

Chicago Bears (5-2) 24, Green Bay Packers (1-5-1) 10 Sunday November 9th 1958 (at Chicago)

### Bays Show Improvement But Lose, 24-10, to Bears

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

**Muff Early** Chances To Score NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE Eastern Conference OP w Cleveland 0 202 152 115 New York 150 Pittsburgh Washington 156 183 Chicago Cards Philadelphia Western Conference OP WLT Baltimere Chicago Bears 217 152 Los Angeles 175 San Francisco 0 GREEN BAY Sunday's Results New York 24, Baltimore 21. Detroit 30, Cleveland 10. Washington 45, Chicago Cards 31. Chicago Bears 24, Green Bay 24. Los Angeles 56, San Francisco 7. Next Sunday's Schedule New York at Pittsburgh, Cleveland at Washington, San Francisco at Detroit. Los Angeles at Green Bay. Baltimore at Chicago Bears. Chicago Cards at Philadelphia.

(CHICAGO) - The Packers proved here Sunday that they're really not as bad as that 56 to 0 lacing in Baltimore. But they still lost - this time a 24 to 10 decision to the Chicago Bears. The Packers played 60 minutes of rock and sock football and that was heartwarming compared to the part-time effort in Coltville. The loss was a bit on the heartbreaking side because the Bays seemed so close to taking charge early - and yet so far. The Packers held the high-scoring Bears to their lowest point total this season and the Bruins had to scrounge for 14 of those marks - getting seven by recovering a Bart Starr fumble in the Packer end zone and setting up seven by intercepting a Starr pass deep in Bay territory. The Bears' other TD came on a 64-yard run by workhorse Rick Casares. The low-scoring Packers now face another high-scoring team - the colorful Los Angeles Rams, in Green Bay next Sunday. The Ram blasted San Francisco, 56-7, yesterday. The Packers just couldn't score against the Bears - enough, that is. They counted on a 45-yard field goal by Paul Hornung in the first quarter and on Jim Taylor's plunge in the fourth frame.

#### **MUFF CHANCES**

Green Bay might have grabbed a 10-0 or even a 17-0 lead in the first period as they got into position for four scores on a 50-yard punt return by Al Carmichael and by recovering two Bear fumbles and intercepting a pass. The Bays lost one touchdown after a fumble recovery when Len Ford dropped a Starr pass in the end zone off a faked field goal. But the Bays couldn't capitalize on those early breaks in the face of the tough Bruin defensive line and linebacker Bill George, who was in the Packer backfield most of the afternoon. After the first frame, the Packer offense never really moved until the last eight minutes of the game when Babe Parilli and Joe Johnson worked a 61-yard aerial play to set up the only Packer touchdown. Johnson, on the active list for the first time after injured Gary Knafelc was removed, was 12 yards away from revenge from the same spot he lost a touchdown on an official's decision a year ago.

#### 14 BEAR PENALTIES

The officials, by the way, had a field day calling 19 infractions for 206 yards on both clubs, and those don't include another 40 yards in refused penalties. Bears Coach George Halas assisted the officials with his yelling and motioning from the sidelines. There was an odd instance typifying the Halas-officials arguments that have been ranging in enemy camps around the league. George pointed violently when Al Romine tackled Bar Bob Jewett as he caught a pass. An official standing a yard or so from Halas and a good 20 yards from the play quickly slammed down his penalty hat, while another official viewing the play from only five yards away never called an infraction. Ah, but this game was in Wrigley field and it was stuffed with 48,424 fans. However, the Bears were nicked for 14 of the 19 penalties in the bruising battle. The Bay defense was a tough nut and certainly bore no resemblance to the same group that suffered in Baltimore. The unit had plenty of fiber and kept the pressure on despite the offense's inability to move. The Bears, for instance, got only nine yards passing in the

first half and added 80 in the second. The major defensive problem was Casares, who reeled off 113 of the Bears' 273 yards by rushing. Big Rick also caught three passes for 55 yards and joined George in having "best days." The game's four defensive tackles, Bill Bishop and Fred Williams of the Bears and the Packers' J.D. Kimmel and Dave Hanner, were equally tough and the defensive difference was George. The Bays had no linebacker to match his work, although Bettis wasn't budging anything up the middle.

#### **FERGUSON HURT**

The Packers went yardless by rushing in the second half as the Bears broke through to tackle the passers for losses. The Bays lost 50 yards attempting to pass, most of it in the second half. Starr lost 16 yards trying to pass on the first two plays of the second half. Green Bay suffered a tough loss to its offense when Blaster Howie Ferguson, who also does a good job of blocking for the passer, injured his shoulder on the Bays' first offensive play of the game. He was finished for the day. Both teams were stymied by penalties just after the opening kickoff, forcing punts by Zeke Bratkowski and Max McGee, who finished with a 47-yard punting average. Carmichael took Bratkowski's punt and sailed 50 yards down the Packer sideline to the Bear 15. A third down personal foul penalty put the ball back to the 32 but on the new third down, Starr passed seven yards to Jim Shanley. Hornung's field goal from the 32 was good but a Packer personal foul ruined that and McGee punted.

#### **JESSE STEALS PASS**

The Packers were in business right quick when Jesse

Whittenton intercepted a pass right out of Harlon Hill's hands on the Bear 26. After Shanley gained four yards in two tries and a pass went incomplete, Hornung tried a field goal from the 31, but Doug Atkins blocked it and Anderson recovered. Again the Bays got the ball back. On the first Bear play, Hanner recovered Caroline's fumble on the Bear 28. The Bays missed a first down by two yards after Starr's 5-yard pass to Steve Meilinger and three yards in two trips, so Hornung tried another field goal. Starr, holding for the kicker, leaped up and hurled a perfect pass to Ford who broken away all by himself in the end zone. But he dropped it. Once more: This time Whittenton and Bobby Dillon juggled and handed off Morris' fumble, Jesse finally recovering on the Bear 41. Starr raced up the middle to the 26 but losses totaling 12 yards on rushes by Hornung and Starr forced Hornung to try another field goal - this from the 45. The long boot cleared the bar with plenty to spare and the Packers were finally on the board at 14:18 of the first period. The Bears got their break from the officials (via Halas) a moment later when Romine was called for interfering with Jewett early in the second period. The Packer defense, slightly teed off, took the ball on downs on the Packer 20.

#### JOHNSON INTERCEPTS

Green Bay made two first downs on four running plays, 16 yards by Hornung, three by Starr and four by Shanley, but a flock of penalties stopped up the bid and Johnson ended it by intercepting Starr's pass. The Bears then scored in six running plays from the Packer 25. Willie Galimore, appearing only briefly, and Casares did the moving, with Galimore going the last five for a 7-3 edge at halftime. The start of the second half was little different. George hit McIlhenny for a 5-yard loss and Starr lost 11. After an exchange of punts, the Bears scored two quick touchdowns. Morris got eight yards in two cracks and then Casares went all the way - 64 yards. He bumped Hank Gremminger out of bounds and got away from Dan Currie around the 10 yard line on the chase. George led off by nailing McIlhenny for an 8-yard loss. After Starr's pass was high to McIlhenny, Bart, chased back into the end zone, fumbled as he was tackled by Williams and Bishop recovered for the touchdown. The Bears were right back at it. McIlhenny made an 8-yard run but fumbled and Bishop recovered on the Packer 37. The defense stiffened and forced a field goal, Blanda missing from the 29 on the first play of the fourth quarter.

#### PASS TO TAYLOR

Romine intercepted a pass to give the Bays a shot from midfield but after Parilli pitched a pass to Taylor the Bays lost the ball on downs when McIlhenny missed a first down by a yard at the Bear 45. The Bears made it 24-3 on Blanda's field goal





from the 20 with 6:35 gone in the final period. Parilli's long shot to Johnson and an 8-yarder to McGee set up Taylor's touchdown blast on his back.

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	GREEN BAY	CHI BEARS
First Downs	9	15
Rushing-Yards-TD	24-52-1	43-273-2
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	26-11-143-0-2	18-8-100-0-2
Sack Yards Lost	50	11
Total Yards	145	362
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-2
Turnovers	4	4
Yards penalized	5-79	14-127

#### **SCORING**

1st - GB - Paul Hornung, 56-yard field goal GREEN BAY 3-0

2nd - CHI - Willie Galimore, 5-yard run (George Blanda kick) CHICAGO 7-3

3rd - CHI - Rick Casares, 64-yard run (Blanda kick) CHICAGO 14-3

3rd - CHI - Bill Bishop, recovered fumble in the end zone (Blanda kick) CHICAGO 21-3

4th - CHI - Blanda, 20-yard field goal CHICAGO 24-3

4th - GB - Jim Taylor, 3-yard run (Hornung kick) CHICAGO 24-10

#### **RUSHING**

**GREEN BAY** - Bart Starr 5-29, Paul Hornung 6-11, Jim Shanley 4-6, Babe Parilli 1-5, Jim Taylor 2-4 1 TD, Howie Ferguson 1-2, Don McIlhenny 5-(-5)

CHI BEARS - Rick Casares 15-113 1 TD, Johnny Morris 11-79, Willie Galimore 9-47 1 TD, J.C. Caroline 6-17, Ed Brown 2-17

#### **PASSING**

GREEN BAY - Babe Parilli 12-5-99 1 INT, Bart Starr 13-6-44 1 INT, Paul Hornung 1-0-0

CHI BEARS - Ed Brown 16-8-100 2 INT, George Blanda 2-0-0

#### RECEIVING

**GREEN BAY** - Max McGee 3-21, Joe Johnson 2-76, Paul Hornung 2-22, Jim Taylor 1-8, Jim Shanley 1-7, Steve Meilinger 1-5, Don McIlhenny 1-4

CHI BEARS - Rick Casares 3-55, Harlon Hill 2-11, Bill McColl 1-17, Willie Galimore 1-9, Johnny Morris 1-8

### Inept Blocking by Offensive Line Keeps Packer QBs in Hot Water

#### MCLEAN ADD, 'AT PRESENT' - NO SHAKE-UP FOR PACKERS

NOV 9 (Chicago) - "There will be no shake-up at the present time." This was Scooter McLean's first comment Sunday after his Packers dropped their fifth league game, 24-10, to the Bears. McLean had threatened to ax players with a "defeatist



attitude" if they had not put out at Wrigley Field. McLean, however, added, "If the boys don't give it all they've got from now on in - well, that's the way it's got to be. I figure we had 35 boys out there trying today," McLean said in the Packer dressing room. "We didn't score the point, I'll admit, but we were trying. If our gang keep trying like this, we'll start winning." Scooter didn't believe the Bears beat his club with an offensive showing. "We missed tackles on that long run of (Rick) Casares," Scooter pointed out. "That hurt." McLean praised the defensive play of the Bears' Bill George and Bill Bishop. "We sure had a tough time with their defensive tackles - and that George." A reporter asked Scooter if his quarterback would have had more luck rolling out. Scooter replied: "We rolled out, but George rolled

with us." Returning to his Packers, McLean wryly announced that Howie Ferguson, injured on the first play of the game, has a shoulder separation. The Bears' casualty was Jack Hoffman, who broke an elbow. It was a typical Packer-Bear game - rough from the word go. Another reporter asked McLean for an opinion of Paul Hornung, a target of recent criticism. Scooter said: "Paul was out there really hustling today." McLean then again referred to the first quarter, saying, "The boys were all trying. But we didn't take advantage of the breaks. We had four chances in the first quarter and came up with three



Jack Hoffman of the Bears, who suffered a dislocated elbow in Sunday's game, is aided by Nurse Ruth Norris in Illinois Masonic hospital.

points." Interjecting a truism at this juncture, former Packer line coach Tarz Taylor commented: "That could have been the ball game if Lenny Ford hadn't dropped that pass in the end zone." Scooter nodded his assent. George Halas, in an affable mood (as usual after winning), was asked if Sunday's game was what he expected. "If you mean that first half when we played lousy," George answered. "Yes, that's what I expected." Halas thought his defensive team was great, observing, "I don't care who we would have played - we were that great defensively." The Bears' owner and coach said the turning point was the interception by Jack Johnson in the second quarter. Six plays later the Bears scored. Halas was chided by a reporter who questioned the officiating at Wrigley Field (the reporter claimed the official on the interception screened the Packer receiver and Johnson grabbed the ball). Said a grinning Halas: "Yes, I guess that was the turning point."

#### MCLEAN IS SATISFIED WITH BAYS' EFFORT

NOV 10 (Chicago-Appleton Post-Crescent) - "There were 35 boys out there trying. I was satisfied with their effort." Thus did a solemn Ray McLean endorse his Packers' performance in sunny but frigid Wrigley field here Sunday afternoon and, thereby, make known to all and sundry that the axe, poised for the last week, no longer hangs over Green Bay's favorite football sons - at least for the present. Carefully weighing all questions posed by a tight knot of newsmen and answering them in a low voice, McLean declared: "If they give that kind of effort from here on in, they'll start hitting. If they keep on going all out, we'll be all right."...WERE READY: "As a matter of fact, if we had taken advantage of our opportunities, we would have been all right today - a field goal blocked, a touchdown dropped, those things hurt. We had four chances in the first quarter and we come out with three points." Did he feel the Packers had been "high" for this one, in the wake of the 56-0 shocker in Baltimore a week earlier? "I think they were ready for the ball game," McLean said, repeating in the same breath, "Like I said, if they had capitalized in that first quarter, we would have been all right." Sensitive to the pressure exerted upon his players in recent days, McLean barred reporters from the dressing room following the game until all the players had dressed and left - the first time within memory that such an edict had been issued...LET THEM RELAX: Asked for an explanation, McLean said, "I wanted to let 'em relax. Besides, it's a small dressing room and a lot of their friends were waiting to see them. If we had opened the dressing room too all of them, it would have been too congested." What, a scribe asked, about Hornung? A favorite target of disgruntled coffee shot quarterbacks this season, the former Notre Dame All-American was thrust into a major role by an injury to veteran Howie Ferguson on the Packers' first offensive play. "Paul was out there hustling," McLean, fixing his questioner with a forthright blue eye, replied. McLean, who might have put in a good word for his own defenders, emphatically crediting the Bear victory to the midway monsters' defensive platoon. "I don't think they beat us offensively," he insisted. "They got a fumble down in there for one touchdown and one missed tackle gave them another. I thought their defense played a tremendous game. That No. 61 (the Bears' Bill George) had a day for himself," McLean added with a sigh. "He guessed right quite a few times. Offensively, Casares (Rick) had a great day and Blanda (George) picked them up real good on that one drive in the second quarter."...PLACEMENT SPECIALIST: (Blanda, almost exclusively a placement specialist in recent years, later admitted it was the first time he had played quarterback in a league game since the Bears' first Detroit game in 1957.) What about that other Bear touchdown (gratefully

accepted in the third quarter by the Bears' Bill Bishop in the Packer end zone)? "It was a fumble," McLean said. "Bart had the ball up here (cocked arm position), he got hit and it was gone." (Starr later confirmed McLean's version of the misfortune. "I was trying to get rid of it," Bart explained, "but they hit my arm before I could and I fumbled.") Had he concocted "anything special" for the Bears? "Yeh, we did," the Packers' youthful head man admitted, "but I didn't expect what we got." He declined to elaborate.

#### PACKERS TO HOLD JOBS - MCLEAN IS SATISFIED WITH TEAM'S EFFORT

NOV 10 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Coach Ray McLean kept the Green Bay dressing room closed to visitors 35 minutes after the Packers lost to the Bears here Sunday. Talent scout Jack Vainisi guarded the door. When the writers were finally allowed in, only a few players remained. McLean was in a corner of the training room. He answered questions about the ball game routinely. What about the shake-up McLean had threatened if the Packers did not snap out of their losing ways? "There were 35 boys out there trying today," he said. "I'm satisfied with their effort over last week. There'll be no shake-up." If any of the players lapse into their old ways, what then? "We'll just have to see. They've got to keep trying, that's for sure, I can't criticize the team because it got beat. Not if they're going all out. We didn't score the points, I'll admit that. But they were still trying. If they give it that effort all the time, they'll start hitting." Why had McLean kept the dressing room closed? "I wanted the players to get a chance to relax," he said. "These dressing rooms are small. If everybody's allowed in, there'll be people all over the place and they won't have any room to dress." McLean then turned the talk to the ball game again. "They didn't beat us offensively," he said. "Their defense played a tremendous ball game. We had four chances to score in the first quarter and came out with three points. If we'd scored in that first quarter, we're in the game all the way. All those missed opportunities. A field goal blocked, a touchdown pass dropped, penalties." He shook his head. Len Ford, the huge defensive end who had dropped the pas in the end zone on a fake field goal, did not alibi. "I



Green Bay Fullback Paul Hornung (5) breaks through the right side of the Chicago Bear line for a short gain in the first quarter of Sunday's game in Chicago, Bear guard Bill George (61) is about to pull Hornung down. Other Packer players are: Jim Salsbury (67) and Jim Ringo (51). The Bears won, 24-10.

had the pass caught," Ford said. "I just dropped it when I was bringing it in. That's all." The play was not entirely new to Ford either. "We'd practiced it about once a week," he said. Playing on offense wasn't strange for Ford either. "I used to play offense with the Browns," he said. "Back in the forties I played both ways with the Browns." Fullback Howie Ferguson suffered a slight shoulder separation on the first play from scrimmage. "I landed on my elbow," Ferguson said. "And then somebody came down on me. That did it, I think." Did Ferguson's loss mean the difference? McLean was asked. "It hurt us, sure," McLean said. "But I don't know that it was what beat us. How can I tell? If I say that beat us, I'm second guessing. And I won't second guess." What about Paul Hornung, Ferguson's replacement? "Paul was out there hustling today," McLean said. "He was trying." Owner-coach George Halas of the Bears agreed with McLean that the Bears had won the game with their defense. "We were terrific defensively," Halas said. "I don't care who we're playing today - the Colts, Rams, San Francisco - that would have happened. It was just unfortunate for the Packers it had to be them." Did the game go as Halas had expected? "The first half, yes. We were lousy," he said. "We always are after we come back from the coast. I don't know why it is but we always play like that when we get back from there. I've tried everything - coming back by train, by plane, by slow freight. A lot of our players had their minds on next week's game with Baltimore instead of on the

Packers," he said. The Bears came out of the game in a bad way physically. Defensive end Jack Hoffman suffered a fractured elbow. Guard Abe Gibron hurt his thigh but will be ready to play against the Colts.

#### INEPT BLOCKING BY OFFENSIVE LINE KEEPS PACKER OBS IN HOT WATER

NOV 11 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - Tuesday's Quarterback No. 7: What happened to the Packers' offense Sunday - particularly in the second half? It was almost as if the Bears - chiefly Bill George - were in on the Packer huddle. The Packers had the ball for four series in the third quarter - Don McIlhenny carried the ball on the first play of each series - here's what happened: 1 - First and 10 on Packer 20 after second half kickoff. McIlhenny ran toward right side. George ripped through middle (practically untouched) and nailed him for 5-yard loss...MAKES 2 YARDS: 2 - First and 10 on Packer 18 after Zeke Bratkowski punt. McIlhenny made two yards at right guard. 3 - First and 10 on Packer 20 after Bears' second touchdown. McIlhenny ran off to right. George broke through



middle and nailed Don for 8-yard loss. 4 - First and 10 on Packer 30 after kickoff return after Bears' third touchdown. McIlhenny stepped seven yards up his own left side, then fumbled. Bill Bishop recovered. We've got one more. On the first play of the first Packer series, Paul Hornung tried the right side and lost four yards. And, there you have five consecutive first down plays for a net loss of eight yards...QBS IN HOT WATER: That's not good offense. What happened to the Bay offense? The Bears simply went to the hearts of the Bays' point machine - the quarterbacks, and kept them in hot water. The strategy ruined everything and more specifically the Bays' chief weapon - passing. Packer passers were pitched for losses totaling 50 yards. That's a big black mark on the Packers' offensive line even though the Bears were continually shooting linebackers. This strategy left passing holes in the Bear defense, but many times the Bears were in so fast the quarterback never had a chance to throw. Bart Starr and Babe Parilli tried rolling out, but the Bear defensive line, and George, rolled right with them. Norm Masters, Ollie Spencer, Hank Bullough, Jim Salsbury, Jerry Kramer and Jim Ringo weren't able to get a few good angles for blocks all afternoon. The Packer offense generated only 145 yards all day and 61 of that came on one pass play - the Parilli to Joe Johnson maneuver that set up the Bays' only touchdown in the fourth quarter. Sunday's good point: The Packers' defense. The Bears were slimmed down to "average" scoring size - maybe below average for them. And did you notice Tom Bettis cracking the whip down there? Sunday's bad point: The Packers' inability to score...period!

# Bays Get Another Shot at 56-Point 'Animal' Sunday Powerful Rams Begin 3-Game Road Trip Against Packers

#### BAYS GET ANOTHER SHOT AT 56-POINT 'ANIMAL' SUNDAY

NOV 11 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - There's a familiar number coming up on the Packer horizon - 56! A week ago Sunday, the Packers lost a 56 to 0 decision to the Baltimore Colts. Now, the Packers face a team that has scored 56 points - the Los Angeles Rams, who whipped San Francisco, 56-7. It's like a second chance for the Green Bays - getting a shot at one of those 56-point animals...CITY STADIUM CLASH: Packerland will get an in-the-flesh look at what the Bays expect to do with a 56-point club, since the clash is scheduled at City stadium. Kickoff is set for 1:06. The Rams were fearsome in their ripping of the Forty Niners before 95,082. They rolled up 578 yards, including 324 rushing and 254 passing on 17 completions in 27 attempts - not to mention eight touchdowns. The early returns from

Frisco indicate that the 49ers stacked their defensive deck to stop the great Jon Arnett. They did to the extent of one touchdown, but seven others got touchdowns, including two for Del Shofner on 64 and 72-yard passes from Bill Wade...COULD BE UNLUCKY: If you believe in black cats and other tokens of superstition, it might be mentioned that 56 could be an unlucky number. The Colts settled down from their 56-0 score to a losing effort in New York; the Packers

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will try to turn the Rams' "56" into something similar. The game here starts a 3-game road trip for the Rams. After Green Bay, they play at Baltimore and at the Chicago Cardinals' park. The Rams then return home to finish against Baltimore and Green Bay. The Packers play West coast clubs in four of their next five games. After the Rams, they meet Frisco in Milwaukee, the Lions at Detroit, and then Frisco and LA on the coast...OUT FOR 3 WEEKS: One of the unfortunate results of Sunday's game was the loss of Howie Ferguson for three weeks - maybe longer. Coach Ray McLean said Ferguson sustained a shoulder separation and a small chip fracture. He was hurt on the Packers' first offensive play and, needless to say, Howie's battering and blocking for the passer was sorely missed in the 24-10 battle. Sophomore Paul Hornung and freshman Jim Taylor worked in Ferguson's spot. Hornung averaged less than two yards a try on 11 yards in six attempts, while Taylor ran twice for four yards, including a short touchdown plunge on which he twisted on his back and pushed himself across the goal line. In the last few seconds, Hornung caught two passes for 22 yards.

#### PACKERS' FERGUSON IS OUT THREE WEEKS

NOV 11 (Milwaukee Journal) - Howie Ferguson is out for three weeks - perhaps for the rest of the NFL season. Green Bay's protection for the passer has broken down almost completely. The Packers clearly are in a bad way and next they meet the revived Los Angeles Rams at Green Bay Sunday. Ferguson, veteran fullback, suffered a shoulder separation and small chip fracture on the first play from scrimmage against the Bears at Chicago last Sunday. Green Bay went on to lose, 24-10. It was the Packers' fifth defeat against one victory and one tie. X-rays Monday revealed the extent of Ferguson's injuries. Coach Ray (Scooter) McLean said that the fullback, Green Bay's leading ground gainer, would be out for three weeks. Only five games remain, so Ferguson could be lost for good. "It never rains but what it pours," McLean said. Ferguson's loss occurred exactly one week after end Gary Knafelc went out for the season with a knee injury. Knafelc was operated on Monday at St. Vincent's Hospital in Green Bay. McLean was asked about Green Bay's blocking for the passers in Wrigley Field Sunday. "It hasn't stayed up to what it should," the coach said. "It's one of those things we'll have to get on again." What about the play which Bart Starr was hit and fumbled in the end zone for a Bear touchdown? Why didn't anyone block Fred Williams of the Bears? "It was a messed up assignment," McLean said. "Two men took the same Bear. Williams was playing wide and had a clean shot at Starr." What was Paul Hornung's blocking assignment on the play? "Well," McLean said. "Paul went the wrong way and ran into Bart and forced him to take a step the wrong way. Then Williams hit him. Bart tried to get rid of the ball by grounding it. One official called it intentional grounding and the other called it a fumble and gave them a touchdown." Why not go to the spread formation? "We'd been thinking about that and working on it for that game," the coach said. "But when I saw the way they were rushing, I decided against it. I figured we'd get more protection with two backs there to block for the quarterback. We were using some rollouts. But Bill George (Bear linebacker) would get over on that side. He was moving all over. One time he figured it was going to be a running play and he busted in there on the side we were rolling out to and he was right on the quarterback. He did a good job of gambling. They shifted around in there while we were calling signals. We tried a few quick counts but that didn't work, either. Then we couldn't convert if the defense was wrong for the play." Sometimes we converted at the line and they converted their defense after that. Don't think George was the only one we were having troubles with. We couldn't handle their tackles - or any of their linemen - very well. And they shot in other linebackers, too. The rush on Starr was terrific. A quarterback has an awful time when the line breaks down. When Babe Parilli came in later, they were using a three man line. They weren't rushing him the way they had been rushing Starr. They were laying back waiting for the passes."

#### THE 'KNIFIST' OF THE GREEN BAY PACKERS, ETC.

NOV 11 (Milwaukee Journal - Oliver Kuechle) - Art Daley, sports editor of the Green Bay Press Gazette, and a friend of mine, has taken me apart in his column for suggesting the other day that the Green Bay Packers' ills on the field probably stem partly from their very method of front office operation - from the insistence of the executive committee of 13 to stick their fingers in the pie. It was suggested, in short, that the committee and its many little subcommittees created a coaching and playing atmosphere that just wasn't healthy - that distinctly militated against winning football. Well, Arthur had a great old time in his column.

I am that "feller in Milwaukee" and that "Milwaukee knifist." My purposed are "to satisfy an urge to kill the one thing that has shown up in Milwaukee down through the years and to build circulation for his paper." Etcetera and etcetera. Good old Arthur - and not so old, either. He and I shall certainly have a drink on his next visit and I shall learn his true feelings about things. Trouble is, you see, Arthur's boss, managing editor John Torinus, is a member of the executive committee. The heading on Arthur's column was "Packer committee did not play in Baltimore." It set me to thinking at once even before I got down to the "knifist" part. What would have been wrong if the executive committee had played in Baltimore? What would have been wrong with, say, a backfield of Dominic Olejniczak, Fred Leight, Tony Canadeo and Lee Joannes (quarterback) and a line of Jerry Atkinson, Dick Bourguignon, Boob Darling, Les Kelly, W. Hearly McDonald, Carl Mraz and John Torinus? Could things have been worse on the field? It might even have produced some good new questions to be asked the next time the committee called players in to question them as it did last year without the coach's knowledge or presence. But to get back to Arthur. He's quite a kidder. Listen to this: "This feller's reference to the executive committee's running the team and the coach has been twisted that way because Scooter appears at the group's weekly luncheon meeting every Monday during the season. That's a perfectly logical thing to do - the corporation's field boss to sit down with the gents from the front office. If you know McLean, he's one tough New Englander who isn't going to take any guff from any overexuberant committeeman." Not take any guff? Scooter is a fine, friendly man whom I admire. Trouble is, Scooter himself admitted after the Baltimore game, that he has been too soft and easy, had been anything except a tough New Englander, and had, in fact, been taking too much guff from men on the field. "Maybe we've got to crack down," he said. Arthur ran the gamut. Listen some more: "This feller has been on the Pack since he predicted back in the late forties that the Packers couldn't survive if Curly Lambeau left. This guy has done nothing since but hammer at the Packers' method of operation." Let's look at the record. The Packers have survived financially, thanks to television



Chicago's J. C. Caroline does some fancy stepping behind the blocking of tackle Stan Jones (78) to evade the long arm of Green Bay end Len Ford (83) to chalk up a 6-yard gain in the first quarter of Sunday's game in Chicago. Packer tackle J. D. Kimmel (72) takes a header as he tries for the runner.



money. That's good. Everybody wants to see the Packers survive. The city has built them a fine, new stadium of 32,500 capacity. But have the Packers really "survived" on the field? They have not. They haven't had a winning season - better than .500 - since Lambeau left. They have the worst 10-year record in the league, the worst 10 1/2 year record if you want to include the seven games played this year - 37 victories, 88 defeats, two ties. That's up to date. Survival embraces several things - certainly more than money. It also embraces winning. That was what was meant when back in the forties it was suggested the club might have trouble without one, strong man to run things - with a soviet instead. And surely the club has had trouble. Too bad. Oh, and one last thing. Did you know that I had a direct pipeline into the executive committee and that I lost it last winter? Listen: "This feller in Milwaukee has been without his direct pipeline inside the executive committee since last winter. Result? The reading down there has been about the same theme all the time." Trash. The reference is to my friend, Max Murphy, a member of the executive committee who had the vision to see beyond the horizon of Brown County, who had modern ideas of organization and administration and who dealt himself off the executive committee because of a stacked deck - and who never, but never, violation the confidence of the executive committee. That probably



A triple threat for the Los Angeles Rams against the Packers at Green Bay Sunday is Jon Arnett, halfback from Southern California. Arnett leads the National Football league in purt returns with a 15.2 yard ay-

erage. He ranks third in yards gained rushing with 448 for 76 carries. And he is tied for 10th in pass catching with 22 for 232 yards. Arnett is used both at running back and as a flanker for pass catching.

won't be believed by the soviet, but it's true. Anyway, Arthur and I are going to have a drink on his next visit. I'll buy. And we'll toast the Packers. Wisconsin needs them.

#### PACKERS MUST SCORE OR FACE WORST YEAR EVER

NOV 11 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Either the Packers change their ways or they're liable to lose their remaining five games and finish with the worst record in Green Bay history. Scooter McLean's club has beaten only one foe - Philadelphia. From here on it, the Bays face the Rams twice and the 49ers twice and the up and coming Lions. If the Packers fail to win or tie another game, they'll finish with one win, 10 losses and a tie which would be their worst record in 40 years. In 1949 the Bays finished with a 2-10 mark and Curly Lambeau resigned and in 1953, the year Gene Ronzani was dismissed, the Bays chalked up a 2-9-1 record. The Packers blew four chances to score a touchdown in the first quarter against the Bears Sunday at Chicago. Such infamous activity is getting to be old hat. Not only did the Bears hold the Packers to 52 yards on the ground, but they harried Bart Starr and Babe Parilli to the point of destruction. With the passer being rushed off his feet before the ends were getting out, why didn't McLean switch to a spread formation? Or is the spread taboo with Scooter? "No, we've worked on the spread," McLean said Monday. "But the way they were pouring through it would have been foolish to try it. Their defense is tremendous." To make matters worse, McLean disclosed that Howie Ferguson, veteran fullback, suffered a should separation and a small chip fracture Sunday and will be out of action for three weeks - possibly longer. Ferguson, the workhorse of the Packers' running game, will be sorely misses. McLean said Paul Hornung or rookie Jim Taylor (he hasn't made up his mind) will start in Ferguson's place. Howie's loss

came a week after end Gary Knafelc was sidelined with a torn cartilage in his right knee. Knafelc underwent surgery Monday in a Green Bay hospital. Knafelc will be out for the rest of the season. There were some fine, individual performances by a team which came off the flood after being humiliated by Baltimore, 56-0, a week ago. Alton (Monk) Romine saved two sure Bear touchdowns by catching up with Johnny Morris after a 32 yard spring in the first quarter and nailing Rick Casares from behind after he galloped 52 yards in the fourth period. Romine was the Packers' last chance on both plays. Jesse Whittenton looked like Bobby Dillon when he stole Ed Brown's pass away from Harlon Hill in the first quarter. Dan Currie, the much criticized No. 1 draft choice, came up with his best game. His tackling was for keeps as was the play of Dave Hanner, Tom Bettis and Dillon. Al Carmichael's 51 yard punt return in the first quarter was amazing. He caught Zeke Bratkowski's 46 yard punt over his shoulder and followed his blockers beautifully. Max McGee continues to make Packerbackers forget about Dick Deschaine, last year's punting ace who was traded to Cleveland. McGee averaged 47.2 yard on five punts. The Bears almost blocked one, but on the play Maxie put the right English on the ball as it rolled 54 yards. On the other hand, there was no excuse for Lenny Ford to drop a sure six-pointer in the first quarter. The fake field goal attempt was perfectly executed as Starr dropped back and lobbed the ball to Ford who was all alone in the end zone. The Packers lost 50 yards attempting to pass, thanks to the red-dogging Bears. Billy Howton, who was once feared as the best end in the league, failed to catch a single pass. Starr hit Howton in the first quarter, but Billy caught the ball out of bounds. Howton juggled a Parilli pass in the fourth quarter, a Hornung pass to him was almost intercepted and the last Parilli shot was off target. The Packers couldn't complain about the officiating at Wrigley Field this time. Of 19 penalties called, the Bears were penalized 14 times for 127 yards. Although it didn't disturb McLean one bit, George Halas roamed the sidelines like a member of the chain gang. Halas said his team was very fortunate to beat Green Bay under the circumstances. "Coming

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back from the Coast is tough enough," said Halas, "without having to look forward to playing the league's top team (Colts) next week." "We never play good after coming from the Coast," he continued. "Year in and year out, I've tried everything, but nothing works. I'm not disparaging Green Bay," he said, "but the boys had an eye on Baltimore. We'll be up for that one..."

#### NFL DRAFT SLICE URGED

NOV 11 (Washington) - Owner George Preston Marshall of the Washington Redskins proposed Monday that pro football teams draft only 20 players a year instead of the present 30. Marshall said he would introduce his plan at the next NFL meeting, and added eventually the draft list should be reduced to only 10 players annually. The Redskins' owner said he objects to the present 30-year draft maximum because:

- \* "Coaches are drafting blind over the last 10 or 15 picks anyway."
- \* "Drafting 30 men is ridiculous and superfluous because teams are getting solidified in their personnel and don't need that many new men trying out."
- \* "The league rules force us to take any player drafted and signed to training camp, so theoretically if we took all 30 new men signed to camp, we'd wind up over the NFL limit of 60 players under contract. In effect, we're being inconsistent with our rules."

Marshall said he did NOT object to the draft as such. "It's the greatest thing we have in equalizing competition," he declared. "By drafting not more than 10 or 20 new players a year, we'd still be giving the weaker clubs a crack at adding so-called name players and fresh blood. But we also wouldn't be doing what we're now doing - just guessing at the last 10 or 15 picks." Under Marshall's plan, 240 college players a year would become free agents, open to bidding from all clubs. Marshall said he believed drafted players would get higher salaries than free agents. What Marshall was suggesting was a return to the old NFL draft rules. Originally, the league permitted drafting only 10 players a year. Later the limit was raised to 20 and finally to the present 30.

# McLean Is Still Seeing Bears Romp Through Packer Line

#### MCLEAN IS STILL SEEING BEARS ROMP THROUGH PACKER LINE

NOV 12 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - A few weeks ago, Green Bay Packer Coach Ray McLean said of fullback Howie Ferguson, "He'd bit the opposition to get more yardage." Then came the news that a shoulder injury would keep Ferguson out of the lineup for at least three weeks and possibly for the remainder of the season. "It never rains but that it pours," said the coach...TO THE SIDELINES: Ferguson, the club's leading ground gainer, suffered a shoulder separation in the game with the Chicago Bears last Sunday. He moved to the sidelines exactly a week after Green Bay lost Gary Knafelc because of a knee injury. The end and slotback was operated on Monday at St. Vincent hospital. The Packers not only lost Ferguson, they also lost the game, 24-10. It was their fifth defeat against a single victory and a tie. McLean is still seeing Bears romp through his line. "We couldn't handle their tackles - or any of their linemen very well," he said Tuesday. Asked about the Packer blocking and defense for the passer, he said: "It hasn't stayed up to what it should. It's one of those things we'll have to get on again." Asked about the play on which quarterback Bart Starr was trapped in his own end zone and the Bears

gained possession of the ball for their third touchdown, the one that smashed all Packer hopes, McLean explained: "It was a messed-up assignment. Two men took the same Bear, Fred Williams was playing wide and he had a clear shot at Starr." McLean said that fullback Paul Hornung, playing for Ferguson, "went the wrong way and ran into Bart and forced him to take a step the wrong way. Bart tried to get rid of the ball by grounding it. One official called it intentional grounding and the other called it a fumble and gave them a touchdown." About the Bear defense in general, he said: "They shifted around in there while we were calling signals. We tried a few quick counts, but that didn't work either. Sometimes we converted at the line and they converted their defense after that. And they shot in their linebackers, too. The rush on Starr was terrific. A quarterback has an awful time when the line breaks down. When Babe Parilli came in later, they were using a 3-man line. They were laying back waiting for the passes."

#### PACKERS NEED A 'SCOOTER' ON THE FIELD

NOV 12 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Dropped passes, missed tackles, poor blocking - and Scooter McLean gets into hotter water every week. Unfortunately when a team loses the coach gets the rap. But does the coach pass, tackle or block? McLean is chiefly dependent upon the quality of his men compared to that of their opponents, rather than on his own brainwork. Scooter runs a game in which individual skill and brilliance make the play work. The Packers' success depends upon the speed, experience, alertness and horse sense of the players and not on the coach. It could be the material at Green Bay is not on part with other Western Division rivals. It could be top draft choices are not half the men expected. One thing for sure - McLean doesn't have a take-charge guy on offense and one on defense. The Packers don't have

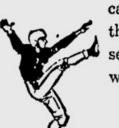
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this player who can follow the coach's orders closely and coordinate effort on the field. Tony Canadeo was a take-charge Packers, but there hasn't been one since the Gray Ghost of Gonzaga retired after giving it his all for 11 season.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY - The Packers had a 5-2 record and finished with eight wins and four losses

15 YEARS AGO TODAY - With a 5-1-1 mark, Green Bay ended up in second place with 7-2-1

10 YEARS AGO TODAY - Green Bay won three games and lost four, then dropped its remaining five games

5 YEARS AGO TODAY - The Packers showed two wins, four losses and tie and ended with a 2-9-1 record

1 YEAR AGO TODAY - The Bays had two wins and five losses - finished with three wins and nine defeats

TODAY - With one win, five losses and a tie, the Packers are preparing to meet the Rams in Green Bay Sunday. Disaster No. 6 could lead to the worst season in Packer history.

The Packers might be dragging their feet after being pushed around the gridiron this fall, but it's not because of old age. Lenny Ford is the oldest at 32, but it's likely he won't be around next year. Babe Parilli and J.D. Kimmel are 29 and Howie Ferguson, Bobby Dillon, Steve Meilinger and Dave Hanner 28. The youngest is Ray Nitschke, who is 21. Paul Hornung, Joe Francis, Jim Shanley and Jerry Kramer are 22 - hardly old enough to live it up after hours.

#### PRESIDENT OF PACKERS RAP BOARD MEMBER

NOV 12 (Green Bay) - The president of the Green Bay Packers Tuesday night took a verbal blast at Hugh Strange, a Packer board member, for "trying to glorify himself by getting publicity." Strange last week proposed a sweeping overhaul of the Packers organization and player policies. Club President Dominic Olejniczak declined to comment on the merits of Strange's proposals. "But I will comment in one way," Olejniczak said. "If Hugh Strange or any other board member has any suggestions to make he should make them to the board rather than try to glorify himself by getting publicity." Strange said he intended to present his program at the next board meeting. He said that his proposal had backing, too, but did not say how much.

# Packers May Play Before First Sub-30,000 Crowd





#### PACKERS MAY PLAY BEFORE FIRST SUB-30,000 CROWD

NOV 13 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - Unless sales pick up right quick, the Packers will play before their first below-30,000 crowd for a league game at new City stadium Sunday. Maybe that's not so surprising in view of the Packers' record (1-5-1) thus far. Fortunately, the season ducat sale has been terrific (over 27,000) and actually the magic 30,000-plus figure could be reached easily between now and kickoff time. The Packers are experimenting with a 4-game-here, 2-in-Milwaukee program this year for the first time in the new stadium and the results have been fantastic in view of the fact that less than 24,000 "seasons" were sold for the three games here in the stadium dedication season of '57...FIVE SELLOUTS: The colorful and high-powered Rams of Los Angeles are guests in the fourth game Sunday. Needless to say, it would be wonderful to give the Packers that last big hometown push with a full house. The Bays will need every voice! The Packers played six league games at the new stadium and the first five drew sellout 32,000-plus crowds. The sixth, the Eagle game last Oct. 26, attracted 31,043. Here are the new stadium gates: 1957 - Bears, 32,132, Lions 32,150, Giants 32,070; 1958 - Bears 32,150, Lions 32,053, Eagles 31,043. That makes for an average of 31,936. During the new stadium period, Milwaukee turned out as follows: 1957 - Colts 26,322, Forty Niners 18,919, Rams 19,540; 1958 - Colts 24,554. That averages out to 22,333. One game is left in Milwaukee - the 49ers Nov. 23...RAMS SET PACE: All these figures seem slightly funny compared to the Rams' gate totals, which make every other league city, including New York, look like a pack of pikers. Try this: The Rams come to the comparative quiet of City stadium fresh from a 3-game stand in the coliseum of Los Angeles that drew 277,259 fans - an average of 92,417. And speaking about crowds, have you noticed that attendance in Washington and at Chicago for the Cardinal games are generally in the mid-20,000s - sometimes lower? And it's not much better in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, which have moved into college parks. By comparison, the attendance from Packerland is colossal and the gates at LA are super.

#### BAY PRESIDENT FLAYS STRANGE FOR COMMENTS

NOV 13 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - Green Bay Packer President Dominic Olejniczak has flayed Board Member Hugh Strange, of Neenah, for publicly proposing an overhaul of the Packer organization. Olejniczak wouldn't comment specifically on Strange's proposal but said, "I will comment in one way. If Hugh Strange or any other board member has any suggestions to make, he should make them to the board rather than try to glorify himself by getting publicity." Strange indicated he would present his program at the next board member...PICK NEW BOARD: Strange, in his plan, suggested that the entire 45-man board resign to the stockholders, and that the latter then pick a new board. He indicated that both the board and the executive committee (now 13 members) should be reduced to a more workable size. The job of president and general manager ought to be combined, Strange believes. No players or coaches should be given contracts of longer than 1-year duration, said Strange in another proposal. This wouldn't give players and coaches more incentive to produce, he

indicated. Strange added that the general manager - and not the head coach - should represent the organization in contract negotiations. Strange also suggested a player profit-sharing plan that would be an additional incentive. The Neenah director declared it was necessary for the club and the Packer Alumni association to work more closely together, particularly in talent scouting. He said, "There have been cases of ex-Packer personnel recruiting material for other NFL clubs."

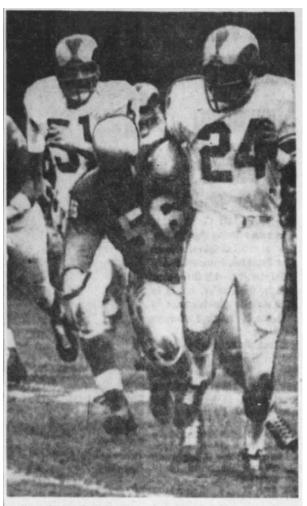
#### NOTES AND NOTIONS

NOV 13 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - One of the few members of the oft-blasted Packer executive committee (EC) to comment publicly is Tony Canadeo, all-time great as a player and a first-year member of the board. On the assumption that relatively

few caught the pregame Canadeo radio interview last Sunday (with the game on TV, and all) I'd like to pass on a few of his remarks. Like me, you may find a few of them hard to believe, but they are interesting. Canadeo comments: (1) The EC has not interfered with Coach Ray McLean, who has complete jurisdiction over the players. The group has gone no further than to ask, "What can we do to help?". (2) McLean's weekly appearance before the EC are completely voluntary - and all he does is give his views of the preceding game. (3) The EC likes McLean and will back him 100 percent in anything he does, personnelwise - no matter how drastic. (4) The EC takes no part in the player draft. (5) The draft is the key to returning the team to power. In the recent past, the Packers made the mistake of drafting primarily by position rather than on the basis of the best players available, regardless of position. (6) The Packers lack an outstanding field leader - someone like Bobby Layne who can arouse a team. (7) The Packers lack togetherness. Other than during actual practice and games times, they move individually or in small groups, seeming to lack the esprit de corps that characterized great Packer teams of old...The oddity about the thousands of words written and spoken about the Packer troubles is the absence of any heavy blame being put on the head coach - ordinarily the prime target. Thus far, the players, the EC and the general manager have been held accountable. Could be that despite a poor record, which figures to get worse before it gets better, McLean will be back in '59.

#### QUARTERBACK IS HEART OF TEAM AND THAT EXPLAINS PACKER ILLS

NOV 13 (Milwaukee Journal) - The heart of any professional football team is the quarterback. As he goes, so goes the offense. Of course he needs help - blockers, receivers, runners. But the quarterback is the heart. Green Bay's offense has not functioned properly this season, which is the primary reason that the Packers have won only one game while losing five and tying one. The Packers have three quarterbacks. They are Bart Starr, Vito (Babe) Parilli and Joe Francis. Starr, in his third NFL season, is 24 years old. He is from Alabama. He has started five games this season. Parilli is on his second tour of duty with the Packers. He was an outstanding rookie in 1952, was less than sensational in 1953, then went into the service. He was traded to Cleveland and played with the Browns in 1956, then was traded back to the Packers before last season. He is 29 years old and is from Rochester, Pa., via the University of Kentucky. Francis is a rookie from Oregon State. He played single win tailback in college. He is 22 years old. The three quarterbacks are about the same size. Starr is 6 feet 1 inch tall and weighs 200 pounds; Parilli, 6-1 and 195, and Francis, 6-1 and 195. Starr, but the admission of his coaches and fellow players, has the requirements of a great quarterback. He has the intelligence, the arm, the voice and he can run well enough. He lacks two things - experience and the complete confidence in his ability which a pro quarterback needs. Perhaps the two will come together. "Bart can be a great quarterback," one of the Packers said the other day. "He's got all the equipment. But he needs experience. You didn't see Rote or Layne or Van Brocklin or any of those guys setting the league on fire in their first few years. It usually takes four or five years to catch on as a quarterback. Unitas of Baltimore is the exception that proves the rule. You remember when Rote was our quarterback. Well, Rote was - how should I say it? - half horse's neck. I mean, he was mean. He'd fire everybody up in the huddle. Bart's not that way. He's



Two of the Fast-Stepping Los Angeles Rams the Packers will have to corral Sunday if they hope to stage an upset are shown in action here. Above, Tom Wilson (24) is off on a touchdown jaunt against Detroit recently. Lion Joe Schmidt is making the unsuccessful tackling effort. Below, the famed Jon Arnett (26) avoids a grasping San Francisco 49er to pick up sizable yardage. Arnett and Wilson will both be at City stadium Sunday.





Dan Currie, Rookie Linebacker from Michigan State, will be one of the Green Bay Packers' defensive hopes Sunday against the high-scoring Los Angeles Rams in City stadium. The game will mark the Packers' final Green Bay appearance of the season.

too nice a guy. Maybe he'll get that meanness with experience. He's sure got a good head on his shoulders. He keeps calm out there. Tobin sometimes would get excited and blow up but Bart never does. Starr can throw the ball all right. He sets up his plays well. He's good on handoffs to the running backs - you don't often see one of those fouled up when he's in there. It's just that he's got to get experience and meanness or cockiness or whatever you want to call it." Parilli is an enigma. He rarely lets himself go. Rather, he keeps to himself and sometimes seems to brood. Although he has four and a half seasons in the league, not counting time out for service, he seems to lack confidence. The Packers have won four games in the last two seasons and Parilli has been the quarterback who won them. Yet, after each good performance would come two or three or more bad games. "I wish I could figure the Babe out," one of his teammates said. "He gets going in the fourth quarter over in Washington and then he tears Philadelphia apart. So we figure, maybe the Babe is going now. Maybe he's got the confidence he needs to be a great quarterback. He can all the things a quarterback must do. So maybe he's hit at last. But then over in Baltimore he can't do anything right. He throws the ball at them instead of us. He's down again. I just don't know why." Francis, the rookie, rarely plays. He got in the Detroit game because Parilli was out with injuries and Starr couldn't finish because of a twisted ankle. Francis played at Washington after the Packers trailed at the three-quarter mark, 34-0, and he played at Baltimore as the Packers lost, 56-0. Francis, however, may play more the rest of the season, starting with the game against the Los Angeles Rams at Green Bay Sunday. "We're going to use our young fellows more," Coach Ray (Scooter) McLean said. "We've got to find out what they can do." McLean said that Francis had not played much because that was the way it should be for a rookie quarterback, especially one who played tailback in the single wing in college. "The quarterback has so much to learn," McLean said. "Even sitting on the bench, he's finding out things." Francis is an excellent runner, his early showings have confirmed. He has the makings of a good passer. There was talk of using him at defensive back or running back but those plans have apparently been junked. "He didn't have the speed for defensive back," McLean said.

What about the possibility of using Francis in the spread formation where he could run or pass as the situation warranted? "We've been working on the spread formation," McLean said. He did not elaborate.

#### SHOFNER POINTS IT UP - NOTE TO PACKERS: GET RAMS' SLANT

NOV 13 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Del Shofner, a 6-3, 185 pound end, is a shining example that the Rams consider good football talent and not position when they go into a draft parley. Shofner, who was used as a defensive halfback last year because of the dire need of help will be one of the many explosive weapons the Packers must contain Sunday when they battle the Rams at Green Bay. The former Baylor ace is currently third ranked among the league's receivers. However, he has gained more yards (668) than any other end and has turned in the longest gain (92 yards against the Bears). Los Angeles acquired Shofner on the first draft round in exchange for trading defensive end Andy Robustelli to the Giants in 1956. The Rams are now confident that Shofner will be a greater end than Robustelli (19th choice) was a defensive end. Against the 49ers last Sunday, Shofner caught two passes - one for 64 yards and a touchdown and the other for 72 yards and six points. He asked to be benched after the first touchdown because of a nauseous feeling brought on by an ulcer condition. Shofner returned for the 72-yard bomb and then called it a day. It was because of the coaching staff's foresight that Shofner was taken off the secondary platoon and groomed into an offensive end. Head Coach Sid Gillman figured Shofner should be put where he could do the most good - catching passes. And dandy Dan hasn't disappointed. Shofer's terrific year is making L.A. fans forget about the retirement of Elroy (Crazylegs) Hirsch and Bob Boyd. He was clocked at a 9.8 "century" man when he sprinted on the Baylor track team and it's because of this speed that he's running away from the secondary. Shofner was grabbed in the same draft round as Jon Arnett. How lucky can you be? Arnett, likewise, is off to his greatest year, amassing 1,072 yards by various means, rushing, receiving, kickoff and punt returns. The Rams believe in youth. On the current roster, 10 are rookies, eight are second year men and five are playing their third year. Quarterback Bill Wade, the Rams' bonus pick in 1952, has taken over for the traded Norm Van Brocklin and is getting better by the game. He completed

14 of 19 passes against the 49ers for 256 yards and three touchdowns. Los Angeles had Bob Waterfield and Van Brocklin when it drafted Wade and passed up such proven stars as Billy Howton, Hugh McElhenny and Ollie Matson to get the Vanderbilt star. A spokesman for the Rams organization said Van Brocklin was traded not because he wasn't a good football player but because the club had to find out if Wade could do the job after being an understudy since coming out of service in 1954. He can and so can the rest of the Rams "rookies."

#### RAMS FEAR PACKERS OVERDUE TO EXPLODE

NOV 13 (Los Angeles Times) - "They're not as bad as their 1-5-1 season's record seems to indicate." This is Coach Sid Gillman's analysis of the Green Bay Packers, the team the Rams play Sunday in Green Bay. Only victory scored thus far by the Packers was the 38-35 decision they won over the Philadelphia Eagles. A week later the Packers let down completely as they were routed by the league-leading Colts, 56-0. It's hard to imagine a team carrying three all-pro performers, Billy Howton, offensive end; Jim Ringo, center, and Bobby Dillon, defensive halfback, trailing the league. Frightening thing from a Rams standpoint is that with the potential present, the Packers are due any game now for an explosion...GILLMAN WORRIED: "We only hope that they don't decide to heat up against us," a worried Gillman said yesterday after he had practiced his squad in Burbank. It's been announced that two Packer regulars, fullback Howie Ferguson (shoulder separation) and Gary Knafelc (knee) will miss Sunday's game, which will be televised into the Los Angeles are starting at 11 a.m. on KNTX (2). But the Packers' running attack shouldn't suffer too greatly with Paul Hornung, formerly of Notre Dame and Green Bay's top draft choice in 1957, filling in at fullback. Last year as a rookie, Hornung, although he played only half a season, was second leading ground gainer for his club. He gained 319 yards in 60 carries. He also had the NFL's longest run from scrimmage, 72 yards. William McGee will be at end in place of Knafelc. This former Tulane star was outstanding as a rookie in 1954, after which he spent two years in service. The Rams' coaching staff makes no bones about the respect they hold for several Packers, namely Howton and Hornung plus three others who came to the squad this season on trades. These would be J.D. Kimmel, defensive tackle, and Steve Meilinger, offensive end, obtained from the Redskins, and Len Ford, nine-year veteran defensive end from the Browns. A rookie the Rams consider one of the best in the league is Dan Currie, All-American center and linebacker from Michigan State. Currie was the Packers' No. 1 draft selection last year. But from a statistical standpoint the odds of 10 points favoring the Rams seem to be justified. Jon Arnett, third, and Tom Wilson, eighth, rank among the top 10 ground gainers in the NFL. Arnett has rambled for 448, Wilson for 401 yards. No Packer back is listed among these leaders. And Bill Wade is right up there among the leading quarterbacks. He has passed for a league high of 1,486 yards. Wade's completion average is a flossy 54.2. Green Bay interchanges Bart Starr and Babe Parilli at quarterback. Starr is listed among the top 16 throwers in the NFL. He's completed 62 of 122 passes for 704 yards, two touchdowns and a 50.8 completion mark. The Rams take off at noon tomorrow via a United Airlines chartered plane. They fly to Milwaukee and from there travel by bus to Green Bay. They'll stay at the Northland Hotel through Sunday night. From there, it'll be on to Baltimore and then Chicago for the Cardinals before returning home to close out the campaign with the Colts and Packers in rematch games.

#### IT'S MORE BAD NEWS - RAMS NEXT FOR PACKERS

NOV 14 (Milwaukee Journal) - Now the Packers get the Rams and that's not good news. The Los Angeles entry in the NFL is back in contention, after two big victories at home, and Sunday's game in Green Bay is another the Californians have to win. Sid Gillman's Rams, who beat the Chicago Bears two weeks ago, 41-35, and dismantled the San Francisco 49ers last Sunday, 56-7, are two games behind Baltimore and one behind the Bears. Usually the Rams are not much of a road team, but this season has been different - so far. They beat the Lions in Detroit, 42-48, and tore apart the 49ers in San Francisco, 33-3. The Rams have a young team. They have 10 rookies, eight sophomores and five juniors. That makes 23 out of 35 with less than three years' experience. Ray (Scooter) McLean, Green Bay's harried coach, rates the Rams "on the same level with Baltimore and the Bears." "There's not much difference in the top three teams," McLean said. "The Rams have great speed and are well balanced as far as passing and running and offense and defense are concerned." The Rams like to gamble on defense, much as the Bears do. They frequently send their linebackers after the passer. "We're looking for more of that Sunday," McLean said, "and we're working on it." The Rams have Bill Wade at quarterback. He apparently learned well while understudying Norm Van Brocklin. Gillman himself calls the plays, shuttling guards Buck Lansford and John Houser. The runners are speedy Jon Arnett, powerful Joe Marconi and Tom Wilson, former league rushing champion, and the receivers Del Shofner, Lamar Lundy, Jim Phillips and Leon Clarke. Arnett, of course, catches the ball, too. Guard Duane Putnam, an all-pro, leads their sharp blockers. Ken Panfil and Bob Fry are the tackles and John Morro, the center. Lou Rymkus, former Packer assistant under Lisle Blackbourn, coaches the offensive line. Shofner played defensive back last year, but rookie Jack Morris of Oregon and Jim Harris of Oklahoma, obtained with Lansford and next year's first draft choice from Philadelphia for Van Brocklin, have taken over the cornerback spots. Bill Sherman and Don Burroughs remain as veteran safety men. Les Richter is linebacker and defensive captain and is flanked by Dick Daugherty and Jack Pardee. Bill Jobko of Ohip State was one of the linebackers until he went out with injuries. Rookie Lou Michaels of Kentucky and Glenn Holtzmann, converted tackle, are the defensive ends and Frank Fuller and George Strugar, backed up 291 pound tackle John Baker, the tackles.

#### **BAYS TALK TO MATUSZAK**

NOV 14 (Green Bay) - Coach Scooter McLean said Friday night that members of his staff have "talked to" linebacker Marv Matuszak, released Thursday by the 49ers, but have not signed him to play with the Packers. "We intend to talk to him some more. Right now the boy is pretty upset. I don't know whether he wants to go on playing football."

#### RAMS HEAD EAST TO KEEP PACKER, COLT, CARD DATES

NOV 14 (Los Angeles Times) - Faced with a "must" assignment of winning three games on the road, the Los Angeles Rams take off at noon today from Burbank aboard a special United Airlines charter for their date Sunday with the Packers in Green Bay. Schedule calls for the team to plane into Milwaukee and from there travel by bus to Green Bay about an hour's drive away. With a record of four won, three lost, the Rams are still in contention for the Western Conference championship, but in order to stay within striking distance it's imperative that Coach Sid Gillman's charges win their three upcoming road games. After Green Bay comes the Baltimore Colts and Chicago Cardinals. Los Angeles is hardly noted for its ability to win out of town. One must go back to 1952 to discover the last time the Rams copped three straight away from home. Last season, Los Angeles beat only one road team, the Packers, and in this one they came from far back to pull the game out, 31-27, on a 31-yard pass to Lamar Lundy...INJURED DEFENDERS: As the Rams prepare to depart there's still considerable concern being shown over the physical condition of several key players, namely two veteran safetymen, Don Burroughs and Will Sherman, and linebacker Bill Jobko. If either can move at all, you can be certain that both Burroughs and Sherman will at least start. If they can't go the route, rookies Jimmy Jones and Clendon Thomas will be standing by to take over.

# Star-Studded Rams NOV 14 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - The Rams are loaded with stars, everybody else's high draft choices Led by Arnett

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and other colossals. They are, to sum it up, terrific. And one member of their cast has been billed as considerably above that 8-letter word. That would be Jon Arnett, who plays two positions - halfback and everything. Arnett and the Rams will play the Packers at City stadium Sunday...NO COMPARISON: You think Willie Galimore gives the Packers trouble? Ram linebacker Dick Daughterty said this at a Ram fan club meeting the other day: "There's absolutely no comparison between

Arnett and Willie Galimore. Galimore doesn't belong on the same field with Arnett." Daughterty says it's impossible to tackle Arnett around the ankles, and explains: "You've got to grab him around the middle or the neck and then hope someone comes along quick to give you a hand in bringing him down." Arnett had an amazing day in the Rams' 41-35 victory over the Bears. He rushed for 90 yards, gained 118 on punt returns and 71 on pass receptions. Halfback mate Tom Wilson added three touchdowns by the way. The following Sunday the 49ers were supposed to have stacked their defenses to stop Arnett, but fury broke out elsewhere and Frankie Albert's men were thumped, 56-7. Arnett, via an interview in LA, credited his running success to three things: (1) balance - gained by years of tumbling; (2) peripheral vision - a sort of wide-screen vision which gives him greater optical range than most; and (3) the fact that he was the smallest member of the Rams' gang. Packer Coach Ray McLean carries a great deal of respect for the entire Ram crew and isn't planning any special defenses for any one player. "They're all good. That Arnett can run, and don't forget he's a good pass catcher. Tom Wilson is also at left half and he's a strong runner. And then there are Marconi at fullback and their ends, Shofner, Clarke and Phillips."...RUNS SHOW: The guy who runs the entire Ram show is Bill Wade, the quarterback who this year is in the top quarterback spot for the first time. He got into that position when Norm Van Brocklin was traded to Philadelphia. Wade is passing at a 54 percent clip with 97 completions in 179 attempts for 1,468 yards and 12 touchdowns. He leads the league in interceptions, with 16. Arnett and Wilson rank 1-2 in Ram rushing with 448 and 401 yards, respectively. Shofner and Arnett are 1-2 in pass catching, with 29 and 22. Jim Phillips caught 15, Lamar Lundy 14. The Rams have scored four touchdowns on defense. Leon Clarke, an offensive end, counted a TD when he returned a blocked kick for 7 yards against Detroit. Bill Sherman returned two interceptions for touchdowns - one for 26 vs. Detroit and one for 70 vs. Frisco. Defensive end Lou Michaels returned an interception six yards in the first 49er game...RYMKUS WITH RAMS: With the Rams will be Lou Rymkis, former Packer line coach, who is in his first coaching season with LA. Fullback Howie Ferguson, who suffered a shoulder injury Sunday that will keep him out three weeks, went to his home in New Iberia, La., for a few days. McLean figures he'll be ready for the last two games.

#### PARILLI TO START; 'HEAT' DOESN'T BOTHER MCLEAN

NOV 15 (Milwaukee Sentinel) - Scooter McLean, admitting that "things are not as smooth as they could be" in Green Bay these days, picked Babe Parilli to lead his addicted Packers out of their losing habits against the powerful Rams Sunday. McLean, a tough little Scotsman, said fan reaction wasn't getting him down. Instead, he was determined to keep his club primed for an upset. "We've had an excellent weather this week and the drills have been good," McLean said. "We're going to stay at a motel Saturday night. Boy, I hope we're ready to do something Sunday." Thanks to a huge season sale before McLean blew up a football, Sunday's crowd should approach 30,000. However, this figure would represent the smallest crowd ever to see the Packers play in their new home. McLean said he wouldn't make up his mind on any other starters except Parilli. The Kentucky Babe is currently fourth ranked among the league's passers with a 8.38 yard average per pass. His mound foe Sunday, Billy Wade, is one step below Parilli, averaging 8.30 yards per pass, the unit under which the NFL rates its passers. Wade, thought, has gained more yards than Parilli (1,486 to 662) and has thrown



Joe Francis

Bart Starr

Babe Parilli

more TD passes (12 to six). McLean said that Paul Hornung and rookie Jim Taylor have been working out in the injured Howie Ferguson's fullback spot. Ferguson suffered a shoulder separation in last Sunday's game and will be out of action for at least three weeks. "I haven't put Fergy on the injured reserve list yet," McLean said. "I still think he might be ready for the coast trip." Although McLean's optimism is tough to break, his Packers are a 10-point underdog against the title contending Rams. Los Angeles, with a 4-3 record, can pull within one game of first place by beating Green Bay, providing the Bears knock off the front-running Colts at Chicago and go into a tie with Baltimore for the top spot. If the Packers don't come to life soon, they face the possibility of finishing their worst record in 40 years. The Rams, who arrived in Green Bay late Friday night, uncorked their greatest offensive effort of the year in clobbering the 49ers, 56-7, last week. They picked up 324 yards on the ground and 253 yards passing for a total of 577. It was the best show of offense since the second Packer game of last year when the Rams made 599 yards on 302 yards rushing and 297 yards passing. "Sure, it's going to be tough," McLean said, looking at those figures. "But tell me - what game isn't tough in this league?"

# Packers May Use Spread Against Rams on Sunday

#### PACKERS MAY USE SPREAD AGAINST RAMS ON SUNDAY

NOV 15 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - The Green Bay Packers, headed down the trail to what could be their worst season in the NFL, make their final home appearance Sunday against the Los Angeles Rams. The Rams are 10-point favorites. The first below 30,000 crowd ever at the Packers' new stadium is expected. Coach Ray McLean has said he will start Babe Parilli at quarterback...MAY HAVE GIMMICK: McLean, in his first year as head coach, may have a gimmick up his sleeve. He'll need it to stop the favored and high-scoring Rams, led by halfback Jon Arnett who has developed into something of a sensation. Earlier in the week, McLean said, "We've been working on the spread formation." He would say nothing more on the subject. In the spread, the quarterback stands deep, alone and with his other backs flanked wide. In theory, it opens up the opponent's defense for aerial maneuvers, but also gives the quarterback the option to run. For the most part this season the Packers have been operating off variations of the T formation...PACKERS LAST: The Rams come to town from a 56-7 victory over the San Francisco 49ers and in third place in the Western conference with a 4-3 record. The Packers are last with a 1-5-1 slate. A good share of the Packer problem has been the quarterbacking. Green Bay has three quarterbacks, veterans Bart Starr and Parilli and rookie Joe Francis. Starr and Parilli have shared starting assignments. The players and coaches agree Starr has the makings of a great signal caller, but, as one of the Packers said, "It's just that he's got to get experience and meanness or cockiness or whatever you want to call it." The Packer continued, "He's got all the equipment. You didn't see Tobin Rote or Bobby Layne or Norm Van Brocklin or any of those guys setting the league on fire in the first few years. It usually takes four or five years to catch on as a quarterback. You remember when Rote was our quarterback. Well, Rote was - how should I say it - half horse's neck. I mean he was mean. He'd fire everybody up in the huddle. Bart's not that way. He's too nice a guy." The 24-year old Starr is in his third season with Green Bay. Parilli is in his second tour with the Packers, but he seems to brook and lack confidence in himself...HAVE WON 4: The Packers have won four games in the last two seasons and each time Parilli was the quarterback. But after each performance he seems to come up with two or three bad games. "I wish I could figure him out," a teammate said. "He got going in the fourth quarter in Washington and then tore Philadelphia apart. We figured maybe the Babe is going now. But then over Baltimore he couldn't do a thing right."

Parilli will start Sunday. Francis has played little this year, the usual fate of the rookie, but he may see more action. "We're going to use our young fellows more." said McLean. "We've got to find out what they can do." Francis can run and is learning to pass. Rookie fullback Jim Taylor may also see more action because Howie Ferguson is out with an injury. Taylor ran and blocked well against the Bears last Sunday.

#### **NOTES AND NOTIONS**

NOV 15 (Appleton Post-Crescent) - I sought out Kaukauna's Art Mongin - a Packer director for nearly 10 years - for his views on what changes, if any, the club should make in its organization or operation. He declined to comment publicly but said he had a "few ideas" which he plans to present to the board at the proper time. Morgin, however, conceded that "nobody's very happy about it" (the team's current record). He believes that although the Packers probably don't have the personnel to match some of the clubs in the league, they are better than their record suggests. Mongin feels the executive

committee has been blamed unjustly; he feels the members are doing a good job. Each of the 13 members on the EC is a success in his own field, Mongin pointed out - adding that no one could afford to but the combined business talent which is being given gratis. Intimating that the EC is no "closed" proposition, Mongin said that all other directors of the 45-man board have a standing invitation to join the EC at any of its weekly meeting. The full board meets about four times a year...PACKERLAND CLIMATE UNIQE IN MAJOR SPORTS: Mongin believes that the relatively small size of the Packerland community - unique in major league football or baseball - explains some of the things that happen. At time, he indicated, there has been a preseason snowballing of fans' enthusiasm because of good training reports or big-name draft choices - premature buildups that the facts didn't completely justify. By the same token, according to Mongin, the club's troubles are sometimes blown up out of proportion to their importance. The players, exposed to all this, may become confused, according to the director. Still and all, Mongin wouldn't want this Packerland climate to change. "It's a wonderful thing we have so many Monday quarterbacks." Without them, it would be kind of rough making a go of the franchise, he added...Joe Skibinski, veteran pro guard who started the season with the Packers and later was traded to the New York Giants for a 1959 draft choice, has retired from the game. He is living in Green Bay, recovering from a leg injury which sidelined him several weeks ago. Skibinski, who has a master's degree in physical education, is interested in teaching and coaching in a high school in or near Green Bay.

#### RAMS SHOULD WAX GREEN BAY, BUT ---

NOV 15 (Los Angeles Mirror News) - Tomorrow, in the only American stadium ever built exclusively for pro football, the Los Angeles Rams play the Green Bay Packers in a game that could wreck their hopes for the season. It is a game the Rams should win, one they figure to win, one in which they are favored by 10 1/2 points. It is a game against a team they defeated twice last year, a team that finished in last place in the 1957 Western Division and which is in last place now with but a single victory over Philadelphia and a tie with Detroit to recommend it. This is the kind of a game you don't get much credit out of it you win it, but which makes you look pretty silly if you lose...BETTER THAN RECORD: And yet Green Bay is a team which last year gave the Rams the worst firsthalf drubbing of the season, 24-3, in Milwaukee County Stadium. It is a team that defeated the Chicago Bears to open the '57 season and that won a game in Baltimore where the Rams took an unmerciful clobbering. It is a team that won in Pittsburgh. It is a better ream than its record shows. It is one of those cornered, dangerous teams, like a cornered wolverine about to fly out at somebody and tear that somebody apart as a cornered wolverine would do. The Rams appear to have the guns to subdue this team. But it doesn't figure to be easy. Bart Starr is one of the most underrated quarterbacks in

Ram-Packer TV Line-ups KNXT (2) AT 11 A.M. RAMS 9 Wade, qb 51 Morrow, c 15 Ryan, qb 55 Michaels, lb 24 Wilson, hb 57 Jobko, lb 25 Bur'ughs, hb 61 Putnam, g 26 Arnett, hb 27 Waller, hb 62 Houser, g 63 Lansford, g 29 Shofn'r,hb-e 71 Fuller, t 73 Panfil, t 32 Pardee, lb 34 Marconi, fb 74 Baker, t 36 Cothren, fb 75 Fry, t 77 Strugar, t 37 J. Jones, hb 40 J. Morris, hb 78 Wilkins, e 43 Sherman, hb 79 Bradshaw, t 44 Harris, hb 82 Phillips, e 84 Clarke, e 46 Thomas, hb 48 Richter, lb 85 Lundy, e 50 Daugh'ty, lb 89 Holtzman, e PACKERS 5 Hornung, fb 61 Bullough, g 10 Parilli, qb 64 Kramer, g 65 Bettis,g-lb 15 Starr, qb 67 Salsbury, g 20 Francis, hb 22 Shanley, hb 69 Forest'r, g-lb 23 Romine, hb 71 Currie, c-lb 25 Kinard, hb 72 Kimmel, t 27 Symank, hb 75 Gregg, t 31 Taylor, fb 77 Spencer, t 33 Mitschke, fb 78 Masters, t 40 Johnson, hb 79 Hanner, t 42 McIlh'ny, hb 80 Meil'ng'r, hb 44 Dillon, hb 82 Temp, e-t 46 Grem'ger, hb 83 Ford, e 47 Wh'nton, hb 84 Knafelc, e 48 C'rmich'l,hb 85 McGee, e

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the league...CARMICHAEL TOUGH: Al Carmichael has a habit of murdering the Rams on long kickoff returns. One year he averaged 55 yards on four of them. Last year at Milwaukee he broke up a 24-24 tie late in the game with a 48-yard return to set up a field goal, which the Rams finally overcame on a pass from Norm Van Brocklin to Lamar Lundy with 1:18 to go in the fourth quarter. It required the greatest single performance of Van Brocklin's life, along with 149 yards rushing by Jon Arnett, to win from this team last year at Milwaukee. It may take one of Bill Wade's greatest days to repeat here tomorrow what Van Brocklin did then. The game will be played before a probable sellout crowd of 31,000 fans.

#### RAMS' RYMKUS PULLS REVERSE SWITCH

NOV 15 (Los Angeles Mirror News) - Lou Rymkus this week has been doing a job in reverse gear. The Rams hope and believe he has done it well. Rymkus, All-American at Notre Dame, captain and All-Pro tackle of the Cleveland Browns,

was for the past four years line coach at Green Bay. He was the line coach whose forwards last year, in the game at Milwaukee, gave the Los Angeles forwards the greatest 30-minute chewing up of the entire season. The Rymkus line tore into that of the Rams with spirit and gusto. With Bart Starr completing six of seven passes until he injured an elbow and retired for the day, Green Bay ran up a 24-3 lead at halftime. All the play was on the Los Angeles side of the line of scrimmage as our me were on the seats of their pants from the opening kickoff. Green Bay's line tomorrow will be very much the same as it was then. The only new man is Hank Bullough, who was a Packer rookie in '55 but in the service the past two seasons. The Rams face the same ends in Max McGee and Billy Howton, same tackles in Oliver Spencer and Norm Masters, same right guard in UCLA's Jim Salsbury, same center in Jim Ringo, who made All-Pro and played in the Pro Bowl game. But this time it's the job of Lou Rymkus to whip up a Ram line that can overcome the one he had last year at Green Bay, I asked him how he had done the job on the Rams last year and how he expects to do it in the other direction tomorrow. Lou was quick to point out that his day of glory lasted only 30 minutes. It was not a full hour. In the second half, the Ram line came tearing out with an intense will to win and won the battle of the trenches. Behind this line, Dutch Van Brocklin had perhaps his greatest day, one of the finest any Ram ever had, and Jon Arnett rolled for 149 yards in 17 carries...RINGO, SALSBURY DRAW PRAISE: "It was two complete games," Rymkus told me on the plane. "We ran inside the Rams' defensive ends in the first half and were good up the middle, too. Ringo last year was really the best. He has the knack of getting a good block on trap plays. On flares he comes back and picks up the red-dog men real well. He is a good center on downfield blocking. Salsbury was hurt much of last year but in the Ram game he did quite a job on Hauser and Fuller. Spencer came to Green Bay in the trade for Tobin Rote. In fact, it was to get Spencer that we traded Rote. Masters, the other tackle, also came along in the Rote deal. McGee is a fair blocker, but no Lundy, Phillips or Shofner, Howton doesn't block but is one of the ace receivers in the league. Paul Hornung at fullback is a fair blocker but not as good as Marconi. Don McIlhenny is a good runner, Meilinger a good slotback and Starr is a better quarterback than Babe Parilli. He's a lot better than he's rated. He made the Rams look like chumps. Bill Forester is a good linebacker and Dan Currie, rookie from Michigan State, looks good in the films. J.D. Kimmel is a defensive tackle from the Redskins and Len Ford at defensive end is still putting on quite a show." "Well, how ya gonna beat all those tough guys you used to coach?" I asked Lou...ALL A MATTER OF DESIRE: "Football is still a game of morale and the right frame of mind," Rymkus replied. "It's who wants to win the game the most. Last year Green Bay had greater desire in the first half than the Rams had. The Rams had been so badly humiliated during that time they suddenly took fire with desire and they came back and ran us right out of the stadium. It's not so much a matter of technical adjustment as it is to be fired up with greater desire than the Packers have. The Packers have not looked bad in Green Bay in any game this season. We're going into a hornet's nest and we know it. We're in for a real tough game in a town that lives in and glories in its past - a past of 40 years filled with the memories of men like Herber, Hutson and Isbell, Michalske, Brock and Hinkle and all of the other great ones Green Bay has had. The people here are very proud of their team. They are solidly behind it. They are particularly proud that last year they dedicated, with Dick Nixon in attendance, the only stadium in American ever built for professional football."

#### RAMS FAVORED OVER PACKERS

NOV 15 (Green Bay-Los Angeles Times) - Five times beaten Green Bay will attempt to throw a rock into the smooth functioning Rams football machinery tomorrow when the two NFL teams collide in City Stadium here. Rain and possibly light snow flurries are the prospect tomorrow. Some 27,000 of the 32,500 seats in City Stadium already have been sold, but a complete sellout will depend on tomorrow's weather. Twice last year the Los Angeles pros won over Green Bay and in this first match of the '58 season the Rams are favored by 10 1/2 points to make it four straight. The Packers haven't won a decision over the Far West club since the first game of 1956...IMPRESSIVE AT HOME: Despite the Packers' lowly seasonal record of 1-5-1 they must be highly respected as an outfit that's generally tough to handle on their home field. Including one preseason game and three league encounters played here this season, the Packers won twice, tied one and lost one. In an exhibition, Coach Ray (Scooter) McLean's team whipped the Eagles, 20-17, and later trounced the same club, 38-35. The Packers managed a 13-13 tie with the Lions and dropped a close one, 24-17, to the Colts. No less than three all-pro players will be lined up tomorrow against the Rams, who are still very much in contention for the Western Conference title with a 4-3 record...THREE ALL-PROS: Offensively the Packers will have Jim Ringo at center and Billy Howton at right end. Bobby Dillon is an all-pro safetyman. Bart Starr, three-year veteran from Alabama, is expected to open for the Packers at quarterback, a position he shares with Babe Parilli, five-year veteran passer from Kentucky. Balance of the Packers' offensive backfield will include Don McIlhenny and Steve Meilinger, halfbacks, and Paul Hornung, fullback. Coach Sid Gillman will go with Jon Arnett at left halfback and Joe Marconi at fullback. The latter was at his best a week ago in logging 121 yards as the Rams trounced the 49ers, 56-7. All of the Ram cripples, with the exception of linebacker Bill Jobko, are expected to play. This means that Will Sherman and Don Burroughs will be at their regular safety positions and Les Richter will be running the defense from his middle guard spot.