



# Colts Eye Clippings

by John Platzer

Pay attention Mr. Ripley! Believe it or not there are some people in this enlightened world of ours who are of the steadfast opinion that the New York Jets and not the Baltimore Colts will reign over the pro football world after Sunday.

The vast majority of the believers in Texas reside in Houston which explains their departure from reality. These are the fans who see the Oakland Raiders, Kansas City Chiefs and Jets invade their town and leave their beloved Houston Oilers in unrecognizable condition and then proclaim that anyone who can do that to the Oilers must be the best.

In Las Vegas, where picking football winners leaves the area of the heart and enters the area of the wallet, the oddsmakers have installed Don Shula's National Football League Champions as 18½ point favorites to wallopp the American League kingpins.

At first glance, this seems to be a lot of points to give away in a "world championship" match, but then it is realized that just because a game is proclaimed as the Super Bowl nothing about it necessarily has to be super. The fact of the matter is that not only do the New Yorkers have little chance against Baltimore; they would also have little chance against such teams as Cleveland, Dallas, Minnesota, Los Angeles and who would bet on the Jets against the Green Bay Packers?

The match is certainly a good idea and the day is not too far away when it will also be a good game, but in the meantime do the AFL fans have to rely so heavily on their emotions instead of their logic? These people actually believe Johnny Sample when he modestly proposes that he is, without a doubt, the finest cornerback to ever play the game and they confidently store it away as fact when Joe Willie Namath proclaims that Earl Morrall isn't a good a quarterback as Daryl Lamonica anyway.

Sure there is a possibility that the Jets could defeat the Colts on Sunday. The odds on John Wayne playing the part of a teenage hippie in his next movie are not quite as great, however.

The Colts' Mike Curtis and John Mackey both state that they don't even pay any attention to the mouthings from the bushes, but the guess here is that more than a few glances have been made at the Namath and Sample clippings hanging in the Baltimore dressing room. If this guess proves to be true, a score of about 41-10 seems to be appropriate for Super Sunday.

# Hair Too Long? Scholarship Gone

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The otherwise dull and uneventful National Collegiate Athletic Association convention erupted into a racial storm Wednesday over the question of whether an athlete can be stripped of his scholarship because of his haircut.

"This looks like a throwback to the past hot summer and some of the things that happened then," said C. D. Henry of Louisiana's famed Grambling College, producer of Negro pro football stars.

"Does it mean a boy can be kicked out for failing to get a haircut or for wearing an Afro haircut?"

"This looks like a slap at the black athlete," charged another Negro delegate.

The issue that struck a match to the fire was an innocuous piece of language asking an interpretation of the grounds under which an athlete, once given a grant-in-aid, can have it taken away.

The example in question said: "A member institution may terminate the financial aid of an athlete if he is adjudged to have been guilty of manifest disobedience."

What constitutes manifest disobedience? Henry asked.

"When I went to school in the Midwest there was only one Negro barber shop in town and the barber was inclined to get intoxicated," he said.

"A teammate of mine had an idiosyncrasy. He didn't want a drunk man putting a razor to his head. So he would go home to Chicago — four hours and \$10.69 by the Rocket, a train.

"If he missed practice, would that be disobedience?"

The faculty representative of the University of Texas, Neils Thompson, rose to express the

view that haircuts and beards were like drinking.

"We permit our regular students to drink without penalty, but not our athletes," Thompson said. "Long hair and beards not only defy orderliness but under certain circumstances can be detrimental to performance."

"It is a matter of maintaining discipline."

Harry Jessup, assistant athletic director of Tulane University, agreed. "We don't have the same standards for students and athletes," he said. "A regular student may drink and have feminine visitors to his room, but not the athletes."

David Swank, faculty representative from the University of Oklahoma who presented the proposal on cancelation of scholarships, said he didn't think haircuts were the real problem.

The NCAA brass agreed. "The key of the matter is disruption," said Walter Byers, executive director of the NCAA. "It is concerned principally with athletes who take flagrant, disruptive action."

"A case was that of seven San Jose State athletes who lay down on the football field and refused to play a football game against Brigham Young. They had their scholarships taken away and the court upheld the action."

The interpretation in question, after a brisk floor fight, passed by a narrow 67 per cent when 66 2/3 was necessary but Marcus Plant of the University of Michigan, the NCAA president, ordered a paper ballot later in the day.

In other morning action, the NCAA retained the present freshman rule, permitting freshmen to compete in all varsity sports except football and basketball, and made it easier for junior college transfers with good grades to transfer to four-year institutions.

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# Consol's Litterst Named To 3-A All-State Squad

By RICHARD CAMPBELL  
Mike Litterst, the 155-pound halfback for the A&M Consolidated Tigers, was voted by the sportswriters of Texas to a first team defensive backfield berth on the AAA All-State team.

Litterst, a co-captain, was the leading rusher for the Tigers this year piling up 847 yards and seven touchdowns while playing on both offense and defense. He was also named to the 10-AAA All Zone team as a running back and was named the "Most Valuable Back" and "Most Valuable Player" for the Tigers this year. Selection of the All-State teams are arrived at by totaling the votes of the sportswriters in the various sections of the state. The coaches send in a resume of the boys they feel should be included and then the writers make their selections from the list.

"I really am surprised," Litterst said, "I expected to be passed up as a defensive back because I intercepted 8 passes last year and only three this year."

Although the Tigers posted a lackluster 5-5 season record they never lost a game by more than nine points and Coach Jack Churchill felt that Litterst was instrumental in leading the team.

"I'm really proud of Mike," Churchill said. "He is a fine

competitor and did a heckuva job for us this year."

Litterst is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Litterst Jr. of 1603 Glade St.

Class AAA All-State Football Team

### First Team Offense

Ends — Lane Bowen, Brownwood, 6-foot, 205 pounds, Sr., and Eddie Boster, Monahans, 6-4, 230, Sr.

Tackles — Walter Baisey, Waco Moore, 6-4, 220, Sr., and Ross Burgdorf, Del Valle, 6-2, 219, Sr.

Guards — Ken Gilliam, Port Arthur Austin, 5-10, 193, Sr., and Dan Helker, Perryton, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Center — Robert Gerasimowicz, Dickinson, 6-2, 220, Sr.

Quarterback — Felley Donaldson, Wichita Falls Washington, 5-10, 160, Sr.

Running backs — Joe Wylie, Henderson, 6-1, 170, Sr.; Eugene "Bull" Lewis, Refugio, 5-8, 175, Sr.; James Mosley, Lubbock Estacado, 6-0, 210, Jr.

### First Team Defense

Linemen — Randy Alford, Bridge City, 6-1, 206, Sr.; Pete Vasquez, Weslaco, 6-0, 215, Sr.; Willard Boyd, Wichita Falls Hirsch, 5-10, 225, Sr.; Walter Baisey, Waco Moore, 6-4, 220, Sr.

Linebackers — Fred White, Lubbock Estacado, 6-1, 180, Sr.; A. G. Perryman, Lubbock Dun-

bar, 6-3, 221, Sr.; Eddie Foster, Monahans, 6-4, 230, Sr.; Steve Gorge, Plano, 6-5, 235, Sr.

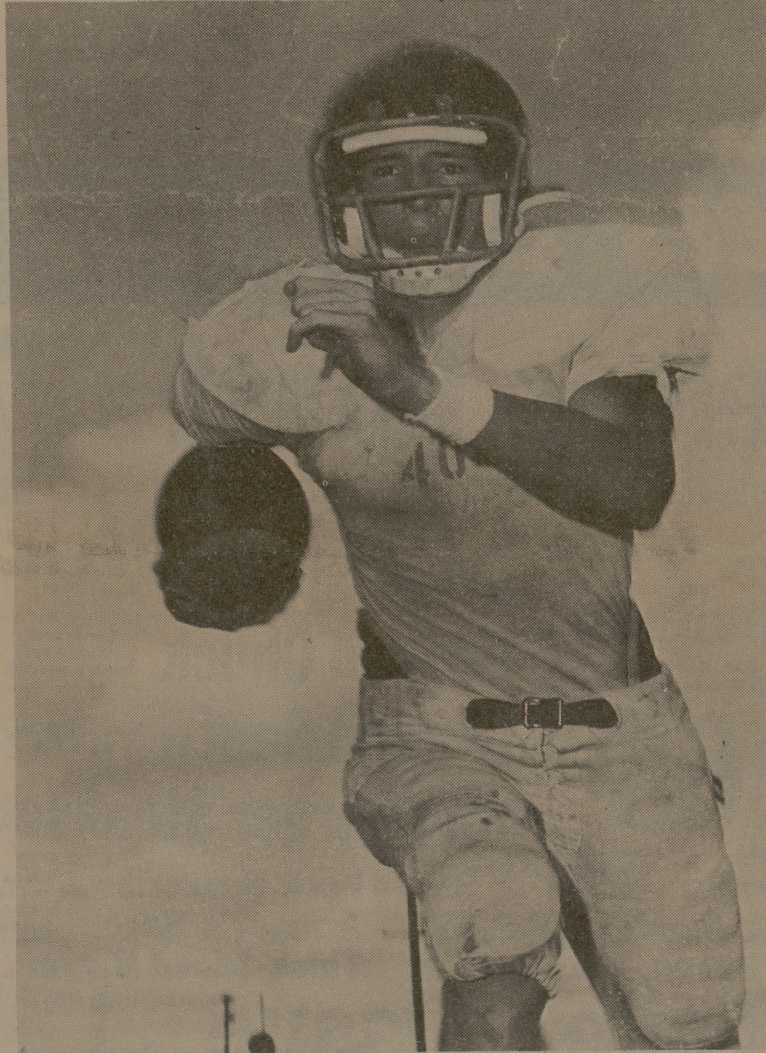
Defensive backs — Ervin Garnett, Wichita Falls Washington, 6-3, 175, Sr.; Elisio Pompa, Mission, 5-9, 163, Sr.; Mike Litterst, A&M Consolidated, 5-10, 170, Sr.

# Casper Named To PGA Board

NEW YORK (AP) — Billy Casper and Jack Nicklaus are among the four golfers elected to the Board of Directors of the newly-created Tournament Division of the Professional Golfers Association, it was announced Wednesday.

Nicklaus and Casper will serve two-year terms while Gardner Dickinson Jr., and Dan Sikes were elected for one-year terms. All four were officers of the American Professional Golfers before that group settled its dispute last month with the PGA.

The 10-man board also includes Leo Fraser, president of the PGA; Warren Orlick, secretary; William Clark, treasurer; plus businessmen John D. Murchison of Dallas, Paul Austin of Atlanta and George Love of Pittsburgh.



ALL-STATER

Mike Litterst of the A&M Consolidated Tigers landed a spot on the AAA All-State football squad's first team defense. He also played both ways this year finishing as the leading Tiger rusher with 847 yards. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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