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# **USFL** talent should make impact in NFL Cowboy president says

The big-name USFL players like Herschel Walker and Kelvin Bryant may have some significant impact on the NFL this year in the opinion of club officials.

However, they see no major changes in the NFL power structure because of the influx of players from the idle USFL

"I think Herschel Walker will have an impact, he's one of the best players in professional football," Chicago Bears Director of Player Personnel Bill Tobin said. "Same with Kelvin Bryant. But this wild scramble to sign USFL players is a forme?" farce

In four days, more than 30 forner USFL players have signed with NFL clubs. Besides Walker, Bryant, Irv Eatman and possibly Jim Kelly, Tobin said 20-22 players at most will be with NFL teams when the season

begins. "Many of the best players in that league came out last year," Tobin said. "We got ours out last year." The NFL owners overwhelming

rejected a proposal to expand their rosters from 45 to 49 players on Wednesday, but are allowing a twogame exemption for new signees from the USFL to win NFL berths. Teams must reduce their rosters to 60 by next Tuesday.

Along with former Arizona Outlaws guard Tom Thayer and former Chicago Blitz tight end Tim Wright-77 other former USFLers man, jumped last year, including standout quarterbacks Bobby Hebert (New Orleans) and Steve Young (Tampa Bay), running backs Maurice Car-thon (New York Giants), Craig James (New England), and Mike Rozier (Houston) and punter Sean Landetta (Giants).

They don't carry their Heisman Trophies on their helmets," said Giants General Manager George Young about this year's USFL newcomers. "They have to prove themselves just like everybody else."

The Cowboys were happy with their contract with Walker, an esti-mated \$1 million a year for five years, but some say he won't make that big of a splash. "I don't think so," said CBS

sportscaster and former Oakland Raiders Coach John Madden about Walker's influence. "I don't think he'll have as big an impact as people

## Yankee pitcher puts queries to rest about playing at 43

NEW YORK (AP) — The question was put to Tommy John not once, but twice.

If he continued to pitch the way he was, how could he walk away from baseball next year, even at the age of 43?

You guys don't believe me, do you?" he asked, laughing. "I've had great fun, really. The ovations are

wouldn't have tried out for the Yankees in spring training. Yet, feeling he still could win ballgames, he de

cided to quit. "Richard Petty (the race driver) had a very good theory about quit-ting," John said. "If you're coming off a down year, you always think you can do better. If you're coming off a good year, you say to yourself that you can still do it. With that in mind, you'd never quit.

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) feels sorry he let it flow out. He Dallas Cowboys President Tex didn't mean it. He was just mad and being egged on by the media. Schramm said Thursday he will not trade Tony Dorsett even though the

he won't trade Dorsett

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Dorsett, who receives an annual salary of about \$450,000 plus fringe benefits, agreed he got out of control.

"I told him I didn't even intend to However, Dorsett did not apoltalk about trading him," Schramm said after meeting with Dorsett. "We'd never trade Tony. He is too

nice conversation with Tex so they would know where my head is at and traded or given a raise in view of the deal made with Walker, a refugee from the hibernating USFL who came to terms Wednesday. Dorsett

Asked if he would take back what on the Cowboys. Schramm told The Associated Press on Thursday: "Tony would like to pull back what he said. He

might have handled it a lot be Today is a new day.' Dorsett added, "I would like

it was uncharacteristic of me... Then Dorsett laughed. Vednesda ix meet Dorsett did not repeat he wa to be traded but did not takeit Johnson

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conds, e vho was o Chidi Imo Asked about the reaction of fans, he said, "I'm not worried the boo birds. They don't put and butter on the table. They have Lewis h rom a st tendency to forgive and forget' knee sinc tdoor

Schramm said things would fine once Walker gets back to an "Things will calm down, life une at Eu Schramm said. "We've

DO football game coming up. Walker, who is expected to tice in a Cowboys' uniform first time today, agreed to a

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Kosar hopes second return to Florida to be Miami's vice the thouse backfield Trophy

KIRTLAND, Ohio (AP) - Bernie Kosar should be able to enjoy his second trip back to his old college town much more than the first one.

10-year veteran running back fumed

over Herschel Walker's five-year, \$5

much a part of our organization."

Dorsett said he wanted to be

warned that if his demands were not

met, he could be a "disruptive force"

million contract.

Kosar was a rookie quarterback playing in his first National Football League playoff game last January when he nearly guided the Cleve-land Browns to an upset of the Miami Dolphins. The Browns return to Miami tonight for an exhibition game

'The circumstances are a little different, not being a playoff game," the 22-year-old Kosar said Wednesday at the Browns' Lakeland Community College training camp. "It's fun to go back where I played col-lege ball, and I'm looking forward to

Kosar was quarterback of the University of Miami's national championship team in 1983. He had two years of college eligibility remaining when he graduated early

and joined the Browns in the NFL's supplemental draft last summer. The publicity surrounding his

sudden arrival in the NFL brought the soft-spoken Kosar more atten-tion than he would have liked. He says that has dwindled this summer. 'It's a little less hectic this season,' he said. "A lot of the peripheral things that were bothering me last year have somewhat gone away. It's eft me better able to concentrate on the football aspect of things, which is the important thing about training camp.

## His statistics were respectable in 1985, but far from overwhelming, as he completed 124 of 248 passes, ex-actly 50 percent, for 1,578 yards, eight touchdowns and seven inter-

ceptions. Coach Marty Schottenheimer tried to keep the pressure off his young quarterback by relying heavily on running backs Kevin and Earnest Byner, who becam third duo in NFL history to rus 1,000 yards each.

This year, however, Sch heimer will no longer coddle New offensive coordinator Line fante, who helped the Cinc Bengals to the Super Bowlin is installing a complicated poriented offense that gives each ceiver a number of options on every pass play.

The running game and a st defense helped the Browns por 8-8 record in 1985, good enoug win the weak American Confe Central Division. In the game at the Orange Bowl heavily favored Miami, Kosar a 19-yard touchdown pass to Newsome to help the Brown 21-3 lead before the Dolphinst for a 24-21 victory.

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