



Detroit Lions (3-1) 31, Green Bay Packers (2-2) 28
Sunday October 10th 1971 (at Detroit)



Landry On The Loose, Lions Nip Pack 31-28

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(DETROIT) - "Greg Landry proved something today that I've always believed," Dan Devine said - with the air of a man who isn't so sure he wanted to be right. "He proved that a quarterback can run in this league. They say he'll get hurt running. But a quarterback will get hurt quicker dropping back and eating the ball than he will by running. "And his getting outside the containment," Devine unhappily noted, "was what killed us this afternoon...Landry, in fact, is just a good quarterback - he runs well, he throws well and he runs the team well." The day, as he said, had belonged to the man from Massachusetts. Scrambling or passing on the run for vital first downs, particularly in the fourth quarter clutch, Landry shadowed a sterling Green Bay comeback in maneuvering the Lions past the surprisingly resilient Packers, 31-28, at Tiger Stadium Sunday. The Bays, in arrears 17-0 at one point in the second quarter and by 24-7 at halftime, clawed their way back to 31-21 early in the final period, then watched in quiet desperation as Landry forged a nine minute, ball control drive to all but run out the clock. His scrambles figured directly in two of the five first downs he engineered en route, prompting a battle-weary Lionel Aldridge to observe, "He's not the scrambler Fran Tarkenton is, but he's bigger and faster. He's not nifty, like Tarkenton is...he'll just outrun you." That, the Packers dolefully discovered, was not all. Landry also passed for 302 yards, a career high, as the Lions rolled up a net of 465, highest total the green and gold have yielded since being frisked for 539 by the 49ers on the way to a 33-12 victory Nov. 23, 1958.

RUSH IN LANES

Over-zealousness played a part in this signal largesse, which featured an 89-yard performance by former Heisman Trophy winner Steve Owens. "We defensive linemen are supposed to rush in lanes," Lionel Aldridge said, "and every time Landry ran, it was because somebody gave him an opportunity by not staying in his lane. But when you're busting your butt to get at the quarterback, this is likely to happen. It may take you an extra step to get around your man, which gives the quarterback an opening. On almost every play, there's an opportunity for a quarterback who is a helluva runner like Landry is...When the timing is perfect, boom. "But that wasn't the only factor. We didn't play like we did last week. We didn't hit like we did...It's kind of hard to explain how things like that happen in a ball game."

CALLED FOR HOLDING

Devine had much the same reaction to the Packers' first quarter misfortunes, which plunged them into a 14-0 hole within just 2:36. "First Donny Anderson gets to midfield following the opening kickoff and they call us for holding," he lamented. "You can call holding on every down if you want to. It just happened to be called on that play. "Then, as a result, we're kicking deep out of the hole and Lem Barney runs the punt back...Then we (quarterback Scott Hunter) throw an interception, trying to force the ball into the middle. Later, in the third quarter, on that touchdown by Larry Walton where he broke five tackles after catching the pass from Landry, was inexcusable as far as I'm concerned.

DIDN'T FOLD TENT

"Yet, when you're behind 24-7 and 31-14, as we were, and you're doing everything wrong but still don't fold your tent, it means something. You get mad at all these other things, but you're not disappointed. The act that you didn't fold your tent still is the most important." The Packers actually had launched Operation, Turnabout midway through the second quarter, at which point they showed a 17-0 deficit. Anderson culminated a 77-yard, six-play push with a left-handed, four-yard option pass to rookie fullback John Brockington, alone in "We figured they were looking for the sweep there, so we thought we had a good chance to throw the ball," Donny

Point Parade



Green Bay	0	7	14	7	— 28
Detroit	14	10	7	0	— 31

Lions 7, Packers 0

Greg Landry passed 17 yards to Earl McCulloch as defender Doug Hart fell in the end zone. The score came on the sixth play after Lem Barney returned a Packer punt 38 yards to the Green Bay 27. Erroll Mann converted with 5:01 elapsed in first quarter.

Lions 14, Packers 0

Steve Owens scored on 26-yard pass play from Landry on first play after Mike Weger intercepted Scott Hunter pass and returned it to Packer 26. Mann kicked extra point with 7:37 gone in first.

Lions 17, Packers 0

Mann kicked 12-yard field goal after Packers held Lions, who had second down at the 2-yard line. Drive covered 69 yards after Packer punt. :10 elapsed in second period.

Lions 17, Packers 7

Donny Anderson passed four yards to John Brockington, concluding a 77-yard drive in six plays, including a 16-yard Hunter keeper. Lou Michaels converted with 5:17 elapsed in the second.

Lions 24, Packers 7

Landry passed 11 yards to Larry Walton, climaxing a 79-yard march with Packer kickoff, helped by roughing penalty on Fred Carr. Mann converted with 12:25 gone in the second.

Lions 24, Packers 14

Anderson punched one yard to conclude 38-yard drive following Mike McCoy's recovery of Lion fumble. Big play was Anderson's 29 yard run. Michaels kicked point after with 5:23 elapsed in third.

Lions 31, Packers 14

Landry and Walton combined for 60-yard pass play, six plays after Packer kickoff. Mann toed extra point with 8:24 gone in third.

Lions 31, Packers 21

Zeke Bratkowski poked one yard to finish 68-yard drive with Lion kickoff, featuring three Bratkowski passes covering 48 yards. Michaels converted with 13:28 gone in third period.

Lions 31, Packers 28

Bratkowski passed five yards to Rich McGeorge on fourth play after Carr stopped Lion drive to Packer 26 with fumble recovery and return to Packer 43. Big play was Bratkowski pass to McGeorge for 50 yards. Michaels kicked point after with :56 remaining in game.

1st – DET – Steve Owens, 26-yard pass from Landry (Mann kick) DET 14-0

NFL						
American Conference						
Eastern Division						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	101	17
Miami	2	1	1	.667	72	51
New England	2	2	0	.500	50	63
NY Jets	1	3	0	.250	24	69
Buffalo	0	4	0	.000	51	140
Central Division						
Cleveland	3	1	0	.750	92	64
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	74	71
Cincinnati	1	3	0	.250	77	78
Houston	0	3	1	.000	42	86
Western Division						
Kansas City	3	1	0	.750	81	50
Oakland	3	1	0	.750	101	56
San Diego	1	3	0	.250	48	100
Denver	0	3	1	.000	42	87
National Conference						
Eastern Division						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Washington	4	0	0	1.000	96	49
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	67	64
NY Giants	2	1	0	.667	66	90
St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	80	64
Philadelphia	0	4	0	.000	24	123
Central Division						
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	75	63
Detroit	3	1	0	.750	119	89
Minnesota	3	1	0	.750	65	33
Green Bay	2	2	0	.500	122	103
Western Division						
Los Angeles	2	1	1	.667	77	60
San Francisco	2	2	0	.500	99	63
Atlanta	1	2	1	.333	81	104
New Orleans	1	2	1	.333	71	106
Sunday's Results						
Detroit 31, Green Bay 28						
Oakland 27, Denver 16						
Minnesota 20, San Francisco 13						
Kansas City 31, San Diego 10						
Washington 22, Houston 13						
Baltimore 43, Buffalo 0						
Miami 23, Cincinnati 13						
Minnesota 13, Philadelphia 0						
New England 20, NY Jets 0						
St. Louis 26, Atlanta 9						
Cleveland 27, Pittsburgh 17						
Chicago 33, New Orleans 14						
Monday's Game						
New York Giants at Dallas, 9 p.m., national television						
Next Sunday's Games						
Minnesota at Green Bay, 4 p.m.						
Buffalo at New York Jets, 1 p.m.						
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 4 p.m.						
New England at Miami, 1 p.m.						
San Diego at Denver, 4 p.m.						
Chicago at San Francisco, 4 p.m.						
Dallas at New Orleans, 2 p.m.						
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 1 p.m.						
St. Louis at Washington, 1 p.m.						
Baltimore at New York Giants, 1 p.m.						
Detroit at Houston, 2 p.m.						
Philadelphia at Oakland, 4 p.m.						
Monday, Oct. 18						
Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 9 p.m., national television						

2nd – DET – Mann, 12-yard field goal DET 17-0
 2nd – GB – John Brockington, 4-yard pass from Donny Anderson (Lou Michaels kick) DET 17-7
 2nd – DET – Larry Walton, 11-yard pass from Landry (Mann kick) DET 24-7
 3rd – GB – Anderson, 1-yard run (Michaels kick) DET 24-14
 3rd – DET – Walton, 60-yard pass from Landry (Mann kick) DET 31-14
 3rd – GB – Zeke Bratkowski, 1-yard run (Michaels kick) DET 31-21
 4th – GB – Rich McGeorge, 5-yard pass from Bratkowski (Michaels kick) DET 31-28

RUSHING

GREEN BAY – Donny Anderson 11-84 1 TD, John Brockington 10-23, Scott Hunter 1-16, Dave Hampton 1-2, Zeke Bratkowski 1-1 1 TD

DETROIT – Steve Owens 17-87, Altie Taylor 16-55, Greg Landry 7-36, Bill Triplett 1-0

PASSING

GREEN BAY - Scott Hunter 10-4-28 2 INT, Zeke Bratkowski 8-6-105 1 TD, Donny Anderson 1-1-4 1 TD

DETROIT – Greg Landry 29-18-302 4 TD 1 INT

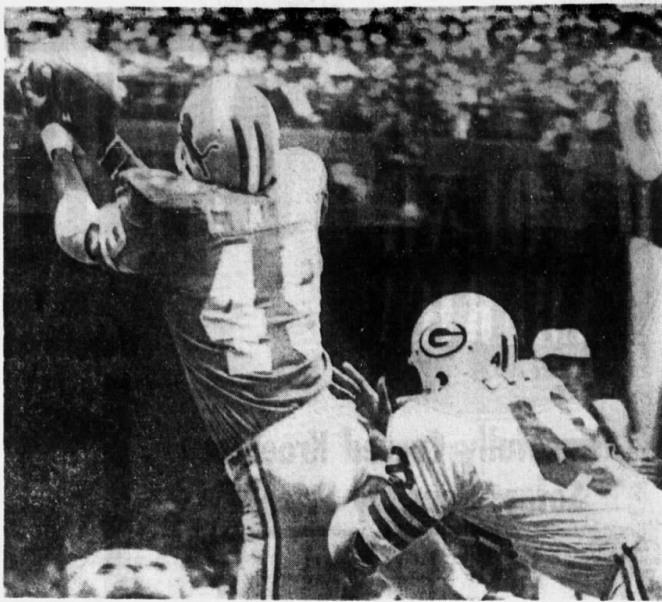
RECEIVING

GREEN BAY – Donny Anderson 4-24, Rich McGeorge 3-67 1 TD, Carroll Dale 2-18, John Spilis 1-24, John Brockington 1-4 1 TD

DETROIT – Larry Walton 5-103 2 TD, Steve Owens 4-50 1 TD, Charlie Sanders 3-73, Ron Jessie 2-31, Earl McCullouch 2-29 1 TD, Craig Cotton 1-9, Altie Taylor 1-7

REPLAY SHOWED TD THAT WASN'T

OCT 11 (Detroit) - When Detroit's Larry Walton scored on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Greg Landry late in the first half, a Green Bay coach in the press box looked snarlingly at the television replay, slammed a crumpled piece of paper against the wall, and cursed: "Damn it, he didn't make it!" The replay showed Walton landing with just one foot, his left one, in the



Larry Walton, of the Lions, hauls in a 10-yard pass for a controversial touchdown in Sunday's game against Green Bay in Detroit. When Walton came down (not shown here), it appeared that his right foot was out of bounds. The defender is Ken Ellis. The Lions won, 31-28. (AP Wirephoto)

end zone. Both feet must touch down on paydirt for a score, but apparently the officials - not having the benefit of taped replays - made an immediate judgment that it was a touchdown. Detroit went on to win 31-28 and thus the questionable TD meant the difference between victory and defeat for the Packers. But did it? Earlier in the period Detroit tight end Charlie Sanders caught an apparent touchdown pass in the same end zone, but when he fell to the ground the ball bounced loose and Sanders lay semi-conscious for several minutes. It was ruled incomplete, although many partisan fans in the Tiger Stadium crowd of 54,418 believed he held the ball long enough. The Lions settled for a 12-yard Errol Mann field goal. Sanders said he "couldn't remember" what happened on the play, but Packer cornerback Ken Ellis said of Walton's score, "He was out. There was not much I could say (to referee Ben Dreith). I said I thought he was out, but about all I could have done was beef and get thrown out like Lucci did."

ACCIDENT NO FACTOR IN HUNTER'S SHOWING

OCT 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - What, Dan Devine was asked, about Scott Hunter? The question was inevitable after Zeke Bratkowski had supplanted the rookie quarterback in the second half of Sunday's 31-28 loss to the Lions here and

triggered a bristling comeback. "I just don't know," said Devine. "I'm not trying to be evasive, but I just don't know at this point." Hunter, making his third successive start, had to settle for four completions for 28 yards in 10 attempts and threw a first quarter interception which the Lions converted into a touchdown. "I thought Zeke would do better, of course," Devine explained. "That's why I went to him in the second half...I thought about replacing Scott as early as the first quarter (when the Packers trailed, 14-0), but I'm thinking about the future, too." Asked if he felt an auto accident Hunter had been involved in Friday night could have affected his performance, the Packer leader said, "I don't think so, no." Hunter was of the same opinion. "I think if the accident would have been my fault, I would have felt bad about it," he confided. "But it wasn't, so I really don't think that was a factor in my play. As far as that interception was concerned, I made a bad decision. Carroll Dale was the primary receiver on the play and I stayed with him too long. He was double covered, too. The safety came over to help the cornerback and picked it off."

'SINGLE COVERAGE' AIDED LION PASSING

OCT 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Two factors figured prominently in the singular success of Detroit's passing game here Sunday afternoon, Coach Joe Schmidt reported. "In the last two games, the Packers showed a lot of single coverage," said the former all-pro linebacker in the wake of the Lions' 31-28 victory in Tiger Stadium, traceable in large part to a 302-yard passing performance by quarterback Greg Landry. "We rolled out a lot, too, because of Green Bay's pass rush...We were pretty concerned about Brown (Bob) and McCoy (Mike)...And, of course, Landry had a great game both running and



passing." The youthful quarterback, elaborating on Schmidt's explanation, said, "The game plan was to throw the ball. With their defensive line, you couldn't sustain a ground attack...And they gave us single coverage, which helps." His favorite target on this high scoring occasion, Larry Walton, had trouble recalling his maneuvers en route to a 60-yard scoring collaboration with Landry in the third quarter. "I played halfback in college at Arizona State," he offered in explaining how he happened to break five tackles en route to the end zone. "I can remember only part of the run. Generally, on this kind of play we try to get a first down. But this time I turned inside instead of outside. "But," he added, "I can't remember any more of it than that." Although his team now shares the National Football League's Central Division lead with the Vikings and Bears, Schmidt was not entirely satisfied. "We still haven't come up with an overall good game where we've played both good offense and good defense," he said. "But we're getting better."

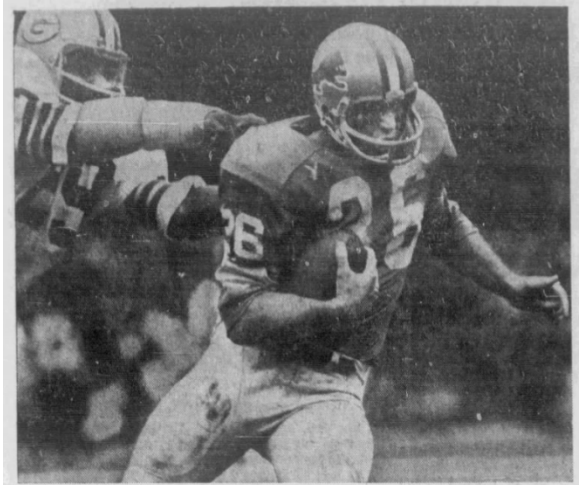
WOOD SAYS PACKERS 'FAILED TO REACT'

OCT 11 (Detroit-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "Little things," said a somber Willie Wood, contributed heavily to the Packers darkest defensive day in more than a decade. "We just failed to react to what our responsibilities were," the Pack's defensive captain declared after the Lions had amassed 465 yards in claiming a 31-28 victory here Sunday afternoon. "We're supposed to have a man on the hook and he's out in the flat, and we're supposed to have a man on the hook and he's in the hole," Willie said. "Mistakes were killing us. Little things like that were hurting us all day. "Other than that, we were playing fine ball. Everybody was knocking himself out...But those little details, we're going to have to pay more attention to 'em. On that last drive, where they kept the ball for nine minutes, they kept hitting us at our most vulnerable spot...It was a great job on the quarterback's part (Greg Landry)." Doug Hart, on a first quarter touchdown pass to the Lions' Earl McCullouch: "I can't blame it on the turf...I just fell down...I thought I was in pretty good position, but I fell down. There's no hope for you then. "On the other touchdown pass there to Steve Owens, we had a zone defense going the other way. They had a good play call against that particular defense." ...Fred Carr, on recovery of Owens' fourth quarter fumble: "I think Willie Wood knocked the ball out of his hands...I picked the ball up in the air. Sure, I was thinking touchdown. Every time I get the ball, I'm thinking touchdown. I was trying to make it to the sidelines, at least, to get out of bounds and stop the clock if I couldn't score."...Al Matthews (on Larry Walton's touchdown run): "I was the next to last guy who had a shot at him, I guess...I had his foot, but that wasn't enough."...Rich McGeorge (on 50-yard reception in fourth quarter): "It actually was an option play to a back. I was just clearing out back. I was just clearing out on the play, but I was still running my route. When Zeke started to run, I knew I was behind the defender and I was just hoping he would see me and throw it."

MIGHT-HAVE-BEENS OVERSHADOW PACKERS' COMEBACK

OCT 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Okay, you tell me. What approach should be taken in this column on Sunday's rumble in Tiger Stadium? On the positive side of the coin, you have the magnificent comeback by the Packers, a team that refused to die even though riddled by Greg Landry bullets. On the other side, you have a bag of Packer mistakes that had a big part in every Lion score except for their field goal. This negative side is what we call the "might-have-been" approach. And, frankly, in a three point defeat...thrilling and encouraging comeback or not...it's the might-have-beens that are being replayed across Packerland today. So we will have to assume that your flip of that coin lands with the negative side up and we will examine the might-have-beens. In the first place, there was a 15-yard penalty on the Packers for holding (the culprit was not identified on the telecast) and this canceled a slick 17-yard run to midfield by Donny Anderson on the second scrimmage play of the game. This was important because the game matched the league's best rushing attack (Packers) against the league's best rushing defense (Lions) and each team sought to establish a psychological superiority. It also put the Packers in a hole and forced them to punt...which brings us to the next item. Coach Dan Devine had made it clear during the week, after watching films of last year's two disasters, that covering kicks would be a key element in this contest Lem Barney promptly returned the Packers first punt 38 yards to the Green Bay 27, setting up Detroit's first touchdown. It was scored, presuming Jack Drees' observation to be correct, largely because Doug Hart fell down and let Earl McCullouch meander all alone deep into the end zone for Landry's overhead. Now let's move on. Scott Hunter, apparently having trouble

reading defenses, threw a perfect pass to Lion Mike Weger on the next series, setting up Detroit's second touchdown on the first play from the Packer 27. That made it 14-0. And our next might-have-been sprouted after the count reached 17-7. Clarence Williams caught Larry Walton for a 16-yard loss back to the Lion 21, giving Detroit a second and 26 situation. But on the next play, Fred Carr was tabbed for a roughness penalty which gave Detroit a first down at the Lion 36, thereby taking them out of a hole and giving them the impetus for another TD drive. Shortly thereafter, another might-have-been reared up. With just under two minutes left in the half, Hunter decided to abandon the short game and launched a Horn-type pass, strictly up for grabs because his receiver was nowhere near clear, and Dick LeBeau picked it off, killing any chance for another comeback score and the halftime momentum. Then, after the Pack had made the score 24-14, Walton provided a beautiful demonstration of something Devine has been talking about all season...erratic tackling by the Packers. Taking a pass from Landry in the midst of four defenders, the Lion receiver escaped the fruitless clutches of five Packers...Ellis, Wood, Carter, Matthews and Hart...en route to the last Lion touchdown. Now consider what might have been if only one of these situations had been altered by a



[UPI Telephoto]
Detroit's Steve Owens tearing away from Green Bay Linebacker Dave Robinson for 13-yard gain and first down in game at Detroit.

positive force...or what might have been if the officials had access to instant replay on Walton's "questionable" touchdown catch (which, by the way, the telecasters did not comment on despite Walton very apparently coming down with his right foot far out of bounds). There were, of course, some very positive aspects to the contest, the most important being that Devine has most certainly convinced the Packers that there is no such thing as letting down no matter what the odds. And this is important, particularly for a young team, presumably being fed by championship aspirations. But there was also the relief pitching of Zeke Bratkowski, who seems to be doomed to a fireman's role, since he has consistently turned in his best performances under such conditions. There was the beautiful play by Bob Brown, who crashed across the line like a sprinter to deck Altie Taylor for a 2-yard loss on Detroit's second and goal effort at the Packer 2-yard line, thereby being very instrumental in holding the Lions to a field goal on that sortie. And there was the Anderson touchdown pass off the option play...How long we've waited for that play? Nevertheless, the might-have-beens loom largest of all in the replay.

NOBODY PLAYING HARDER THAN PACK'

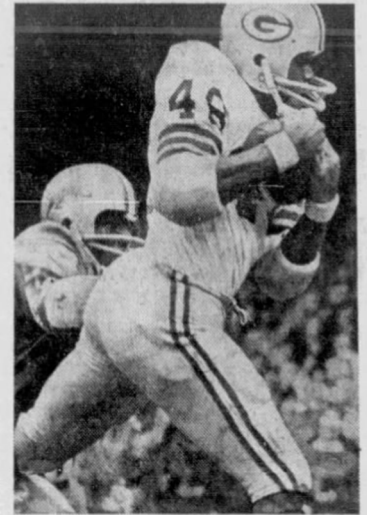
OCT 12 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "No, it was not a moral victory - not with me," Dan Devine was saying. "I don't believe in moral victories." The suggestion was clearly unacceptable to a man who has made winning a way of life. "But I do believe in walking out of a locker room with your head up," he said, "when you've done the best you could." This, Devine indicated, during Monday's post-mortem, could be said for the Packers and the quality of their second half comeback in Detroit's Tiger Stadium Sunday afternoon, where they had fallen victim to the talent-rich Lions, 31-28...GOING TO BE GOOD: "There is no doubt that nobody in the league is playing any harder than we are," he said. "They don't give any awards for that, but if we can keep this up and cut down our mistakes, we're going to have a good football team. I don't know when that will be. Maybe it won't be until next year, but I'm hoping it will be this year. I'm not smart enough to know just when it will happen," the Packer coach said with a twinkle, "but it will." That prompted him to touch upon a major ingredient in Sunday's heartening revival. "I'm particularly pleased that these guys don't second guess their teammates," he said. "I couldn't be more pleased with their reaction at halftime. I've seen it in college, where they spend most of the halftime complaining about what somebody else was doing wrong. But not these guys - they're trying to help each other, trying to figure out how to win."...POSITIVE APPROACH: Although this positive approach failed to produce victory dividends, Devine doesn't feel Sunday's result will hamper preparations for this weekend's Lambeau Field invasion by the Minnesota Vikings. "I don't think it will have any bad psychological effect on the team," he said. "I'd be disappointed if it did anything but motivate us more." "But I can't say for sure," Devine admitted. "If I had been with this team for a year, I would know...But you have 40 individuals and they're all different." Before turning full attention to the Vikings, he pinpointed three plays which contributed heavily to the Pack's Detroit downfall...CRUCIAL PLAY: "Nobody knows how the game will develop if we don't get called for holding on that first drive," he said. "We lose the 15 yards Donny Anderson gained, plus the 15 on the penalty and wind up punting from deep in our own territory. I would say that was a crucial play. Plus when the score was 17-7. We had just scored on six plays and turned the offensive momentum of the game around...They're third-and-25 and, although Landry made a lot of first downs on third down, he didn't make any like that. Instead of that, we get a 15-yard penalty which gives them an automatic first down. And they go on to score. Another key series we had was when we were second and three early in the fourth quarter and end up having to punt the ball. I was at the point there that, had it been fourth and short, I would have gone for it...CALLED RUNNING PLAY: "On third down, Zeke had a running play called. Then he called an audible, a squareout to Carrol Dale, and it was a good call. But we don't hit it. So it's fourth and two. If it had been fourth and one, I would have gambled. But there still were more than 11 minutes left - too much time left to take that kind of a gamble...That was the only average series Zeke called. And Landry, I'm sure, had some himself along the way, even though he did have a fine game. At that, we still have 'em backed up on their 10 after we punt, but darned if they don't put together a drive that eats up nine minutes." Discussing another "big play," the one on which instant replay clearly showed the Lions' Larry Walton had a foot out of bounds in catching a second quarter touchdown pass, Devine matter-of-factly noted. "You have no recourse on a thing like that. I'd just as soon forget about it...You just have to play over something like that."...DECISION PENDING:

'Nobody Playing Harder Than Pack'

Although obviously pleased with Bratkowski's overall performance in relief of rookie Scott Hunter, he said a decision is still pending on next Sunday's starting quarterback. "I just don't know," Devine said, reiterating his immediate postgame reaction. "I think the best thing Zeke did was to play like it was 0-0 after he came in there with the score 24-7. That's tough to do. But that's the only way you can play if you hope to catch up. It takes a disciplined ball club to do that, and I think we're showing signs of becoming a disciplined team." On the subject of the defense, which permitted the Lions a somewhat startling 465 yards, the Packer leader observed, "It's hard to say too much about that because Detroit's going to score on lots of people...They have and they will...BROWN PLAYED WELL: "You have to decide what is good offensive play and what is poor defensive play...But what you can't overlook is that when we needed the ball in the second half, the defense forced three turnovers. You sometimes lose sight of those things in the overall picture. Twice we scored after those fumbles and the third time we didn't because of an ordinary offensive series. It's easy to say we played poor defense, but there were areas of improvement. Bobby Brown, for one, made some good plays. On the other hand, I feel I have the right to expect a higher level of play by certain people on the defense. If we don't get it, I'll have to make some changes. Some people are going to have to play over their heads, but this is the secret of the game. I'll be the first to admit my expectations are that they WILL play over their heads...LACK OF QUICKNESS: "As far as Landry's success against us is concerned, he was just scrambling. It was the same thing Zeke did on the long pass to Rich McGeorge in the fourth quarter - he got outside the containment. We didn't contain very well, on the dropback or the rollout, either one. It all goes back to what I said during our spring camp at Arlington. We don't have a quick football team. You can't coach quickness and you can't develop it, although you can work on becoming quicker. As a result, we have to play every game as though it was the last play of our lives, and that's pretty much what we've been doing." His features softening, he added, "It's hard to see players straining to do the job and not be able to do it...It kind of tears you up a little bit."...EMERGE UNSCATHED: On a physical basis, his athletes had emerged from the Lions' lair relatively unscathed, Devine reported. "We've got some guys with their feelings hurt," he quipped, "but that's all...I attributed that to two things. I think we're a well conditioned football team, plus I think we've been a little lucky. Of course, we lost Bart Starr earlier, and you can't be lucky when you lose a man like Bart. You can't help but reflect on what his leadership might have meant to us out on the field. If I had to make a guess, I would say he's likely to be back playing in early November...He feels good, but I think everybody's a little reticent about being over-optimistic." The prospect of Starr's return was not the only reason for Devine to reflect upon what might have been. "You figure we've played 10 games (including six pre-season contests) and we haven't been beaten by a touchdown yet...That means you're only one or two football players away from being a winner...Two blue chip players could make a big difference."

PACKERS MUST OFFSET A LACK OF QUICKNESS

Oct 12 (Green Bay) - Lack of speed continues to hurt the Green Bay Packers but no one can fault their effort, Coach Dan Devine said Monday. Devine, after checking films of the Packers 31-28 defeat to the Detroit Lions Sunday, said it was hard to determine where the defense was at fault and where the talented Lions simply excelled. The Packers couldn't stop Greg Landry, who scrambled effectively and passed for 302 yards and four touchdowns. "Detroit can score, has scored and will score again," Devine said. "We just didn't contain that guy (Landry) very well. He can put the pressure on you. It comes down to lack of quickness," he said. "We have some quick players, but not enough. We're going to have to get a higher level of performance because we're not a quick team. Some of our people will have to play better if they expect to keep their jobs." Devine said it was hard to fault the over-all defense because some players - notably tackle Bob Brown - have improved. But he said there were too many breakdowns, especially on the short pass which Detroit's Larry Walton turned into a 60-yard touchdown play by breaking no fewer than five tackles. "The guys have been giving it everything they've got," Devine said. "We're trying awfully hard, but you win no prizes for that. The amazing thing about our team is that we've been in every game we've played (including the pre-season). In 10 games, we haven't lost by more than a touchdown. There are no quitters in Green Bay." The Packers are 2-2 in the National Football League's regular season, with the other defeat by a two-point margin to the New York Giants. And many expected Detroit to win by a much larger score. "This in no way was a moral victory," Devine said. "There is no such thing. I do believe in holding up your head, but victory only comes on the scoreboard. Still, we're only one or two blue chip players away from being a real good football team." Devine had special praise for reserve quarterback Zeke Bratkowski, who sparked the Packers from a 24-7 halftime deficit to within reach of victory. "Zeke was as cool as he would be gunning plays in scrimmage," he said. "That's what makes him such an ideal relief quarterback. No matter what the score is, he plays like it's 0-0." Devine indicated rookie quarterback Scott Hunter would start again against the Minnesota Vikings Sunday, even though he had a shaky first half at Detroit before giving way



(UPI Telephoto)

Green Bay Cornerback Ken Ellis intercepting pass intended for Detroit's Larry Walton in Packer end zone. Ball was thrown by Greg Landry.



DAVE HAMPTON of Green Bay heads for the earth after being stopped by Mickey Zofko (34) of Detroit. Action occurred in the second period of Detroit's 31-28 win.

to Bratkowski. "Scott was off rhythm and threw a little soft at times," Devine said. "He should have been hitting his long receivers more often."

MANITOWOC CHIEFS SIGN LIVINGSTON

OCT 13 (Manitowoc) - Dale Livingston, former kicker with the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League, has signed with the Manitowoc Chiefs of the Central States League, the semipro club said today.

GOT TO SCORE ON 'EM TO BEAT 'EM: DEVINE WISDOM

OCT 13 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - For the last three years, a virtual "era" as such things are reckoned in the fast changing sports world, the Minnesota Vikings have been pre-eminent in the Central Division of the National Football League. Throughout that span, their dominance has been attributed almost exclusively to a smothering defense,

keyed by the marauding likes of Carl Eller and Alan Page. Dan Devine was not on the scene when the Vikings crunched to successive division titles in 1968, '69 and '70 and thus is not in a position to document or dispel that impression. But he is quick to note there is considerably more to the current Vikings than the fearsome Purple Gang, sometimes referred to as the Four Norsemen, who lead the Minnesotans into Lambeau Field Sunday afternoon to confront the Packers...**MOST COMPLETE:** "I would go so far as to say they are the most complete team in the league," the Packer leader asserted from behind the desk in his dressing room office Tuesday afternoon. "Personnel-wise, they don't have any weaknesses. "Their kicking game (with Fred Cox) is sound, in fact it's better than sound. And they also have a good offense, in addition to that great defense. The Vikings are a very patient football team," DD also observed. "Of course, when you have a defense like theirs, you can afford to be."...**BALL CONTROL PLAN:** This virtue was best illustrated in their season opener when the Minnesotans quickly fell behind the Lions, 13-0. Not once did they deviate from their customary ball control game plan, a strategy which ultimately paid winning (16-13) dividends. If anything, Devine finds the Vikings more formidable than they were a year ago. After studying films of last year's home-and-home series, plus those of the Vikings' successive shutouts of Buffalo and Philadelphia in the last two games, he has concluded that new quarterback Norm Snead "has added something to their team." Snead, acquired in an off-season trade with the Eagles, apparently has supplanted Gary Cuozzo. He went the distance in both of the shutouts, the most recent a 13-0 conquest of his former teammates...**DECEPTIVE SCORE:** The size of that score, Devine observed, could very well be deceptive. "It looked like Minnesota was playing only as hard as it had to in order to win," he said. "And they still shut the Eagles out." The Vikings "are number one against the pass and number two against the rush," Devine pointed out, "and the overall number one defensive team in the National Conference." He also could have noted that Minnesota has even greater stature in the game's most vital statistic. The Vikings have permitted only 33 points in four games to lead the NFL. The Packers by way of comparison, have been frisked for 102. Such figures have to give the green and gold pause but Devine, ever the positive thinker, showed no inclination to despair. "They're not easy to score on," he conceded, "but you've got to score on 'em to beat 'em."...**MOMENTUM CHANGED:** There is recent evidence, provided by the neighboring Chicago Bears, to suggest that it can be done. The Bruins came from behind with two fourth quarter touchdowns and a field goal to outlast the Vikes, 20-17, in their own ball park two weeks ago. Harking back to that one, Devine noted, "When the momentum changed in that game, it really changed...Another thing the Bears did, in addition to scoring themselves, is to stop Minnesota's offense. It wasn't that Minnesota starting playing conservative after getting a 17-3 lead. They were still trying to throw the football but they just couldn't get it off. As far as we're concerned, we're going into the game with a positive attitude. It's our job to get it done...Some are a little tougher than others."...**MODEST OPTIMISM:** Present NFL figures should give the Packers cause for at least modest optimism. They now rank as the second highest scoring team in the league, based on a production of 122 points and a 30.5 average. The Vikings, in contrast, have managed only 65. Devine, commenting on his team's reaction to Sunday's 31-28 loss to the Lions, volunteered, "They know which of them played poorly and which of them didn't, and there is no need to belabor the point. We're getting some peak performances from people, I might add. You've got to remember, however, that we're playing a sixth round draft choice (Scott Hunter) and a guy who coached the last two years (Zeke Bratkowski) at quarterback. "The way Zeke played," he added with a smile, "he may be around a few more years . He moved the team."...**PACKER PATTERN:** Running back Dave Hampton was excused from Tuesday's practice, first workout of the week, because of a charley horse...Linebacker Fred Carr was limping, too, but is expected to be ready Sunday. The one-hour session also produced one casualty, guard Dave Bradley, who pulled a muscle in his right calf...Following practice, the Packers heard Wally Cruise's scouting report on the Vikings. "They're the same old Vikings," Super Scout reported. "They just play well. They never change anything, but I guess you don't have to change when you keep winning. They just let the other team beat themselves."...Ass't. Coach Dave Hanner supervised practice in the absence of Devine, who visited St. Vincent Hospital briefly for a routine check of his broken left leg by Dr. James Nellen, Packer team physician. Devine, who also was fitted for a new cast, later reported, "Dr. Nellen said everything's fine. He was just concerned about the fact that I've been moving about a lot lately and wanted to be sure everything was all right."...The Packers, somewhat shorthanded at the position following the retirement of Malcolm Walker, now boast good depth at center. Ken Bowman is backed up by Cal Withrow and Richard (Wimpy) Winther, added to the regular roster over the weekend to

replace injured punter Ken Duncan...Dan (Tiger) Devine, 17-year-old son of the Packer coach, reportedly played a leading role in Columbia, Mo., Hickman High School's recent 14-12 upset of St. Louis U. High, then rated the No. 1 prep team in Missouri. According to word from Columbia, by way of Hickman fan Dr. James R. Warrick, Dan Jr. "either made three out of every five tackles or was in on them. When our offense went any place he was getting his block. It was a great team win but little Dan had the greatest night of his life." Tiger, a senior, is a guard on offense and a middle linebacker on defense.

ZEKE'S GOAL: WIN

OCT 13 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) — By nature, Edmund Bratkowski is a man of action. He has been known to jog six miles of a morning, then play 18 holes of golf in the afternoon without perceptible fatigue. Accordingly, he was delighted over being summoned from the bench to direct the Packer offense in the second half of Sunday's near miss at Detroit, which saw the venerable quarterback trigger a stirring three-touchdown comeback. Yet, he is at least outwardly imperturbable over what has lately been a ready reserve role as Coach Dan Devine has gone with rookie Scott Hunter as his starting quarterback. The identity of the No. 1 quarterback may be of continuing concern to the Packer faithful but Zeke is not permitting it to affect his outlook. And Devine is convinced it is having no untoward effect on the principals. "I don't think it makes any difference to either one whether he knows who is going to start or not," DD says. "Both of them are always ready to play." A good soldier in the best possible sense, Bratkowski asserts with evident sincerity, "I don't think it should enter a quarterback's mind to evaluate his position. The coaches have their reasons for the decisions they make...And, of course, we've only played four games...HAS TO BE THAT WAY": "We all work together. You can't be successful as a team unless you have the feeling...It just has to be that way. We're trying to develop the same kind of association now that I've had with Bart Starr for years. Scott and Frank Patrick, all of us, are working toward one goal - to win. We help each other in every way we can. We bring up things and remind each other of things. Bart also sits in on the movies with us and he visits with Scott. I don't think any of us would want it any other way," Zeke said. "It's always been that way here, as long as I've been with the Packers." Impressed with Hunter's talents, he says, "Scott has grasped a tremendous amount of football in a short time with us. He came here well trained. They apparently do a tremendous job of teaching techniques and reading defenses at Alabama...He has fine potential." At the same time, he admits his role in regrouping the green and gold against Detroit gave him considerable satisfaction. "Our coming back like that made me feel good," he said. "I'm only disappointed that we couldn't make it all the way back and win. But it's a good sign from the standpoint of the team. We hung in there all the way. In the first half, we started to come back and, in the second half, we came back even further. As Coach Lombardi used to say, 'We didn't lose, the game just wasn't long enough.' I'm disappointed, but not discouraged. It's satisfying to go in and move the team against a team like Detroit," said The Brat, who added, "I had great pass protection. Our line has done a sensational job, both in run blocking and pass blocking. Our line has matured into a great offensive line... OPTIMISTIC ABOUT POTENTIAL: "As a result, you have to be optimistic about the potential of this team. If you can score that well against the Lions, you have to feel confident about the quality of your offense. And we have a fine defense, too. Things happen from game to game, offensively and defensively. Sometimes you have to give the other team credit for doing good things. There also are individual performances that affect a situation." As might be expected, the veteran field general's age is the subject of considerable dressing room banter, much of it the result of frequent mentions in the public prints. I'm getting a little tired of seeing myself referred to as 'Thirty-nine-year-old Zeke Bratkowski' in the papers," he said with a grin. "I've been getting to think that was my first name."

LIONS' LANDRY OFFENSIVE STAR

OCT 13 (New York) - "We couldn't run on them because of their strong defensive line, so we passed," said Detroit Lions quarterback Greg Landry, who did so much of it so well that he was named Tuesday as the National Football League Offensive Player of the Week. The 6-foot-4, 210-pounder, enjoying his best day as a pro Sunday, connected on 18 of 29 passes for 302 yards and four touchdowns, two to wide receiver Larry Walton, as he led the Lions to a 31-28 victory over the Green Bay Packers. Landry's solid performance made him the solid choice over quarterback Kent Nix of the Chicago Bears, the winner of The Associated Press award two weeks ago, and place-kicking specialist Curt Knight of the Washington Redskins. "Green Bay threw a lot of single coverage at us instead of a zone," said Landry, and Lions Coach Joe Schmidt added: "They feel they have good enough men who can cover man-to-man and that's why they did it." But Landry, who earlier this year had found his speedy receivers trying to fight off two and sometimes three defenders, took advantage of the switch to demolish the Packers' secondary and keep the Lions in the three-way battle with Minnesota and Chicago for

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

(Statistics Do Not Include Game of October 11)

PASSING
(Alphabetically Arranged—Minimum of 40 Attempts)

	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	TD.	Int.	Pct.	Avg.	Yd.
Boethard, St. Louis	65	28	43.1	493	3	4	4.6	7.58	
Berry, Atlanta	93	37	39.8	933	6	8	8.6	10.03	
Brodie, San Francisco	118	58	49.2	764	6	50	8	6.8	6.47
Concannon, Chicago	77	42	54.5	334	0	28	3	3.9	4.34
Coutz, Minnesota	58	30	51.7	394	3	52	5.2	6.79	
Gabriel, Los Angeles	90	39	43.3	473	1	34	2	2.2	5.26
Hunter, Green Bay	45	19	42.2	302	3	32	7	15.6	6.71
Klimmer, Washington	80	44	55.0	604	4	71	1	1.3	7.55
Landry, Detroit	41	18	43.9	684	8	74	2	2.4	8.05
Liske, Philadelphia	101	47	46.5	646	2	34	11	10.9	6.40
Manning, New Orleans	71	34	47.9	530	4	63	4	5.6	7.46
Morton, Dallas	62	36	58.1	533	4	76	2	3.2	8.60
Nix, Chicago	58	24	41.4	391	5	41	4	6.9	6.74
Tarkenton, New York	74	45	60.8	594	5	81	5	8.8	8.03
Snead, Minnesota	45	23	51.1	238	0	25	2	4.4	5.29
Hargett, New Orleans	41	20	48.8	246	1	42	2	4.9	6.00

SCORING

	TDs	PAT.	FG.	Pts.
Knight, Washington	0	9	11	42
Hill, Dallas	6	0	0	36
Mann, Detroit	0	12	7	33
Bakken, St. Louis	0	8	8	29
Ray, Los Angeles	0	8	7	27
Cox, Minnesota	0	6	7	27
Beil, Atlanta	0	9	6	27
Gossett, San Francisco	0	12	5	27
Michaelis, Green Bay	0	10	5	25

Five men tied with 24 each.

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No.	Avg.	Long	TDs
Jessie, Detroit	4	37.3	97	1
Harris, Dallas	10	33.9	77	0
Hampton, Green Bay	15	32.2	80	0
Neison, Philadelphia	4	31.5	34	0
Thompson, New York	11	31.2	93	1
Robinson, New Orleans	4	30.5	42	0
Thompson, St. Louis	5	29.4	45	0
Belton, Atlanta	9	27.4	51	0
Thrower, Philadelphia	7	27.1	45	0
Smith, Chicago	10	27.0	41	0

PASS RECEIVING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
Gordon, Washington	21	283	13.5	3
Kwalick, San Francisco	16	256	16.0	4
Osborn, Minnesota	16	142	8.9	0
Grim, Minnesota	15	251	16.7	3
Malone, Atlanta	25	182	12.1	0
Abramowitz, N. Orleans	14	290	20.7	4
Taylor, Washington	14	242	17.3	2
Jefferson, Washington	13	218	16.8	1
Farrner, Chicago	13	196	15.1	2
Wallace, Chicago	13	156	12.0	0
Garrison, Dallas	13	133	10.2	1

RUSHING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
Dwain, Detroit	68	310	4.6	2
Ellison, Los Angeles	63	308	4.9	1
Anderson, Green Bay	56	301	5.4	4
Willard, San Francisco	67	283	4.2	2
Brown, Washington	73	283	3.9	1
Haraway, Washington	59	279	4.7	1
Brockington, Green Bay	50	262	5.2	1
Taylor, Detroit	59	235	4.0	1
Hill, Dallas	62	229	3.7	6
V. Washington, San F.	34	221	6.5	1

PUNTING

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Fagan, New Orleans	22	959	43.6	64
Stadler, Los Angeles	25	1094	43.1	60
McNeill, Philadelphia	22	928	42.2	51
McCann, San Francisco	11	458	41.6	52
Widby, Dallas	13	539	41.5	51
Brown, Washington	20	812	40.6	58
Latourette, St. Louis	21	846	40.3	55
Green, Chicago	21	845	40.2	55
Blanchard, New York	19	754	39.7	55
Lee, Minnesota	24	925	38.5	52

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Avg.	Long	TDs
Barney, Detroit	9	10.2	38	0
Duncan, Washington	10	9.8	19	0
Turner, Chicago	5	9.8	21	0
Vactor, Washington	10	9.3	30	0
Grim, Minnesota	6	7.3	36	0
Smith, Chicago	6	6.7	17	0
Willingham, St. Louis	6	6.2	19	0
Dahon, New York	5	5.8	15	0
Dodd, New Orleans	5	5.6	9	0
West, Minnesota	6	5.5	12	0

INTERCEPTIONS

	No.	Yds.	Long	TDs
Pettibon, Washington	4	80	42	0
LeBeau, Detroit	9	31	26	0
Bullock, Chicago	4	9	9	0
Ellis, Green Bay	4	5	5	0
Adderley, Dallas	3	102	46	0
Myatt, New Orleans	3	29	26	0
Hays, Atlanta	3	27	27	0
Robertson, Los Angeles	3	27	20	0

Green Bay Loses Duncan

GREEN BAY, Wis.—The Green Bay Packers placed punter Ken Duncan on the injured reserve list October 6 because of a torn muscle in his right leg. He probably will be out for the rest of the season.

Assistant Coach **Dave Hanner**

Assistant Coach — Defensive Line

After playing for the Green Bay Packers for 13 seasons, Dave Hanner switched to the coaching ranks in 1965 working with the Packers' front four.

As a player, Dave was named All-Pro five times and was twice selected to play on the West Pro Bowl Team.

A native of Parkin, Arkansas, Hanner played his collegiate football at the University of Arkansas where he was twice named to the All-Southwest Conference Team.

The Green Bay Packers drafted Hanner in the fifth round in 1952 and he played on the Western Divisional Title Team of 1960 as well as the World Champion Teams of 1961 and 1962. Between seasons as an active player, Dave worked as a soil conservationist in West Memphis, Arkansas, before moving to Green Bay in 1964.

the NFC's Central Division lead. His touchdown tosses to Walton, who wound up with five receptions for 104 yards, covered 10 and 60 yards and he also hit scoring passes of 17 yards to Earl McCullouch and 26 to Steve Owens. "We sat around and talked about that all week," Walton said of the Green Bay defense. "It was the first time we've been single covered all year - and I know darned well it'll be the last." Landry insisted the decisive factor was not the coverage but rather his teammates. "The offensive line was giving great protection," he said, "and that was the key." The 24-year-old passer from the University of Massachusetts, the Lions' No. 1 draft choice in 1968, took over as their starting quarterback in mid-season last year. After a narrow setback by Minnesota, the eventual champion in the National Conference's Central Division, Landry proceeded to direct Detroit to five straight victories and a berth in the conference playoffs. Nix, the backup quarterback who came on in the fourth quarter in the Bears' first two games to rally them to victory, started Sunday in place of injured Jack Concannon and completed 15 of 27 passes for 242 yards and two touchdowns as Chicago defeated the New Orleans Saints 35-14.

RAUCH NAMED EAGLES' AIDE

OCT 14 (Philadelphia) - John Rauch, 44, former head coach of the Oakland Raiders and the Buffalo Bills, Sunday was named to the newly created post of quarterback coach for the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League. Rauch has been employed as a fulltime scout for the Green Bay Packers since he was fired by the Bills.

OFFENSIVE SHORTAGE HASN'T HURT VIKINGS IN WIN-LOSS DEPARTMENT

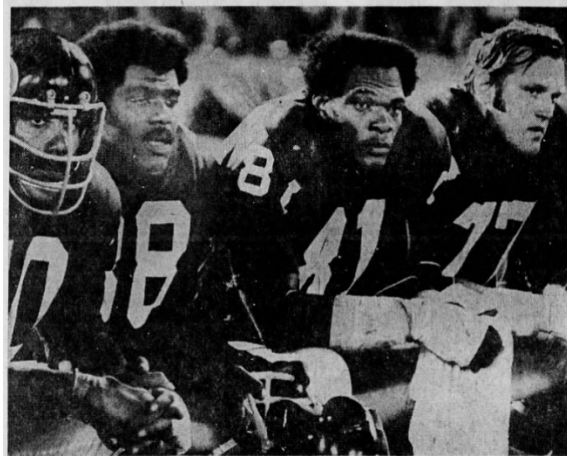
OCT 14 (Philadelphia) - Bud Grant, imperturbable leader of the Minnesota Vikings, is a man of great patience. Sometimes referred to as "The Great Stone Face," he has never been known to change expression during a game, no matter how swiftly, the tides of football fortune ebb or flow. But even he can be "reached." The most recent instance came following the Vikings' 13-0 victory over the Eagles in Philadelphia last weekend. "What," Twin Cities sportswriters wanted to know, "is the matter with your offense? You scored only 13 points." Grant replied with what for him is a show of asperity. "That," he pointedly reminded, "is 12 more than we needed. I don't care if it's 3-0 or 3-0, it's a win...That's what we're interested in. The tickets are all sold now...The object is to win the football game."...SITUATION ENCOURAGING: Bud didn't say so, but he could have

added that the Vikes have succeeded well enough in this regard to share the National Football League's Central Division lead with the Lions and Bears at 3-1 heading into Sunday's momentous match with the Packers in Lambeau Field. Viking public relations director Bill McGrane, sans tongue in cheek, found this situation "encouraging" during a Wednesday visit to Tittletown. PR types sometimes being more candid than coaches, he confided that the Minnesotans' attack has been less than awesome to date. "So far we've been erratic on offense. We haven't been able to rush the ball and we haven't done too well passing...As a result, we've scored only 65 points in four games, and that's not too many...NO FANCY OFFENSE: "We're just not a fancy offensive team and never will be. We have to give it maximum effort and hammer it out. But I think Dave Osborn and Clint Jones will get going. And I think we'll see a change when Gene Washington recovers his full speed. For example, in our first game in Detroit, just the fact that Washington was in there meant they had to double cover him. So Bob Grim caught seven passes. Washington has been out with ankle trouble and, in the last two games, the opposition started teeing off on Grim and he's caught only three passes in that time. But Gene's starting to get his sea legs back under him...and Gene Washington on two good ankles - impatient at being behind schedule - figures big. Last year at this time, Gene had caught 16 passes for 232 yards. This year, he's caught one for 11 yards...TOUGH DEFENSES: "I think the encouraging thing is that we're able to be 3-1 at this stage without scoring many points. There are a lot of factors, of course, aside from Washington's injury. We played two very tough defenses in our first two games (the Lions and Bears). I think the Lions' defense against the rush is the best there is and the Bears are not far behind in that respect. Another factor is that we've had a good record the last two years (24-4) and I think we see everybody's best effort. We get everybody's best shot - they save it for us. It's just like people used to play against the Packers when they were on top. A lot of teams did that to them, too. Once you get up there, it's the price you have to pay. You attract attention. We're expecting the same thing this week. We know Green Bay sees this as a very big game for them and I know our guys feel it's a big game for them...DESERVES CREDIT: "Under the circumstances, I think our team deserves a lot of credit for playing as well as it has. Our defense, for example, did a great job in Detroit in seeing that the score was no worse than 13-3 at halftime. It could just as well have been 24-3 against us, the way things were going. I think players are a reflection of the coach and I think our guys have a good deal of poise because of the way Bud Grant handles himself. When things have been going bad, they haven't panicked or done any silly things." Noting that the last three meetings have seen the Vikings win 9-7 and 10-3 and the Packers prevail 13-10 (in last year's first exchange at Milwaukee), McGrane predicted, "I think it will be another one of those games...Green Bay will play carefully, and so will we."...PACKER PATTERN: On the Packer front, Coach Dan Devine indicated he would wait another day before announcing his starting quarterback. Rookie Scott Hunter, replaced by Zeke Bratkowski in the second half at Detroit, has started the last three games. Aside from the quarterback situation, Devine said there will be no changes in last week's for game for mat. He did say, however, "It's a safe assumption that Ray Nitschke will be playing a little more, although Jim Carter will start at middle

linebacker." In this connection, he explained, "It's tough for a guy to move in at that position. Right now, I think Jim is at the point where he's thinking so much - he has so much responsibility - that it takes away from his efficiency. And Ray is doing real well. Last year at this time, Ray was pretty well beat up and consequently wasn't playing as well as he had in the past. Carter, incidentally, may see some action at outside linebacker, too, on Sunday," Devine said, explaining, "Maybe somebody will need a blow out there. Like in Detroit, when the defense was out on the field for nine minutes in the fourth quarter. I hope it won't happen this week, but if it does, we'll do some changing. In Detroit, Alden Roche was in primarily to give Clarence Williams a blow. And while he was in there he recovered a fumble - he was on it as quick as a cat. If it had been a tired man, maybe he wouldn't have gotten to it..." On the subject of casualties, Devine reported, "Dave Hampton will be ready for the Vikings but Dave Bradley won't. Chances are very good that we will activate Randy Winkler to replace Bradley."

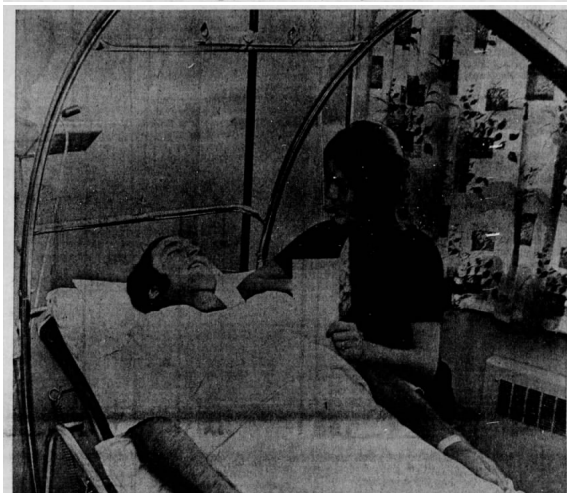
DYER HOPES, WAITS ... SMILES

OCT 14 (Philadelphia) — The huge, paper "Smile" taped to the wall of Room 212 in St. Mary's Hospital might have been a mirror. For lying in bed, which was tilted at an angle that permitted him to see the "Smile," was Ken Dyer, the corners of his mouth turned up and his light blue eyes twinkling. You could tell he was excited. He kept opening and closing his hands...the only visible part of his body he could move, though there was a slight rustling of the blanket covering his feet. This was early Wednesday afternoon, about an hour after he had received a telephone call from a football fan in Washington, D.C., who identified himself as Richard M. Nixon. "I was so excited, I hardly remember what he was saying," Dyer, the Cincinnati Bengal defender injured in a game against the Packers in Lambeau Field a week and a half ago, said. He spoke clearly and had a lilt to his voice that you could hardly expect from an almost unmoving body. "It really surprised me," he went on. "It was really an honor to get a phone call from him. I think he asked me things like how I was feeling and how my morale was. And he wished me luck and hoped I would get back 100 percent." Dyer hopes so too. Indeed, it's a thought that occupies a great portion of his time. "I just think about getting out of here," he said in tones that indicated anything but discouragement. "Pam here and we just talk...about everything, I guess...and watch TV. But it's hard not thinking about getting out of here and fully recovering." Dyer, a sandy-haired, 6-foot-3, 190-pound safetyman, expects to leave St. Mary's in about three weeks. And he hopes he can recover full use of his body through therapy...IMPROVEMENT SHOWN: He can move his fingers and his legs, the latter to about 50 per cent of normal use. But he is improving each day, thanks to regular therapy sessions with Peg Wolfe of the hospital staff and the aid of his wife, Pam. Ken's older brother, Dick, is also on hand, having been granted a special leave from Vietnam. And so is Dick's wife, Janet, who also helps with the daily therapy. By the time he leaves Green Bay, it is expected he will be in a wheelchair. But rehabilitation work will continue at some other hospital, as yet not selected, though it will be largely as an outpatient. Though progress is seemingly slow, Dyer is far from discouraged. In fact, the four-year pro veteran is even thinking a little bit about returning to football when...not if...he is fully recovered. But doctors have warned him that he may not be able to absorb football-type blows again even if he is outwardly recovered. In any case, Dyer cheerfully admitted he is feeling considerably better than he did on that Sunday afternoon shortly after he crouched to tackle the oncoming John Brockington...REMAINED CONSCIOUS: "I remember it all," he said, triggering an instant replay of sorts. "It was just a freak accident. I hit him and the next thing I knew I was looking at the sky. My teammates seemed to be telling me to get up, the play was over. But I couldn't move. I felt like my arms and legs were sticking straight up in the air and I remember thinking I better get out of that position or the people would be laughing at me. But I couldn't move. And then the trainer and the doctor were asking me questions. But I couldn't talk either. When they got me to the hospital, I was able to speak a little but I still couldn't move. They kept sticking pins in me and I couldn't feel a thing. I wasn't able to move anything until Monday when I moved my legs a little." Pam, his wife of not quite three years, who arrived in Green Bay that Sunday night and has been living in the hospital room with her husband, feeding him, shaving him and generally caring for him, said the doctors told her Monday there was no danger to his life. But an attendant at the hospital indicated the doctors weren't so sure of that initially and relaxed only after tests and X-rays confirmed that the injury was a bruise to the spinal cord and not a break. Since then, it has been largely a matter of waiting. But that waiting has been made easier for the Ann Arbor, Mich., native, now a resident of Tempe, Ariz., by the other concern and friendliness of people all over the country, but particularly Green Bay. The "Smile" and a number of other drawings and handmade gifts were provided by the sixth grade at Lincoln School. There have been so many flowers that Mrs. Dyer has had to spread them out to other patients in the hospital to keep her



The Purple People Eaters

The Viking front four, at ease for a moment, l to r: Jim Marshall, Alan Page, Carl Eller, Gary Larsen.



Ken Dyer Awaits Recovery in St. Mary's Hospital

His wife, Pam, reads some of the more than 800 cards and letters the Cincinnati Bengal has received since being virtually paralyzed by an injury against the Packers Oct. 3.

Dyer Hopes, Waits . . . Smiles



'You and the Law' Booklets Destined To Reach State High School Freshmen
Packers of the project are Bart Starr, Mrs. John W. Vulliamy, Mrs. Joseph F. Holman and Supv. Edwin Oltz

husband's room from overflowing. At last count, Ken had received well over 800 cards and letters. Among his visitors were Brockington, Scott Hunter and Packers, including Coach Dan Devine and Mrs. Devine. Bart Starr brought a chicken and rice dinner prepared by Cherry Tuesday night. And there have been others...such as a lady from Seymour who stopped in Wednesday afternoon. She was visiting her son, who had been injured in football practice at Seymour High the night before. He was in a room just down the hall. "He wanted me to come and say hello," she sort of sheepishly explained. "I think he'll be down too as soon as they let him. We hope you get better real soon."

PACK DEFENSE LIBERAL...NOT BAD

OCT 15 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers' ability to score (they rank second only to the Dallas Cowboys in the National Football League at this point) has been the singular surprise of the '71 season hereabouts. There has been no cause to label the Packer attack "a 17-point offense," a description which Bear Coach Jim Dooley recently volunteered in appraising the Vikings...LIBERAL IN 1970: Running a

close second, however, has been the enemy's ability to score on the green and gold. Ordinarily, this last might have occasioned little notice, since the Packer defenders finished 1970 as the most liberal in the NFL's Central Division - although not entirely through their own efforts. Offensive difficulties also contributed heavily...DIFFERENT SCENE: But they titillated their loyalists by permitting only 81 points in six pre-season games, third best performance in the 26-team league. For comparison, that was only 15 more than conceded in the same number of contests by the defending champion Vikings, Sunday's guests in Lambeau Field, and only two more than given up by the Kansas City Chiefs, long known for their defensive prowess. Since regular season combat began Sept. 19, it has been a somewhat different scene. Life has not been entirely beautiful for the Pack's resistive platoon, which has been charged with 102 points in four games en route to a 2-2 won-lost mark. But, as the late Al Smith used to be fond of saying, "Let's look at the record." Twenty-one of those points were directly traceable to offensive errors, including a pair of end zone fumbles recovered by the Giants on the way to a 42-40 victory in their mutual league opener. Two other touchdowns in last Sunday's 31-28 loss to the Lions bloomed from a punt runback by Lem Barney and an interception by Mike Weger, each of which put Detroit in exemplary field position at the Green Bay 27...COORDINATION FACTOR: Expectations, based upon that glittering grapefruit league record, also might have been a trifle unrealistic. Great defenses are built upon experience and the Packer unit is starting five second year men, two of them new to it this season. Willie Wood, the leader of the blend, made this point in assessing the state of the defense Wednesday. "I think lack of coordination...has been a big factor," he said. "When we have had a good rush, we haven't had good pass coverage. And when we've had good pass coverage, we haven't had a good rush. "This merger of coordination and failing to respond to responsibilities at times have been the primary factors. If you find you break down on three to five plays, it enables the offensive team to keep the ball for a long time. It's not that the pass coverage has been so bad," Willie continued. "But the tackling after the catch has been poor. We've got to improve in that area...Everybody in the pros knows how to tackle. It's a question of going out and making up your mind to do it, that you've got to do it. I think some of this could be because some of us are trying too hard...We have a comparatively inexperienced defense and, as a result, we've been breaking down at times in the coordination that is so vital to having a good defense...MATTER OF INCHES: "You have to remember that Clarence Williams and Mike McCoy are only in their second year in the front four, that Jim Carter is starting at middle linebacker, a position he's never played before, and that Fred Carr is just beginning to get the feel of it at his position. And, of course, Al Matthews and Ken Ellis, our cornerbacks, are relatively inexperienced. But you never know when this is going to jell," Willie optimistically ventured. "The ability very definitely is there...In terms of ability, we have the finest corps of linebackers in the league. As long as we don't lose our concentration or our learning prowess, we'll be all right...I think we're going to mature into a real fine defensive team." Fellow defender Doug Hart concurs. "Effectiveness of a defense often is a matter of six inches in jumping to knock down a pass," he points out. "I don't think there is anything that's been hurting us that isn't correctible"... PACKER PATTERN: Coach Dan Devine announced following Thursday's workout that rookie Scott Hunter will draw his fourth consecutive starting assignment at quarterback. Devine, who had replaced Hunter with veteran Zeke Bratkowski at the start of the second half in Detroit last Sunday, explained, "Under the circumstances I think it's best to go with Scott. I haven't lost any confidence in him and he hasn't lost any confidence in himself. I might add that I'm extremely happy we decided to get Zeke back as a player. He's been very valuable"...Although he discovered guard Dave Bradley "was better today," Devine said, "It's likely we will activate Randy Winkler to replace him." Bradley pulled a muscle in his right calf. "Dave Hampton also seemed to be running better," the Packer coach added...Heartened by Thursday's session, Devine said, "I made the comment to a couple of the coaches on the field that I thought today's practice was one of the best we've had, if not the best"...Willie Wood and Perry Williams stayed after the workout to toil as backup placekickers for Lou Michaels.

INJURY SIDELINES TINGELHOFF

OCT 16 (Minneapolis Star-Tribune) - Center Mick Tingelhoff has come up with a pulled leg muscle, necessitating one of four changes in the Minnesota Vikings starting lineup for Sunday's game against the Packers in Green Bay. Tingelhoff suffered the injury at the conclusion of practice Thursday, but the severity was not discovered until Friday. Godfrey Zaunbrecher will be moved up from the taxi squad to start in Tingelhoff's place. Other changes from last week's starting

lineup will find Gary Cuozzo at quarterback, Al Denson at split end and Bill Brown at fullback. Denson will start in place of John Henderson, who suffered a shoulder injury last Sunday against Philadelphia. "This is the worst shape we've been in since I came here," said Vikings coach Bud Grant. The biggest problem has been in the offensive line, where the Vikings have lost guard Jim Vellone for the season because of Hodgkin's disease, tight end John Beasley for the season because of a knee injury, tackle Grady Alderman for three games because of a shoulder injury and now Tingelhoff for an undetermined time. "I don't drink," said offensive line coach John Michels, "but I'm about ready to start. Everybody wonders why we're not moving the ball...well, that list of injuries might tell them." Grant would not discuss the reasons for putting Cuozzo (replacing Norm Snead) and Brown (replacing Clint Jones) into the starting lineup. But both have had success against the Packers in the past and Cuozzo's preference for throwing to the outside could be more successful against the Packers' young cornerbacks. The Packers' strength in the secondary is up the middle, where Snead has shown a preference for targets. This will be the first start of the season for Brown, who is the leading active rusher in the National Football Conference. Brown has rushed only three times for no yardage in the Vikings' first four games... VIKINGS NOTES: Grant said Zaunbrecher will not be added to the active roster until today or Sunday, when a player will be dropped to make room. Zaunbrecher is a 6-foot-2, 235-pounder who was on the Vikings taxi squad last year, also. He is from LSU and was drafted on the 11th round by the Vikings in 1970...There is some doubt as to whether Green Bay reserve running back Dave Hampton will be able to play tomorrow. If he cannot, old pro Elijah Pitts will be activated. Hampton has a severe charley horse...The forecast for the 3 p.m. game is rain...Former Gopher fullback Jim Carter will start at middle linebacker for the Packers, but veteran Ray Nitschke is expected to play. Rookie Scott Hunter will be the starting quarterback for the Packers, which means the Vikings will face a lot of roll-out and play-action passes.

RICH MCGEORGE, LIKE GOLDEN BOY, A STINGER WITHIN END ZONE RANGE

OCT 16 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "Paul Hornung is an ordinary football player at midfield," the late Vince Lombardi used to say, "but inside the 20, he's the best I've ever seen." There is nothing ordinary about Rich McGeorge at any point on the field, but the Packers' sophomore tight end appears to have at least one thing in common with the one-time Golden Boy. The Pack's leading pass receiver going into Sunday's struggle with the Vikings in Lambeau Field, a novelty in itself for a tight end, McGeorge has been little short of devastating when in scoring range. The brawny Virginian has caught 11 passes in his brief pro career and five of them have gone for touchdowns, including three of nine thus far in the 1971 season. A valid comparison obviously is not possible at this point, but even the fabled Don Hutson did not visit enemy end zones with that kind of frequency. As a rookie last season, when he was employed sparingly as a backup for the now departed John Hilton, Richard compiled a perfect record-two catches, two touchdowns. He made his scoring debut during a 30-17 victory over the Eagles, collecting a 16-yard pass from Bart Starr as the trailer on a play which saw wide receiver John Spilis lead Philadelphia cornerback Ray Jones deep into the left corner of the end zone. Six weeks later, poetically enough, McGeorge scored again on a 16-yard collaboration with Starr, cradling the ball just above the ground to complete a diving catch. A third quarter effort, it shot the Pack into a 13-9 lead and sealed an eventual 20-12 victory over Pittsburgh. Although his scoring ratio has dropped off ever so slightly in the wake of fulltime employment this year, there can be little quarrel with a .333 batting average - or with a 19.9-yard average per catch, something akin to phenomenal for a tight end. All three of his touchdowns, it should be added, have come at highly opportune moments. The first was a 21-yard strike from rookie quarterback Scott Hunter in the third quarter of the opener against the Giants, which may have marked the beginning of a long and productive partnership. That maneuver whittled New York's lead to 35-24 and set the stage for a bristling if unsuccessful comeback. The second, a 19-yard pitch from Hunter, figured heavily in the Pack's most recent victory, a 20-17 decision of the Cincinnati Bengals. It lifted the Green and Gold into a 17-10 third quarter lead-after the Bengals had rebounded from a 10-0 deficit to tie the score. Richard's last scoring contribution came in the final minute of last Sunday's 31-28 loss to the Lions. Off a five-yard toss from Zeke Bratkowski into the left corner, it momentarily triggered visions of last second victory, which dissolved when the Lions' Wayne Rasmussen fell upon Lou Michaels' onside kick at the Detroit 46 with 42 seconds left. Bob Schnelker, coach of the Packers passing game and an avowed McGeorge admirer, takes his prize protege's success somewhat in stride. "The tight end should catch a lot around the goal line," says Schnelker, who recommended drafting the former Elon, N.C., College athlete number one two years ago despite the availability of such highly publicized performers as Steve Zabel and Jim Mandich. He qualified this observation by appending, "Rich is just a good receiver. He's big (6-foot-4 and 240 pounds) and he can take the ball away from people. "And," he noted with satisfaction, "he gets better every week...There really is not any limit on how good he can become. He could be one of the best. He has a great attitude, and he's tough He has everything to do it with."...PACKER PATTERN: Coach Dan Devine indicated both running back Dave Hampton and guard Dave Bradley may miss Sunday's game, Hampton because of a charley horse, Bradley because of a pulled leg muscle. Devine, who listed Hampton as questionable, said, "We'd have to activate Pittsie (running back Elijah Pitts) if Dave can't play...It looks like Bradley will be out and we will activate Randy

Ken Bowman

Center — Wisconsin

Height 6-2, Weight 235

Born in Milan, Ill., Dec. 15, 1942

8th year in pro ball . . . Packers eighth round draft choice for 1964 season . . . Won starting position rookie year . . . Injured shoulder in 1966 pre-season schedule but played

most of game against Kansas City in World Title Game . . . Returned to starting lineup in 1967 . . . Sociology Major . . . attends law school during off-season . . . one of hardest workers on squad and most underrated performers in League . . . Player Representative . . . Residence: De Pere, Wis.

RUSHING

		Att.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg.	TD
Anderson, Pack	..	56	301	5.4	29	4
Brockington, Pack	..	50	262	5.2	52	1
Osborn, Vikings	..	50	163	3.0	15	2
Jones, Vikings	..	60	156	2.6	11	0
Hampton, Pack	..	24	125	5.2	41	1
Lindsley, Vikings	..	22	98	4.4	13	0

PASSING

		Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Int.	TD
Cuozzo, Vikings	..	58	30	394	3	3
Snead, Vikings	..	45	23	238	2	0
Bratkowski, Pack	..	25	14	192	0	2
Hunter, Pack	..	45	19	302	7	3

RECEIVING

		No.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg.	TD
Osborn, Vikings	..	16	142	8.8	25	0
Grim, Vikings	..	15	251	16.7	3	52
McGeorge, Pack	..	9	179	19.9	40	3
Voigt, Vikings	..	9	120	13.3	25	0
Anderson, Pack	..	8	54	6.8	26	0
Dale, Pack	..	6	116	19.3	27	1
Spilis, Pack	..	6	150	25.0	39	0
Jones, Vikings	..	6	60	10.0	15	0

INTERCEPTIONS

		No.	Yds.	Ave.	Lg.	TD
Ellis, Pack	..	4	5	1.3	5	0
Hart, Pack	..	2	73	36.5	23	0
Robinson, Pack	..	2	43	21.5	20	0

(Five Vikings tied with one each)

Pat Peppler

Personnel Director

Asst. to the Gen. Mgr.
(Player Personnel)

A large portion of credit for the discovery and development of Packer youth goes to Personnel Director Pat Peppler, who is in charge of all scouting and player selection in the college draft.

Every year, Peppler sifts through the prospective prospects from the collegiate and minor football leagues and evaluates candidates for try-outs with the Packers.

A three sport star at Shorewood (Wis.) High School, Pep-

pler attended Michigan State University where he lettered in baseball and basketball.

After graduating in 1948, Peppler played pro baseball briefly before beginning a successful career coaching in the East Lansing area. He coached state championship teams in football before taking a position as assistant coach at North Carolina for 8 years, working with centers and linebackers. In 1962 he switched to Wake Forest and in 1963 came to Green Bay, replacing Dick Voris as Director of Player Personnel.

Winkler." If Hampton is held out, Ken Ellis or Pitts will be back in tandem with Larry Krause on kickoffs, Devine said...Noting that his team had displayed "a lot of life" in Friday's workout, the Packer leader observed, "The practices get better every week, and I think the team does, too. There's less wasted time."...Informed that Viking Coach Bud Grant had not yet divulged his quarterback selection, Devine said, "I don't think it really makes that much difference to us. They're both good quarterbacks, and I think they both would do about the same thing."

PACKERS HOST VIKES IN 'BIGGEST GAME

OCT 17 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Not one to dissemble, Dan Devine shot straight from the hip. "This," he said, "is the biggest game we've played. We need this one...It's not that we're going to fold up if we lose, but we need it." Devine, ever the realist, was only saying that because it's true. Much of the Packers 1971 future hinges upon today's duel with the Minnesota Vikings in Lambeau Field, which will be awash with a sellout crowd of 56,263 fans at the 3 o'clock kickoff (WNFL). Thousands more clamored for tickets during the week, prompting a Packer ticket

office aide to assert, "We could have filled another half a stadium with all of the requests we've had." Many millions also will watch via television, since the game will be TV'd nationally as the second half of a CBS doubleheader, accounting for the late start. Simple mathematics illustrate the dimensions of today's struggle from the Packers' standpoint. Now 2-2 and one game behind the tri-leaders of the National Football League's Central Division, Detroit, Chicago and Minnesota, they could fall two lengths back with only nine games to play by losing...HIGHLY IMPORTANT: It is incumbent upon a team to win against the rivals in its division of course, because each victory or defeat is a "two-game" factor. From the positive point of view, a victory could have a salutary effect the rest of the way. It would not only project the Packers into the heart of the race but do wonders for their confidence, a highly important intangible along the road to success. The weather could take a hand in the proceedings, which will find the Packers and Vikings colliding for the 21st time in what has become one of the NFL's great rivalries. Partly cloudy skies, and temperatures in the 60s, with intermittent light rain and possible thunder showers, are forecast. Whatever the weather, the biggest task in this "biggest game" will fall to the offensive line. A revelation to date, it has led the Pack to fifth place in NFL rushing and permitted the quarterback to be tackled only twice in four games, a league low which is shared with the 49ers, Cardinals and Patriots. Today, however, Ken Bowman, Gale Gillingham and Francis Peay, among others, will be put to the acid test by the Vikings' Purple Gang (Carl Eller, Alan Page, Gary Larson and Jim Marshall), generally acknowledged to be the premier defensive line in pro football. This anti-social quarter, which anchors the No. 1 defense in the National Football Conference, has sacked enemy quarterbacks 12 times to date, a figure surpassed by only three other NFL entries...ONLY THREE TOUCHDOWNS: The quality of the Viking defenders' performance is underscored by two other statistics. They have allowed only three touchdowns in four games, two of them in a surprising fourth quarter comeback by the Bears, and have shut out their last two opponents, the Buffalo Bills and Philadelphia Eagles. The message to be gleaned from this is painfully clear: Those who fall behind the Purple Gang court disaster. Playing catchup against the Vikes, the Bears' success to the contrary notwithstanding, is almost invariably an exercise in futility. Once ahead, the front four "blows in" on virtually every play, creating an impossible situation for the offensive line. Careful, mistake-free football, the kind which has carried Minnesota to a remarkable 27-5 regular season record during the last three years, has been the only successful antidote to the Purple menace. Substantial, responsibility for producing such a performance will devolve upon rookie quarterback Scott Hunter, who will be making his fourth consecutive start. Although Hunter gave way to Zeke Bratkowski at halftime in Detroit last Sunday with

Jim DeLisle

Defensive Tackle — Wisconsin

Height 6-4, Weight 235

Born in Wausau, Jan. 20, 1949

A three year regular at Wisconsin, was rated one of the outstanding defensive tackles in the Big Ten... Signed with the Packers as a free agent... Has fine strength and quickness plus the experience gained from playing in the tough Big Ten Conference for three years... Was hampered his junior year by an ankle injury... Led the Big Ten his sophomore year in tackles forcing fumbles (5) and fumbles recovered (4)... Came to Wisconsin as a "walk on" and, earned scholarship with outstanding play as a freshman... Earned eight letters at Wausau Newman High School and was captain of football team and of conference champion basketball team his senior year.

the Packers in arrears 24-7, Devine explained today's selection by asserting, "I haven't lost any confidence in Scott and he hasn't lost any confidence in himself...I don't want him to think that every time he makes a mistake that he's coming out of there."...GAMBLER BY NATURE: Hunter is a gambler by nature but, under the circumstances, he is likely to be somewhat conservative. The average differential in the Packers' last three meetings with the Vikings has been four points, including a 9-7 loss at Milwaukee in 1969 which Minnesota won with three Fred Cox field goals. As a result, the freshman field general is likely to lean heavily upon a running game which has amassed 720 yards to date, 301 by Donny Anderson and 262 by rookie fullback John Brockington. Although sufficient to produce a 3-1 record, the Vikings' offense has not been overpowering thus far, which may be why Coach Bud Grant has elected to supplant Norm Snead with Gary Cuzzo at quarterback today. Snead, acquired in an off-season trade with the Philadelphia Eagles, had gone the distance in the last

two games – after Cuozzo had started the first two. Grant also has made four other changes in his offensive lineup, only two of them by choice. Fullback Bill Brown, virtually a spectator in recent weeks, has been reinstated as running mate to Dave Osborn, longtime bread-and-butter man of the Minnesota ground game. Brown, an 11-year veteran, replaces Clint Jones. Al Denson, obtained in a trade with Denver, will replace the injured John Henderson at one wide receiver and rookie Godfrey Zaunbrecher, will fill in for center Mick Tingelhoff, who suffered a leg injury in Friday's practice. The Viking attack also will be augmented by the return to starting status of Gene Washington, their No. 1 wide receiver, who has been hobbled by ankle problems. He will team with Bub Grim, an accomplished flanker. Cuozzo, who led Minnesota to a third straight division title last year, is likely to pose a more conventional problem for the Packer defense than did the Lions' scrambling Greg Landry a week ago. A pocket passer, the former Colt has never been a runner. The conservatism evinced in recent seasons could make today's imbroglio another three-pointer, much like the Pack's 13-10 decision in Milwaukee last October. If so, Cox and the Pack's venerable Lou Michaels, each of whom has missed only once this season, will have considerable to say about the result. Cox is 7-for-8, Michaels 5-for-6 to date...FIRST SINCE 1966: It will be the Vikings' first visit to Green Bay since 1966, when Fran Tarkenton roamed far and wide in leading them to a 20-17 upset, and also Grant's debut in Lambeau Field. He succeeded Norm Van Brocklin at the beginning of the 1967 season and all four Wisconsin meetings with the Vikings in the interim have been played in Milwaukee. "That should be an interesting confrontation between Grant and Devine," a Viking spokesman noted. "They're both pretty resolute types, each in his own way." Resolute, it might be added, is how Devine expects his team to be. "I think our mental attitude is the best it's been," he said. "I know your attitude can be great and the ball still can bounce against you, but I do know we're mentally ready. Everybody's been intense. Up until now, we've been tight for every game, maybe a little too much so...But I'd rather be too tight than too loose."

Probable Starting Lineups:			
MINNESOTA		GREEN BAY	
OFFENSE			
Denson	WR	Spills	
Alderman	LT	Peay	
White	LG	Lueck	
Zaunbrecher	C	Bowman	
Sunde	RG	Gillingham	
Yary	RT	Himes	
Voigt	TE	McGeorge	
Grim	WR	Dale	
Cuozzo	QB	Hunter	
Brown	RB	Anderson	
Osborn	RB	Brockington	
DEFENSE			
Eller	LE	C. Williams	
Larson	LT	McCoy	
Page	RT	Brown	
Marshall	RE	Aldridge	
Winston	LLB	Robinson	
Gersbach	MLB	J. Carter	
Hilgenberg	RLB	Carr	
West	LCB	Ellis	
Sharockman	RCB	Matthews	
Kassulke	LS	Hart	
Krause	RS	Wood	
PACKER-VIKING SERIES			
Packers won 12, Vikings 8, Points —			
Packers 470, Vikings 310.			

Packers Host Vikes in 'Biggest Game'

Packer Statistics

RESULTS		SCORES BY QUARTERS					
PACKERS	OPP.	One	Two	Three	Four	Total	
40 N.Y. Giants at G.B. (56,263)	42	17	34	38	33	102	
34 Denver at MKE (47,957)	13	17	30	34	14	103	
20 Cinn at G.B. (56,263)	17						
28 Lions at Detroit (54,418)	31						
MINN AT G.B. (56,263)							

TEAM STATISTICS			SCORING						
			TDR	TDP	FGS	PAT.	PTS		
64 FIRST DOWNS	67		0	0	5	10	25		
38 by RUSHING	29		4	0	0	0	24		
24 by PASSING	35		0	3	0	0	18		
2 by PENALTY	3		1	1	0	0	12		
1232 TOTAL NET YARDS	1291		1	1	0	0	12		
220 Total Plays	243		1	0	0	0	6		
5.6 Ave Gain Per Off Play	5.3		0	1	0	0	6		
55 Ave No. Plays	60.8		1	0	0	0	6		
720 NET YARDS RUSHING	447		1	0	0	0	6		
144 No. Plays Rushing	123		0	0	0	5	5		
5.0 Ave Gain Per Rush	3.6		0	0	0	0	2		
512 NET YARDS PASSING	842								
537 Gross Yds. Passing	904								
76/35 Attempts/Comp.	113/62								
46.1 Pct. Comp.	54.8								
6 TD. Passing	10								
18 Had Intercepted	9								
2/25 Tackled/Yds. Lost	7/62								
7.1 Ave Gain Per Att.	8.0								
15.3 Ave Gain Per Comp.	14.6								
14/524 PUNTS/YDS	15/587								
37.4 PUNT AVE.	39.1								
0 Had blocked	0								
10/46 PUNT RETURNS/YDS	10/87								
4.6 Ave Gain Per Ret.	8.7								
2 Fair Catch	2								
19/572 KICKOFF RETURNS/YDS	21/473								
30.1 Ave Per Return	22.5								
9/141 INTERCEPTED BY/YDS	8/137								
9/6 FUMBLES/LOST	10/5								
122 TOTAL POINTS	103								
15 Touchdowns	13								
9 TD Rushing	0								
6 TD Passing	10								
1 Others	3								
4/6 FIELD GOAL ATT/MADE	6/2								

FIELD GOALS	MADE	ATTS.	BLK.	LONG	INTERCEP.	NO.	YDS	AVE	LONG	TD.
Michaels	5	6	0	44	Ellis	4	5	1.3	5	0
Conway	0	1	0	0	Hart	2	73	36.5	69	0
					Robinson	2	43	21.5	23	0
					Matthews	1	20	20.0	20	0

DIST.	UNDER	21-	31-	41-	OVER	PUNTS	NO.	YDS	AVE.	LONG
	20	30	40	50	50	Anderson	8	308	38.5	40
Michaels	2/2	1/2	1/1	1/1	0/0	Duncan	6	216	36.0	47
Conway	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0					

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	F.C.	TDS
Wood	4	21	5.2	9	2	0
Ellis	5	25	5.0	9	0	0
Randolph	1	0	0	0	0	0

PASSING	ATT.	COMP.	YDS.	PCT.	TDK/YDS	TD.	LONG	INT.
Hunter	45	19	302	42.2	1/13	3	32	7
Bratkowski	25	14	192	56.0	1/12	2	50	0
Patrick	5	1	39	20.0	0/0	0	39	1
Anderson	1	1	4	100.0	0/0	1	4	0