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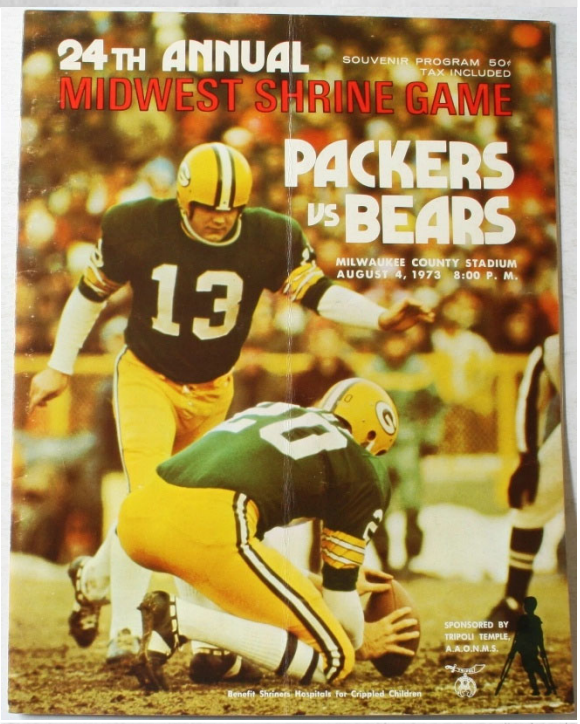
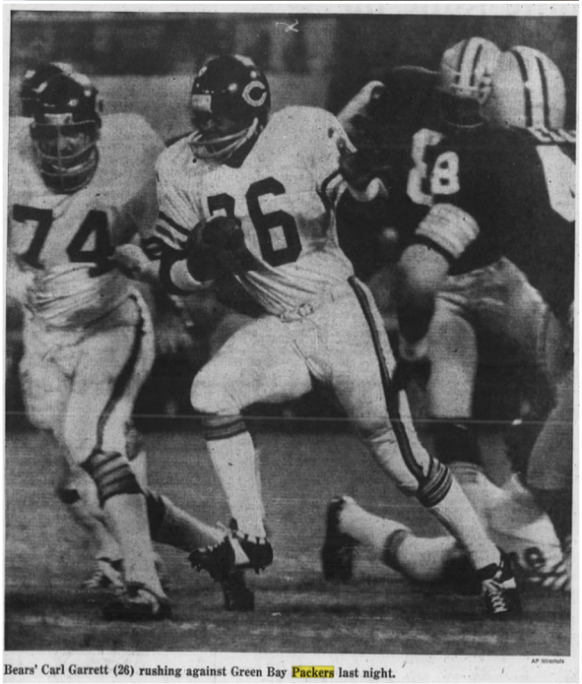




Bears' Carl Garrett (26) rushing against Green Bay Packers last night.

(MILWAUKEE) – Chester Marcol, the Chicago Bears' No. 1 nemesis, almost did it again here Saturday night. But. the Polish Messiah, whose talented toe scuttled the Bruins in all three 1972 meetings, and the Packers had to settle for a 13-13 tie with the Bears and Mac Percival in the 24th annual Midwest Shrine Game before a shirt-sleeve, capacity crowd of 47,222 fans at County Stadium. Marcol put the Packers ahead for the second time with a 43-yard field goal in the third quarter but Percival tied it with his second success of the evening, a 27-yard bullseye at 7:38 of the final period after Jerry Moore had recovered a Don Highsmith fumble at the Packer 11-yard-line. The heavy-legged sophomore had a chance to pull out victory with eight seconds remaining, but his 39-yard attempt was wide to the left. The first half, punctuated by a collection of bizarre happenings, was worth the price of admission alone. Not the least of these was the 48-yard field goal which Mac Percival lifted the Beas into a 10-10 tie at the intermission. The kick, apparently short as it neared the target, hit the heart of the crossbar and bounced over. That capricious development, which came at 12:03 of the second quarter, climaxed a disconcerting reversal of circumstances for the Packers, who had forged into an early 10-0 lead. As per custom, Chester Marcol had produced the first Packer points, this time with a 34-yeard field goal at 13:09 of the opening period. It capped a 53-yard push to the Chicago 34, the chief items being a 14-yard sweep and a 24-yard sortie with a screen pass by MacArthur Lane. The Packers shortly parlayed their margin to 10-0 with the help of rookie linebacker Tom Macleod, who recovered a Jim Harrison fumble at the Chicago 34 just on the first play following the kickoff. Scott Hunter had them home in seven plays, closing out the push with .an 8-yard pitch up the middle to tight end Rich McGeorge in the heart of the end zone. McGeorge reached back to gather in the ball just as defenders Dick Butkus and Garry Lyle arrived. This sudden turn of events failed to daunt the Bruins, particularly the peripatetic Bobby Douglass, who promptly set about maneuvering the Midway Monsters 80 yards to crash the scoreboard. Carl Garrett, who had rushed for 40 yards in his first eight attempts of the evening, took it the final yard at 9:24 of the second quarter, veering into the end zone behind a block by Glen Holloway. Douglass scrambled for 27 yards in three trips en route and completed a pair of passes for 16 yards. He also was aided by a pass interference levy on Packer strong safety Al Mathews, which gave the Bears a first down at the Green Bay 15. The Packers appeared well on the way to retrieving that touchdown when Ike Thomas streaked 68 yards with the next kickoff, bolting to his left and up the west sideline. Just as he appeared to be away rookie Gary Hrvinak got a desperate hand on Thomas' jersey. Thrown off course, Thomas careened to the turf at the Bear 36. That glittering opportunity dissolved on the very next play, however, when Don Highsmith fumbled and Jimmy Gun recovered for the Bears at the Chicago 38. Five plays later, one of them a 15-yard pass from Douglass to Garrett. Percival kicked his one-bounce field goal to square the score. Thomas, who amassed the electrifying total of 157 return yards with three first half runbacks, returned the following kickoff 55 yards to the Chicago 40 with another near-breakaway but it went for naught. Doug Buffone intercepted Hunter's first down pass, intended for Leonard Garrett, and returned it 12 yards to the Bear 47. At one point in the first quarter, the officials drew the displeasure of the partisan house with an obscure and clearly inaccurate penalty ruling. It occurred on a pass from Douglass to Harrison, hit by Jim Carter as he veered out of bounds. The officials first decreed a 15-yard unsportsmanlike penalty on Carter, giving

the Bears a first down. Then, after a midfield conference, they decided there was an offsetting clipping foul on the Bears. But, despite the fact that Harrison clearly had been one short when he went out of bounds and before the chains were moved, the officials awarded the Bears a first down, a decision which brought them a lusty round of boos from the faithful. The fans also registered their indignation when the men in stripes failed to properly discipline the Bears' Gary Kosins, obviously out "to get" Marcol on the kickoff which followed his first quarter field goal. Although Kosins was doing his utmost to render Marcol hors de combat, the officials merely charged him with being offside, a penalty the Packers declined. Although he had to settle for a .500 batting average during that span, Marcol again was able to ease the Packers ahead in the third quarter, considerably lower key than the first two had been. Aided by a short (28-yard) Bobby Joe Green punt, the Packers quickly moved into position on the churning legs of Lane, who rolled up 30 yards in five consecutive thrusts. Leland Glass lost nine yards on a reverse and Jerry Tagge, now in at quarterback, nine more on third down, bringing on Marcol. He connected for the second time, this one coming from 43 yards out, to mount a 13-10 Green Bay lead. Marcol subsequently got another opportunity when the Bears' Charlie Ford was found guilty of massaging Tagge too energetically on third down. That personal foul penalty again put the Pack in position but Highsmith lost seven yards on third down to stall the drive. This time Marcol's 37-yard effort was wide to the right.

CHICAGO	**-**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**0 - 13**
GREEN BAY	**-**	**0**	**10**	**0**	**3 - 13**

	CHICAGO	GREEN BAY
First downs	12	18
Rush-yards-TDs	40-139-1	40-125-0
Comp-Att-Yd-TD-INT	16-7-59-0-0	25-11-111-1-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-6	2-21
Net Passing Yards	53	90
Total yards	192	215
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-4
Turnovers	1	1
Yards Penalized	7-65	3-33

SCORING

1st – GB – Chester Marcol, 34-yard field goal GB 3-0
2nd – GB – Rich McGeorge, 8-yard pass from Scott Hunter (Marcol kick) GB 10-0
2nd – CHI – Carl Garrett, 1-yard run (Mac Percival kick) GB 10-7
2nd – CHI – Percival, 48-yard field goal TIED 10-10
3rd – GB – Marcol, 33-yard field goal GB 13-10
4th – CHI – Percival, 27-yard field goal TIED 13-13

RUSHING

GREEN BAY – MacArthur Lane 9-52, John Brockington 9-34, Perry Williams 7-34, Don Highsmith 8-10, Jerry Tagge 3-5, Dave Kopay 2-0, Scott Hunter 1-(-1), Leland Glass 1-(-9)
CHICAGO – Carl Garrett 20-6 1 1TD, Bobby Douglass 4-33, Jim Harrison 6-25, Roger Lawson 5-10, Joe Moore 3-9, Don Shy 1-1, Gary Huff 1-0

PASSING

GREEN BAY - Scott Hunter 14-5-68 1 TD 2 INT, Jerry Tagge 10-6-43, Don Highsmith 1-0-0
CHICAGO – Bobby Douglass 11-6-48, John Huarte 4-1-11, Dave Juenger 1-0-0

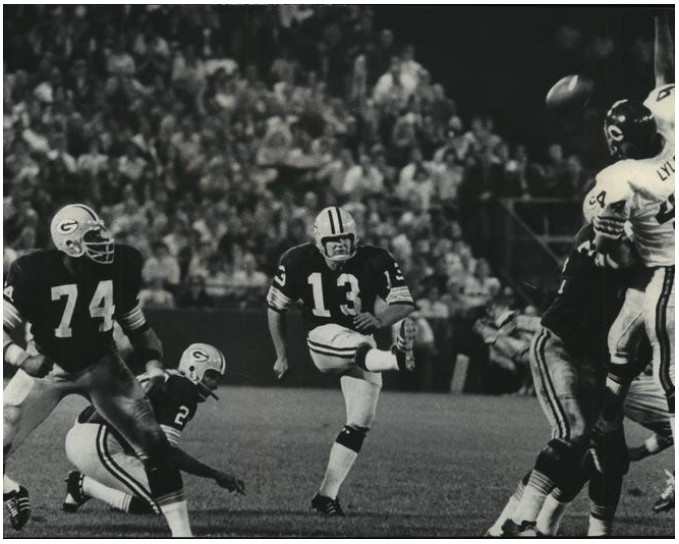
RECEIVING

GREEN BAY – Rich McGeorge 2-20 1 TD, Jon Staggers 2-14, Dave Kopay 2-12, MacArthur Lane 1-24, Leland Glass 1-14, Don Highsmith 1-14, Leland Garrett 1-10, John Brockington 1-3
CHICAGO – Jim Harrison 3-26, Carl Garrett 1-15, George Farmer 1-14, Don Shy 1-4, Cyril Pinder 1-0

Bears tie Pack 13-13 in exhibition debut

GENEROSITY CONCERNS DEVINE

AUG 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - No, Virginia, Dan Devine wasn't fit to be tied. But he wasn't very happy, either. Which may be the only appropriate reaction to the 13-13 stalemate the Packers and Bear's perpetrated at Milwaukee County Stadium in their mutual pre-season inaugural Saturday night. In toto, however, Devine was more concerned about the manner in which it was "achieved" than in the outcome itself, although he admitted, "I would rather have won, naturally." He was patently disappointed by the Packers unexpected generosity, particularly in situations where they had an opportunity to put the enemy away. "The turnovers (they lost two fumbles and were intercepted twice) bother me," he said, then added, "but they would bother me more if they got to be a habit." The first of these misadventures occurred following a 68-yeard Ike Thomas kickoff return to the Bear 36 in the second quarter. When Don Highsmith fumbled on first down, Jimmy Dunn recovered and the Bears drove to a tying (10-10), 48-yard field goal by Mac Parcival. The second also followed a Thomas spectacular, this time a 55-yard excursion to Chicago's 40, also in the second quarter. Again opportunity was squandered when Doug Buffons intercepted a Scott Hunter pass intended for Leonard Garrett. Shortly before the half, Craig Clemons waylaid another Hunter pass and returned it to the Packer 46 but the defense, spearheaded by Carleton Oats' six-yard sack

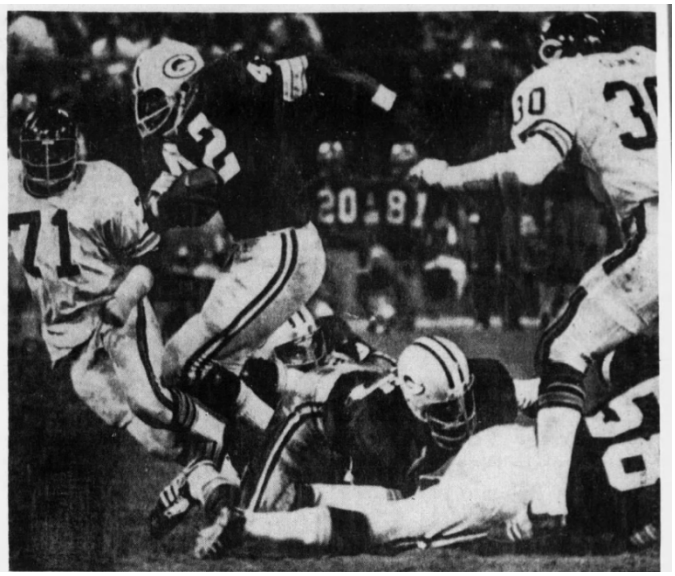


Packers kicker Chester Marcol's 39-yard field goal kick misses its mark, and Green Bay has to settle for a 13-13 tie in an exhibition game against the Chicago Bears at Milwaukee's County Stadium on Aug. 5, 1973. (Henry A. Koshollek/Milwaukee Journal)

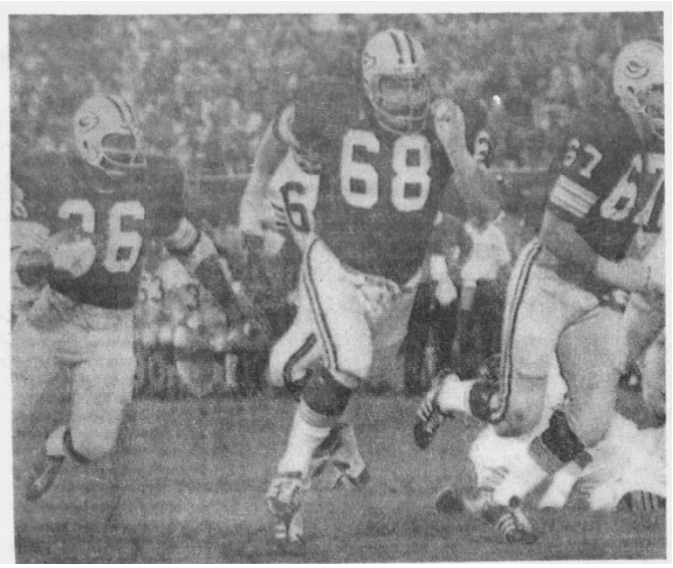
of Bobby Douglass, averted any further damage. A second Highsmith fumble in the third quarter, however, bloomed into a second Percival field goal and, it turned out, the final points of the evening. "We had a number of turnovers and they damn near did," Devine noted. "They threw the ball right into our hands a few times and we dropped 'em. But I'm more concerned with our throwing the ball to them than I am about our missing the ones they threw to us. We had a good kickoff return and we throw an interception. And we fumbled once when we had the game in command. These are things we have to eliminate. I'm not going to judge the people who made the mistakes, but we have to eliminate the mistakes." Devine took the same approach when asked if he was prepared to evaluate the maiden efforts of his quarterbacks, Hunter and Jerry Tagge, who worked the first and second halves, respectively. "I'm not ready to do that at this time," he said, although he conceded, "Scott didn't throw the ball real well. But I never said that I was going to judge it on one half of football."…VISUAL PROBLEMS: Hunter, meanwhile, charged off his difficulties to "visual" problems. "My game eyes weren't with me," he said. "And they threw a lot of stuff at us that we weren't expecting. I threw a couple of bad balls, but this is the time to get those out of the way, in an exhibition game. I thought the protection was excellent and, regardless of what happened this time, I think things are really looking up for our passing game." Tagge, who was able to avoid interception while completing six of 10 attempts for 43 yards, also indicated the Bears had created special problems for him. "Playing against the Bears is hard," he said. "They seem to come out with something new all the time. For instance, this week they came out with a 4-4 defense. They didn't use it last year. So I had to make some adjustments at halftime. "I made a few mistakes, too, when I was pressured. I should have thrown the ball out of bounds a couple of times. I've also got to anticipate a little bit more. "I'd like to do more passing," Tagge conceded, "but I'll do anything that will win. I called the plays that were sent in from the bench and I have no quarrel with that. I had flexibility with audibles but I don't think I called any."…MORE NEXT WEEK: Devine, when asked why Tagge had not been called upon to throw more often, explained, "Let me answer it this way - we'll probably throw more next week. The protection, the defense, the ability to pick up the blitz, I could give you 10 reasons why we didn't throw more in the second half." Always highly respectful of the Bears' freewheeling quarterback, Bobby Douglass, Devine again paid glowing tribute to the big blond. "I'm always impressed with Douglass," he said. "He's a super player, a super-athlete. When he's on the field he just dominates the game, I don't care who they're playing. It's not only against the Packers that he does it. I think he's the most unsung player in the league, by far." Devine also admitted he had taken more than casual notice of the Bruins' Gary Kosins, who appeared bent upon doing violence to Chester Marcol on Packer kickoffs. "Yes, I thought of retaliation," he said. "You think of it just like everybody else does." Ass't. Coach Hank Kuhlmann clearly had some such thing in mind when he charged down the sidelines to confront Bear Coach Abe Gibron after Kosins began to tee off on Marcol, but he was quickly led back to the Packer bench by Devine. "It was in the heat of the game," DD later offered in explanation. "Some things were said. But I like a competitor who competes."…PLEASING DEVELOPMENTS: Although it is easier for a coach to remember the things he didn't like, particularly when victory does not result, the Packers' meticulous headmaster agreed there had been some pleasing developments. "The encouraging things were the injured and surgery guys coming back, and the linebacker play. "I thought all of the surgery cases looked good - Gillie (Gale Gillingham), Rich McGeorge, Ken Bowman, Dave Pureifory. I'm happy about that. That's one of the few things I'm happy over." Putting it all in practical perspective before turning to next Saturday night's Lambeau Field date with the Buffalo Bills, he pointed out, "We played quite a few people. We didn't play everybody, but I don't think we missed more than one or two. It was a learning experience. We made a lot of mistakes and it's our job to correct them."

MARCOL DISMISSES KOSINS' EFFORTS

AUG 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Practice, Chester Marcol has unhappily rediscovered, does not always make perfect. The Packers placekicking prodigy was able to find the range from 57 and 53 yards with awesome east in "no count" sessions while priming for the Chicago Bears last week. But, just when he needed it most, his golden toe lost its radar in the waning seconds of Saturday night's 13-13 tie with the Bears - from a mere 39 yards. Again documenting the venerable contention that football is a game of inches, the soccer style specialist explained, "I think I hit it too much with the inside of my foot. I don't think it missed being good by more than a foot at the most. I actually hit the ball pretty well," said Chester, just about to leave the Packers sauna-like County Stadium dressing room. "And I got a good snap (from Ken Bowman) and a good hold (by Ron Widby). It was just a little wide." Marcol, who earlier had been officially off target from 37 yards after connecting on 34 and 43-yard efforts, wasn't counting that initial miss. Right over top "I think the first one I missed could have been called either way," Chester said. "It was right over the top of the goalpost." The Polish Messiah dismissed the suggestion that the efforts of the Bears' Gary Kosins to physically intimidate him had been a factor. "It's nothing new," he matter-of-factly assured. "It happened last year. You just have to kick, fake one way and go downfield. He can't hit you from behind. On the first kickoff, I made a mistake and tried to have a shoving match with Kosins." Asked if he



POTENT WEAPON: The Bears Tony McGee (71) and Jimmy Gunn (30) chase the Packers' John Brockington (42) Saturday night during their exhibition game in Milwaukee. Brockington gained six yards through the right side of the line. (AP Wirephoto)



PACKER SWEEP: The familiar Packer sweep was used on this play Saturday night during exhibition game against the Chicago Bears at Milwaukee. Green Bay's blockers Gale Gillingham (68) and Malcolm Snider (67) led the way for MacArthur Lane (36).. (AP Wirephoto)

thought those two field goal failures might shake his confidence, Marcol responded with a prompt negative. "No," he said. "I've missed a couple of kicks before. The game's all over and we just have to wait for Buffalo. There are a lot of games left. It's nice to make 'em, though. But I'll get 'em out of my system now," he said with a confident smile. Closing the books on Chapter One, he added, "I was kicking the ball real well. Two went in and two didn't."

QUICK QUOTES: MACLEOD IMPRESSES HILL

AUG 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Quick Packer-Bear quotes: Jim Hill: “I thought our defense played pretty well overall, except for the Bears' touchdown drive. and I was particularly pleased with the way Tom MacLeod played, especially in the third quarter. The Bears had a series of plays down on the goal there and MacLeod showed me something. That's the test of a man's courage, down on the goal line, and he won the respect of a lot of veterans. And it isn't often a rookie gets the veterans' respect that soon. I thought he played well the whole night."…Ike Thomas: "When I got out in the open on those kickoff returns. I knew the Bears were going to have a safety waiting for me. and I didn't know if I'd have a blocker out there. Usually you don't - usually you're one-on-one. What the safety really did was slow me up, plus the pursuit was catching up with me from the other side. I've never had a game like that before. 157 yards on runbacks, in pro or in college, although I had two back-to-back runbacks for touchdowns when I was with the Cowboys two years ago. It was all right for a night's work, I guess."…Rich McGeorge: “The touchdown pass from Scott Hunter was a pretty good throw. It had to be that way. If he'd led me anymore, the goalpost would have been in the way. I ran into Dick Butkus on the way out from the line. There wasn't much of an opening so the ball had to be right there."…Dan Devine: "We didn't put Mac Lane and John Brockington back in there on that final drive before the missed field goal because they were cold and there was a chance of injury. I thought of it - any coach would. But you've got to let reason prevail. You've got to think what might happen if you put them back in cold and one of them would come up with a pulled muscle."…Jerry Tagge: "I'm glad the coaches had me call my own signal on that fourth-and-inches play where we went for it. It eliminated one handoff and one possible mistake."…Devine again: "Dave Kopay made a great catch on the sidelines. On the play that was ruled out of bounds. Looking back, with third-and-one in that situation. we probably would not have gone to that play in a regular season game."…Jim Hill again: "We've got a helluva ball club. It just needs some polishing. The regulars, remember, were only in there part of the time. We're going to have some kind of team this year."

WHO'S CHESTER, GIBRON WONDERS: A POLISH PRINCE ?

AUG 6 (Milwaukee) – His Chicago Bears had done no better than tie the Green Bay Packers, but a grinning Coach Abe Gibron said they had won the war. He meant his psychological war against Green Bay's Chester Marcol. Marcol, whose placekicking had beaten the Bears three times last year, missed what would have been the winning field goal from 39 yards with eight seconds left Saturday night as the Packers and Bears tied 13-13 in their National Football League pre-season opener. "I think the guy upstairs kind of equalized things," Gibron said. Earlier, in what he called a "psychological thing," Gibron had sent one of his players to stalk Marcol after he kicked off to the Bears. Badgered with inquiries about the tactic, Gibron replied: "I don't see what's so special about him getting hit. What is he, a Polish prince or something?" He said he felt he had earned a mental edge against Marcol when special teams man Gary Kosins pursued the Packer kicker with a single-minded vigor that incensed the 47,222 fans. Marcol, who had just given Green Bay a 3-0 lead with a 34 yard field goal, kicked off to the Bears and followed the play downfield when Kosins ran over and tried to block him. Marcol eluded the block, but Kosins kept coming and repeatedly tried to bump and push him, although both were far out of the play. Marcol pushed back for an instant, then retreated as Kosins chased him. The fans howled in anger and charged dirty tactics, although the Bears were not penalized. Reminded of reaction to the ploy by the partisan crowd, Gibron said, "Well, there's

seven million back in Chicago just happy as hell." "It was a psychological thing, that's all," he said. "We're not trying to hurt anyone. When you put on a professional football uniform, this is a war. He's beaten us in three games now, and I'd love to have those three on our record. They send three guys after Dick Butkus sometimes, and no one says anything about that."

FILMS IMPROVE DAN'S OUTLOOK

AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – For Dan Devine, things were looking brighter. But, for his athletes, they could have been better. It was that kind of Monday on Lombardi Avenue and South Oneida Street, where the Packers reconvened to prepare for Saturday night's home debut against the Buffalo Bills in Lambeau Field. Devine's improved outlook was inspired by what he had seen in the film of the 13-13 tie with the Bears at Milwaukee County Stadium over the weekend, a development he originally viewed with something less than enthusiasm. The players meanwhile, were trying to catch their collective breath after the longest grass drill in Packer history, a delightful little exercise with which Devine climaxed Monday's workout, staged in 83-degree heat. more inclined to emphasize the positive. "Actually, there was some good play," he said, "specifically, the bad parts that stand out are the three first down turnovers (two fumbles and an interception) and the 80-yard drive Chicago made when we had a 10-0 lead. By the same token, when they had a first-and-goal situation at our four-yard line, they get the benefit of a pass interference penalty and still wind up settling for a 27-yard field goal. That was fine defensive play. A lot of our offensive plays also were just a hair away from breaking for long gainers or touchdowns." Devine also noted that "For his first game, Tom MacLeod did a good job. And all three of the rookie linebackers, MacLeod, Larry Allen and Tom Toner, hustled. All of them got a lot of experience." On another, even more critical subject, he put in a good word for his field generals. "The quarterbacking looked better on film than it did Saturday night," he said. "Jerry Tagge had one pass dropped and one he completed to Dave Kopay that was ruled out of bounds was definitely in bounds. Scott Hunter had two that receivers dropped. You're going to get those in a game. But their individual stats would have been improved by better catching. One of Scott's interceptions was from misreading a defense, which you can correct. There was nothing that I saw that a lot of hard work and concentration won't help." This reminded Devine of a relevant point. "The stats on the Eagles game with Buffalo show that the Eagles completed only three passes for a net of one yard against the Bills," he said. "And that's with Roman Gabriel at quarterback for the Eagles. It's easy to be critical at this time of the year, but it's a little early. The Kansas City-New Orleans game Sunday, for example, was settled totally on field goals, 12-6. My job, our job, is to work in the areas where we need improvement. And we need it in every area." Launching into another aspect, Devine wanted it known, "With all this talk about a physical game, we didn't get out-hit. And we came out in good condition. As a matter of fact, we should be in better shape next week than we were this week. We had everybody on the field today. Everybody was out of the training room 15 minutes before practice. That is, everybody but Stan Trott, who is in the hospital." Trott, a rookie wide receiver, is being treated for a bruised kidney. Despite the optimistic casualty report, Devine indicated guard Bill Lueck is likely to miss Saturday night's game. Lueck has been out since the intra-squad game with a back injury. The process of liberal experimentation, inaugurated against the Bears, presumably will continue for at least three more weeks. "We'll do a little like we did last season, unfortunately," Devine said. "We'll look at a lot of people until we get to the fifth game, when we'll start trying to settle on a regular lineup. But it kind of depends on injuries. If I feel somebody should be held out, he'll be held out."…PACKER PATTER: Prior to that arduous grass drill, the Packers took their first extensive look at the Bills, who will be led into Green Bay Saturday night by 1972's National Football League rushing champion, O. J. Simpson. The defense toiled against Buffalo formations and the offense worked against the 5-2 and 4-3 defenses. The special teams also went through a session on kickoff coverage and returns…Following today's reduction, the next major roster cutdown date is Monday, August 27, when all NFL teams must be down to 49 players, including College All-Stars. They must cut to 44, including All-Stars, Monday, September 3, and to the final 40 Monday, September 10.

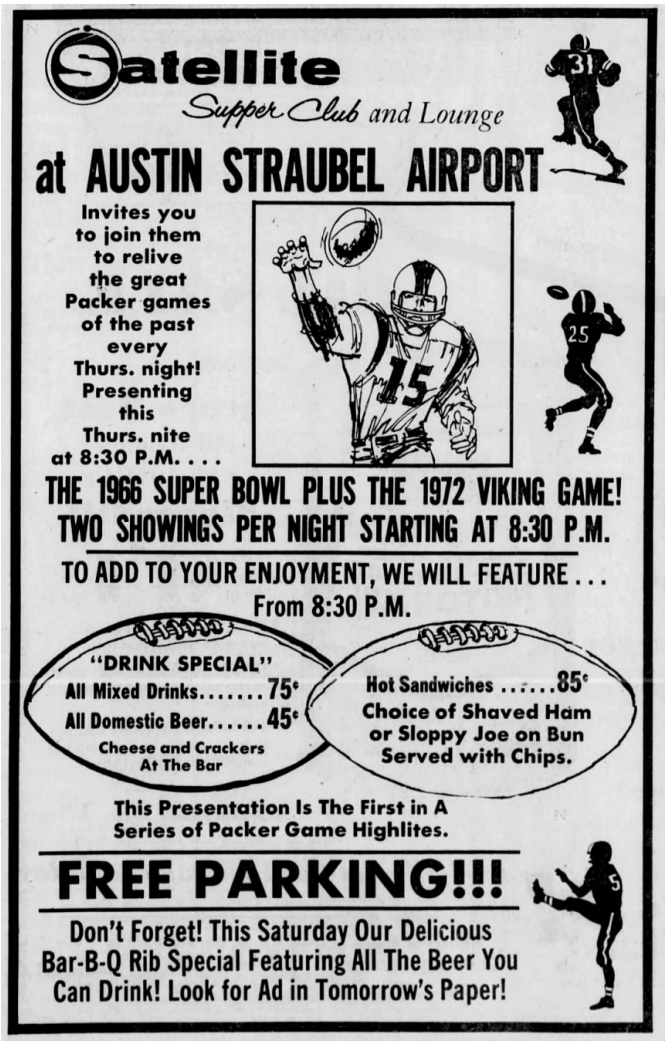
PACK CUTS ROSEY VAN ALONG WITH SIX OTHERS

AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Flashy speedster Roosevelt Van was among seven players cut this morning by the Green Bay Packers. The cuts left the squad at 61 players, one over the mandatory NFL figure for today, but Barry Smith does not count toward the total because he was on the All-Star squad. Van, who became a railbird favorite because of his flashiness and small stature at 5-feet-6, 150 pounds, was a free agent out of Northern Arizona. Others cut were defensive back Tim Alderson, a 13th round draft choice from Minnesota; Rick Thone, wide receiver and defensive back, and a 15th round choice from Arkansas Tech in 1972; defensive tackle Harold Sampson, 17th round choice from Southern University; tight end Bob Christiansen, a veteran who had played with Buffalo last season, and free agents; quarterback Jim Bulger of Notre Dame and linebacker Marc Smith of Miami of Ohio.

PERSONALITY PARADE

AUG 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Christmas Eve of 1972 was not a happy time for the Packers' Dave Pureifory. He spent that traditionally joyous night in a Green Bay hospital bed with his left leg packed in ice, awaiting surgery the following morning. "Things looked pretty bleak right about then," the sophomore defensive end confesses. "You never know how a knee is going to be after an operation. But that's all part of the game." Pureifory is once again sound of limb, following cartilage removal and repair of the ligaments in the knee, but new "problems" have arisen in the interim. He finds himself struggling for survival in the wake of trades that added the veteran Aaron Brown and Carleton Oats to a defensive line which already boasted Clarence Williams, Mike McCoy, Bob Brown and Alden Roche. Since six is the normal complement in this department, Pureifory's Packer future did not look overly bright as training camp began, a point he readily concedes. "It's nature for me to be concerned about it," he soberly confided as the Packers' chartered bus rumbled to Green Bay Sunday following that 13-13 stalemate with the Chicago Bears. "There are a lot of good people in the defensive line. But I've just got to perform better." Although there were those who saw it differently, the former Eastern Michigan athlete did not feel his play against the Bears had enhanced his chances. "I wasn't satisfied with myself," he said. "I didn't do well what I did best -

pass rush. I wasn't happy with it al all." The railbirds were impressed, however, with the speed and quickness he demonstrated in shackling Carl Garrett on two consecutive plays when the Bears had a first-and-1 situation at the Packer four-yard-line in the fourth quarter. Pureifory spoiled that glittering opportunity almost single-handedly. On first down, he caught the Bruins' new running threat from behind, felling him for a two-yard loss, then held Garrett to a lone yard on second down. Bob Brown subsequently forced Huarte to throw the ball away on the next play, triggering an intentional grounding penalty, and the Bears had to be content with a 27-yard Mac Percival field goal - and a tie. Though it is never easy coming off surgery, Pureifory says his present problems are more mental than physical. "There's nothing out of the ordinary wrong with the leg anymore," the quiet, soft-spoken Ypsilanti, Mich., resident assures. "There's some soreness, but that's normal. It's hurt my mobility a little bit, but it'll be back to normal by the time the season starts. It hurts your balance some, of course, because the whole side of the body is more or less dead for eight weeks after surgery. But it gets better each week. It's more a mental thing than anything else right now. I've got my leg back in condition and now I've got to condition my mind back to the way it was. You're always thinking about getting your leg hurt – the thought never leaves you. I've got to forget that." Although Pureifory realizes it will be no simple task to beat out either Aaron Brown or Oats, previously six and four-year starters with the Chiefs and Raiders, respectively, he is convinced he belongs. "I feel I can play in the NFL," he says without hesitation. "I've just got to perfect what I have now." Coach Dan Devine appears to think so, too. Even prior to Dave's heroics against the Bears, he said, "If Pureifory continues to play and practice like he has, he's going to be tough to keep out of there." The 6-foot-1, 260-pound Detroit native, who some coaches feel is the strongest man on the team, also is positive on another point. "I very much want to play with the Packers," he said. "I wouldn't want to play anywhere else, because of the people and the coaching staff. Everything's so close here. On other clubs in the big cities, they don't have time to be that close. Everything's so spread out."



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AUG 8 (Fullerton, CA) – Former Green Bay Packer defensive back Herb Adderley was cut Tuesday by the Los Angeles Rams. Adderley, a 13-year pro who played in the Super Bowl with Green Bay and Dallas, was acquired by the Rams in a trade with New England.

OUTLOOK DIM FOR PACKER ROOKIES

AUG 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Almost since the day training camp opened, when the quality and abundance of veterans became evident, Packer railbirds have been consistently asking each other, "How many rookies can make this team?" The answer is now taking shape. The personnel picture, inevitably hazy at this pre-season point, has begun to come in focus. The annual process was accelerated Tuesday with the release of seven first year men, a development which thinned out the races for employment appreciably. It also served to further pinpoint the prospects of the 14 rookies who remain on the 61-man roster, in which the presence of College All-Star Barry Smith does not presently count against the official total. The largest concentration of these is to be found at linebacker, where Tom MacLeod, Tom Toner, Larry Allen and St. Norbert College's Tom Deters are currently competing. Although the status of 16-year veteran Ray Nitschke is an imponderable here, it is unlikely that fewer than two rookies will survive among the final 40, with a third presumably being taxied if possible. There also can be little doubt that Smith, an impressive performer though he has seen little action to date because of his late arrival, will be one of the four wide receiver to remain. Beyond these positions, however, the situation is less clear, although center Larry McCarren has been impressive, as have defensive backs Hise Austin and Terry Hoeppner. The other yearlings currently in camp are wide receiver Reggis Echols, guard Phil Engle and running backs Les Goodman and Ron McBride. Another rookie, receiver Stan Trott, still listed on the active roster although he is being treated at St. Mary's Hospital for a bruised kidney. From an overall standpoint, there is major congestion in four areas - the offensive and defensive lines, the secondary and running back. There are, for example, 10 running backs for a presumed maximum of five openings. In the race here, behind MacArthur Lane, John Brocking ton and Co-Capt. Perry Williams are Don Highsmith, Larry Krause, Dave Kopay, Ward Walsh, Curt Watson and rookies Goodman and McBride. And there are an even dozen candidates for a likely total of seven jobs in the offensive line. Rookies Kent Branstetter, McCarren and Engle are in contention behind veterans Gale Gillingham, Bill Lueck, Malcolm Snider, Keith Wortman, Dick Himes, Bill Hayhoe, Kevin

Packer roster

OFFENSE

Wide receivers: Carroll Dale, Leland Glass, Jon Staggers, Dave Davis, *Barry Smith, *Reggie Bohols, *Stan Trott.

Tackles: Dick Himes, Bill Hayhoe, Kevin Hunt, *Kent Branstette.

Guards: Bill Lueck, Gale Gillingham, Malcolm Snider, Keith Wortman, *Phil Engle.

Centers: Ken Bowman, Cal Withrow, *Larry McCarren.

Tight ends: Rich McGeorge, Leonard Garrett, Mike Donohoe.

Quarterbacks: Scott Hunter, Jerry Tagge, Charlie Napper.

Running backs: MacArthur Lane, John Brockington, Perry Williams, Don Highsmith, Larry Krause, Dave Kopay, Ward Walsh, Curt Watson, *Les Goodman, *Ron McBride.

Specialists: Chester Marcol, Ron Widby.

DEFENSE

Linemen: Clarence Williams, Mike McCoy, Bob Brown, Alden Roche, Aaron Brown, Carleton Oats, Dave Pureifory.

Linebackers: Jim Carter, Fred Carr, Larry Hefner, Ray Nitschke, *Tom MacLeod, *Tom Toner, *Larry Allen, *Tom Deters.

Halfbacks: Jim Hill, Al Matthews, Ken Ellis, Willie Buchanon, Ike Thomas, Charlie Hall, Bob Kroll, *Hise Austin, *Terry Hoeppner.

(*—denotes rookie.)

Hunt, Ken Dowman and Cal Withrow. Competition likewise is stiff in the secondary, where seven veterans are to be found - Jim Hill, Al Mathews, Ken Ellis, Willie Buchanon, Ike Thomas, Charlie Hall and Bob Kroll - plus rookies Hise Austin and Hoeppner. And these nine are contending for just six berths. Coach Dan Devine and his fellow brain trusters also face knotty decisions in the defensive line, in which all seven contestants are veterans - Clarence Williams, Mike McCoy, Bob Brown, Alden Roche, Aaron Brown, Carleton Oats and Dave Pureifory. The only logical answer here would appear to be a trade, considering the likelihood that only six can be retained. There also is not the remotest chance any of these would clear waivers to be taxied, and which would seem to leave only one alternative. Devine, who has nearly three weeks in which to make the next cut, indicated Tuesday that he is not certain when the pruning process will be resumed. "I don't honestly know when we will cut again," he said. "It's possible there will be more cuts before the next deadline." The roster must be reduced to 49, not including Barry Smith, by 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27. Parrying a question about what he considered the "best time" to try to ease a player through waivers, Devine pointed out, "If you waive him through now and sign him to a future contract, he can't play the rest of their exhibition games. "Some teams try to slip somebody through with a large group like today's," he added. "But I would prefer not to say what I consider the best time to do it."…PACKER PATTER: Devine, immersed in preparations for Saturday night's pre-season date with the Buffalo Bills in Lambeau Field, evinced pleasure over Tuesday afternoon's workout. "I think this was the best practice we've had all year from the standpoint of learning, hustle and attentiveness, partly because we now have fewer people to work with," he said. "And it was a great day for it, hot and humid. Just what we needed." Looking ahead to the Bills, Devine noted, "The exhibition season is hard. Naturally, you want to look good Saturday night, with a big crowd and its being a home game, but you've got to get ready for the season. If we were playing Buffalo for the marbles, we would go into the game with a simple offense and a simple defense. But we're still adding things today for the year. If you don't do it now, you won't get it done. And, of course, we're also conditioning for the year." Devine also made these other comments and appraisals:

- "If the fumbling Don Highsmith did in the Bear game were a pattern, I would be concerned, yes. But he's been in the league three years and he has no history of fumbling."
- "Buffalo is quite a little bit different form the Bears. The Bills are a bump-and-run team pass defense-wise. Last year, I might add, they had the lowest percentage of pass completions against them in the NFL.
- "Yes, I'm concerned about O.J. Simpson, He's the best cutback guy in the business."
- "Although we had everybody on the field today and even though Fred Carr and Jim Carter were working, we're going to play our young linebackers extensively again in this game. We'll do a lot of substituting.
- "We'll just reverse the quarterbacks. Jerry Tagge will start this time and Scott Hunter will play the second half. Gillie (Gale Gillingham) again will play a little.
- "I have no comment on the release of Roosevelt Van, other than to say that it's always difficult to make cuts and he was difficult to cut because of his hustle and his great attitude."

VETERAN STEVE WRIGHT CUT BY PHILADELPHIA

AUG 9 (Chester, PA) – Veteran defensive tackle Steve Wright and three rookies were cut Tuesday by the Philadelphia Eagles. The National Football League team cut rookies Ernie Baptist, a defensive back from Texas Arlington; guard Harry Buskirk of Millersville State, Pa., and running back Dick Smith of Northwestern. Wright, acquired in the offseason from St. Louis for tackle Mike Taylor, played in three NFL title games with the Green Bay Packers.

PACKER BOARD MEMBER DIES

AUG 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Frank Birch, 78, a resident of Milwaukee and a member of the Green Bay Packers' board of directors, died Wednesday of leukemia at his Florida Keys home. His body will be shown at the Philip J. Weiss Funeral Home in Milwaukee Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. Funeral services are slated for Saturday.

BILLS' JACKSON TO MISS GAME

AUG 9 (Niagara Falls, NY) - Buffalo Bills' running back Randy Jackson has been slow developing in pre-season camp, and the club finally revealed he has a bruised left knee. "Randy apparently hurt the knee last spring when working at home," said the National Football League club's coach, Lou Saban, Wednesday. "It never seemed to heal. So we've just decided to rest him. He won't make the trip to Green Bay." The Bills play the Packers this Saturday. Jackson, a 6-foot, 220-pound second-year man from Wichita State, had been a puzzlement to observers since practice began July 17. He was considered a good bet to team with star running back O.J. Simpson in the Bills backfield, if he could learn to block a little better. "I hate to see Jackson sit on the bench," Saban remarked in the off-season. "He didn't know how to block when he came to us, but he has improved vastly." The coach left the impression he expected a strong showing from Jackson this camp, and agreed that a Simpson-Jackson combination would be exciting. But Jackson's blazing speed, which impressed many last year, was

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absent and he had a poor game last Saturday against Philadelphia, carrying 10 times and picking up only nine yards. The Bills lost the game. 13-6.

BILLS HOPING TO IMPROVE THEIR IMAGE

AUG 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Buffalo Bills are hardly a household word hereabouts. Not because of any lack of respect or affection on the part of the Packer faithful, who are generally respectful to the enemy, if not always affectionate. It's merely because the Bills are virtual strangers in these northern parts, having made only one appearance on Green Bay soil to date, an ill-fated, 34-0 visit in 1970. But Orenthal James Simpson, it can safely be said, is quite another story. To casual Packer fans, if such there be, O.J. Simpson IS the Buffalo Bills, an impression they will be able to test at first hand in Lambeau Field Saturday night. O.J. now beginning his fifth National Football League semester after a storied collegiate carrer at USC, very nearly was a one-man show in 1972. Emerging as the NFL's ground gaining champion in the process, he amassed 1,251 yards rushing and a total offense production of 1,557, including 193 yards receiving and another 113 passing. En route, he rushed for 100 yards or more in six games, including a 194-yard afternoon against the Pittsburgh Steelers, always formidable defensively. As a reward for these heroics, Simpson was named to the American Football Conference first team in all major polls and AFC Player of the Year. He also was subsequently selected the most valuable player in the 1973 Pro Bowl. O.J. reported to training camp 10 days ago with an intestinal virus which has hindered his conditioning progress, but he apparently stands ready to defend his rushing crown. He gained 95 yards in the Bill's pre-season opener against the Eagles last week, despite the fact that he carried the ball only once in the second half. The Bills' yearbook de scribes him as "pro football's most heralded rookie ever," which is not exaggeration. And, judging by his career statistics, he has largely lived up to those glowing notices. In four seasons, Simpson has advanced the football 5,123 yards, including 3,178 rushing, 841 receiving, 991 on kickoff returns and 113 passing. To date, surprisingly enough, the Packers have had reasonable success against the former USC wheelhorse. O.J. collected a respectable but not sensational 59 yards in 11 carries during that 34-0 loss here in '70 and settled for a mere 22 yards in 12 attempts in the '71 rematch at Buffalo, in which the Packers also prevailed, 20-14. Simpson, of course, is not the only imposing weapon in the Buffalo arsenal. Likewise due to be in evidence Saturday night is J.D. Hill, the former Arizona State speedball who won all-pro honors last season as an NFL sophomore by catching 52 passes for 754 yards and five touchdowns. His batterymate, Dennis Shaw, also emerged with a substantial .522 efficiency percentage, based on 136 completions in 258 attempts for 1,666 yards. Though they had to content themselves with a pair of field goals in losing their exhibition opener to the Eagles, 13-6, the Bills are convinced they are on the road back under Lou Saban, according to testimony from Don Phinney, the club's assistant publicity director. "We were 4-9-1 last year, which is four times as many games as we won the previous year," Phinney pointed out during a Green Bay visit Wednesday. "So we came a long way last year. And we expect to come a long way this year. Last year, we beat the Washington Redskins and San Francisco 49ers, tied the Detroit Lions and lost to the Dolphins by one point in Miami, so we played well against some of the top teams. In last week's game against Philadelphia, we played everybody, 59 people, while the Eagles played their first 22 most of the way, in contrast. We had several plays on which, if one of our players had just brush blocked the man he was supposed to get, we would have scored six touchdowns. This is the statement Saban made following the game, and he doesn't say such things lightly." Buffalo's hopes for higher artistic estate this season, Phinney indicated, are based upon a huge and presumably efficient defensive line to further exploit the talents of Simpson and provide improved protection for Shaw and rookie quarterback Joe Ferguson, an improved defensive line and what the Bills' publicist described as "the finest secondary in the league." The offensive wall is built around Donnie Green, a 6-8 1/2, 280-pound tackle, and Reggie McKenzie, whom Phinney labels a likely all-pro this season, and Irv Goode, both 6-6. Much of the improvement in the front four as attributed to the maturing of Walt Patulski, the former Notre Dame colossus who was the first player chosen in the 1972 draft. "Patulski came along at the end of last year," Phinney said, "and he is doing a super job now." The vaunted Bills secondary, which led the NFL in lowest passing percentage permitted last season, is anchored by left cornerback Bob James, an all-AFC choice in '72. He is complemented in that bump-and-run foursome by Tony Green, a 4.4 speedster in the 40, John Pitts, a king-size (6-foot-41/2 and 225 pounds) safety and Chuck Detwiler, a former Packer acquired in an off-season trade with San Diego. Buffalo quarterbacking has been inconsistent in recent seasons but Saban envisions major improvement here, too. "Dennis Shaw is beginning to learn the art of ball control," Phinney said. "When he first came to us, we were a passing team, then a running team, so it's taken him a little time to adapt to another approach. Joe Ferguson, our No. 1 draft choice,

also looks like a good one. He has shown a lot of poise. He didn't panic under some very adverse conditions against the Eagles." Another reason the Bills are waxing optimistic is startling team speed. "We didn't have one guy of those we expect to play for us who ran a 5-flat 40 in our time trials," Phinney reported. "All were under that figure, 4.9, 4.8 or below. O.J. Simpson ran a 4.3." Summing up, Phinney offered, "Lou Saban is not known to be too calm, especially when he loses. But he was very calm after that loss to the Eagles. We did live with it, and we think we're going to have a good football team."… PACKER PATTER: Packer preparations for the Bills' invasion were both delayed and bobtailed. by a heavy thunderstorm Wednesday afternoon. The practice, scheduled at 3 o'clock, was deferred nearly an hour and had to be abbreviated because of the soggy turf. "We slopped around," a disappointed Dan Devine noted. "We really cut a lot of the things we wanted to do to day. We couldn't do it because of field conditions. It was still drizzling a little when we came out. There was water standing in a lot of places. It was all team work, as a result. It was going to be a big day for group work and putting in a number of things, but we never got to it. We just had team offense and team defense. Today was too bad," Devine added, a little wistfully, because we had such a good practice yesterday."...The Packer coach also reported that guard Bill Lueck, who missed the pre-season opener against the Bears and was expected to sit out again Saturday night, now is a likely participant. "I don't think Lueck will be out of this game," he said. "I'm not certain, but I'm pretty sure he'll play. I think we'll have all hands for this one."

VAN SIGNS WITH CHIEFS

AUG 10 (Manitowoc) - Roosevelt Van, a diminutive wide receiver who had a tryout with the Green Bay Packers and was cut Tuesday, has signed a contract with the Manitowoc County Chiefs of the Central States Football League and will play in their home opener Sunday. Van, who came to Green Bay as a free agent out of Northern Arizona, became a favorite with Packer fans at practice because of his size and flashy playing. He stands 5-foot-6 and weighs 150 pounds. Chiefs Coach Marty Crowe said Van, who is to report Saturday, will see spot duty Sunday against Delevan. "He should cause a lot of excitement around here because he is the type of player the fans can latch onto," Crowe said. The Chiefs also announced that veteran J. Belford Paige, a wide receiver, will rejoin the club and play Sunday. Both Paige and Van will also act as assistant football coaches at JFK Prep at St. Nazianz.

HUNT FOR DULAC: PACKERS KEEP BUILDING

AUG 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - With one wary eye on the Buffalo Bills and Saturday night's exhibition date in Lambeau Field, Dan Devine briefly turned the other to the future Thursday. Continuing a renovation project which brought the Packers the NFC's Central Division championship in 1972, Devine extracted rookie guard-tackle Bill Dulac from the New England Patriots for tackle Kevin Hunt, a second year performer. The Packers' meticulous and methodical leader thus made an acquisition denied him in last January's NFL draft. He and his aides were on the point of selecting the 6-foot-4, 260-pound Eastern Michigan product. Devine indicated, when the Los Angeles Rams tapped Dulac in the seventh round. The Rams subsequently dealt him to the Patriots for ex-Packer cornerback Herb Adderley, recently released. "Rollie (offensive line coach Rollie Dotsch) has liked Dulac all along," Devine explained Thursday night, "and we felt he's just more the type of guy we need than a big tackle, Dulac can play both guard and tackle, while Kevin is a tackle exclusively. This is more of a future move, a continuation of the building process." Dotsch, who scouted the newcomer in spring practice a year ago and earlier had seen him at first hand as an opponent while coaching at Northern Michigan University, testified, "Dulac is a real good athlete. He's a strong drive blocker and he has good size. It'll take time, but we'd like to work with him and see what he can do. I thought he was kind of underrated in college, being from a small school, like Dave Puriefory was. Dave also is from Eastern, of course, and he was drafted in the sixth round, while Dulac went in the seventh. He really impressed me at Eastern, when I visited their spring camp," Dotsch said. "I saw him in some tough drills and he thrived on them. He thrives on contact. I hope he hasn't lost any of that." The 22-year-old Croatian also attracted the Packers attention by his blocking success against monolithic John Matusiak, rated the premier defensive lineman in collegiate football last year, in a post-season game. Obviously, Dulac's imminent arrival does not relieve the congestion in the offensive line, where an even dozen athletes are still in contention for employment, but it does numerically enhance the chances of a rookie being one of the ultimate survivors. As the result of the exchange, Hunt, having been a veteran, there now are four first year men up front – center Larry McCarren, guard Phil Engle, tackle Keith Branstetter and Dulac. The veteran complement includes guards Gale Gillingham, Bill Lueck, Malcolm Snider and Keith Wortman, tackles Bill Hayhoe and Dick Himes and centers Ken Bowman and Cal Withrow. Although he emphasized it is still too early to set a maximum figure for this department, Devine said it is likely eight of these will remain among the final 40 - two guards, two tackles, two centers and a swing guard and swing tackle…PACKER PATTER: The day's transaction failed to distract Devine and his staff from the matter at hand. They had their athletes on the South Oneida Street practice field for a lengthy, two-hour workout Thursday afternoon, a session highlighted by team offense against anticipated Buffalo defenses and Packer defenses against Buffalo formations in spot situations. One segment also was devoted to goal line offense…Devine later announced that guard Bill Lueck, out since the intra-squad game with a back injury, "probably" would start at left guard against the Bills. He also said he did not expect to employ his starters "any longer than we did against the Bears last week. We'll substitute, but not as many people." He also made these other comments and appraisals:

"I don't think other teams will handle our secondary any different (following its NFC-leading success in 1972), but I think they'll have more respect for them. As they see Willie Buchanon on film, for example, they'll try to come up with things to try to do against him."

"You'll see maybe a little more bump-and-run and maybe a little more odd spacing in the line playing AFC teams like Buffalo, but I don't think there's any great difference between the AFC and the NFC. As coaches change, the style of play changes."

"We'll probably keep six defensive linemen active in the final cutdown and one on the cab squad. At that time, somebody may be on the injured reserve."
"We still have plenty of room for improvement. We dropped too many balls against the Bears the other night, for example."

BILLS PREPARE FOR GROUND SORTIES

AUG 11 (Green Bay-Buffalo News) - The question of whether the Bills' defense can stop the running game should start to be answered here tonight when they play the Packers in the second National Football League preseason game of the summer. There will be two changes in the basic anti-run defense - front line and linebackers. Coach Lou Saban promoted tackle Steve Okoniewski (78) to Bob Kampa's (70) spot while veteran Mike Stratton (58) has been reinstated at weakside over linebacker Dave Washington (86). The game will be televised on Channel 7 and broadcast on WKBW radio starting at 9. (Buffalo time). The Packers got to the playoffs last season by winning six of their last seven games. They almost disdained the pass during that streak. In five of those games they went over 175 yards rushing, three times over 200 yards. They had nine first downs rushing against the Bears, 11 against Houston, 12 against Detroit, 11 against Minnesota and 10 against New Orleans. Conversely the most passes they threw in the stretch was 21 in a losing effort against Washington. Their second high was 16. John Brockington (42) rushed for 1027 yards in 243 carries last year while his running mate, MacArthur Lane (36), picked up 821 in 177 trips. Lane was in usual form when the Pack opened with a 13-13 tie against Chicago last week. He rolled for 52 yards in nine carries, a 5.8 average. Brockington had 34 yards in nine carries while Perry Williams (31), who seldom gets to play in the regular season, had 34 in seven trips. Coach Saban said late Friday night that veteran Dennis Shaw (16) will definitely be the starter tonight. There had been speculation that rookie Joe Ferguson (12) would start, but Saban said he will see action in the second half. Okoniewski's mates on the front four will be Walt Patulski (85) and Allen Aldridge (76) at ends with Jerry Patton (77) at the opposite tackle. Dale Farley (57) will be the Bills' strong-side linebacker with Jim Cheyunski (50) in the middle. Coach Lou Saban has at least two offensive changes set, with Bo Cornell (30) replacing Jim Braxton at fullback and Rookie Paul Seymour (73) at offensive right tackle in place of injured Dave Foley. "We'll play our top people more this week," says Saban, who blames experimentation as one of the reasons for the Bills' 13-6 loss to Philadelphia last week. "When we substitute we'll do it by individual rather than by unit, as we did against the Eagles. For instance I plan to play rookie Joe DeLamielleure (68) at guard against the Packers but I'll substitute him into the first unit." The Pack will start Jerry Tagge (17), last year's No. 1 draft choice, at quarterback. It will be the first start for the Green Bay native. Rookie Tom McLeod (56) of Minnesota, a third-round draftee, has won the starting linebacker job vacated when Dave Robinson was traded to Washington. Other rookies of note for Green Bay include No. 1 draftee Barry Smith (80) of Florida State, who will play some as a wide receiver; 6-foot, 4-inch corner Hise Austin (26) of Prairie View and linebacker Tom Toner (59) of Idaho State. The Packers' offensive line received a boost Friday when newly-acquired Bill Dulac reported and Bill Lueck was pronounced ready to start at left guard against Buffalo tonight. Dulac, 6-foot 4-inch 260-pound rookie guard from Eastern Michigan, was obtained from New England Thursday for second-year lineman Kevin Hunt. Packer coach Dan Devine said Dulac may be used on the kickoff team against the Bills.

TAGGE FACES TOUGH BILLS' PASS DEFENSE

AUG 11 (Green Bay) - Jerry Tagge, who once hawked peanuts on the same premises, returns to Lambeau Field tonight in a somewhat more prominent role. The Packers' sophomore quarterback, striving to become the hero in a rare "local boy makes good" drama, assays his first major league start before the home folks against the Buffalo Bills. In the process, the former Green Bay West High School and Nebraska luminary will continue his challenge for the No. 1 assignment, currently the property of Scott Hunter, whom Coach Dan Devine has decreed will remain pre-eminent unless and until he is beaten out. Hunter, the starter in last week's 13-13 pre-season baptismal with the Chicago Bears, is scheduled to assume the offensive controls in the second half of this home opener. There will be one other change in the starting lineup for the Packers second pre-season venture, an 8 o'clock contest (WBAY radio) is to be viewed by a sellout crowd of 56,267. It will find Bill Lueck, shelved for the Bear match with a back injury, returning to his customary left guard station where Malcolm Snider held forth last week. Snider, however, is expected to see heavy duty, along with most others as the Packers 61-man squad, since Devine has said he will use his starters no longer than he did against the Bears. That, presumably, is except for Tom MacLeod, the rookie left linebacker and heir apparent to the departed Dave Robinson, who obviously needs and would appreciate all of the playing time he can be aftorded. Since it is assumed the Packers can run against any team with some degree of success so long as Brockington and MacArthur Lane remain intact, Tagge's prime concern as engineer of the Packer attack will be to penetrate a Buffalo pass defense which permitted the opposition to complete only 42.5 per cent of its passes in 1972, best record in the National Football League. The ringleader of this accomplished quartette, which the Bills unblushingly term "the finest secondary in the league," is Robert James, an all-AFC choice last year. He is complemented on the right side by Tony Greene, a mercurial 4.4 seconds at 40 yards, and at safety by John Pitts, a strapping 6 foot-4 ½ and 225 pounds, and Chuck Detwiler, a starter with the San Diego Chargers the last half of the '72 season who was acquired in an off-season trade. They of course, are practitioners of the bump-and-run approach to pass defense, which is likely to require some adjustment on the part of Packer receivers, not normally exposed to this technique in their National Football Conference, although they have worked against it in practice throughout the week. In turn, the Packer defense's major concern will be the containment of O. J. Simpson, the NFL's rushing champion last season, when the former USC golden boy rolled up 1,252 yards in 292 attempts to dethrone Denver's Floyd Little. That promised to require extraordinary vigilance on the part of Dave Hanner's defenders, No. 1 in the NFC in '72, since O. J. slogged for 95 yards through torrential rain during the Bills' pre-season inaugural at Jacksonville, Fla., last weekend. Although the Packers have not encountered the Bills since '71, newcomer Carleton Oats has had more recent contact with Orenthal James, having

Probable Starting Lineups:

OFFENSE

BUFFALO		GREEN BAY
J.D. Hill	WR	Glass
Penchion	LT	Hayhoe
McKenzie	LG	Lueck
Jarvis	C	Bowman
Goode	RG	Gillingham
D. Green	RT	Himes
Mosier	TE	McGeorge
Chandler	WR	Dale
Shaw	QB	Tagge
Simpson	B	Lane
Cornell	RB	Brockington

DEFENSE

Patulski	LE	C. Williams
Okoniewski	LT	McCoy
Patton	RT	B. Brown
Aldridge	RE	Roche
Farley	LLB	MacLeod
Cheyunski	MLB	Carter
Stratton	RLB	Carr
James	LCB	Buchanon
T. Greene	RCB	Ellis
Pitts	LS	Matthews
Detwiler	RS	J. Hill

played against him with the Oakland Raiders last season, and he is properly respectful. "As far as getting to the outside is concerned, he's the best I've seen - he and Leroy Kelly of the Cleveland Browns." The veteran defensive tackle says, "Their styles are just about the same. Each step is a fake, and still they're gaining speed up field. "Extra effort is what makes O. J. such a great sack, though. When he gets hit, he keeps moving. When he's going down, he tries to get that extra yard. Plus he has a burst of speed, almost like the road runner. He gets stopped, then takes off and is gone." The Packer secondary, which allowed only seven touchdowns last season to lead the league, also will have to keep an eye on speedball J. D. Hill, an all-pro pick as a sophomore a year ago following 52 receptions for 754 yards as the primary target for quarterback Dennis Shaw. Although they emerged with a modest 4-9-1 record last season, their first under Lou Saban in his second Buffalo term, the Bills are convinced they are on the road back, having beaten Washington and San Francisco and tied Detroit in '72. Their confidence stems from anticipated improvement in the offensive line, bulwarked by potential all-pro Reggie McKenzie at left guard, and in the front four, in which a maturing Walt Patulski is counted upon to be a major factor. They remain optimistic in the face of a 13-6 opening loss to the Eagles, in which all of their points came off the right foot of Mike Clark, former resident placekicker of the Dallas Cowboys. He is expected to divide field goal duties with John Leypoldt, with whom he shared that assignment last week. Should all else fail for the Packers they presumably can turn to Chester Marcol, the NFL's 1972 scoring champion. The Polish Messiah was a .500 marksman against the Bears in his '73 debut, including a 39-yard misadventure with eight seconds remaining. The weatherman is predicting ideal conditions for the occasion – partly cloudy skies with temperatures between 70 and 75 degrees at kickoff and no precipitation. It will be the third meeting between tonight's combatants. The Packers won the first two, 34-0 here in 1970 and 20-14 at Buffalo in '71…PACKER PATTER: Jim Ringo, an eight time all-pro selection at center while a Packer, returns to Lambeau Field tonight as offensive line coach of the Bills…John Ward, a sportswriter who also happens to be a devout Packer fan, will be covering the contest for his newspaper, the Lower Delaware County, Pa., Daily Times...Twelve-year-old Bill Ansley of Brevard, N.C., another ardent Packer buff, has come out flatfooted for his heroes in this year's race. "The Pack will play Pittsburgh in Super Bowl VIII," he predicted in a letter this week. "The Pack will win 26-10 !!! "…The Bills sacked Eagle quarterback Roman Gabriel three times in their opener, defensive tackle Jerry Patton figuring in two of them.

Bills Prepare for Ground Sorties

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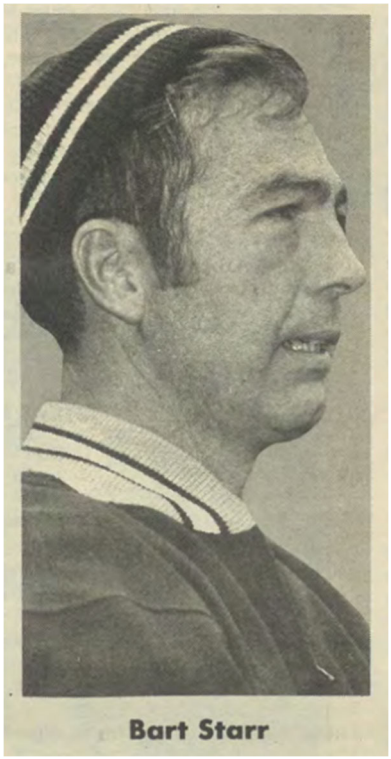
By JERRY GREEN

STARR WILL BE MISSED

AUG 11 (The Sporting News) - In the old dynasty days, Bart Starr was an automation quarterback at Green Bay – the projection of Vince Lombardi's vibrant mind on the field. Lombardi would program Bart during the week. On Sunday Starr would perform faultlessly in victory. He was a robot. Last year, with infinite wisdom, Starr contributed mightily to the Packers' successes. He was the quarterback coach in his first year of retirement. He programmed young Scott Hunter in the manner that Lombardi had schooled him in the 1960s. Hunter became a projection of Starr on the field. Starr called all the plays. Quietly and efficiently, as was his pattern, Starr controlled Hunter. He was firm and demanding of the youngster. And with Hunter, a quarterback of moderate abilities and meager experience, the Packers won the NFC Central title. Now, for the first time since 1957, Starr is absent from the Packers' training camp. Between seasons he rejected head coaching overtures from the Rams and Eagles. He departed football voluntarily to devote himself to his businesses. It was a sorrowful loss for the Packers - and for all of pro football. "Bart will be missed," said Dan Devine, the Packers' new master who rebuilt this club so rapidly. "He's just a good guy for your football club to be around. He was very, very important as a coach last year. This is a tough job, being head coach in Green Bay at this time. The guys most helpful to me my first two years were Bart, Zeke Bratkowski (now an assistant with the Bears), Gale Gillingham and Ray Nitschke. But the old guard - Fuzzy Thurston, Paul Hornung, Max McGee (heroes of Lombardi's era) - never second-guessed me." Young Hunter, now in his third pro season, will miss his educator, Starr, this year. He could lose his job to second-year quarterback Jerry Tagge. Either way, the loss of Starr and his knowledge and teaching abilities could be serious for the Packers…MINNESOTA: Karl Kassulke

was a self-made strong safety. He played nine seasons with the Vikings. He was a rough, daring football player who would use up his body as a projectile to ravage enemy ball-carriers and receivers. He could destroy quarterbacks with his safety blitzes. The Vikings compiled an outstanding record in the obscure art of blocking punts. Usually it was Kassulke flinging his smallish body in front of the punter's foot to prevent the flight of the ball. Kassulke's severe motorcycle injury just before the opening of training camp caused a trauma among the Vikings. "If the Vikings have a reputation as a defensive team for their roughness, ruggedness and readiness, Karl is one of the people who helped make that reputation," Coach Bud Grant said somberly. Kassulke was a waiver pickup from the Lions in 1964. "Because he liked to play football, he made the team and progressed to All-Pro stature," Grant said. "His is a tremendous success story. If he had to take a 75 percent cut in pay, he'd still play."…CHICAGO: "I will make All-Pro this year," said Willie Holman, who toils in quasi-obscurity at defensive end for the Bears. Coach Abe Gibron seconds this notion. Holman returned to the Bears after missing part of last season with a severed Achilles tendon. It is the most severe of the football injuries. Some don't come back from it. The Bears used their No. 1 draft choice to pick Wally Chambers, defensive end from Eastern Kentucky. Chambers was a starting defensive lineman for the College All-Stars. "If he's thinking about playing my side, he'll be on the bench," Holman said. Gibron can figure on having both Chambers and Holman in his starting defensive line. One veteran defensive end, Steve DeLong, has retired. So have veteran guard Jim Cadile and linebacker Ross Brupbacher. If he doesn't recant on his retirement decision, Brupbacher's loss would be particularly damaging to Dick Butkus' linebacking corps…DETROIT: The Lions continue their annual policy of picking up marginal performers cast off by other clubs. Jim O'Brien, Super Bowl hero for the Colts in 1970, was a training camp addition. He rejoined Coach Don McCafferty, his boss in Baltimore.


Bart Starr

O'Brien kicked the 32-yard field goal that enabled the Colts to beat the Cowboys, 16-13, with five seconds left in Super Bowl V. Last season O'Brien was a receiver starter in Baltimore as well as a place kicker. The Lions also acquired John Small, once a No. 1 draft choice of the Falcons. This could materialize into an intelligent move for the Lions, although Small never reached expectations in Atlanta. The Lions were desperate for inside defensive linemen. Small could be a starter in Detroit. The Lions obtained him for guard Frank Gallagher in one of those non-trades involving a technical free agent. Negotiations became bitter between Gallagher and the Lions after he'd played out his option. The Lions were trying to punish him by using him for an example of what happens to the average player who refuses to take the club's final offer. The Falcons rescued Gallagher from limbo when they offered Small to the Lions for the privilege of signing him… GREEN BAY: Certainly, the Packers don't have a shortage of runners with John Brockington, MacArthur Lane and Perry Williams. Still, Devine eagerly went for Don Highsmith when the Raiders made him available. The trade was made for Bob Hudson, a young running back. "Highsmith will help the special teams," said Devine, who never stops planning. "He's a good kickoff return man and we certainly weren't happy about that phase last season."

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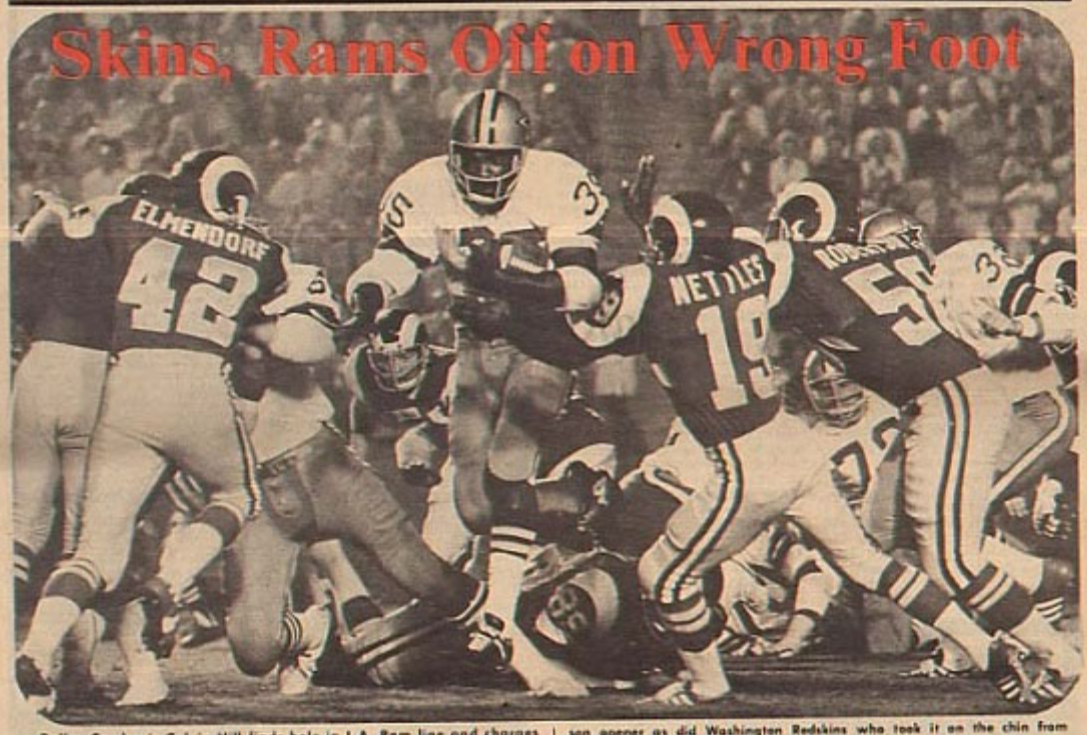

Dallas Cowboy's Calvin Hill finds hole in L.A. Ram line and charges through in 24-7 Cowboy win. Revamped Rams had troubles in pre-season opener as did Washington Redskins who took it on the chin from Detroit Lions. Stories on Pgs. 3 and 12. Photo by Evan Freed.

CHESTER MARCOL

Abe Sends Message To 'Polish Prince'

By BUD LEA

MILWAUKEE—Abe Gibron did his best to remind Chester Marcol that pro football is a contact sport and he believed the tactic paid off Saturday night.

Marcol, whose placekicking had beaten the Chicago Bears three times last year, missed what would have been a winning 39-yard field goal with eight seconds left as the Green Bay Packers and Bears battled to a 13-13 tie.

Gibron thought he had earned a mental edge against Marcol in the first quarter when special teams man Gary Kosins pursued the Packer kicker with a single-minded vigor that increased 47 ___ fans.

Marcol, who had just given Green Bay a 3-0 lead with a 34-yard field goal, kicked off to the Bears. Kosins made a beeline for Marcol and didn't stop chasing him until he had tackled a couple of blacks.

MARCOL ELUDED the blacks but Kosins kept coming and repeatedly tried to bump him, although both were far out of the play. Marcol pushed back for an instant, then retreated as Kosins chased him.

Marcol shrugged off the whole thing, pointing out that this had happened before. Gibron indicated that it could happen again.

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