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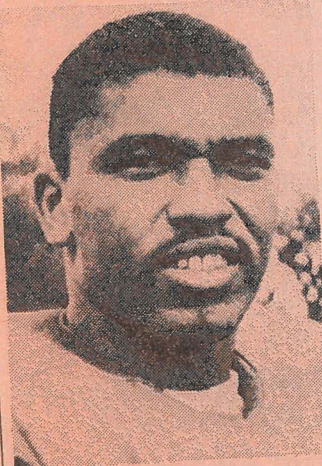
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INTERFERENCE? Mike Bass, former Ypsilanti High football star, carries the ball through the line for the Blue team in the annual intrasquad Blue-White game in Michigan Stadium. Running behind Bass is another Michigan freshman, Jim Detwiler of Toledo, while Frank Nunley, a freshman from Belleville on the White team, makes a dive between the two Blue players. Bass scored twice for the Blues.

5-4-64



MIKE BASS, a former Ypsilanti High athlete and football star, has signed a contract with the Green Bay Packers for the 1967 season. Bass, picked in the 12th round of the recent pro football draft, will be tried out as a defensive corner back by the world champion Packers.

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**Lions Release
 Ex-Wolverine**

DETROIT (AP)—The Detroit Lions of the National Football League got down to their 40-player limit today by releasing four players.

Released were running back Bobby Felts, pass receiver Sims Stokes, defensive end Lew Kamanu, and defensive back Mike Bass, a member of the 1964 Michigan Big Ten and Rose Bowl championship squad.

Felts had been with the Lions since 1965 after being acquired from the Baltimore Colts in a trade. He has been used almost exclusively for spot duty. He carried the ball 64 times for 207 yards and a 3.3-yard average during his Lions career. Felts scored two touchdowns.

Bass was received on waivers after playing with Green Bay last year.

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Young Fans Made Happy

Wherever a professional athlete goes, the kids aren't far behind in search of autographs to cherish and show their friends. Mike Bass (left) and John Rowser, former

Michigan defensive backs, sign their names for Brian Van Ark (near Bass) and Randall DeGroot in front of Sensenbrenner Hall where the Green Bay Packers are housed.

Ex-Wolverines Battling For Jobs With Packers

(Special to The News)

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Both first-year men (Coach Vince Lombardi dislikes the term "rookie") agreed that pass coverage will be more difficult individually in the professional ranks. The receivers are all good. But they also like the idea of getting help from the linebackers.

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Noon lunch back on the St. Norbert campus is followed by the 1:30 bus and again the whole contingent is on the field well in advance of the 3 p.m. starting time for the afternoon workout. The evening meal is sandwiched between an hour or two of free time before the nightly classroom session which runs from 7:30 'til 9. Lights are out at 11.

Commenting on the practice schedule, Bass called it "precise." "There's no lag, no chance to lag. It's an hour and a half and you're working all the time."

Green Bay was the last team Bass expected to be drafted by because of its abundance of experienced defensive backs. He was picked on the 12th round after several other pro teams had expressed interest in him.

Rowser could only say he was stunned when a Packer official called to tell him that he was the third-round choice. "I got a telegram from the Packers a week before the draft, asking about my draft status but I still didn't think they were too interested, because three other teams, which are short of defensive backs, had talked to me."

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No. 1 Unit Has All Seniors

By Wayne DeNeff

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