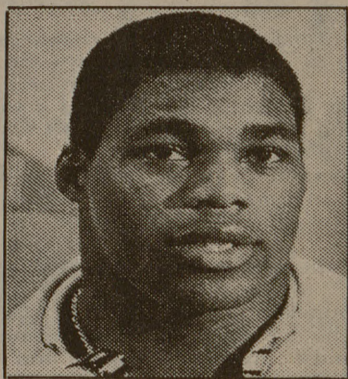


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Trump gives USFL standouts consent to confer with NFL

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Trump, owner of the USFL New Jersey Generals, said Wednesday that he will give Herschel Walker, Jim Kelly and Doug Flutie permission to talk to NFL teams "anytime they ask for it."



Herschel Walker Future Dallas Cowboy?

The three, who have a combined salary of more than \$3 million a year, are among the approximately 400 players whose football futures became uncertain this week after the USFL decided not to play the 1986 season.

"While I have a legal right to their services, I don't think I have a moral right to stand in the way of their careers," Trump said. "I'd give them permission to talk to them anytime they asked for it."

But there may be more involved than just a release. Flutie, reached in Boston, suggested that he wanted to be sure the \$7 million, five-year personal services contract he signed with Trump would be honored.

"As it stands, if I just drop my contract with Donald Trump to sign in the NFL, chances are I'd lose out on a lot of money," he said. "So that's a major concern of mine, as well as playing."

Trump's statement came a day before representatives of the USFL Players Association were to meet in Washington with a committee set up by the league to decide what to do with the players.

The NFL has ordered its teams not to talk to USFL players unless they have a clean release from their teams, and USFL teams have been getting calls from agents seeking that release in order to get them into NFL training camps as soon as possible. Some players — the majority have only marginal shots at the NFL — have been seeking to have their 1986 salaries paid by the USFL.

Walker, who scheduled a news conference in New York today, and Kelly are among the dozen or so USFL players who NFL scouts think could step right in and play in the NFL. Flutie, the 5-foot-9 quarterback who won the 1984 Heisman Trophy at Boston College, is considered more of a question mark.

Walker's NFL rights belong to Dallas, Kelly's to Buffalo and Flutie's to the Los Angeles Rams.

Both Walker and Flutie have personal service contracts with Trump and Walker has said that he would consider dropping football and going into the real-estate business with Trump.

Steve Carlton announces retirement

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Steve Carlton, a four-time Cy Young award winner, announced his retirement Wednesday, the day after he collected his 4,000th career strikeout.

Carlton was 1-3 with a 2.75 earned run average in a one-game stint with the San Francisco Giants. For the season, which included 11 months with the Philadelphia Phillies, he was 5-11 with a 5.89 ERA.

Carlton, 41, posted a record 319 victories against 226 defeats in a 22-year career that included 14 years in St. Louis and 14 1/2 in Philadelphia.

"Upon reflection, I realized I've reached a career milestone (4,000 strikeouts) never before accomplished by a pitcher spending his entire career in one league," Carlton said in a statement released by the Giants.

His strikeout total was second to Houston's Nolan Ryan in the league history.

"Further, I realize that the San Francisco Giants are committing the younger players in their organization, specifically the talented young men on their pitching staff."

Carlton made the announcement following Wednesday's 2-1 victory over the Cincinnati Reds in 14 innings.

Carlton said in the release that he was grateful to Giants' owner Lurie, General Manager Al Rosen and Manager Roger Craig and Giants fans for their support over the month.

Rosen echoed Carlton's sentiments about the Giants' young pitching staff, saying the team's success was due to Terry Mulholland and Kelly D'Armentano as encouraging.

"I have the greatest respect and admiration for Steve Carlton. He gave us 100 percent during his time here and was a positive influence on the Giants clubhouse," Rosen said.

When the Giants announced Carlton's signing they said they hoped it would help them to win the National League's West Division, but San Francisco has fallen from first place and Carlton was hit hard in his last two outings.

Craig said he realized, "A career of this age" that Carlton might not be able to return to his brilliant career performance level.

His 319 victories places Carlton 11th on the all-time list, eight behind Eddie Plank in 10th place.

He had 20 or more victories in season six times. He ranks among the top 20 in the six all-time pitching categories.

Dallas in search of receiver

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — After one exhibition game, Dallas Cowboys pass coordinator Paul Hackett has issued an all-points bulletin.

"We need a receiver," he said.

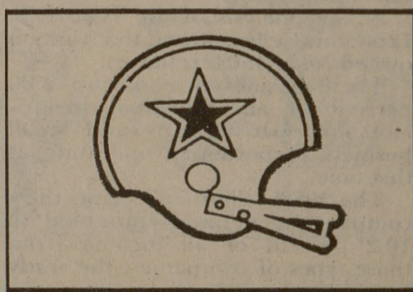
In Sunday's 17-6 loss to the Chicago Bears in London, veteran receiver Mike Renfro separated his shoulder and will miss at least six weeks. During that game, the Cowboys dropped nine balls, including two in the end zone, a pass was tipped for an interception and fumbled away one reception.

To make matters worse, No. 1 draft pick Mike Sherrard, the talented receiver from UCLA, still isn't signed with the season opener only five weeks away.

"This is not to say a Karl Pove or Gordon Banks or (Leon) Gonzalez won't step in and do the job, but I still think we need to go out and get somebody else," Hackett said.

Cowboys President Tex Schramm said that would be a "precipitous move at this point, just because of that injury, I don't think we do anything special."

Powe, a second-year player from



Alabama State, will replace Renfro at the wide receiver spot opposite veteran Tony Hill, said Coach Tom Landry.

"It will give him a chance to see what he can do," Landry told the Dallas Times Herald.

"We like what we see," he said of his receivers. "I feel they have the potential, it's just they haven't done it yet."

From the start of training camp, the Cowboys will carry four receivers this year, with Renfro, Sherrard, Hill and Powe the most likely four-some, Landry said. But with Renfro injured and Sherrard missing, that

creates opportunity for Banks, Gonzalez and Kenny Duckett.

The Cowboys got a glance of Powe last season when he made a big third-down catch in the decisive touchdown drive against the New York Giants. Powe returned the following week with seven receptions for 127 yards against the San Francisco 49ers.

"I know I can handle it," Powe said of his promotion to first team for Saturday's exhibition game at San Diego. "I'm glad they've shown this confidence in me."

Powe's speed gives the Cowboys a deep threat, something they've sorely lacked.

Banks played two years with New Orleans and three with the Oakland Invaders of the USFL before signing with the Cowboys last Dec. 5, primarily to return punts.

"I can play," said Banks, who caught more than 60 passes in each of his three USFL seasons. "I believed that when I first came here."

Duckett has the most NFL experience. He has caught 46 passes for 503 yards in three years for the New Orleans Saints.

Top 3 seeds head into third round of Volvo

STRATTON MOUNTAIN, Vt. (AP) — French Open champion Ivan Lendl and Wimbledon king Boris Becker advanced into the third round of the \$315,000 Volvo International tennis tournament Wednesday, while ninth-seeded Johan Kriek was upset.

Joining Lendl and Becker in the winner's circle Wednesday were third-seeded Jimmy Connors and No. 6 Mikael Pernfors of Sweden and No. 7 Brad Gilbert. John McEnroe, playing his first

tournament since a self-imposed hiatus, met his doubles partner, Peter Fleming, in the day's final match on the stadium court. McEnroe, who won this Nabisco Grand Prix hard court event last year, is seeded fourth in the 64-player field.

Lendl had no problems disposing of South Africa's Barry Moir 6-1, 6-2; Becker escaped an upset bid by Ken Flach 6-4, 6-7, 6-4; Connors stopped Brad Pearce 6-4, 6-3; Pernfors eliminated Gary Donnelly 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; and Gilbert defeated Marcel Freeman 3-6, 6-2, 6-0.

"At the end, it counts only if you win or lose," Becker said after he struggled to victory over Flach, a member of the United States Davis Cup squad and a doubles specialist.

The 18-year-old West German lost the second-set tiebreak 7-5 and had a 5-1 lead in the third set before Flach won three straight games, staying off one match point.

"Today I was prepared to give Boris a tough match," Flach said. "I was prepared to go out there to win."

Asked about his third-round comeback, which fell short as Becker held his service at 30 in the 10th game, Flach said: "I didn't want to lose 6-1 in the third set. It sounds much better."

In other early matches, seeded Robert Seguso, Flach's doubles partner, stopped Marty Davis 6-7, 5-6, 6-2; No. 15 Kevin Carr ousted South Africa's Christo Steyn 6-3, 7-6; and Greg Holmes beat Kriek 6-1, 6-3.

Norman, Watson anxious to win PGA National

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — Greg Norman, the outstanding player in golf for the past few months, and Tom Watson, hungry for a piece of history, are the principal figures going into today's start of the 68th PGA National Championship.

"He could have won all three (of the year's previous majors)," Watson said of Norman. "Since April, he's put himself above everyone else," said Ray Floyd, the current U.S. Open champion and twice a winner of this tournament.

In his last nine starts, Norman has won three times, including the British Open, and finished second in three others, including the Masters. He led through three rounds of the U.S. Open and

last week missed a position in a playoff by a single stroke.

In the nine-tournament stretch, the Australian has won \$637,000 and established a single-season money-winning record for the PGA Tour.

And the man who is an overwhelming favorite in the last of the season's four major tests of golfing greatness, fully expects to expand that record in the three American tournaments remaining on his schedule this year.

"My target is \$750,000," he said. "To get there, I'm going to have to play awfully well the next three weeks."

Watson, however, could have something to say about Norman's quest for the winner's share of

\$140,000 from the total purse of \$800,000 offered in this event.

"This is the most important tournament of the world to me," said Watson, once the dominant player in the game but now trying to fight his way out of a two-year non-winning string.

The five-time British Open champion, the 1982 U.S. Open winner, and twice a major champion, Watson needs this title to join Nicklaus, Gary Player, Gene Sarazen and Hogan as the only men to sweep pro golf's five events.

"To get this one would round things out for me on a level I haven't reached," Watson said. "It's something I want to accomplish."

Mets could release Foster

CHICAGO (AP) — The New York Mets will ask waivers on slugger George Foster for the purpose of giving the outfielder his unconditional release, the team announced Wednesday.

Mets General Manager Frank Cashen said the club would officially ask waivers on today.

Foster, 37, ranks 37th on the all-time home run list with 347. But Foster was batting only .228 this season and had recently lost his starting left field position to rookie Kevin Mitchell.

Earlier this week, Foster said he thought his benching was racially motivated.

The Mets vehemently denied the accusation, with Cashen saying he would not "dignify" the remark with a comment.

In Wednesday's 7-6 victory over the Cubs in 12 innings in the first game of a doubleheader, Foster struck out as a pinch-hitter on three pitches. Foster left the ballpark before the second game was suspended

after seven innings because of darkness.

To replace Foster's spot on the roster, the Mets purchased the contract of Lee Mazzilli from their Class AAA Tidewater team. Mazzilli, 31, was signed by the Mets last week after being released by Pittsburgh. Mazzilli was an All-Star outfielder with the Mets in 1979.

Both Foster and Mitchell are black. Mazzilli is white.

Cashen said the move to waive Foster was "being made to strengthen the club and hopefully for things we would like to achieve in October."

"It's never easy to say goodbye," Cashen said, "and when the player in question is one of the stars of the sport, it's doubly difficult."

Foster, who began his career with San Francisco in 1969, enjoyed his most productive seasons with Cincinnati during "The Big Red Machine" days of the 1970s. He was a five-time All-Star with the Reds and helped them to World Series victories in 1975 and 1976.

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Baltimore	59	48	551	Montreal	53	50	513
New York	59	50	541	Philadelphia	52	53	495
Detroit	57	50	533	St. Louis	50	55	476
Toronto	57	52	523	Chicago	46	58	442
Cleveland	55	51	519	Pittsburgh	42	61	408
Milwaukee	52	54	491				
West Division				West Division			
California	57	50	533	Houston	60	48	556
Texas	56	52	519	San Francisco	56	52	519
Chicago	48	58	453	Los Angeles	54	53	505
Kansas City	48	59	449	San Diego	51	55	481
Seattle	48	60	444	Cincinnati	49	57	452
Minnesota	47	60	439	Atlanta	49	57	452
Oakland	46	63	422				
Wednesday's Games				Wednesday's Games			
Texas 13, Baltimore 11				Los Angeles 7, Houston 4			
Minnesota 5, California 2				San Francisco 2, Cincinnati 1, 14 innings			
New York 5, Milwaukee 3				New York 7, Chicago 6, 12 innings, 1st game			
Toronto 8, Kansas City 0				New York 6, Chicago 4, susp. 7th inning			
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