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Pat Huppert, crowned queen



Dirty Dozen, on rampage

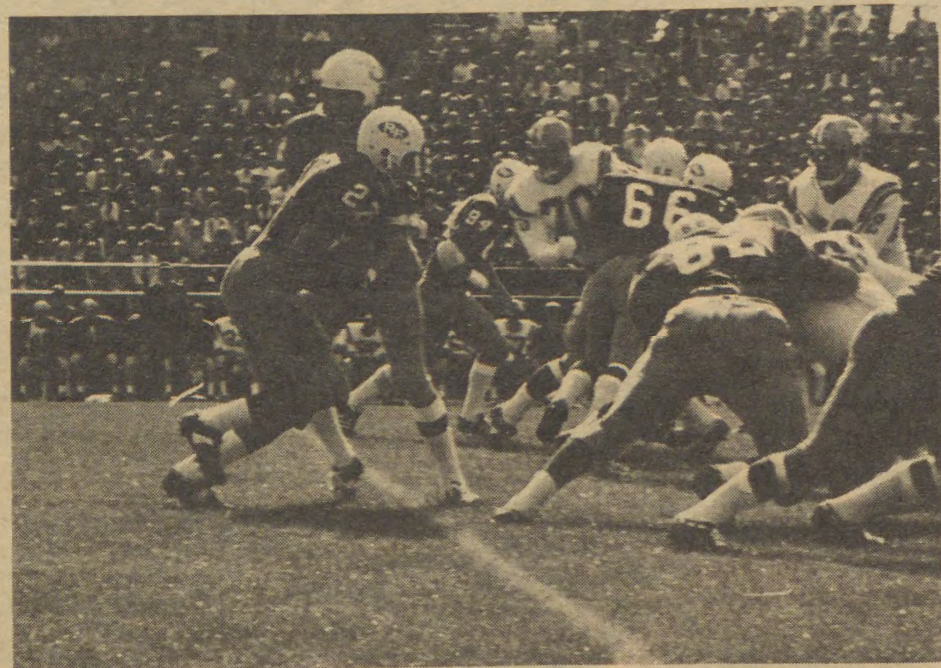
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Falcons set for Homecoming duel with Titans

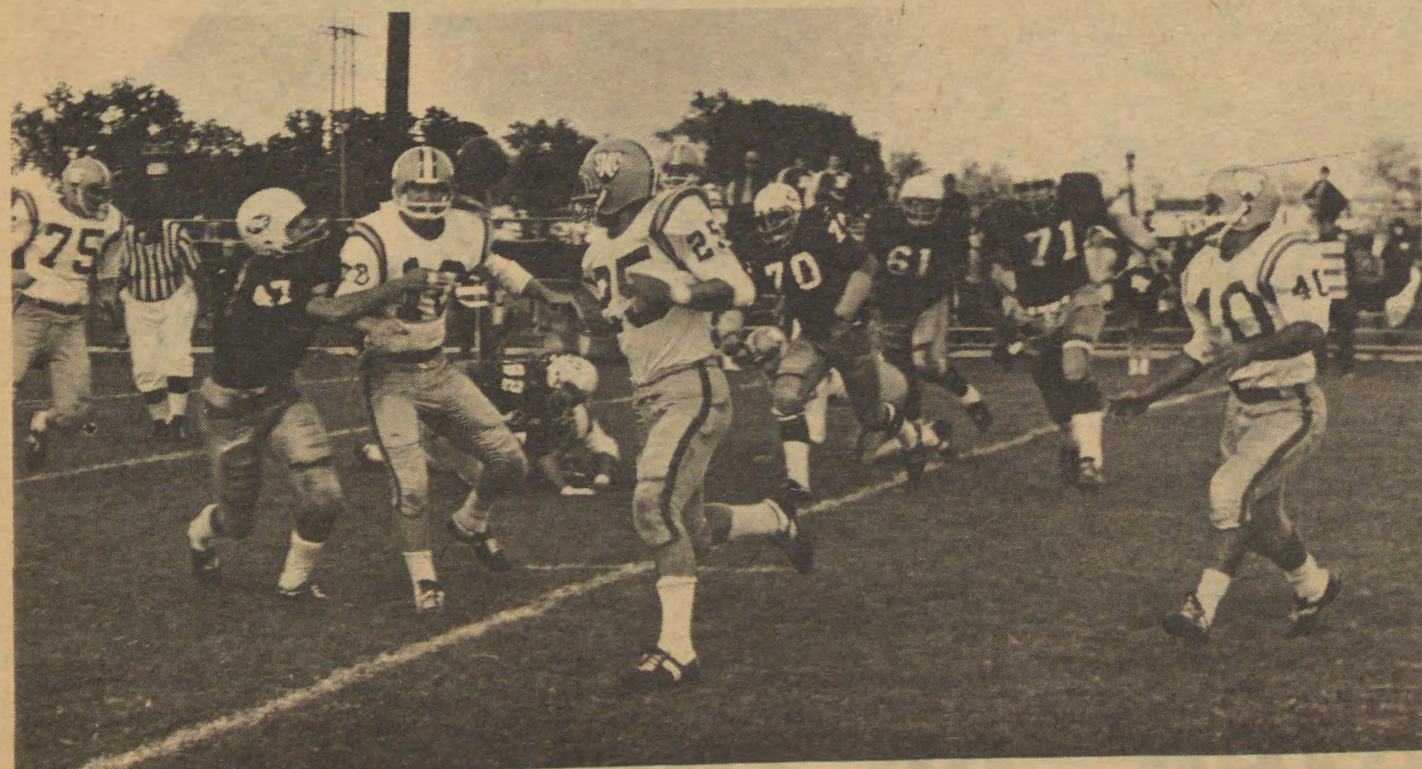


Jerry Trooien (12) will be called upon to get the Falcon offense going against last year's co-champions. If Trooien is given time to throw to receivers like Joe

Rozak, Tim DeLaywer and Dave Rosga the former St. Paul prep will put a lot of points on the scoreboard Saturday.



The Falcons unveiled a speed merchant in Gary Gray (37) at St. Norbert last Saturday. If the former Milwaukee Custer sprinter can find a sliver of daylight Saturday he can show the homecoming crowd some of his 9.6 speed.



The Falcon defense will have its hands full with Goeckerman, Cardo and Burbey. Mark Guderyon, (70) John Egan, (61) and Bob Scheffen (71) should make it

difficult for the Oshkosh ground game and Mike Jensen (47) has played steady defense all season from his linebacker spot.

by Rob Orcutt

The Falcons will be seeking their second conference victory Saturday against the Titans of Oshkosh. Both teams go into the River Falls homecoming game with identical records of 2-2.

The Titans won their opener against St. Thomas and then lost their next two of three conference games. Last week the pre-season favorites were surprised by Stout 13-0.

The Falcons are coming off a 48-0 thumping by non-conference foe, St. Norbert. In in defense of the Falcons Gary Thompson, an inside linebacker did not play and after falling behind Coach Gwyn Christensen decided to experiment with different players since the game did not mean anything in conference standings.

The game will feature the second and third leading passers in the conference last year. The Falcons Jerry Trooien nosed out Oshkosh's Jim Goeckerman for the second spot.

Coach Russ Young guided the Titans to a co-championship in his sixth year as head coach last fall, but insists, "We will be hard pressed to repeat last year's performance in a stronger-than-usual league. One more loss should eliminate the visitors from the southeast from the title. Whitewater currently holds the top spot by its self with a victory over Platteville last week.

Three all-conference performers head the list of returning lettermen, including halfback Ron Cardo, the league's leading rusher with 772 yards and a 4.5 average. Also back are all-star center Pete Gabrielson, fullback Brian Burbey, and defensive guard Clair Rasmussen.

Young has nine regulars back from the offensive platoon and five from the defense. The Titans run their offense out of a winged-T with variations, and Young's squad is blessed with experience, good speed, and fair size. The problem area is defense, where lack of depth is a drawback. Oshkosh will also be seeking to improve its inept offense after being shut out by surprising Stout. Goeckerman should provide the Titans with experienced leadership in the game but the senior had his troubles last week.

The Falcons unveiled Gary Gray, a 9.6 speed merchant from Milwaukee Custer at St. Norbert. With little high school experience Gray is just starting to find himself in the backfield.

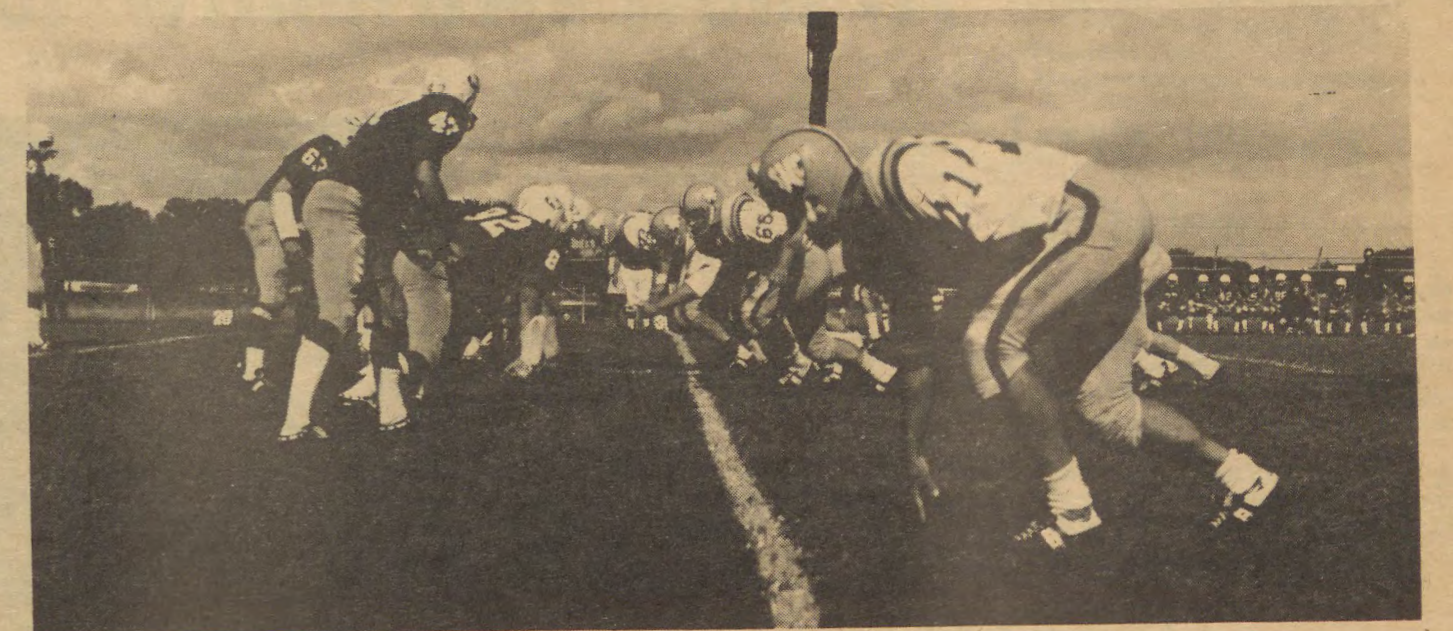
Another back to be watched Saturday will be Dale Stephenson of Stiensville. The 5'10", 202 pound Stephenson started the season at linebacker but returned to his natural position in the backfield last Saturday against St. Norberts.

If Trooien falters Dave Astin, a junior from Milton, will take over the reins at quarterback. Against a tough St. Norbert defense the redheaded signal caller connected on eight of 15 passes for 96 yards.

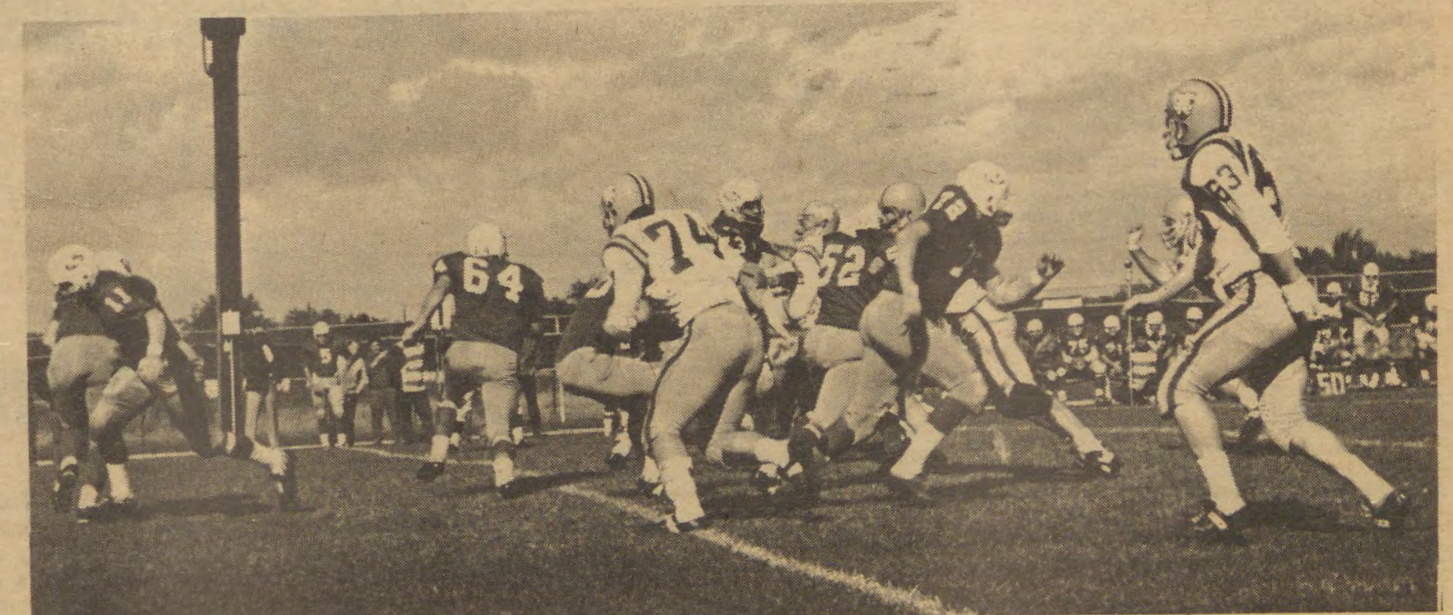
With both teams being shut out in their previous games, look for wide open offenses with John O'Neill, Dick Carlson, Ed Gruenwald, John Cahalan and Gary Gray lugging the pigskin for the home town Falcons and Cardo and Burbey carrying the mail for the white shirted Titans.



Joe Rozak will give Titan defensive backs fits if he has his usual game at split end Saturday. Rozak and Trooien hooked up for a 100 yard touchdown pass at Superior and the junior from Weyerhaeuser is pictured hauling in a pass at the St. Norberts game last Saturday.



The experts who know the area on the line of scrimmage call it the pit. This is the pit area last week at W. DePere. The Falcon defensive line is pitted against the Green Knight offensive line.



If Jerry Trooien has trouble against the Oshkosh defense Christensen will call on junior quarterback Dave Astin (11) to guide the Falcon offense. He is pictured

handing off to an unidentified Falcon back on a draw play. Astin completed eight of 15 passes for 96 yards last Saturday.

Dirty Dozen hits campus

by Marcia Qualley

Yes, it's that time again--time for the renewal of two hallowed RF traditions: Homecoming Week and the annual reappearance of the noble group of gentlemen known as "the Dirty Dozen"--whose grubby, grimy, gray-suited figures were seen more than once this week, flitting through the shadows or lurking in the underbrush.

Although this organization is not officially recognized by the University, its members have traditionally tried hard and long to interrupt, break-up or otherwise interfere with Homecoming Week programs that they have really become synonymous with Homecoming activities. And whichever you attend, there is a good chance you will get a first-hand look at the Cruddy Crew yourself. That is, if you have the courage!

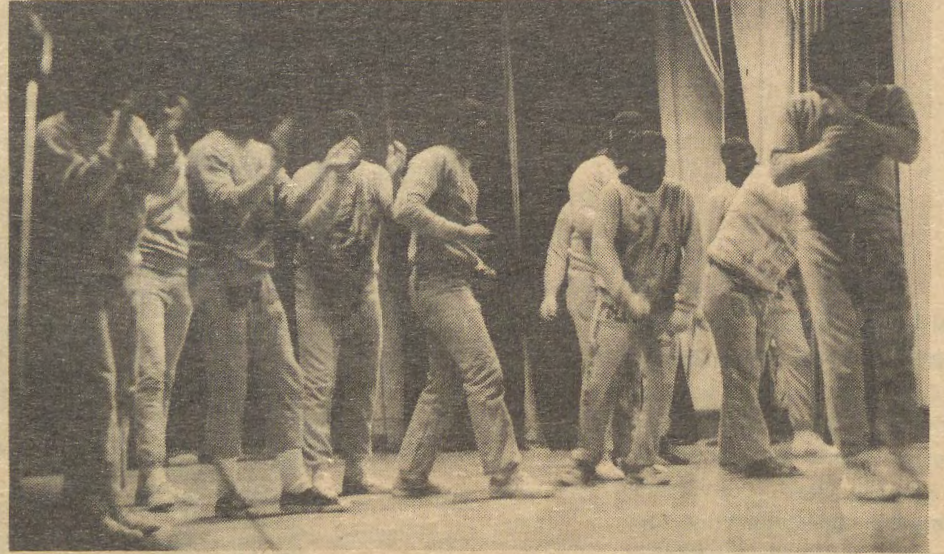
Rumors about the Dirty Dozen abound, mainly because of the mystery surrounding the identity of the group's members. Even their exact number is uncertain. In fact, you can never quite be sure that someone you think to be harmless isn't really a "ferocious phantom."

Mystery also shrouds the selection and initiation of new group members. But an authoritative source informs us that choosing this year's new members was extremely difficult. Our source, who must remain anonymous, warns prospective members that each year's initiation gets worse and worse--and next year's will be terrible! Our source has also issued a dare to "all sweet, young women" (particularly of the freshmen variety) to linger after dark in empty streets or deserted entryways. Gals, he dares you NOT to be scared!

Reports filtering in to the VOICE office have confirmed the fact that the crew is on the loose, and on the rampage, again this year. For instance, the Homecoming skit competition in North Hall Auditorium on Monday evening was interrupted with a brief visit by the Dozen. When VOICE staffers, John Froelich and Don Oakland, were presenting their skit, they were suddenly surrounded by the masked men, who sang the notorious Dirty Dozen theme, bid the audience a good week and left as quickly as they had come. And if you were at your favorite refreshment spot or at the movies Monday evening, you found you weren't safe there either.

As the week has been shaping up so far, it seems safe to predict that more sightings of these mythical men will take place regularly throughout the week. Some nocturnal visits to the women's dorms appear most likely. Friday's customary activity has been the disruption of late morning classes. And on Saturday "our heroes" will no doubt be found on their chariot in the Homecoming parade. (It is astounding how much this chariot looks like a manure spreader!)

The ancestors of this year's Dirty Dozen can be traced all the way back to the early Post-World War II period. Their first mysterious appearances



began in 1946, but even then, the group was not "organized" or "definable."

Then, too, Dozen activities were primarily centered around Homecoming Week, including parade appearances. And in the 1946 celebration, the early ancestors of our present group came up with the bright idea of turning live chickens loose in North Hall Auditorium during the kick-off convocation. During the same week, one of the group's members also staged a simulated suicide dive out one of the auditorium's windows! Surprising though it may seem, early members like "Bozie," Fritz and Dick have turned out to be respected citizens in places like Waukesha and Madison.

Naturally, some changes in the group's appearance have occurred over the years. The first Dirty Dozen costumes were done in hillbilly motif, with heavy make-up, rather than masks.

The focal point of activities, too, has changed. The earlier group concentrated more in presenting skits than in breaking them up.

Yet, like father, like son -- and along the way a mystique has grown.

Old-new song introduced

Hail to River Falls
With its Falcon on the wing
Raise a cheer for the school we love
And the team now whose praises we sing.

Fight, fight, fight

Fight for red and white
Watch the Falcons lead the way.
They are loyal sons and they will overcome
And fight onward to victory.

Yes friends the preceding is the original old-new RF fight song. The music was composed way back in 1925 by a mailman of all things.

Neil Reed, the composing mail carrier, wrote music as a second occupation.

In the spring of 1969 the manuscript was discovered on display in the University archives by a member of this year's Homecoming Committee. The idea of using this song as the official fight song was brought up at a Homecoming Committee meeting, and a September completion date was set.

The music had to be arranged, and lyrics had to be written. Dr. James King, music department, arranged the music for the band. Beth Scott, a professional writer living in River Falls, agreed to write the words.

So gang lift your heads up high and sing out Ol' Neils blood sweat and tears composition.



Women from Delta Iota Chi perform at Monday's kick-off convocation.

Two reunions planned

by Judy Chadek

Two groups of former WSU-RF students will be coming back to the campus during the Homecoming weekend. They are the class of 1959 and the Ag 49'ers. The Ag 49'ers are agriculture majors who graduated in 1949. It will be their 20th reunion. Included in their activities is a noon luncheon at Rodli Commons.

The local coordinators for the reunion of the class of 1959 are Mary Dougherty, homecoming queen of 1959, and Michael Connell. Their activities include a coffee, a noon luncheon, and a dinner dance at the country club. They also plan to sit together as a group at the football game.