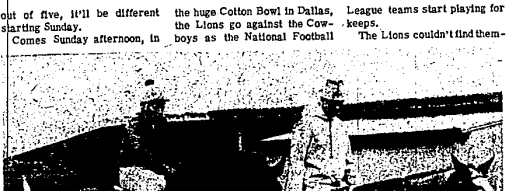


# Lions Good Or Bad? - - Real Answer Comes Sunday

The Detroit Lions are over the preliminary season. If, as some might have indicated, they weren't taking the exhibition campaign too seriously when they won only two out of five, it'll be different starting Sunday. Comes Sunday afternoon, in the huge Cotton Bowl in Dallas, the Lions go against the Cowboys as the National Football League teams start playing for keeps. The Lions couldn't find themselves in a much tougher spot for their opener — unless they were matched against the Green Bay Packers.



DAMASCUS, 1967 horse of the year, is lead out on the track for a morning workout by trainer Frank Whiteley prior to his engagement in the 20th running of the \$100,000 added Michigan Mile Saturday afternoon at the Detroit Race Course. Despite the record of the brilliant four-year-old, 10 other horses were entered to compete against Damascus and stablemate Hedevor.

Many of the experts are rating Dallas as the team which could dethrone Green Bay as NFL and Super Bowl champs and it can't be forgotten that Dallas played Green Bay for the league title the last two years. What's more the Packers had their problems last December before they knocked off the Cowboys, 21-17.

THE ODDSMAKERS have installed Dallas as a solid choice over the Lions. Those who know have discarded the poor Dallas showing of last Saturday against Baltimore "as one of those things."

But, when it comes to the Lions, there are a great many burning questions. The Lions looked like a stick team in their last two exhibitions against Washington and the New York Jets.

They could blame penalties for their loss to Washington. Against New York, it was plain Attie play by the offense. The slump of the offense the past two weeks came after the Lions had struck under an impressive showing behind new quarterback Bill Musson to beat Baltimore.

Musson, of course, is the key to whether the Lions will be stronger on the attack this fall. He's said to be the answer to the Lions' long hunt for a first-rate quarterback, who can pass

IN ADDITION to the Lions, Dallas game Sunday, Cleveland goes to New Orleans, New York plays at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia visits Green Bay, San Francisco goes to Baltimore and Washington plays at Chicago.

The Los Angeles-St. Louis game Monday night, to be televised nationally, rounds out the first week's schedule. The season opens with some great names having bowed out from the heated battle ranks: Vince Lombardi no longer is coach of the Packers.

Lou (The Toe) Groza has retired as a player for the Cleveland Browns and the same goes for Jim Taylor, one of the great running backs for many years at Green Bay and a member of the American League All-Stars.

Saturday night while Denver goes to Cincinnati, New York to Kansas City and Oakland to Buffalo Sunday, Boston and San Diego have the week-end off.

## Arthur Ashe Moves To Top In Net World

Arthur Ashe, 25-year-old U.S. Army lieutenant, is sitting atop the world—the tennis world.

In dramatic fashion, Ashe won the U.S. Open title in five sets when he beat Tom Okker at Forest Hills, N.Y. For his efforts, Ashe collected nothing because he's playing for nothing more than his expenses.

His victory stretched his winning streak to 26 matches in a row and now he shoots for more honors in the Los Angeles Open, which began this weekend.

Later in the year, Ashe hopes to win, perhaps, the biggest prize of all—when he leads the U.S. in a bid to regain the Davis Cup from Australia.

PEACE AMONG the professional golf players? Arnie Palmer, who has worked desperately to patch up the break between the PGA and the newly established group of touring golfers, says now that it doesn't look like he has gotten very far.

Just what'll happen, Palmer admits, is something that time alone will tell.

DEATH CAME this past week for Gerry Knight, 17, a football player at Grand Rapids East High School. He suffered head injuries while making a tackle during a practice scrimmage session.

THE TRIALS to decide the U.S. trackteam for next month's Olympics have produced some exciting and also some sad moments.

For example, Billy Mills, a Gold Medal winner in 1964, has failed to qualify for this year's Games.

Meantime, the U.S. qualified a speedy trio of Jim Hines, Charlie Greene and Mel Pender for the 100 meters and will send forth a potent group to the shot put made up of Jim Maggard, Randy Matson and George Woods.

WITH TWO WEEKS to go in the regular baseball season, Carl Yastrzemski of the Boston Red Sox looks like the repeater in the batting-champion race. He has zoomed up his average above .290.

A \$10.5 MILLION guessing game has been set for Oct. 15. That's when the new Seattle and Kansas City teams, which make their American League debuts next season, stock their squads with talent from the current teams.

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## Wings, Pistons Practice Nearby

PORT HURON -- Literally side by side, the Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Pistons have started preparing hereabouts for their respective 1968-69 season.

The Wings are holding their in Port Huron, the Pistons down

Gratiot Avenue at the Marysville High School.

The Wings have a new coach in Bill Gadsby, who has taken over the direction of the team from Farmington Township.

Sid Abel, who remains as general manager.

By coincidence, the Pistons' general manager, Ed Coll, also has moved into Farmington Township, and he'll be watching as Coach Dennis Butcher starts his second full year in charge of the cagers.

The Wings will be striving to end a slump that has kept them out of the National Hockey League playoffs for the last two years.

THE PISTONS start in a flying atmosphere after their dramatic finish of last season when they won 10 of their final 13 games to make the playoffs and then give the Boston Celtics more than Bill Russell and Co. bargained for.

A record number of 87 players are in the Wings camp. There are 40 professionals and 47 amateurs.

The big man, of course, will be 40-year-old Gordie Howe, who has cracked just about every record in the hockey books.

The perennial All Star Howe has finished 22 seasons with the Wings, engaging in 1472 games. He has scored 688 goals, assisted on 835 and boasts a total of 1,583 points.

When he scores 12 more goals, he'll become the first ever to hit 700.

LIVONIA's Alex Delvecchio, the Wings' forward center, is expected to be okay for practice. He recently underwent minor surgery.

The Pistons, meantime, started their camp Thursday with 15 players—two of them veterans. The other veterans move in Monday.

All Star Dave Bing, last year's league scoring champ, and veteran Dave DeBussche head the squad.

## Plymouth Golfer Gains

Edwin C. Dayton, of Plymouth, was one of three Michigan senior golfers who qualified Tuesday for the National tourney at Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 23-28.

Dayton shot a 37-38-75 to finish second behind William Holt Jr., of Oakland Hills, who

scored 35-37-72, in the trials at Red Run. Leo T. Dalgie of Lake Orion was third with 76.

At Atlanta, Dayton and his two Michigan mates will play in 18 holes of stroke play for the first two days. The low 32 in the field of 120 will move into match play to decide the champion.

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## Randall Paces

### Raider Victory

North Farmington High School's cross country team was a 17-43 winner over Berkley this week in its first meet of the season.

Running on the Berkley course, Rick Randall and the twin combination of Paul and Tom Hebel gave North Farmington the first three places, finishing in that order. Randall's winning time for the two-mile route was 10:55.

North Farmington reserves also triumphed, beating the Berkley reserves, 15-48. The Raiders topped the first five places, Stu Otto winning in 11:15.

## Wayne State University junior

fullback Tom Wilson was thrown for losses just twice in 116 carries as a sophomore, totaling just three yards.

Robert White, Wayne State University's veteran trainer, gets a working leave from WSU grid fortunes this fall, being detailed as one of eight Olympic Team trainers from mid-September through October.

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