

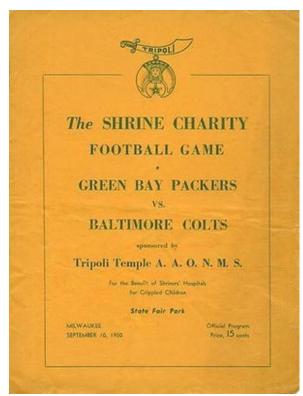


Preseason: Green Bay Packers (3-1) 16, Baltimore Colts 14 Sunday September 10th 1950 (at Milwaukee)

Ted's FG Difference; Rote Passes Bring TDs

Packers Edge Spirited Colts, 16-14; Detroit Next

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)



(MILWAUKEE) - Playing their first game as a favorite, the new Green Bay Packers made the best of an uncomfortable situation to score a 16-14 victory over a spirited herd of Baltimore Colts before 17,191 fans here Sunday afternoon. The victory, the Packers' third in four non-league games, gave the Packers the "grapefruit" championship of the National conference and set the stage for their NFL opener in Green Bay Sunday afternoon with the Detroit Lions, who whipped the Curly Lambeau Cardinals, 24-16, Saturday night. The Colts, beaten in six previous nonloop contests, appeared desperate as they cut loose with a great amount of fire - the kind of stuff the Packers unleashed against the Chicago Cardinals and New York Giants. But the Packers matched 'em, 7-7, in a sluggish first half and then outgunned the easterners in the last two quarters. The margin, in the end, of victory was provided by a Ted Frisch field goal - a tough-angle shot from the 12-yard line - in the fourth quarter. Fritsch's field goal put Green Bay in front, 16-7, but it was another Fritsch boot - the ensuing kickoff - that Baltimore turned into one of the top thrills of the game. Chet Mutryn, the Colts' great left halfback, took the ball on the goal line and wheeled 100 yards for a touchdown without a hand touching him. That was it. With three minutes to go, a Colt pass was intercepted by Bob Forte at midfield and the Packers put on the stall to cop the first Midwest Shrine classic. The Packers' TD maneuvers came without warning. Actually, only three pass plays were used in making the two TDs.

BALDWIN GETS THE KNEE

The fighting Colts had pretty well mussed up the Packers in the first half, but, with 22 seconds remaining, Green Bay gained possession on their own 27. Quarterback Tobin Rote fired a perfect strike that carried 63 yards (53 from the line of scrimmage) to Al Baldwin on the Colt 20. Baldwin made a miraculous catch among three Colts, tipping the ball out of their reach and then catching it on the way down. One of the Colts gave Al the knee and the officials called roughing, moving the ball to the 10. The TD came on the next play with eight seconds left. Rote spotted Tony Canadeo on the four and Tony caught it with his back to the end zone. Canadeo didn't turn around. He just backed into the cash register. Fritsch's kick tied the score, 7-7. The second sudden death TD arrived with a minute left in the third quarter. It was first down on the Baltimore 46. Rote faded back 10 yards and uncorked a long pass to Baldwin on the 10. Billy Stone moved in close to intercept but

Al tipped it again and caught it going away. Stone fell flat and Baldwin ran unmolested into the end zone. Though the Packers' blocking and tackling were shoddy at times, they put on quite a goal line stand before the Colts scored their first touchdown early in the second quarter. The Colts had first down on the Packer four and they moved only two yards in three tries. But on fourth down, Adrian Burk passed to Jim Owens for the TD.

BATTLE OF ROOKIE QBS

The contest developed into a battle of rookie quarterbacks - the Packers' Rote and the Colts' Burk - who, by the way, were the kingpins in the Southwest conference last fall - Rote with Rice and Burk with Baylor. Y.A. Tittle, the Colts' veteran QB, sat out the entire game. Rote got a slug in the jaw in the first quarter and never "came to" until halftime. After the Colts scored, Tom O'Malley replaced Rote and completed the first Packer pass - an eight-yarder to Abner Wimberly. Rote's first completion was that 53-yard job to Baldwin just before the half despite the fact that he was "out" on his feet. Coming back strong in the last half, Rote finished with nine completions in 18 tries for 207 yards and two touchdowns. Baldwin caught three for 121 and Ted Cook, at right end, snared two for 62 yards - one going 40 yards to the Colt 20 in the third quarter.

Burk completed 18 out of 36 attempts for 161 yards and one TD. The Colts, with Mutryn ripping off consistent gains, outyarded the Packers on the ground, the Bays moving only 51 yards, compared to the Colts' 208. Baltimore had an edge in first downs, 18-9, and on total yardage, 369-266. The Packers' longest run from scrimmage was 20 yards by Al Cannava around right end early in the last quarter.

FOURTH DOWN PASS WORKS

The Packers showed their defensive stuff right quick. The Colts launched action from their own 22 after the opening kickoff, and Dan Orlich tossed passer Burk back 11 yards in two tries. After Burk punted, the Bays got their first chance on their own 43, but it was short-lived. On third down, Billy Stone intercepted Rote's pass at midfield. With Mutryn running, the Colts moved to the Packer 37 but the Packers held, knocking down a couple of passes. On fourth (field goal) down, the Colts sprung a surprise pass from Burk to Mutryn for 13 yards and a first down. The suspense didn't last long as Forte pitched Leon Campbell back two vards. two of Burk's throws went incomplete, and on fourth down Steve Pritko tackled Burk for a 14yard loss. The Packers moved for the first time on the next series as Larry Coutre hit right tackle for 11, Al Cannava left tackle for four, and Coutre again over RT for eight. The attack stalled as Rote was smeared for an eight-yard loss and Girard punted out of bounds on the Colt eight. The frisky Colts, with Campbell

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LEAGUE	Kekkers, Bradach, Ferry, Ecker. Guards-Manley, DiPierro, Burris,
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Chicago Bears at Pittsburgh	Yards Gained Passing 215 161
New York Giants at Pittsburgh	Total Yards Gained 266 369
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roaring 40 yards down the sidelines, moved to the Packer 25 in seven plays as the first quarter ended. The aroused Packers slammed the Colts back to midfield as Joe Spencer nailed Burk for a 10-yard loss and then combined with Orlich to hit Burk back for 14 yards.

TOUCHDOWN IN 14 PLAYS

Holding the Packers again, the Colts took over on their own 25 and proceeded 75 yards to a touchdown in 14 plays. The payoff came on a fourth down two-yard pass from Burk to Owens just inside the goal after the Colts were held to two yards in three plays. Rex Grossman kicked the extra point - his 96th straight in two years of pro football. Starting his third season, Grossman has yet to miss an extra point. His record includes 64 straight in league competition. O'Malley made his first appearance as a Packer quarterback and completed a pass to Abner Wimberly for eight yards but Girard soon had to punt. The Colts threatened again as Rip Collins banged 30 yards, with Carl Schuette saving a TD with a sharp tackle. An offside penalty and three incompleted passes forced the Colts to lose the ball on downs on their own 27, setting the stage for the



Packers' touchdown-tying drive just before the half. The Packers couldn't budge after receiving to start the third quarter, but the Colts did on the next series. Campbell went outside his own right tackle for 54 yards to the Packer 32, where Rebel Steiner shoved him out of bounds. The Packer defense tightened and the Colts didn't gain an inch. So, Grossman tried a field goal from the 39 that went wide.

FRITSCH SHORT ON FIELD GOAL

Again, the Packers couldn't gain and Girard's punt gave the Colts position on their own 38. Burk completed one to Owens for 10 and another to Mutryn for 14, but Mutryn fumbled after his catch and Wally Dreyer recovered on the Packer 40. After Canadeo made five yards in two tries and Rote was smeared for an 11-yard loss trying to pass, Girard punted to the Colt 17, but the Baltimores were holding, giving the Bays first down on the Packer 40. Cook took Rote's pass between two defenders for a 40-yard gain on the Baltimore 20. But the attack fizzled after Rote was dumped back 18 yards trying to throw and Rote completed an 11-yard screener to Wimberly. Fritsch tried a field goal from the 36 but it went short and Stone was nailed on the five trying to return it. A roughing the kicker penalty gave the Colts new life on their 25 but the Packers tightened and Burk

punted only 14 yards out of bounds on the Colt 46. On the next play, Rote passed to Baldwin for the TD. Fritsch's try for the point went wide, his foot hitting the soil under the ball, with Girard holding. Early in the fourth quarter, after an exchange of punts, Alex Wizbicki made a nifty interception of a Burk pass on the Packer 40 and returned 22 yards to the Colt 38. A clipping penalty on the Packers put the ball back to the Bay 47. Cannava circled right end for 20 yards and Rote and Baldwin combined on a 22-yard pass to the Colt 11. After Cannava banged for two and a Rote to Bill Boedecker pass fell incomplete, Rote ran to the five. On fourth down, Fritsch angled a field goal to give the Pack a 16-7 lead.

MUTRYN GOES 100

Fritsch's kickoff went straight down the alley to Mutryn on the goal line. Chet ambled up to the 20 and cut to his right as a wide path opened. He nudged closer to the sidelines as he passed the 50 and outran Pritko down the home stretch. Grossman's kick made it 16-14. The Packers slammed back with a 22-yard pass from Rote to Cook, but Rote was slammed back twice for a total of 15 yards and Girard punted. The Colts started to get frisky as Burk completed two passes to North for 25 yards to midfield, but Forte saved the day with an interception on the Packer 46. The Packers stalled away over a minute but Girard had to punt despite a nine-yard gain by Canadeo. The Packers installed a special pass defense, with three backs and three ends in the danger zone, and Burk completed one throw - a shortie to Herb Rich - in four tries as the gun ended the game

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SCORING

2ND - BALT - Jim Owens, 2-yard pass from Adrian Burk (Rex Grossman kick) BALTIMORE 7-0

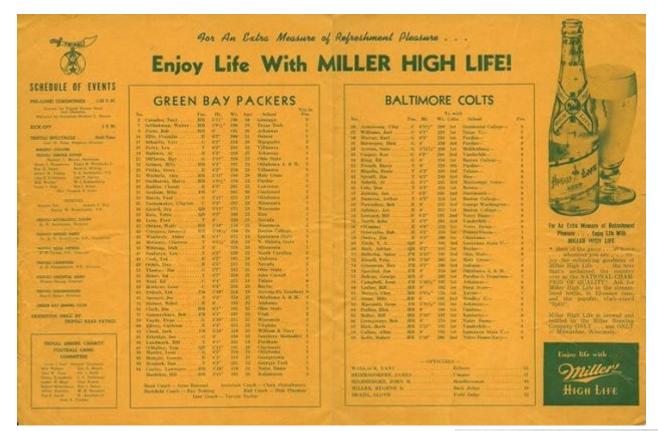
2ND - GB - Tony Canadeo, 10-yard pass from Tobin Rote (Ted Fritsch kick) TIED 7-7

3RD - GB - Al Baldwin, 46-yard pass from Rote (Kick failed) GREEN BAY 13-7

4TH - GB - Fritsch, 14-yard field goal GREEN BAY 16-7

4TH - BALT - Chet Mutryn, 100-yard kickoff return (Grossman kick) GREEN BAY 17-14

Colts Played 'Best' Game But Didn't Get Breaks, Says Crowe



COLTS PLAYED 'BEST' GAME BUT DIDN'T GET BREAKS, SAYS CROWE

SEPT 11 (Milwaukee) - "It's the best game we've played, I think," was the frank admission of curly-haired Clem Crowe, head coach of the Baltimore Colts, in the lobby of the Ambassador hotel here late Sunday afternoon. But Clem, who likewise openly admitted that his athletes - who'd just lost their seventh consecutive preseason game - "were up for this one," was inclined to lay much of the blame at Dame Fortune's door. "It just seemed our team played the best it could but just can't get the breaks. It's been that way in three or four of our games," was Clem's lament. "We had scores called back for some infraction of the rules in almost every game we've played." Crowe, whose chief claim to fame aside from the fact that he was one of Notre Dame's illustrious "Seven Mules" during the heyday of the equally noted "Four Horsemen" is he is the father of ten children, though the game's turning point came early in the fourth quarter "when Billy Stone intercepted that pass and let it get away and Baldwin caught it for a touchdown." "And, of course," the ex-Buffalo Bills chief strategist explained, "we were a little hurt defensively. It was the first game we played without Barwegen (all-pro guard who was sent to the Bears in last week's five-player deal). So it was a little difficult. That made a lot of difference." "We were disappointed," Crowe said with no attempt to conceal his pregame feelings, "because we came here to won and we didn't." Possibly fearing that he was

Rites Tuesday for Mrs. Red Smith

NEW ELMHURST, N. Y. -Funeral services will be held here Tuesday morning for Mrs. Frances Smith, wife of former Green Bay Packer coach Richard P. (Red) Smith, who died of a cerebral hemorrhage here last Thursday afternoon. Smith, ex-manager of the Green Bay Bluejays, and now a scout for the Dallas Eagles baseball team, arrived here Friday night. Relatives had been unable to contact Smith, who had been en route from Dallas to New Elmhurst, traveling by auto.

Mrs. Smith was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wild of New York, both of whom survive her.

creating the impression he was holding the Packers too cheaply, Clem observed, "Green Bay has a nice team," with a note of sincerity in his voice. "They should win some games when the season starts." Referring to the Packers' hulking defensive genius, Clayton Tonnemaker, the Baltimore chieftain admitted, "I wish I had him. Anybody would like to have him," he said with a note of admiration in his tone. "He is a great ball player. When anybody's got him in there, they've got a tower of strength. We couldn't go in there at all today. He was forcing us outside." The Colts' head man also felt "Neal did a swell job defensively" and in almost the same breath added, "That Baldwin's a great end. In fact, in Baldwin and Cook, the Packers have a fine pair of ends."...Burly Gene Ronzani, the Packers' commander-in-chief, had developed a convenient amnesia wherein the afternoon's business was concerned. "Let's forget it," Gene said meaningfully. "We've got Detroit ahead of us." He unbent, however, to admit, "Naturally, I'm very happy we won. But let's forget it. We've got a big week ahead of us." Gene did, though, pause to briefly analyze the Packers' latest victory. "It's pretty hard," he conceded, "to get

a bunch of boys steamed up when they're playing somebody who has lost six games. From experience, I know this kind is always your toughest game. And, of course, we certainly weren't the club we were in the last two games. But we did come back pretty well in the second half."...The Packer head man, incidentally, was the involuntary principal in a "Dagwood" following the game. He missed the bus. Gene, standing a few yards off, was chatting with Crowe and his assistants, ex-Washington Redskin Wayne Milner and Rocco Pirro. He was startled to hear the roar of a motor, wheeled and saw the bus cruising down the track. So Tuffy was forced to taxi back to the Schroeder hotel...Three of Gene's contemporaries were intensely interested observers in the press box. They were Line coach Aldo Forte and End Coach George Wilson, representing next Sunday's Green Bay visitors, the Detroit Lions, and no less a Washington representative than Head Coach Herman Ball himself. Ball was accompanied by Chief Redskin Scout Al Heagy. Forte, probably for more reasons than one, was complimentary to the Packers. "They're going to

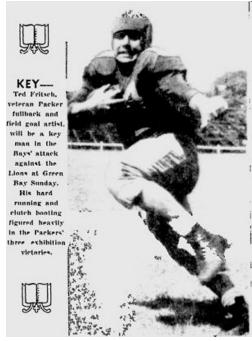
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have a darn good team," said the big Italian, one-time Bear teammate of Ronzani. "Maybe not this year," he admitted, "but it's in the making."...Is It Worth The Effort Dept: A sailor and his fair friend, noting several thousand people filing through the gates, approached one of the ticket booths shortly before the ball game, and queried, "What the ---- is going on here today?" Salesman Eddie Petitjean was positive the youthful seafarer was giving him the proverbial business and proceeded to ignore him. But when the latter insisted he "really didn't know," Eddie let him on the big secret. "Oh," the incredulous gob exclaimed as though it were a distinct shock, "a football game!"..."I'm going to kill that Baldwin," was the mock threat of Assistant Coach Joe Hunt of the Colts to Dick Plasman, Packer end coach, as their paths crossed on the roof of the grandstand between halves. Hunt, of course, referred to the miraculous catch of a Rote pass Baldwin had made in setting up the Packers' first touchdown two plays before the end of the half. Plasman smiled and replied, "By the way, your boy DID clip on that touchdown run." He had reference to the play on which Colt halfback Billy Stone ran back a Packer punt 60 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter. The play was recalled and the Colts assessed a 15-yard penalty. "Yea, I saw that," Hunt admitted. "That boy (end Art Spinney) has been crazy today. In fact, they're (the Colts) all crazy today because we've been losing."...The diner on the Milwaukee Road's Chippewa Saturday evening was awash with the salty tears of Ronzani and Crowe. The Packers and Colts both were aboard, one club at each end, and the two head coaches met by accident in the diner. They sobbed on each other's shoulders without restraint for a half hour before they decided neither was making any progress in this direction and tacitly agreed to call the whole thing off. Gene, returning to the Packer car, sighed, "The Colts are ready." How right he was can be gleaned from Sunday's statistics... Swarthy Anthony (Al) Cannava and halfback Herb Rich, the latter of the Colts, elicited a chorus of sympathetic "oohs" and "aahs" from the crowd when they hurtled together, over the restraining fence in combined pursuit of a Rote pass late in the third quarter. They landed, face down, on the track but both escaped injury...Color, in great variety, was the theme of the Shriners' pregame ceremonies. The chanters and ritualists were garbed in uniforms of brilliant reds, greens and yellows – all topped off by the traditional red fez. The game was the first Midwest Shrine classic...One of the guests on WTMJ's Packer broadcast between halves was a throwback to Green Bay's early days in pro football. He was Warren Dunnigan, end on the 1922 Packer eleven, now president of a Milwaukee oil company...Dick Wildung mildly castigated umpire Jim Beiersdorfer when he stepped on the captain's left hand, while lining up the ball, in the fourth quarter. When asked about it, Dick grinned and said, "I wasn't mad. I was just giving him a little heat."

CUTS ARE DUE

SEPT 11 (Green Bay) - Packer Head Coach Gene Ronzani and his staff today were in the process of reducing the squad, now 43 strong, to 35 players – the National league limit for the Monday (today) before the league opener. The squad then must be cut to 32 by next Saturday.

Packers Battle Detroit in NFL Opener Here Sunday



PACKERS BATTLE DETROIT IN NFL OPENER HERE SUNDAY

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) - The new Green Bay Packers, streamlined down to 33 players today, launched the climax of their 1950 season with intensive preparations for the NFL opener against the Detroit Lions at City stadium Sunday afternoon. Sunday will mark the official opening of the Packers' 31st season in the National league. A charter member of the league, the Bays are in their 32nd year of operation. It will mark the official debut of Gene Ronzani, the Packers' first "new" head coach. Since succeeding Curly Lambeau last February, Ronzani has organized and directed the Packers into three victories in four non-conference games, including a 17 to 14 win over Lambeau's Chicago Cardinals. Ronzani, happy that "we could win those games", today looked forward to his toughest job with confidence – but not wild optimism. As Gene would say, "Believe me, our opponents will be awfully hard to beat."...DETROIT TEAM TO BEAT: Away last June, Ronzani rated Detroit as the team to beat for the National conference championship. Coach Bo McMillin's Lions, a slow starting unit, finished their preseason campaign with a 24-16 victory over the Cardinals. Detroit, engineered by quarterback Bobby Layne, will present two of the nation's greatest college aces who already have won their pro letters – end Leon Hart and left halfback Doak Walker. To round out the backfield, McMillin has Bob Hoernschmeyer, one of the top backs in

the defunct All-America, at right half and Ollie Kline, Ohio State's great charter, at fullback. Ronzani's first task – an unsavory one – this week was reducing the squad to meet the league's player limit of 35. This figure must be cut to 32 by next Saturday night. Waivers were asked on 10 players, thus cutting the squad to 33. One additional athlete must go before the Detroit game...THREE VETERANS CUT: Three Packer veterans were cut adrift – guards Evan (Red) Vogds and Joe Etheridge and halfback Ed Smith. The others are center Gene Huebner; tackles Dan Bradach, George Hekkers and Fred Leon; ends George Benigni and Carleton Elliott and halfback Harry Szulborski. Vogds was in his third year here and Etheridge his second. Smith, released in the middle of last season, played with the New York Bulldogs and signed with Washington for training this season. He joined the Bays a week ago. The 33-player squad is composed of 13 veterans of the 1949 team, 11 who had professional experience with other clubs, and nine rookies. The 1949 holdovers are center Ed Neal, guard Paul Burris, tackles Lew Ferry and Dick Wildung, ends Ted Cook, Dan Orlick and Steve Pritko, and backs Tony Canadeo, Bob Forte, Ted Fritsch, Walt Schlinkman, Jug Girard and Bob Summerhays. The players who saw action with other pro clubs in 1949 or so before are center Carl Schuette, Buffalo; guard Ray DiPierro, Chicago Bears; tackles Ed Ecker, Bears, Joe Spencer, Cleveland, Len Szafaryn, Washington; and ends Al Baldwin, Buffalo, and Abner Wimberly, Los Angeles Dons; backs Bill Boedeker, Cleveland, Wally Dreyer, Bears, Billy Grimes, Los Angeles Dons, and Alex Wizbicki, Cleveland...ONE LH OVER STRENGTH: The rookies are center Clayton Tonnemaker, Minnesota; guard Leon Manley, Oklahoma; tackle Clink McGeary, North Dakota State; end Rebel Steiner, Alabama; and backs Jack Cloud, William and Mary, Al Cannava, Boston college, Tobin Rote, Rice, and Tom O'Malley, Cincinnati. The current squad is made up of three centers, three guards, six tackles, six ends and 15 backs. Two of the tackles – Manley and Szafaryn – are switch hitters. They'll play guard on offense and tackle on defense. The backfield includes two quarterbacks, four right halfbacks, four fullbacks and five left halfbacks. The one additional player to go may be taken from the left halfback slot which is one over strength. The LHs are Cannava, Dreyer, Schlinkman, Girard and Boedeker.

BRAZNELL ARRIVES

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) – The Packers today claimed Dick Braznell, rookie halfback from Missouri, on waivers from the Chicago Bears. Drafted ninth by the Bears last January, Braznell stands 5-11 and weighs 180 pounds. The right halfback joined the squad for workouts this afternoon.

'GREAT MAN UPSTAIRS WITH ME ON SOME OF THOSE CATCHES'

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) - We don't know how Al Baldwin takes to religion, but he's fast becoming a believer. The Packer left end remarked on the train returning from Milwaukee Sunday that "the Great Man upstairs must be with me on some of those catches." Some of his teammates were giving Al the friendly rib for dropping the easy passes and catching the hard ones. Baldwin made a couple of miracle snatches in scoring one touchdown and setting up the other against the Baltimore Colts, but dropped an in-the-tummy pass from Tobin Rote. Baldwin, a pretty fast man with the wit, himself, winked back: "Didn't you know? Just when I was about to catch the ball I heard the official yell 'backs in motion' so I just let the ball go, figuring it was not play anyway." Baldwin snagged two "impossibles" in the Cardinal game and a pair in the Giant contest. Against the Colts, he twice flipped the ball in the air a couple of times and caught it coming down much like a juggler. The players have a great time kidding one another, but there's one thing they don't fool about: Merely, the feeling that "we've got a good ball club." Ed Neal was still chuckling Monday noon about "Canasta" – Neal's nickname for rookie halfback Al

Cannava. It seems, according to Neal, that Bob Nelson, the Colts' big center, had taken it upon himself to "get" Neal. "Well, before I had a chance to 'get' Nelson myself, this little Canasta runs right over Nelson and puts him out of the game for awhile. Nelson wasn't worth a darn after that," Ed smiled. Neal packs 275 pounds and Cannava 175. Chet Mutryn told several of the Packers that "we had a couple of friends scout you guys in practice before the game", thus indicating that the Colts knew the type of defense Green Bay would use. It's entirely possible since the Colts trained at nearby Egg Harbor and the defense was used one day in the "open" last week before the squad went into the privacy of the stadium. The Packers' defensive whiz, Clayton Tonnemaker, came up with 10 clean tackles during Sunday's game. Wally Dreyer was next with eight – most of them on pass receivers. Bob Summerhays



The Packer Lumberjack band's drum major and majorette corps again will display their talents for spectators at City stadium this autumn and will make their first appearance during the Packer-Detroit game Sunday. The cast includes, left to right, Beth Gale, Bernadine Boyere, Dolores Vander Loop, Bruce Stengel, national champion twirler, Phyllis Kessler, Pat Lison and Carol Jean Collard. Miss Collard is the veteran of the group, beginning her ninth season.

snagged seven; Bob Forte six; Carl Schuette and Dan Orlich, five each; Dick Wildung, Lew Ferry and Alex Wizbicki four each; Rebel Steiner three; and Steve Pritko two. Last week, Baltimore prexy Abe Watner appeared surprised at "how the opponents have been to us" in their first six games, indicating that his boys were angelic. His remarks appeared particularly amusing to this writer after learning that one of the Colts clipped Rote on the chin in the first quarter. Rote was "out" on his feet for the rest of the half. Funny thing, Tobin called the backfield offensive plays okay during his blank spell, the linemen reported, but he didn't give the line blocks. Rote was "brought around" between halves. Late in the game, Coach Gene Ronzani asked tackle Joe Spencer if he ever played the center spot on defense. Said Joe: "Yeah, I like to play there." Spencer didn't wait for the answer. Just dashed onto the field. On the Colts' last series of offensive plays, the Packers had five ends in the game – three in the outer defense (Ted Cook, Steiner and Baldwin) and two (Dan Orlich and Steve Pritko) in their normal positions. You think the Packers had their hands full? How about Leo Zeutzius, who filled in for brother Hank as official scorer? Leo, deeply engrosses in his figures, was asked by Baltimore Post scribe John Steadman where a Western Union office was located in downtown Milwaukee. Without looking up, Leo answered: "About three or four doors north of the Northland hotel."

9 OF 13 NFL CLUBS TO MAKE MONEY, COMMISSIONER EXPECTS

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) - Commissioner Bert Bell says he expects at least nine of the 13 clubs in the NFL to make money this fall. He told news and radio men yesterday that preseason exhibtions have drawn about 25 percent better than preliminary games in the past. (The Packers, in four non-league games, drew 58,380 fans. The largest crowd, 20, 136, turned out for the Packer-Chicago Cardinal game in Green Bay Aug. 16. The attendance was 9,000 for the Cleveland Brown game in Toledo Aug. 12; 12,053 for the New York Giant game in Boston Aug. 29; and 17,191 for the Baltimore game in Milwaukee last Sunday. An additional 8,000 saw the Pakckers intra-squad games at Iron Mountain, Mich., and Elkhart, Ind. The attendance in Boston was virtually cut in half by heavy rain.) The National league will be without opposition this year, having merged with the rival All America conference. "Elimination of the league war has not affected the salaries of the top players," Bell said. "Big club savings have come from eliminating big bonuses to college graduates."...ADVANCE SALE AT 55,000: "The new player is paid what we think he's worth, until he proves he's worth more." The chubby commissioner said the opening game at Philadelphia Saturday between the Philadelphia Eagles, NFL champions, and the Cleveland Browns, longtime rulers of the now defunct AAC, should be a near sellout. He said the advance sale has reached 55,000. "With good weather, we can almost double that and fill the municipal stadium," he added. "There will be no television of the game within 150 miles of Philadelphia, but if it's a sellout, we'll telecast to New York and New Haven."

NO. 19 - REMEMBER IT - IT'S PASS CATCHER AL BALDWIN'S PACKER NUMBER

SEPT 12 (Milwaukee Journal) - There are pass receivers and pass receivers in football, and then every once in awhile a guy like Al Baldwin comes along. Baldwin, whose three completions were such a factor in Green Bay's 16-14 victory over the Baltimore Colts in the exhibition at State Fair park Sunday, is no Don Hutson, but that's only because Don Hutsons come along once in a lifetime. He is no Mac Speedie, either, but that's only because Mac Speedies come along not much more often than Don Hutsons. But Baldwin is a good one. He is one of the National league's best and he must certainly he



THE REBUILT Lions are expecting plenty of help from the star talent they have acquired. Here are four of the newcomers. Doak Walker is getting protection for his pass from Lou Creekmur (left), Joe Watson and Leon Hart. They'll see first pro action today.

mentioned in the same breath with such receivers as Ken Kavanaugh of the Bears, Mal Kutner of the Cardinals, Tom Fears of the Rams and Al Beals of the Forty-niners. What Coach Gene Ronzani himself thinks of him he revealed in a little byplay with George Wilson of the Detroit Lions after Sunday's game. Wilson, here to scout the Packers for next Sunday's league opener in Green Bay, hinted around the possibility of a deal with Green Bay. "Now, that No. 19 you got," he said. "What's his name again? Baldman or Baldwin or something like that? Would you consider a deal for him?" "Oh, sure," Ronzani replied. "Now, let's see. You fellows got Bobby Layne and Bill Hart and...Well, look, if you're really serious, you give us Layne and Hart and you can have him - and the name is Baldwin." Baldwin is a big fellow - not only tell, 6 feet 2 inches, but husky, 210 pounds. He is fast - ran

the hundred in college in 9.8. He has springy legs. He has good hands. And above all, which puts him in that higher echelon of pass receivers, he has the knack, born of explosively quick reactions and sticky fingers, of catching any ball thrown near him. Two of the three passes he snagged Sunday had been deflected - one, in fact, had been almost intercepted. Baldwin is no newcomer to professional ball. Behind him lie three years with the Buffalo Bills in the defunct All-America conference. In both 1949 and 1948 he ranked second only to Cleveland's Mac Speedie as a receiver. Ronzani made him his second choice in the June draft of surplus All-America talent. Like Hutson, Baldwin hails from Arkansas. He was born at Fayetteville, attended high school at Hot Springs, where he got his first coaching from Milan Creighton, the old Cardinal star, and then went to the University of Arkansas, where he won letters in football, basketball and track. In 1943 and again in 1946, after a service hitch, he won all-Southwest Conference honors in football. In 1947 he played in the Cotton Bowl. Also like Hutson, Baldwin is primarily a pass catcher - which is like saying Kreisler is primarily a fiddler. So that he can best utilize his speed, he generally works off a spread eight or ten yards out. His blocking ability is ordinary despite his size. In his rare appearances on defense - as late in the game Sunday with the Cotts obviously going into the air he played in the secondary. With Buffalo he played safety. Baldman or Baldwin, as Wilson said, the name is Baldwin - and remember it. No. 19 will never be another No. 14 (Hutson), but it will be a good one. The cut of Baldwin's job is the cut of a game breaker.

HALFBACK BRAZNELL OBTAINED BY PACKERS

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) - Dick Braznell, a former Missouri halfback, was obtained by the Green Bay Packers Tuesday on waivers from the Chicago Bears. Braznell, who weighs 180 pounds and stand 5 feet 11 inches, was George Halas' ninth choice in last winter's college draft.

PACKER FULLBACK BRUISED AS AUTO GOES INTO RIVER

SEPT 12 (Green Bay) - Unfamiliarity with a dead end on Deckner avenue sent Packer fullback Jack Cloud to St. Vincent hospital at 3:30 this morning with bruises to his right shoulder and hip when Cloud's car drove through a dead end and into East river. His physician said that Cloud would be back in uniform "in a day or so." The Packer player said that he had taken a friend home and was on his way back to the Hotel Northland, Packer headquarters, when the accident occurred at Deckner avenue and Hartung street...DOOR WAS SPRUNG: "I felt sleepy," he said. "I wore up behind the driver's seat under water. Luckily, the door had been sprung so I went through it and up to the top." His car, a 1949 model, was rendered useless. Police charged him with careless operation, according to the police report of the accident. After getting out of the car, Cloud said, he crawled to the river's bank and walked to a nearby home where he called police.

SHRINE HOSPITALS RECEIVED \$11,257

SEPT 12 (Milwaukee) - The Shrine hospitals for crippled children received \$11,257 as their third of the receipts at Sunday's exhibition football game between the Green Bay Packers and Baltimore Colts at State Fair park, it was announced by Lou Best, chairman of the committee in charge Tuesday morning. Best turned over a check in this amount to Herb Mount, potentate of Tripoli Temple. An additional but much smaller check will also be turned over to the Shrine as soon as accounting is finished on the sale of programs. Of the 8c which the Packers will receive on each program, the Shrine will also receive a third. The Shrine was delighted with the response, considering that it had undertaken promotion of the game

less than a month before it was played and that the attraction was not the best. The Colts came to Milwaukee with six straight defeats behind them. Paid attendance was 17,121.

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SEPT 13 (Green Bay) - Defense catching up with the offense, coach? Gene Ronzani, the Packers' chief mentor, answered that with one word: "Maybe!" The comparison of total points scored and permitted by the Packers and Detroit Lions in their non-championship games leads on to wonder about: (1) The defensive and offensive abilities of both clubs and (2) the fact that maybe the defenses these days are taking some of the digits from the wild-scoring games. Of course, the questions will be answered in part when the Packers and Lions answered in part when the Packers and Lions launch NFL action at City stadium afternoon, but look:...HOLD DOWN FOES: The Packers, a new team to their offensive (T-formation) and defensive systems, permitted four opponents only 66 points – an average of 16.5 per. And, leave us not forget, the Cleveland Browns counted 38 of these points last Aug. 12 when the Packers competed with practically no pass defense. After the Brown game, the Packers permitted only a total of 28 points in winning three straight. Steve Owen's New York Giants got ZERO (10-0), and Clem Crowe's Baltimore Colts got 14 (16-14). The Lions, in five non-loopers, allowed their foes a total of 145 points – an average of 29. After four straight losses, the Lions busted the Cardinals, 24-16. The Cards got their two touchdowns on a blocked punt and a circus catch. The Packers' burst of defensive skill in the last three outings would seem to indicate that the Packers are doing a fair job of catching up with at least three teams' offenses. Ronzani, for one, hopes it continues. However, before anybody in the house gets too swell-headed about our defense, let's compare the two clubs offensively – on the basis of total points scored in the non-wheel games. The Detroits are twice as good as the Packers in point manufacturing, 100 to 50, but it must be remembered that the Lions played one more game than the Bays. On an average, the Lions produced an even 29 markers per start while the Packers counted 12.5 per. That's better than 2 to 1, Mac! Unless the Packer offense perks up, Sunday's event will feature Green Bay's defense against the Lions' offense...The Packers went into the privacy of City stadium for the last half of their workout Tuesday afternoon. Sessions today were to be held in Bluejay field. Making his first appearance at right halfback was Dick Braznell, the Missouri rookie picked up from the Bears on waivers. Braznell showed speed competing against Bob Forte, Alex Wizbicki, Billy Grimes and Larry Coutre. The newcomer also took a turn on defense. Considerable attention was given over to defense Tuesday and more of the same was on tap today. The defenses, of course, are designed to stop the Lions' passing attack led by quarterback Bobby Layne. The Detroits pitched 36 passes against the Cardinals and completed 20 of them. Packer quarterback Tobin Rote and Tom O'Malley worked in Layne's position on the "Detroit" team. Assistant Coaches Dick Plasman and Ray Nolting, who scouted the Lions in different games, handled the offense. The Packers may be handicapped some by injuries Sunday. Banged up in the Baltimore game was Wizbicki, a defensive ace, while fullback Jack Cloud is recovering from injuries suffered in an automobile accident. Both will play but their efficiency may be reduced some...Ticket Chief Carl Mraz announced that a number of seats are available for the Detroit contest Sunday afternoon. The office will remain open tonight, Thursday and Friday nights until 9 o'clock and all day Saturday...Starting work today at the Packer office was Jack Vainisi, former Notre Dame tackle. The newcomers, a native of Chicago, 23, single, will keep records on college players, handle statistical information, etc. Vainisi, who graduated from the Notre Dame school of business administration last June, was a second-string tackle on the Irish squad of 1945. He spent considerable time in service and captained a GHQ team in Tokyo. Jack played against two present Packers overseas – Rebel Steiner and Billy Grimes. With the arrival of Vainisi, Ronzani's office staff now includes Jug Earp, director of publicity, and Miss Mildred Sherman, receptionist and stenographer.

PACKER DIRECTORS, PLAYER MEET AT INFORMAL DINNER

SEPT 14 (Green Bay) - Packer directors and players got together at an informal dinner at the Beaumont hotel Wednesday night. After introductions all the way around by President Emil R. Fischer and Coach Gene Ronzani, some of the directors and some of the ball players were asked for brief remarks. Mayor Dominic Olejniczak, himself a director told the players he wished they would give serious consideration to becoming permanent residents of the city as so many former Packers have done. L.H. Joannes praised the spirit of this year's squad and told them if they kept it up they'd make a lot of friends here. Jonet and Director Walter Scherf, president of the Association of Commerce, also spoke. Spokesmen for the ball

players included Dick Wildung, Ted Fritsch (who yielded to Ed Neal), Tony Canadeo and Tobin Rote. A directors' meeting followed the get-together with the players.

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SEPT 14 (Green Bay) - Remember Bobby Layne in Chicago in 1948? Packer fans probably never will forget him. Neither will Packer Head Ronzani. The Packers were 28-point underdogs that day. Bolstered by a public sendoff the afternoon before, the Packers tore into the Bears with everything but knives but came out on the short end, 7-6. Johnny Lujack, the Bears' great quarterback, wasn't in action because of an injury and Sid Luckman, fighting Father Time, had to carry the load – until the third quarter. Then, Layne, a rookie up from the University of Texas, came in. He faked so brilliantly on what looked like a running play that a Packer pass defender was drawn out of position. George McAfee caught Layne's pass in the "unguarded" spot and ran 21 yards for a TD. Layne was Ronzani's special pupil back in '48. Then quarterback mentor for the Bears, Ronzani spent many long hours with Layne, teaching him the tricks. Layne was traded to the New York Bulldogs for the 1949 season and Detroit grabbed him last winter in a trade. At City stadium next Sunday, Layne will be anchoring the powerful Lion offense against his first pro quarterback teacher – Ronzani. Gene knows what Layne could do. "That boy is a good passer and an excellent ball handler," Ronzani reminded the other day, adding that "he'll give us a lot of trouble." Layne gained confidence for himself and his Lion mates by quarterbacking the Detroits to a 24-16 victory over the Chicago Cardinals last Saturday night. Next Sunday, two of Ronzani's quarterback proteges will be battling against each other – Layne and the Packers' promising young quarterback, Tobin Rote of Rice. But this time, the Packers will have Ronzain on their side...The Packers added two new players and dropped Lew Ferry, veteran left tackle, Wednesday. Ferry, who played at Villanova, were in his second season here. Lew is out on waivers. The newcomers are quarterback Gil Johnson and tackle Don Stansauk, both picked up on waivers from the Detroit Lions. Johnson, 28, stands 5-11 and weighs 195 pounds. A star passer under Doak Walker at SMU in 1948, Johnson played with the Brooklyn-New York Yankees last fall in the defunct All-America conference. He was selected by Detroit in the pro draft last June. With the Yankees, Johnson pitched 36 passes and completed 12 for 179 yards. Five of his throws were intercepted. At SMU, Johnson was used only as a passer in the single wing. Stansauk, who played college ball at Denver university, was a left tackle with Detroit but worked at RT at Denver. He packs 250 pounds and stands six feet tall. Stansauk was Detroit's 18th choice in the college draft last January...PRO STUFF: The Packers are on a one-practice-a-day schedule. All of the workouts will be held in the privacy of City stadium or the Bluejay baseball field. Packer drills this year are much different from other years. Former Packer teams always scrimmaged on Wednesdays or Thursdays. Coach Ronzani is "saving" that midweek rough stuff for the allout Sunday efforts...The Lions are due to arrive here by plane Saturday afternoon. They'll headquarter at the Northland hotel...A story in a morning Chicago paper says that the No. 1 quarterback assignment on the Cardinal team is held by Jim Hardy. We'd like to know what's brewin' with Paul Christman...With Leon Hart and Doak Walker in their lineup, the Lions set a new all-time team non-league attendance mark. More than 185,000 fans witnessed the Lions' six preseason tilts. Largest gathering was the 50,937 who attended the Lions-Redskin game in Dallas.

AMERICAN END OF LEAGUE LOOKS STRONGER IN PRO GRID CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 15 (Milwaukee Journal) - The clues offered in exhibition games in the NFL all point one way: The American conference is stronger than the National. Thirty-three exhibitions have been played in the last five weeks, including the all-star game in Chicago, which opened the season August 11, and teams in the American conference have won 20 of them; teams in the National conference 13. The Cleveland Browns, Washington Redskins, Philadelphia Eagles, New York Giants, Pittsburgh Steelers and Chicago Cardinals make up the American conference; the Chicago Bears, Green Bay Packers, Detroit Lions, New York Yankees, San Francisco Forty-Niners, Los Angeles Rams and Baltimore Colts the National. Admittedly only clues can be drawn from exhibitions. So much experimentation goes in games which do not count. They are clues, though, and here at least they seem to have some very sharp points. Consider them - aside from the games won and lost: The American conference has scored a fraction more than 23 points a game and yielded a fraction more than 17. The National has scored a fraction more than 20 points a game and yielded a fraction more than 24. The teams in the American conference all have played .600 ball or better except Curly Lambeau's very disappointing Cardinals, who have won one game in six. The Browns and Redskins both swept through five games without a defeat. The Packers, Bears and

Good Seats for Packer Games!

There are good seats available for all Packer home games at City Stadium!

That was the word today from Carl Mraz, ticket director. While tickets have been moving well for the Detroit and Bear games, there is still plenty of room for more fans, he said.

The Packer ticket office is now open every day and night until 9 p. m. It will be open all day Saturday, and the ticket windows will open at City stadium Sunday at 11 a. m.

Yankees alone have played .500 ball or better in the National. The Baltimore Colts, swing team, didn't win a game. The American conference has the team with the best offensive average, Cleveland with 35 points a game, and the team with the best defensive average, the Giants, with 8.25 points a game. The National has the team with the poorest offensive average, Green Bay with 12.5 points a game, and the team with the worst defensive average, Baltimore, with 34.3. Surprise of the exhibition season has been Washington. Herman Ball, in his first major coaching assignment, has done an outstanding job, handling Sammy Baugh, who has coaching ambitions of his own, molding material which is not exactly the best in the league, and above all, satisfying the greatest owner-coach in the game - the one and only and stupendous and earth shaking George Marshall himself. Cleveland has lived up to all the fine reputation it acquired in the defunct All-America conference. It has one of the league's best passers, Otto Graham, and two, not one, of the league's best pass receivers, Mac Speedie and Dante Lavelli. "Get 'em the easy way," has been Coach Paul Brown's dictum and so the Browns have, with superlative passing and pass receiving. The Giants always have been tough on defense, and in their four game, in which they established the best defensive record of the exhibition season, they have not broken with tradition. They may lose, but they will never be routed. The Steelers, too, have remained in character with their devastating single wing in which they concentrate so many men at the point of attack that you wonder, sometimes, whether extra ones aren't sneaking off the bench to help. They "two bit" you to death - two years, three yards, four yards, and then an occasional long punt return or long intercepted pass. They have done nothing to indicate they will be championship contenders, but they have shown enough to give pause to the others. The Lions have one of the league's finest personnels with men like Leon Hart, Doak Walker, Lou Creekmur and Bobby Layne, but they lack pro experience, and it probably explains their very ordinary exhibition record. The Forty-Niners have experience, and Frankie Albert at quarter, but they have already found the National league different company from the old All-America league. The Cardinals, if exhibition showings mean anything, are over the "hump". They are a championship team of three years ago - with the additional burden of "Mumbles", successor to Charlie Bidwell in the unofficial front office. "Mumbles" was too much for Jimmy Conzelman, who resigned. He may prove too much for any other coach whoever essays to take over the Cardinals in tow. The Eagles remain one of the teams to beat. They have recovered nicely from the their licking in the all-star game, and even last Sunday, in their defeat at the hands of the Bears, they gave as much as they received or more. They clearly had one eye on Saturday night's league opener with the Cleveland Browns in Philadelphia. The New York Yankees have tremendous backfield speed and George Ratterman at quarterback, but they haven't matched their offense with their defense. They will score, as the exhibition record shows, but they will also be scored upon. The Rams have been something of a disappointment. They put forth an explosive effort against the downtrodden Colts, 70-21, but they have done little else. The Bears, like the Eagles, remain one of the teams to beat. The canny George Halas probably takes less of an interest in exhibition games than any other coach. "Throw 'em a bone" has always been his exhibition philosophy. They have shown enough in spots, though, particularly with Sid Luckman at quarterback in better shape than he has been in several years, to commans the utmost respect. The Packers, like the Redskins, have been something of a surprise with their three victories in four starts. The 10-0 victory over the Giants was particularly impressive. They do not appear to have the horses, though, to go very far in the race itself. The Colts, in their appearance here last Sunday, appeared to have potential, particularly with Adrian Burk at quarter. They have lost so often, however, that it hardly seems likely they will straighten themselves out. They probably have a complex by this time.

NEW PACKERS BATTLE DETROIT AT CITY STADIUM SUNDAY

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - The new era in Green Bay Packer football – brewing since last February when young Gene Ronzani was chosen as the club's first new head coach in 31 years – becomes a reality at City stadium Sunday afternoon when the Packers battle the powerful Detroit Lions in the NFL opener for both clubs. More than 20,000 fans are expected to witness the official unveiling of the 1950 Packer club. The weather will be footballish – cloudy and cool, with no showers. The Packers enter their baptismal as a 14-point underdog, with the Lions' experience providing the difference – especially at quarterback where Detroit's Bobby Layne, a three-year veteran, will be calling the signals against Tobin Rote, the Packers'

promising rookie QB from Rice. Rote is one of a few first-year quarterbacks in the history of the league to step into a starting role. The last was Bob Waterfield, who started the 1945 season for the Cleveland Rams and led them to the championship...REVENGE DAY FOR COOK: Both of the key men, Layne and Rote, are proteges of Ronzani. Gene taught Layne the ropes as quarterback coach of the Chicago Bears in 1948 and Rote, of course, has been Ronzani's No. 1 pupil since last July 22. Besides their master-minding, Layne and Rote will likely carry the bulk of the passing load, although the Lions have an extra ace in one Doak Walker, the All-American halfback from SMU, who delights in throwing the ball. Rote's chief throwing mates thus far have been Al Baldwin, the former All-America conference pass catcher, and Ted Cook, the Packers' No. 1 snatcher last fall. Baldwin made some spectacular catches in non-championship action, scoring one touchdown and setting up three others. Sunday will be the first of 12 or 13 Revenge Days for the lanky Cook. The big right end was released before the last game last year for the former Packer coach, Curly Lambeau, even though he was the club's top receiver. What's more, McMillin's first task when he arrived in Detroit was to trade Cook to the Packers. Layne's aerial

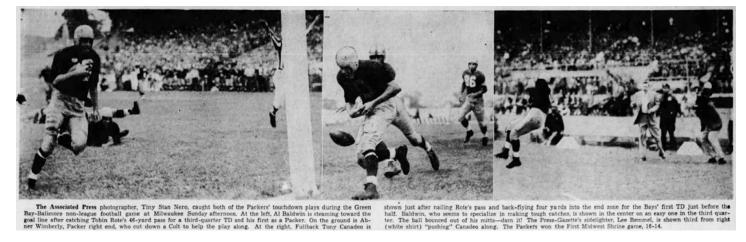
customers are headed by Johnny Greene and Leon (Notre Dame) Hart, at ends, and backs Walker and Bob Hoernschmeyer. Walker looks as one of the top allaround threats in the league. He's considered a great pass receiver, passer, runner, punter and placement kicker...CANADEO AT FULLBACK: The Packers will enter the game with their running attack still more or less on the rusty side. They averaged only 60 yards in the last two non-loopers. One 1949 veteran who may start in the Bay backfield is Tony Canadeo, the rugged runner, who will work at fullback. Tony ranked second in the league last year in ground gaining as a left halfback. Ronzani has nine or 10 halfbacks to select from, but the starters likely will be Bill Boedeker, late of Cleveland, at left and Billy Grimes, former LA Don star. Though the potential scorers command most of the attention, the big battle likely will be fought up front. The Packer wall will be bulwarked by such men as Captain Dick Wildung, Joe Spencer, Ed Neal, Leon Manley and Ed Ecker. Crashing behind them are Clayton Tonnemaker, Carl Schuette, Bob Forte and Bob Summerhays. The Packers' best hope against the Lions' slick pass attack rests with guys like Wally Dreyer, Alex Wizbicki and Rebel Steiner. The powerful Detroit wall is spearheaded by Co-Captain Les Bingaman, a 250-pound tackle; Joe Watson, the All American center from Rice – Rote's former teammate; Chet Bulger, the former Cardinal; rookie tackles Thurman McGraw and Louis Creekmur; and guard Howard Brown, who played under McMillin at Indiana...The Packers will come out in new Kelly green jerseys and pants Sunday. The jerseys will have big gold numbers and the pants have one-inch gold stripes down the side. The Lions will wear new uniforms too - Honolulu blue and silver...Entertainment between haves will be featured by the performance of the Kingsford-Iron Mountain drill team which recently won the Michigan state championship. Outfitted in blue uniforms and silver helmets, the team is under the direction of Walter Schrader. It will compete for national honors in Los Angeles next month. Other entertainment will include performances by the Packer Lumberjack band's drum major and majorette corps. The cast will include Beth Gale, Bernadine Boyere, Delores Vander Loop, Bruce Stengel, national champion twirler Phyllis Kessler, Pat Lison and Carol Jean Collard. The band, directed by Wilner Burke, will provide the music...GAME STUFF: The Lions were to arrive at Austin Straubel field in their chartered Capital Airliner at 1:30 this afternoon. They are headquartering at the Northland hotel...The Packers held a light workout in the stadium this morning, and tried on their new uniforms for size. The Packers

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watched the first half of the Central-West game last night and then reported at the dressing room at 9:15 for a meeting...The ticket office at 349 S. Washington street will be open until 9 o'clock tonight. Ticket Chief Carl Mraz said there are a number of seats available for Sunday's game. The contest will be the 34th between the two clubs. The Packers won 26 and Detroit captured seven. Since McMillin took over the Lions in 1948, the Packers and Detroit split four games. The Packers will have one dozen members of the 1949 team in their lineup Sunday. A tentative starting offensive lineup includes only three – Ed Neal at center, Dick Wildung at tackle and Tony Canadeo at fullback. The "old pro" on the Detroit roster is Dante Magnani, former Chicago Bear fullback.

PACKERS ASK WAIVERS ON TACKLE LOU FERRY

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers Friday asked waivers on tackle Lou Ferry and Saturday will cut two other players from their roster to reach the limit of 32 for the league opener with Detroit. Ferry's release would have been enough



to reach the limit, but head coach Gene Ronzani picked up two other players during the week, quarterback Gil Johnson on waivers from Detroit and tackle Don Stansauk from Denver University and increased his roster. Johnson played his college football with Southern Methodist.

PACKERS REACH PLAYER LIMIT

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - The Green Bay Packers reached their 32-man limit by waiving quarterback Gus Johnson and halfback Dick Braznell. They also placed halfback Walt Schlinkman on the reserve list.

PACKERS PLAY LIONS: DROP SCHLINKMAN

SEPT 16 (Green Bay) - Halfback Walt Schlinkman was put on the reserve list Saturday as the Packers got down to the player limit for their loop opener here Sunday with the Lions. Schlinkman is expecting a call to the armed services soon. Waivers were asked on tackle Lou Ferry, quarterback Gil Johnson and halfback Dick Braznell. Johnson was picked up recently from the Lions and Braznell from the Bears. Both the Packers and the Lions will show rookie packed rosters to a near capacity crowd of about 22,000. The kickoff is set for 2 p.m. Detroit, despite its pre-season exhibition record of one victory against four defeats, is favored. The Packers nabbed the National division "grapefruit" flag with three victories and one loss. The presence of name players, such as Doak Walker and Leon Hart, who were both All-Americans last fall, may be responsible for the pre-game choice. That plus the fact Alvin (Bo) McMillin is a veteran pro coach and Gene (Tuffy) Ronzani is in his first year at the Bay. Neither coach has more than a handful of veterans. Familiar names in the Lion camp include Dante Magnani, John Greene and Chet Bulger. The Packers' oldtimers are headed by Ted Fritsch, Tony Canadeo, Ed Neal, Steve Pritko and Dick Wildung. On the kindergarten side of the ledger, in addition to Walker and Hart, the Lions have such collegiate notables of 1949 as Gerry Krall of Ohio State, Joe Watson of Rice, Jack Lininger of Ohio State, Gus Cifelli of Notre Dame and Dick Rifenburg of Michigan. Green Bay will counter with rookies like Tobin Rote of Rice, Rebel Steiner of Alabama, Clayton Tonnemaker of Minnesota and Larry Coutre of Notre Dame. The clubs met two common opponents - the Cleveland Browns and the Chicago Cardinals - in warmup games. The Browns whipped Green Bay, 38-7, and Detroit, 35-14. The Packers beat the Cardinals, 17-14, while the Lions won, 24-16, for their only victory of the year so far.

PACKERS BIG HOPE - PLAY BANG-UP GAME

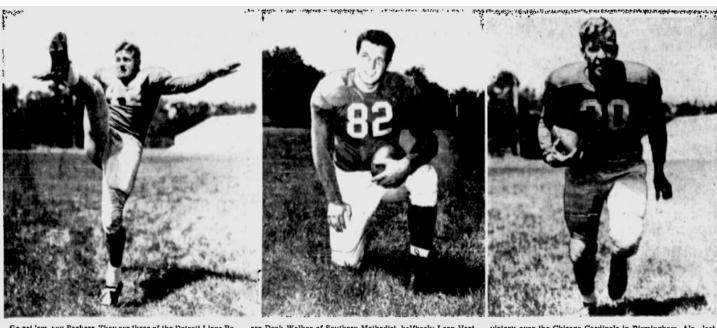
SEPT 17 (Milwaukee Sentinel - Lloyd Larson) - Just a little thinking out loud about one thing and another. First, the Green Bay Packers - Sunday is the big day - the first big for-keeps game under the new coach, Gene Ronzani, against the equally ambitious Detroit Lions. They've done a whale of a job so far. Three wins in four non-league games including the never-to-be-forgotten job on the Chicago Cardinals, now handled by Curly Lambeau. That doesn't mean the Packers are going to jump right into the victory column in league competition despite Detroit's pre-league record of one measly win in five starts. Sure, they have a chance, just like any team with the will to play some football has a chance. But, strictly on the basis of personnel, they shouldn't beat Detroit. Of course, there's no law against the underdog winning, as the Cardinals learned to their sorrow at Green Bay and as the Packers themselves almost learned last Sunday against Baltimore. So it can happen. The big hope - it's almost an assurance even at this early stage of the campaign - is that the new Packers will play the game to the hilt, provide some thrills and, in general, give the customers a run for their money. Live up to that hope and I'm sure they'll get the backing and support they deserve.

LIONS GET FIRST TEST TODAY WITH GREEN BAY

SEPT 17 (Detroit) - Coach Bo McMillin's Detroit Lions begin playing for keeps Sunday when they engage the Green Bay Packers in the 1950 curtain raiser for both clubs in the NFL. New faces will be the tile for both teams. Only three member of the Detroit starting eleven were on hand last year, while the Packers have the same number of veterans in their No. 1 lineup. In addition to their new playing personnel, the Packers will unveil a new coach for the first time in 32 years. Gene Ronzani, former Chicago Bear, will direct Green Bay in place of Curly Lambeau, who was the coach of the team during its



first 31 years in the league. On the basis of preseason exhibitions, the Packers should be the favorites. But there are few who feel that Ronzani's charges are better than an even money bet. The Packers won three of four exhibitions, while the Lions dropped four of five. However, the Lions' young team has been improving with each start and should be ready to meet this first challenge. The backfield named for the first game is entirely new outfit for the Lions. Bobby Layne will quarterback the crew, consisting of Doak Walker and Bob Hoernschemeyer at halves and Ollie Cline at fullback. In the line, Johnny Greene at one end, Jack Simmons at center, and Harold Brown at guard are veterans. Chet Bulger, for eight years a Cardinals, will start at one tackle along with Gus Gifelli, late of Notre Dame. Joe Sobeleski, obtained from Washington, will team with Brown at guard, while Cloyce Box, a converted halfback, will start at end with Greene. The Packers will put their offensive hopes in the veteran Tony Canadeo, second ranking ground gainer in the NFL last year. Canadeo has been shifted to a fullback spot from his usual left halfback post. Tobin Rote, rookie from Rice, is the Packers' new passing quarterback. He will work with Larry Coutre, Notre Dame, and Tony Cannava, of Boston College, at the halfbacks and Canadeo.



Go get 'em, you Packers. They are three of the Detroit Lions Bo McMillin will turn loose in the National league opener with Green Bay at Green Bay Sunday afternoon. Left to right, they

are Doak Walker of Southern Methodist, halfback; Leon Hart of Notre Dame, end, and Ollie Cline of Ohio State, fullback. The Lions sharpened up for their league debut with a 24-16

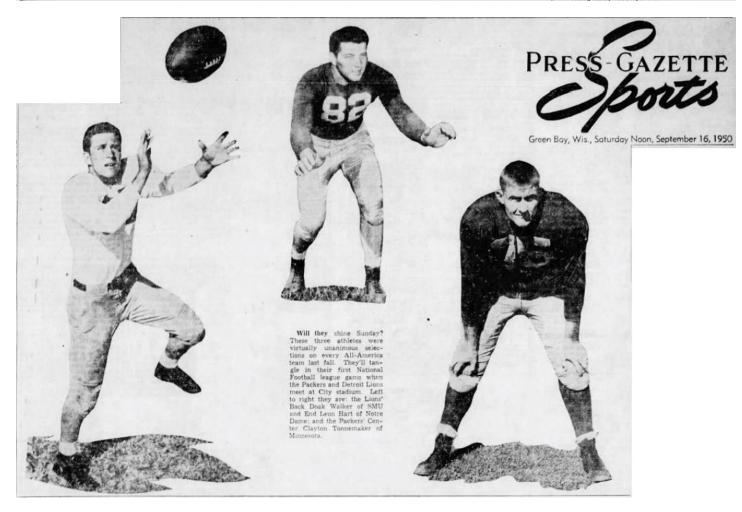
victory over the Chicago Cardinals in Birmingham, Ala., last Saturday night The Packers beat the Cardinals earlier in Green Bay, 17-14.

A Variety of Pass Catches as Packers Beat Baltimore Colts at State Fair Park

The ball was in the air most of the time at state fair park Sunday as 56 forward passes were thrown in Green Bay's 16-14 exhibition football victory over Baltimore. Tobby Role of the Packers and Advance Burk of the Calls did next of the

throwing. Left to right: (1) End Jim Owens of the Colts catches one for a first down in the opening quarter, with Bob Summerhays moving in to tackle him. (2) Tony Canadoo comes down with a pass for the Packers' first touchdown. (3) Owens

catches another for the Colts' first touchdown as Wallie Dreyer (41) fails to hold him. (4) End Jim North of the Colts takes a pass for 12 yards and a first down on the Colts' second quarter scoring march, with Dreyer about to tackle him.





The star-studded Detroit Lions, rated one of the favorites for the National conference championship, will help the Packers open their National Football league campaign at City stadium Sunday afternoon. Six of the Packers' 32 Lionaches are shown above—top row left to right)—Bob Hoerschmeyer, the former Chicago Hornet right halfback who flashed in the defunct All-America conference despite the club's dismal record; John

Panelli, Notre Dame fullback; Bobby Layne, the No. 1 quarterback who got his start with the Chicago Bears; (bottom row, same order) Dan Sandifer, one of the top defensive backs in the league; Leon Hart, Notre Dame's great end making his debut in the proranks; and Fred Enke, veteran quarterback. Other Lion stars are Doak Walker, left halfback, and Ollie Kline, Ohio State's great fullback.

New Packers Battle Detroit at City Stadium Sunday