



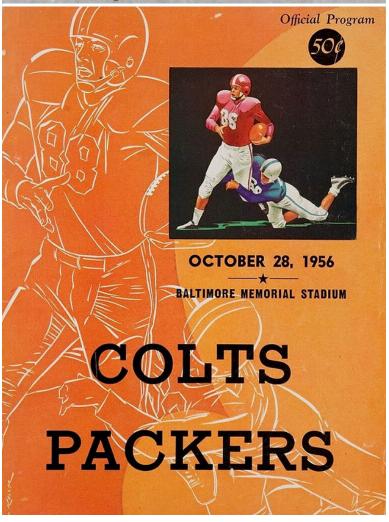
Baltimore Colts (2-3) 28, Green Bay Packers (2-3) 21 Sunday October 28th 1956 (at Baltimore)

Packers Slump in First Half, Lose to Colts 28-21

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(BALTIMORE) - The Packers made a brilliant bid to win a game with two quarters of all-out football before 40,086 in Memorial Stadium here Sunday afternoon. And they almost did it - until punt-receiving frustration set in! Other than a 66-yard scoring aerial from Tobin Rote to Billy Howton, that gave the Bays a 7-0 lead with 4:40 gone in the game, the Packers were docile with four yards rushing and just three first downs in the first two beats. The Colts ripped off a 21-point second frame for a 21-7 intermission margin but the Packers came to sparking life with seven in the third period and a tying touchdown early in the fourth frame. Thanks to a fumble by Alan Ameche and recovery by Bobby Dillon, the Packers were only 36 yards away from a lead TD with 10 precious minutes left. Then the big thorn in the Packer side this day - one Lenny Moore, a swift rookie halfback - bolted 79 yards to put the Colts away, 28-21, the final score. He ran 72 striped for the Colts' third touch and finished with 185 yards in 13 carries. That, in brief, tells the unhappy story but going hand in hand with the loss is the fact that the Packers had blown a chance to continue a three-team race in the Western division since both the Bears and Lions won Sunday. The Packers now have Baltimore for company in third place, each with 2-3 marks. Detroit leads with 5-0 and the Bears are second with 4-1. Green Bay's next opponent will be Cleveland in Milwaukee Sunday. This was a terrible shocker to Green Bay, which was seeking its third straight victory - a string that was started with a 38-33 verdict over these same Colts and a 42-17 slapping of the Los Angeles Rams. The Colts, who ended a two-game losing streak, did it the hard way. They were without their veteran quarterback, George Shaw, and their ace defensive back, Bert Rechichar. That's like taking Rote and Dillon out of the Packer lineup. But they still won with a rookie at quarterback,

Bays Gain Tie in 4th Period, Muff Point Bid



John Unitas, and a converted offensive back, Billy Vessels, at a defensive back. The Colts seemed to come out with a lot of fire and the 40,000 fans helped fan it with their tremendous cheering, especially in the first half and then again when the Bays missed going ahead in the fourth quarter. The Packers had an amazing total of 20 yards rushing all afternoon and what damage they did came in the air - Rote's 20 completions in 38 throws for 273 yards and two touchdown throws to Howton.

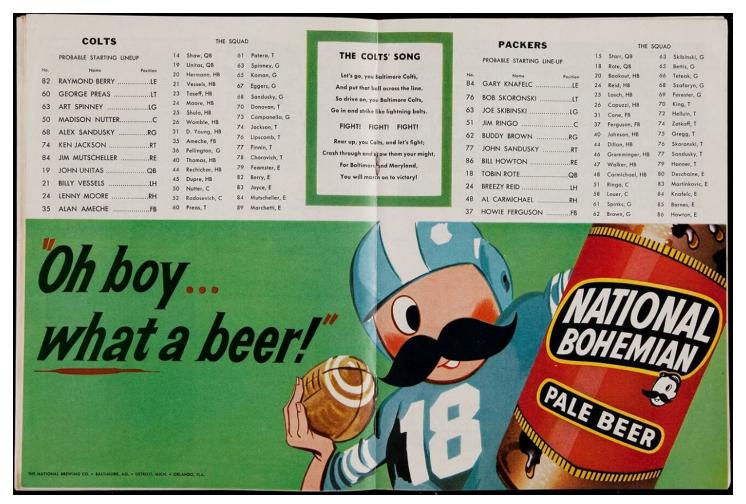
Unlike a week ago when everybody had a piece of the glory, just about everybody had a hunk of the misery. The offensive line was kicked around pretty good, with Rote being thrown for losses totaling 39 yards - mostly by Gino Marchetti, a wild man at defensive end. The receivers dropped a few, Rote overthrew a few and the ball carriers didn't get a lick of blocking. The top Bay ball carrier, Al Carmichael, had just nine yards. Fullback Howie Ferguson never had a chance, getting a one-yard total is six carries. The Bay defense gave up 318 yards rushing but in fairness to the unit 151 stripes came on Moore's two runs. Despite all of these difficulties, the Packers, juiced up during the intermission, seemed to have the Colts on the run early in the second half. They drove 74 yards in 11 plays for a touchdown and a 21-14 score and forced L.G. Dupre to punt from his own 11-yard line. Frustration started to set in at this point. The Colts punted three times but the Packers never got the ball for their own use. Dupre's first boot bounced on his own 41, hit Breezy Reid and the Colts recovered. Dupre was forced to punt again but the Colts were offside so the Pack made him punt again. This time Dupre's punt was fumbled by Al Carmichael on the Pack 23 and the Colts recovered. But the Colts still couldn't score, Tom Feamster missing a field goal from the 37. The whole frustrating business used up five or six valuable minutes and lost the Packers some 80 yards. Dillon gave the Packers two chances early in the fourth quarter. The first, a 46-yard runback of an interception, set up the tying touchdown, Rote throwing to Howton from seven yards. The second, recovery of Ameche's fumble, put the Pack on Baltimore's 36. Four plays later, Dick Deschaine had to punt from midfield and on the Colts' second play Moore went 79 for the touchdown. As a final "frustrator", the Packers drove deep into Colt territory - only to have Gary Knafelc drop a game-tying touchdown pass in the end zone. Actually, the Packers were victimized by the "long" ball - Moore's runs of 72 and 79 yards and Unitas' 43-

Punted!	Green Bay Scoring: Touchdowns— Howton 2 (66-yard Rote pass, 4:40 of first; 7-yard Rote pass, 1:45 of fourth), Rote (5 yard run, 8:25 of third). Ex- tra Points—Cone 3.
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	Baltimore Scoring: Touchdowns -
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Philadelphia 2 3 .400 64 97	of second), Berry (43-yard Unitas pass, 13:18 of second). Extra Points-
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Cleveland 1 4 .200 55 84	Officials: Referee — Tom Timlin; Umpire—Joe Crowley; Back Judge— Sam Giangreco; Head Linesman —
(Western Conference)	Warren Knight; Field Judge - Jim
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Los Angeles 1 4 .200 102 122	First downs passing 7 10 First downs by penalty 0 0 TOTAL FIRST DOWNS 16 14
San Francisco 1 4 .200 99 157 Sunday's Results	TOTAL FIRST DOWNS 16 14
BALTIMORE 28 GREEN BAY 21	1 ds. gained rushing (net) 318 20
Chicago Bears 38 San Francisco 21	TOTAL YDS. gained (net) 418 273
Detroit 16 Los Angeles 7 New York 20 Philadelphia 3 Pittaburgh 24 Cleveland 16	Forward passes attempted 16 38 Passed completed 8 20
Pittsburgh 24 Cleveland 16	Passes intercepted by 1 1
Washington 17 Chicago Cardinals 14 Next Sunday's Games	Yds. interceptions ret. by 23 42 Yards gained passing 128 292
GREEN BAY VS. CLEVELAND	Yds, lost attempt, passes 28 39
at Milwaukee.	Average distance 37 44
Chicago Bears at Los Angeles Detroit at San Francisco	Punts ret by (number) 5 1
New York at Pittsburgh	Kick offs ret, by (number) 4 4
Philadelphia at Chicago Cardinals Washington — Baltimore	Yds. kick offs ret. by 106 29 Penalties (number) 5 2
(not scheduled)	Yards penalized
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Ends-Knafele, Deschaine, Martin-	Individual Statistics:
kovic, Howton, Borden.	Rushing:
Tackles—Helluin, Skoronski, King, Hanner, Sandusky, Gregg. Guards—Skibinski, Szafaryn, Brown,	Green Bay — Carmichael gained 9 yards in 3 attempts, Rote 6 in 5, John-
Guards-Skibinski, Szafaryn, Brown,	yards in 3 attempts, Rote 6 in 5, Johnson 2 in 3, Reid 2 in 1, Ferguson 1 in 6.
Forester. Centers-Ringo, Lauer.	Baltimore-Moore gained 185 yards
Backs-Rote, Reid, Johnson, Grem- minger, Walker, Carmichael, Book-	in 13 attempts, Ameche 76 in 14, Du- pre 46 in 8, Unitas 8 in 3, Tassef 2 in 1,
out, Losch, Dillon, Capuzzi, Fer-	Womble 1 in 1.
guson, Cone.	Passing: Green Bay—Rote attempted 38, com-
BALTIMORE Marchall Muttachel	pleted 20 for 253 yards, 2 touch- downs, 1 intercepted.
Ends-Berry, Marchetti, Muttschel- ler, Joyce.	Baltimore - United attempted 18
Tackles-Preas, Donovan, Jackson,	completed 8 for 100 yards, 2 touch-
Tackles—Preas, Donovan, Jackson, Feamster, Finnin, Lipscomb. Guards—Spinney, Patera, Eggers,	downs, 1 intercepted. Pass reception:
Sandusky, Campanella, Koman. Centers—Nutter, Radosevich.	Green Bay—Ferguson caught 6 for 48 yards, Johnson 5 for 27, Carmichael
	3 for 93, Howton 3 for 82, Knafele 3
sef, Thomas, Moore, Womble, Nyers, Shula, Hermann, Ameche, Young,	for 42. Baltimore—Berry caught 3 for 70
Pellington.	Baltimore—Berry caught 3 for 70 yards, Mutscheller 2 for 18, Moore 1
Green Bay 7 6 7 7—21 Baltimore 6 21 6 7—28	for 27, Berry 1 for 7, Ameche 1 for 6.

yard pass to Jim Mutscheller. They put on only one sustained drive - an 11-play, 66-yard move to tie the score early in the second quarter. The Colts produced 418 yards, including 100 by passing, while the Packers had to settle for 273 - a far cry from their 498 against the Rams. The Colts had a slight edge in first downs, 16-14. The Packers got the first break of the game and scored with ease - probably with too much ease for their own mental good, with only 4:40 gone in the game. Roger Zatkoff recovered Moore's fumble on the Bay 37. Rote, making with the double fake handoff, hurled a strike to Howton on the 30 behind Thomas, and the fleet Bay end was home. Fred Cone made it 7-0.

COLTS DRIVE 66

Dupre and Deschaine exchanged punts after which the Colts moved to the 26, chiefly on runs by Dupre, Ameche and Unitas. Feamster stepped back on the 33 for a field goal try but Carl Taseff, holding the ball, ran to his left and just missed a first down by a yard on the second play of the second quarter. The Packers managed their third and last first down of the opening half on Rote's 17-yard throw to Knafelc but Johnson was thrown for losses of five and four yards and Deschaine went to punting. The Colts then put on their 66-yard TD drive, with Unitas completing four passes along the way, the last a seven-yarder to Mutscheller for the score. Feamster converted and it was 7-7. Another Deschaine punt and another Unitas touchdown pitch! On an 82-yard drive in five plays, Unitas hurled to Moore for 27 and then to Barry for 43 yards and the score, with Feamster making it 14-7. Deschaine had to punt again and two plays later Moore sped around right end and cut up field for 72 yards and a 21-7 edge on Feamster's point. The first play of the second half wasn't encouraging. Ameche went for 12 yards to the Colt 36 but Zatkoff nailed Unitas for a six-yard loss and the Colts had to punt.



HURLING UP MIDDLE

The Packers finally started to look like themselves as they went on a 74-yard scoring binge. The Colts concentrated on ends Howton and Knafelc, so Rote started hurling up the middle, hitting Carmichael for 13, Ferguson for three, Johnson for 12, Ferguson for 11, and Carmichael for 17 to the Colt 5 after Rote was thrown for an eight-yard loss. On the third down, Rote sneaked for the last five. Cone converted and it was 21-14 with 8:52 gone in the third session. After the punting frustration, leading to Feamster's wide field goal attempt, Rote hit Carmichael on a beautiful shot for 63 yards to the Colts' 20. Reid picked up two but Rote's throw was wide to Knafelc in the end zone. Rote had Ferguson free on the five but his third down toss was too high. The field goal team ran out on the field but Rote decided to go for the first down or a touchdown. His fourth down throw hit Howton square around the eight but Thomas tackled Howton just as the ball hit and it went loose for an incompletion. After Zatkoff hurled Ameche for a five-yard loss on the last play of the third quarter, Dillon intercepted Unitas' long throw nicely in front of Berry and returned 46 yards to the Colt 21. Rote passed to Ferguson for 14 to the seven, Ferguson gained nothing at left tackle, Knafelc dropped Rote's pass in the end zone. Cone's kick knotted the score with only 1:45 gone in the last quarter. The Packers had finally fought back into a new game and the picture looked especially nifty when Dillon recovered Ameche's fumble on the Colt 36. Rote sent Howton down into the end zone and the QB was tempted to run with a clear field ahead but threw on the run and the toss went high and incomplete.

SZAFARYN RECOVERS

Rote fumbled on the next play and Len Szafaryn recovered for a six-yard loss. On third down Marchetti downed Rote seven yards back. Deschaine had to punt, Taseff calling for a fair catch on the 18. Ameche gained three and then Moore put on his 79-yard run. It was a lucky shot since the Packers sent in two linebackers and most of the opposition was gone once he got through the line of scrimmage. Feamster's point made it 28-21 with 4:39 gone in the period. The Bays produced four first downs, with Rote completing six passes - three to Knafelc for 33 yards, two to Ferguson for nine and one to Johnson for eight - and sneaking for the first and fourth first downs. This put the Bays on the Colt 21 and a tie was in the offing. Rote was incomplete to Howton on the first play. Ferguson gained three at right tackle, Knafelc dropped Rote's throw in the end zone and Rote's fourth down pass to Knafelc went high. The Bays got their hands on the ball with 29 seconds left, but the Colts put five defensive backs on Bay receivers and Rote's third pass was intercepted by Thomas as the game ended.

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	GREEN BAY	BALTIMORE
First Downs	14	16
Rushing-Yards-TD	18-20-1	40-318-2
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	38-20-292-2-1	16-8-128-2-1
Sacked-Yards		
Net Passing Yards	253	100
Total Yards	273	418
Fumbles-lost	4-2	2-2
Turnovers	3	3
Yards penalized	2-10	5-35

SCORING

1st - GB - Bill Howton, 66-yard pass from Tobin Rote (Fred Cone kick) GREEN BAY 7-0

2nd - BALT - Jim Mutscheller, 7-yard pass from Johnny Unitas (Tom Feamster kick) TIED 7-7

2nd - BALT - Raymond Berry, 43-yard pass from Unitas (Feamster kick) BALTIMORE 14-7

2nd - BALT - Lenny Moore, 72-yard run (Feamster kick) BALTIMORE 21-7

3rd - GB - Rote, 5-yard run (Cone kick) BALTIMORE 21-14

4th - GB - Howton, 7-yard pass from Rote (Cone kick) TIED 21-21

4th - BALT - Moore, 79-yard run (Feamster kick) BALTIMORE 28-21

RUSHING

GREEN BAY - Al Carmichael 3-9, Tobin Rote 5-6 1 TD, Joe Johnson 3-2, Breezy Reid 1-2, Howie Ferguson 6-1

BALTIMORE - Lenny Moore 13-185 2 TD, Alan Ameche 14-76, L.G. Dupre 8-46, Johnny Unitas 3-8, Carl Taseff 1-2, Royce Womble 1-1

PASSING

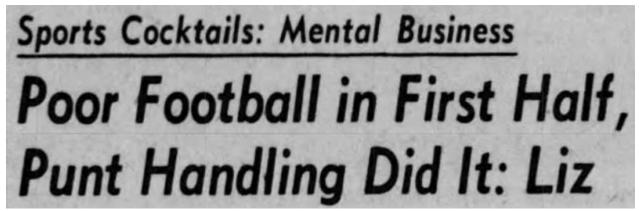
GREEN BAY - Tobin Rote 38-20-292 2 TD 1 INT

BALTIMORE - Johnny Unitas 16-8-128 2 TD 1 INT

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY - Howie Ferguson 6-48, Joe Johnson 5-27, Al Carmichael 3-93, Billy Howton 3-82 2 TD, Gary Knafelc 3-42

BALTIMORE - Raymond Berry 3-70 1 TD, Jim Mutscheller 2-18 1 TD, Lenny Moore 1-27, L.G. Dupre 1-7, Alan Ameche 1-6



POOR FOOTBALL IN FIRST HALF, PUNT HANDLING DID IT: LIZ

OCT 29 (Baltimore) - "Poor football in the first half and that punt handling in the third quarter ruined us," Packer coach Liz Blackbourn surveyed on the air trip home last night. "We lost 80 yards and five minutes when they (the Colts) got two of their own fumbles. We would have had the ball on their 41 on that first punt," Liz pointed out. The score was 21-14 at the time and the Packers seemed to be on their way. On L.G. Dupre's first punt, the bouncing ball hit Breezy Reid and Baltimore recovered. A penalty nullified Dupre's second punt but Carmichael fumbled his third and the Colts had possession on the Packer 23. "We can't give the ball away like that and expect to win," Liz said, adding: "But our blocking was terrible on rushing; guess we had only 20 yards. Maybe it's just too much work for them to block. It makes me mad all over again just to think of it." Liz was deeply disappointed and that's putting it mildly. The players, at least in the North Central plane we were on (two NC planes carried the team to and from Baltimore), were muttering and cussing to themselves most of the way. "We had so many chances," quarterback Tobin Rote said. Asked if he considered running with a clear field ahead when the Bays had possession on the Colt 36 and the score tied, Rote pointed out: "Normally, I'd run instinctively but I suppose I had my knee in the back of my mid. I never actually gave my knee a thought at the moment because Billy was



The "little bull" of Wisconsin's "hard rock" team of 1951, Deral Teteak, will be at line backer for the Green Bay Packers when they meet the Cleveland Browns in their National Football league game at County Stadium Sunday afternoon. Teteak calls Green Bay's defensive signals when he is in the rame.

behind the defense. I was forced out of the pocket and threw while running and the ball rolled off my thumb. That's why it was a bad pass. But I could have made 15 or 20 yards by running." This was a darned unfortunate piece of irony for Tobin. The powerful-hitting quarterback hurt his knee on a play he could have been broken in two against the Rams. Remember? The Pack had the ball deep in Ram territory with third and one to go. Rote called a pass, figuring to pick up the yard on fourth down if the pass failed. The Ram defense shifted to Rote's play but it was too late to convert on the line of scrimmage. Rote took the snap, while the Packers went through their pass catching maneuvers, and busted into the line for the yard. Actually, Rote did it without blocking because the guards moved some to block for a pass. That's how Rote hurt his knee and it was the start of a mental "protection" for the knee - a back-ofthe-mind thing that led up to his natural decision on the one play against the Colts. Speaking about



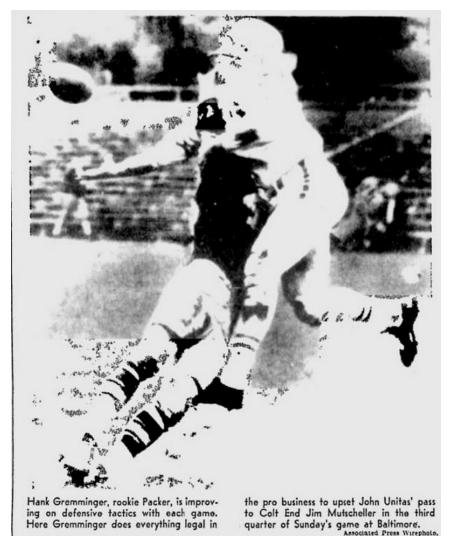
The hottest catcher in pro football is Bill Howton, Green Bay Packers end. In five National Football league games, the former Rice institute star has caught 25 passes for 556 yards and seven touchdowns. He will be out to add to his league leading totals against the defending champion Cleveland Browns at County Stadium Sunday afternoon. The kick-off will be at 1:05.

mental business, the Colts pulled something of that sort by holding off the announcement of quarterback George Shaw's "retirement" for four weeks with an injury until Saturday noon. For the Pack, it's like the boxer who goes into a ring all keyed up to meet the star but at the last minute there's a substitution. There is bound to be some letdown and the Pack suffered it in the first half going behind 21-7. Maybe for a "hungry" team like the Pack that shouldn't happen, but it did. The Bays snapped back with gusto in the second half but the sins of the first half were too much to overcome. Baltimore coach Weeb Ewbank was highly impressed with the performance of Billy Vessels on defense. "He went far beyond our expectations," Weeb pointed, also explaining that Packers' 66-yard scoring pass in the first quarter: "We just got fouled up over there. That was the first time this year anybody has scored on a p ass on us on that side." Ewbank gave credit to his two lines: "That's what won for us, putting pressure on Rote and not letting their backs run. But their passing attack almost beat us."

COLTS SHOW BIG RECOVERY

OCT 29 (Baltimore) - The Colts rebounded like champions yesterday in the Stadium as they came from behind to beat the Green Bay Packers. They went into yesterday's contest with a three-game losing streak, and within five minutes of action in the opening period it looked as if they might absorb their fourth loss in a row. The crowd - 40,086 strong - as Green Bay struck so early in the game. A long pass, Rote to Howton, a 66-yard play, gave the Packers an early advantage they held throughout the first quarter. And then the tide turned, and the surprisingly large crowd bubbled over enthusiasm as the Colts struck three times in the second period for 21 points, and took a lead they held until the final quarter when Green Bay tied it at 21-all. The Colts finally out over a clincher. It was nip and tuck, however, and right up the final moments of play you never could tell...Except for a weakness against Rote's forward passing, the Colts were magnificent on defense. In the first half, for instance, the Colts rushed the ball for 174 yards. The Packers were held to four...Lenny Moore played his greatest game for the Colts. The rookie provided the spark in the Colts backfield, and the Packers found him in their hair all afternoon...Dr. Milton Eisenhower, president of the John Hopkins University, beamed as Moore galloped up and down the gridiron like an antelope. The guest of Carroll Rosenbloom, the leading owner of the Colts, Dr. Eisenhower had a "rooting interest" in Moore. "It's no wonder Dr. Eisenhower is rooting for Lenny," a fan remarked. "He practically raised him." Moore starred for Penn State while Dr. Eisenhower served as president of the university...The scoring punch of the Colts would not have been possible without expert blocking. The blocking was the best the Colts have shown all season, and a bit of razzle-dazzle in the attack all added up to a thrilling afternoon. One block by Alan Ameche was a masterpiece...The game

was played in perfect football weather, and the size of the crowd no doubt was greatly aided by the warm afternoon. Pregame predictions placed the crowd at 35,000, but a late sale at the gate boosted the figure over the 40,000 mark...The fans were pent up and hungry for victory. They showed their displeasure when a couple of close calls were made against their Colts. A fan walked on the field late in the game as if to rebuke one of the officials but he was hustled off before any contact was made. In the second period, a borderline forward pass was allowed the Packers when Rote heaved to Knafelc near the sideline stripe. The official ruled the catch was made before the player stepped out of bounds. The fans insisted Knafelc caught the ball as he stepped across the line. The crowd booed so loud the game was stopped until they calmed down. From the writer's press-box seat, it looked as if the forward pass was legitimate...The Colts Ellinger Associates, Charles chairman, arranged a fine show before the game and during the intermission between the halves. One of the features was provided by the Air Force drill team, composed of 24 airmen. Each member of the team is a volunteer. They practice precision marching at least three hours a day. The men are generally selected for the team after completing basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York. The team, which has won national acclaim for its precision



marching, is stationed at Bolling Air Force Base near Washington...The Colts, with a record for the season near the halfway mark of two victories and three defeats, will be idle next Sunday. The schedule originally called for the Redskins to meet the Colts here this weekend but the date was changed because of an arrangement between the Navy and Park Board forbidding the playing of a game a few days before or after a contest booked here by the Annapolis team. Navy plays Notre Dame here Saturday afternoon...The Colts, by far the biggest attraction this town every had week after week, are about to become the beneficiary of one concession. It is understood they will be permitted to practice in the Stadium. Until now, they have been forced to work out on an uneven field at Pikesville...The next game for the Colts will be played with the Browns in Cleveland a week from Sunday...Lisle Blackbourn, coach of Green Bay, said the Colts had the desire, That was the big difference. Explaining why his team stopped the Colt rushing game in the third period, Blackbourn said: "We made a few small changes but nothing important. In the third period we wanted to play football. That, plus the fact that the Colts might have been tired from so much running were the reasons for our short success." Blackbourn also said the turning point of the game was the two kicks fumbled by the Packers in the third period. "We were beginning to roll," said Blackbourn, "and those two fumbled punts ruined our chances."

Packers Must Earn 3-3 Record Against Cleveland

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PACKERS MUST EARN 3-3 RECORD AGAINST CLEVELAND

OCT 30 (Green Bay) - The Packers reach the halfway mark in 1956 NFL firing against the Cleveland Browns in Milwaukee County stadium Sunday afternoon. And if the Bays expect to get an even break in six games, they'll have to earn it since their record now stands at 2-3. A year ago, the Packers didn't earn a 3-3 mark. They had 3-2 going into the halfway battle and lost to something that has grown into a jinx - namely, Baltimore, 14-10. Two years ago, the Bays had 2-3 going into "midfield" and fashioned an even break by blasting Philadelphia 37-14. The Packers muffed a beautiful chance to stay within two games of the leading Detroit Lions and one behind the Chicago Bears by losing 28-21 at Baltimore Sunday. Detroit, with 5-0, now leads the Packers, who are tied in third place with Baltimore, by three games and the Bears, with 4-1, are two games ahead of our men. The Packers are hoping the Bears and Lions run into trouble on the west coast Sunday. The Bays will have to do more than "hope" in Milwaukee Sunday; they'll have to beat the Browns. It's a must game, for sure, but the Bays have done right well in the must department in the Braves' ballyard. They opened there this year with an 0-2 record and promptly busted Baltimore. The following Sunday there they wrecked the Los Angeles Rams for 3-2. The Browns are an unusual team this year for the simple reason that they're in last place in the Eastern Division with a 1-4 record. They lost their opener to the Chicago Cardinals, beat the Pittsburgh Steelers, and then lost three straight, including a 24-16 decision to Pittsburgh last Sunday. The Browns, they say in Eastern division circles, are conspicuous by the absence of Otto Graham, their talented quarterback who led 'em to 4 consecutive titles in the old All-America conference and 6 straight division crowns, including three world honors, in the National League. George Ratterman started out QB'ing the Browns this season but suffered a leg injury that may keep him out for the rest of the year. Babe Parilli, the former Packer, now is handling the Brownie offense, with Tommy O'Connell, the former Bear, as his aide. The Browns are the lowest scoring team in the league, with 55 points in five games (the Packers counted 138), but Cleveland still has retained its rugged defense, allowing only 85 marks against the Packers' 135 permissions...Packer coach Liz Blackbourn called off the usual Tueaday morning classroom work today to permit the athletes more time for treatment. Trainer Bud Jorgenson had plenty of action Monday and this morning working on a number of injured players. The usual bumps and bruises were worse than usual and two athletes came in with leg injuries - Billy Howton and Howie Ferguson. Also under Jorgenson's care were Len Szafaryn, Bill Forester, Tom Bettis, Val Joe Walker, Billy Bookout, Roger Zatkoff and Dave Hanner. Tobin Rote's knee also came up sore. Some of the hurts undoubtedly resulted from the Colts' fiery tackling and blocking. Ironically, the Packers put the Colts in an injured condition during the Milwaukee showing - with the same kind of fiery blocking and tackling. The Bays were to start shaking some of the misery in the first outdoor workout this afternoon. Blackbourn and his aides used the spare time this morning viewing pictures and finishing up strategy for the Brown

THREE DISTURBANCES AND TWO 'SOOTHERS' IN PACKER-COLT GO

OCT 30 (Green Bay) - There were three disturbing factors in Sunday's Packer-Colt game - and two soothing items. The disturbances: (1) The Packers' 20 yards rushing; (2) the weak first half; and (3) the Colts' rushing total of 312 yards. The soothers: (1) The Packers' passing game; and (2) the determined second half comeback. Since we lost, let's take the disturbings first. The Packers made those 20 yards in 18 attempts, which measures out to an average of 1.1 yards per carry. This is a "slight" indication that Bay carriers didn't get much blocking - inside or just outside the tackles or around the ends. Packer backs may not be the swiftest in the league, but, man, can you imagine just 20 stripes in four quarters. Bay rushers made only four yards on the ground in the first half the Colts made 174, a difference of 170. Five players made up the Packers' suicide rushing squadron Sunday and all five should get an emblem of some sort of bravery in action. They either had to run smack into a flock of Colts or stumble and jump over dumped-over blockers. Al Carmichael carried three times for nine yards; Tobin Rote five for six; Joe Johnson three for two; Breezy Reid one for two; and Howie Ferguson six for one. Coach Liz Blackbourn couldn't believe his eyes when the final figures came out and later sizzled with meaning: "Maybe it's too much work to block." Weak first half? In the Packers' three losses thus far (20-16 to Detroit, 37-21 to the Bears and 28-21 to Baltimore), the Packers scored a total of 24 points in the three first halves three on Detroit, 14 on the Bears and seven on Baltimore. The Bear first half can be tossed out because the Packers gave it a full offensive go. But against Detroit, the Bays made three first downs

Packer Halfback Joe Johnson almost gets away in the first quarter Sunday at Baltimore. But Colt Guard Doug Eggers brought

him down a split second after this photo was taken. The Colt at left (77) is Tom Finnin.



in the first two quarters; they picked up the same number against the Colts. The Colts' rushing? The total, 312, sounds awful but Lenny Moore gained 151 himself on his touchdown runs of 72 and 79 yards. With Moore's runs, the Colts averaged 7.9 on the ground on 40 carries; without the runs, the Colts averaged 4.3 on 38 trips. The 4.3 is just fairly respectable but, shucks, what good is it when Moore breaks your back on two runs! Baltimore tried 58 offensive plays; the Packers 56. Pretty even there. Each team hammered at each other's weakness, the Colts rushing 40 times and the Packers passing 38 times. The Colts settled for 18 throws, including seven completions in 10 attempts in the first half for rookie John Unitas, and the Packers ran 18 times...SOMETHING SOOTHING: Packers' aerial game produced 253 yards net (it would have been 292 but Rote was tossed back for losses totaling 39 yards). Rote's pitching worked despite the fact that the Colts put two saddles on Billy Howton and two on Gary Knafelc. This left the short middle and deep center open, which resulted in Ferguson catching six, Johnson five and Carmichael three - or 14 of the 20 completions. This indicated considerable flexibility on the part of the Bays' air game certainly one of the most dangerous in the league. Also, the Packers performed this air magic despite the fact that Rote was dumped for losses on five occasions. The second half comeback proved that the Packers can get off the floor. They produced a "new" game at 21-up after a 21-7 deficit at halftime!

TOO MUCH PASSING? LIZ WANTS MORE

OCT 30 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - It's apparent the Packers believe Tobin Rote's passing is the only way to beat the opposition. The ground strategy has been tossed out the window. Against the Colts in Baltimore Sunday, Green Bay used 39 pass plays and 18 running plays. By contrast, the Colts ran the ball 40 times and passed 18 times. Rote actually had an "off" day, completing 20 of 38 passes for 292 yards and two touchdowns. The "off" day was tagged on when Tob overthrew on several scoring chances. But can the Packers expect to stay in contention on Rote's arm alone? Twenty yards rushing and only one yard by fullback Howie Ferguson hardly makes the opposition's defense honest. When asked Monday about the pass-happy Packer offense, Coach Liz Blackbourn said, "Why shouldn't we

pass? We've got one of the best in Rote and five capable receivers to mix up the defense. I think we ran with the ball too much against the Colts." Statistics show that any one of five Packer targets were good Rote targets. Bill Howton caught three passes for 82 yards and two touchdowns. Al Carmichael snared three for 93, Ferguson six for 48, Gary Knafelc three

for 42 and Joe Johnson five for 27. Baltimore, like every other Packer foe, knew Rote was the man to stop. Tob was give the roughest rush of the season, especially by Gino Marchetti, and lost 39 yards attempting to pass. Lenny Moore's touchdown runs of 72 and 79 yards were the difference on the scoreboard, although more than 40,000 Baltimore rooters sighed with relief when Rote's last scoring strike was intercepted by Jesse Thomas to end the game. "We were using a full 'red dog' (linebackers rushing the passer) when Moore got away," Blackbourn pointed out. "Teteak had a chance to get him but his foot slipped on a soft spot of the field and down he went. Martinkovic just missed Moore as he fell over another man. And that's the way it goes - you've got to be lucky in this game, too." Blackbourn was bitter about accidental mistakes on two punts which gave the Colts 57 yards in five minutes after they had been stopped deep in their own territory in the third quarter. "They were awfully lucky," Liz said. "On that first pint, Reid went over to block and the ball took a crazy hop and hit his leg." (Dick Nyers fell on the ball and the Colts gained 30 yards on the play.) "That second one - Carmichael was letting it go out of bounds."

MORABITO SAYS HE'LL TRY TO GET BERT BELL FIRED

OCT 30 (San Francisco) - Tony Morabito, co-owner of the San Francisco 49ers, today said he would try to get Bert Bell, the NFL commissioner, fired when the league meets in January. After the 49ers lost 38-21 to the Chicago Bears Sunday, Morabito called Bell an "incompetent dictator." The 49ers owner was incensed about the officiating, although he said the Bears were a superior team. In Philadelphia, Bell told the San Francisco Chronicle, "The only way in the book to fire me is for moral turpitude, and it would cost \$400,000 to buy up my contract."

MOOD, AIR GAME POINT TO PACKER WIN VS. CLEVELAND

OCT 31 (Green Bay) - It is most difficult to forget and bury the Packers' 28-21 loss to Baltimore last Sunday. The Packers are still hashing it over after yesterday's



practice and the comments can't be recorded properly in a family newspaper - and that goes from Coach Liz Blackbourn on down! What makes the whole business hurt is that the Bays figure they've got a better team than the Colts, with or without George Shaw, the Baltimore quarterback who didn't play Sunday. They felt the same way a year ago but the Colts won twice - the difference between a 6-6 record and an 8-4 finish. Sunday's loss put a 2-3 drape on the Packers and put them in a fierce mood for the Cleveland Brown game in Milwaukee Sunday. This take-it-out-on-somebody feeling and a continuation of the Bays' sparkling air game could turn the trick Sunday, and thus put the Bays back in the running with 3-3. And it could do wonders for the Packers' rushing attack, which was held to 20 yards at Baltimore. Green Bay's aerial potential popped up in the NFL statistics, which included Gary Knafelc for the first time this season. The string-beaner ranks seventh among the league's top pass catchers with 15 catches for 190 yards and five touchdowns. Billy Howton remained as the league's leading catcher with 25 snatches for 598 yards and seven touchdowns. Howton, tops in yards and TDs, is three catches ahead of the Chicago Bears' Harlon Hill and the New York Giants' Frank Gifford...INTERCEPTION LOW: Tobin Rote, the Packers' pitchingest quarterback in history, dropped from seventh to eight place in the standings which are based on average yards gained per pass attempt, but the husky Texan tops the circuit in attempts (135), completions (65), yards (970), and touchdown passes (11). His interception figure (3) is extremely low considering the number of times he has thrown. Rote has had only one pass intercepted in his last three games - that coming the last 10

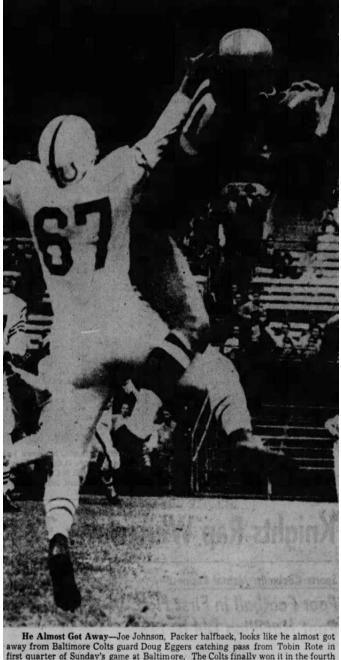
seconds Sunday when the Colts put five defensive backs deep. Rote has pitched to seven different Packer receivers. Besides Howton and Knafelc, who caught 40 passes between 'em, Joe Johnson has snared 11 for 97 yards, Howie Ferguson 9 for 66, Al Carmichael 7 for 106, Breezy Reid 4 for 16, and Jack Losch 1 for 8. Losch also has thrown one pass - and completed it for 63 yards to Howton for a touchdown in the victory over the Rams. The Packers have one other leader in the field of passing. That would be Bobby Dillon, the Packers' deft defensive back, who grabbed one on Baltimore and returned it 42 yards to give him five interceptions for 171 yards. Five players are tied in second place with four steals each, including Don Paul and Ken Konz of the Browns. They returned the eight interceptions a total of 114 yards. Cleveland players are missing from offensive figures, but, of course, the Browns' real strength to date defense - shows up in the interception figures. Cleveland has allowed only 88 points in five games, and has scored only 55, including a safety. The Browns undoubtedly expect to find their offensive against the Packers who has permitted totals of 16, 37, 33, 17 and 28 in their last five games for a 2-3 standing. The Browns, who are certainly due to start counting, have produced totals of 7, 14, 9, 9 and 16 points for a 1-4 reading... Speaking of scoring, the Packers' composite counting by quarters is interesting. Offensively, the Packers counted 69 points in the first halves of their first five games - and 69 in the second halves. Defensively, the Packers tightened in the final halves, permitting 54 marks against 81 in the opening halves. Here are the quarter totals:

GREEN BAY - 28 41 34 35 - 138 OPPONENTS - 26 55 20 34 - 135

If the Packers were permitted to smoke in the dressing room, the air would be blue with smoke. Two members of the team became proud fathers last night – Tom Bettis and Dave Hanner. Bettis welcomed the first, a daughter, into the household and Hanner received No. 2, also a daughter, to go with his Junior. Both mothers and daughters – and fathers, are doing fine.

ROTE MOST FEARED OB

OCT 31 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - So you think Tobin Rote is getting too pass-happy. Well, if you were following pro football in 1940 you would recall a flipper who would have made Rote



away from Baltimore Colts guard Doug Eggers catching pass from Tobin Rote in first quarter of Sunday's game at Baltimore. The Colts finally won it in the fourth quarter, 28-21. (AP Photofax)

look downright conservative. Little Davey O'Brien of the Eagles uncorked 60 passes against the Redskins one cold December Sunday in 1940 - an all-time NFL record. he completed 33 and had none intercepted. It's true Rote has thrown more than any other Packer, and that includes such talented gents as Arnie Herber and Cecil Isbell. In fact, Tob holds the league mark for 382 passes attempted during the '54 season - he completed 180. Rote's 39 heaves against the Colts Sunday was by no means his passingest best. He tossed 42 against the Bears two years ago, completed only 17 and the Packers lost, 28-23. He's a dangerous passer, that Rote, the most feared man in pro ball now that Otto Graham has finally called it quits. Coach Weeb Ewbank of the Colts was the first to admit that after winning Sunday. The Packer passer can kill 'em with the long ones - his second pass of the Colt game sailed 26 yards right into Bill Howton's mitts with the greatest of ease for a 63 yard touchdown. And he can rifle short ones to five different receivers with monotonous success. Opposition has found an all-out rush is the only way to stop the long ones and foes realize that Rote has incredible ability chucking the shorter variety even though he's rushed off his feet. Very seldom are his pitches intercepted. Now that Liz Blackbourn is going to shoot the works offensively with Rote, the Packer air game could very likely soar beyond league expectations.

BLACKBOURN SEES FILMS, GIVES BROWNS A RATING

OCT 31 (Milwaukee Journal) - Cleveland's record notwithstanding, Lisle Blackbourn, Green Bay coach, said Tuesday, "There is nothing wrong with the Browns at all - they're just not winning." Blackbourn had just finished looking at the movies of Cleveland's game with Washington two weeks ago under the arrangement by which teams exchange films. The

Here Are Some Browns Whom Packers Must Watch in Game at Stadium Sunday



Packers will meet the Browns, defending league champions, at County Stadium Sunday at 1:05 p.m. "Cleveland is still a great team defensively," Blackbourn said. "This is just one of those years when nothing works and nothing goes right. They are a lot better than most of the other teams in their division, not matter what the record says." The Browns, who have never lost a division championship since Paul Brown organized them to play in the now defunct All-America Conference in 1946, have won one game and lost four this season. They stand three games behind New York and the Chicago Cardinals in the Eastern Division. "The Browns," Blackbourn said, "could explode any time and not lose another game the rest of the season. I just hope it doesn't start against us." Cleveland's lack of punch with the retirement of Otto Graham was mentioned. Babe Parilli, former Green Bay quarterback who was traded to the Browns while in the service, has taken over with George Ratterman sidelined for the season with a knee injury. "Parilli's passing real good," Blackbourn said. "Just look at the statistics. Their quarterbacks have been getting real good protection, too, from what our movies show. They've got the runners - Modzelewski and Morrison and this rookie Preston Carpenter. It's just that they get down in there and a fumble or a penalty or some other bad break stops 'em." Blackbourn was asked if he planned any changes in the Green Bay lineup after last Sunday's 28-21 defeat at Baltimore. "How could I, even if I wanted to?" the coach asked. "I've got 33 men and 15 of them are injured. They took a real physical going over in Baltimore. I hope we can get most of them ready in time for the Browns. We'll need them all."

Browns Not Complaining Over Misfortunes

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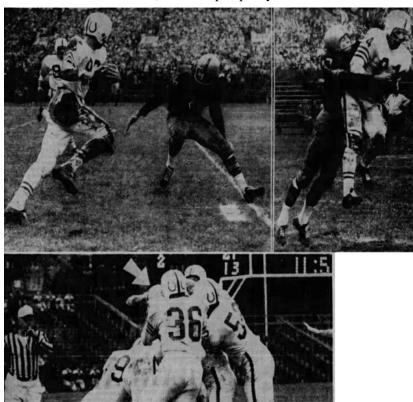
NOV 1 (Green Bay) - What's with the Cleveland Browns? How's Babe Parilli doing? How about Art Hunter? And Paul Brown? Harold Sauerbrei, the Browns' publicity chief, gave all the answers and then some today in the process of booming Sunday's Packer-Brown game in Milwaukee County stadium. Let 'er rip Mr. Sauerbrei: "Everything has happened to us. We believe it's a little more than the loss of Otto Graham. We've been weak in the offensive line because of injuries. Lou Groza hasn't been right all season but he's okay now. Abe Gibron has a leg injury. It's been a battle of inches so far for us. We could have a 5-0 record or a 0-5 record. All of the games were close. We lost to the Cardinals in the last 25 seconds (9-7). Interceptions hurt us last Sunday against Pittsburgh. We led 13-0 in the first three minutes. Then a blocked field goal and two interceptions in our territory gave them the touchdowns. And a fumble set up their field goal. We're not complaining; we've had a lot of good breaks down through the years. Paul (Brown, head coach) has stood up very well under the defeats because he knows we'll be all right. We haven't given up on Babe Parilli by any means. He had no football

during his two years in service and he's been on the spot learning a new system. He's also been under pressure because he was advertised as the successor to Otto. We'll continue to go with Parilli and we're sure he'll do the job. Last Sunday was the first time he handled an entire game himself. Our new quarterback, Tommy O'Connell, will also be ready. Art Hunter joined us recently but he didn't play against Pittsburgh last Sunday. He played a game in Japan 10 days before he reported. He may play at defensive end or offensive tackle Sunday. We didn't expect him until next year. The coach plans to make an offensive center out of his next year. Art's weight is down to 225 from 245. Three rookies made our club this year – Preston Carpenter, a halfback on offense, and two on defense, Galen Fiss, a right linebacker, and Junior Wren at right safety. Fiss and Wren were both pleasant surprises and we weren't counting on either one. Wren was drafted in 1952, but he received a \$25,000 bonus to sign as a pitcher in the White Sox farm. He was with Memphis. He figured he might not make the majors in baseball so decided to try football. Fiss had been in the Air Force three years. Carpenter has looked good and has beaten Fred Morrison out of a starting job. Ed Modzelewski is still our fullback and leads the clubs with 208 yards rushing. Carpenter is next with 177. "Other than Graham and the three rookies, our lineup is pretty much the same as in the

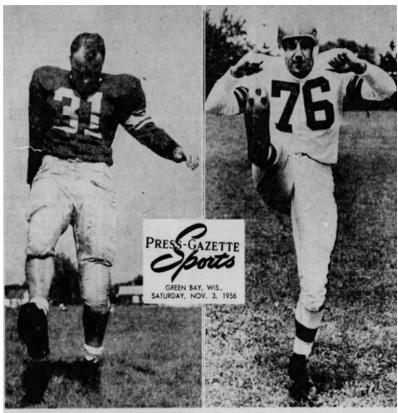
past. Bob Gain has been shifted around some and Sunday will start at defensive end instead of Carlton Massey. That's about it. See you Sunday."...Each club will have four "ex's" in their lineups – former Browns John Sandusky, Jerry Helluin, Don King and Joe Skibinski and former Packers Walt Michaels, Gain, Hunter and Parilli, although Gain never played here. Gain was the Packers' first draft choice in '51, Parilli in 1952-53, and Hunter in '54. Sunday's game will be the first league action against their former teammates for Parilli, Hunter, Sandusky and King. The key figures are Parilli, who will go against the entire Packer defense, and Sandusky, who will tangle with the defensive left end (Massey or Gain) and possibly John Kissell...The Packers sharpened up in practice Wednesday as the cripples started to "uncrippled" and the athletes buried the 28-21 loss to Baltimore. It was full speed ahead as Coach Liz Blackbourn sent the squads through a concentrated defensive workout designed to stop Parilli's passing and the Browns' running game. Parilli presents a problem in that he's an excellent faker – similar to the Los Angeles Rams' Bill Wade. The squad is generally rounding into better physical condition. The Colts' fierce play battered a number of Bays, although two of the hurtees, Billy Howton and Howie Ferguson, came up with ankle hurts – the result of the loose and water-softened turf in Baltimore Memorial Stadium.

VAL JOE WALKER'S LOSS HURT ON COLTS' TWO QUICK TDS

NOV 1 (Green Bay) - The Packer-Colt game never



ceases to amaze. Joe Fan is kicking it around and Packer coach Liz Blackbourn is like a fan in that respect. He talked about the 28-21 loss at the Quarterback club meeting last night and made an interesting comment on that first half: "We were outfought in the first half; yet, they (the Colts) didn't take a lead until the last two minutes of the half." The Colts went in front 14-7 with 1:42 left and made it 21-7 with just 23 seconds left on Lenny Moore's 72-yard run on a reverse. Liz tied in Baltimore's success on the two quick TDs with the loss of Val Joe Walker, the Bays' veteran defensive back who was injured but returned in the second half. "We missed his work on Unitas' pass (43 yards) to Berry for the lead touchdown and his sharp tackling on Moore's run," Liz pointed out. "Actually, we overstopped that reverse of Moore's. Billy Bookout, Roger Zatkoff and Nate Borden were waiting for Moore who ran wide on a similar play against us in Milwaukee. But Moore cut sharply and went up the middle and three possible tacklers were eliminated." A quarterbacker wanted to know what changes were made at the half. "We decided to shoot our linebackers more and, of course, that's a gamble. But we had to gamble with the score 21-7 against us. We shot our linebackers on Moore's second run and might have stopped the play



Two Toes—Two of the top field goal and extra point kickers in the majors will be in action on the same field when the Packers battle the Cleveland Browns in Milwaukee County stadium Sunday afternoon—Fred Cone (left), the Packers' veteran fullback and kicker who led the league last year with 16 field goals in 24 attempts and the Browns' Lou (The Toe) Groza. Cone hit on two out of four field goal tries this season while Groza connected on fuve out of 10. Kickoff is set for 105.

cold but Deral Teteak slipped and fell (the turf was loose and water soaked from two days of rain) on John Martinkovic, enabling Moore to break into the clear." Jim Ringo, the Packers' battlin' center, was honored as the most valuable in the Baltimore game and received a wrist watch from the Fairmont Food people. It was a fitting honor for Ringo who rarely gets a tumble for his ready work. Bernard Darling, president of the Packer Alumni Assn., who served as toastmaster, answered questions on playing games in Milwaukee and/or Green Bay. He said the Packer executive committee would seriously consider producing four league games for Green Bay if fans filled the new stadium - "and, of course, our present stadium for three." He said the attendance at the Packers' 1956 final here against San Francisco Nov. 18 would have some bearing on the Packer executive committee's thinking on the matter of adding an extra game here. He said he was in hopes the game would be a sellout.

OFFICIATING IN NFL BASED ON TEAM STANDING

NOV 1 (New York) - Whether officiating in the NFL is good or bad apparently depends on a team's position in the standings. A check of club officials showed that for the most part the coaches and owners of teams with poor records condemn the officiating while those with

title chances see nothing wrong with the way the rules are being administered. It all started with Tony Morabito, owner of the San Francisco 49ers, expressing dissatisfaction with the officiating after his club lost to the Chicago Bears 38-21 Sunday for their fourth setback in five games. Morabito said he would try to get Commissioner Bert Bell fired when the league meets in January...JOINED BY BROWNS: And then Morabito was joined by Coach Paul Brown, whose Cleveland Browns have dropped 4 of their 5 games. "It isn't only Tony," said Brown. "There is a general feeling around the league that the officiating has to be improved. The thing that irks Tony is that you can't do anything about it. But something has to be done, and I think Bert Bell himself agrees that something must be done." To which Bell replied: "The officials are doing a great job. They have 50 or 60 judgment plays a game and naturally everyone doesn't see them the same way. We have the best officials around. I don't say they don't sometimes make mistakes. We all do. But they do a great job in a tough situation." Lining up with Bell in the argument were officials of the Chicago Cardinals and New York Giants, whose 4-1 record gives them a tie for first place in the Eastern Conference...'MAKING AN EFFORT': Coach Joe Kuharich of the Washington Redskins, 2-3, said he was "sure that Bell and the owners are making an effort to get and assign the best men available." General Manager Tex Schramm and coach Sid Gillman of the Los Angeles Rams (1-4) said "we fell there should be a continuing program to survey the work of the officials with an eye to improving the officiating." Walter Kiesling, coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers (2-3), said there have been times this season when he thought the officiating was bad, "and at other times I thought it was good." Coach Liz Blackbourn of the Green Bay Packers said "I have no comment on the officiating and never have had." The Green Bay coach said "matters such as this can be handled more effectively in the league meeting."

PARILLI BACK AS PACKER FOE

NOV 1 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Babe Parilli, the ex-Green Bay quarterback who will be wearing the uniform of the enemy when the Packers collide with the Browns at the Stadium Sunday, is being counted on as the man who will carry the Browns in the future. Parilli made his first start in a league game for the Browns last Sunday and Coach Paul Brown expressed himself as being pleased with the Babe's performance though the Browns went down to a 24-16 defeat after getting away to a fast 13-0 lead in the first three minutes of play. "We are happy with what we saw of him," Brown commented, "and he'll be back on the job against the Packers Sunday. He is still the man we are looking to as the successor to Otto Graham." Parilli was given the key job with the Browns rather unexpectedly two weeks ago when George Ratterman was injured early in the Browns' game at Washington. Ratterman suffered a badly wrenched knee that will keep him on the sidelines for at least a month and possibly for the season. It had been the hope of the Browns to bring Parilli along slowly. The Browns, after 10 years in which they never finished out of first place in a division title race, come to Milwaukee on rather shaky ground insofar as chances of staying on top are concerned. They carry a 1-4 record into Sunday's game and occupy the

unfamiliar position of last place in the NFL's Eastern Division. The Browns, with 10 of their 33-man squad past the 30-year old mark, definitely face a rebuilding job, but still are not considered to be a pushover for any rival. The team still has three members of the original Browns of 1946 in tackle Lou Groza, end Dante Lavelli and center Frank Gatski, all member of the offensive line. But some rookie talent also has been worked into the starting offensive and defensive lineups. One of the bright new stars is Preston Carpenter, the No. 1 draft choice from Arkansas. A brother of Lew Carpenter, who put in two seasons with the Detroit Lions before entering the service, Preston has nudged Curly Morrison out of the right halfback position. Preston now ranks second to fullback Ed Modzelewski in yards gained rushing with 177 on 38 carries for a 4.7 average. Two rookies have taken over regular defensive assignments. Lowe Wren, Jr., of Missouri, at right safety, and Galen Fiss, of Kansas, at right linebacker. Wren was a surprise arrival in the Browns' training camp last July, giving up a promising baseball career to try pro football. Wren was in the White Sox training camp last spring and won eight and lost three for Memphis of the Southern Association in 1955. The Browns, who will be making their second appearance in Milwaukee, will arrive by charter airplane Saturday morning and hold a workout at the Stadium in the afternoon. In their last game here they defeated the Packers, 27-0, in 1953. The Packers defeated the Browns, 21-20, in a preseason game this year in Cleveland.

CALM IN THE STORM - BLACKBOURN WON'T SQUABBLE OVER OFFICIALS

NOV 1 (Milwaukee Journal) - Lisle Blackbourn, Green Bay Packers coach, said Thursday, "I have no comment on officiating and never have had," when he was asked about criticism made by other NFL teams. "Matters such as this," Blackbourn said, "can be handled more effectively in the league meeting." Tony Morabito, co-owner of the San Francisco



Former Packer—Babe Parilli, a Packer quarterback in 1952-53, will make his first league appearance for the Cleveland Browns against the Packers in Milwaukee County stadium Sunday afternoon. Parilli shared the quarterbacking with veteran Tobin Rote in his two seasons here and then was traded to Cleveland after entering service in August of '53.

49ers, was the first to take picks on the officials. Then Paul Browns, whose Cleveland Browns will meet the Packers at County Stadium here Sunday afternoon, said, "It isn't only Tony. There is a general feeling around the league that the officiating has to be improved. The thing that irks Tony is that you can't do anything about it. But something has to be done, and I think Bert Bell (Commissioner) himself agrees that something must be done."...The Browns Thursday added Jim Ray Smith, former Baylor tackle, to their roster. He has been in the Army. He played defensive end with them in an all-star game and in exhibitions when he was on leave...POROUS DEFENSE: Green Bay's defense did not look any better Thursday when league statistics came out and showed the Packers' opponents have gained 1.970 yards, high total in the league. San Francisco is second most generous. The 49ers' foes have gained 1,959. Green Bay's line has permitted 1,130 yards on the ground; San Francisco's 1,023...The Chicago Bears lead in yards gained with 2,064. Detroit, only undefeated team, is second with 1,894. Green Bay has gained 1,563 yards. Cleveland, fallen on evil days, ranks second to last with 1,184 yards. Only Philadelphia, with 1,141, has gained fewer yards...Cleveland's pass defense still ranks among the league's best. The Browns have permitted their opponents to complete 45 passes and have intercepted 10...NO DISTANCE: The Browns' quarterbacks, the injured George Ratterman and Vito (Babe) Parilli, former Packer, have completed 60.4% of their passes. The trouble is, Cleveland has gained only 535 yards on 55 completions. By comparison, Green Bay (mostly Tobin Rote) has completed 71 passes (47.3%) and has netted 1,002 yards...Center Jim Ringo was named "player of the week" among the Packers for his blocking against the Colts at Baltimore last Sunday. He received a watch.

Pack, Cards Fight for Bonus Choice Nov. 26

PACK, CARDS FIGHT FOR BONUS CHOICE NOV. 26

NOV 2 (Green Bay) - The Packers and Chicago Cardinals will "fight" it out for the bonus choice Monday Nov. 26 in Philadelphia – six days before the two clubs battle it out in a league game in Chicago Dec. 2. Commissioner Bert Bell announced from his headquarters in Philly today that the drawing out of a hat for the bonus choice will take place immediately before the league's second annual November preliminary draft. The Packers and Cards are the only teams left in the bonus drawing...MAY HAVE FIFTH ROUND: The first four rounds will be considered at the November session – one more than a year ago when the league held its first "early" draft. Bell said Thursday a fifth round will be held if the member clubs vote unanimously for it. The balance of the 30-round draft will be held at the annual meeting of the league in January. The November meeting, Bell said, will be open to press, radio and television – an innovation since the 1955 November session was closed. Though coach Liz Blackbourn and aides have been busy with the task of guiding the Packers' fortunes on the field, administrative assistant and scout Jack Vainisi has been busy with the draft. The country's top 30 or 40 players already have been contacted and most of them have indicated their willingness to play pro football. A number of prospects have been scouted by assistant coach Earl Klapstein and Packer "bird dogs" throughout the country...MARSHALL RAPS IDEA: George Preston Marshall, owner of the Washington Redskins, today labeled as "unnecessary and foolish" a move by the NFL to schedule an early draft meeting again this year. It was announced Thursday that the professional league will conduct its bonus draw and the first four rounds of its annual draft at Philadelphia Nov. 26. Marshall said NFL coaches "are too busy trying to win



Newcomer — The Cleveland Browns' only key rookie on offense is Preston Carpenter of Arkansas, above. He'll start at left halfback against the Packers in Milwaukee County stadium Sunday afternoon. Carpenter, who beat out veteran Fred Morrison, is the club's No. 2 ground gainer behind Ed Modzelewski.

football games to prepare this early for the drafting of players for next season." The NFL, as it did last year, scheduled the early drawing in hopes of getting the jump on Canadian professional football teams in signing outstanding senior college stars. The move also was designed to avoid possible litigation with Canadian teams over signings. Marshall, however, scoffed at these motives. He said "we have so many players available that Canada is no longer a problem to us. Canadian competition is the only excuse given for this early draft meeting and in my opinion we shouldn't predicate our actions on anything Canada does or doesn't do." Marshall said, "It is obvious that coaches and owners can prepare a better draft list after they've seen boys perform in various bowl games and have personally scouted players in such contests."

22 AIR YARDS? THAT'S BROWN DEFENSE!

NOV 2 (Green Bay) - The Packers gained 20 yards rushing on the Baltimore Colts last Sunday and lost 28-21! The Packers gained 22 yards passing on the Cleveland Browns in Cleveland Browns in Cleveland a year ago and lost 41-10! How do you figure that? You don't, unless you want to get chased by a white-coated man with a net. The 20 and 22 totals do point up, however, the respective defenses of the Colts and Browns – not to mention opposite deficiencies on the part of the Packers in these two games. The Colt game can be discarded for the year – unless they happen to tie the Packers for first place, forcing a playoff – because the two clubs already have finished their scheduled two-game series. The Eastern division Browns may be different offensively without Otto Graham, but their defense – and that's what held the Packers to 22 yards passing and 139 yards rushing last year – hasn't undergone such a radical change. The defensive unit does have a couple of rookies, linebacker Galen Fiss and safetyman Junior Wren, but opponents still have a dickens of a time trying to score. In the first five games in '55, the Brown defenders allowed 71 points. They gave up 88 in the first five this season – not much difference. How did the Browns hold Green Bay down to 22 yards in the air a year go? They just pulverized the Packers' offensive line and forced Tobin Rote to pass from all sorts of angles, including the prone position. It got so bad that Coach Liz Blackbourn could send only two receivers downfield; the rest had to stay back and help give Rote a chance to pass. The Packers wound up with six pass completions in 22 attempts – two to Billy Howton for 19 yards, two to Al Carmichael for 14, and two to the departed Veryl Switzer for nine yards. Don't give up the ship, folks! The Colts tried the same thing last Sunday, rushing the bejabbers out of Rote, but Tobin still managed to complete 20 passes in 38 attempts for 253 yards. While the Packers had little success with rushing against the Colts, you can bet your last bus chip the Packers haven't



decided to quit on this ancient method of advancing the ball. The 100-odd spectators at yesterday's practice must have realized this as the Packers polished up their offense. The Browns don't have a "super" rushing defensive average. Their foes nicked them an average of 4.5 yards per rush, compared to the Colts' 4.2. Defensive averages can tell fibs, though, because the Packers had one of their best rushing days, 156 yards, against Los Angeles which has one of the two best defenses against rushing in the league – 3.6. New York has 3.4...The Browns will return their guard-messenger system Sunday experimenting with radio and halfbacks. Coach Paul Brown will alternate Harold Bradley and Herschel Forester on every play, sending in all of the maneuvers to quarterback Babe Parilli. Brown used the system for the past 10 years and switched last year in favor of the radio gimmick. When the league ruled that out, he tried halfbacks for one game – in the 23-16 loss to Pittsburgh. The guard system means that the Packers' Bill Forester won't be tangling with brother Herschel on every play. Bill lines up across from one of the guards on most plays...The impending duel between Rote and Parilli brings to mind the work of the two pitchers when they were Packer teammates in 1952-53. Rote finished second in passing in the league in '52 with a per-pass average of 8.08 yards, losing the title to the Rams' Norm Van Brocklin by a hair in the last game of the season, and Parilli was third with 8.0. Rote attempted 157 passes and completed 82 for a percentage of 52.2, 1,268 yards and 13 touchdowns. Parilli attempted 177 and completed 77 for 43.5, 1,416 yards and 13 touchdowns. Rote was low in the

league with eight interceptions; Parilli had 17. In 1953, Rote placed 13th in the league and Parilli 16th. Rote attempted 185 and completed 72 for 1,005 yards, five touchdowns and 15 interceptions. Parilli attempted 166 and completed 74 for 830 yards, four touchdowns and 19 interceptions. Rote averaged 5.43; Parilli 5.0. Both QB's liked to rush – and they still do. Rote ran 58 times in 1952 for 313 yards and an average of 5.4, while Parilli ran 32 times for 106 yards and 3.3. In 1953, Rote gained 180 yards in 33 attempts for 5.5; Parilli 171 in 42 attempts for 4.1.

STADIUM COST ESTIMATE CUT TO \$939,200

NOV 2 (Green Bay) - Green Bay's effort for a new municipal stadium was back on an optimistic track today with an estimate that the job can be done for \$939,200, or \$20,800 under the bonding limit. The estimate was presented to the special Councilcitizen stadium committee Thursday night by architect John Somerville. The committee wrote a letter of recommendation for the Nov. 7 Council session that Somerville be authorized to prepare construction plans for bidding. At its last session, the committee received plans and estimates which totaled \$35,000 more than the \$960,000 bond issue authorized in a referendum last April. Somerville told the committee the lower estimate was made possible by cutting back the number of permanent seats to 20.734, making changes in the press box and auxiliary buildings under the stands, and eliminating a storm sewer at the top of the earth portion of the stadium bowl for a single drainage system at the bottom of the stands on the playing field...PLANS ARE PRAISED: "I've gone over these plans very carefully and I would like to say, as far as the Packers are concerned, they will make us a wonderful home," Fred Leicht, Packer Corp. representative on the committee, said in making the motion to be sent to the Council. Alternate bids will be asked for 24,000 permanent seats as called for in the original drawings. Somerville was hopeful the extra 4,000 seats would be possible because of the remaining \$20,800 under the bond issue, probable other costs under estimates, and a probable saving in the bowl shaping project. The city itself is doing the earth work, which is nearing the bottom of the required excavation. Mayor Otto Rachals said it was quite possible the project would total less than a \$70,000 estimate. Against the possible total from the above sources, Somerville said total savings for the "shift" from 4,000 permanent seats to 4,000 more bleacher seats would be \$37,000...CHANGES IN DESIGN: The major changes in design to reach the lower estimate will be in the press box and in auxiliary buildings under the permanent east and west stands. The planned team rooms behind the south end zone bleachers will remain almost the same as in previous plans. The three auxiliary buildings under each stand planned previously will be combined into one

building, each with 3,024 square feet. These buildings will house toilets, ticket offices, storage space and television control equipment. The buildings will be constructed of concrete blocks rather than outer brick walls in original plans. Somerville said the redesign will eliminate plumbing fixtures for 15,000 persons over stadium capacity but that the buildings will be designed to allow expansion if the stadium is ever enlarged. Four concession booths will be under each stand, about half the previous number, but these facilities too will be expandable...ESTIMATE DECREASED: The estimate for the auxiliary buildings is now \$103,000, compared with \$141,000 previously, and the concession stands total is \$11,400, compared with \$22,500 in plans last week. The redesigned press box was estimated at \$40,000, about half the cost of the first one planned. The major saving resulted from dropping plans to have the press box resting on its own supports behind the stands on the Ridge Road side of the stadium and to have a separate stairway to the press box from behind the stands. The press box will now rest on 14 feet at the top of the stands with entrances at the sides atop the stands. It will be a two-level structure, with 64 feet of frontage on each level, but expandable by one more level and outward 24 feet on each side. Original plans were for a press box of one or two levels, expandable to three, with 110 feet of frontage on each level. The City Stadium press box is 90 feet long. Somerville gave these category estimates in his new total: Bowl shaping earthwork, \$70,000; 20,734 permanent seat stands, \$490,000; auxiliary buildings under the stands, \$103,000; press box, \$40,000; concession stands, \$11,400; team building, \$47,500; and four inches of top soil on playing field and seeding, \$2,500. This would total \$764,400. The architect fee of \$45,800 for this work would bring the construction total to \$810,200. The cost of 11,260 bleacher seats, half behind each end zone, was estimated at \$129,000 to bring the total to \$939,200. Target dates are to have the construction plans drawn by Dec. 1 to make possible the opening of bids around Jan. 1.

BROWNS' GUARDS UNIQUE

NOV 2 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - With the advent of radio-controlled football early this season, now temporarily outlawed by the NFL, there was danger that one of two offensive right guards would be on limited duty with Cleveland's Browns, who are unique in that they regularly employ two men at that position. But when the Browns make their second appearance in



HAROLD BRADLEY (left) and HERSCHEL FORESTER

Milwaukee since entering the NFL, facing the Packers in County Stadium Sunday afternoon, Herschel Forester and Harold Bradley again will be rotating every play. They are used in this way to form a messenger unit from Coach Paul Brown to his quarterback, Brown calling all the offensive signals. Bradley is in his third season on this assignment and Forester his second. Both are in their third seasons of professional football, having joined the Browns in 1954 following military duty. In that rookie season, Bradley alternated with Chuck Noll on the messenger assignment, while Forester say out most of the year. While both Bradley and Forester have the physiques needed to play on a pro team's offensive line, they need more than that for the unique service they render to the Browns. They both are intelligent young men and intelligence is a prime requisite in this assignment. They not only carry in the number of the play to be run, but also relay the type of

blocking to be used and special instructions to individuals, particularly to the ends and halfbacks on pass patterns to be followed. "The job," Brown explains, "is one that requires a good memory." Bradley long ago demonstrated that he would have the capacity for a difficult assignment. He is one of the league's most unique performers. Away from football, Bradley is an artist and critics who have studied his work in the one-man shows he conducts in Cleveland at the close of each football season label him one of the most promising young artists in the country today. While Bradley was signed by the Browns as a free agent while playing service football on a West Coast Navy team, Forester was acquired in a trade, the one in which the Browns sent 10 players to Baltimore four years ago in exchange for five of the Colts. Forester is a brother of Bill Forester of the Packer's defensive line. A personable young man, Herschel played his college football at Southern Methodist and got in a season with the Hamilton Field Air Force eleven, captaining the 1953 team which won nine of 10 games.

AGE, INJURIES, BREAKS HUMBLE HAUGHTY BROWNS

NOV 2 (Milwaukee Journal) - What, Coach Paul Brown was asked, is wrong with the Browns? Had the retirement of quarterback Otto Graham immediately reduced the Cleveland Browns, proud NFL kings, into something like the late St. Louis Browns? Brown, who will bring his fallen but still-fighting champions to town to meet the Green Bay Packers at County Stadium Sunday, paused for a moment before he answered. "Now I'm not saying we don't miss Otto, because we do," he said. "But there are other reasons. It certainly is not wholly because George (Ratterman) and Babe (Parilli) have not done the job at quarterback. They've done all right most of the time, I'd say. The big thing is that we're a year older. And at our age, that means a lot. We have 10 men 30 or older. They are still good football players, but not quire what they were." Brown was referring to offensive starters Dante Lavelli, end; Lou Groza, tackle; Abe Gibron, guard, and Frank Gatski, center; Horace Gillom, punter and part-time offensive end, and defensive starters Lenny Ford, end; Don Colo and John Kissell, tackles, and Don Paul and Warren Lehr; halfbacks. Gatski and Gillom are 34, Lavelli is 33, Groza, Kissell and Lahr are 32 and Gibron, Ford, Colo and Paul 30. Lavelli, Gatski and Groza are in their 11th pro years, all with the Browns. They

were charter members when Brown organized the team in the now-defunct All-American Conference. For them, losing is almost unknown. They won the league championship every season in the All-American. Since they joined the NFL in 1950 they have won the Eastern Division championship every year and the league title in 1950, 1954 and 1955. Nor is Coach Brown in all of his career, high school, college or pro, acquainted with losing. The only time one of his teams finished in the red in 27 years was when his 1943 "boy scouts" at Ohio State won three and lost six. That was a makeshift lineup. Most of this players were in the service. In the pros, the worst the Browns ever did was lost four games in a season - in 1952, when their 8-4 record won the division title anyway. They have lost that many games already this year - in five starts. And Brown and the Browns had never lost as many as three games in a row before Pittsburgh hung a third straight licking on them in Cleveland last Sunday, 24-16. "Well," Brown said, from his unaccustomed cellar seat, "they all are enjoying beating us, but we're not done at all. We'll still spoil it for some teams this year and we still aren't out of it ourselves by any means. We've got a good football team and we'll show 'em." The Browns have scored only 55 points in five games, low in the league. How about that? "Age is a factor in our offensive line," Brown said. "Also mistakes - fumbles, penalties, missed signals. They seem to cost us more than in any other season. It's fantastic. The football takes funny bounces sometimes, but it shouldn't bounce against us all the time." An opposing coach said recently, "Age is



slowing (the Browns) down and, with it, they no longer have the ability to bounce back from the bruising play of pro football." Was this true? "Well, we've had more injuries than usual," Brown said. "Groza"s back has bothered him all fall; Lavelli has had a pulled leg muscle; Gibron got a slash in his nose last Sunday which required seven stitches and also has had a leg injury; (Harold) Bradley (one of the messenger boy guards) had a rib injury. Yes, perhaps they aren't recovering as fast." And what are the other factors? "For one," Brown said, "the way the other teams have been able to move and control the ball against our defense, and for another, our relatively poor luck in the draft recently. We've given up only 88 points, but that is misleading. The other team has had the ball too much - about 8 to 10 plays a game more than we have. They get in close and if they don't get a touchdown, they get a field goal. They've thrown only 84 times against us and have run the ball 214 times. That's what they think of our defensive line, now. It once was different - as recently as last year. We have only one boy from last winter's draft who made the squad, Preston Carpenter, the halfback. He was our first choice and a good one. But you've got to get more than that. We've got two rookies, Galen Fiss and Lowe Wren, in our defensive backfield, but they were drafted in 1952." What kind of job is Vito (Babe) Parilli, the former Packer, doing? "He lost a lot of his sharpness in the service," Brown said, "but he's getting it back gradually. We're not worried about how good he will be. It's only that he's not quite back to his former standards right now. And we need our quarterback to be at his very best."

PACKERS BID FOR NEW LIFE IN RACE AGAINST BROWNS

NOV 3 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers will be out to grab undisputed possession of third place in the Western conference and another life in the championship race when they tangle with the Cleveland Browns in County Stadium Sunday afternoon. A victory would give the Bays a 3-3 record at the halfway mark of the 1956 NFL season, thus breaking a tie with the Baltimore Colts (2-3), who will be idle tomorrow. The Bays will be going for their third straight triumph in the Braves' ballyard (they beat the Colts and Los Angeles here) and a friendly crowd of around 30,000 - with good weather - will be on hand to give the Packers some verbal support. Kickoff is set for 1:05. The Packers presently are at the crossroads of the '56 campaign. They lost their first two and then ripped back to win the next pair. Just when the Bays seemed to be on their merry way, they were black-jacked from behind by the Colts last Sunday 28-21. The loss at Baltimore was a bitter blow but the Bays snapped out of it at mid-week and promptly caught Brown fever - just the "heat" they needed to help cure a flock of injuries and put 'em in a good frame of mind for a tough battle. Tomorrow's contest rates as something

of a tossup, although either team could be favored by a point or two come kickoff time. The Browns are in a strange position since the Eastern Division standing show them with a 1-4 record. For a team with six straight Eastern titles under its belt, that's quite rare. The Packers will have the opportunity to hand the Browns No. 5 and thus put 'em out of the championship bracket for the first time since Coach Paul Brown organized them back in '46. The engagement shapes up as a battle between the Packers' 138-point offense (five games) and the Browns' 88-point defense. Contrast this with the Packers' 135-point defense and the Browns' 55-point offense, and you can see considerable balance. The offenses of the two clubs will be in hands of two former quarterback teammates - the Packers' Tobin Rote and Babe Parilli of the Browns, who shared the Bay QB'ing in 1952-53, although Parilli will have the plays called for him by the Browns' coach. Rote played his two best games of the current season here and he'll be going for No. 3. This will be Parilli's first league game against the Packers. Tobin will have to be at his best Sunday since the Browns are toughest where the Packers are strong. That would be pass defense and passing, respectively, meaning that Rote and his two ace receivers, Billy Howton and Gary Knafelc, will get their severest tests. The Colts put ropes around Howton and Knafelc and Rote had success pitching to Howie Ferguson, Joe Johnson and Al Carmichael; the Browns are aware of this. The key to the Packers' chances may be an improved rushing game. It's a sure bet the Bays will gain more than 20 yards - their total on the ground vs. Baltimore, but it will be up to the

Bays' offensive line which gave Rote little passing protection and opened few holes for rushers in Baltimore. In fact, the only change Coach Liz Blackbourn plans for his starting offensive team will be in the front line. Rookie Forrest Gregg will open at right guard in place of Len Szafaryn and veteran Buddy Brown, normally a right guard, will shift to left guard to replace Joe Skibinski. Both Szafaryn and Skibinski are recovering from injuries but will be ready to play. The Bay offensive right tackle, John Sandusky, might bear watching. He'll be opposing his former teammates for the first time in a league battle. Joining Sandusky in the Former Brown club are Skibinski, Jerry Helluin and Don King. The Browns also have four former Packers - Parilli, Art Hunter, Walt Michaels and Bob Gain, who never actually played as a Packer but was the club's top draft pick in '53. Parilli and Hunter also are No. 1 choices. Defensively, the Packers must solve what is expected to be a souped-up Brown offense, meaning Parilli's passing to Dante Lavelli, Darrell Brewster, Ray Renfro and others and the rushing of Preston Carpenter, Fred Morrison, Ed Modzelewski and Renfro. That's the Packer-Brown story - and it's another "must" job for the Packers. The Bays are staying at the Astor Hotel tonight while the Browns are headquartered at the nearby Pfister. The Packers will return to Green Bay on the 8:12 North Western Sunday night.

GRAHAM IN MILWAUKEE - TO SELL; 'BROWN CAN COME ALIVE ANYTIME,' PAUL

NOV 3 (Milwaukee) - Otto Graham's in town, but fortunately for the Green Bay Packers, he's here to sell television sets, not throw footballs for the Cleveland Browns. The Packers, tied with Baltimore for third place in the NFL's Western Conference, play the basement-dwelling Browns of the Eastern Conference at County Stadium Sunday. No doubt Coach Paul Brown, who couldn't talk Otto out of retirement two years in a row, wishes the peerless passer still was in the Browns' backfield instead of on a personal appearance tour for a television manufacturer. The defending world champions just haven't been the same without him. Brown himself was quick to admit Friday that the Browns miss Graham, but he added, "The big thing is that we're a year older." "And at our age," he continued, "that means a lot. We have 10 men 30 years or older. They are

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HOWTON'S RECORDS EYED BY HUTSON

NOV 3 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Bill Howton, the NFL's leading pass receiver, is well on his way to surpassing several of his own top achievements and will be out to continue the drive when the Packers clash with the Cleveland Browns at the Stadium Sunday, the Packers' third and final game of the year here. With five games played, Howton has caught 25 of the Packers' aerials and they have added up to 398 yards and seven touchdowns. Harlon Hill, the Bears' fine receiver and the

Giants' Frank Gifford are close behind in total receptions with 22 each. Howton is in a class by himself in total yards. Hill's total catches yielding only 466 and placing him second. Howton's best season with the Packers was in his rookie year in 1952. Fresh out of Rice Institute, Howton caught 53 for 1,231 yards and 13 touchdowns. The yardage total is a Packer record, even topping Don Huston's best year. With the season now only reaching the halfway point, it is, then, conceivable that Howton will break all those marks and perhaps wipe out another of the fabulous Huston's standards on the way. In his last Milwaukee appearance two weeks ago, Howton erased the second of the great Hutson's records, his receptions that day against the Rams being good for 257 yards, 20 in excess of Don's best one-day production total established against the Brooklyn Dodgers 13 years ago. Howton will be only one of two aerial threats facing the Browns Sunday. Gary Knafelc, the end opposite Howton, has speared 15 pitches for 190 yards and five touchdowns. Together the pair has accounted for 12 of the 19 touchdowns the Packers have made this year, a good reason for the Browns to have made a bid to bolster their air defenses this week. The Browns' for the last few years, have posted the No. 1 pass defense record in pro football. They were doing very well in this operation again this year until last Sunday when little Ted Marchibroda of Pittsburgh picked the secondary apart to lead the Steelers to a 24-16 verdict. In Tobin Rote, the Packers have a quarterback capable of doing the same type of job. The two quarterbacks play similar games. Both like to run the ball and are difficult to contain. It could add up to a big afternoon for Howton as he strives to close in on both his own and Hutson's records.

Packers Bid for New Life in Race Against Browns



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Dear Paul:

The Green Bay Packers and the Chicago Cardinals are the two remaining clubs eligible for the 1957 bonus choice. Inasmuch as we are eligible for this selection, we have placed you at the top of our preferred list. We have followed your college career very closely and feel that you are an outstanding professional football prospect.

One of the most important questions we would like answered at this time is whether or not you are definitely interested in playing professional football upon completion of your college career and if drafted by the Green Bay Packers, would you be in favor of joining our organization? We would also like to know what your service status is and whether or not you will be able to play any professional ball prior to entering service, should this be the case.

Paul, it is imperative that we get your own personal thoughts in connection with this matter, and you and you alone can determine the answer. One of the most important attributes of a successful professional player is personal desire.

I note that we do not have a completed questionnaire from you. Would you kindly complete the enclosed form and return it to this office together with your reply.

Looking forward to receiving a favorable reply from you at your earliest convenience and hope that we have not caused you any inconvenience with this request.

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