' Jim Ringo? This rookie center from Syracuse university, who bears a striking resemblance to boxer Roland LaStarza, suffered a broken nose in the opener against the New York Giants in Minneapolis Aug. 15, escaped injuries in the Chicago Cardinal battle in Spokane, Wash., Aug 22, and sustained a broken hand in the Washington Redskin fray here Saturday night. The offensive pivot isn't making any predictions for next Saturday night's affair with the Pittsburgh Steelers in Milwaukee but he'll be keeping his fingers crossed. The hand break probably won't hamper him enough to keep him out of the play entirely. Speaking about broken bones, halfback Don Barton has his ankle in a plaster cast but manages to hobble around pretty good. He watches every practice and attends all of the meetings...The Packers now have 47 players on their practice roster - four more than a week ago. The latest addition is Bill Skyinkus, a guard-tackle from Syracuse, who stacks 225 pounds on a 6-2 frame. Styinkus was obtained from the New York Giants for an undisclosed 1954 draft choice. Earlier, the Packers obtained Val Joe Walker from the Giants for a player to be named later. Styinkus hails from South Plainfield, N.J. Other late additions are Bob Noppinger, the Packers' 10th draft choice in 1951 who is just now back from two years in the Air corps; Joe Reid, former Los Angeles Ram and Dallas lineman; Paul DeVan, a six-foot, 185-pound halfback who was claimed on waivers from the Rams; and veteran tackle Dick Wildung, who joined the club Saturday afternoon and then played about 15 minutes of defense against the Redskins. Wildung, who hadn't played football since December of 1951, and did no training, carried five extra pounds against Washington. But he was down to his normal weight today, 230...The Packers will move into Milwaukee a day earlier this week to help drum up business for Saturday night's game. Originally scheduled to leave Saturday morning, the club will leave Friday morning instead and conduct two workouts there. Pittsburgh, which plays Washington in Columbia, S.C., tonight, will arrive in Milwaukee on Thursday. Packer assistant coach Hugh Devore will scout the Pitt game tonight...In an effort to get "that offense going", coach Gene Ronzani sent the Packers through a one-hour scrimmage in the enclosed Bluejay baseball park this morning. Ronzani, needless to say, was disappointed with the offense in the last two games which produced a total of only two touchdowns - a 13-7 loss to the Chicago Cardinals Aug. 29 and a 13-6 loss to Washington here Saturday. The offense actually dwindled off in the Washington match during the second half. The club failed to make a first down in the third quarter and finally bagged two late in the fourth frame - one on the last play of the game. The Bays rolled up nine first downs in the first half - one coming on Babe Parilli's pass to Bob Mann for the score...PASSERS

## Hutson Marooned On Bay After Boat Is Beached Sunday

Don Hutson, former Packer great, spent Sunday night and part of Monday marooned alone in his disabled power boat in Green bay, it was disclosed today.

His 30-foot cruiser ran aground Sunday night, and he beached it on the sandbar near Grassy island. He slept in the boat Sunday night, and was rescued Monday, after a Coast Guard plane had spotted him and directed a boat crew to him.

Hutson, for 11 years a Packer player, and holder of numerous records, is now an auto dealer at Racine.

CONTINUALLY RUSHED: Passers Parilli and Tobin Rote were continually rushed as the protection folded and the runner had little or no chance getting through the line - or around it, for that matter. The longest run by a halfback was seven yards by Gib Dawson in the first quarter, but on the next series Dawson lost the gain when he was thrown back nine yards. In the TD drive, J.R. Boone managed a six-yard gain. Actually, the longest run from scrimmage was 18 yards by Parilli, who faked a pass and then ran up the middle. While the offense loomed as the major problem, Ronzani did appear pleased with the club's defense in the three games thus far. The Bays allowed a total of 33 points - 7 to the New Yorks and 13 each to the Redskins and Cards. Six of the 33 points came on field goals, leaving just four TDs. One of the TDs was on a 68-yard punt return by Washington's Harry Gilmer. Only one other club had a better defensive average in non-league competition thus far - the Cardinals, who permitted just 27 points in three contests, an

average of nine per. The Packers and Washington each allowed 33.

### BAYS SHARPEN ATTACK FOR SHRINE TILT HERE

SEPT 9 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Apparently satisfied with his defense, coach Gene Ronzani Tuesday directed his Packer offensive unit through extensive drills in preparation for Saturday night's Shrine charity game with the rugged Pittsburgh Steelers at Marquette Stadium. In losing to the Redskins, 13-6, Saturday at Green Bay, the Packers displayed an adequate defense but faltered on their aerial and running attack. Two-a-day drills with all-out emphasis on offense will be three this week. The line was bolstered with the addition of Bill Skyinkus from the New York Giants. For Skyinkus, who will report Wednesday, the Packers will give the Giants an undisclosed draft choice next year. Another boost in the forward wall be find veteran tackle Dick Wildung starting after a two year absence. The only injuries inflicted by the Redskins were a bruised shoulder for end Billy Howton and a broken finger for center Jim Ringo. Both are expected to see action Saturday. In the Steelers, the Packers will battle a club traditionally tabbed as the NFL's "most rugged". Pittsburgh, which plays Washington Wednesday night, has won one of four exhibition starts. The Steelers won their opener against the Bears, 29-10. Then they lost to the defending champion Detroit Lions, 16-13, and followed with a 13-6 loss to the improving Baltimore Colts. Their last mixer was a 31-28 loss to the Bears. Green Bay will arrive in Milwaukee Friday morning and hold an afternoon workout. Pittsburgh is expected in town Thursday.

### RONZANI SEES TOUGH TILT HERE WITH STEELERS

SEPT 9 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Although naturally disappointed over the way the offense bogged down against the Cardinals and Redskins after a great opening show against the Giants, the Packers' head man, Gene Ronzani, is hoping the rugged experience will prove of real benefit in the Bay's first Milwaukee appearance - the fourth annual Shrine benefit game with the Pittsburgh Steelers at Marquette Stadium Saturday night. "Maybe it's just as well that the boys got their lumps and bumps early - veterans who may have forgotten as well as newcomers who are just finding out about life in the pro league," said Ronzani after Tuesday's rugged workout, which stressed offense almost exclusively. "Guess that first game was too easy," the coach continued. "Everything worked almost too well for a starter. It turned out to be poor preparation for the rugged defense the Cardinals and Redskins threw at us." Ronzani had warned his players they can look forward to more of the same from the Steelers, who loom right up now as definite Eastern Division title threats. Scout reports indicate the Smoky City outfit is just as fast, tough and generally solid as the record to date hints. "It's a cinch they won't curl up and play dead," he added. "They'll be gunning for this one, and so will we. So you can look for a night of real rock and sock at Marquette Stadium Saturday night." Ronzani and his staff are more than satisfied with the defense, which has given up only four touchdowns in three games - one on a punt return. He had nothing but praise for John Martinkovic, Dave Hanner, Floyd Harrawood, Howie Ruetz and Bill Georges, who have seen most of the front line servivce; linebackers Clayton Tonnemaker, Deral Teteak, Bob Forte and Roger Zatkoff, and Bobby Dillon, Val Joe Walker and assorted deep defenders. "It looks like we should achieve our goal of improving our total defense at least 25 percent over last year," the boss pointed out. "Now the job is to regain the scoring pace we set the last two years. So far we just haven't had the necessary blocking to make our

## Sharpen Offense For Pittsburgh Contest Saturday

### NATIONAL GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
Detroit	2	0	1	1.000	78	44
Los Angeles	3	1	0	.750	92	49
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667	62	48
Cleveland	2	1	1	.667	76	79
Chicago Cards	2	1	0	.667	43	27
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	51	46
San Francisco	2	2	0	.500	55	83
GREEN BAY	1	2	0	.333	44	33
New York	1	2	0	.333	28	76
Washington	1	2	0	.333	29	33
Chicago Bears	1	3	0	.250	57	95
Pittsburgh	1	3	0	.250	76	70

### Tonight's Game

Washington vs. Pittsburgh at Columbia, S. C.

### Friday Night's Game

Cleveland at Chicago Bears.

### Saturday Night's Games

GREEN BAY VS. PITTSBURGH at Milwaukee.

New York vs. Baltimore at St. Louis.

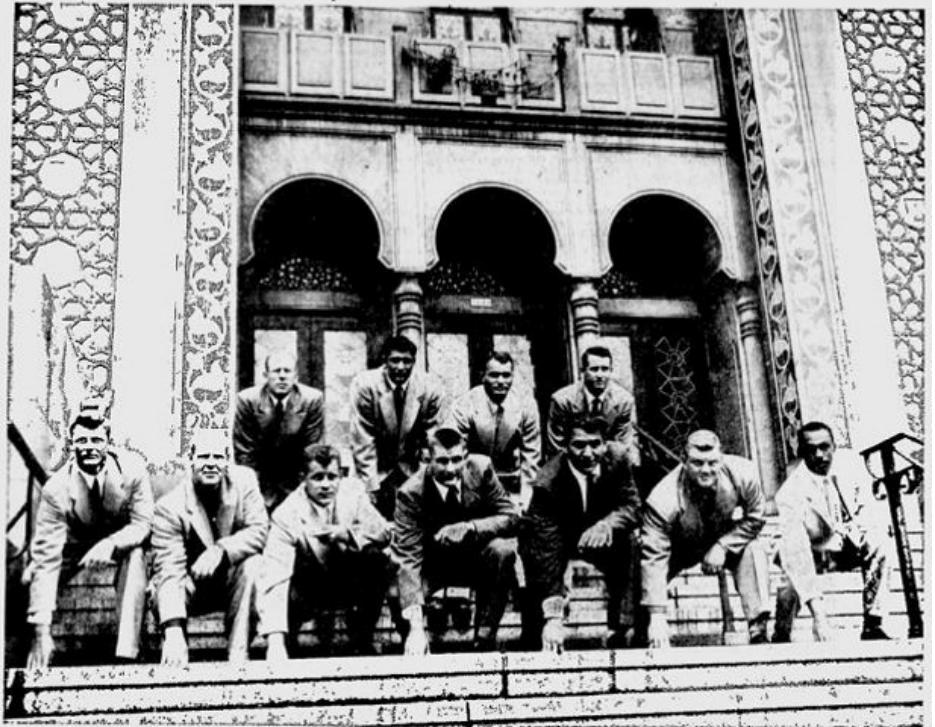
Los Angeles vs. Philadelphia at Little Rock.

### Sunday's Games

Detroit vs. Washington at Buffalo.  
Cardinals at San Francisco.

ground stuff go and our passing attack naturally has suffered, too." By way of bolstering the line blocking, Hanner very likely will be shifted to offense - a move made possible by Dick Wildung's return after a year's absence. The former Minnesota All-American looked amazingly good against the Redskins despite the fact that he had reported only a few hours earlier. He's a two-way operator, but most likely will contribute on defense. A big, boom-booming fullback would do a lot for the offense. But the type of guy who more or less runs his own interference and protects passers with real authority just isn't in sight. In fact, the emphasis is on speed in that spot as well as at the halfbacks. Which means a problem and added pressure on the quarterbacks, Babe Parilli and Tobin Rote. They must be on the alert to come up with more variety and throw more cute stuff at opposing linemen who come roaring across with every snap of the gall - traps, screens, naked reverses and the like. The more

## They're Ready to Score for Charity



Lined up on the steps of the Tripoli Shrine Mosque is the offensive lineup of the Green Bay Packers which will face the Pittsburgh Steelers in the annual Tripoli Shrine charity football game Saturday night in Marquette Stadium. The picture was made Friday just before a luncheon for players and officials. In the line (left to right): Bill Howton, Dave Hanner, Len Szafrzyn, Clayton Tommenaker, Steve Kuzich, Dick Affie and Bob Mann. Backfield (left to right): Larry Centre, Babe Parilli, Fred Cone and Gib Dawson. It will be the first Parker appearance in the city this season. Three league games will be played in Milwaukee. Associated press.

they keep the opposition honest, the more time they will have to complete passes to those fancy receivers, Bill Howton, Bob Mann and Stretch Elliott. "We did a lot of scoring the last two years with no more backfield power than we have now and less speed," Ronzani emphasized. "And there's no reason why we can't do it again. But we must have blocking all around and more variety in order to keep the other teams crossed up. The boys' attitude is good and I know they'll be working their heads off to get the job done. They know it's going to take a lot of doing because the league is tougher than every." Tougher than ever is right, what with the Rams, Lions and Browns still up to their old tricks; the Bears, 49ers and Eagles as dangerous as ever; the Cardinals, Redskins, Steelers and Baltimore Colts flashing unexpected class, and the Giants, notoriously slow starters, certain to be hard to handle before the season is very far advanced.

### **DISTURBED BY FAILURES PASSING**

SEPT 9 (Milwaukee Journal) - Offense, offense and more offense. Such has been the order of work in the camp of the Green Bay Packers this week as a slightly-discouraged Gene Ronzani has gone about prepping for the next start of the exhibition season against the Pittsburgh Steelers at Marquette University Saturday night. An impressive offensive showing against the New York Giants in Minneapolis three weeks ago raised all manner of hopes for the season. Ordinary and losing performances against the Chicago Cardinals and Washington Redskins in the two weeks since, however, altered the picture a bit. The Packers flattened the Giants, 31-7, then suddenly lost all of their punch and got no more than a touchdown a game in their next starts. They bowed to the Cardinals, 13-7, and to the Redskins. Major injuries to men like Bobby Jack Floyd, Jim Murray and Don Barton, and other lesser injuries, undoubtedly hurt and Ronzani had made allowances for them. Beyond the injuries, however, have been other disappointments and none greater than the unfruitfulness of the passing attack. Certainly the failure to do more against both the Cardinals and Redskins in the air was the greatest disappointment in each game. Two of the finest passers in the league, by last year's standards, Babe Parilli and Tobin Rote, have given ordinary performances at best. Against the Cardinals, the two who last year in league play averaged better than 50 percent averaged 36 percent, and against the Redskins 39 percent. "We've been most disappointed in this," Ronzani said Wednesday. "If our passing isn't good, the rest of our offense suffers, and that has been our trouble in the last two games." Rote's reaction in the Washington game, even though his protection wasn't always of the best, was particularly slow. So the emphasis this week has been on offense and especially on passing. Pittsburgh will throw one of the toughest defensive lines in the league on the field. The Packers, 40 strong, and their coaching staff will be guests of Tripoli at a booster luncheon at the Mosque Friday noon. The team will work out here later in the afternoon. The Steelers will arrive Friday night.

### **PACKERS PUT EMPHASIS ON OFFENSE**

SEPT 9 (Green Bay) - The emphasis was on offense Thursday as the Green Bay Packers prepared for their exhibition meeting with Pittsburgh Steelers Saturday night at Milwaukee in the fourth annual Midwest Shrine benefit game. Coach

Gene Ronzani is expected to let quarterbacks Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli open the passing throttle for the 20,000 crowd expected at Marquette Stadium. A new running attack, pegged on rookie halfbacks Gib Dawson and Al Carmichael, also is likely to be unveiled.

# Packers Face 'Most Difficult' Job in Steeler Test Saturday

## PACKERS FACE 'MOST DIFFICULT' JOB IN STEELER TEST SATURDAY

SEPT 10 (Green Bay) - Remember (horrors) how tough the middle of the Washington line was for the Packers Saturday night? There's a guy with the Pittsburgh Steelers who ran 29 yards right up the center of that Redskin line in Columbia, S.C., last night. The feller is Fran Rogel, a veteran 200-pound fullback who, along with quarterback Jimmy Finks, led the Pittsburghers to a 21 to 14 victory over the Washington Redskins before 22,000. This is presented herewith today as a means of pointing out one slight fact: That the Packers will have no picnic in Milwaukee's Marquette stadium Saturday night against the Steelers!..."BROKE" PRECEDENT WEDNESDAY: The Packers, everybody must agree, had a difficult time in losing to the Washingtons, 13 to 6. It would seem logical to say that they will have a "most difficult" time with any team that beats the Redskins. In an effort to break the Steeler rush, the Packers "broke" precedent yesterday and held a rip-snorting scrimmage. Normally, the team saves its bod contact for the weekend game but Coach Gene Ronzani ordered the rough stuff as a way of bringing out a "gloss" to the offenses. Come Sept. 27, the offense is expected to "shine"! The head-batting was designed chiefly to furnish (1) some protection for passers Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli and (2) the proper blocks in front of the ball carriers. Rote and Parilli got their protection but it took 15 or 20 minutes of solid pounding to arrive at the best combinations - or at least to give them a good chance to throw. Shifts in personnel were made up and down the line and various players were tried on both defense and offense in the line...HANNER TRIED AT MG: The touchy middle guard position, vacated by capable Ray Bray, was handled by Dave Hanner, Floyd Harrawood and newcomer Bill Skyinskus - to mention a few. Dick Wildung, veteran tackle just returned from a year of soft civilian life, played both offense and defense. As the scrimmage wore on, there were indications that the Packers might have a solid defensive club - probably the best in the Ronzani regime. This "prediction" is based on improvement in the linebacking spot covered by Bob Forte, Clayton Tonnemaker and Deral Teteak; and the defensive outfield handled by Bobby Dillon, Marv Johnson, Clarence Self, Val Joe Walker and Bennie Aldridge; and the return of Wildung in the line. The two main missing links in the line are replacements for Bray and defensive Ab Wimberly, who teamed with John Martinkovic to give the Pack two of the best DE's in the league last year...The Packers held a two-hour drill this morning and then called it physical quits for the day. They'll resume practice in Milwaukee tomorrow. Pittsburgh arrived in Milwaukee today...PRO BITS: One of the reasons the Packer line is hurting is the loss of Tom Johnson, the former Michigan tackle who broke in last year. Johnson now is working for Uncle Sam and is now stationed at Fort Knox, Ky. He's sure to see plenty of Army football this fall...Here's bad news: The Los Angeles Rams were strengthened today with the return from the Navy of end Bob Boyd, former national collegiate 100-yard dash champion...Shrine officials are shooting for a crowd of 20,000 at the Packer-Pitt game Saturday night. It'll be a big sports weekend in Milwaukee, what with the Brooklyn Dodgers playing the Braves Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

## PELFREY UNCHANGED

SEPT 10 (Green Bay) - Ray Pelfrey, the former Packer end, is knocking 'em cold out in Baltimore with his glib talk and his circus catches. Writer friend John Steadman calls him "Tiger", "Wrong Way" and "Crazy Man" - to mention a few names. You've heard the various "screwball" stories when Ray played with the Pack, now listen to a few that occurred last year when Ray toiled for Dallas. Pelfrey made eight leaping catches when the Bears were upset by the Texans. Somebody told Ray that George Halas of the Bears had insinuated that it was "dumb luck" because Pelfrey was running the wrong patterns (as he usually does). Pelfrey didn't know he was being jostled and pleaded that a personal apology be demanded from Halas. Another time against the Bears, Pelfrey had words with monstrous George Connor. Pelfrey, with belligerent gestures, told Connor to take his face mask off if he wanted to fight. Connor obliged and put up his fists. Pelfrey looked at him, laughed and quipped: "You would, wouldn't you?" In the Dallas game last year with Philadelphia, quarterback Bob Celeri retreated after failing to get off a punt. He kept running in reverse and finally pitched the ball right in the hands of Eagle tackle Vic Sears, who waltzed over an easy touchdown. As the offensive platoon left the field, Pelfrey sided up to Celeri and cracked: "I knew if you keep throwing, you'd pass for a score." Celeri didn't talk to Ray for days, but Ray said he didn't mean anything personal by it...The general fan disappointment with the Packers' performance against Washington here Saturday night showed up in the season ticket business at the Packer ticket office Tuesday. Ticket director Carl Mraz said business was "practically at a standstill."



**Offensive Halfbacks?**—The Packers' defensive outfield currently is in the hands of the five gentlemen shown above, and the unit will get its stiffest test against the strong-passing Pittsburgh Steelers in Milwaukee tonight. From left to right they are Marv Johnson, Clarence Self (inset), Bobby Dillon, Val Joe Walker (inset) and Bennie Aldridge.

Walker is the only rookie in the group while Johnson, Self and Dillon played here last year. Aldridge played with the New York Yanks and San Francisco. Dan Sandifer worked on defense last year but he's trying to make the club on offense this season. Walker and Aldridge will be making their debuts before Milwaukee fans.

## STEELERS LOSE NICKEL FOR LAST 2 EXHIBITIONS

SEPT 10 (Milwaukee) - Captain Elbie Nickel of the Pittsburgh Steelers must miss the last two exhibition games of the Gold and Black due to a badly bruised rib which he suffered Wednesday night in the 21-14 victory over the Washington Redskins at Columbia, S.C. First engagement which the star right end will sit out comes here Saturday night in Marquette Stadium when Coach Joe Bach's entry seeks its third pre-season triumph against Coach Gene Ronzani's Green Bay Packers. Then on Sunday, September 20, in Forbes Field the Rooney men finish the non-league card against the powerful Los Angeles Rams in the annual Post-Gazette-Dapper Dan club contest for the benefit of the Palestra Fund. Nickel, now in his seventh season and looking better than ever in hauling in the aerials, was injured on a peculiar play. "I caught a pass from Jimmy Finks while on my knees but managed to hold on to it when tackled," Elbie recalls. "Maybe I felt a pain in the stomach near the lower ribs. I stuck in there and we scored two plays later for our second touchdown. Then I kicked off and it really hurt. I couldn't get my breath and had to leave the game." After examination in the dressing room by a team physician, Elbie was hurried to a Columbia hospital in an ambulance. X-rays revealed no fractures and he got back to the hotel about the same time as his victorious teammates. It's believed that two weeks rest will put the former Cincinnati University star back on the grid and that he should be able to face the Detroit Lions in the NFL opener in Briggs Stadium on Sunday, September 27. Injury of Nickel continues the Steelers' hard luck, as he joins Ernie Stautner, Pete Ladygo, Bill Hegarty and Jack Zachary on the sidelines at least temporarily. Jack Butler, versatile Whitehall athlete who stars at either defensive halfback or offensive end, will probably be shifted to the right terminal to sub for Nickel. The former St. Bonaventure star made the most sensational catch of the Redskin fray when he clutched a long Finks heave good for 51 yards as he was falling backwards to the sod in the final quarter. The Packers are in a mean mood after dropping their last two outings. They opened with a 31-7 drubbing of the New York Giants, but afterward were beaten by the Chicago Cardinals, 13-7, and by the Washington Redskins, 13-6.

# Pack Ugly, Wants To Meet Steelers at Their Toughest

# 'Ste(a)lers?'

## NATIONAL GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
Detroit .....	2	0	1	.1000	78	44
Los Angeles .....	3	1	0	.750	92	49
Cleveland .....	3	1	1	.750	86	83
Chicago Cards ..	2	1	0	.667	43	27
Philadelphia .....	2	1	0	.667	62	48
Baltimore .....	2	2	0	.500	51	46
San Francisco ..	2	2	0	.500	55	83
Pittsburgh .....	2	3	0	.400	97	84
Green Bay .....	1	2	0	.333	44	33
New York .....	1	2	0	.333	28	76
Washington ...	1	3	0	.250	34	54
Chicago Bears ...	1	4	0	.200	72	115

### Tonight's Games

**GREEN BAY VS. PITTSBURGH** in Milwaukee (\$60).  
 New York vs. Baltimore at St. Louis.  
 Los Angeles vs. Philadelphia at Little Rock.

### Sunday's Games

Detroit vs. Washington at Buffalo.  
 Cardinals at San Francisco.

### Friday Night's Result

Cleveland 20, Bears 14.

### Probable Offensive Lineup

PITTSBURGH	GREEN BAY
Sulima, le	le, Mann
Murray, lt	lt, Afflis
Schweder, lg	lg, Rutich
Walsh, c	c, Tonnemaker
McFadden, rg	rg, Logan
Hughes, rt	rt, Serini
Butler, re	re, Howton
Marchibroda, qb	qb, Parill
Brandt, lhb	lhb, Reid
Chandnois, rhb	rhb, Coutre
Spinks, fb	fb, Cone

## PACK UGLY, WANTS TO MEET STEELERS AT THEIR TOUGHEST

SEPT 11 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers heard lots of things, including some baseball talk, as they worked out here today in preparation for their fourth annual Shrine football classic against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Marquette stadium Saturday night. First off, there was the report that the Steelers' captain, Elbie Nickel, will miss the Packer game as well as the non-league finale against Los Angeles Sept. 20 because of a badly bruised hip. Then there was the statement of Pittsburgh coach Joe Bach which they read en route to Milwaukee on the 7 o'clock North Western this morning. Joe said, "the Packers have the horses and will be tough, but we'll be ready for 'em." Baseball? This town is buzzing what with the arrival of the Brooklyn Dodgers who are in town to clinch the National league pennant by whipping the Braves tonight and/or Saturday afternoon. The loss of end Nickel, the Steelers' leading pass receiver last year, wasn't exactly bad news to the Packers. However, the Packers are in a rather ugly mood and would just as soon as meet Pittsburgh at its strongest to make up for their 13-6 losing performance in Green Bay last Saturday night. The Packers will meet Pittsburgh in league competition in Steelertown, Oct. 24. At first, it was feared Nickel's rib was broken but x-rays today showed no fracture. Bach, whose Pittsburghers lost four games by 20 points last year, is expecting better things this season, although he feels that the league champions will lose three or four games. He pointed out that very club is well balanced...The Packer coaches, Gene Ronzani, Ray McLean, Chuck Drulis and Hugh Devore, will scout the annual service battle between the Chicago Bears and Cleveland Browns in Chicago tonight. After Pittsburgh, the Packers go on a two-game Brown diet. They meet the Cleveland Browns in Cleveland Saturday night, Sept. 19, and then open league competition against the same team in Milwaukee Sept. 27. The Bears move into Green Bay for the second loop tussle Oct. 4. Thus, the Packer coaches tonight can get valuable information on both clubs tonight. The Packers probably may go into the Pittsburgh game "cold". Devore was scheduled to scout the Washington-Pittsburgh game in Columbia S.C. Wednesday night, but was unable to make plane connections out of New Jersey where he visited his family for a couple of hours. However, the Packers likely obtained a report on Pittsburgh from other sources. Devore returned to Green Bay last night...The Packers covered

offense and defense in a long two-hour drill Thursday morning in Green Bay. In addition, the club practiced kickoff plays. The workout closed out one of the toughest late preseason weeks in years. A hard and long scrimmage was held Wednesday in an effort to get the offense clicking. While the Packers will do plenty of passing against Pittsburgh, the emphasis might be on rushing. The Packer backs haven't been able to pick up much yardage by pounding in the three non-leaguers thus far. Ronzani is convinced that the passing won't really pay off until the club can gain on the ground. Fullback Fred Cone, who played against Washington despite an ankle injury, ran hard all week and likely will get plenty of work tomorrow night. He'll be playing against his one-time Clemson teammate, the brilliant Ray Matthews, a hard-running halfback. Shrine officials are looking for a crowd of 20,000 fans Saturday night. Shrine clubs throughout the state are pushing the sale of ducats.

## READY FOR PACKERS, SAYS STEELERS' COACH

SEPT 11 (Milwaukee) - "The Packers have the horses and will be tough, but we'll be ready for them." So said coach Joe Bach of the Pittsburgh Steelers when he and his squad arrived in the city Thursday to make final preparations for Saturday night's battle with the Packers at Marquette Stadium. Except for Elbie Nickel, one of the finest pass catching ends in pro football, the Steelers came out of Wednesday night's game with Washington at Columbia, SC in good shape. Nickel suffered a badly bruised rib against the Redskins and will miss the Packer game and the Ram tilt September 20. The Steelers knocked off the Redskins, 21-14, for their second victory in five starts. They also walloped the Bears, 29-10. The losses were by narrow margins - 16-13 to the champion Lions; 31-28 to the Bears and 13-6 to darkhorse Baltimore. Bach expressed the hope that losing those close ones doesn't mean a continuation of last year's jinx. "We lost five of our league games by a total of 20 points," he recalled. "But we finished strong by winning five our of last seven starts in 1952. So I have a hunch we can go on from there. It's going to be a terrific race," the Steelers' head man added. "No team looms up as weak. Each one is good enough to knock off any other on a given day. The champion in each division is a cinch to lose three or four. So it's going to be a bear-down deal all the way." Coach Gene Ronzani and his Packers will be here Friday morning. They will attend the Shrine luncheon at noon and then swing into their final pre-game workout. The Steelers also are scheduled to practice Friday afternoon.

## **STEELERS PLAN MORE PASSES DESPITE SUCCESS ON GROUND**

SEPT 11 (Milwaukee) - Pittsburgh's pro football fans can expect an aerial circus from the Steelers this fall. Coach Joe Bach practically promised it today, revealing that everybody in the backfield would be on the flinging end of passes before the season ends. "I know you have to have a running attack," Bach said in the hotel lobby just before the team went out for a limbering-up drill. "But it's the passes that get those touchdowns in a hurry. We let Popcorn Brandt throw a pass the other night, and before the season is over we'll have plays where both halfbacks and even the fullback will be pitching that ball." Brandt's pass, a six yarder for a first down, kept alive a touchdown drive in the Steelers' 21-14 win over the Washington Redskins at Columbia, S.C., Wednesday night. The toss, incidentally, was the first for the hard-running halfback from St. Thomas College. Bach got onto the question of his aerial circus after discussing his ground attack in the Washington victory. It was the best overland game the Steelers played since installing the T formation a year ago. "Yes, the boys looked pretty good," Bach said. "They were running hard and with lots of fire. That's the kind of runners I like to see. And the downfield blocking was as good as you could expect. Lynn Chadnois missed a touchdown when he tripped running around end. On that play, he had only a safety man to get by and he had three blockers to handle that one man." Even the critical Walt Kiesling was impressed by the blocking. "It was the best blocking I've ever seen on a Steeler team," the veteran aide remarked. Bach acknowledged, too, that the toughest part of his job is coming up in the next two weeks when he had to trim his squad to 33 players. "I frankly don't know just who we're going to cut," he said. "One thing I do know, though, is that we won't bring anymore backs in here. We have a fair backfield and good fair depth now." Bach could well afford to be buoyant after the scare he had just been through. End Elbie Nickel had been pronounced okay after x-rays indicated that he had suffered nothing more incapacitating than a bruised muscle. At first it was feared that the team's top receiver might have suffered a fractured rib. Nickel, however, joins halfbacks Ray Matthews and Jack Zachary, guard Pete Ladygo and tackle Ernie Stautner on the sidelines. He may be out for as much as two weeks. In his absence Jack Butler - who won his starting left end job with his show against the Redskins - will temporarily switch to the right terminal. George Sulina will replace Butler at left end. Everybody is wearing a wide grin over the Steelers' situation at left halfback. They challenge you to produce a team that has the likes of Mathews, Brandt and Franny Rogel, who switches from full to half, at one position.

## **JACK SPINKS TO START FOR STEELERS**

SEPT 11 (Milwaukee) - Jack (The Ripper) Spinks, 238 pound fullback of the Pittsburgh Steelers, will get a chance to start tomorrow night's exhibition game here in Marquette Stadium against the Green Bay Packers. The kickoff will be at 10 o'clock, Pittsburgh time. Coach Joe Bach nominated the former Alcorn A&M star this afternoon after a brisk workout at the battle site. Spinks played the greatest game of his brief pro career in helping scalp the Washington Redskins, 21-14, last Wednesday night in Columbia, S.C. This final pre-season affair on the road is sponsored by the Midwest Shriners and is expected to draw 20,000 fans. Other NFL exhibitions tomorrow might have the New York Giants and Baltimore Colts at St. Louis and the Philadelphia Eagles and Los Angeles Rams clashing at Little Rock. On Sunday the San Francisco 49ers play host to the Chicago Cardinals while the Washington Redskins and Detroit Lions meet in Buffalo. The entire Steeler squad will watch the latter game to scout the Motor City array which they meet in the NFL opener on September 27 in Detroit. Ted Marchibroda, No. 1 draft choice of the Gold and Black last winter, will again start at quarterback tomorrow night. Bach wants the youngster to gain experience before the gridders start playing for keeps. Ted piloted the team to a first quarter TD in skillful fashion against the Skins. Jim (Popcorn) Brandy and Lynn Chadnois will be the starting halfbacks while the regular offensive line will begin except at right end where Jack Butler will sub for the injured Elbie Nickel. Green Bay, with two stellar passers in Babe Parilli from Rochester, Pa., and Tobin Rote, will stress the overhead game. Ends Bobby Mann and Bill Howton are two of the best receivers in the business. Last year the teams split an exhibition series, the Steelers copping by 7-6 at Latrobe for their only pre-season triumph while the Bays got even by 23-10 later in Minneapolis. They didn't meet in league warfare.

## **PACKERS TACKLE STEELERS IN SHRINE GAME TONIGHT**

SEPT 12 (Milwaukee) - The Green Bay Packers will be out to atone for two sins tonight - a 13 to 7 loss to the Chicago Cardinals and a 13-6 setback at the hands of the Washington Redskins - when they tangle with the Pittsburgh Steelers in the fourth annual Shrine football classic at Marquette stadium here tonight. Kickoff is set for 8 o'clock. A crowd of 20,000 is expected to watch the Packers supply answers to these questions - at least in part: (1) Can the Packers get enough mileage out of their offense to score a victory and thus better prepare themselves for the 1953 championship season? (2) Do the Packers really have their best defense since 1946 when they permitted 11 opponents only 156 points or an average of 14-plus? The Packers launched the current warmup season by lambasting the New York Giants, 31 to 7, but the Giants, traditionally poor and slow starters, appeared to be two or three weeks behind the Bays in polish. The Cardinal and Redskins games followed and in each instance the Packers showed little or no rush offense and just a trickle of the aerial power that gave them the league passing championship in '52. Tonight, Packer coach Gene Ronzani expects to pull out all offensive stops in an effort to score a victory and restore some confidence. He warmed the Packers up for tonight's "comeback" with a rugged week of practice, including a two-hour scrimmage Wednesday. Through it all, Ronzani expected to get a look at some 47 players, seven or eight of whom will be on their way home come Monday. Getting a thorough test will be such

rookie backs as Gib Dawson Val Joe Walker and Billy Hair, while up front the coaches will be watching Vic Rimkus, Floyd Harrawood, Roger Zatkoff, Jack Morgan, Bill Georges, Bill Murray, Bob Noppinger and Bill Skyinkus. While these men will see considerable action, you can bet your bottom dollar that the Packers' main business will be handled by the vet, especially the air-minded fivesome – Babe Parilli, Tobin Rote, Bill Howton, Bob Mann and Carleton Elliott...ALL 11 POINTS PER: The Packer defense, which allowed three foes an average of only 11 points per test, will be anchored by the three crack linebackers, Clayton Tonnemaker, Bob Forte and Deral Teteak. Seeing more action in the defensive line will be veteran Dick Wildung, who reported to the Pack two hours before the Redskins game and then played 15 minutes with no previous workout. Most fans thought the Redskins furnished the Packers with murderous competition. On that score, it can be noted that the Pittsburghers downed Washington with no particular strain, 31 to 14, last Wednesday night. What's more, the Steelers ripped through Washington's strong line for 190 yards and passed for about 150. The Packers, if you'll recall, gained 70 yards on the ground and 55 in the air against Washington. Pittsburgh coach Joe Bach will start his talented rookie quarterback, Ted Marchibroda, against the Pack tonight and then follow up with veteran Jimmy Finks. He used the same procedure against Washington, with each QB working one half of the game. Finks, by the way, is averaging 64 percent on pass completions...SPINKS AT FULLBACK: The Steelers will be without the services of their ace pass catcher tonight, Captain Elbie Nickel, who has some bruised ribs. The club has four hospital cases – tackles Ernie Stautner and Bill Hegarty, guard Pete Ladygo and halfback Jack Zachary. Halfback Ray Matthews, a teammate of Packer fullback Fred Cone at Clemson, has a jammed shoulder and may see limited action. Cone, hampered by an ankle injury last Saturday, went at full speed all week and expects to be at his best tonight. Starting in his place of Matthews will be Jim Brandt, a sophomore HB. Jack Spinks, soph fullback, will start in the place of the hard-driving Fran Rogel. The Packers will open with an all-veteran team, including Breezy Reid and Larry Coutre at the halfbacks. These two never carried the ball against Washington. The Packers will remain at the Schroeder hotel tonight and return to Green Bay at 12:30 Sunday afternoon on the North Western.

### **PACKERS, STEELERS IN SHRINE TILT ON MU TURF TONIGHT**

SEPT 12 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - The Packer football machine, 1953 model, considered potentially the best produced in the last six or seven years, will go on public display in Milwaukee for the first time Saturday night at Marquette Stadium. The occasion is the fourth annual Shrine Midwest benefit game, with the Bays' rugged NFL opponents, the Pittsburgh Steelers, collaborating if not exactly cooperating in the hoped-for successful unveiling. Kickoff time is 8 p.m. Last minute ticket sales are expected to boost the crowd total to at least 20,000. Capacity is well over that figure, thanks to the addition of 2,500 end zone seats, specially priced at \$1.50. West ticket booths at the Hilltop Stadium will open at 9 a.m. Saturday. One-third of the net receipts, plus thousands always raised by the Shriners in the way of extras from the unique and attractive program, etc. will go to hospitals for crippled children - youngsters without means, who are accepted regardless of race, color or creed. So there's one sure winner: the group of helpless boys and girls benefiting directly. The bigger the crowd the greater their possible margin of "victory", Milwaukee fans are naturally anxious for their first look at the nifty newcomers on whom head coach Gene Ronzani and his staff are depending so heavily. Among them are Gib Dawson, the Texas Flyer who was named the most valuable player in the recent College All-Star game; Al Carmichael, No. 1 draft choice and the young man whose touchdown catch beat Wisconsin in the Rose Bowl last New Year's Day; Floyd Harrawood, middle guard on defense; Roger Zatkoff, linebacker from Michigan; ends Bill Murray and Bill Georges; J.R. Boone, a pro veteran but new to the Packers; Val Joe Walker, Jim Ringo, Vic Rimkus, Billy Hair and Bill Forester. Add old friends back from service after absences of two years - Clayton Tonnemaker, Larry Coutre and Len Szafaryn - plus Babe Parilli, Tobin Rote, Bill Howton, Bobby Mann, John Martinkovic, Dave Hanner, Bobby Dillon, Deral Teteak, Bob Forte, Fred Cone, Steve Ruzich, Stretch Elliott and other solid holdovers from last year, and you have a line on the "horses" on whose shoulders the Packer hopes rest. Although the Packers were tabbed as definite title threats in pre-season summaries and the Steelers' prospects in the Eastern Division were and are considered good, this will be a meeting of two clubs very hungry at the moment. After a dazzling start - too good a start perhaps - against the Giants, the Ronzanimen were nosed out by the up and coming Cardinals and again by the big, rough Redskins. As a result, they really want this one so badly they can practically taste it. Coach Joe Bach's Pittsburghers are in pretty much the same position. They whacked the Bears and beat the Redskins by a touchdown, but between times lost close decisions to the champion Lions, Bears and Baltimore Colts. The point is that there is nothing "exhibitionish" about pre-league games these days. They mean too much in vital future business to be taken lightly, although it is still a fact that such battles provide the only means of testing and reducing squads to workable size. Key man in Pittsburgh's scheme of things is Jim Finks, who has continued the sensational passing which led his team to victory in five of their last seven league games of 1952. Jim has completed 86 out of 121 to date. That means Parilli and Rote better be sharp. Ditto their protectors and receivers. The Packers' defense has been more than adequate. But defense alone can't win many pro games. So the heat's been on the offense the past week for success in that department, or lack of it, will tell the story tonight.

### **PACKERS TEST 'BORDERLINE' STEELERS**

SEPT 12 (Milwaukee) - The borderline rookies get their last chance tonight as the Steelers face the Green Bay Packers at Marquette Stadium at 10 p.m.m (EDT). A crowd of 18,000 is expected. Coach Joe Bach said today that quarterback Ted

Marchibroda, halfback Popcorn Brandt and fullback Jack Spinks would be in the opening lineup at kickoff. It's a key night for Spinks, the 240-pound fullback. Listed as a sure bet to be released a week ago, the 22-year old fullback turned in his best showing of his brief but shaky career against the Washington Redskins last Wednesday night. The performance not only won him a reprieve from the axe, but moved him into the starting lineup for tonight's test against the rugged, highly-regarded Packers. In the Packers, the Steelers meet a foe rapidly developing into a top flight team. Perhaps not quite ready for the championship flight yet, but in Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli, Green Bay has a fearsome passing combination that is a constant threat. At the ends, Billy Howton and Bill Mann are two receivers who have the ability to strike quickly and with complete devastation. Howton was Rookie-of-the-Year last season and an All-League selection. The combinations would give the Packers an overwhelming advantage over the Steelers were it not for quarterback Jimmy Finks, who is gaining stature with each game. Some people, notably Commissioner Bert Bell and Art Rooney, have already labeled him as the best passer in the east, including the Otto Graham of 1952. The figures side favorably with the Steeler tosser. He has compiled an amazing 64 percent average with 81 completions in 126 throws. As usual, the battered Steelers will be handicapped by injuries - four starters sidelined with ailments. They are tackle Ernie Stautner, guard Pete Ladygo, end Elbie Nickel and halfback Ray Mathews. Green Bay, on the other hand, is at full strength. Jack Butler, normally a defensive halfback, moves into Nickel's spot at left end. Butler appears to be set for one of the Steelers' starting end positions, a development that arose against the Redskins. The emergence of Ed Fullerton, as a sure-tackling, close guarding defensive halfback permitted Bach to switch Butler. The versatile Whitehall gridder was one of the nation's top receivers as a collegian in 1950. Meanwhile, the linebackers continue to give the Steelers headaches. George Tarasovic, a bull-like fellow who ignores the technicalities of defense, so far has failed to come through. He may be getting his last chance tonight in that role. Of course, Tarasovic won't be released. In the event he doesn't make it as a linebacker, he's always a valuable gent to have around as an end.

## Packers Tackle Steelers in Shrine Game Tonight