



Green Bay Packers (5-3) 34, San Francisco 49ers (3-4-1) 24
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Brockington lauds Hunter

Packer offense 'returns'

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

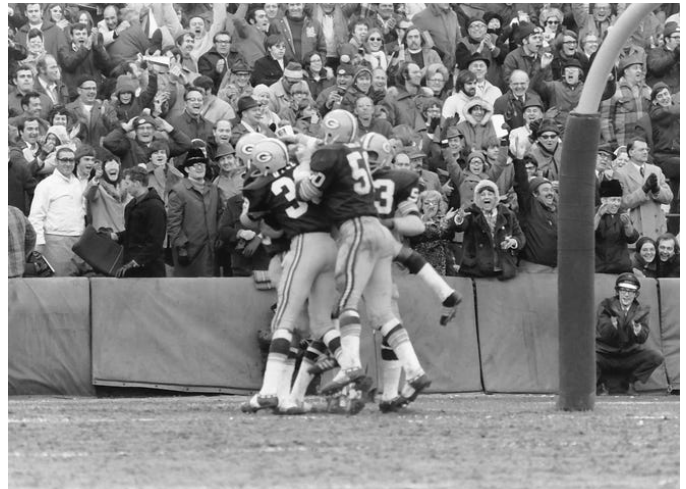
(MILWAUKEE) - Many interviews later, John Brockington paused to happily reflect upon "The Return of the Offense." "We scored 21 points offensively today," he noted with both pride and satisfaction in the midst of a lighthearted Packer dressing room Sunday afternoon. "There's nothing wrong with our offense, once we balance out by throwing the ball. I like to run," said the bullish ex-Buckeye, somewhat gratuitously in the wake of a 133-yard, three-touchdown performance which spurred the Packers to a 34-24 victory over the San Francisco 49ers, "but you can't just run in this league. They'll put those big devils up in front and throw those odd defenses at you, and they can stop the run. Scott Hunter's passing in the second half (he was 5-for-7) did it for us this afternoon," he asserted. "I knew we were going to have to balance out in the second half to win." Coach Dan Devine, a game ball proudly tucked in the crook of his right arm, put it a little differently. "We got the big play today," he offered in explanation of the Packers' fifth victory, embellished by a 343-yard eruption from an offense which had been forced to settle for one touchdown in the last two games. Perhaps recalling a pair of 49er touchdown passes to the wraith-like Gene Washington, which made things a big awkward for a time, he appended with an ironic smile, "They got a few, too." The highly opportune triumph not only ended a two-game losing streak but preserved the Packers' portion of the NFC's Central Division lead, still shared by Detroit's Lions in the wake of a 14-0 win over the Bears, before a capacity gathering of 47,897 customers in County Stadium.

'VERY FEW THINGS'

Execution, rather than variety, had been the Packers' winning formula, Devine said. "The coaches did a good job at halftime. They gave Scott a very few things to think about in the second half. They came up with a few runs and a few passes and they stuck with it," he informed with a chuckle, "despite my efforts to foul it up. "We reduced our original game plan, and it wasn't too big to start with. This may have been our smallest game plan of the year...And the most points, right? Maybe," he significantly observed, "they go together." Hunter, who maneuvered the Packers to a pair of vital first downs in the hectic, closing minutes before a scoring runback of an interception by Ken Ellis carried the day, credited the resurgence to collective unflappability. "We kept our cool today," he said. "And we mixed 'em up real good. The playcalling from the sidelines was excellent." Reporting he had gone to an audible "only two or three times all day," Hunter insisted, "We just have to hang cool - have confidence in our game - and we can win. We were due for that kind of day, anyway, though. We were going to do that kind of scoring, some time or other." It had come, Hunter added, against "a great defense ...They're just like Dallas. They just line up in that 4-3 and they play it. They don't try to hide anything." To their great discomfiture, the Prospectors were in a tight 4-3 - out of which their linebackers poured in a blitz - as Brockington shot the Packers into a 6-0 lead midway through the first quarter on a 48-yard parlay with Hunter. "It was a third-and-1 situation," he said, "and we sent a wide receiver and a tight end into that area while I went down the middle. I was wide open. It was a play action and it froze the linebacker (Frank Nunley). I was just, praying that I wouldn't drop that one. I didn't catch that particular pass all week in practice." Nunley, who was vociferously protesting to the officials before the play was completed, later explained, "I don't know if he did it on purpose but the tight end came down on me. I had



*Green Bay Packers quarterback Scott Hunter (16) hands the ball to John Brockington (42) as MacArthur Lane (36) blocks.
(Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette)*



Green Bay Packers Ken Ellis (48) intercepted a Steve Spurrier pass and returned it 48 yards for a touchdown with 23 seconds to play (Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette)

AN OFF-TACKLE PLAY

SAN FRANCISCO - 7 0 3 14 - 24

GREEN BAY - 7 7 10 10 - 34

	<u>SAN FRANCISCO</u>	<u>GREEN BAY</u>
First downs	16	13
Rush-yards-TDs	19-21-1	41-197-2
Comp-Att-Yd-TD-INT	37-19-315-2-1	16-6-151-1-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-9	1-10
Net Passing Yards	306	141
Total yards	327	338
Fumbles-lost	2-2	3-0
Turnovers	3	0
Yards Penalized	8-45	8-51

SCORING

1st – GB – John Brockington, 48-yard pass from Scott Hunter (Chester Marcol kick) GB 7-0

1st – SF – Vic Washington, 2-yard run (Bruce Gossett kick) TIED 7-7

2nd – GB – Brockington, 30-yard run (Marcol kick) GB 14-7

3rd – GB – Brockington, 14-yard run (Marcol kick) GB 21-7

3rd – GB – Marcol, 35-yard field goal GB 24-7

3rd – SF – Gossett, 50-yard field goal GB 24-10

4th – SF – Gene Washington, 62-yard pass from Steve Spurrier (Gossett kick) GB 24-17

4th – GB – Marcol, 40-yard field goal GB 27-17

4th – SF – G. Washington, 34-yard pass from Spurrier (Gossett kick) GB 27-24

4th – GB – Ken Ellis, 35-yard interception return (Marcol kick) GB 34-24

RUSHING

GREEN BAY – John Brockington 24-133 2 TD, MacArthur Lane 16-64, Scott Hunter 1-0

SAN FRANCISCO – Vic Washington 11-13 1 TD, Ken Willard 3-5, Larry Schreiber 2-3, Steve Spurrier 2-1, Jimmy Thomas 1-(-1)

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PASSING

GREEN BAY - Scott Hunter 16-6-151 1 TD

SAN FRANCISCO – Steve Spurrier 37-19-315 2 TD 1 INT

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY – Carroll Dale 3-63, John Brockington 1-48 1 TD, MacArthur Lane 1-22, Leland Glass 1-18

SAN FRANCISCO – Gene Washington 6-164 2 TD, Jimmy Thomas 5-37, Ted Kwalick 3-37, Vic Washington 2-24, Preston Riley 1-28, Ken Willard 1-13, Larry Schreiber 1-12

HUNT ACTIVATED, PEAY GETS TESTS

NOV 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – The Packers activated offensive tackle Kevin Hunt just prior to Sunday's game with the Forty Niners as a replacement for Francis Peay, who has been hospitalized for tests after suffering severe stomach pains over the weekend.

'NO GAMBLE,' ELLIS SAYS OF THEFT

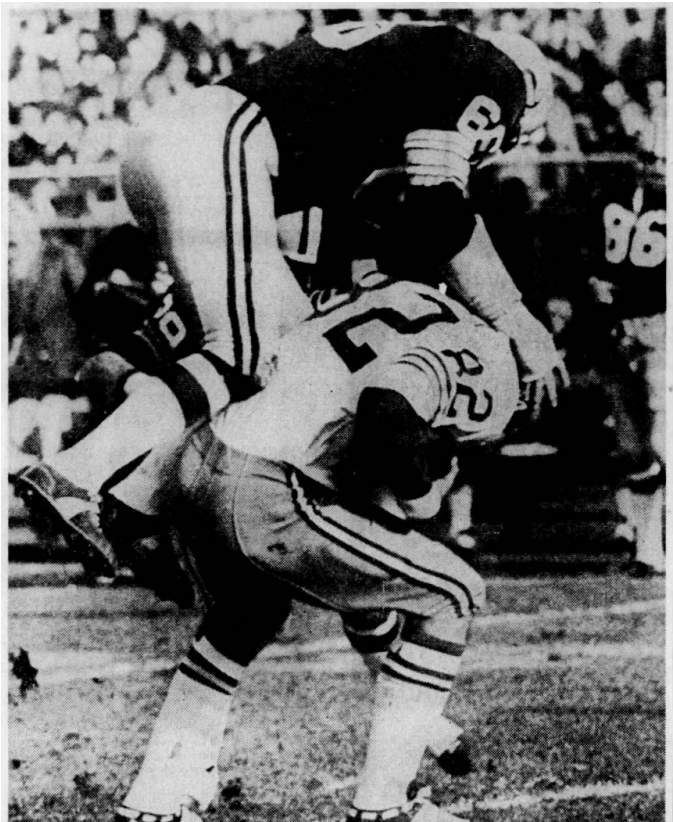
NOV 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Ken Ellis, not surprisingly, was positive. "It was no gamble," said the confident young cornerback. "I was going all the way." And that, of course, is what he had just done at precisely the right time along County Stadium's eastern sidelines. Victim of yet another delay en route to the shower, Ellis was in the process of patiently reconstructing his last minute, 28-yard scoring runback with an interception, an effort which had throttled the Forty Niners and maintained the Packers' first place tie with Detroit in the NFC's Central Division. As may have been divined, Ellis was setting a sportswriter straight on the risk presumably inherent in the maneuver, in which he bolted in front of intended receiver Gene Washington to pilfer a Steve Spurrier pass. "We knew they had to pass in that situation," he said. "They were down deep in their own territory and there was less than a minute to play. On the first play in the series, Washington a quick turnout and the pass was incomplete. Actually, I was looking for the out-and-up pattern when I intercepted, but it didn't come. His spectacular sortie had been the former Southern University flanker's second major contribution to the Packer cause of the afternoon. Earlier, he had returned a punt 33 yards to set up a second quarter field goal by Chester Marcol, narrowly missing his second scoring runback by that method this season. "We had the same kind of return on as we did on the one I went all the way on against Detroit," he said, adding with a grin, "except we didn't have the same results today." His Detroit breakaway, an 80-yard scamper that triggered a 24-23 Packer upset victory, still ranks as the longest punt return of the 1972 season in the National Football League. "I thought I might have a chance to go all the way again," Ellis said, "until I saw Ted Kwalick out of the corner of my eye. He destroyed any chance I had of doing it. The guys," he confided with evident sincerity, "just did a magnificent job of blocking on it." Acknowledging that he and his fellow defenders had found the Forty Niner passing game a bit hard to handle, Ellis paid tribute to San Francisco quarterback Steve Spurrier. "You have to give Spurrier credit, and his fine receivers," he said. "You have to remember they're professional, too. They're getting paid to do a job, just like we are. That Gene Washington, particularly, is a helluva receiver. He's going to catch touchdown passes on a lot of people."

DEVINE REMEMBERS SPURRIER WELL

NOV 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – History, happily does repeat itself. Back in Jan. 1, 1966, Dan Devine took his University of Missouri team to New Orleans to face Florida University in the Sugar Bowl. Devine's Tigers snarled to a 20-0 lead and were apparently on their way to a comfortable victory. But Florida suddenly caught fire and came winging back on the arm of their deadly passing quarterback. Somehow, though, Missouri hung on and escaped with a 20-18 win. "I'll never forget that game," Devine confessed with a sly smile here Sunday only a short time after that same opposing quarterback, Steve Spurrier by name, had again threatened a Devine team's comfortable lead by turning a budding rout into a chilling scare. Devine's Packers had constructed a 24-7 lead with only two minutes left in the third quarter before Spurrier's daggers nicked away at that margin and eventually closed to within 27-24 before Ken Ellis bagged the triumph

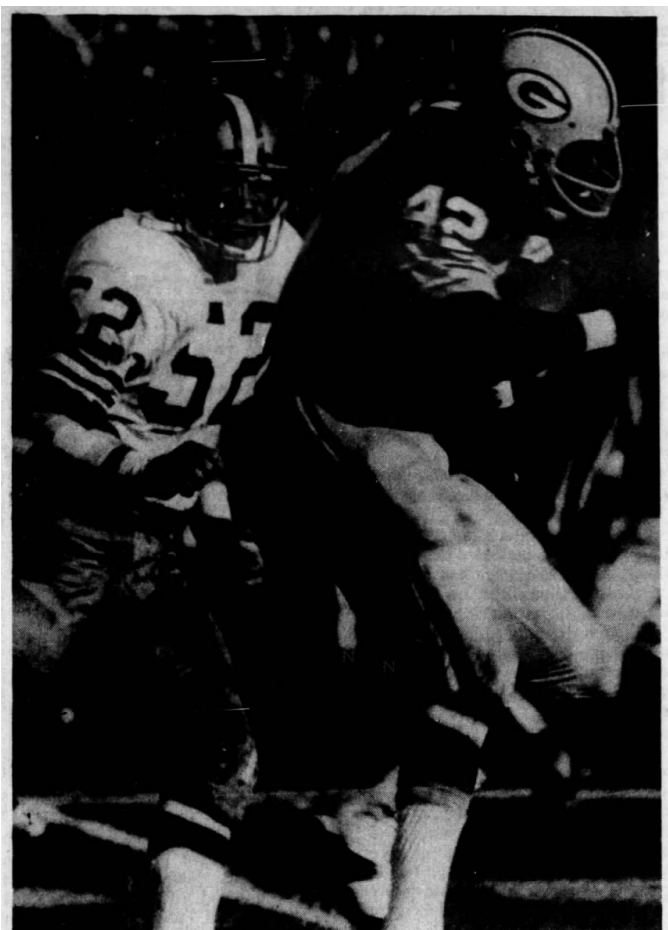


Carroll Dale (84) in action (Source: Green Bay Press-Gazette)



Green Bay Packers' Ray Nitschke leaps Sunday after Kwalick caught a pass from Steve Spurrier. (AP Wirephoto)

with his interception and touchdown return with less than 30 seconds left in the game. With the Packer defenders having smothered the 49er ground game, Spurrier resorted to the airways for virtually the entire second half. In fact, the 49ers ran only twice in the second half. On their first play after the intermission, and after the Pack had taken the kickoff to the end zone for a 21-7 advantage, Vic Washington was crumbled for a four yard loss by Bob Brown. After an incomplection and a connection to Gene Washington provided a first down, Spurrier tried Vic once more. This time he fumbled and Brown recovered. The Packers turned the gift into a field goal for a 24-7 lead and Spurrier never called another running play, though he scrambled once for a couple of yards. I must admit that his accuracy astounded me. After all, Steve Spurrier? It might just as well have been George Mira, Marty Dormes, Pete Beathard or Kent Nix. Maybe even Steve Who? This guy is one of the NFL's experts at playing pick-the-splinter. He tried only four passes all last year. Oh sure he had a big day against Atlanta last week. All the more reason to suspect he couldn't have two days like that in succession. Fortunatley, the Packers weren't lulled into any such overconfidence, perhaps because Jim Hill, for one, knew better. "Having been on the West Coast, I know a lot of Spurrier and I had lots of respect for him," Hill said. "He knows the 49er system and the players. They have lots of confidence in him." But Hill added, "I also knew if he kept putting that ball up there, we'd get one sooner or later. I didn't know who and I didn't know when, but I knew we'd get one." And Ellis eventually did. But before he did, Spurrier completed 19 of 37 for 315 yards and drew touchdown blood on the Packer secondary twice, the first game this year in which any enemy has been able to do that even once. Statistically, however, the Packer secondary really did a pretty good job. Through the first seven' games, opponents have completed just about 50 per cent of their passes against the Packers and averaged about 130 yards per game. Spurrier's percentage was just a shade over 50 per cent and the yardage built up through the sheer number of throws. Unfortunately, that number of throws offers something of a negative statistic as well since the Packer front line of defense, so overwhelming against the rush, managed to sack Spurrier only once...then with the help of an all out blitz...although it left him with more than a few scattered bruises. Devine, apparently very much aware of this deficiency, said he would want to look at the films before commenting on the pass rush...Credit the offense for a satisfactory turnabout after its less than potent thrusts of the past couple weeks...Much of the fuel was provided by John Brockington's wild horse galloping and Scott Hunter's continuing inconsistency that saw him do an about face after a miserable first half. It also marked the return of the big play to Green Bay's repertoire. It was Devine who said after the Viking misfortune that it is a game of big plays. And the cat-and-mouse stuff was a tactician's dream: the Packers stalling for time at the end of the third quarter so they could have fourth down going the other way and get the wind for the punt; the use of timeouts and dlock moving tricks at the end of the game. Ray Nitschke received a super salute when introduced in the starting lineup and again when he made the first tackle of the game for no gain. Devine explained the change in the short-lived starting linebacker alignment, which saw Jim Carter on the outside flopping to stay with the 49er tight end, as "coaching strategy." Don't blame Willie Buchanan. That Gene Washington is almost too much for any one man. Ken Bowman, selecting his words carefully, indicated he was not happy with the two consecutive holding calls on him, particularly the second when he was ticketed despite being wiped out on the play. MacArthur Lane had an outstanding day, collecting 64 yards and blocking well, despite being injured to the point where the Packers had an elongated handoff practice with Hunter and Jerry Tagge working with Dave Kopay and Bob Hudson during the warmup. Ironically, the Packers then fouled up three handoffs, or fake handoffs, during the game. All the 49ers passing stretched the length of the game to one minute short of three hours...The UWGB band proved to be a colorful and delightful unit before the game and at halftime.



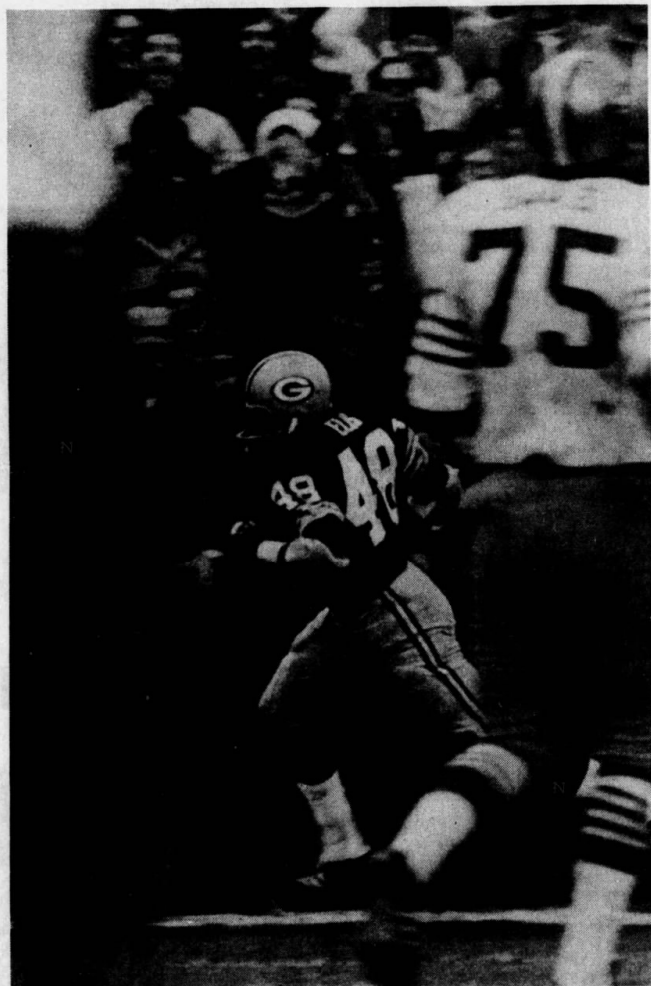
Unstoppable

John Brockington roars 30 yards for Green Bay's second touchdown against San Francisco Sunday in Milwaukee. Skip Vanderbundt is in pursuit. Brockington scored three TDs and rushed for 133 yards in his team's 34-24 victory. (Post-Crescent Service Photo)

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QUICK QUOTES: FELT LIKE OLD TIMES: NITSCHKE

NOV 6 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Quick Packer-Forty Niner quotes: Ray Nitschke (on his first starting assignment of the season): "It felt like old times. I've had a little doubt in my mind if I could play or not any more. I wish I could have played a little more. I felt a little rusty - my timing was off. But I'm just so happy we won. This team showed a lot of character today. I'm just happy and proud to be part of it."...Dan Devine (on the switch which found Nitschke starting, Jim Carter at strong side linebacker): "We just thought we would try to get in a lineup that would be most effective against what we expected them to start with. The change which put Dave Robinson in and moved Carter back to the middle was coaching



The clincher

The Packers' Ken Ellis races for a touchdown after intercepting a Steve Spurrier pass in the waning seconds to clinch victory. (Post-Crescent News Service Photo)

strategy...We need everybody on this football team."...Dick Nolan, 49er coach: "We gave the ball up too many times and didn't stop them when we had the chances. We just weren't hitting in the first half. We started hitting in the second half, but you can't wait like that."...Al Matthews: "That Jimmy Johnson is the most consistent cornerback in the league. I love watching him. When the ball's in the air, he's around the ball. And when you run a sweep, he's right up there."...Dave Hanner: "I'm not sure why the Forty Niners gave up running the ball as early as they did. They've got a fine running game. We probably were more concerned about their running than their passing, to start out with, even though they've got a great passing attack. If they get their running started then you know it's going to make their passing tougher."...Dan Devine again: "Rollie Dotsch came up during the week with that play John Brockington scored his first touchdown on. This whole team - everybody on this team and coaching staff - contributes a great deal."...John Brockington: "That catch Leland Glass made for the first down in the last couple of minutes was a great catch. That saved the game."...Carroll Dale: "Scott Hunter had to wait a little on that pass down the middle to me - the short safety made him wait by the way he was playing it. But Scott threw it where he had to. You figure you're going to get hit on one like that, so you might as well go for the ball."...Dan Devine (on the same play): "I don't think Scott ever has thrown one better than he did then...But I don't want to point out any individuals. It was a 40-man thing - and the coaches."...Dick Nolan again: "The score dictated our going to the pass as much as we did in the second half. But I thought we had to run more than we did to set it up."

DEVINE DEVELOPS ULCER: PACK HAS WARM FEELING

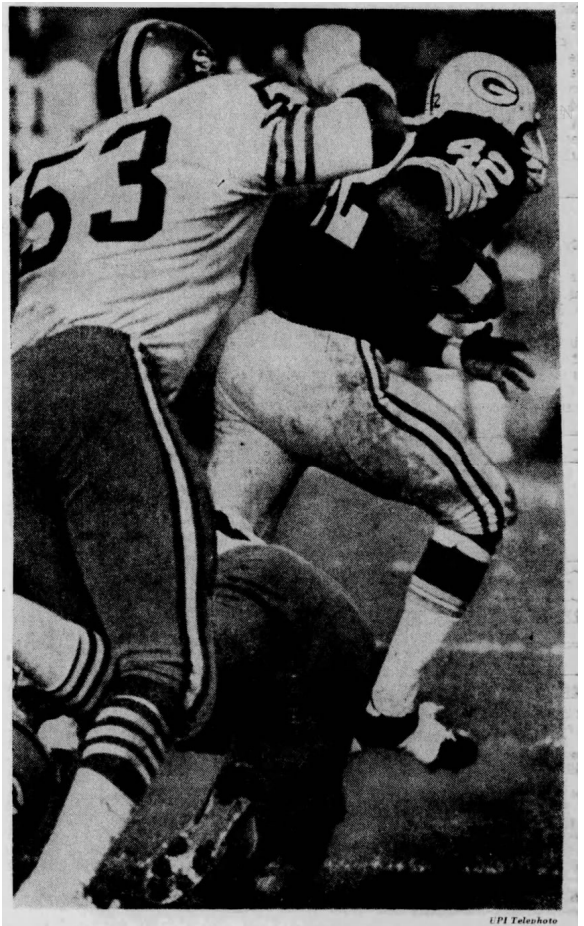
NOV 7 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers, again enjoying a taste of victory, report a new feeling of warmth around Lambeau Field, even with Coach Dan Devine no longer lighting his cigarettes. Players said Monday hard work has given them five National Football League victories in eight games, and that Devine's practice-field demands are the cause. Devine, whose Packers had a 4-8-2 record last season, reflects the new

ambition in his choice of words for describing the games ahead. "We hope this week is critical. We hope next week is critical, and the week after that," he said. So the coach has developed an ulcer. He said his physician has ordered him off smoking and booze, and has put him on a training diet of soup and ice cream. He sticks a cigarette in his mouth occasionally, but won't light it, he said. "I only chew on them." Running back John Brockington, who scored three touchdowns in Sunday's 34-24 victory over San Francisco, said Devine sets the trend for an improved season by being tough on the drill grounds. "I don't think coach Devine is tougher this year. His rules are pretty much the same," Brockington said. "But we are tougher physically because he ran a tough training camp," he continued. "He had us in shape when the season started."

PACK HAS WINNING INGREDIENTS

NOV 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Consistency...discipline...and togetherness. Put them all together, in the proper amounts, and they spell the kind of success which has lifted the Packers into solid contention for the NFC's Central Division championship. This, at least, is how some of the principals explain their abrupt ascent from the 1971's last place finish to the current, co-leader status they share with the Detroit Lions. Coach Dan Devine, who finds his team a surprising 5-3 at this late stage following Sunday's 34-24 conquest of the Forty Niners, attributes this salutary state of affairs to a consistently high level of performance in an emotional game where artistic "peaks and valleys" have become commonplace. "We've played good football for nine weeks in a row now," he said Monday with understandable satisfaction. "I include our last pre-season game with Kansas City in that total because I think it was important to the development of our team. You've got to be kind of proud of a group that will do that. By saying we've played good football for nine weeks, I mean that during this stretch we haven't played a game like the St. Louis game in pre-season (a resounding 31-10 loss). Lots of teams, although not everybody, will do that. They'll get bombed somewhere along the way, but we haven't been bombed. It hasn't happened by accident, I might add. It's happened because of damn hard work on the part of everyone involved." Ken Ellis, author of a game-deciding interception in Milwaukee Sunday, has an explanation for this admirable show of consistency. "I think the difference between this year's team and last year's is togetherness," he said while relaxing on his day off. "I think there's a lot more closeness. We're well coordinated. Everybody complements each other. Like Sunday, when Gene Washington caught that first touchdown pass that we've allowed this year. We told Willie Buchanon not to hang his head. We told him, 'You're going to have that. Every cornerback in the league is going to get beat.' That's how we're together this year. Last

year, we had bitching on the field right during a game and all week during practice. Our practices are more fun now that we're winning. We know what we have to do and we enjoy what we're doing. We have one drill we call the 'hot ball,' where we bounce it from hand to hand and try to keep it in the air. Coach Devine sometimes joins in it and the guys like that. "I think last year, in his first year here, it was more of a learning process. We were trying to learn about him and he was trying to learn about us." Although the offense had reawakened dramatically against the 49ers, John Brockington pointed elsewhere. "I think it's the defense, most of all, that is responsible for where we are right now," he said "That, and the fact that our turnovers have been cut down. Last year, I don't know how many interceptions Scott Hunter had at this point, but it was quite a few. But he's only had five so far this year, and four of those came in one game. We're not getting bombed any more. Jim Hill has added greatly to our defense, and Willie Buchanon has helped. So has Al Matthews moving inside to safety and Ken Ellis to the right corner. They're all playing well. And we're getting the big play. Like Kenny Ellis' punt returns. They give us good field position. MacArthur Lane's coming has helped, too. Mac's all right. He can run, he can catch, he can block. He takes a lot of pressure off me - they can't key on just one of us any more. As far as Coach Devine's overall approach is concerned, the difference I've noticed is physical. Physically, it was a tougher training camp this year than it was last year. It was rough - he ran us hard. But we're in shape. Outside of that, don't see any big change in him or the way he's been coaching us. Except that we're winning. You're going to see a difference in a person when you're winning." The latter, of course, is compounded of many things. But Devine attributed Sunday's success to the direct approach. "We came out to play football," he said. "After seeing the Atlanta film (of the 49ers' 49-14 rout of the Falcons), we knew we had to play hard and we did. That makes up for a lot of things that might happen. A lot of people did a lot of good things. As far as our improvement on offense is concerned, I have to go back to what I said during the week - we weren't that far away. I thought Carroll Dale made an excellent comment on that point. He said. 'It's a game of inches and this week the inches went for us, instead of against us.' We've also played some good defensive teams in the last few weeks. And this week we're playing another in the Bears. If you will check their record, you will find they shut out Cleveland, gave up one touchdown to the Cardinals and Vikings and one to Detroit, which gives you some idea of the kind of defense they've been playing. The big play helped us, of course, no doubt about it. I think a big factor, too, was that we came out to play aggressively offensively. We didn't let the four interceptions against Minnesota bother us. We threw on first down from deep in our own territory. We were determined we were going to play our own game. As far as John Brockington's fine day is concerned, he ran hard last week in practice, so we all felt like he was going to have the kind of a day he did (133 yards in 24 carries). I had a good feeling about this game because we'd had good practices all week. Defensively, the first touchdown pass to Gene Washington was just great execution. There was a missed coverage on the second one, but I don't think it caused the touchdown. It was right after Robby (Dave Robinson) was called for interference and the crowd reaction was more responsible for what happened then than anything. Jim Carter was turned around trying to call the signal, but the other players couldn't hear him so he finally resorted to signaling with his fingers. But I want the crowd to stay enthusiastic - you have to have that. Basically, I'm inclined to give the Forty Niners credit for having a great offense. Washington ran some great patterns and made some great catches, and Ted Kwalick made some great catches. Naturally, we'll try to make some corrections in film and on the practice field this week. I suppose it will sound like an excuse, and it isn't intended to be, but bad weather like we had last week hurts your pass defense more than anything else, which I suppose is another plug for artificial turf. When a field is wet, like ours was, you can always find a spot to practice your running game. But on pass defense, with people running post patterns and that sort of thing, if you don't have a dry field you really can't work against them properly." Asked if he had any explanation for the Packers failure to "put away" an opponent in recent weeks after mounting an early lead, Devine rejoined, "We're not playing the Little Sisters of the Poor, you know. Detroit couldn't put us away when they had us down 17-0. We're playing good teams every week, and they're not going to stay down. I'm sure we'd all like to not sweat it out until the last minute, but it isn't quite that easy. There are a lot of elements in a game - the offensive team, defensive team and the special teams. When you're ahead 24-7, as we were, you've got a problem if your special teams should suddenly break down. All you need when you're ahead 24-7 is another big play. But the other team is determined you're not going to get it. San Francisco was very determined. They have a fine defensive team and a great offensive team." Devine also made these other comments and appraisals:



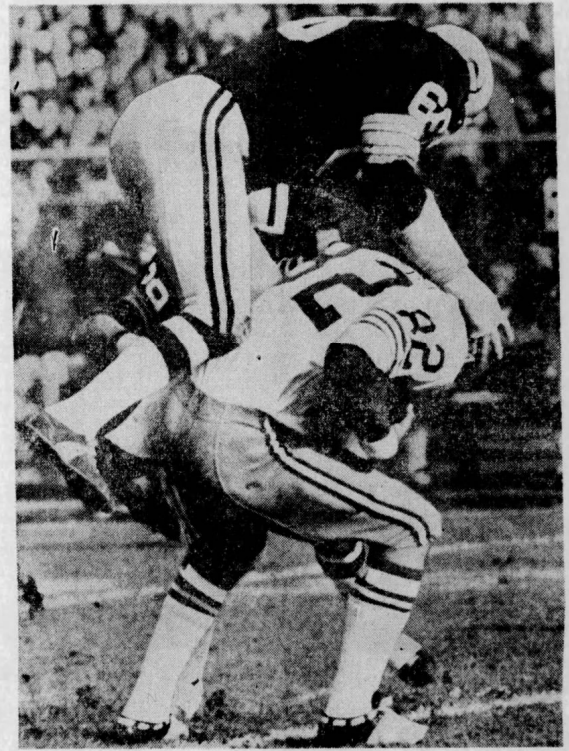
Packer back John Brockington got loose for 14-yard touchdown run against 49ers Sunday, eluding one unidentified San Francisco defender (on ground) who also helped take out Tommy Hart (53).

- "It's hard to pick one, but if I had to say who is the most improved player on the team from training camp to now, it would be Perry Williams. And two guys who are really great on the sidelines are Ray Nitschke and Jerry Tagge. Everybody on this football team contributes.
- "Ray gave us a real good quarter of football Sunday and Jim Carter, except for their short touchdown run from around the goal line, played the outside well while he was over there.
- "Jerry Tagge has a great attitude on the sidelines, too. He's patting everybody on the back, encouraging the defense. The guy could climb in a shell and pout, wonder why he's not playing, but he doesn't. And he's always got an ear in on everything that's being discussed. He's also asking questions regularly on why we're doing a certain thing, or something about a certain defense.
- "Now we have to get ready to play Chicago. I suppose only the players and coaches realize how Chicago is going to play. They're going to have flame shooting out of their nostrils two feet long. We've just got to have flames three feet long coming out of ours.
- "Each week has a little different flavor. Last week was critical. This week will be critical (chuckle) and the week after that. And, we hope, the week after that will be critical.
- "We go to Chicago, Houston and Washington, in that order. I don't think it's that big a disadvantage, playing on the road, to be honest with you. With modern transportation, it isn't that much of a problem any more around the goal line, played the outside well while he was over there.
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- "Now we have to get ready to play Chicago. I suppose only the players and coaches realize how Chicago is going to play. They're going to have flame shooting out of their nostrils two feet long. We've just got to have flames three feet long coming out of ours.
- "Each week has a little different flavor. Last week was critical. This week will be critical (chuckle) and the week after that. And, we hope, the week after that will be critical.
- "We go to Chicago, Houston and Washington, in that order. I don't think it's that big a disadvantage, playing on the road, to be honest with you. With modern transportation, it isn't that much of a problem any more. And, I might point out, we came from 17-0 behind in Detroit to win. I'll admit that constantly playing away from home is bad, which we'll be doing, I suppose, although we have one more home game left against Detroit Dec. 3. But just one or two weeks isn't that bad. Regardless, we can't let it affect us. For that matter, what have we done in Milwaukee? We've won two pre-season games and two out of three regular season games. And those are something like road games, because you have to leave town, although the Milwaukee fans have been great."
- "I know one thing. When the season is over, I'm going to bed and sleep for two days. I don't sleep very well during the season. Like last night. I was thinking about Chicago. And I go over the play-by-play for a long time. I got to bed at 2:30 this morning and I was up at 6:30."

GIBRON TAKES BLAME FOR BEAR MISCUES

NOV 7 (Chicago) - Abe Gibrón ran his pudgy fingers through the remaining strands of reddish-grey hair and said "we made a lot of mental mistakes. That's not the players' fault, it's my fault." Gibrón was reviewing his Chicago Bears' 14-0 loss to Detroit Sunday and came to the conclusion "somewhere along the line I lost the players' concentration. We worked on offside plays all week," said Abe. "Maybe too much. I know our veterans shouldn't be making these mistakes at this stage of the game. But whatever, they're my players and I'm not going to knock them." The Bear defense yielded touchdowns the first two times Detroit had the ball and then settled to the rock-'em, sock-'em style of football played in the Central Division of the National Football Conference. Four times the defense intercepted Detroit quarterback Greg Landry in the second half but the offense simply couldn't generate against the unheralded Detroit defense. The Bears on both offense and defense were guilty of 11 penalties which either kept Detroit drives alive or bogged down Chicago's advances. "We should have beat 'em," said Gibrón "but I'll have to admit they're the best club on offense in our division and one of the best in the entire league. Just look at some of the people they have on the bench." Gibrón marveled at Detroit fullback Steve Owens and tight end Charlie Sanders. "Owens is playing with busted ribs and Sanders is coming off an operation," said Gibrón. "That's what

Leap Frog



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Packers' linebacker Ray Nitschke (66) barreled over 49er receiver Ted Kwalick (82) to make stop.

our people have to learn. You have to be able to play with hurts. But anytime you can hold a great offensive team like Detroit to 14 points, you have to win. We should have beat 'em." As much as Gibrion has respect for the Detroit offense, he didn't feel the shutout was the work of the Detroit defense. "The fact that we didn't score was our fault," he said. "Dropped balls, fumbles, penalties-all of these factors hurt us. But I can't blame the players. Somewhere along the line I lost their attention and I didn't realize it until the game got under way." Now the Bears, who had hopes of going either into first place last Sunday, or, at least being only one-half game off the lead in their division, return home for three games. Their next foe is Green Bay, co-leader with Detroit for first place. "It'll be a physical game against the Packers," he groaned. "It always is. I wasn't surprised the Packers beat San Francisco but I was surprised at all that scoring. The Packers are big, strong and you have to move them. That's what we'll have to do Sunday to win. And we have to win."

NFL SETS PAIRINGS FOR PRE-'SUPER' PLAYOFFS

NOV 8 (New York) - The National Football League announced Tuesday the pairings for the post-season playoffs and championships leading to Super Bowl VII Jan. 14 in Los Angeles. Post-season play begins with divisional playoffs the weekend of Dec. 23. In the American Conference, the Central Division winner hosts the West Division champion and the East Division winner hosts the "wild card" team - the one with the best record of the three runner-up clubs in the conference. If the East Division runner-up is the fourth qualifier, however, the pairings will be changed so that the East winner hosts the West champion and the Central titlist takes on the "wild card" club. In the National Conference, the Western winner hosts the Central champion and the fourth qualifier is at the East winner - unless the runner-up is also from the East. In that event, the Eastern champion will host the Central winner and the "wild card" team will visit the Western winner. The conference playoffs will be held Sunday, Dec. 31. As in the past, if a runner-up qualifier wins a divisional playoff, it will be ineligible to host its conference playoff.

MAKE IT CAPTAIN PERRY

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Following the Packers' 34-24 victory over the Forty Niners Sunday, Perry Williams was presented with a game ball by his exuberant teammates. Captain Perry Williams, special teams, if you please. That little ceremony couldn't have happened last year. The Packers had no special teams captain and, quite candidly, there was nothing "special" about the green and gold's suicide squads. But there is now. Coach Dan Devine, who pinpointed those units as a major area of concern coming into the 1972 season by hiring a special teams coach, was happy to concede the point Tuesday as he and his athletes began zeroing in on Sunday's rematch with the Bears in Chicago. "You keep reading every week about where somebody runs a kickoff or a punt back for a touchdown somewhere around the league," he said. "But, knock on wood, it hasn't happened to us yet." Certain this kind of improvement has contributed greatly to the Packers' artistic revival, which now finds them tied for the NFC's Central Division lead after finishing 4-8-2 in '71, Devine said, "I don't think there's any way you can accurately assess what this has meant to the squad as a whole. But I think part of it is the morale factor, the lift it gives to the other boys. Certainly, the defense would much rather go on the field with the ball down around the 20 rather than up around the 50 "Part of it is improved field position. If you cover a punt well or return a punt well, of course, it also is a big help. We have scored both on a punt return and as the result of a punt return this year. We've also scored a lot on field goals." Devine added, inclining a figurative bow toward his rookie placekicker, Chester Marcol. "Chester, of course, has played a big role with his deep kickoffs, as well as his field goals." Chuckling, he added, "Chester had one short kickoff Sunday against the Forty Niners and Hank Kuhlmann, our special teams coach, had a funny look on his face. Hank said, How did he happen to kick it that short, I wonder." "I said, 'I told him to kick it short, Hank.' I didn't, of course, but I couldn't resist saying it because Hank was so flabbergasted." The appointment of Williams as special teams captain, which came just before the league opener against Cleveland, was a calculated maneuver, Devine admitted. "I don't think the special teams had had the respect of the other players," he said, "and now they've earned it by their play. I appointed Perry to accentuate their importance. To illustrate just how important they are, this morning our special teams reel that we showed to the squad well overflowed one reel. So it had to be a good one-third of the game Sunday. Sometimes it's less, of course. As far as the appointment of Perry is concerned, he is more of a leader by example like Gillie (Gale Gillingham) than by his rah-rah. He goes all out all the time. I also like what he does for us. on the practice field. There are certain plays from fullback that have little maneuvers to them that he runs real well. For example, we have one off-tackle play where we dip to the outside. He has the dip down real well. It's not an easy move to make and he does it real well." Devine, who labeled Williams the most improved player on the team, added, "I just feel better about it now if something happened to John Brockington, although we certainly wouldn't want anything to happen to John." One of the stalwarts on those special units, the peripatetic Dave Kopay, has been impressed by the spirit they have developed. Kopay, who has performed on the Redskin "teams," rated the best around, says, "The attitude on ours has got to be a lot better than anywhere else I've been." And the former Marquette athlete has the credentials for comparison, having played on kamikaze platoons of five other NFL teams before coming to Titletown. Although there has been evident improvement, he is convinced substantially more can be made. There are times on special teams that you have to know when to take a

Gibrion Takes Blame For Bear Miscues



Abe Gibrion



HOWIE'S ALL WET: *Howie Blindauer, a West Side businessman who has gained some degree of celebrity in the past for his unswerving Packer affections, facetiously wipes away a tear Tuesday as he pays off a collection of pre-season wagers. Blindauer, who offered attractive 5-to-1 odds, bet that the Packers (now 5-3) would not win five games. The gleeful recipients are members of Martha's Coffee Club, a semi-official fan group.*

longer than I have and what they tell me about what to expect doesn't make good listening." The Packer headmaster, underscoring the competence of the Bear defense, also emphasized, "One of our two touchdowns against them in our first game (a 20-17 Packer victory) came on a fumble recovery (by Clarence Williams) and the other on a tipped pass (caught by Jon Stagers, 'backing up' intended receiver Dave Davis)."...On the personnel front, Devine reported, "Francis Peay definitely will not be back for this week's game and perhaps not for the following week. Francis has a hiatal hernia and the doctors are treating it conservatively. They have informed us he will be out longer than was first anticipated. At the moment, he is resting comfortably at St. Mary's Medical Center."...Cornerback Ken Ellis officially has been credited with seven more yards on his touchdown runback of a last minute interception against the Forty Niners. Packer Publicity Director Chuck Lane reports. First listed as a 28-yard return, it now will go into the books as a 35-yard run...The Packers' post-practice leisure was enlivened by an impromptu birthday party in the dressing room. Birthday boys Alvin Matthews (25) and Willie Buchanan (22) were presented with three appropriately decorated cakes, two of which were concocted by Mrs. Don Doll, spouse of the Packer secondary coach, and her daughter, Wendy. The other was the work of Kia McCoy, Mike's better half.

PERSONALITY PARADE (CHESTER MARCOL)

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) – Curly-haired Czeslaw Marcol, a man of prudence, doesn't pretend to be the conventional football hero. Presently on the verge of an all-time Packer season record for field goals, the bespectacled rookie would happily confine his contributions to placekicking, particularly after what befell him during last Sunday's 34-24 victory over the Forty Niners in Milwaukee. Chester, who Americanized his given name after his family immigrated to the United States from Poland when he was 10 years old, is gingerly nursing a stiff neck and bruised chin, souvenir of kickoff coverage. "I've never been hit so hard in my life," he ruefully reported. "You know how Bongo (Cal Withrow) goes hunting for people on the kickoff? That's what happened to me. I got hit under the chin - I think it was by Dave Wilcox - and he lifted me three feet off the ground. I landed right on the back of my head." Wincing as he gently probed his aching neck, Chester volunteered, "I can do without that sort of thing." Marcol, who needs only three field goals in the Packers six remaining games to break the club record of 19 set by Don Chandler in 1967, has discovered that word of his pro football exploits has filtered back to Poland. "There already has been an article in a paper in a city next to where my father's sister lives," he said. "But all they know is that I play for a professional team. They don't know much about American football. People over there think football is the most brutal thing in the world. And, frankly, when I got here from over there, I said, 'This is the silliest game in the world. I'll never play it.' I like it now, of course, because I like all sports. But if I'd ever had had a chance to play with a soccer team of the same caliber as the Packers. I'm sure I would have played that. It's only natural - I grew up playing soccer." Aside from his unexpected collision with Wilcox. Chester found Sunday's experience particularly enjoyable. "I don't mind kicking extra points all day," said Marcol, who was called upon to boot four PATs, the most he has had to date. "It feels good. Actually, I haven't had a chance to kick a long field goal yet," said Chester, whose 62-yard effort as a college junior is still an NAIA record. "I almost tried one from 55 yards just before the half Sunday, when there were 19 seconds left. But the wind was too strong. We were discussing it on the sidelines and first decided to try it, then decided against it. When you're leading 14 to 7, there's no point in taking a chance on getting a long kick blocked. If it had been with the wind, we might have tried it." Although he has hit on 17 of 26 attempts, a highly respectable .654 percentage, Marcol is

chance, and when not to," he said, "and that comes with experience." Kopay, now in his ninth season of such harrowing duty, appended, "I definitely see them getting better. The more the younger guys see themselves on film - and myself, too - the more we can make a judgment about the kind of effort we've been putting out. And that's what it's all about - 100 per cent effort. Sometimes people feel they are going all out but, by experience, you discover you have a lot more to give."...**PACKER PATTERN:** The Packers' work week will be more highly concentrated than usual, Devine noted following Tuesday's practice, conducted in heavy fog. "We will have to cram more into the week because we're going to work at Soldier Field in Chicago Saturday. We want to practice on the artificial turf, which means we won't be able to have the secret practice we normally have here on Saturday. Normally, on Saturday, we work on a lot of things we're going to put in for that Sunday game, so we have to get in all of that sort of thing Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week." This, he noted, won't be easy. Pointing out the Bears had blitzed 26 times against Detroit last Sunday, Devine said, "They're a little difficult to prepare for anyway because of their multiple offenses and multiple defenses. If we were playing on grass Sunday, we'd work in Green Bay. But this will be the first time we have played on artificial turf since our pre-season game at Houston (Aug. 19)."...Addressing himself to the quality of competition anticipated, Devine said, "Wally Cruice, Dave Hanner and Red Cochran have been exposed to this Packer-Bear rivalry a lot

not entirely satisfied. "I should have had 20 of 26," he said. "I should have made a couple more of those, like the one from 16 yards that hit the goal post against Dallas. Marcol, who admits he is getting considerably more fan mail these days as the NFC's leading scorer than he did while a placekicking prodigy at little Hillsdale, Mich., College, is not unaware of the heavy ethnic support he is receiving in his baptismal NFL season. "Didn't you see all the Polish flags in County Stadium Sunday?" he said. "There were hundreds of them in the stands." Also a large banner which declaimed, "We Love Chester." At the moment, Marcol is more concerned about the affections of a certain Hillsdale coed, Barbara Pullan. She will become his bride in Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 30 - the Saturday prior to what he envisions as a Packer playoff for the NFL's National Conference title. "Barbara was my holder during the spring of my junior year at Hillsdale, even before we were going together," Chester confided. "She turned out to be a pretty good one - after she got over being scared. For a while after she first started, she was afraid I was going to kick her finger."

PACK TELECAST BY WBAY-TV

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Sunday's Packer-Bear game will not be televised on a regional network basis but will be carried in the Green Bay area by Channel 2. "The game is not going to be televised by CBS because its technicians are on strike," Greg McElrone, general manager of WBAY-TV, reported today. "WBAY, however, has secured permission of the network and the National Football League office to originate the telecast. That the way it stands now but I have a feeling that before the day is over the coverage will extend to the entire Packer link, including Milwaukee, Madison and Wausau as well as Green Bay."

WISCONSIN WILL WATCH PACKERS

NOV 9 (Green Bay) - Television coverage of the Green Bay Packers' National Football League game Sunday in Chicago will be available in Wisconsin despite a network cancellation. The Columbia Broadcasting System had said it wouldn't service the game because of a walkout by technicians. WBAY-TV said Wednesday it obtained network permission to broadcast live from Chicago. In Milwaukee, WISN-TV said it would link with the WBAY hookup and would service its viewing area too as scheduled. A WBAY official said the hookup was available also to outlets in Wausau and Madison.

THIS WILL SETTLE RACE?

NOV 9 (Bloomington, MN) - The Central Division championship of the National Football Conference may well be determined Sunday at Minnesota's Metropolitan Stadium. The Detroit Lions, tied with Green Bay for the lead in the Black and Blue division at 5-3, try to defeat the Minnesota Vikings for the first time since 1967. The Vikings, 4-4, have defeated the Lions nine straight times, the last by 34-10 Sept. 24 in Detroit when Lion quarterbacks were intercepted four times. "We feel we can beat them," says Detroit Coach Joe Schmidt. "But first we have to make certain that we don't beat ourselves when we play them. That has been one of the big reasons they have taken us nine straight times. In more than half of those games, we beat ourselves." Coach Bud Grant counters, "We respect and fear the Lions as much as any team we play. We said a couple of weeks ago that we were no longer in the contender class, but would have to work on a game-to-game basis. "We aren't thinking about getting help from anyone else. We're thinking about helping ourselves. Detroit is ahead of us in our division. You help yourself by beating the leader, and that will be our goal." And Schmidt: "Our players know what this game means, not only to us but to Minnesota. It should be a great one."

GIBRON NOT CONCEDED...TO ANYBODY

NOV 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Just for the record, Abe Giron isn't conceding a thing. Ample Abe, at 300 pounds the most substantial head coach in the NFL, has dispelled any doubts about the Bears' artistic expectation down the stretch, now that they have toppled into the NFC's Central Division basement. "I definitely feel we're still in contention for the championship," Gibron reported by telephone Wednesday after honing his Bruins on the practice field for Sunday's 108th collision with the Packers in Chicago. "I've never even thought we were out of it," said Abe, whose Midway Monsters slipped 1 1/2 games off the pace last Sunday in a 14-0 loss to the Detroit Lions, who presently share the division penthouse with the Packers. His prompt and positive reaction should indicate the level of resistance the Packers are likely to encounter in Soldier Field, where they will be in search of their 15th victory over the Bruins in their last 18 meetings. Coming into the season, his first as the Bruins' glorious leader, Gibron insisted, "We have to restore the Bears' reputation as a physical team." This he has done, in spades, as the Packers will readily testify after tenuously prevailing 10-7 (exhibition) and 20-17 in a pair of bruising struggles earlier in the season. And, since it takes one to know one, Abe is forecasting a lusty response from the Packers, who also have evinced a yen for contact under Dan Devine. "They're both real tough, physical teams," Gibron said, "so anything can happen. The Packers look like the best team in the division right now with their balance. Their defense has been real consistent." The former all-pro guard, once a Cleveland Brown, appended, "I think their biggest improvement has come in the running game, where MacArthur Lane and John Brockington complement the passing game. "And, as I said, the defense has been consistent. Those new backs in the secondary have helped a lot. There's been an almost complete change back there. Chester Marcol has been a big improvement, too, because he has brought their kicking game up from nothing to the best in the division." Recalling that the rookie placekicker's footwork has spelled the difference in both meetings with the Bears to date, Gibron asserted, "He's been a thorn to us all year. Even in hurricanes and winds,

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Green Bay Packer eight-game statistics:									
RUSHING									
	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	Td.				
Brockington	169	661	3.9	30	5				
Lane	96	322	3.5	24	0				
Hudson	9	27	3.0	17	0				
Williams	4	13	3.3	7	0				
Hunter	11	14	1.3	6	1				
PASSING									
	Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Pct.	Td.	Int.			
Hunter	144	62	1047	43.1	6	5			
Patrick	4	1	9	25.0	0	0			
Staggers	1	0	0	00.0	0	0			
INTERCEPTIONS									
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	Td.				
Hill	3	21	7.0	0	0				
Buchanon	2	37	18.5	26	0				
Matthews	2	8	4.0	8	0				
Robinson	1	7	7.0	7	0				
Ellis	1	28	28.0	28	1				
RECEIVING									
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	Td.				
Lane	16	213	13.3	49	0				
Glass	11	193	17.5	31	1				
Brockington	11	178	17.8	48	1				
Dale	10	239	23.9	48	1				
Staggers	6	104	17.3	48	1				
McGeorge	5	50	10.0	23	2				
Garrett	3	53	17.7	21	0				
PUNTING									
	No.	Avg.	Long						
Widby	42	41.3	63						
KICKOFF RETURNS									
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long					
Staggers	10	238	23.8	39					
Hudson	10	230	23.0	55					
Thomas	9	214	23.8	40					
PUNT RETURNS									
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long					
Ellis	9	166	18.4	80					
Staggers	3	0	0.0	0					
Hudson	1	0	0.0	0					
FIELD GOALS									
	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50				
Marcol	2-3	3-4	6-9	6-9	0-1				

he pops that ball through there." Comparing Sunday's rival quarterbacks, Scott Hunter and the Bears' footloose Bobby Douglass, Gibron said, "Hunter probably is the more polished quarterback, I'll have to say that. But after we spend a couple of off-seasons working with Bobby and get him polished up, he will be one of the best of 'em." Vocaly disappointed over last weekend's performance in Detroit, Gibron admitted, "I think that was our worst effort of the season offensively. Defensively, we played pretty well. Up until that game, we've played pretty consistent football. "I'm not going to make any changes, though. We're going with the same people. One game doesn't make a season, and one by one doesn't win or lose a championship. I'm not going to shake up the ball club because one or two players had an off day - it takes 40 men to make a football team." Appraising the race with relish, Gibron said, "It looks like a struggle right down to the finish. Right now, it looks like the Packers are playing the most consistent football in the division. And now the Vikings are on the move and, of course, Detroit has that great offense." Some pro football pundits have suggested the Lions' defense is suspect, it was noted. "Not the way they played against us," Gibron dryly rejoined. "They shut us out. And, if you don't control the ball against the Lions, they're going to score a lot of points on you, because they've got great offensive talent. I guess the team that stays healthy the rest of the season is going to win it. I think that's what it boils down to. It's going to be interesting to see what does happen in this race," Gibron mused. "We might be here until February." Returning to more immediate matters, Abe conceded, "That should be one helluva football game Sunday....I wish it was today."

BEARS SHARP AND SO IS THE COACH

NOV 9 (Chicago Tribune) - "I'm going to line up Lionel Antoine with a cane and Joe Moore on crutches," said Abe Gibron. "That'll be my trick of the week." Gibron was in a good mood yesterday in Soldier Field because his Bears had just completed one of their most spirited practices of the season. He had seen ball carriers stretch it out for 50 yards and listened to teammates cheer every pass and every catch. Zeke Bratkowski, the quarterback coach who will again call plays against his old buddy, Bart Starr of the Packers, this week, was even running the option. "Great football weather," he said, sounding like Ernie Banks. Gibron could also enjoy knowing his team is healthy for the third week in a row. In fact, Gibron even has players ready to come back from injury, an unusual situation going into the ninth game of a season. Defensive Tackle Bill Staley is finally ready for some action after recuperating from offseason knee surgery. "I'm getting antsy waiting to test this thing," Staley said yesterday. Gibron, while admitting that Staley would give the Bears more inside pass rush, said the four-year veteran would get a real good workout today, but would not be activated this week. Dave Hale, another defensive lineman, who broke an ankle in the final exhibition game, practiced yesterday for the first time. Antoine is using a cane five weeks after his knee surgery and Gibron still hopes the rookie lineman can play this year. "I'm waiting on him before I decide on the other guys," Gibron said. Antoine could play either offense or defense. Two other players who are out for the season watched practice yesterday-Moore on crutches and Garry Lyle in a walking case. Both had knee surgery...NOTES: Bobby Douglass has the worst pass completion percentage in pro football - 41.9 per cent. It ranks him 29th among passers on the 26 teams. But his ratio of touchdown passes to completions still ranks him among the best. Of his 39 completions, also the lowest in football, six have been touchdowns. Douglass is the sixth leading rusher in the National Football Conference with 556 yards in 78 carries. His 7.1-yard average is the best in football...When TV personality Alex Karras asked Bear Cornerback Charlie Ford what he thought of playing in the N.F. L., Ford responded: "I'm not really qualified to answer after only two years, but I think it's kinda pathetic, really, that I'm playing in this league." What Charlie meant is that he thinks he belongs in the same league Howard Cosell thinks Howard Cosell belongs in. Ford's 43-yard interception return against Detroit is the longest in the N.F. C. this year. His 102 yards with three interceptions also rank him first in the N.F.C. in return yardage...Ron Smith is the top kick return man in the conference. He has 404 yards with kickoffs and 108 with punts. His averages put him second on kickoff and fifth on punts and no one else is ranked that high in both categories.

BEARS UP TO OLD TRICKS

NOV 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Members of the Packer offensive line are playing a little game this week. It's called "Concentration," although it differs somewhat from the TV quiz of the same name. Rollie Dotsch's stalwarts, aware of the defensive complexities the Bears will present for them in Chicago's Soldier Field Sunday afternoon, are endeavoring to sharpen their visual and technical acuity. They know peak efficiency will be required to cope with the maneuvers of Dick Butkus, Doug Buffone, et al, not to mention the thunderous hitting with which it will be accompanied. "They're a hard team to play," veteran tackle Dick Himes notes, "because they're jumping around a lot and they play quite a few defenses. You have to concentrate a lot. They use about four or five basic defenses," he explained, "plus the fact that when their linebackers are jumping around, everything changes. Although it might seem logical to fight fire with fire, Himes assures that crisp execution is the best antidote for the Bears' brand of trickery. "We don't try to trick anybody," said the former Ohio State athlete, described by Coach Devine as the most consistent performer in the Packer front line. "You just try to make your basic plays work. You can't out-trick 'em." Deception, he emphasized, is not the only problem which lies ahead. "In addition



MEETS DEFENDERS: Veteran Packer defensive players Dave Robinson (left) and Bob Brown autograph a football for Appleton fan Brian Dalke. The Packers made an appearance Thursday at the Camera Exchange. (Post-Crescent Photo)

to the variety of defenses they play, they have to be one of the toughest teams in the league, physically," Himes said. "Whatever they may lack in ability in any area, they make up with aggressiveness. They take every chance they can to hit you. They are an awfully strong team. If I remember correctly, they led the league for a while in fewest yards allowed rushing. If you can do that for a few weeks, you must be pretty good. Dick Butkus is a great inspiration to their defense - he keeps them up and he keeps them together. He's having a pretty good year, too. He's moving a lot better than he did last year - he's not favoring that leg he had operated on as much as he did last year." Although it promises to be a hectic afternoon up front, Himes is comforted by the conviction his unit has solidly regrouped following the loss of Gale Gillingham, shelved for the season by knee surgery, and the insertion of ex-Atlanta Falcon Malcolm Snider. "I think we've got together pretty well now," he said. "We try to help each other all we can. I think we're a pretty well knit unit again." Forrest Gregg's successor did not claim collective credit, however, for last Sunday's imposing 197-yard rushing production against the Forty Niners. "Brock (John Brockington) got a lot of those yards on his own," Himes said, exhibiting a faintly apologetic smile. Brockington, now second in the National Football Conference individual rushing race, amassed 133 of those 197 yards in 24 carries to emerge with his best day of the season. Himes is inclined to concur with Devine's appraisal of his personal performance. "I guess I have been fairly consistent," he said. "I haven't had any outstanding days but I haven't been getting killed, either." The five-year veteran, who faces the unwelcome task of handling the opposing team's best defensive end each week, will be confronted by the Bears' Tony McGee Sunday afternoon. "McGee is playing pretty well from what I've seen of him on film" Himes reported in assessing the 6-foot-4, 250 pound sophomore who has supplanted the injured Willie Holman. "He looks awfully quick and he's pretty strong, a pretty good pass rusher. But their whole defense is tough. That unit has come a long way, considering the injuries it has had and the people it has lost like Ed O'Bradovich, who retired at the end of last season, and George Seals, who played out his option and went to Kansas City. The secret is their aggressiveness. Any game they've won or been in this season, that's the whole reason - they've out-hit the other guys."... PACKER PATTERN: Although the practice field was in slightly soggy condition following yet another day of drizzle, Dan Devine was encouraged by the quality of Thursday's Packer effort. "It was a better practice than the one we had yesterday," said Devine, who today closes out the Green Bay preparations for Sunday's match...The Packers, scheduled to headquarter at the Water Tower Hyatt House, will enplane for Chicago at 8 o'clock Saturday morning and work out in Soldier Field at noon...Francis Peay has been released from St. Mary's Medical Center after receiving treatment for a hiatal hernia, for which he was hospitalized last Friday. "It doesn't change his availability any, however," Devine said. "Francis is still out of Sunday's game, of course." On the move list at this point. Peay is not eligible to return until the Packers Nov. 19 game at Houston. Devine also said ex-New York Jet tight end Pete Lammons "could possibly be playing a little more Sunday. He's rounding into a little better shape now."...Chester Marcol goes into Sunday's game as the NFC's leading scorer with 66 points, six more than runnerup Errol Mann of Detroit, the previous leader. Teammate Ken Ellis also continues to pace the conference's punt returners, padding his average to a plush 18.6 yards with a 33-yard excursion on his only runback in last Sunday's victory over the Forty Niners. John Brockington, in addition to ranking second in rushing, has moved into the scoring elite with 36 points following his three-TD eruption against the Prospectors, and Ron Widby is sixth in punting with a 41.3-yard average for 42 kicks.

EXPANSION HINGES ON PACKERS

NOV 10 (Milwaukee) - The Green Bay Packers themselves may be the deciding factor in plans to increase Milwaukee County Stadium's seating capacity to meet National Football League standards. The Finance Committee of the county's Board of Supervisors recommended late Thursday that \$889,000 be spent next year to expand the stadium if Green Bay owners agree to renew a lease which expires in 1975. The NFL has told its clubs to contract only with a facility having a minimum seating capacity of 50,000 spectators. The Milwaukee program calls for 3,300 extra seats to meet the requirement. The Packers play most of their home games in Green Bay's Lambeau Field. They appeared five times this year in Milwaukee's 47,823-seat stadium, whose grounds are carved up to accommodate the Brewers of the American League. The Finance Committee's remodeling package includes more seats, a new press box and other auxiliary facilities. It is part of a 1973 budget proposal which the county's tax-assessing board is to review Tuesday. County park officials said construction could make the expanded facilities available by 1974 if the county board agrees. The proposal is part of a recommended four-year program which would add 7,600 seats, a special office for the Packers, umpire quarters, an executive office and artificial turf.

PERSONALITY PARADE (BOBBY DOUGLASS)

NOV 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Ever since Bobby Douglass began surfacing at quarterback for the Bears, his detractors have suggested the strapping blond is something less than an Einstein. Gentlemanly Zeke Bratkowski, who is never boisterous, takes mild but specific exception to this uncharitable judgment. Zeke, the erstwhile Packer Super Sub now Bobby's personal mentor as a Bear assistant coach, says, "I've never seen any reason for that type of criticism." Although he admits "the system we are running now is very basic," Bratkowski insisted in a telephone interview that Douglass is "a sharp, intelligent man. He likes to study. What we're doing now is trying to get him into the right study habits." The Brat, who will be at Bobby's elbow for counseling purposes in Sunday's 108th imbroglio with the Packers, also takes issue with the contention Douglass leaves considerable to be desired as a passer. "The number of attempts aren't there, either," Zeke noted in appraising the Douglass record, which shows him with a dismal 41.9 per cent efficiency mark, lowest in the National Football Conference. "He's got a great arm, but we're not throwing the ball 30 times a game like we were last year. If you throw 25 times, you're more likely to have a higher percentage. If you only throw nine times, on the other hand, it could be eight out of nine or it could just as well be three out of nine. And, as far as that's concerned, it doesn't make any difference how you get it across the goal line, just as long as you get it there. It's just like golf. Nobody asks how

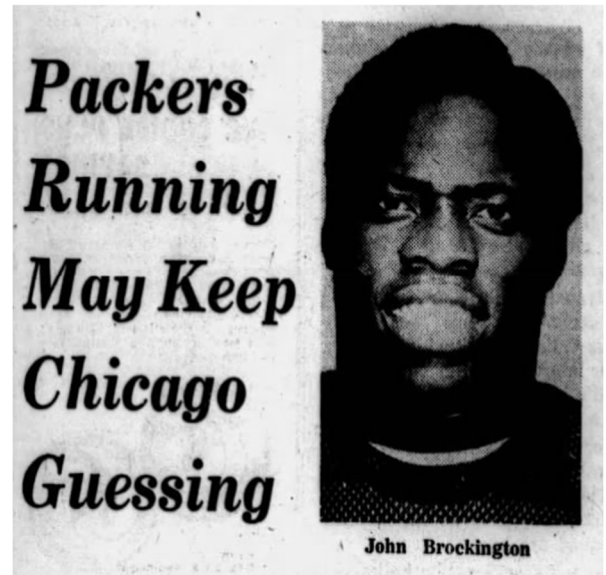
just how many." Despite Douglass's obvious penchant for scrambling, a skill he has developed to such a level he already has broken the NFL rushing record for quarterbacks this season, Bratkowski says he is not overly concerned about the injury factor. "You always have to worry a little about it," he said, "but Bobby runs with the type of abandon that punishes people. He's 6-foot-4 and 227 pounds, you know He's no mere, 6-foot, 195-pound back. "He's just a great offensive threat. He has turned a lot of things into big gains for us just because of his athletic ability. Right now, we're changing his thinking about the passing game. We were a team that threw 45 passes at times last season. We had some great receivers (e.g., the departed Dick Gordon) and we were throwing the ball a lot. Abe Gibron's philosophy is a little different. He feels you should utilize your passing game off your running game, and that is what we're trying to impress upon Bobby." Sold on Douglass's future as an NFL Field General, although some Bear loyalists have insisted he should be shifted to running back, Bratkowski said, "I don't think Abe has even given that a thought. Bobby is a fine young man and he works extremely hard. He has great athletic ability...He has the potential to be really great "

OLEJNICZAK NAMED TOP WSU PLAYER

NOV 10 (Madison) – Former Green Bay Premontre quarterback, Mark Olejniczak of UW-Stevens Point, has been named offensive player of the week in the Wisconsin State University Conference. Olejniczak completed a school record 25 passes in 45 attempts for 304 yards and three touchdowns in Point's 31-23 victory over Superior. Its first win of the season Olejniczak is the son of Green Bay Packer President Dominic Olejniczak Mike Blasczyk, a Stevens Point linebacker from Green Bay Southwest. was among the nominees for defensive player of the week, won by 240-pound Whitewater tackle Toby Ackerman.

PACKERS RUNNING MAY KEEP CHICAGO GUESSING

NOV 10 (Chicago Tribune) – John Brockington is rumbling again. His dance step is gone and he is back in rookie form, running over people. He will be more of a problem for the Bears Sunday than he was the first time they met this season on Oct. 8 when the Chicagoans held the Green Bay flash to 59 yards in 20 carries. The Packers attribute Brockington's style change over the last month to vast improvement in the Green Bay offensive line and the ability of Quarterback Scott Hunter to complete more passes, taking the heat off their sophomore running star. Green Bay claims Brockington was going into an uncharacteristic dancing maneuver at the scrimmage line early in the season simply because the line had not left any opening for their big weapon. Tackle Francis Peay and Guard Gail Gillingham had been injured just prior to the first Bear-Packer tiff in Green Bay and Guard Malcolm Snyder had played just three games in the Packer system. Guard Bill Lueck had a dislocated shoulder and Tackle Dick Himes also had a shoulder injury. Center Ken Bowman was playing with his usual variety of ailments. But last week Brockington burst loose with his first 100-yard plus performance, charging over a good San Francisco defense for 133 yards both inside, outside and over the top of bodies. It was no coincidence that the Packers' offensive line was healthy again. Sunday Bill Hayhoe and Himes will handle the tackle spots, Lueck and Snyder will be at guard and Bowman at center. Coach Dan Devine reports all are physically fit. So, too, is Brockington, who is still ahead of his rookie year 1,000-yard pace despite his slow start this season. He has gained 661 yards in eight games compared with 602 this time a year ago. His total is second best in the National Football Conference to Larry Brown's 889 yards for Washington. And after his three-touchdown performance last Sunday against the 49ers, Brockington was enthused to the point of predicting that the Packers will win the tight Central Division race. However, Devine espoused caution over facing the Bears. "It's a good bet the Bears will have two-foot flames shooting out of their nostrils Sunday," Devine said. "We are going to have to find people with three-foot flames." It is also a pretty good wager Devine will find those people in Brockington and his linemates.



CBS CANCELS TELEVISION COVERAGE OF BEAR-PACKER GAME

NOV 10 (Chicago Tribune) – The Columbia Broadcasting System has cancelled its television coverage Sunday of the Bear-Green Bay Packers game from Soldier Field because of the current strike by 1,200 electrical workers against the network. Bear fans will not be able to view the games in high rise apartments or neighborhood taverns where TV signals are intercepted on days of Bear home games because of the cancellation. CBS also cancelled coverage of the Falcons-New Orleans Saints game in Atlanta because of the strike. The Bear-Packer game and the Falcons-Saints game will be replaced with coverage of New York Giants vs. Washington. As a result of the cancellation of the Bear game, six Wisconsin television stations agreed to pool coverage for fans in Wisconsin and northern Michigan. Wisconsin stations carrying the game are WBAY-TV, Green Bay; WISN-TV, Milwaukee; WSAU-TV, Wausau; WISC-TV, Madison; WKBT-TV, La Crosse, and WLUC-TV in Marquette, Mich. The vicinities of Beloit and Kenosha are the closest areas to Chicago where coverage by Wisconsin stations could be received of Sunday's game. A CBS spokesman said the other National Football League games Sunday that will be televised are Detroit at Minnesota, Philadelphia at Houston, and St. Louis at Dallas. Greg McElrone, WBAY-TV manager, said the Green Bay station will provide the mobile equipment and personnel to televise the Bear-Packer game. Capt. Eugene Nolan, director of the Chicago police department's labor relations unit, said labor units will be assigned to Soldier Field, altho the electrician's union has made assurances that there will be no picketing or interference with the broadcast as long as CBS is not involved. Cables were cut last week in New York, blacking out the Jet-Redskin game, and

CBS Cancels Television Coverage of Bear-Packer Game

a similar incident in Milwaukee interrupted the Packer-San Francisco game for eight minutes. Members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers struck the network last Friday. Radio and television stations in Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco, Hollywood, Philadelphia, New York City, and Washington were affected.

CHICAGO BEST IN 2ND HALF

NOV 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Fabled Knute Rockne, the patron saint of Notre Dame football, was noted for his electrifying halftime oratory. And the late Curly Lambeau, who played for Rockne before founding the Packers, also gained a measure of fame for his impassioned between halves lectures while en route to six world championships. Abe Gibron, in current contrast, is not known for his dressing room rhetoric, although he has acquired an awesome reputation for his facility with sulphureous expletives. But the Bears' rookie head coach must be doing something right at intermission. The Monsters of the Midway, who have been generous to a fault in the first half, have permitted the enemy a mere 39 points in the third and fourth quarters of their first eight games. And 18 of these have come on field goals, which means Bear opponents have scored just three touchdowns in the second half this season, an exceedingly paltry production by any standards. It also suggests that it might behoove the Packers to gear their energies toward a brisk getaway in their 108th confrontation with the Bears at Chicago's Soldier Field Sunday afternoon. Coaching approaches have changed since the days of Rockne and Lambeau, of course. More stress is given to matters of strategy and technique at halftime these days and less to oratory that will arouse the gladiators' emotions, if we are to judge by "inside" post-game reports from the principals concerning what may have turned the tide. Dick Himes, the Packers skilled offensive tackle, leans toward the former as an explanation for the Bruins' startling second half turnabout. "The Bears apparently have good coaches who have been able to make adjustments at halftime," he said. "It looks like they've been able to find a lot of answers in the first half." Whatever the case, the Chicagoans have been almost impossible to score against in the second half. And, the figures show, they get progressively more tightfisted as the game wears on. They have permitted 23 points in the third period and just 16 in the fourth, which should give pause to any rival which might chance to fall behind the Bruins in the early going. These totals contrast sharply with the Bears' first half performance. They have given up 45 points in the first quarter and been frisked for 58 in the second. "I don't know what it proves," a Bear spokesman conceded, "except it must prove we're in pretty good shape. Of course, Abe is a stickler for conditioning. He has been all along. That's why we've been able to outlast some of these guys." There is another statistic that should give the Packers some concern. The fourth quarter has been the Bears' most productive offensively. They have amassed 58 points in that final period, compared to only 14 in the first, 40 in the second and just 20 in the third. Dan Devine was pondering such matters Friday after the Packers closed out their Green Bay preparations for the Chicago invasion, which began with a Soldier Field workout this noon. "When you sit back and look at the Bears' game in Detroit last Sunday, which I did on film again last night both offensively and defensively, it gives you something to think about," he said. "For instance, in trying to figure out how you can move against them, I noticed that over half of Detroit's rushing yardage against the Bears came on the option - in other words, one play. And that's one play we don't use. You're looking for how somebody else does things against them and that doesn't help much. Defensively, many people say Bobby Douglass is not a good passer. But I'm afraid he's going to have a hot game one of these days. And, if you check his average gain per completion, you will see that it's 17.1 yards, which is a pretty high figure. Granted that his percentage of completions is down a little, but every time he completes a pass, it's for pretty long yardage. I noticed where Abe Gibron says he's probably not as polished a quarterback as our Scott Hunter. He may not be as polished as Scott, but he's pretty damn good. His average gain per rush, 7.1 yards, is the best in our conference, I might add. Larry Brown, for example, is averaging 4.9."...PACKER PATER: Chester Marcol, the Packers



RUSHING					INTERCEPTIONS				
	Att	Yds	Avg	L TD		No	Yds	Avg	L TD
Brockington, Pack	169	661	3.9	30 5	Hill, Pack	3	21	7.0	0 0
Douglass, Bears	78	556	7.1	57 4	Ford, Bears	3	102	34.0	43 0
Harrison, Bears	125	490	3.9	19 2	Lytle, Bears	2	52	26.0	35 0
Lane, Pack	96	332	3.5	24 0	Taylor, Bears	2	0	0	0 0
Pinder, Bears	63	201	3.2	19 2	Buchanan, Pack	2	37	18.5	26 0
Shv. Bears	40	158	3.9	22 0	Matthews, Pack	2	8	4.0	8 0
PASSING					FIELD GOALS				
	Att	Comp	Yds	TD Int		1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49 50
Hunter, Pack	144	62	1047	6 5	Marcol, Pack	2-3	3-4	6-9	6-9 0-1
Douglass, Bears	93	39	665	6 7	Percival, Bears	5-5	2-2	1-3	1-4 0-1
RECEIVING					KICKOFF RETURNS				
	No	Yds	Avg	L TD		No	Yds	Avg	L Bk
Lane, Pack	16	213	13.3	49 0	Smith, Bears	14	404	28.8	52 0
Glass, Pack	11	193	17.5	31 1	Staggers, Pack	10	238	23.8	39 0
Brockington, Pack	11	178	16.2	48 1	Hudson, Pack	10	230	23.0	55 0
Dale, Pack	10	239	23.9	48 1	Thomas, Pack	9	214	23.8	40 0
Farmer, Bears	10	128	12.8	73 1	Turner, Bears	8	161	22.7	37 0
Thomas, Bears	9	178	19.8	41 3					
PUNT RETURNS					PUNTING				
	No	Yds	Avg	L TD		No	Yds	Avg	L Bk
Ellis, Pack	9	166	18.4	80 1	Widby, Pack	42	1735	41.3	63 0
Smith, Bears	14	108	7.7	17 0	Green, Bears	36	1493	41.4	58 0

golden toe, has been impressively consistent from every distance to date. Marcol, only three field goals removed from an all-time Packer season record, has hit on 2 of 3 attempts from inside the 20, on 3 of 4 from between the 20 and 29, 6 of 9 between the 30 and 39 and between the 40 and 49. The Bears' Mac Percival, by way of comparison, has been perfect from short range but inconsistent from longer distances. He is 7 for 7 inside the 30 but only 2 of 8 from behind that point...MacArthur Lane, a running back, has caught more passes than any receiver on either team. Lane has 16 receptions, five more than teammates Leland Glass and John Brockington and six more than Bear leader George Farmer.

GREEN BAY GIVEN STORM WARNINGS

NOV 11 (Chicago Tribune) - It's going to be a typical Bear-Packer game! Coach Abe Giron issued an uncharacteristic "warning" to Green Bay yesterday with the optimistic statement that "this has been the best week of practice we've had since training camp." Coming less than a week after the Bears were mauled by Detroit 14-0, it is a surprise. "No. No surprise," Giron said. "We just sat down after the Detroit game and talked things over. Then we went to work." Are the Bears ready for the Packers and John Brockington? "No! Not today. But we'll be ready for them Sunday," said Abe. "You know what it's like when the Bears play the Packers." The last wasn't a question, but an opinion. Giron also indicated Fullback Jim Harrison would be back in running shape after carrying only seven times against the Lions because of minor hurts. But as to how often the workhorse back will run tomorrow is something Abe isn't talking about.

BEARS TRY TO REBOUND AGAINST PACKERS TODAY

NOV 12 (Chicago Tribune) - Now come the Green Bay Packers. And the Bears are ready. It's the start of the Bears' final three-game home series [followed by San Francisco and Cincinnati the next two Sundays], and the usual capacity crowd of 55,701 will brave the November winds of Soldier Field today to watch these two bloody rivals struggle for the 108th time. Nobody needs to tell the cellar-dwelling Bears [3-4-1] this is the big one which will determine whether they are destined to be in the running during the stretch drive to the playoffs. And it is not necessary to remind the Packers that a victory over the pesky Bears would lift their record to 6-3 and give them a chance to step out ahead of the Central Division field if the Vikings can handle the Lions in Bloomington, Minn. The Bears have been stepping lively in practice all week, the memory of last Sunday's 14-0 loss at Detroit already blotted from their minds. "Big game ahead, men; five big weeks coming up," hollered Quarterback Coach Zeke Bratkowski as he led calisthenics a couple of days ago, and the squad responded like a herd of agitated oxen. Clearly the Bears are hyped for the Packer challenge. "We won't have to get them up," said Coach Abe Giron. "The adrenaline will be there." The Soldier Field crowd will be treated to a nostalgic sideshow. On opposite sides of the field will be two old Packer teammates, one calling plays for Green Bay and the other for Chicago. Bart Starr, who surrendered to recurrent shoulder troubles before the start of the season, sends in the plays for Scott Hunter, who looks for all the world like Starr out there -sometimes. Hunter has many of Starr's moves, but still lacks Starr's passing accuracy and consistency. However, Hunter has never had a bad game against the Bears. Supervising Bobby Douglass' Bear game plan will be Bratkowski. The Bears may have some surprises in store for the Packers, but in the final analysis the game will be won or lost as all football games are-by blocking, tackling, and execution. "We can't make mistakes," Coach Dan Devine has been telling the Packers all week. "There's nothing new about that concept," Giron snorted. "Dan is getting so he sounds just like me." The Bears will do well to keep a special watch on John Brockington, who seems to have broken out of an early season "slump." Brockington, who appeared to be dancing away from tacklers a few weeks ago, had an eye only for the goal line last Sunday as he scored three touchdowns in sparking the Packers' 34-24 victory over San Francisco. "I know we're going to win our division," Brockington has predicted. The Packers are launching a road trip today which will find them away from home for three straight weeks and for five of their final six games. They are reported to be healthy, which means Ray Nitschke can sit down again and let Jim Carter play middle linebacker. Carter started at outside linebacker in place of the ailing Dave Robinson last Sunday, with Nitschke reclaiming his old job in the center of the defense for one quarter. But Devine wasn't satisfied and Robinson was pressed back into service. "I hope they do play Nitschke," Giron said. "It's not going to change our game plan no matter what they do." Tho he declined to pinpoint the targets of his wrath, Giron obviously was displeased last week with the performances of Douglass [couldn't find his pass targets], Fullback Jim Harrison [couldn't find the holes in the line], and Halfback Don Shy [couldn't find the football]. "A good offensive team is built on a strong quarterback, tailback, and fullback," Giron said. "That's assuming that you've got the offensive line, which we do have." Defensively, the Bears are hoping their four-linebacker system in passing situations may be the answer to pressuring Hunter, who whipped the Chicago defense for 240 yards in Green Bay's 20-17 victory Oct. 8.

NOTES AND NOTIONS

NOV 12 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - The Packers, whose John Brockington won "rookie of the year" honors in 1971, have a couple of topnotch candidates again in Willie Buchanon and Chester Marcol. Among other outstanding first-year men in the NFL are Franco Harris, Tommy Casanova, Bobby Moore, Clarence Ellis, and Mike Siani...Field goals by Chester Marcol, within the final half-minute of play, have twice given the Packers two victories over the Bears this season (the first came in an exhibition game)...so it's unlikely that this set of circumstances will come to pass again this afternoon at Soldier Field. But, it's safest not to be surprised at anything the young kicking phenom may do. He's already kicked more field goals than anyone else in either conference of the NFL. Marcol's 17-for-26 is a tremendous success ratio for anyone - but especially for a rookie, whose club is in the thick of a championship scrap. After eight games, the Packers and the Bears are almost even statistically, on both offense and defense. That's exactly the way their first two meetings of 1972 went, and that's what is likely in store today. The Bears, No. 1 in NFC rushing, have gained more yards on the ground than any NFL team except unbeaten Miami - and Bobby Douglass is a big factor in the showing. But, in Douglass' other specialty - passing - the Bears rank last in the NFC. The Bears didn't look too sharp in last Sunday's game against Detroit...but therein lies the danger. The only teams that have beaten Green Bay this season - Oakland, Atlanta and Minnesota - all came off defeats the preceding

weekend. It'll take a performance at least as good as last week's (against the 49ers) to produce a Packer win today. **PACKERS NEED WINDY CITY WIN**

NOV 12 (Chicago-Green Bay Press-Gazette) – The Packers, in late season contention for the first time since 1968, clinched their last division championship here in the Windy City. That was in 1967 when a 17-13 victory over the Bears lifted them into the playoffs, an opportunity they parlayed into a third consecutive National Football League title and second straight Super Bowl success. No such palatable possibility exists this afternoon in Soldier Field, where the Packers fraternize with the Bruins in the 108th renewal of pro football's most venerable rivalry (1 o'clock, WNFL, Channel 2) before a capacity house of 55,049 fans. Things aren't that clearly defined in the Central Division race of the NFC, still very much in a state of flux at this point. But, with the proper blend of circumstances, Dan Devine's surprising young tigers could make significant strides in that direction before the day is over, particularly if the "right" team wins in Bloomington, Minn., where the Vikings and Detroit Lions will be matched in television's late show. A decision over the Bears, combined with a Viking win over Detroit, would move the Packers one game in front of both the Lions and Minnesota and 2 ½ games ahead of the Bears, who would be virtually eliminated with only five games to play. That would be an enviable position, considering the Vikings still must face division leaders Los Angeles (Western) and Pittsburgh (AFC Central) and San Francisco, in addition to the Packers and Bears, and the Lions must meet the New York Jets and LA in addition to the Packers. Not that a cakewalk would then lie before the green and gold. They will have to deal with both the Vikings and Lions down the stretch,

as well as the somewhat awesome Washington Redskins. But we are getting ahead of ourselves. What the future holds competitively may be slightly academic if the Packers do not handle the Monsters of the Midway, certain to be highly uncongenial. And understandably, of course. To begin with, the Bears never have had much use for the Packers, with whom they have been exchanging concussions since 1921, the year the NFL was born. In addition, the Bruins, only 1 ½ games off the Green Bay-Detroit pace at this stage, still consider themselves very much in contention. Their mood has not been improved by the fact they have lost three straight to the Packers, four in a row if you count the Shrine game victory over them in a pre-season match at Milwaukee. "Physical" is an overworked term these days but that, most assuredly is certain to be the hallmark of today's struggle, in which the Packers have been listed as three-point favorites - partly because Chester Marcol's productive toe spelled the difference in their first two meetings this season. Jim Hill, a relative newcomer to this bristling series, will testify to that prospect - with some feeling. Hill, who faced the Bears for the first time as a Packer last month, says, "This is entirely different, playing the Bears now than it was when I played them with the San Diego Chargers. This is much more of a physical game. The Bears, I might add, are one of the big surprises this year, not only in our conference but in the league. They have a fine ball club and, besides being a fine ball club, they're hitters. And not all teams have that. When we walk off the field after the game, I'm sure of one thing - everybody will be sore. Whoever gets into the game is going to be awfully sore when it's over." Hill, the "quarterback" of the Packer secondary, indicated the approach to containing the scrambling Bobby Douglass will be much the same as the strategy employed against fellow scrambler Fran Tarkenton two weeks earlier, although Douglass is much more fond of running than is Francis. "Bobby is more of a runner than Fran but, as far as the defensive backs are concerned, we've still got to stay with our man on every play," he said. "He can always pull up and throw it, of course, even if it looks like it might be a run. A scrambler is a scrambler. That's our job - our first responsibility - to stop the pass. Once he crosses the line of scrimmage, it's different. Then we go up and try to help stop the run. Frankly, I feel we've done the studying we should have done to meet this kind of situation. We're not going to get nervous or jittery. We're going to do what we're supposed to do. What I'm worried about principally is just the game itself. There's no telling what they'll come up with. But we don't want to be too concerned with the great variety of their formations. We have to be concerned, of course, but we don't want to let it get to a point where it takes away from our play, or aggressiveness. Actually, I don't think it will. I feel we're well prepared. And, certainly, I feel we're well coached. We feel we have something ready for everything that they might be doing." The Bear attack, which features hulking Jim Harrison in addition to Douglass and the receiving of George Farmer and Earl Thomas, is only one Packer concern. The offensive line also will be challenged by a Bear defense which forced the Pack to settle for a mere 97 yards rushing in their first meeting. That was traceable in large part to the acumen of Dick Butkus, who complicated matters by "calling" every Packer play from his middle linebacker position during the first half. Required to go the air, the Packers attempted 30 passes that day, completing 15 for 240 yards. Devine, taking note of this success, admitted, "We threw a lot last time and we intend to throw again. But just throwing to be throwing isn't the answer either because the Bears intercepted four passes in the second half against Detroit last week." With the emergence of the running game against the Forty Niners last Sunday, when John Brockington and MacArthur Lane amassed 197 yards between them, chances are that he will elect to grind it out as much as possible. A football conservative. He is big on ball control, particularly with the likes of Douglass on the other side of the field. Although the odds favor the Packers, the law of averages will be riding with the Bears. The Packers have won seven of their last eight meetings and 14 of the last 17. Dating back to 1964. The Bears lead the series, however. 55-46-6.

OFFENSE			
GREEN BAY		CHICAGO	
Glass	W R	Sevmour	
Hayhoe	L R	Jackson	
Lueck	L G	Holloway	
Bowman	C	Coady	
Snider	R G	Newton	
Himes	R T	Asher	
Garrett	T E	Thomas	
Dale	W R	Farmer	
Hunter	Q B	Douglass	
Lane	R B	Pinder	
Brockington	R B	Harrison	
DEFENSE			
C. Williams	L E	McGee	
McCoy	L T	Osborne	
Brown	R T	Line	
Roche	R E	DeLong	
Robinson	LL B	Buffone	
Carter	ML B	Butkus	
Carr	RL B	Brupbacher	
Buchanan	L C	Ford	
Ellis	R C	Taylor	
Smith	L S	Matthews	
Moore	R S	Hill	
Packer-Bear Series			
Packers won 46, Bears 55, 6 tied, Points			
— Packers 1,575, Bears 1,746			

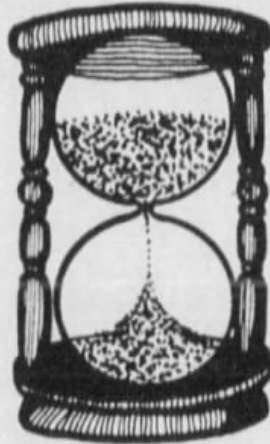
Bears Try to Rebound Against Packers Today

Packers Need Windy City Win

Green Bay PACKERS

NO.	NAME	POS.
10	Patrick, Frank	QB
13	Marcol, Chester	K
16	Hunter, Scott	QB
17	Tagge, Jerry	QB
20	Widby, Ron	P
21	Hall, Charles	CB
22	Staggers, Jon	HB
23	Hudson, Robert	RB
28	Buchanon, Willie	CB
29	Matthews, Al	DB
31	Williams, Perry	RB
36	Lane, MacArthur	RB
37	Thomas, Ike	CB
39	Hill, Jim	S
40	Kopay, Dave	RB
42	Brockington, John	RB
46	Glass, Leland	WR
47	Davis, Dave	WR
48	Ellis, Ken	CB
50	Carter, Jim	LB
53	Carr, Fred	LB
56	Crutcher, Tommy Joe	LB
57	Bowman, Ken	C
58	Withrow, Cal	C
62	Lueck, Bill	G
64	Hunt, Kevin	T
65	Wortman, Keith	G
66	Nitschke, Ray	LB
67	Snider, Malcolm	G
72	Himes, Dick	T
73	Vanoy, Vern	DT
75	Pureifory, Dave	BE
77	Hayhoe, Bill	T
78	Brown, Bob	DT
83	Williams, Clarence	DE
84	Dale, Carroll	WR
86	Lammons, Pete	TE
87	Roche, Alden	DE
88	Garrett, Len	TE
89	Robinson, Dave	LB

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Chicago BEARS

No.	NAME	POS
7	Huarte, John	QB
10	Douglass, Bobby	QB
18	Moore, Jerry	DB
20	Taylor, Joe	DB
21	Turner, Cecil	WR
22	Pinder, Cyril	RB
24	Shy, Don	RB
25	Clemons, Craig	S
29	Jeter, Bob	S
30	Gunn, Jimmy	LB
31	Brupbacher, Ross	LB
32	Ford, Charlie	DB
33	Kozins, Gary	RB
35	Harrison, Jim	RB
36	Lawson, Roger	RB
43	Farmer, George	WR
48	Smith, Ron	S
51	Butkus, Dick	LB
52	Coady, Rich	C
54	McKinney, Bill	LB
55	Buffone, Doug	LB
58	Pifferini, Bob	LB
59	Janet, Ernie	C
61	Holloway, Glen	G
65	Jackson, Randy	T
67	Line, Bill	DT
68	Osborne, Jim	DT
70	Rice, Andy	DT
71	McGee, Tony	DT
72	Cadile, Jim	G
73	Buzzin, Rich	T
74	Asher, Bob	T
78	Newton, Bob	G
82	Thomas, Earl	TE
83	Percival, Mac	PK
84	Seymour, Jim	WR
85	Holman, Willie	DE
86	Parsons, Bob	TE-P
87	DeLong, Steve	DE
88	Green, Bobby Joe	P
89	Wallace, Bob	WR

Steelers, K.C. Soar to Top



K.C. Chief defenders converge on Raiders' Marv Hubbard during battle for first place in AFC West. Photo by John Lyman.

By PAT LIVINGSTON

PITTSBURGH—Terry Bradshaw, gaining pace by the week, threw three touchdown passes—two of them after check-downs at the line of scrimmage—as the Pittsburgh Steelers trounced the Cincinnati Bengals, 38-17, to take over first place in the Central Division of the American Conference last Sunday.

Taking advantage of the Bengals' jump-and-run coverage of Frank Lewis, Bradshaw hit the former Grantling star with scoring heaves of 28 and 24 yards. He also passed 13 yards to Larry Brown, a tight end who had been activated a week earlier, for another score.

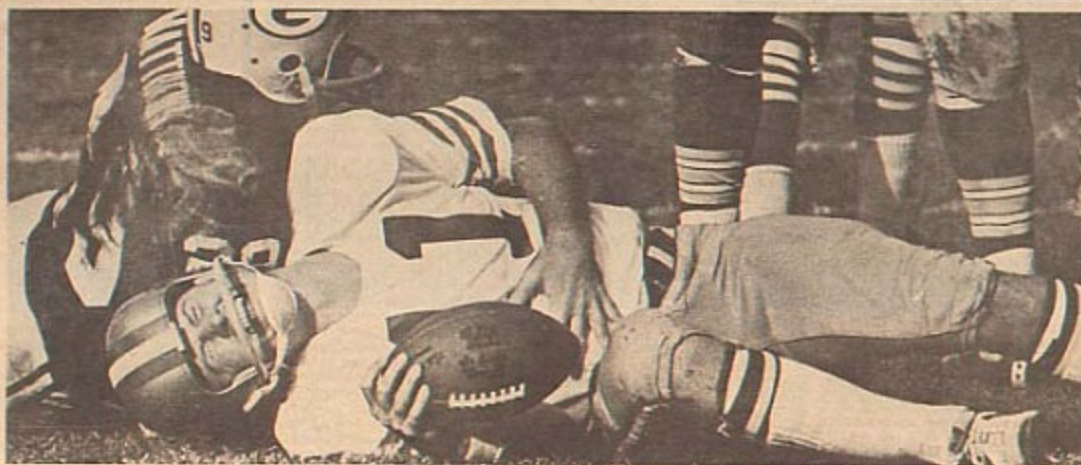
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Packers Hurt 49ers

San Francisco quarterback Steve Spurrier feels the pain of jarring tackle by Green Bay's Al Matthews during action in Milwaukee. More than Spurrier's solar plexus was hurt as Pack creamed 49ers, 34-24. Story on Page 14. Photo by John Biever.

Match-Ups

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Packer Statistics

1972 GREEN BAY PACKERS
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GB	RESULTS & ATTENDANCE	OPP.	SCORES BY QUARTERS					
(w)	26 Browns at Cleveland (75,771)	10	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	TOTAL	
(l)	14 Raiders at Green Bay (56,263)	20	GB. 47	51	29	29	156	
(w)	16 Cowboys at Mil. (47,103)	13	OPP. 30	33	40	41	144	
(w)	20 Bears at Green Bay (56,263)	17						
(w)	24 Lions at Detroit (54,418)	23	RUSHING	ATT	YDS.	AVE.	LONG TD.	
(l)	10 Falcons at Mil. (47,967)	9	Brockington	169	661	3.9	30t 5	
(l)	13 Vikings at Green Bay (56,263)	27	Lane	96	332	3.5	24 0	
(w)	34 49'ers at Mil. (47,897)	24	Hudson	9	27	3.0	17 0	
	11/12 BEARS AT CHICAGO		Williams	4	13	3.3	7 0	
	11/19 Oilers at Houston		Hunter	11	14	1.3	6 1	
	11/26 Redskins at Washington		OTHERS:	Glass 1/13; Davis 1/-7				
	12/3 Lions at Green Bay			Staggers 1/-8				
	12/10 Vikings at Minnesota		GB TOTAL	292	1045	3.6	30t 6	
	12/17 Saints at New Orleans		OPP. TOTAL	283	960	3.4	19 9	

TEAM STATISTICS		GB	OPP.	RECEIVING		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS		109	131	Lane		16	213	13.3	49	0
By Rushing		53	58	Glass		11	193	17.5	31	1
By Passing		49	62	Brockington		11	178	17.8	48t	1
By Penalty		7	11	Dale		10	239	23.9	48	1
Third Down Efficiency		27/96	41/107	Staggers		6	104	17.3	48	1
TOTAL NET YARDS		2057	2171	McGeorge		5	50	10.0	23t	2
Total Off. Plays		437	494	Garrett		3	53	17.7	21	0
Ave. Gain Per Play		4.7	4.4	OTHERS:		Davis 1/11; Kopay 1/8				
NET YARDS RUSHING		1045	960	GB TOTAL		63	1090	17.3	49	6
Total Rushing Plays		292	283	OPP.TOTAL		100	1318	13.2	62	2
Ave. Gain per Rush		3.6	3.4	PUNTING		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	BLK
NET YARDS PASSING		1051	1211	Widby		42	1735	41.3	63	0
Lost Attempting to Pass		6/44	12/107	GB TOTAL		42	1735	41.3	63	0
Gross Yards Passing		1090	1318	OPP.TOTAL		38	1592	41.9	61	0
Attempts/Completions		149/63	201/100	INTERCEP.		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
Percent Completed		.423	.498	Hill		3	21	7.0	0	0
Had Intercepted		5	9	Buchanan		2	37	18.5	26	0
Ave Net Passing Per Game		131.4	151.4	Matthews		2	8	4.0	8	0
PUNTS/YDS.		42/1735	38/1592	Ellis		1	28	28.0	28t	1
PUNT RETURNS/YDS.		13/166	23/150	Robinson		1	7	7.0	7	0
KICKOFF RETURNS/YDS.		33/725	20/407	GB TOTAL		9	101	11.2	28t	1
MISC. RETURNS/YDS.		3/43	5/186	OPP.TOTAL		5	58	11.6	32	2
INTERCEPTIONS/YDS.		9/101	5/58	K.O.RET.		NO.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
PENALTIES/YDS		34/318	33/315	Staggers		10	238	23.8	39	0
FUMBLES/BALL LOST		15/8	17/11	Hudson		10	230	23.0	55	0
TOTAL POINTS		156	144	Thomas		9	214	23.8	40	0
Ave Points Per Game		19.5	18.0	OTHERS:		Robinson 1/25; Garrett 1/0; Williams 1/9; Wortman 1/0				
Touchdowns		15	15	GB TOTAL		33	725	22.0	55	0
by Rushing		6	9	OPP.TOTAL		20	407	20.4	37	0
by Passing		6	2	FIELD GOALS (Good, b=blocked):						
by Returns		3	4							
Field Goals		17/26	13/18	F.G.		1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Conversions		15/15	15/15	Marcol		2-3	3-4	6-9	6-9	0-1
				OP TOTAL		4-4	3-3	1-2	3-7	2-2

FIELD GOALS (Good, b=blocked):		F.G.				
Marcol: 51, 42b, 41, 19, 49, 17; 44, 16, 27b, 26, 41, 22; 26, 34, 37; 36, 34; 32, 44, 35, 39; 41, 34, 43; 30, 40;		1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
		2-3	3-4	6-9	6-9	0-1
		4-4	3-3	1-2	3-7	2-2

SCORING		TDR	TDP	TDRt	FG.	PAT.	TOTAL
Marcol		0	0	0	17/26	15/15	66
Brockington		5	1	0	0	0*	36
McGeorge		0	2	0	0	0	12
Ellis		0	0	2	0	0	12
Staggers		0	1	0	0	0	6
Glass		0	1	0	0	0	6
Hunter		1	0	0	0	0	6
C. Williams		0	0	1	0	0	6
Dale		0	1	0	0	0	6
GB TOTAL		6	6	3	17/26	15/15	156
OPP. TOTAL		9	2	4	13/18	15/15	144

PUNT RETURNS		NO.	F.C.	YDS.	AVE.	LONG	TD.
Ellis		9	1	166	18.4	80t	1
Staggers		3	11	0	0.0	0	0
Hudson		1	1	0	0.0	0	0
GB TOTAL		13	13	166	12.8	80t	1
OPP. TOTAL		23	3	150	6.5	33	0

PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YDS.	PCT.	AVE/ATT	TD.	LG.	INT.	PCT	INT.	LOST/ATT.
Hunter		144	62	1047	43.1	7.3	6	.042	49	5	.035	5/33
Patrick		4	1	9	25.0	2.5	0	.000	9	0	.000	1/11
Staggers		1	0	0	0.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0
GB TOTAL		149	63	1090	42.3	7.3	6	.040	49	5	.034	6/44
OPP. TOTAL		201	100	1211	49.8	6.0	2	.010	62t	9	.045	12/107

QB TACKLES: Vanoy 4; C. Williams 4; Brown 3; Robinson 1

City 'Scores' With Wives



*Scott and Craig Widby Enjoy Coloring
When Their Mother, Joan, Helps*

CITY 'SCORES' WITH WIVES

NOV 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Most wives of Green Bay Packers have one thing in common - moving. However, once they have settled in and near Green Bay they find the people and surroundings not only pleasant but warm. Both wives interviewed agree that the area fans are the most enthusiastic they have encountered.

Joan Widby

The wife of Packer punter. Ron Widby, is a child care specialist - in other words, she is the mother of two small and very active sons. Joan finds her days packed full of the fun and work involved in raising her "young team." Members include Scott, 4-years-old, Craig, 19 months, and their daddy, Ron. When Ron was traded from the Dallas Cowboys, the family moved from their three-bedroom home in Dallas to a two-bedroom apartment here. The place which is filled with rented furniture, is a far cry from the home they own. "At the time of the trade, I was looking forward to the change. But now that I've had a taste of apartment living, it's not so much fun." Joan asserts with a gentle Texas twang. The thing she misses most is a yard and neighboring children with whom her sons could play. Another new change for the quartet is the weather, and the prospects of early snow and unseasonable chill are not exactly the welcome wagon to the warm weather fans. "One day last year in Dallas, we had a few snow flurries and they closed all the schools," the inexperienced southerner explained. "I'm from Chattanooga, Tenn., and Ron was born and raised in Knoxville, and this weather in the north is quite a change," shudders the young mother. But as most professional football families, the Widbys are faced with the ever present prospect of more moves in the future. "If the boys were in school, that idea would worry me more, but they're little yet," Joan explains. Slowly, Joan is becoming acclimated to Green Bay, both weatherwise and friendwise. "Mrs. Dan Devine had the wives over

for dinner, and at a recent luncheon we tried to organize a team party." Joan replies that she made several friends at the gatherings. However, taking care of the boys generally prevents her from joining many clubs. In Dallas earlier in the year, Joan says she took up tennis and swimming. Some of the Cowboys' wives and other women organized a tennis round robin, and Joan was frequently found practicing her game. But she states she would never enter any contests, "there's no way I could stand the competition." Another difference between Dallas and Green Bay which Joan found is that 90 per cent of the Cowboys lived in Dallas. In Green Bay, she says, only a few players have set up permanent residency, "At Dallas we also organized a team wives club to help rookies and traded people find a place to live." No such wives club exists in Green Bay, so her husband and Carroll Dale searched out their current apartment early this fall. At the sound of the famous Packer's name, young Scott quickly renders Carroll Dale's portrait on paper. "There, that's Mr. Dale," he proudly asserts. Besides drawing, which Scott enjoys, he has been faced with a dilemma since the family's arrival in Green Bay. His dad's jersey number in Dallas was 10. In Green Bay Ron's number was changed to 20. The change in number confuses him. Joan describes Craig as a model child, but Scott has so much energy Joan has a hard time keeping up with him. "Recently I took him down the basement while I did the wash, and he pulled the fire alarm. He was scared to death," she smiles, "but the firemen were really nice. about it." Aside from mischief, Joan claims that Scott "seems to be very sports oriented already. He nags Ron to take him to the "golf tournament" (Scott's name for the golf course.) Mrs. Widby is a sports fan, too, only her favorite is football. "I've always enjoyed it. I used to watch it on television with my daddy." However, when Joan and Ron met at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Joan wasn't sure if she was dating a basketball or football prospect. "In college, basketball was Ron's favorite sport," the wife explains. He had an interest in many athletic areas, she clarifies, because Ron was a physical fitness major. The first professional team which drafted her husband was the Chicago Bulls, an expansion basketball club. Ron capitulated to his basketball skill and played out the season with the New Orleans Buccaneers basketball club. "He got a good taste of basketball and then went back to football," Joan says. The best part of Green Bay, the Packer wife has decided, is the football fans. "The people here are true fans, unlike the fair weather fans of Dallas." But she enjoys her job as mother, and being the wife of a Green Bay Packer is an added and welcome bonus in her life.

Tanya Snider

Tanya and Malcolm Snider, both natives of Salem, Ore., consider it a bonus to be living in the community. The areas are comparable in size and offer the availability of outdoor activities which the Sniders find enjoyable. Tanya and their son, Matt, moved to the area after Malcolm was traded to Green Bay following a three-year stint with the Atlanta Falcons. For the time

being they are making their home at 2083 Terry Lane, De Pere, coincidentally only a half-block away from a close friend of Tanya's from Salem. The Sniders have known each other all their lives, and were married in 1966 while Malcolm was attending Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif. He holds a B.A. degree in history, and has enough hours for medical school. "The decision to play football was entirely Malcolm's," comments Tanya. "He had been accepted for med school at the University of Oregon. Eugene, but he wanted to find if he could make it in pro ball." Wearing No. 67, he plays the position of guard with the Packers. Neither has ever regretted his decision, and they feel they have grown from the experience. Although it is a rather hectic life, Tanya believes the family adapts well; especially 5-year-old Matt. He has benefited from the opportunity to travel with his parents, makes friends easily, and has acquired respect for people, she comments. Even Duchess, the family's 3-year-old Newfoundland has no difficulty being on the move. "She travels everywhere with us," Tanya explains. "She rides planes in a box a size smaller than is used for a horse. She's so used to it now, that she just climbs in her box and goes to sleep." The Sniders are a very close family, like their families in Oregon. Tanya is an only child, so during training camp, she and Matt usually spend the time with her parents. And being the only grandchild, Matt enjoys every minute of it. Getting away from it all is a favorite pastime for the Sniders. They spent one summer living in Neskowan, a small town on the coast of Oregon. "It was so small, the business district consisted of one grocery store," recalls Tanya. "I don't know when we've had eight happier months." Although it was a time for relaxation, the Sniders did have plenty to keep them busy. They both did volunteer work with a group of "Teen Mothers." These were girls ranging in age from 13 to 17, both married and unmarried, with children. Malcolm's mother is affiliated with a school for the girls, sponsored by the YWCA, and Malcolm and Tanya helped out. Tanya, who attended the University of Oregon, would like to complete her education in the near future, and become involved in some phase of counseling. She is primarily interested in the problems of young adults. She has also taught swimming to a group of retarded children, and joined a volunteer program called "Project Escape," which is a type of in-practice counseling with various groups of underprivileged individuals. While in Green Bay, she hopes to find some volunteer work during the mornings while Matt is in school. The whole family enjoys outdoor activities. Skiing has always been a favorite, but since Tanya severely fractured her leg in a down-hill skiing accident, they confine themselves to cross-country skiing. "It is so much more relaxing to put on a pair of jeans and just go where you please," states the attractive blonde. "During one of our skiing-camping expeditions, we got marooned in our tent, and awoke to find the ground covered with 13 inches of new snow." Swimming is another favorite of the Sniders. Tanya and Matt took mother-tot swimming at the YWCA in Oregon, and Malcolm's mother has been a big influence on Matt's ability to swim. "As soon as Malcolm left for camp. we left for the pool," recalls Tanya. "In fact, a pool was one of the first things I looked for when we moved here." Matt is an excellent swimmer, but still needs watching, because like so many boys, he likes to take chances. Malcolm and Tanya visited Mexico for two weeks in 1970, and now Mexican food is part of their weekly menu. Chinese food is also a family favorite. And Tanya's homemade bread is a welcome treat for the men in the family. Tanya finds Green Bay incredible, including the football team. She is confident the Pack will go all the way this year. "It's an amazing team, backed by amazing fans," she emphasizes. "The enthusiasm is great, almost as if it's a personal matter." During the off season Malcolm spends most of his time with his family. Everything is shared 50-50, dishes included. Tanya feels they are an extremely lucky family, having six months to do whatever they wish. "I really love the life, the sport and the fun." The Sniders refrain from putting too much emphasis on the fact that Matt's dad is a Packer player. "He is just a normal little boy. He knows that his dad is number 67, but not really understanding what it all means," she reflects. "We want him to be proud because Malcolm is his father, not because he's a pro football player." Tanya is no women's lib advocate, but she does retain her own identity. Malcolm treats me as an equal. After all I've moved us across the U.S. twice and I'm proud of it." The emphasis is on the family in the Snider household. Being together comes first, especially during pressure situations. "Sharing pressures is what marriage is all about," Tanya points out. "We think about today."



Tanya Snider and son, Matt, enjoy outdoor fun with their pet Newfoundland, Duchess.