




Chicago Bears (9-1) 26, Green Bay Packers (8-2) 7
 Sunday November 17th 1963 (at Chicago)



Supercharged Bears Jolt Pack Title Hopes 26-7

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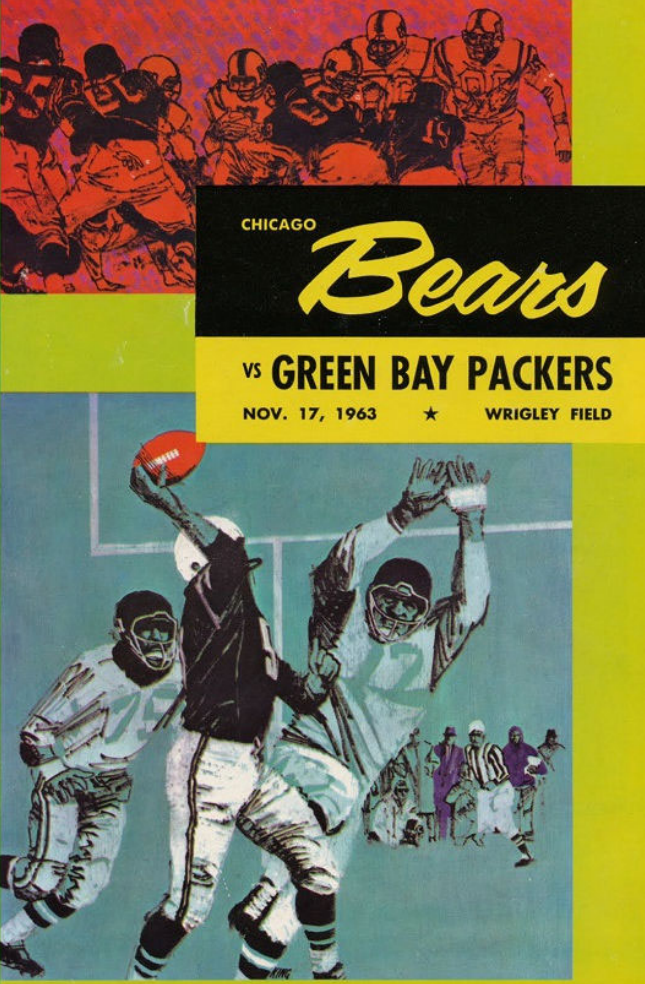
(CHICAGO) - This one hurt. The Bears played a tremendous game of football in Wrigley Field Sunday. Not so the Packers. The Bears had to be great to defeat the proud and powerful world champions with first place at stake. And they were just that. The unforgettable final score was 26 to 7. The Bears scored 13 points the first three times they had the ball and that's all they needed - it turned out. It was 26-0 when Tom Moore raced 16 yards for the Packers' only touchdown with 4:10 left in the game. The Packers had escaped the embarrassment of a shutout and the score gave Green Bay just 10 points on Chicago in the two games this year. Last year, the Bays scored 87 in winning the Bear pair. Now the Packers need help to repeat as Western Division champions. The Bears have 9-1, with four games left - Steelers, Vikings, 49ers and Lions. The Packers have 8-2 and finish against the 49ers (in Milwaukee next Sunday), the Lions, Rams and 49ers. The Packers must win all four - and hope. The Bears, who have handed the Packers their only two losses this league season, were super-charged Sunday (perhaps more than the Lions last Thanksgiving Day), and the audience of 49,166 was electric in its response to the Bears' fierce play. The Packers never really got started offensively. They were held to 158 yards rushing and passing until the 80-yard TD drive near the end. They reached into Bear territory five times all afternoon - the 48, 46, 48, 33 and 40-yard lines, not counting the TD drive. The Bays had five passes intercepted - three off John Roach, who started at quarterback, and two off Zeke Bratkowski, who took over with 40 seconds left in the third quarter and finished. Bart Starr was held out to prevent risking a reinjury to his broken hand. Green Bay committed two fumbles and lost both of 'em. One was a fumble by Herb Adderley on a kickoff return on the Packer 36. The Bears turned it into their first TD. The Packers finished with 71 yards rushing as the Bears repeatedly broke through the line - sometimes catching sweeps before they even got a start. Jim Taylor was held to 23 yards in seven attempts and Tom Moore 50 in 12. The Bays passed 31 times, rushed 20. The Bears ran on the Packers - 248 yards worth on 60 carries, and it added up to ball control. Bill Wade threw only 14 passes. The most damaging move came at the start of the second half when the Bears took the kickoff and clicked off 16 plays to set up Roger LeClerc's third field goal for a 16-0 lead. Eight different runners rushed for the Bears, topped by Willie Galimore's 79 yards, including 27 on the Bears' first TD, and Joe Marconi's 52. Rick Casares had 44, Rob Bull 30. The Bears were gaining up the middle and on wide plays. They broke many



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Baltimore	5	5	0	.500	204	222
Detroit	4	6	0	.400	230	184
Minnesota	3	7	0	.300	214	288
Los Angeles	3	7	0	.300	142	267
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	W	L	T	Pct.	PS	OP
New York	8	2	0	.800	320	198
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St. Louis	7	3	0	.700	245	200
Pittsburgh	6	3	1	.667	243	206
Dallas	3	7	0	.300	214	269
Philadelphia	2	7	1	.222	185	276
Washington	2	8	0	.200	212	281

Sunday's Results

Chicago 26, Green Bay 7
Baltimore 37, Minnesota 34
Los Angeles 28, Detroit 21
Dallas 27, Philadelphia 20
Pittsburgh 34, Washington 28
St. Louis 20, Cleveland 14
New York 48, San Francisco 14

Sunday's Games

San Francisco vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee
Baltimore at Los Angeles
Chicago at Pittsburgh
Dallas at Cleveland
Detroit at Minnesota
St. Louis at New York
Washington at Philadelphia

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EASTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Houston	6	4	0	.600	211	227
Boston	5	5	1	.500	261	187
Buffalo	5	5	1	.500	233	250
New York	4	5	1	.444	208	287

WESTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
San Diego	8	2	0	.800	267	180
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	209	165
Kansas City	2	6	2	.250	212	222
Denver	2	7	1	.222	219	302

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

New York 14, Denver 9
San Diego w3, Buffalo 13
Kansas City 24, Boston 24, tie

SUNDAY'S GAMES

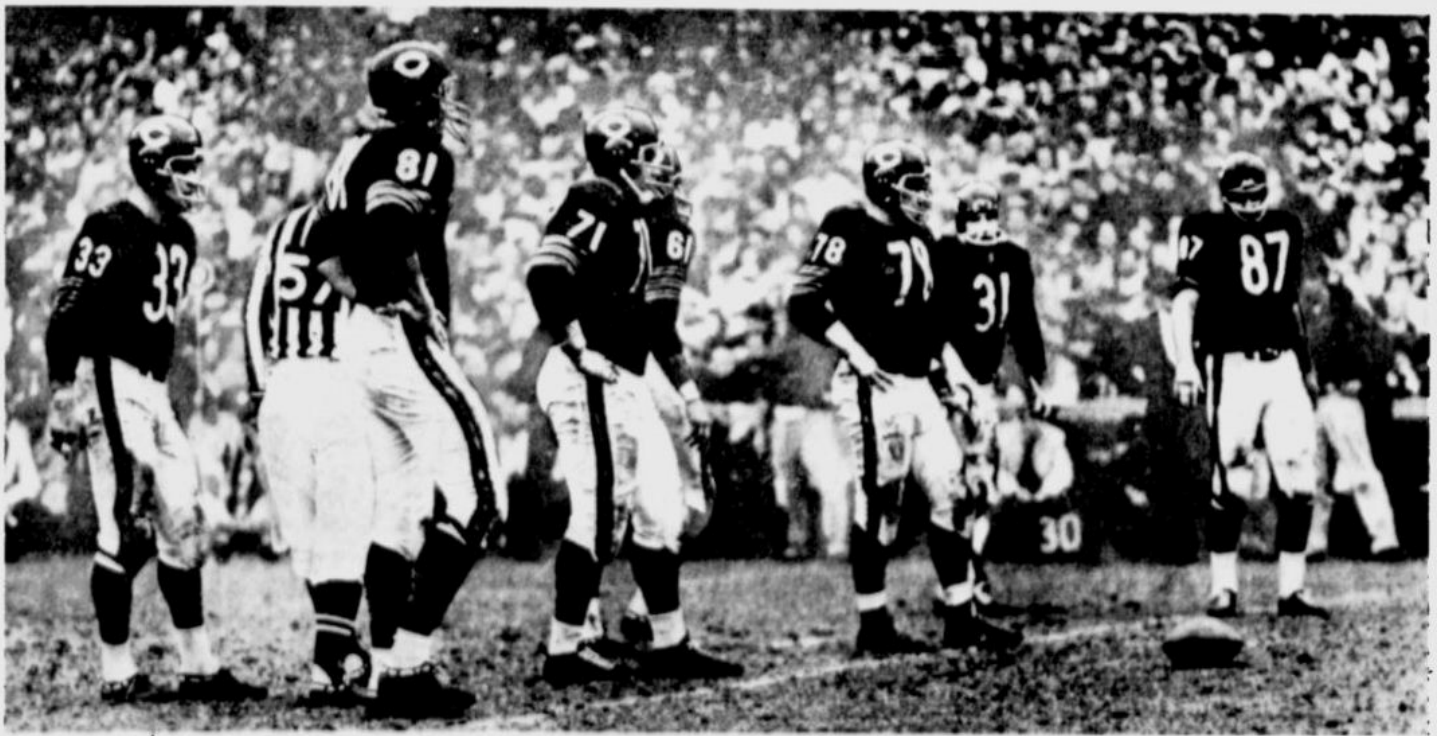
Houston at San Diego
Oakland at Denver
Buffalo at Boston
Kansas City at New York



Head coach George Halas is happy as he exits Wrigley Field in Chicago. His Bears had just whipped the favored Green Bay Packers, 26-7, to take over first place in the Western Division of the NFL. Following him is assistant coach Phil Handler. (Credit: Larry Stoddard/Associated Press)

a tackle and occasionally ran over a Packer or two. Yet, the Bears got only two touchdowns and one was set up on the kickoff return fumble and the other on a 44-yard return of an interception. The rest of the Bears' points came on LeClerc's four field goals of 29, 45, 19 and 35 yards. He missed from 10 and 49 yards, plus one from 37 yards which was "nullified" by a Bear penalty. The Bears gave the Pack no fumbles or interceptions to "break" on. They committed 11 penalties for 97 yards, which the Bays appreciated, but the Packers also had 6 for 65 yards. Green Bay couldn't beg, borrow or steal a break all day. The first two plays of the game indicated a good afternoon for the Pack. Taylor hit left end for 5 and then right end for 5 and a first down. The attack stalled on the Bay 33 and Jerry Norton got off a 27-yard punt to the Bear 40. The Bears had a field goal in seven plays as the Bears stirred the crowd on Marconi's 9-yard run, Galimore's 6 and Wade's pass to Mike Ditka for 16 to the 29. A personal foul on the Pack on Norton's next punt gave the Bears position at midfield. Seven plays later LeClerc field goal from the 45 for 6-0 at 8:55. Adderley took the ensuing kickoff 3 yards back and was about to break into the clear on the 35 when Farrington hit him, forcing the fumble which was recovered by LeClerc on the Bay 36. After a Bear offside penalty and Wade's 14-yard pass to Coia, Galimore zipped outside left tackle, broke away from Jess Whittenton and went in for the TD. Jencks converted and the Bears had 13 points in the first 10 minutes. After two punts by Norton and one by Green, the Bay defense took the ball from the Bears on downs on the Packer 37. They opened with 24 yards in four carries and then apparently were stopped but for a pass interference penalty on Willie Wood, giving the Bears possession on the Packer 46. Casares gained 9 in two trips and the Bay line "blanked" Galimore and Wade, and the Bays took over. The Packers put up

a first down but Roach fumbled and Fortunato recovered on the Packer 33. The Bears ran it to the 12, and LeClerc, on a field goal try from the 19, missed. Just before the half, Petitbon intercepted a Roach pass aimed at Bob Jeter. The Bears' drive to start the second half was just about all running except a Wade to Marconi screen pass for 28 yards. The Bays put the halt on near the 12 and LeClerc hit a field goal from 19 and it was 16-0. After Norton and Green exchanged punts, Roosevelt Taylor made an interception of a Roach pass right out of Boyd Dowler's hands on the Packer 43 and returned to the 35. The Bay defense was up to the task again and LeClerc again missed a field goal try from the 35. Bratkowski entered the game at this point, but on the first play of the fourth quarter Taylor intercepted Brat's pass and the Bears were off to the field goal races again. With fourth and three, LeClerc tried a field goal from the 37 but the Bays were offside and the kick was wide from the 37. So the Bears tried again - only to be held again. This time LeClerc tried from the 35 and it was good



The Chicago Bears' defense was never tougher than against the Green Bay Packers at Chicago Sunday. Here are the Bear linemen and line backers, waiting for the Packers to come at them. From left are line backer Larry

Morris (33), end Doug Atkins (81), tackle Earl Leggett (71), line backer Bill George (61, behind Leggett), tackle Stan Jones (78), line backer Joe Fortunato (31) and end Ed O'Bradovich (87). O'Bradovich was in to give Bob Kil-

cullen a brief rest. He also replaced Atkins for a while. The Bears rolled to a 26-7 victory and broke a tie with the Packers for the western division lead in the National Football league. --Journal Staff Photo by S. Niels Lauritzen

for a 19-0 lead with 4:23 gone in the final period. The Bays were forced to gamble with about 9 minutes left, but Bratkowski was off target. He twice had Jeter open for touchdown shots, but the throws were both wide. When four straight passes were incomplete, the Bears took over on downs on the Bay 39. The defense stayed tough and LeClerc was wide on a field goal try from the 49. After Moore gained 18, Bratkowski's pass aimed at Dowler was intercepted by McRae and he raced down the sidelines for 4 yards to the 5. On second down Wade ran right end on a keeper for the TD. Finally, the Bays scored. On first down, Bratkowski and McGee connected on a 64-yard aerial gain. Taylor caught up to McGee on the Bear 16. After two Bear penalties, Moore ran 11 yards for his TD. J. Kramer converted at 10:50. The Bears froze the ball for eight plays, with time running out before Green was forced to punt. On the last play, Bratkowski's pass was ruled an interception by Taylor, though there seemed to be some confusion as to whether he might have trapped the ball.

GREEN BAY - 0 0 0 7 - 7
CHICAGO - 13 0 3 10 - 26

	GREEN BAY	CHICAGO
First Downs	16	19
Rushing-Yards-TD	20-71-1	57-248-2
Att-Comp-Yd-TD-Int	30-11-178-0-5	14-6-92-0-0
Sack Yards Lost	17	23
Net Passing Yards	161	69
Total Yards	232	317
Fumbles-lost	2-1	0-0
Turnovers	7	0
Yards penalized	6-65	11-97

SCORING

- 1st - CHI - Roger LeClerc, 29-yard field goal CHICAGO 3-0
- 1st - CHI - LeClerc, 46-yard field goal CHICAGO 6-0
- 1st - CHI - Willie Galimore, 27-yard run (Bobby Jencks kick) CHICAGO 13-0
- 3rd - CHI - LeClerc, 19-yard field goal CHICAGO 16-0
- 4th - CHI - LeClerc, 35-yard field goal CHICAGO 19-0
- 4th - CHI - Billy Wade, 5-yard run (Jencks kick) CHICAGO 26-0
- 4th - GB - Tom Moore, 11-yard run (Jerry Kramer kick) CHICAGO 26-7

RUSHING

GREEN BAY - Tom Moore 12-50 1 TD, Jim Taylor 7-23, Zeke Bratkowski 1-(-2)

CHICAGO - Willie Galimore 14-79 1 TD, Joe Marconi 14-52, Rick Casares 11-44, Ronnie Bull 4-30, Billy Wade 4-28 1 TD, Charlie Bivins 8-15, Rudy Bukich 1-2, Angelo Coia 1-(-2)

PASSING

GREEN BAY - John Roach 20-8-92 2 INT, Zeke Bratkowski 10-3-86 3 INT

CHICAGO - Billy Wade 14-6-92

RECEIVING

GREEN BAY - Max McGee 3-93, Boyd Dowler 3-42, Jim Taylor 3-10, Ron Kramer 2-33

CHICAGO - Mike Ditka 2-32, Angelo Coia 2-26, Joe Marconi 1-28, Rick Casares 1-6

'They Just Beat Us—Both ways,' Lombardi

Greatest Win Since '46 Title Game—Halas



Over forty people were gathered outside a Whiting storefront - Whiting's Radio Center (1542 119th Street) to watch the game. (Source: When the Black and Blue Division was Blacked Out)

GREATEST WIN SINCE '46 TITLE GAME - HALAS

NOV 18 (Chicago-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Although still somewhat awed by the manner in which his marauding Chicago Bears had manhandled Green Bay's champion Packers, to the raucous approval of an overflow Wrigley Field house, a transported George Halas nevertheless found voice to pay the Monsters of the Midway a singular tribute. After due reflection upon a question from a "national" press corps, which on this gray Sunday included high priced word merchants from such points as Washington, New York, Detroit and Nashville. Papa Bear fervently declaimed to his rapt audience, "This is our greatest victory since we beat the Giants for the world championship in 1946." That, to refresh the memory, was the last world title for the NFL pioneer and his Bruins, who in the 17-year interim also acquired Western Division honors in 1956 under Paddy Driscoll but subsequently suffered a 47-7 drubbing at the hands of those same Giants in the playoff. Aware that this was as great moment for the hardy 68-year-old perennial, even the Packers' Vince Lombardi could find it in his heart to rejoice for his coaching adversary on what for him had been a bleak afternoon. "I'm real happy for Papa George," Lombardi volunteered to reporters. "He's a helluva man." Appraised later of the Packer chieftain's sentiments, Halas observed with obvious sincerity, "He's a great



Things were mighty glum on the Packer bench as the professional champions of 1962 went down to defeat under Bear avalanche.

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man. That's characteristic of him. I'm not at all surprised." As for his team, Halas elaborated upon that "greatest game" accolade with accustomed zest in the cozy confines of Wrigley Field's "Pink Poodle." He said, "I didn't see how we could do it. To hold a champion in check, to hold a great team like that down the way we did." After an eloquent shake of the



The Winning and losing coaches are easy to pick out in these pictures. Above, a happy George Halas leaves Wrigley field after the Chicago Bears rapped the Packers, 26-7, Sunday. Vice Lombardi is shown below. (AP Photos)

head, he continued, "And to move the ball against their great defense like we did. I would have to say this was our greatest victory since '46." Despite abundant regard for the enemy, Halas emphasized his tigers' thorough going 26-7 triumph had hardly been an accident. The Bears' surprising offensive punch (surprising in that the Chicagoan's attacking unit had settled for a mere 6 points against the Rams a week earlier and for just 16 against Philadelphia the week before) had stemmed from "an entire new system of blocking." ...'CRIED WITH JOY': George added, "That's the reason they gave Phil Handler (the Bears' veteran offensive line coach) the ball game. I was pleased to see them do it - he really cried with joy." There had been another major item, it also developed. Delving into the inside pocket of his suitcoat, Halas brought forth a typewritten sheet which he dubbed his "war plan," a document which certain of the Chicago writers were permitted to peruse. What did it contain? Obviously enjoying himself hugely, which in recently years he has not been able to do as often as he would have liked, the veteran strategist allowed himself the luxury of a mysterious smile before answering. "The offense had a game plan and the defense had a game plan," he grinned. "What it amounted to was ball control with short runs and short passes and, when they would tighten up, then throw the long once. Defensively, I told them they had to smother the champions' offense. That," Halas appended with a pucking smile, "was a big order." Hearing words of praise for the Bears' secondary, which waylaid five Packer passes, George took mild issue with their authors, "That wasn't all their fault. They did a great job, but our front four linemen did a fine job of pass rushing and the linebackers did a marvelous job of blitzing. It was a combination." Had the Bears blitzed more often than had been their habit? "No, I don't think so," Halas replied. "I think if you would compare this game with our others, you would find the red dog would be about the same percentage, the same average." The Bruins, he said in answer to another question, had not keyed on Packer fullback Jim Taylor. "We never key off," Halas said flatly. "You can't do it - if you do the other guy's liable to run wild. You've got to play the game straightaway." "By the way," he asked, "what did Moore (Packer halfback Tom) get? I think he's a great football player." Informed Moore had amassed 75 yards in 14 carries, he commented, "I thought so." Steadfastly declining to downgrade the Packers' performance, the affable Bohemian confided, "I thought the Packers played a great game." How did he compare this latest effort to the world champions' 10-3 loss to the Bears in their first meeting? "I think they were better today than they were against us



Moment of Truth—Aware now that the cause is lost, Head Coach Vince Lombardi (right) sadly studies turf and Defense Coach Phil Bengtson glumly surveys field scene late in fourth quarter of Bears' one-sided 26-7 victory over Packers.

(AP Photo)



Vince Lombardi surveys the scene against the Chicago Bears



in Green Bay. They had all their top plays today that they used in the championship game against the New York Giants," he declared. "I didn't want to see 'em score," a Chicago writer interposed with a grin. "No, I didn't either," he smiled back. It had been a great day for the tireless sexagenarian, but already he was apprehensive about the future. "There's still a lot of work to be done, a lot of work to be done," Halas sighed. "We've got to push and push hard. I'd rather meet any other club in the league next week than the Steelers." Several listeners smiled knowingly and he warned, "I'm not being facetious, I'm not being facetious. Those Steelers are an awfully tough club." Somebody said, "I hear the commissioner favors Soldiers' Field over Wrigley Field for a championship game. How do you feel about that?" Although not easily disconcerted, Halas obviously was taken aback. "I'm not going to mention anything about the championship game - or where it might be played. We play the Pittsburgh Steelers, remember?" "Yes," the writer rejoined, "I know. But what if?" Politely, but firmly, Halas terminated the conversation with, "I don't even like the if."...As is his habit, an unhappy but unbowed Vince Lombardi had no alibis for this latest defeat, only the sixth for his athletes in their last 38 league appearances. "I knew the Bears had a good football club," he admitted, "but they just beat the hell out of us today - both ways." Did he think, he was asked, that the Packers might have won had Bart Starr (sidelines since Oct. 20 with a broken hand) played? Mincing no words, he rapped, "If I did, I'd never say it anyway." Could Starr have started? "The answer is no. Period." Analyzing what had happened, Vince observed succinctly, "The Bears beat us up front. I believe in the offensive line and defensive line." "I don't know where we got in the first half," he added with a mirthless chuckle, "but we didn't get much past the 50, did we?" Which

prompted him to note, "Bratkowski (quarterback Zeke) did a pretty good job in there for just having been with the club about 10 days, or whatever it is. I wish all quarterbacks could do that. He did a helluva job. That's the only nice thing I can say about the game," he laughed. The Bears' pass defensive had made the big difference, a Chicago scribe suggested. "I

don't think it was the pass defense," Lombardi responded. "I think it was their pass rush." This led to an observation that the Bears had been highly keyed for this 90th P-B imbroglio. "I thought we were high, too," Vince said. "I just think they beat us up front." Did he feel the Midway Monsters had improved over last season? "Oh, tremendously. They're tremendously improved over last year. They've improved since our first game this year. Just by playing they're improved. We've improved, too. This time we scored a touchdown. They possessed the ball on us," Vince continued. "You just can't let them do that." Those five interceptions had been damaging, it was noted. "You get interceptions when you're desperate," Lombardi replied, asserting with a grim smile, "and we were desperate." Shrugging off an admitted disappointment, the forthright Fordham alumnus declared, "We've lost ball games before. This isn't the end of the world." Reaching behind him for a soft drink, he swung back to his audience and informed with considerable vigor. "And I'm not going to die, either." Volunteering at this point that he was "happy for Papa Bear," the Packers' GM-coach shortly qualified this last by adding, "I hope he gets beat somewhere along the line, thought. But, he's a helluva guy." The word playoff was interjected and Lombardi nodded his head, pointing out, "That's what we have to hope for. I hope we can play 'em again."



A Backhanded Tackle by Hank Gremminger (46) of the Green Bay Packers stopped Joe Marconi of the Chicago Bears after a short gain in the first quarter at Wrigley Field Sunday afternoon. The Bears grabbed the lead in the opening period and went on to down the Packers, 26-7.

...WASTED EFFORT: As the score eloquently indicates, a letter from Detroit exhorting the Packers to victory failed to produce the desired result. Prominently posted in the Packer dressing room, it read, "Go, Go Green Bay, Detroit Wants You to Win! Bear Chicago! Prove Your Worth as Champs, Signed: Detroit and All of Michigan."...**'MOURNERS'**: Two of the "live" mourners in Wrigley Field were Charles Kramer, father of Packer guard Jerry Kramer, who came in from Idaho to watch his final Packer-Bear game on Chicago soil, and Herschel Forester, brother of Packer defensive captain Bubba Forester, and himself a former Cleveland Brown, who was a guest on the Packer bench. The tragedy was also viewed from the green Bay bench by Jack Cvercko, Northwestern guard drafted last year by the Packers as a junior eligible, and Tom O'Grady, 6-3, 200-pound flanker for the Wildcats. Cvercko, brother of ex-Packer guard Andy Cvercko, is scheduled to undergo surgery for a knee injury next week...**FAMILIAR FACE**: A weekend guest at the Drake Hotel, Packer headquarters, was Bill Reichardt, former Packer fullback (class of '52) in Chicago on a combined business and pleasure excursion. Now a Des Moines, Iowa clothier, the former University of Iowa fullback (the Big Ten's most valuable player in '51) was without tickets for the Packer-Bear struggle so he left in haste late Sunday morning for Moline, Ill., there to watch the immemorial enemies have at it on television.

BEARS WON ON 2ND EFFORT, NO MISTAKES, PACK ADMITS

NOV 18 (Chicago-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The crestfallen Packers were, understandably, men of few words in the wake of Sunday's 26-7 stunning at the hands of their erstwhile "cousins," the suddenly obstreperous Bears. Like their leader, Vince Lombardi, they offered no alibis. Mountainous Jerry Kramer, whose talented toe was required only once during the



course of a long afternoon, summed up the situation succinctly in the Pack's quiet dressing quarters. "They wanted the ball game real bad," he said. "And I guess we didn't want it badly enough," the NFL's premier field goal kicker appended, shaking his head wistfully. "I don't know. I really don't know what to say." His fellow "guardian angel," Fuzzy Thurston, who along with Kramer had helped engineer eight straight victories over the Bears before lightning struck twice this autumn, advanced another point. "I don't think they were that high. They just didn't make any mistakes, that's all," the pride of Altoona, Wis., confided matter-of-factly from his next door locker. "They didn't give up the ball - they didn't have any fumbles or any interceptions. And we," he added dryly, "made some mistakes." "You can't make mistakes against a good football team and win. Our teams are pretty equal, you know," he concluded soberly, "so you just can't make mistakes. The team that makes the fewest is going to win - it's as simple as that." A gloomy Hank Jordan, somewhat less loquacious than usual, capsuled the nightmare yet another way. "Bad day at Black Rock," he sighed. "Both on offense and defense, they were just coming off the ball. And that's the best pass defense I've ever seen the Bears have." "Today their defensive backs were running just a little harder," he continued, flicking a short jab to underscore his point. "That second effort, you know?" Towering John Roach, a lonely figure in the Packers'

Halfback Tom Moore (25) of the Green Bay Packers, running behind guard Jerry Kramer (64) found little running room on this play and was dropped for no gain in the first quarter at Wrigley Field in Chicago Sunday afternoon. Moore was brought down by Bennie McRae (26) of the Bears. Other Bears in the play are Richie Petitbon (17) and tackle Earl Leggett (71). The Bears defeated the Packers, 26-7.

rain-spattered bus just outside the stadium gates, imparted with typical candor, "They just played a good game." Although he admitted "I guess I had more pressure today than in the past," he declined to fault his protection, asserting in a low voice, "It was enough so that I should have completed more passes than I did." Roach, who maneuvered the Packers to three straight victories in the absence of Bart Starr, was relieved at quarterback by Zeke Bratkowski with one minute remaining in the third quarter and did not return to action. It took Jim Taylor, Roach's backfield colleague, only two sentences to explain what had transpired. "They got ahead of us and really possessed it. It was pretty obvious, wasn't it?" His running mate, Tom Moore, who had emerged as the Pack's leading ground gainer on this day of infamy, could find no ready explanation. "You never know," he said sadly. "I thought we were high - I never dreamed we'd get beat. I thought we were ready." It was patently painful for Bubba Forester, the team's defensive captain and an 11-year Packer. How did these Bears compare with those of the recent past? He shook his head and replied in a barely audible tone, "They were real great today." Bruising Ron Kramer waxed philosophical, however, and simultaneously outlines what lies ahead with pungent clarity, "We just have to suck it in and get after 'em."

'ALL NOT LOST,' VINCE; CAN STILL CATCH BEARS

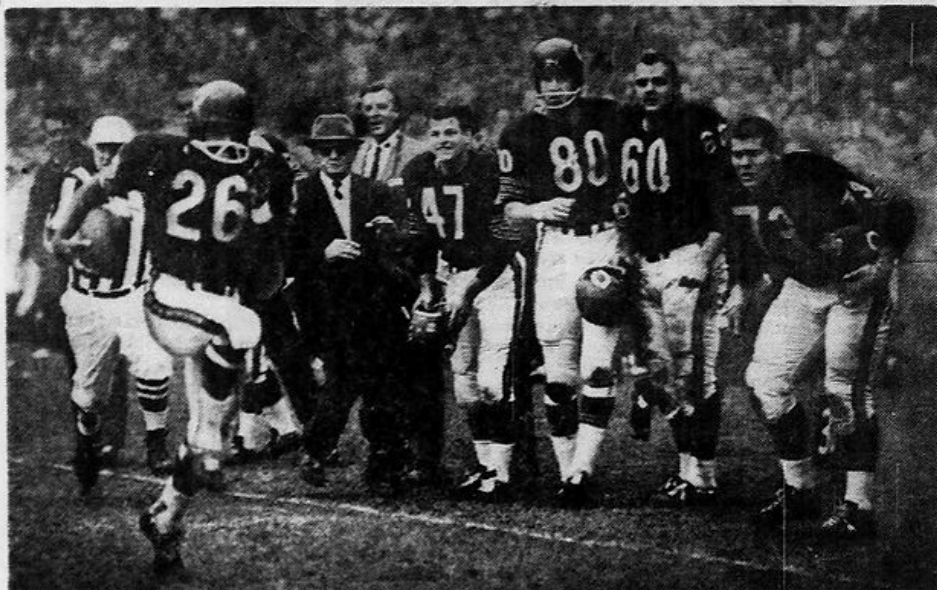
NOV 19 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - There is no black crepe hanging at 1265 Highland Avenue today. The Packers are very much alive and raring to get back on the track - vs. the 49ers in Milwaukee Sunday. "All is not lost," is the way Vince Lombardi put it today, referring to the remaining four games and the Bears' one-game lead on the Packers in the Western

'All Not Lost,' Vince; Can Still Catch Bears

Division standings. "We've got to win our last four and hope the Bears lose. We want to get back in. I'm not doing any crepe hanging and neither are my players," Lombardi said. The Bears have a 9-1 record, and the Packers have 8-2, both losses being to the Bears. While the Packers face the prospect of losing their Western title to their traditional rival, they are still a championship football team. The 26-7 loss to the Bears

was only their third in two seasons. Lombardi put it aptly when he noted that "we have nothing to be ashamed of." And we all have to agree with him. The Packers went at the Bears tooth and nail and kept themselves within winning range until the last few minutes when the Bruins took a 26-0 lead. Lombardi and coaching aides Phil Bengtson, Norb Hecker, Bill Austin, Red Cochran and Tom Fears saw the game pictures Monday and Vince said, "I could repeat everything I said after the game. It's the same." He did not that the offensive line blocked better than he thought at first. "It broke down in just one case," he added. Asked about the defensive line, Vince said "they were handled." The coach said the Bays came out without any injuries. Bart Starr, not quite ready to pitch against the Bears, figures to be set for the 49r tests - though just three week and two days removed from breaking his right hand. Lombardi said use of Starr Sunday will depend on his progress in practice this week. Starr has been throwing well in practice - and looked good warming up in Chicago before the game, but he feels he didn't have quite enough on the ball. The Packers are faced with their annual two-game-in-five-days assignment. After the 49er game, they must face the Lions in Detroit the following Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. After Turkey Day, the Bays play two Saturday afternoon games on the west coast, Dec. 8 in Los Angeles and Dec. 15 in San Francisco. The Bears play one on the road and then close with three at home. They invade Pittsburgh Sunday and then close against the Vikings, 49ers and Lions in Wrigley Field. A year ago, the Bears beat the Vikings by one point after recovering a

He Didn't Play, but It Was George's Day



Bennie McRae electrifies Bear bench as he sprints 44 yards down sideline to Packer 5 with intercepted pass to set up Bears' final touchdown in fourth quarter of yesterday's game. Coach George Halas (suit) starts to run after McRae while Johnny Morris (47) shows delight, Bob Jencks (80) and Roger Davis (60) watch fascinated, and Steve Barnett (73) cheers him on.



The final gun sounds and one of the longest weeks in Coach Halas' life is over—with a wonderful victory over the Packers. Congratulating a jubilant Halas is Bears' mascot and Phil Handler (with arm around Halas), offensive line coach. Next to Handler is beaming Sid Luckman, another Bear aid, while Bob Kilcullen, defensive end, makes his way to locker room.

(TRIBUNE Staff Photos)

fumble and kicking a field goal and lost to the Lions 3-0 in Chicago. The Steelers, by virtue of their last minute win over the Redskins, are still in the championship race in the Eastern Division and should be going at the Bears with great gusto.

Packers' Bad Day All Around



Packer offensive line, reputedly the best blockers in the land, gave way time and again yesterday leaving Quarterback John Roach in this predicament. Rushing the passer are Earl Leggett (71), Stan Jones (78), Bob Kilcullen (74) and Bill George (coming to grips). [TRIBUNE Staff Photos]



The constant harassment forced the Packers to hurry their throws with the result that five of them ended up in Bear hands. Here Dave Whitsell is about to take one away from the Packers' Max McGee in the fourth quarter.

That, of course, is the big hope in these parts. The Pack's Bill Forester noted Monday, "We really like those four teams that'll be playing the Bears. I especially like Pittsburgh next Sunday." As to the Bear game, Bill said, "We gave 100 percent but the only trouble was the Bears gave 150 percent." Hank Jordan felt the Bears "didn't do anything different - they did everything better. I was really impressed by their line. In fact, a couple of times I was impressed right into the ground." The Packers came up with 32 first down plays and, oddly enough, they put together four of them when they went for their lone touchdown. The Bears had 29 first downers. With the ball on the 20, Zeke Bratkowski and Max McGee connected on their 64-yard pass gain on first down. On first down on the Bear 16, Tom Moore lost five at left end but the Bears were holding. It was first down again and this time Bratkowski's pass down the middle was low and incomplete. The Bears were penalized again and again the Packers had a first down and this time Moore ran right end for the touchdown...FANS YELLING: Speaking of downs, the Packers had six fourth down plays and the Bears 12. The Bays lost the ball once on downs and Jerry Norton punted five times. The Bears lost it once on downs and the other fourth downers were divided between field goals and punts. There were many "we'll win it yet" points in the Chicago game. One was early in the second quarter, with the score 13-0, when the Bears drove from their own 20 to the Packer 37 where they had fourth and one. The fans were yelling, "go, go," and the Bears tried to make it. Bill Wade was stopped cold. Just the spark we need, it seemed! Five plays later John Roach fumbled and the Bears recovered. And so it went.

J. KRAMER FLOORED BY HOTEL MATTRESS
 NOV 19 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Some days it just doesn't pay to get out of bed. Lest you get stepped on. That was the Packers' story in Wrigley Field Sunday, but Jerry Kramer had a more realistic experience. 'Twas the night before the game and not a Packer was stirring all through the Drake, except Jerry, who wound up with an extremely soft mattress - "like a hammock," he said. He ordered a bed board and had it placed under the mattress. "This made the mattress rock like a ship. I pulled the whole mattress on the floor and went to sleep there," Jerry explained. While all this was going on, roomie Jim Taylor was sawing logs like crazy in the twin bed - until he hit a knot. The aroused Taylor, no doubt sleeping with the game on his mind, went to the window to check on the weather and in the darkness, you guessed it, stepped on poor Jerry. The jinxed J. Kramer never slept a wink the rest of the night and for a moment he thought there was a Bear right in the room - barefoot. And that's our bedtime story for tonight, kiddies. For you deep thinkers we present a few notes from the Packer-Bear playbook: GO BACK - Boyd Dowler missed the 1962 Bear game in Wrigley Field

with a leg injury sustained a few days earlier in practice, and Lew Carpenter did very well in his place. Dowler hurt himself Sunday and Carpenter raced out on the field. But Boyd waved him back. HURT OWN MAN - Mike Ditka flopped over Joe Marconi on a pass play and the Bear fullback was injured. He was removed in favor of Rick Casares until the next series. SPARE THAT QB - Larry Morris, in the first quarter, went in untouched when nobody blocked him and nailed John Roach for a nine-yard loss attempting the pass. FIRST DRIVE - While the Bears had a 13-0 lead they never put on a sustained march until the start of the second half. They moved from their 20 to the Packer 12 where the Bays stiffened, bringing on a field goal by Roger LeClerc to make it 16-0. It was the Bears' longest move of the day vs. the Pack's busy defense. NOT MUCH CHANCE - Dave Robinson, intent on improving his kicking off, had but two chances. The first was at the start of the second half and he dropped it eight yards deep in the end zone and the Bears made no return. The next (and last) was an onside situation with the score 26-7 and 4:10 left. Robbie skidded it off to the right, but Frank Mestnik



Muscular Dystrophy Drive — Preble High students joined in the drive for funds to fight Muscular Dystrophy Tuesday night, then met for a social hour at the school. Special guests were Henry Jordan and

Jerry Kramer of the Green Bay Packers. With them are Diane King, vice-president of the Preble Student Council, and Dick Schaal, Council president.

(Press-Gazette Photo)

grabbed it before it went the required 10 yards. It had gone about 8. THINGS GOING BAD? - Sometimes it seems like all is haywire. When the Bays took the ball early in the third period, all us Packer chickens had hopes. But in quick order: It started to rain on the first play (but stopped a few minutes later); Jim Taylor lost five yards on the second play and was injured, forcing his departure; and the Bays missed a first down by less than a foot on the third play. It's a wonder Jerry Norton's punt wasn't blocked on the fourth play. Actually, he got off a 50-yarder. LOSSES - The game was filled with thrown-for-losses instances. In the last quarter, Billy Wade was thrown back 6 by Hank Jordan and Dan Currie, Zeke Bratkowski was thrown for 2, Wade for 8 by Bill Forester, Tom Moore by 5, and finally Charlie Bivins for 12 by Lionel Aldridge.

CASARES OUT FOR SEASON

NOV 19 (Chicago) - Fullback Rick Casares of the Chicago Bears suffered an ankle separation on his right foot in Sunday's 26-7 victory over Green Bay and will be lost for the season. Owner-Coach George Halas announced that Casares' ankle was put in a cast which he will have to wear for at least six weeks. The injury leaves the Bears with only one fullback, Joe Marconi. However, Halas said Charlie Bivins, a 215-pound left halfback, will be moved to fullback to share the duties with Marconi.

49ers DID Beat Bears; Here's How It Was Done, Pack

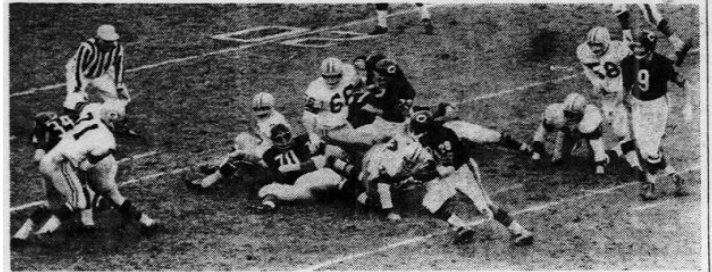
49ERS DID BEAT BEARS; HERE'S HOW IT WAS DONE, PACK

NOV 20 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers now play the only team that beat the Bears - the 49ers, that is. And the way the Bears stopped our champions with 10 points in two contests, the 49ers' 20-14 victory over Chicago becomes a real

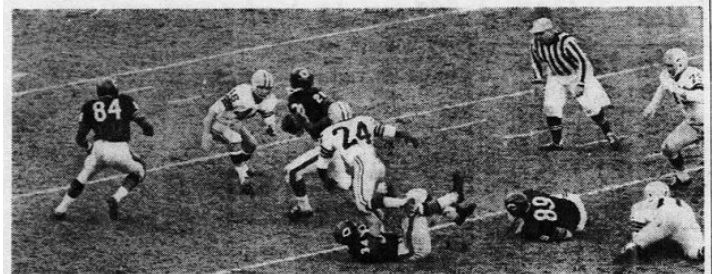
rarity. How in bloody blazes did the 49ers do it? Art Johnson, the 49ers' new publicity chief who replaces the veteran white-head Dan McGuire, answered the question rather dramatically for this captive audience of one: "This was the upset of the year, but look at the things surrounding the game. A new coach (Jack Christiansen) in his first game at home. A new quarterback (Lamar McHan) making his first start. We had lost 12 in a row, including the last two of 1962. And we really lost our last three (before the upset). In our first game against Detroit, we had a minus 10 yards passing. Against Baltimore, we made one first down rushing. The offense was so inept we wound up kicking a field goal from the 22 after recovering a Baltimore fumble on the 8. At the kickoff of the Bear game, we had gone 10 quarters, 13 minutes and 8 seconds without a touchdown. Our last touchdown had been in the second quarter of the Viking game and that came on a 95-yard kickoff return by Abe Woodson. Now we're in the Bear game. Woodson took the opening kickoff back 41 yards and nine plays later we're leading 7-0. We ran it right down their throats. We kick off to them and they do nothing. They punt and we get a field goal. It's 10-0. In the second quarter, we go ahead 17-0. McHan is really picking them apart. It wasn't his passing so much. It was his field generalship. He was calling a great game and he threw to Gary Knafelc for a TD. The Bear also scored on Bill Wade's pass and it was 17-7 at the half. But on the last play of the first quarter, Tommy Davis tried a field goal from our 42-yard line. He missed a league record of 58 yards by three inches. The kick hit the upright above the crossbar and bounced off. Davis kicked another field goal in the third quarter and the Bears scored a touchdown on a plunge early in the fourth quarter. So it was 20-13 and the Bears were desperate. We got the ball early in the fourth period, and McHan moved us on a 65-yard drive. Davis missed a field goal from the 23 with four minutes to go, but McHan had killed seven minutes on the drive. Near the end the Bears made a first down and Alexander intercepted and they tried once more. They got another first down and Pine intercepted. We ran for 192 yards on them and McHan passed 10 out of 20 for 143 yards. McHan had Morris, Fortunato and George beserk. On third and eight and third and seven, the Bears would blitz and we'd go off tackle for 10 or 12. We used our big backs that day, but they only go 210 pounds - J.D. Smith at fullback and Jim Vollenweider at halfback. Wade and Bukich hit 26 of 46, but they couldn't get the big one. Our fans went nuts." And there you are. The Bears and 49ers play again - in Chicago Dec. 8. Can the 49ers repeat their upset? That's a long way off. The Packers first must beat the 49ers in Milwaukee Sunday. On the Packer front, Coach Vince Lombardi took a look at Bart Starr's passing in a light drill Tuesday and came away with this comment: "He looked good out there." In a parting shot on the Bear game, Vince smiled yesterday: "You must weep before you have something to cheer about." The Bear game is now history and the Bays now have four chances to cheer



Quarterback Bill Wade (9) starts to hand off football to Willie Galimore (28), moving from his right halfback post. . . .



. . . Galimore takes ball and swings to his left, where he finds Bears have opened big hole in right side of Packer line. . . .



. . . Willie gets into Packer secondary where Hank Gremminger (46) and Willie Wood (24) appear to have him contained. . . .



. . . but Galimore, helped by block by John Farrington (84), eludes Green Bay defenders and has only Jesse Whittenton (47) in way. . . .



. . . Willie shakes Whittenton, too, and continues spectacular 27-yard run for touchdown in first quarter yesterday in Wrigley field. (TRIBUNE Staff Photos)

- vs. the 49ers, Lions, Rams and 49ers. And we'll all be cheering for the Steelers, Vikings, 49ers and Lions against the Bears!

BEARS NOT AFRAID OF SLUMP - ONLY PITTSBURGH GAME

NOV 20 (Chicago) - The Chicago Bears aren't complacent about their upcoming game at Pittsburgh. And they're not worried about a letdown following their great victory over Green Bay. They're plain afraid of the Pittsburgh Steelers from owner-coach George Halas down to fullback Rick Casares, who is out for the season after suffering an ankle separation against the Packers Sunday. "When I first saw this season's schedule," said Halas, "I circled the at-Pittsburgh game and wrote toughie alongside of it. Believe me, it's going to be tough." Recalling the narrow 6-0 victory over Los Angeles a week ago Sunday, Halas said, "They play like the Rams up front. Lou Michaels, Joe Krupa, Lou Cordileone and Ernie Stautner are up front and give you a tremendous punishing rush. Then they have Myron Pottios, Andy Russell and Bob Schmitz backing up the line. They all move and they all hit hard." "Yes, we were complacent against San Francisco when we lost our only game. I felt it and warned everybody, but the 49ers hadn't won a game and nobody listened to me. No, I'm not afraid of a letdown against Green Bay. These guys don't realize it yet, but the pressure is going to build up this week. That's the way I like it. Lots of pressure. Being completely relaxed is no good." Although the players were suffering from bumps and bruises resulting from Green Bay, Halas put them through a stiff workout. And most of them shuttered everytime Pittsburgh was mentioned. On the sidelines sat Casares, with a pair of crutches next to him. He was asking Halas if he could make the trip to Pittsburgh. "I don't know what the club policy is," said Casares, "but I want to go even if it has to be on my own. I know it'll be a tough game and I want to be as close to the situation as possible." "Don't worry, Rick, we'll be glad to have you along," said Halas. "It's a tough break getting hurt like that. Just when you were really cracking into that line." In the dressing room, one of the younger players was sulking over something and one of the seasoned veterans turned to him and said, "That's a rotten attitude to have." "What business is it of yours," said the younger. "A lot," said the veteran referring to the possibility of a championship game. "My money is

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involved."

WILL MCHAN, KNAFELC COME BACK TO HAUNT PACKERS?

NOV 21 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Lamar McHan and Gary Knafelc. Ex-Packers with a bit of blood in ye olde eyes! Well, not exactly, but it goes without saying that these two birds would love nothing better than to knock Green Bay out of the championship running. McHan and Knafelc, quarterback and right end, respectively, of the 49ers, teamed up to nip San Francisco in that 21-20 thriller in City Stadium back in '59. McHan hurled a 21-yard pass to Gary early in the fourth quarter and Paul Hornung kicked the extra point for the win. Knafelc has a knack of making key catches. He actually won four games, with late receptions, in his Packer career. He was the regular right end under Coach Vince Lombardi in 1959 and '60 and then went to the bench in favor of Ron Kramer in 1961 and '62. Gary announced his retirement during the past training season but then signed with the 49ers when they put out a call for help. McHan and Bart Starr shared the QB'ing in '59 and until midway in the '60 season when Bart won the No. 1 spot. Lamar was traded to the Colts after the '60 campaign and backed up John Unitas. Lamar was cut this season by the Colts. The 49ers, fresh out of QBS due to injuries, welcomed him with open arms. In his 49er debut in San Francisco, Mac offended his new teammates to a 20-14 win over the Bears. This is the first time since he left the Cardinals that McHan ruled as the top quarterback. Since beating the Bears, McHan produced 21 points vs. the Rams, 7 vs. the Lions, 24 vs. the Cowboys and 14 vs. the Giants. It is most difficult for a quarterback jumping from one team to another in the same season and the fact that he



Real Americans Now — No resident of Northwestern Wisconsin can be truly accepted as a true son of the region unless he is also a Green Bay Packer fan. Timothy and Faith Wilson made it all the way Wednesday morning when they were greeted as newly naturalized American citizens by Packer quarterback Bart Starr in Judge Donald W. Gleason's courtroom. Tim, 9, and Faith, 7, are adopted Korean children of the Rev. and Mrs. Rollin Wilson of Neenah and were among 28 citizens naturalized in ceremonies in Circuit Court Branch One this morning. (Press-Gazette Photo)



(TRIBUNE Staff Photo)

Among fans attending game between Chicago Bears and Green Bay Packers were Wayne Thomas and his son, Scott, 8, of Cedarburg, Wis. Spectators saw Bears take a giant step down trail toward National Football league title.



(TRIBUNE Staff Photo)

Not included in official attendance figures were these boys who found their own way of entering Wrigley field for Bears-Packers game. Throng of 49,166 persons included standees who had milled about Bears' Loop office at 4:30 a. m. last Monday to get tickets.

averaged nearly 20 points in his five 49er starts must be considered amazing. McHan should be even more comfortable in his sixth game - against the Packers in Milwaukee. McHan has attempted 104 passes as a 49er and completed 53 for 485 yards and a percentage of just over 50. His completions produced six touchdowns, and he had seven interceptions. Knafelc caught 13 passes for 174 yards and two touchdowns - one in the Bear game. Gary is expected to start at right end. He shares the tight end spot with Monty Stickles. The other receivers are Clyde Connor at left end and Bernie Casey, the flanker. The two chief rushing backs are Don Lisbon and J.D. Smith. Lisbon is chiefly a speedster while his chief sub, Jim Vollenweider, rates as a power back. Lisbon weighs 197 pounds, Vollenweider 210. And speaking about speed, the 49ers have the fastest defensive backfield in the league - bar none, in Kermit Washington, Abe Woodson, Elbert Kimbrough and Jim Johnson. And if those four fellers weren't fast enough, the 49ers obtained the swift Howard Williams from the Packers a few weeks ago when the Bays waived him to make room for Zeke Bratkowski. Howie backs up Alexander and Woodson at the cornerback spot. On the home front, Coach Vince Lombardi ordered the wearing of the pads for his warriors Wednesday (normally a sweat suit day) and they were sent through a tackling and blocking drill. This helped make up for lack of same in the Pack's 26-7 loss to the Bears last Sunday. The practice was held in a light rain and one of the highlights was a sharp passing drill. Bart Starr appeared to have plenty of stuff on the ball and he'll undoubtedly get the starting call against the 49ers Sunday. Bart broke his right hand in St. Louis Oct. 20 and he was back throwing on a sort of official basis Tuesday, Nov. 12. He wasn't quite ready to return for the Bear game - last Sunday.

BISHOP'S CHARITIES GAME PROFIT LISTED AT \$45,135

NOV 21 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Total proceeds for the 1963 Bishop's Charities Game, which matched the Packers and New York Giants here on Labor Day, came to \$45,315, the Rev. William Spalding, chairman of the Bishop's committee in charge of the game, announced today. The amount turned over to charity was the highest in the three-year history of the game, as a sellout of 42,327 persons, largest crowd ever to witness a non-league game at Green Bay, watched the Packers defeat the Giants, 24-17. The proceeds included \$36,712 from the game itself, along with \$8,423 from the program receipts. Last year's total game proceeds were \$42,300, including \$9,300 from the program. The proceeds go to operate the Green Bay Catholic Diocesan Apostolate, a family welfare agency; the St. Joseph Home for Children, which cares for emotionally disturbed and dependent children; and

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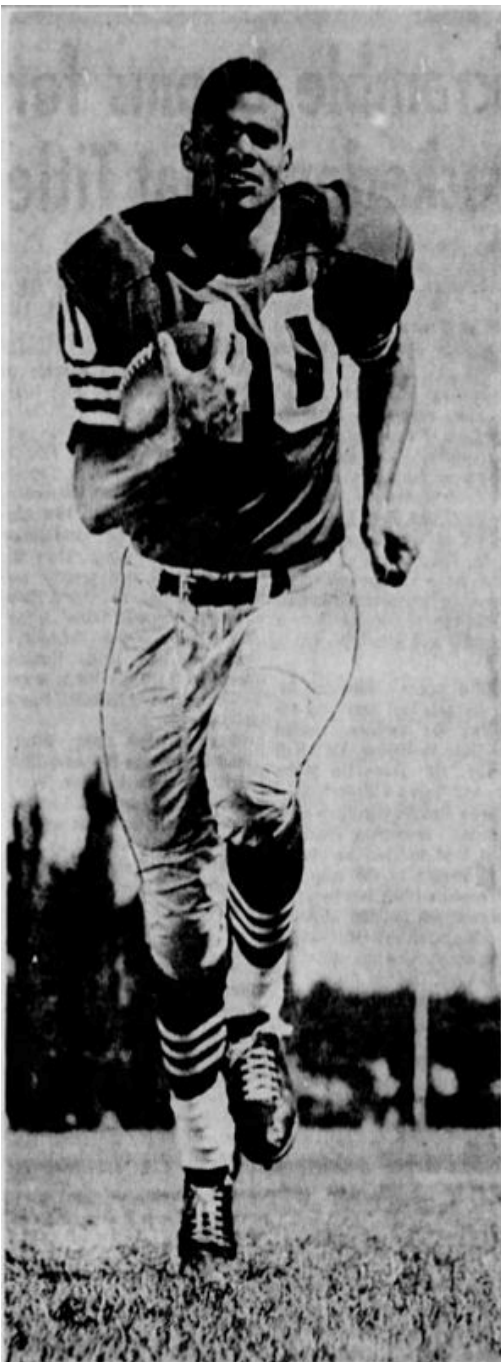
the Migrant Apostolate, which cares for the education and health needs of some 15,000 migrant workers in Northeastern Wisconsin. Father Spalding said a fourth game is planned for next year, although the date and opponent cannot be confirmed until the NFL meeting in January.

PACKERS STILL BEST TEAM IN NFL, HIRSCH CONTENDS

NOV 21 (Wausau) - Elroy (Crazylegs) Hirsch, general manager of the Los Angeles Rams, still considers the Green Bay Packers an NFL powerhouse despite their 26-7 defeat by Chicago's Bears. "The Bears proved that the Packers can be handled, but man for man I still think the Packers are the best team in the league," Hirsch said here Wednesday. The former Wausau High School, University of Wisconsin and pro backfield ace said that his Rams have revived spirit and have "an excellent chance" of upsetting Green Bay at Los Angeles next month. "Our definite improvement has come from quarterback Roman Gabriel," Hirsch said on a visit to Wausau. "He is just a baby at 22, but you can see the improvement in him week to week."

CHANCES GOOD STARR WILL START VS. 49ERS

NOV 22 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - It was raining cats and dogs in our town today. It's going to turn cold and maybe snow tonight. The Packers are in second place. And what else is wrong? Apparently our usual cherry bowl has tipped over. But it really hasn't. We wrote that down-in-the-mouth Paragraph One just for kicks. That really wasn't rain this morning - just a heavy mist. Snow tonight? Just a white blanket to keep old Mother Earth, which includes the stadium turf, from freezing while the temps drop. Seriously, and getting back to reality, the Packers will go into their Sunday battle against the 49ers in Milwaukee in good physical condition. "The only thing that hurts," Coach Vince Lombardi chuckled today, "is our feelings." This kind of hurt really hurts, but it can be thrown off much quicker than a physical injury. The Bays will be feeling better once they get a look at a fresh opponent. On the physical side, the lone injured player is Bart Starr, who broke his right hand in St. Louis Oct. 20. Bart has had a full week now of throwing for real and chances are good that he'll get the starting call Sunday. Lombardi said today Starr will start "if he's ready, and I think he's going to be ready. He has shown improvement every day." The coach said Starr has had enough on the ball for the most part. Some passes require a little more zing than others, but the veteran signalist has been throwing the long ball in workouts. Starr's rapid recovery warrants a gold star for the Packers' medical department composed of Dr. Jim Nellen, Dr. George McGuire, Dr. Gene Brusky and Trainer Bud Jorgensen. Bart was outfitted in a splint, which permitted a maximum of movement, and he was taking the snap and setting the ball down for field goals in 10 days. He held the ball for field goals and extra points in the second game after St. Louis. He started to lob the ball around near the end of his first week of recuperation and then worked toward the full pass gradually. He joined John Roach and Zeke Bratkowski on the firing line last week...There will be more than little interest in the Bear-Steeler game Sunday and some 1,000 fans hereabouts have let the Steelers know how they feel. The Steels received a telegram from Green Bay Thursday, signed by 1,000 fans, and the message was short and meaningful: "Beat the Bears." Fans at the Packer-49er game will be keeping a close watch on the scoreboard for word from Pittsburgh. The Steeler game starts at 2:06, but the time difference makes it a 1:06 game - same as the Packer test...The 49er record is just the opposite that of the Packers. The Bays have 8-02, the 49ers 2-8. San



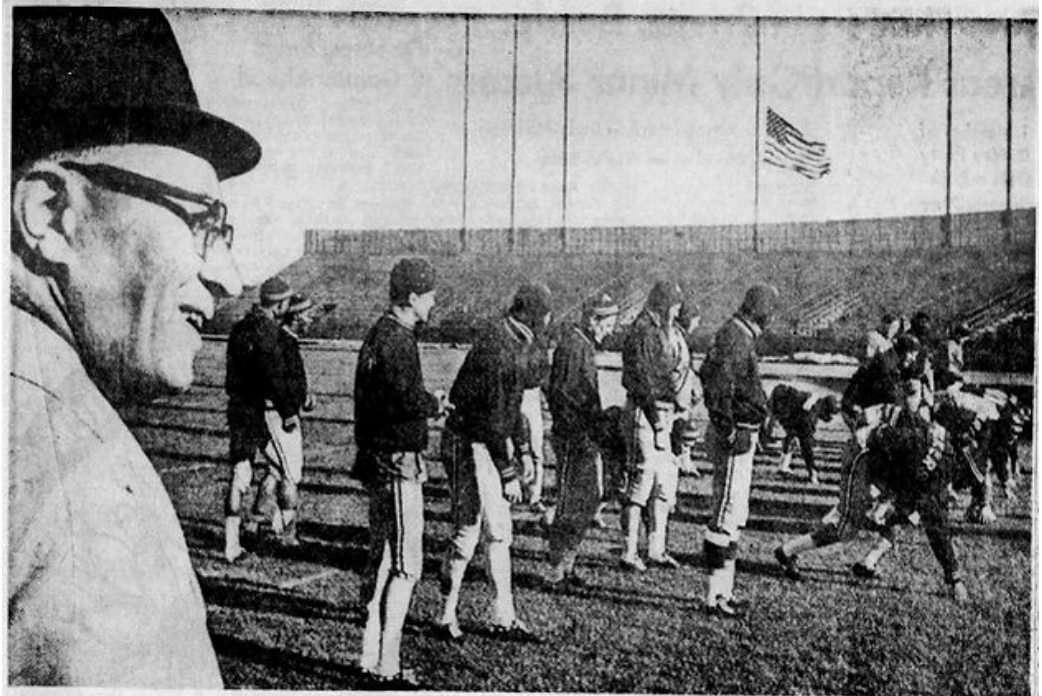
Remember Him?—This is San Francisco 49ers' mercurial Abe Woodson, who ran kickoff back 85 yards for touchdown in 49ers' last Milwaukee clash with Packers in 1962. Woodson, who will be confronting Pack again Sunday, leads NFL in KO returns with 36.4 average.

Francisco's two wins came at the expense of the Bears (nuff said there) and the other was a 31-24 verdict over the Cowboys, who had beaten Detroit earlier. The 49ers withstood sensational passing by Don Meredith (30 of 48 for 460 yards) to beat Dallas. The 49ers are tough and have been out of only two games all season...Tommy Davis is a four-way specialist for the

49ers. He does the punting, kicking off and kicking on field goals and extra points. They also have only one captain - Matt Hazeltine, the right linebacker...Don Lisbon, the 49ers' rookie back who probably will start at left half, is in pro football on a "big plan." The former Bowling Green star said before training camp: "I just have to make this club. I got this far in the big plan. Now's no time to have it wrecked," he said. The big plan was something he decided on as a youngster in Youngstown, Ohio. He wanted to be an athlete, go to college, and play pro football on the west coast. He made it.

'CAN'T LOOK BACK TO PACKER GAME,' HALAS WARNS BEARS

NOV 22 (Chicago) - The psychological problem has been the biggest one this week in preparing the Chicago Bears for an expected tough game with the Steelers in Pittsburgh Sunday. That's the opinion of George Halas, whose Bears rule the roost in the Western Division of the NFL, after spilling the Green Bay Packers 26-7 Sunday. Here are some Halas observations: "Our problem is how to get our players up for two big games in a row. We can't look back to the Packer game. I've never seen such an inspired team as a whole as the Bears were against Green Bay. To get a combination job such as we had - both on offense and defense - is the dream of any coach. We'll need another one Sunday."...**MAKE ADJUSTMENTS:** "Naturally, we are making adjustments here and there in practices because Pittsburgh is a team with different style than the Packers. The Steelers have a vigorous set of defensive linemen who don't go in for so many of the clever tactics that Willie Davis and Hank Jordan of the Packers used. The Steelers blow in on you with almost reckless abandon. The part of Ed Brown's passing that worries me most is his ability to throw the bomb. He is tremendous with the long pass and has great accuracy at 40 and 50 yards. His arm always has been one of the strongest in the league. Although he is a former Bear, his knowledge of the Bears will be of no value. We've changed the defense since Ed was with us. He knows our personnel, but our style is different now. I rank Steeler Coach Buddy Parker as one of football's best strategic brains. He's had personnel problems. If you've ever played one of his old Detroit teams, the memory stays with you forever. He can find a way to best anybody. He's proven that time and time again."



Wearing Stocking Caps and Hoods, the Green Bay Packers run through a limbering up drill in Milwaukee County Stadium as the team faces the San Francisco 49ers here Sunday. (AP Wirephoto) Kennedy. Coach Vince Lombardi watches the final drill before the flag flies at half staff out of respect for the late President John F.

Five Texan Packers 'Go Home,' Claim 'That's Not Dallas'

FIVE TEXAN PACKERS 'GO HOME,' CLAIM 'THAT'S NOT DALLAS'

NOV 23 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers have five players from Dallas - Bill Forester, John Roach, Hank Gremminger, Forrest Gregg, and Jerry Norton. All of them "went home" as the tragic news of the assassination of President Kennedy broke Friday afternoon. The Packers had just finished their weekly awards meeting and most of them had dressed and were leaving the administration building when the reports were heard on the radio. Most of the players listened in small groups around car radios. The players' radio in Bud Jorgensen's training room relayed word to others. Forester, a resident of Dallas all his life, talked with Don McIlhenny via telephone from Dallas Friday night and Don, the former Packer who has retired, reported that "Dallas is closed up tonight. We're too stunned to move."...McIlhenny saw the President in the parade from the sidewalk in front of Nieman-Marcus, the noted department store on Main St., the route of the parade, just five blocks from where he was shot. "We went in the store after he passed, and heard the news in the store a few minutes later," Don said. "I suppose we'll be infamous now," Forester said, referring to what people might think of Dallas and adding:

"Instead of Ford Theater, it'll be Dallas." Gregg said, "I was disappointed in Dallas over the Stevenson incident, but we're not radical and most certainly what happened now is not the feeling of the people there." (On a recent visit to Dallas, Adlai Stevenson was hit over the head in a political incident.) "I have never been so shocked over anything. Heard it first on the car radio as I drove from the dressing room. Just stopped the car and listened," Gregg said, adding: "You wonder how something like that can happen in the United States." Gremminger said, "I feel especially bad because it happened in the place where I make my home. I hope it isn't a black mark on Dallas. I feel it could happen anywhere. You wonder why. It couldn't have been anything political. And we have no racial problem in Dallas. Our grade schools, high schools and colleges are integrated and have been for several years." Roach wondered "what effect it will have down here. I believe everybody will get mad. It burns me up. Dallas is a hot political town. It has become Republican in the past few years and this may have resulted from the city's big growth. But most of the people who moved there are non-Texan Republicans. There's a lot of wild talk down there and plenty of excitement. Stevenson got hit that time, and they threw eggs at Lyndon Johnson when he visited. But this Kennedy thing, that's something else again. That's not Dallas." Norton had talked by telephone with some friends in Dallas and "they're taking it hard down there and they still don't believe it. Dallas is a political town, but I don't believe that had anything to do with it. This shouldn't be a black mark on Dallas. It could have happened anywhere." All five players are familiar with the area where the assassination took place and, as Gremminger said, "We go past there several times a week during the offseason." The Packers left Green Bay on the 8:30 North Western this morning in Milwaukee. They drilled in County Stadium upon arrival in preparation for the 49er game Sunday afternoon.

NFL GAMES TO BE PLAYED 'IN TRADITION,' ROZELLE SAYS

NOV 23 (New York) - Pete Rozelle, commissioner of the NFL, said today that the games would be played Sunday as scheduled because, "It has been traditional in sports for athletes to perform in times of great personal tragedy." Asked to elaborate on the NFL position in view of wholesale cancellation of other sports events, Rozelle explained in an official statement: "It has been traditional in sports for athletes to perform in times of great personal tragedy. Football was Mr. Kennedy's game. He thrived on competition." Sunday's NFL games include St. Louis at New York, Dallas at Cleveland, San Francisco vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, Baltimore at Los Angeles, Detroit at Minnesota, and Washington at Philadelphia. None of the games will be televised.

PACKERS BATTLE 49ERS WITH HEAVY HEARTS

NOV 24 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Packers and 49ers play in County Stadium in Milwaukee this afternoon. With a heavy heart. And the audience of close to 47,000 will, perhaps, be subdued. The fans, like the Packers and 49ers, are in a state of shock due to the assassination of Mr. Kennedy. And a grim reminder will be a fifteen by twenty foot flag which will be flown at half staff on the towering pole behind the left field stands. This, then, is the setting for the Packers' crucial to remain in the championship race. They will be seeking their ninth victory and they'll go into a tie for first place in the Western Division if they win and the Steelers can beat the Bears in Pittsburgh today. Today's game will be played in comparative privacy. Telecasts of the game to the San Francisco and Green Bay networks have been cancelled out of respect to the dead President. Coach Vince Lombardi announced that there will be no musical entertainment and no commercial announcements, including signs on the flash-o-gram space on the scoreboard. The only between halves program will be the State finals of the Pass, Punt and Kick contest. The audience will observe a moment of silence before the game and the playing of the Star Spangled Banner by the Packer band will follow - just before the coin flip. Kickoff is set for 1:06 - the same time the Bear-Steeler game starts. The Packers are heavily favored to win despite the fact that the 49ers are the only team to beat the Bears. They whipped Chicago in San Francisco 20-14 while the bears dropped Green Bay twice. Lombardi announced Saturday that Bart Starr will start at quarterback. This will be Bart's first start since he broke his hand in St. Louis October 20. John Roach started the last four games and won three of them. The Packers will be faced with the coldest weather thus far - about 35 degrees, and this won't be comfortable for Starr, who may find it difficult to loosen up. Bart has been throwing hard in practice during the week and looked good in the brief drill

'Difficult'

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Western Division						
	W	L	T	PCT.	PS	OP
Chicago	9	1	0	.900	215	89
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800	276	152
Baltimore	5	5	0	.500	204	222
Detroit	4	6	0	.400	230	134
Minnesota	3	7	0	.300	214	288
Los Angeles	3	7	0	.300	142	267
San Francisco	2	8	0	.200	147	294

Eastern Division						
	W	L	T	PCT.	PS	OP
New York	8	2	0	.800	320	198
Cleveland	7	3	0	.700	255	177
St. Louis	7	3	0	.700	245	200
Pittsburgh	6	3	1	.667	243	206
Dallas	3	7	0	.300	214	269
Philadelphia	2	7	1	.222	185	276
Washington	2	8	0	.200	212	281

Today's Games

GREEN BAY vs. SAN FRANCISCO
at Milwaukee (WJPG, 1:00)

Chicago at Pittsburgh
St. Louis at New York
Dallas at Cleveland
Detroit at Minnesota
Baltimore at Los Angeles
Washington at Philadelphia

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Probable Offensive Starters

SAN FRANCISCO		GREEN BAY
Conner	LE	McGee
Rohde	LT	Skoronski
Thomas	LG	Thurston
Bosley	C	Ringo
Donohue	RG	J. Kramer
St. Clair	RT	Gregg
Knafelc	RE	R. Kramer
McHan	QB	Starr
Lisbon	LH	Moore
Casey	RH	Dowler
Smith	FB	Taylor

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49er-Packer Series
49ers Won 14, Packers Won 10, none tied; Points — 49ers 535, Packers 492.

in the Stadium Saturday morning. With Starr returning, the Packers are intact once again. Ron Kramer, who missed two games before the Bear test, is fully recovered from his leg injury. The Packers, simmering all week due to the loss in Chicago, are expected to snap back strong since the offensive and defensive teams were both embarrassed by the Bears. The 49ers, though they have lost eight games, have been fearsome to their opponents - especially to the victimized Bears and Cowboys. The Gold Diggers are just now getting their offense moving since Lamar McHan, a recent arrival at quarterback, has better acquainted himself with the rushers and receivers. McHan, a one time Packer signal caller, is anxious for a spot of revenge. And that goes for Gary Knafelc, the former Packer end, who has turned out to be one of the 49ers' top receivers. There are two other Packers with the 49er - defensive backs Howard Williams and defense coach Dick Voris! The Packers were beaten in the line by the Bears and the front walls of the two units will be counted on to get Green Bay back into the race today. This will be the Packers' first of two games in the next five days. They visit Detroit Thanksgiving Day.

JFK'S WORDS ABOUT PACKERS RECALLED SADLY

NOV 24 (Milwaukee-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Football talk was hard to find as the Packers moved into Beertown Sunday. The players, coaches, everybody talked about the same thing - the assassination of Mr. Kennedy. Coach Vince Lombardi wondered what effect it would have on the team. "This makes it difficult," he said, "but I'm sure the 49ers are no different." The late President was a football fan. Lombardi, who has known the late Mr. Kennedy personally for the past ten years, said that, "He was a great friend of football. He was very interested in football." Mr. Kennedy called off conferences to permit viewing of the Packer-Eagle championship game in 1960. After the Packers humbled the Giants in the 1961 title game, the late President wired congratulations to Lombardi. Mr. Kennedy stopped in the Press-Gazette office on a campaign tour in 1960. He asked this writer, while waiting to have a color picture taken, "What ever became of all the players the Packers got for Tobin Rote?" Quite a humorist, Mr. Kennedy remarked that, "Maybe the Packers could use some Ivy League players." Once an Ivy Leaguer himself, he referred to the fact that few players from that higher education loop made the pros. The Packers discussed the killing in small groups on the North Western train from Green Bay to Milwaukee this Saturday morning. Every phase was rehashed and some of the players admitted that they just couldn't hold back the tears when some of the tragic moments unfolded on television Friday night. The coaches, in shirt sleeves, worked on the draft during the trip. This is the first game this year where all six coaches accompanied the team. Normally, all are on scouting assignments except for Phil Bengtson and Lombardi. The others, Norb Hecker, Bill Austin, Red Cochran and Tom Fears would join the team on Saturday night. The draft will be held in Chicago a week from Monday. The Packers went through a spirited drill in the stadium Saturday morning and the sideliners included Ernie Johnson, Hank Aaron and Dennis Menke of the Braves.

Packers Battle 49ers -With Heavy Hearts



**Trouble
at
Both Ends**

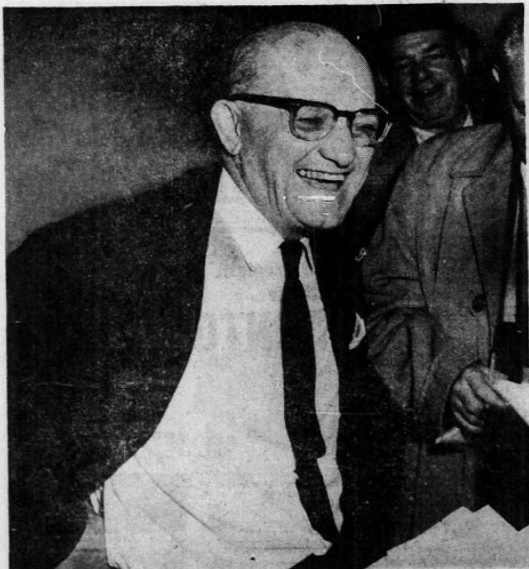
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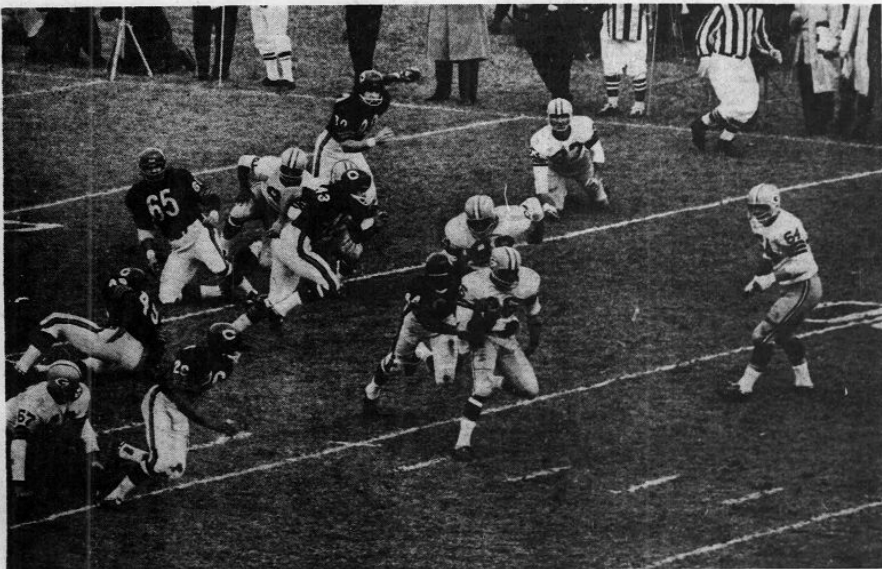
(American Airlines Photo)

SCENE OF A DREAM THAT CAME TRUE YESTERDAY FOR CHICAGO BEARS AND FANS.



(TRIBUNE Staff Photo)

"I was a confident and calm man on the sidelines today after the first few times we got the ball," said George Halas, coach and owner of the Chicago Bears, as he gleefully recalls his impression of game.



(TRIBUNE Staff Photo)

Heading for what appeared to be a touchdown runback of kickoff in first quarter is Herb Adderley of Green Bay Packers. But he is overhauled here at the Packer 30-yard line by Chicago Bears' John Farrington, who hit Adderley with crushing tackle that jarred the ball loose. Roger Leclerc (not shown) raced up and grabbed the free ball. Four plays later Bears scored first touchdown.



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NFL Stix . . . Tenth Week

LEADING PASSERS (100 attempts)

	Att.	Comp.	YG	TdP	PCT.	LP	Int.	AYG	Int.	Pct.
1. Tittle, New York	255	156	2263	27	61.2	70	4	8.87	1.6	
2. Wade, Chicago	243	138	1502	12	56.8	63	6	6.18	2.5	
3. Meredith, Dallas	236	134	1948	15	56.8	55	12	8.25	5.1	
4. Morrall, Detroit	208	109	1750	19	52.4	70	11	8.41	5.3	
— Ryan, Cleveland	167	93	1351	18	55.7	83	8	8.09	4.8	
6. Johnson, St. Louis	308	172	2496	20	55.8	68	20	8.10	6.5	
— Brown, Pittsburgh	255	124	2169	14	48.6	85	11	8.51	4.3	
8. Tarkenton, Minnesota	250	143	1923	13	57.2	67	12	7.69	4.8	
— Unifas, Baltimore	280	155	2222	13	55.4	64	10	7.94	3.6	
10. Jurgensen, Philadelphia	103	57	929	8	55.3	75	9	9.02	8.7	
11. Snead, Washington	262	122	2156	10	46.6	77	19	8.23	7.3	
12. Gabriel, Los Angeles	181	83	1249	6	45.9	66	5	6.90	2.8	
13. McHan, San Francisco	112	53	863	6	47.3	68	7	7.71	6.3	
14. Hill, Philadelphia	155	78	1085	9	50.3	80	13	7.00	8.4	
15. Starr, Green Bay	136	69	951	8	50.7	53	10	6.99	7.4	

LONGEST: 99 yds., George Izo, Washington vs. Cleveland 9-15—TD.

LEADING PASS RECEIVERS

	Att.	YG	LG	Ave.	No.	AD	L
Conrad, St. Louis	56	692	29	7	0	38	12 20 74
Mitchell, Washington ..	48	1017	99	5	0	23	16 29 71
Shofner, New York ..	48	857	70	7	0	22	14 23 64
Dial, Pittsburgh	46	961	83	7	10	0	0 0 60
Barr, Detroit	44	749	60	10	0	30	9 16 57
Phillips, Los Angeles ..	44	638	42	1	0	26	10 17 56
Flatley, Minnesota	42	644	62	4	9	0	0 0 54
Ditka, Chicago	42	505	36	7	9	0	0 0 54
Retzlaff, Philadelphia ..	38	621	46	2			
Randle, St. Louis	37	766	68	9			

LONGEST: 99 yds., Bobby Mitchell, Washington vs. Cleveland 9-15—TD.

BEST PERFORMANCE: 11 for 218 yds., Bobby Mitchell, Washington vs. Pittsburgh — 11-17—2 TDs.

LEADING RUSHERS

	Att.	YG	LG	Ave.	No.	AD	L
Brown, Cleveland ..	204	1447	80	7.1	35	48.9	73
Taylor, Green Bay ..	181	699	26	3.9	53	46.5	64
Mason, Minnesota ..	120	589	70	4.9	44	45.5	66
Moore, Green Bay ..	114	579	77	5.1	39	45.4	64
Hoak, Pittsburgh	185	575	17	3.1	46	45.3	59
Brown, Philadelphia ..	126	532	27	4.2	34	45.3	61
Childress, St. Louis ..	128	497	24	3.9	60	44.6	68
Johnson, Pittsburgh ..	120	462	31	3.9	46	44.4	62
Perkins, Dallas	106	442	19	4.2	34	44.0	59
Triplet, St. Louis ..	85	433	63	5.1	42	41.9	64
King, New York	105	422	50	4.0	41	41.3	62
Morrison, New York ..	70	389	70	5.6	46	40.3	57
Watkins, Detroit	83	339	27	4.1	39	40.1	57
Brown, Minnesota	102	339	21	3.3	38	40.0	73
Barnes, Washington ..	81	334	19	4.1			

LONGEST: 80 yds., Jimmy Brown, Cleveland vs. Washington 9-15—TD.

BEST PERFORMANCE: 232 yds. in 20 attempts; Jimmy Brown, Cleveland vs. Dallas — 9-22—2 TDs.

INTERCEPTION LEADERS

	No.	YR	TD	L
Taylor, Chicago	7	118	0	46
Lynch, New York	6	152	2	82
Petitbon, Chicago	6	134	1	66
Benz, Cleveland	6	100	0	38
Fischer, St. Louis	5	100	0	42
Thomas, Pittsburgh	5	90	0	32
McRae, Chicago	5	89	1	44
Costello, Cleveland	5	78	0	31
Alexander, San Francisco	5	72	0	38
Lane, Detroit	5	70	0	33
Meador, Los Angeles	5	63	0	45
Haley, Pittsburgh	5	28	1	24

LONGEST: 87 yds., Lee Roy Caffoy, Philadelphia vs. New York 11-10—TD.

LEADING SCORERS

	TT	EP	FG	Fga	TP
Brown, Cleveland	13	0	0	0	78
Kramer, Green Bay	0	31	15	25	76

LEADING PUNTERS

	No.	AD	L
Lary, Detroit	35	48.9	73
Davis, San Francisco	53	46.5	64
Green, Chicago	44	45.5	66
Chandler, New York	39	45.4	64
Baker, Dallas	46	45.3	59
Norton, Green Bay	34	45.3	61
Villanueva, Los Angeles ..	60	44.6	68
Hill, Philadelphia	46	44.4	62
Richter, Washington	34	44.0	59
Gilburg, Baltimore	42	41.9	64
Stovall, St. Louis	41	41.3	62
Cox, Minnesota	46	40.3	57
Brown, Pittsburgh	39	40.1	57
Collins, Cleveland	38	40.0	73

LONGEST: 73 yds., Gary Collins, Cleveland vs. Pittsburgh — 10-5. Yale Lary, Detroit vs. Dallas — 10-13.

PUNT RETURN LEADERS

	No.	YR	AD	L	TDs
1. Keys, Pittsburgh	13	198	15.2	82	0
2. Watkins, Detroit	26	353	13.6	90	1
3. James, Washington	12	160	13.3	39	0
4. Wood, Green Bay	10	113	11.3	41	0
5. Stiger, Dallas	13	135	10.4	45	0
6. Butler, Minnesota	18	186	10.3	60	1
— Morris, Chicago ..	16	164	10.3	42	0
8. Logan, Baltimore ..	20	194	9.7	23	0
9. McElhenny, N. Y. ..	12	74	6.2	13	0

LONGEST: 90 yds., Tom Watkins, Detroit vs. San Francisco — 10-6—TD.

KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

	No.	YR	AD	L	TDs
1. Woodson, S. F.	23	838	36.4	103	3
2. Brown, Phil'phia	20	652	32.6	100	1
3. Adderley, G. Bay	15	472	31.5	98	1
4. Ballman, Pitts.	15	471	29.8	99	1
5. Shanon, Los Ang.	20	595	29.8	99	1
6. Alexander, S. F.	17	489	28.8	48	0
7. Reed, Minnesota	13	367	28.2	51	0
8. James, Wash.	18	493	27.4	46	0
9. Gros, Green Bay	12	323	26.9	51	0
10. Dean, Phil'phia	16	425	26.6	79	0

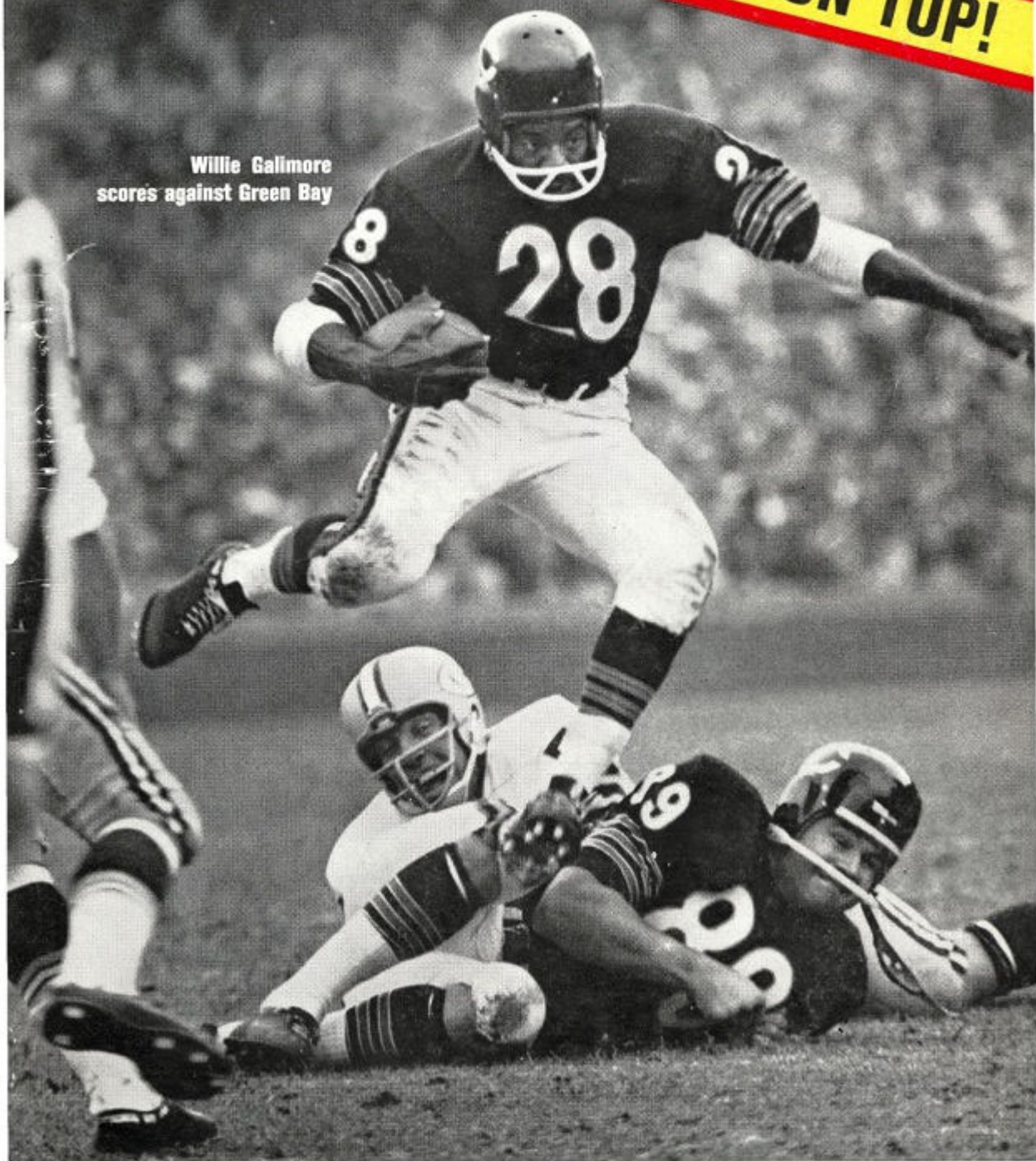
LONGEST: 103 yds., Abe Woodson, San Francisco vs. Minnesota — 9-15—TD.

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THE BEARS ON TOP!

Willie Gallimore
scores against Green Bay





DOWN GO THE PACKERS

Playing old-fashioned, bone-bruising football, the Chicago Bears decisively defeated the World Champion Green Bay Packers 26-7 to take over first place in the Western Division of the NFL by **TEX MAULE**

In a forthright, notably unsubtle football game, the Chicago Bears battered the Green Bay Packers into complete submission last Sunday to take over first place in the Western Conference of the National Football League. A week ago the race in both conferences was close, but after the Bears' solidly wrought, violent conquest of Green Bay 26-7 and the upset of the Cleveland Browns by the St. Louis Cardinals, the reasonable probability now is that the championship game will match the New York Giants and the Bears in Chicago.

This cannot be a delightful prospect for the Giants. The Bears have just proved themselves as physically powerful a football team as ever played the game. Their victory over the Packers was not the result of a particularly brilliant strategy or unusual tactics. It came because, in the series of man-to-man physical encounters that make up a football game, the Bears whipped the Packers in almost every instance.

There were some changes in the plan that had brought the Bears a 10-3 victory against Green Bay in the first game of the season. At that time Bill Wade

controlled the ball with short passes and with passes behind the line of scrimmage to Ronnie Bull. Bull, nursing a sore foot, played very little in this game. And Wade, surprisingly, passed very little. He did not need to. So clearly did the Bear offensive line dominate the Packers that the Bear runners, although they seldom broke free for long runs, slashed readily for four, five and six yards.

"We had a game plan for the offense, a game plan for the defense and, on Friday, I gave the team an overall battle plan," a perspiring George Halas said after the game. "I will give you the battle plan."

Chicago's owner-coach took a sheet of yellow, lined legal paper out of his pocket. Written on the paper in Halas' neat, careful hand was a series of paragraphs, lettered from A to H.

"This is paragraph F," Halas said. He adjusted his spectacles and read, "Our war plan is simple and will do the job. We will control the ball with runs and with short passes. We will draw them in tight and then let them have a couple of long ones. Our defense will smother their championship offense."

Someone asked him about the rest of the paragraphs and Halas shook his head. "Those are some little facts I gave them that I don't want to reveal," he said. "I'm sure they will—Green Bay, I mean

—pick them up from the movies, but I don't want to talk about them. I have to save them for another occasion."

Whatever the little facts were, in the game itself the Bears demonstrated basic tactics borrowed, in part, from one of the ideas of the Packers' coach, Vince Lombardi. Lombardi believes in beating a team at its strength, and this is precisely what the Bears did to the Packers.

"We wanted to take away their running," Halas said. "We wanted to force them to pass. Then they would be playing our game."

Without making any radical variations in their defense, the Bears "took away" the Packers' game. Gone were the complicated maneuvers taught by a previous genius, Clark Shaughnessy. The Bear defense was based on one of the best sets of blitzing linebackers in football—Larry Morris, Bill George and Joe Fortunato. It was anchored on a massive defensive line led by Doug Atkins, a 6-foot 8-inch end who is listed in the Bear program as weighing 255 but who charges like a 300-pounder.

The Packer offensive line, although pound for pound one of the finest, is among the smallest in the league. In this game it simply could not control the more powerful Bear linemen. And Fortunato, who calls the Bear defenses, displayed uncanny anticipation. "He was

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A tenacious Bear paw spectacularly upends Green Bay's Jim Taylor after a typical short gain; he totaled only 23 yards all day.

always a play ahead of [Packer Quarterback John] Roach," said Bear Defensive Coach George Allen. "His judgment was perfect."

When the Packers discovered that their running game had been shut off, they went, in desperation, to the pass. Fortunato's answer to this was to call more blitzes, sending himself and the other linebackers in after Roach in varying patterns—all successful.

Oddly enough, this was no surprise to the Packers. Watching movies of a Bear game against the Baltimore Colts, they had seen Chicago harry Johnny Unitas with the same tactics. Lombardi had pointed out to his quarterbacks that the Bears telegraph this particular punch.

"When the corner linebackers line up on the scrimmage line, they are going to blitz," he had said. "And you better keep a back in to help out."

When Morris was going to come in, he crouched on the line, outside the Bear right end (Atkins), as if he were waiting for the starter's pistol in a sprint. At the snap of the ball he raced in behind the wide screen provided by the massive Atkins, and three times he hurtled in to Roach from the blind side before the Packer quarterback could release his

pass. Once, when the blockers picked up Morris, Atkins found a clear path to Roach and hit him so hard that the stunned Packer quarterback fumbled, the ball bouncing crazily out of his hand to be recovered by another blitzing Bear linebacker, Fortunato.

The unrelenting, cat-quick rush from the Bear line and linebackers destroyed the Packer air game, just as the brute power of the front four and the speedy reactions of the linebackers had stopped the Packer running. Under this kind of pressure, the Green Bay passers—Roach and Zeke Bratkowski, who once played for the Bears—were able to complete only 11 of 31.

Five Packer passes were intercepted by the Bear secondary; it had been considered by some to be vulnerable in a couple of spots, but it proved just as effective as the rest of the Bear defense.

Although the Bear offense was not as spectacular as the defense, it was more than adequate. Of course, Halas' game plan almost precluded the possibility of spectacular long gains. Again it was predicated upon attacking the Green Bay strength and again it succeeded.

The Bears had discovered that Tackle Henry Jordan reacted fast to plays going away from him but was not so effective in halting plays driven straight at him.

So they drove at Jordan with their fullbacks, Rick Casares and Joe Marconi. These plays, by their very nature, are not long gainers, but in this game they gained enough yardage to allow Chicago to control the ball. Wary of the quick, hard pass rush of Packer End Willie Davis, the Bears made him cautious early in the game. They ran the ball inside and outside of Davis so that he could not commit himself wholly to driving in on the passer. This gave Wade time to find his targets the few times he threw the ball.

The Bear ground attack was particularly effective on sweeps; Willie Galimore, replacing Bull for most of the game, scored the first Bear touchdown on a play that began as a drive over tackle, then changed to a sweep as Galimore went outside the right side of the Packer line. Here the Bears had used some of the deception that makes defense difficult in pro football. The Packers had been keying often on the Bear guards; this time the Bears, on the sweeps, more often than not pulled their tackles out to lead the play.

The Bear attack stalled frequently when it neared the Packer goal, as the Packer defense, with less territory to cover, tightened up. But with Roger Leclerc in rare form, the Bears four times scored on field goals and almost always gave the ball to the Packers deep in Green Bay territory, maintaining a commanding position all afternoon.

This is just about the same Bear team as the one that seemed only a shade better than mediocre a year ago. There have been few changes in personnel. But in execution and confidence, it is an entirely different club. The metamorphosis began before the 1962 season, when George Halas, at 67, turned over the business of running the Bears to his son and began to devote all of his time to coaching.

Halas junked the complicated defenses installed by Shaughnessy and went to almost exactly the same defensive patterns as those used by most of the other teams in the league, with small modifications designed to take advantage of the particular talents of his defenders. Shaughnessy quit when this happened and Halas hired Joe Stydahar, an ex-Bear tackle who had been head coach of the Los Angeles Rams and the Chicago Cardinals, to direct the defensive line.

The Bears responded happily to the relatively simple new defenses. Injuries hampered them early last season but,



Almost patronizingly self-confident, Green Bay Coach Vince Lombardi chats with suspicious George Halas, coach and owner of the Bears. But this picture was taken just before the game.

as the team grew healthy and the defenders became secure in their new assignments, the club began to pick up momentum, winning five of its last six games in 1962.

Halas, devoting all of his time to coaching, was the true reason for the re-birth of the Bears: he listened to his capable young coaches—Chuck Mather for the offense, George Allen for the defense—but the decisions were his own.

He was elated after the Bears beat the Packers in the first game of the season, but apprehensive. His attitude was the same as that of Bill George, the superb Bear middle linebacker. In the Bear dressing room after that first victory, George quietly surveyed the scene of jubilation.

"Don't get too excited," he said to a rookie, finally. "Wait until they get us in Chicago."

Mike Pyle, the Bear center, who comes from Yale, of all places, agreed with George. "We won," he said. "But that old man taught me lots of tricks today. He did things I never saw before. He's as smart as they come." The old man was Dave (Hawg) Hanner, the Packer tackle who played his 24th game against the Bears last Sunday. Pyle remembered his lessons this time; he blocked magnificently on the Bears' plays up the middle and pulled out to block well in pass protection, too.

But, finally, it was the Bears' defense that made the big difference. It was written before this game that the Bears live by their defense; last Sunday the Packers may have died by it.

"I was a calm and confident man after the first few times we had the ball," Halas said. "I could sense the victory. It was the biggest victory for us since the 1946 championship game. When I saw how our defense contained them, how quickly we reacted, I was certain."

Their last four games present the Bears with a more difficult closing schedule than that of the Packers. This week they meet the Pittsburgh Steelers, a team with physical equipment nearly equal to the Bears'. The Bears may suffer an emotional letdown; no team can play perfect football two weeks in a row, and it seems too much to expect them to be as psychologically supercharged as they were last Sunday.

"It's not the end of the world," Lombardi said at the end of the game. "They beat us in the line both ways. But the season isn't over yet."

Indeed it isn't.

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As Fullback Rick Casares (35) provides protection, the Bears' place-kicking specialist Roger Leclerc booms one of four field goals that helped put the game out of the Packers' reach.