

1949



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GUIDE

THE BALTIMORE COLTS' 1949 SCHEDULE

PRE-SEASON GAMES

Monday, August 8—Intersquad Game at Baltimore
(Welcome the Colts Nite)

Tuesday, August 16—New York at Baltimore
(Variety Club Charities—Nite)

Friday, August 19—New York at Allentown, Pa.

CONFERENCE GAMES

At Home	Date	Away
	Sun. August 28th.....	San Francisco
	Fri. September 2nd (N).....	Los Angeles
	Sun. September 11th.....	Cleveland
	Fri. September 16th (N).....	Chicago
Cleveland.....	Sun. September 25th	
	Sun. October 2nd.....	Buffalo
	Sun. October 9th (NC).....	Charlotte
New York.....	Sun. October 16th	
Chicago.....	Sun. October 23rd	
	Sun. October 30th.....	New York
San Francisco	Sun. November 6th	
OPEN DATE	Sun. November 13th.....	OPEN DATE
Los Angeles.....	Sun. November 20th	
Buffalo.....	Sun. November 27th	

(N)—Night (NC)—Non-Conference

All home games played at Babe Ruth Stadium—2 P. M.

TICKET INFORMATION

Box Seats		Grandstand
\$5.00.....	Single Game.....	{
		2.50
\$30.00.....	Season Ticket.....	1.50
		\$21.00

Walt Driskill Says



WALTER S. DRISKILL

"I'd like to take this opportunity to thank *all* the football fans of Baltimore for their repeated demonstrations of loyalty toward their own, home-town football team, the Baltimore Colts.

"Despite talk of Baltimore losing its franchise, despite unfounded rumors that the All-America Football Conference could not operate in opposition to another league and despite long weeks of doubt about our stadium, the football faithful of this city and its environs have repeatedly shown that they want, and will support, the local club.

"As a result of this warm, voluntary support, the Baltimore Club will continue to do its utmost to provide the *very best* in Major League, Professional Football."

Football Experts!

Drink The Beer

The Beer Experts Pick!

AMERICAN BEER

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BALL CONFERENCE RECORD MANUAL.**

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FOOTBALL SEASON CALENDAR

1949 SEPTEMBER 1949

Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30

1949 OCTOBER 1949

Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

1949 NOVEMBER 1949

Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30

1949 DECEMBER 1949

Su.	Mo.	Tu.	We.	Th.	Fr.	Sa.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

A. A. F. C. DIRECTORY

Team and Colors	Coach Publicity Director	Stadium Capacity	Address Phone
Baltimore Colts Green and Silver	Cecil Isbell Ed Adams	Babe Ruth Stad. 43,000	6 S. Howard St. Saratoga 4940
Buffalo Bills Silver and Royal Blue	Lowell Dawson Dick Stedler	Civic 36,426	996 Ellicott Sq. Bldg., Clev. 5215
Chicago Hornets Scarlet and White	Ray Flaherty George Janda	Soldier's Field 59,178	28 E. Jackson Blvd., Webster 9-4450
Cleveland Browns Brown, Orange and White	Paul E. Brown Russ Gestner	Municipal 77,707	405 Leader Bldg. Tower 1-0874
Los Angeles Dons Red, White and Blue	Jimmy Phelan Ted Bentley	Mem. Coliseum 105,000	607 S. Hill St. Madison 6-2295
New York Yankees Silver and Navy Blue	Norman Strader Arthur Mann	Yankee Stadium 72,980	15 E. 58th St., Volunteer 5-5000
San Francisco 49'ers Cardinal and Silver	L. T. (Buck) Shaw R. J. McGee	Kezar 59,636	212 Stockton St., Douglas 2-3812

A. A. F. C. OFFICE
 ROOM 7704
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Commissioner: O. O. (Scrappy) KESSING
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ALL-AMERICA CONFERENCE STANDINGS

1946

EASTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pct.	Points	
					For	Against
New York.....	10	3	1	.769	270	192
Brooklyn.....	3	10	1	.250	226	339
Buffalo.....	3	10	1	.250	249	370
Miami.....	3	11	0	.154	167	378

WESTERN DIVISION

Cleveland.....	12	2	0	.857	423	137
San Francisco.....	9	5	0	.643	307	189
Los Angeles.....	7	5	2	.583	305	290
Chicago.....	5	6	3	.445	263	315

Cleveland defeated Yankees at Cleveland for Championship, 14-9.

1947

EASTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pct.	Points	
					For	Against
New York.....	11	2	1	.846	378	239
Buffalo.....	8	4	2	.667	320	288
Brooklyn.....	3	10	1	.231	181	340
Baltimore.....	2	11	1	.154	167	377

WESTERN DIVISION

Cleveland.....	12	1	1	.923	410	185
San Francisco.....	8	4	2	.667	327	264
Los Angeles.....	7	7	0	.500	328	256
Chicago.....	1	13	0	.071	263	425

Cleveland defeated Yankees at New York for Championship, 14-3.

1948

EASTERN DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pct.	Points	
					For	Against
Buffalo.....	8	7	0	.553	388	375
Baltimore.....	7	8	0	.467	350	359
New York.....	6	8	0	.429	265	302
Brooklyn.....	2	12	0	.143	253	387

(All figures include Eastern Division Playoff game which was won by Buffalo, 28 to 17).

WESTERN DIVISION

Cleveland.....	14	0	0	1.000	390	190
San Francisco.....	12	2	0	.857	493	248
Los Angeles.....	7	7	0	.500	258	305
Chicago.....	1	13	0	.071	206	441

Cleveland defeated Buffalo at Cleveland for Championship, 49-7.

ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

1946 Season

First Team	Pos.	Second Team	
Lavelli, Cleveland	(31½)	E.....Russell, New York,	(18)
Beals, San Francisco,	(22)	E.....Speedie, Cleveland,	(16)
F. Kinard, New York,	(23½)	T.....R. Reinhard, Los Angeles,	(19)
Ruby, Brooklyn,	(20½)	T.....Artoe, Los Angeles,	(16½)
Banducci, San Francisco,	(26)	G.....Radovich, Los Angeles,	(16)
Willis, Cleveland,	(17½)	G.....Jungmichel, Miami,	(11½)
Nelson, Los Angeles,	(15)	C.....Scarry, Cleveland,	(14)
Graham, Cleveland,	(32½)	Q.....Albert, San Francisco,	(20½)
Dobbs, Brooklyn,	(41½)	H.....Hoernschemeyer, Chicago,	(12½)
Sanders, New York,	(36½)	H.....Juzwik, Buffalo,	(11½)
Motley, Cleveland,	(30½)	F.....Standlee, San Francisco,	(21)

1947 Season

First Team	Pos.	Second Team	
Speedie, Cleveland,	(50)	E.....Beals, San Francisco,	(27)
Lavelli, Cleveland,	(27½)	E.....Russell, New York,	(25)
Rymkus, Cleveland,	(34)	T.....Ruby, Brooklyn,	(23½)
N. Johnson, New York,	(27½)	T.....Woudenberg, San Francisco,	(23)
Banducci, San Francisco,	(41)	G.....Barwegen, New York,	(29½)
Willis, Cleveland,	(31½)	G.....Levy, Los Angeles,	(8½)
Nelson, Los Angeles,	(35)	C.....Sossamon, New York,	(19½)
Graham, Cleveland,	(47)	Q.....Ratterman, Buffalo,	(19)
Sanders, New York,	(52)	H.....Strzykalski, San Francisco,	(28)
Mutryn, Buffalo,	(30)	H.....Young, New York,	(20½)
Motley, Cleveland,	(40½)	F.....Standlee, San Francisco,	(24)

1948 SEASON

First Team	Pos.	Second Team	
Speedie, Cleveland,	(54½)	E.....Lavelli, Cleveland,	(23½)
Beals, San Francisco	(49)	E.....Baldwin, Buffalo,	(16)
Rymkus, Cleveland,	(45½)	T.....Woudenberg, San Francisco,	(28)
R. Reinhard, Los Angeles,	(38)	T.....Ruby, Brooklyn,	(14½)
BARWEGEN, BALTO.	(46)	G.....Matheson, San Francisco,	(19¼)
Willis, Cleveland,	(33)	G.....Ulinski, Cleveland,	(13¼)
Nelson, Los Angeles,	(32)	C.....Saban, Cleveland,	(20)
Graham, Cleveland,	(46)	Q.....Albert, San Francisco,	(44)
Strzykalski, S. Francisco	(48½)	H.....Dobbs, Los Angeles,	(39)
Mutryn, Buffalo,	(45½)	H.....HILLENBRAND, BALTO.	(25)
Motley, Cleveland,	(57)	F.....Colmer, Brooklyn,	(12)

All-Conference teams are selected by members of Press, Radio and Television, with one point being registered for a first-team selection and half a point for a second-team choice.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER IN THE ALL-AMERICA CONFERENCE			
1946—Otto Graham	QB		Cleveland
1947—Glenn Dobbs	HB		Los Angeles
1948 Tie—Otto Graham	QB		Cleveland
—Frankie Albert	QB		San Francisco

ALL AMERICA ACES—1948

(Data based on 14 games)

TOTAL OFFENSE

Player	Team	Plays	Yds. Rushing	Yds. Passing	Total	Ave. Gain Per Play
1—Dobbs.....	L. A.....	460	539	2403	2942	6.39
2—Graham.....	Cleveland.....	356	146	2713	2859	8.03
3—TITTLE.....	BALTO.....	341	157	2522	2679	7.86
4—Ratterman.....	Buffalo.....	347	—18	2577	2559	7.37
5—Albert.....	S. F.....	333	349	1990	2339	7.02
6—Chappuis.....	Brooklyn.....	265	310	1402	1712	6.46
7—Sanders.....	N. Y.....	337	759	918	1677	4.98
8—Freitas.....	Chicago.....	191	25	1425	1450	7.59
9—Hoernschemeyer.....	Brooklyn.....	265	574	854	1428	5.38
10—Layden.....	N. Y.....	200	576	816	1392	6.96

RUSHING

Player	Team	Rushes	Net Yds.	Ave. Gain
1—Motley.....	Cleveland.....	157	964	6.14
2—Strzykalski.....	San Francisco.....	141	915	6.49
3—Mutryn.....	Buffalo.....	147	823	5.60
4—Sanders.....	New York.....	169	759	4.49
5—Tomasetti.....	Buffalo.....	134	716	5.34
6—Colmer.....	Brooklyn.....	164	704	4.29
7—MERTES.....	BALTIMORE.....	155	680	4.39
8—Layden.....	New York.....	95	576	6.06
9—Hoernschemeyer.....	Brooklyn.....	110	574	5.22
10—Dobbs.....	Los Angeles.....	91	539	5.92

PASSING

Player	Team	Att'ps.	Comp.	Int.	Yds. Gain	T.D. Passes	Pct. Comp.	Pct. Int.
1—Graham.....	Clev.....	333	173	15	2713	25	.520	.045
2—TITTLE.....	BALTO.....	289	161	9	2522	16	.557	.031
3—Dobbs.....	L. A.....	369	185	20	2403	21	.501	.054
4—Ratterman.....	Buffalo.....	335	168	22	2577	16	.501	.066
5—Albert.....	S. F.....	265	154	10	1990	29	.583	.038
6—Freitas.....	Chicago.....	167	84	16	1425	14	.503	.096
7—Chappuis.....	Brooklyn.....	213	100	15	1402	8	.469	.070
8—Sanders.....	N. Y.....	168	78	11	918	5	.464	.065
9—Hoernsche'r.....	Brooklyn.....	155	71	15	854	8	.458	.097
10—Layden.....	N. Y.....	105	43	8	816	9	.410	.076

ALL AMERICA ACES—(Continued)

— PASS-RECEIVING —

Player	Team	No. Caught	Yds. Gained	Ave. Gain	T.D.
1—Speedie.....	Cleveland.....	58	818	14.1	4
2—Baldwin.....	Buffalo.....	54	916	16.9	8
3—HILLENBRAND.....	BALTIMORE.....	50	970	19.4	6
4—King.....	Chicago.....	50	647	12.9	7
5—Beals.....	San Francisco.....	46	591	12.8	14
6—DAVIS.....	BALTIMORE.....	41	765	18.7	7
7—Mutryn.....	Buffalo.....	39	794	20.4	5
8—Aguirre.....	Los Angeles.....	38	599	15.8	9
9—Wedemeyer.....	Los Angeles.....	36	330	9.2	2
10—Alford.....	New York.....	32	578	18.1	3
11—WILLIAMS.....	BALTIMORE.....	32	360	11.3	2
12—Judd.....	Brooklyn.....	32	350	10.9	2

— SCORING —

Player	Team	T.D. Run	T.D. Pass	Total T.D.	P.A.T.	F.G.	Total Points
1—Mutryn.....	Buffalo.....	11	6	16	0	0	96
2—Beals.....	S. F.	0	14	14	0	0	84
3—Vetrano.....	S. F.	1	0	1	62	5	83
4—HILLENBRAND.....	BALTO.....	7	6	13	0	0	78
5—Groza.....	Cleveland.....	0	0	0	51	8	75
6—GROSSMAN.....	BALTO.....	0	0	0	*43	10	73
7—Perry.....	S. F.	11	1	12	0	0	72
8—Strzykalski.....	S. F.	4	7	11	0	0	66
9—Colmer.....	Brooklyn ..	6	4	10	0	0	60
10—E. Jones.....	Cleveland.....	5	5	10	0	0	60

* No extra point tries missed all season.

— KICK-OFF RETURNS —

Player	Team	No. Ret.	Yds. Ret.	Ave. Ret.
1—Gafford.....	Brooklyn.....	23	559	24.3
2—Mutryn.....	Buffalo.....	19	500	26.3
3—Hall.....	San Francisco.....	13	369	28.4
4—PFOHL.....	BALTIMORE.....	17	366	21.5
5—HILLENBRAND.....	BALTIMORE.....	16	356	22.3
6—Motley.....	Cleveland.....	14	337	24.1

ALL AMERICA ACES—(Continued)

— PUNT RETURNS —

Player	Team	No.	Yds.	Ave.
		Ret.	Ret.	Ret.
1—Wedemeyer.....	Los Angeles.....	23	368	16.0
2—Bumgardener.....	Buffalo.....	16	336	21.0
3—Cason.....	San Francisco.....	22	309	14.0
4—W. Reinhard.....	Los Angeles.....	16	276	17.3
5—Lewis.....	Cleveland.....	26	258	9.9
6—HILLENBRAND.....	BALTIMORE.....	18	231	12.8

— PUNTING —

Player	Team	Punts	Average
1—Dobbs.....	Los Angeles.....	68	49.1
2—Lewis.....	Chicago.....	60	44.7
3—Colmer.....	Brooklyn.....	56	42.5
4—O'ROURKE.....	BALTIMORE.....	66	38.6
4—Albert.....	San Francisco.....	35	44.8
6—Sanders.....	New York.....	42	40.6
6—Still.....	Buffalo.....	47	38.8

— SEASON'S LONGEST PLAYS —

		Yards
Rushing.....	Mutryn.....	Buffalo vs. Brooklyn..... 68
Forward Pass.....	TITTLE to NORTH.....	BALTIMORE vs. New York 80
	TITTLE to DAVIS.....	BALTIMORE vs. Buffalo 80
Pass Int. Return.....	Schuette and Mazza.....	Buffalo vs. Brooklyn 60
Punt Return.....	Casey.....	New York vs. Brooklyn..... 94*
Kickoff Return.....	Perry.....	San Francisco vs. Brooklyn... 87
Fumble Return.....	Negus.....	Chicago vs. Los Angeles..... 97†
Punt.....	Albert.....	San Francisco vs. Buffalo 82
Field Goal.....	Groza.....	Cleveland vs. Brooklyn 53†

*New conference record.

†Ties conference record.

COLT'S INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

(All statistics based on 15 game season)

TOTAL OFFENSE

Player	Plays	Yards		Total
		Rushing	Passing	
1—Y. A. Tittle.....	378	159	2739	2898
2—Bus Mertes.....	155	680	0	680
3—Stormy Pfohl.....	123	518	0	518
4—Bill Hillenbrand.....	106	515	0	515
5—Charlie O'Rourke.....	58	15	377	392

RUSHING

Player	Plays	Yards	Avg.
1—Bus Mertes.....	155	680	4.4
2—Stormy Pfohl.....	123	518	4.2
3—Bill Hillenbrand.....	106	515	4.9
4—Lu Gambino.....	55	196	3.6
5—Y. A. Tittle.....	53	159	3.0
6—Jake Leicht.....	26	119	4.6
7—Aubrey Fowler.....	6	30	5.0
8—Charlie O'Rourke.....	7	15	2.0
9—Johnny Vardian.....	6	13	2.0
10—Joe Smith.....	1	1	1.0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Comp.	Had	Yards	T.D.	Avg.
			Int.			
Y. A. Tittle.....	325	178	9	2739	16	55.4
Charlie O'Rourke.....	51	24	4	377	3	47.0

SCORING

Player	Touch-downs	Extra Points	Field Goals	Total Points
1—Bill Hillenbrand.....	13	0	0	78
1—Rex Grossman.....	0	45	11	78
3—Racehorse Davis.....	7	0	0	42
4—Bus Mertes.....	6	0	0	36
5—Stormy Pfohl.....	6	0	0	36
6—Y. A. Tittle.....	4	0	0	24
7—Johnny North.....	2	0	0	12
8—Windell Williams.....	2	0	0	12
9—Jake Leicht.....	2	0	0	12

COLT'S INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PASS RECEIVING

Player	Number	Yards	Avg.	Touch-downs
1—Bill Hillenbrand.....	57	1045	18.3	6
2—Racehorse Davis.....	46	838	18.2	7
3—Windell Williams.....	34	385	11.3	2
4—Jake Leicht.....	14	166	11.9	1
5—Stormy Pfohl.....	13	134	10.3	1
6—Johnny North.....	8	204	25.5	1
7—Joe Smith.....	8	131	16.4	1
8—Bus Mertes.....	7	68	9.7	0
9—Lu Gambino.....	6	28	4.7	0
10—Johnny Vardian.....	3	26	8.7	0

PUNT AND KICKOFF RETURNS

Player	Punt Returns			Kickoff Returns			Total
	No.	Yds.	Avg.	No.	Yds.	Avg.	
1—Bill Hillenbrand.....	19	231	12.2	19	391	20.6	622
2—Stormy Pfohl.....	2	102	51.0	17	366	21.5	468
3—Jake Leicht.....	9	153	17.0	5	102	20.4	255
4—Johnny Vardian.....	3	34	11.3	3	66	22.0	100
5—Mickey Mayne.....	2	24	12.0	3	61	20.3	85

PUNTING

Player	Number	Yards	Avg.	Blocked
Charlie O'Rourke.....	71	2758	38.8	1

COLTS LONGEST PLAYS

Rushing.....	39 yds.	Gambino vs. S. F. 10/10/48	S
Passing.....	80 yds.	Tittle-North vs. N. Y. 9/5/48	S
		Tittle-Davis vs. Buffalo 12/5/48	S
Field Goal.....	51 yds.	Grossman vs. N. Y. 9/5/48	S
Punt Return.....	92 yds.	Pfohl vs. Brooklyn 9/26/48	S
Kickoff Return.....	43 yds.	Hillenbrand vs. S. F. 10/10/48	
Intercept. Return.....	59 yds.	Leicht vs. N. Y. 9/16/48	
Fumble Return.....	54 yds.	Stewart vs. Brooklyn 9/26/48	
Punt.....	76 yds.	O'Rourke vs. San Francisco 10/15/48	

S—Scoring Play.

Meet Cecil Isbell

Cecil Isbell is a big guy . . . stands 6 feet 1½ inches tall . . . weighs about 220 pounds . . . has copper-colored, curly hair . . . a friendly, open face . . . lets the other fellow do most of the talking but laughs easily and often . . . comes from the great state of Texas . . . married to his college sweetheart from Purdue . . . has two pretty daughters . . . shoots golf in the low 80's . . . played football for Purdue and Green Bay Packers . . . All-Pro for three seasons in NFL . . . coached at Purdue from 1943 through 1946 . . . joined the Colts for the '47 season . . . youngest coach in major league football . . . popular with his players and coaches alike . . . a grand guy doing a grand job . . .



CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF ISELL'S FOOTBALL CAREER

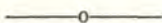
- '35—Purdue Left Half
- '36—Purdue LH All-Big 10 2nd All-Amer.
- '37—Purdue LH All-Big 10 2nd All-Amer.
- '38—Green Bay LH
- '39—Green Bay LH
- '40—Green Bay LH All-Pro
- '41—Green Bay LH All-Pro
- '42—Green Bay LH All-Pro
- '43—Purdue Backfield Coach Undefeated-Tied for Champ.
- '44—Purdue Head Coach
- '45—Purdue Head Coach
- '46—Purdue Head Coach
- '47—Colts Head Coach
- '48—Colts Head Coach
- '49—Colts Head Coach

BACKGROUND SKETCHES—ASSISTANT COACHES

William F. (Red) Conkright Age 35—Children: Boys 9 yrs. and 3 mos. Girl 6 yrs. Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Football Activity:

1936—Center and Captain	Oklahoma U.	-----	All-Big Six
1937—Center	Chicago Bears	-----	Jan 1st East-West
1938—Center	Chicago Bears	-----	
1939—Center	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1940—Center	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1941—Center and Captain	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1942—Center and Captain	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1943—Center	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1944—Center	Cleveland Rams	-----	
1945—Line Coach	Cleveland Rams	-----	League Champs
1946—Line Coach	Cleveland Browns	-----	League Champs
1947—Line Coach	Buffalo Bills	-----	
1948—Line Coach	Buffalo Bills	-----	Division Champs



*August Michael (Mike) Michalske Age 44 Children: Girls 9 yrs.
and 6 yrs. Born in Cleveland, Ohio.*

Football Activity:

1923—Guard	Penn State	-----	All-Polish All-Amer.
1924—Guard and Tackle	Penn State	-----	All-Polish All-Amer.
1925—Center and Fullback	Penn State	-----	All-Polish All-Amer.
1926—Guard and Captain	Red Grange's N.Y. Yanks	-----	
	(Barnstorming)		
1927—Guard and Captain	Red Grange's N.Y. Yanks	-----	
	(American League)		
1928—Guard and Captain	Red Grange's N.Y. Yanks	-----	
	(National League)	-----	All-Pro
1929—Guard	Green Bay (1st undefeated pro team)	-----	All-Pro
1930—Guard and Captain	Green Bay—League Champs	-----	All-Pro
1931—Guard and Captain	Green Bay—League Champs	-----	All-Pro
1932—Guard and Captain	Green Bay	-----	All-Pro
1933—Guard and Captain	Green Bay	-----	All-Pro
1934—Guard and Captain	Green Bay	-----	
1935—Guard	Green Bay	-----	All-Pro
1936—Line Coach	Lafayette U. (Under Ernie Nevers)	-----	
1937—Player-Coach	Green Bay Packers	-----	
1938—Line Coach	St. Norbert's	-----	(Lost 1 game only)
1939—Line Coach	St. Norbert's	-----	(Undefeated)
1940—Line Coach	St. Norbert's	-----	
1941—Line Coach	Iowa State (After 2nd game was named Head Coach)	-----	
1942 Thru 1947	-Head Coach Iowa State		
1948—Retired to private business			

TALK ABOUT TITTLE

Toward the end of the past season, some sports writers were calling rookie Charley Conerly the "greatest" of all time. Conerly's splendid record cannot be overlooked, but a comparison of the latter with the Colt's Tittle puts Y.A. well in the lead for "All-Time Rookie Greatness:"

						%	%	Aver. Per	Aver. Per
	Atts.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TDs	Comp.	Int.	Atpt.	Comp.
<i>Tittle</i> -----	289	161	9	2522	16	55.7	3.1	8.73	15.66
<i>Conerly</i> ---	300	162	13	2175	22	54.0	4.3	7.25	13.43

Here's what Bob Fendell, New York sports writer had to say about Y.A. in a recent article: "After careful inspection of the fairly slim crop of collegiates who stuck with the major professional squads in both the All-America Conference and the National Football League, there is but one new play-for-pay lad who outshines the pack. He is a gentleman from the Baltimore Colts by the name of Yelberton Abraham Tittle."

THE GROSSMAN FORMULA

When asked about his proficiency in the kicking of Field Goals and Extra Points, Rex Grossman outlined the following success steps:

- 1—Align body, spot of ball-placement and goalposts.
- 2—Keep eye on the ball until contact is made.
- 3—Exercise full follow-thru; eye on placement point.
- 4—Work with a quick, steady placement man.

with tackle Ernie Blandin. Barwegen was completely undismayed by his sudden switch from the Eastern Division Champion Yankees to a team which had won but two games in 1947. He set out to play the kind of football he has always played and when the dust had cleared away, Dick had helped the Colts to a much-improved 7 and 8 season and had himself been named to the Associated Press All-Major League 1st team!

BECHTOL, HUB
End

Age 23 Height 6.3 Weight 205
TEXAS

Coaches like their football players with plenty of courage and Hub Bechtol has many times demonstrated that he has his full share. In one game during 1944 Hub begged to be allowed to play even though he had broken his jaw a short time before. Dana Bible, the Texas coach, finally grew tired of the pleading by the irrepressable Hub and sent him into the contest with but 2 minutes to play. Hub immediately snared a bullet aerial shot from Bobby Layne and went over the last chalk mark for the game-winning touchdown.

Bechtol was born in Amarillo, Texas on April 20, 1926, but played his pre-college football at Lubbock (Tex.) High School. He won three letters as an end on the gridiron, three as a center in basketball and was twice rewarded with varsity monograms for his hurdle work on the track team.

Enrolling at the University of Texas in 1944, Hub earned his Varsity award in both '44 and '45 and at the end of his 2nd season was named on the All-America 1st team. His navy service interrupted his schooling for a little less than a year between the '45 and '46 seasons but even this hiatus from football was insufficient to keep him from making the All-America both years.

Hub signed with the Colts for Baltimore's initial season in the AAFC in 1947 and has been on the roster ever since. Only French, Davis, Vardian, and Bechtol have gone to training camp each year since Baltimore has been represented in the pro game.

BESON, WARREN Age 25 Height 6.0 Weight 205
Center MINNESOTA

Few schools provide two or more graduates to a pro team in a single year, but Minnesota and Vanderbilt proved the exception in 1949. The dope on Vanderbilt's Commodores is found elsewhere in this guide; the Minnesota Golden Gophers referred to are Halfback Ev Faunce and Center Warren Beson.

Beson was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on November 16, 1923, and he attended Minneapolis West High School from which he was graduated in 1941. Warren played football at Minneapolis West and at the end of his senior year was named All-City center.

Entering Minnesota the following season, Beson won his freshman numerals and then went on to earn four "M's" for varsity play. During the years '46 and '47, he was used in both center and guard assignments.

The Armed Forces called the Gopher gridman in 1943, and during his army career, he served 7 months in the ETO with the 20th Armored Division.

Beson, who was married in 1948, majored in Physical Education while in college and plans to enter the coaching field when he discontinues active play. He was one of three Baltimore Colts who were selected to participate in the annual All Star Game at Chicago on August 12th, 1949, and also played in the 1949 New Years' Day clash between the East and West teams in Kezar Stadium, San Francisco.

BLANDIN, ERNIE
Tackle

Age 30 Height 6.4 Weight 245
TULANE

Big Ernie Blandin, though born in Augusta, Kansas on June 21, 1919, made his way into the deep south (Tulane) to play college football, and in 1941 was named to about every All-America team then extant. A carefully audited check shows that the Associated Press, United Press and Colliers Magazine were among the eight—count 'em—eight organizations which published All-America selections honoring Blandin on the first team. To further justify such wide-spread inclusion on this top honor team, Ernie was named on the all-opponents team of seven of Tulane's 1941 rivals.

The burly Kansan won 11 letters at Leon (Kans.) High School, 4 each in football and basketball and 3 in track and field. In 1937, Ernie established a discus throwing record for Leon High.

At Tulane, Blandin was a varsity tackle for three years under Head Coach Lowell (Red) Dawson, currently the head mentor of the Buffalo Bills.

After participating in the East-West Shrine game which was held in New Orleans in 1941, Ernie entered the navy and played on teams at the Georgia Pre-Flight School and at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He was also a starting tackle for the College All-Stars in their Chicago contest with the Los Angeles Rams in 1946.

Paul Brown signed Ernie to a contract for the 1947 season, and after serving as a substitute for the first four or five games, Blandin moved up into a starting berth which he held until he was traded to the Colts just prior to the 1948 season.

COLEMAN, HERB
Center

Age 26 Height 6.0 Weight 210
NOTRE DAME

Herb Coleman is perhaps a little unusual among football players since he not only starred for his high school team but also was graduated at the head of his class scholastically.

After leaving high school, Herb entered Notre Dame, where he played under the tutelage of the great Frank Leahy. He rose to considerable heights of football greatness when, in 1943, he was named to the Catholic All-America and was honored by inclusion on the second All-America team of both Colliers Magazine and the Associated Press.

Coleman entered the Navy immediately after being graduated from Notre Dame and served as skipper of an LCT at Okinawa and in the Phillipines. He was accidentally gassed by exploding gas shells while on Mindanao.

The ex-Irish gridder was born in Chester, West Virginia on June 18, 1923, but now lives in Canton, Ohio with his wife and two children, Michael and Michele.

COLONE JOSEPH
Fullback

Age 25 Height 6.0 Weight 205
PENN STATE

"4th leading college punter in the nation in 1948!" The above caption belongs to Penn State's Joe Colone and to no other player and now, caption and all, Colone has become a Baltimore Colt.

Joe is a Berwick, Pennsylvania boy who played 3 years of football for his home town high school. During his senior year at Berwick, he was named to the All-State high school team and his inspired play highlighted the team's successful struggle to the championship of the Wyoming Valley Conference.

Joe's selection of a college found him sticking close to

home and Bob Higgins, coach of Penn State's Nittany Lions, welcomed the former Berwick ace to his star-studded squad.

Colone proved to be one of Higgins' mainstays for four years and in 1947 was the sparkplug of the undefeated team which met S.M.U. in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas. Penn State was the underdog in that New Year classic but rose to great heights in tying the heavily-favored Mustangs, 13 to 13. Penn State was awarded the Lambert Trophy as the best football team in the east in 1947.

The Penn Stater was on the draft list of the Detroit Lions, but after being put in touch with the Baltimore management through the efforts of Dr. George Bennett, Baltimore Club physician, he elected to sign with the Colts.

COOK, EARL	Age 24	Height 6.2	Weight 220
Guard		S. M. U.	

Earl Cook is the second rookie football player from Southern Methodist University, in Dallas, who has decided to romp with the "steeds" of Baltimore in 1949. He joins Paul Page, a brilliant halfback, in a duo of "Mustangs" who aspire to be "Colts".

Cook's last season at S.M.U. was 1947, when the Mustangs grabbed the Southwest Conference championship by edging Texas in a 14 to 13 thriller. For his efforts, Cook was honored on the All-Conference team.

Baltimore Coach Cece Isbell watched him play against UCLA in '47 at Los Angeles, in a game played the day before the Colts were to tangle with the Dons. Whereupon, Cook bobbed up on the Hosses' draft list.

The ex-Mustang chose the N.F.L. instead however, and signed with the Boston Yanks. At the end of the training season, the Boston club sold him to the Washington Redskins. After two weeks with the 'Skins, Cook decided to

return to school, finish his course, and win his degree.

Upon Cook's graduation, Coach Isbell followed up his original judgment on the S.M.U. lineman by talking him into giving the pro game a real try.

Cook was a football and basketball star at Sunset High in Dallas and earned high honors in prep ranks. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps during '43 and '44, entering S.M.U. in 1945. He was born in Eustace, Texas on May 16, 1925.

COOPER, KEN
Guard

Age 26 Height 6.1 Weight 205
VANDERBILT

The Colts seem to be collecting captains for 1949 (Beson-Minnesota, Colone-Penn St., etc.) and Ken Cooper of Vanderbilt is no exception. Ken served as the Commodores' alternate captain, handling the Vandy eleven when Captain John Clark was not on the field.

Cooper's home town is Rogersville, Alabama, and he was born on February 26, 1923. He first played football at Rogersville High and then moved on to Morgan Preparatory School at Petersburg, Tennessee. At Morgan, Cooper was a tackle, but when he entered Vanderbilt as a sophomore after his three years in navy service, he was switched to guard and has played that position ever since.

Cooper earned his letters for the 1946, '47 and '48 seasons and during those years, started in 30 games for the Commodores. In 1948 he was named to the All Southern honor team by the sports writers of the International News Service.

Cooper, whose brother Norman was named to the Little All-America a year ago, majored in history while at Vanderbilt.

season opened, Spiro was definitely on the champions' squad. Although used primarily as a defensive back, Dellerba did all right at packing the leather too, carrying 29 times for 182 yards and a 6.07 yard average. He returned one kickoff 34 yards and snagged one aerial from Otto Graham for 14 more yards and a touchdown.

Spiro joined the Colts as the result of a cash deal just before the 1948 season opened, and Coach Isbell immediately pegged him for a backer-up job. Dellerba won many friends by his dogged, courageous defensive play and made about as many tackles as any other two men in the Colt backfield.

He was born in Ashtabula, Ohio on January 25, 1923 and starred in three sports at Ashtabula High. Spiro lettered in football, baseball and track.

Dellerba also gained some valuable experience by playing one year of rugged Canadian football with the Hamilton, Ontario team in 1946.

FAUNCE, EV
Halfback

Age 23 Height 5.11 Weight 175
MINNESOTA

On the theory that a good story is always worth retelling, here's a piece about Ev Faunce which comes from the February 10th issue of the Colts' MONTHLY NEWS-LETTER:

"The best bet to replace Hillenbrand in the hearts of Baltimore fandom is Ev Faunce, the slick-running, pass-shooting star of the '49 New Years Day East-West game at San Francisco. Humorously enough, Curley Lambeau, owner and coach of the National League's Green Bay Packers, had drafted Faunce and paid his transportation from Minneapolis to Chicago to talk contract terms. As Ev was waiting in the hotel lobby for Mr. Lambeau, in walked President Jake Embry and General Manager Walt

Driskill of the Colts and presto!!—before Lambeau could emerge from the elevator, pen in hand, the Minnesota ace had decided to romp with the Colts. The persuasive eloquence of Messers. Embry and Driskill had paid off again!!”

Faunce was born in Fergus Falls, Minnesota on June 12, 1926 and engaged in his early sports activity at his home town high school. His ability was such that he received 4 letters in football, 3 in basketball and 3 in track and field. He was captain of the football squad for two years and in 1943 was All-State and Most Valuable Player.

After one season at Minot State Teachers College and one at Iowa State University, where he played under the guidance of Mike Michalske, new Colt assistant, Faunce embarked on three letter-winning years at the University of Minnesota. His coach was the celebrated Bernie Bierman, and in addition to being selected to play in the annual East-West game, Faunce was also named the Most Valuable Player on the Gopher team. During 1949 he played in the annual college All-Star game in Chicago.

FRENCH, BARRY Age 27 Height 6.0 Weight 225
Guard PURDUE

“The Bear is Back!”

While Barry A. (Bear) French was with the Colts all during the 1948 season, he was unable to play even one minute last year due to a serious arm fracture suffered at the Sun Valley, Idaho training camp. At the very first scrimmage session ordered by Coach Isbell, two players fell across Barry's outstretched arm, fracturing both of the main bones between the hand and the elbow. As a result, French spent the 1948 playing season in a cast and saw no action whatever.

Those who witnessed Barry's play during 1947, when he

was the best interior lineman on the squad, are hoping he can approximate his form of that year, and if he does, the prospect of having a team of guards named French and Barwegen should satisfy even the severest critic.

French first entered the pigskin limelight at Washington High School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where, as a tackle, he won three varsity letters, served as team captain once and was twice named to the All-State eleven. He was also the champion in the shot put in 1940 and set a new record for Washington High.

As a tackle at Purdue in 1941 and 1942, French won two varsity letters before being called into war service. He served in the E.T.O. for 13 months, winning several decorations, and he also found time to play in a few games for the 1945 E.T.O. Champion 7th Army All-Stars.

Returning to Purdue in 1946, Barry played under his present coach Cece Isbell, and made All-Conference and received All-America mention.

French was born in Chamberlain, South Dakota on February 12, 1922.

GAMBINO, LOU
Halfback

Age 25 Height 6.1 Weight 205
INDIANA—MARYLAND

With his college football career suddenly terminated by a Southern Conference eligibility ruling, Lou Gambino wavered between George Halas' Chicago Bears and the Colts before electing to cast his lot with the Baltimore team. Potentially a great pro back, Lou missed the entire training period in 1948 and was well behind the rest of the club in both condition and timing when he reported. The result was that he failed to show to his best advantage until the Colts ran up against the San Francisco '49ers in a West coast game. In this contest, in which the Baltimore club led 10 to 0 at halftime, thereby threatening to pull the

upset of the year, Lou came into his own. He tore off large chunks of yardage and was a constant threat to the tranquility of Frisco's head coach, Buck Shaw. Again, in Los Angeles, with Tittle on the bench due to a neck injury, Gambino took handoffs from Charlie O'Rourke for good gains, and contributed greatly to a thrilling 29 to 14 Baltimore win. On the same road trip, Lou was Baltimore's leading ground-gainer against the Buffalo Bills. He is also in the record book as the holder of the record for the longest gain from scrimmage ever achieved by a Colt back, a 39-yard, twisting, dodging scamper against the Frisco team in the '48 game at Babe Ruth Stadium, Baltimore.

Lou is a native of Berwyn, Illinois, where he was born on September 21, 1923. He attended the J. S. Morton High School in Cicero, Illinois, winning 3 letters in football and 3 in track. He was All-City left halfback during his junior year and captained the track team in 1941. Lou's events were the 100 and 220 yard dash and the quarter-mile relay.

Bo McMillan, famous coach who once played for Centre College, was Lou's preceptor at the University of Indiana, where he won his freshman numerals in 1941 and his varsity letter as a right halfback in 1942. After 3 years of war service in the Army Air Corps, Lou backboned the University of Maryland's top-notch elevens of 1946 and '47. In the latter year, he scored 114 points, tallied three touchdowns against Georgia in the Gator Bowl, made All-Southern, All-Catholic All-America and A.P. All-America Honorable Mention and was named, by his teammates, as Maryland's Most Valuable Player.

GARRETT, DUB
Guard

Age 22 Height 6.1 Weight 235
MISSISSIPPI STATE

Dub Garrett was high on the Colts' 1948 draft list and the accuracy of Coach Isbell's southern scout in bluntly

Born in Marshall, Texas, the home of the Colts' celebrated Y.A. Tittle, Gillory earned 3 letters in football as a fullback, two in basketball as a guard and two in baseball as an outfielder, in addition to the above-mentioned track awards. He was almost a one-man athletic program for Marshall High. During 1944, Puppy, as he was nicknamed because of his lack of stature, was named All-District and All-State in football.

During his high school days and while at the University of Texas, Gillory played with such stars as Bobby Layne, Y.A. Tittle and Hub Bechtol, the latter two of whom will be his teammates again in 1949.

GRAIN, ED
Guard

Age 27 Height 6.1 Weight 235
PENNSYLVANIA

Ed Grain is a home-grown product. He was born in Baltimore City on February 25, 1922, and first came to athletic prominence at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, a high school specializing in engineering subjects. Ed specialized in sporting subjects, and before he left Poly, had won letters in track and field, lacrosse, wrestling and football. He captained both the wrestling and football teams and in 1938 and 1939 was named All-Maryland in the grid sport.

Ed moved on to the University of Pennsylvania after being graduated from Poly and his concentration on football was such that he earned four letters with the Red and Blue. He was captain of the Penn eleven in 1945 and in both 1942 and 1946 won All-State and All-Eastern honors.

After his return from the Pacific war zone, Grain was signed by the New York Yankees for the maiden season of the All-America Football Conference in 1946. He participated in two 1947 games for the Yanks before being transferred to his home town team, the Baltimore Colts. Eddie

NAME	Weight	Age	Height	Years of Pro Ball	School	Home Town
BECHTOL, HUB (E)	205	21	6.3	1	Texas	Austin, Texas
BLOUNT, LAMAR (FB)	195	27	6.1	1	Mississippi State	Decatur, Mississippi
CASE, ERNIE (QB)	170	26	5.11	1	U. C. L. A.	Los Angeles, Calif.
DAVIS, LAMAR (E)	185	26	6.1	2	Georgia	St. Simons, Georgia
DUDISH, ANDY (HB)	185	25	5.11	2	Georgia	Crawford, Georgia
FRENCH, BARRY (G)	225	25	6.0	1	Purdue	Lafayette, Indiana
GALVIN, JOHN (QB)	185	26	5.10	1	Purdue	Chicago, Illinois
GRAIN, ED (G)	230	25	6.0	1	Pennsylvania	Baltimore, Maryland
HANDLEY, DICK (C)	215	25	6.1	1	Fresno State	Fresno, California
HIGGINS, LUKE (G)	210	26	6.0	1	Notre Dame	Edgewater, N. J.
HILLENBRAND, BILL (HB)	188	25	6.0	2	Indiana	Evansville, Indiana
KASAP, MIKE (T)	255	26	6.2	1	Illinois	Oglesby, Illinois
KLUG, AL (T)	212	26	6.1	2	Marquette	Milwaukee, Wis.
KODBA JOE (C)	200	25	6.0	1	Purdue	South Bend, Indiana
KONETSKY, FLOYD (E)	200	27	6.0	4	University of Florida	Garfield Hghts., Ohio
LIO, AUGIE (G)	230	29	6.0	1	Georgetown	Passaic, N. J.
MADAR, ELMER (E)	185	26	5.11	6	University of Michigan	Detroit, Michigan
MARINO, VIC (G)	205	28	5.8	2	Ohio State	Akron, Ohio
MELLUS, JOHN (T)	210	30	6.0	6	Villanova	Kingston, Pa.
MERTES, BUS (FB)	205	25	6.0	2	Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa
MEYERS, GILBERT (E)	200	27	6.2	1	Wake Forest	Baltimore, Maryland
MOBLEY, DOC (HB)	155	25	5.7	1	Hardin-Simmons	Houston, Texas
PERPICH, GEORGE (T)	235	27	6.2	2	Georgetown	Hibbing, Minnesota
PHILLIPS, MIKE (C)	208	25	6.0	1	Western Maryland	Clifton Hgts., N. J.
SCHWENK, WILSON (QB)	200	27	6.2	3	Washington University	St. Louis, Missouri
SINKWICH, FRANK (FB)	205	26	6.1	5	Georgia	Youngstown, Ohio
TREBOTICH, IVAN (FB)	205	26	5.10	2	St. Mary's College	Berkeley, California
VARDIAN, JOHN (HB)	170	22	5.8	2	Fort Pierce Amphibs	Johnstown, Pa.
WRIGHT, JOHN (FB)	225	26	5.11	1	Maryland	Baltimore, Maryland
YOKAS, FRANK (G)	217	23	5.11	2	Great Lakes Naval Training School	Baltimore, Maryland
ZORICH, GEORGE (G)	215	28	6.2	4	Northwestern	Rock Island, Illinois Rensselaer, Indiana

BALTIMORE COLTS 1948 ROSTER

NAME	Weight	Age	Height	Years of Pro Ball	School	Home Town
ARTOE, LEE (T)	245	30	6.3	1	California	Des Moines, Iowa
BARWEGAN, DICK (G)	230	25	6.0	1	Purdue	Chicago, Ill.
BECHTOL, HUB (E)	205	22	6.3	2	Texas	Amarillo, Texas
BEREZNEY, PETE (T)	240	24	6.2	1	Notre Dame	Jersey City, N.J.
BLANDIN, ERNIE (T)	245	29	6.4	1	Tulane	Augusta, Kansas
COLEMAN, HERB (C)	210	25	6.0	3	Notre Dame	Chester, W. Va.
DAVIS, LAMAR (E)	185	27	6.1	3	Georgia	St. Simons, Ga.
DELLERBA, SPIRO (FB)	200	25	5.11	1	Ohio State	Ashtabula, Ohio
FOWLER, AUBREY (HB)	160	28	5.10	1	Arkansas	Hamburg, Ark.
FRENCH, BARRY (G)	225	26	6.0	2	Purdue	Chamberlain, S. D.
GAMBINO, LUCIEN (HB)	205	25	6.1	0	Maryland	Baltimore, Md.
GARRETT, WILLIAM (T)	235	24	6.1	1	Mississippi State	Dundee, Miss.
GRAIN, ED (G)	236	26	6.1	2	Pennsylvania	Baltimore, Md.
GROSSMAN, REX (FB)	215	25	6.1	1	Indiana	Bloomington, Ind.
HILLENBRAND, BILLY (HB)	188	26	6.0	3	Indiana	Armstrong, Ind.
KLUG, AL (G)	212	28	6.1	2	Marquette	Milwaukee, Wis.
LEIGHT, JAKE (HB)	170	27	5.9	1	Oregon	Jamestown, N. D.
McCORMICK, LEN (C)	232	25	6.3	1	Baylor	Eldorado, Texas
MERTES, BUS (FB)	205	27	6.0	2	Iowa	Chicago, Ill.
MELLUS, JOHN (T)	210	31	6.0	7	Villanova	Plymouth, Pa.
NORTH, JOHN (E)	198	27	6.2	1	Vanderbilt	Gilliam, La.
NOWASKEY, BOB (E)	218	30	6.0	4	George Washington	Everson, Pa.
O'ROURKE, CHARLEY (QB)	170	30	5.11	1	Boston College	Boston, Mass.
POOLE, OLLIE (E)	220	26	6.3	1	Mississippi	Gloster, Miss.
PFOHL, STORMY (HB)	200	22	6.0	1	Purdue	Vincennes, Ind.
SIDORIK, AL (T)	245	27	6.0	2	Mississippi State	Hartford, Conn.
SIMMONS, JACK (G)	235	25	6.0	1	Detroit	Grosse Pointe, Mich
SMITH, JOSEPH H. (E)	198	26	6.1	0	Texas Tech	Lubbock, Texas
SPRUILL, JIM (T)	225	25	6.3	1	Rice	Dublin, Texas
STEWART, RALPH (C)	205	22	6.0	3	Missouri	Columbia, Mo.
SYLVESTER, JOHN (HB)	183	26	6.0	0	Temple	Norristown, Pa.
TITTLE, Y. A. (QB)	190	21	6.0	1	L. S. U.	Marshall, Texas
VACANTI, SAM (QB)	208	26	5.11	1	Purdue-Nebraska	Omaha, Neb.
VARDIAN, JOHN (HB)	168	23	5.8	3	Rice	Johnstown, Pa.
WILLIAMS, DALE (E)	185	25	6.2	1	Rice	Fort Towson, Okla.

1949 BALTIMORE COLTS TRAINING CAMP ROSTER

CENTERS

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Name	Date of Birth	Hgt.	Wgt.	Club	Birthplace	College
Warren Beson	11/16/23	6.0	205	1st	Minneapolis	Minnesota
Herb Coleman	6/18/23	6.0	210	2nd	Chester, W. Va.	Notre Dame
Charlie Hoover	10/25/23	6.4	240	1st	Jackson, Tenn.	Vanderbilt
Ralph Stewart	12/10/25	6.0	205	2nd	St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri
A. M. Tillman	5/9/23	6.0	210	1st	Mangum, Okla.	Oklahoma

GUARDS

Dick Barwegan	12/25/22	6.0	230	2nd	Chicago, Ill.	Purdue
Earl Cook	5/16/25	6.2	220	1st	Eustace, Texas	S. M. U.
Ken Cooper	2/26/23	6.1	205	1st	Rogersville, Ala.	Vanderbilt
Barry French	2/12/22	6.0	225	3rd	Chamberlain, S. D.	Purdue
Dub Garrett	8/12/26	6.1	235	2nd	Dundee, Mississippi	Miss State
Ed Grain	2/25/22	6.1	235	3rd	Baltimore, Md.	Pennsylvania
Al Klug	12/29/20	6.1	215	3rd	Milwaukee, Wis.	Marquette
Jack Simmons	10/8/25	6.4	235	2nd	Grosse Pt., Mich.	Detroit
Don Zangara	8/12/26	6.1	225	1st	Youngstown, Ohio	Youngstown

TACKLES

Ernie Blandin	6/21/19	6.4	245	2nd	Augusta, Kan.	Tulane
Jonathan Jenkins	6/17/26	6.2	225	1st	Frostburg, Md.	Dartmouth
Harry Larche	7/12/23	6.1	225	1st	Eros, La.	Ark. State
Ben Pucci	1/26/25	6.4	245	1st	St. Louis, Mo.	None
Apple Sanders	11/10/26	6.5	230	1st	Fernwood, Miss.	LSU—Miss. South.
Al Sidorik	12/19/21	6.0	245	2nd	Hartford, Conn.	Miss State
Len Simonetti	11/20/19	5.11	225	1st	New Phila., Ohio	Tennessee
Jim Spruill	2/26/23	6.3	225	2nd	Dublin, Texas	Rice

ENDS

Hub Betholt	4/20/26	6.3	205	3rd	Amarillo, Texas	Texas
Racehorse Davis	6/15/21	6.1	185	3rd	Brunswick, Ga.	Georgia
Frank Kosikowski	7/23/26	6.1	205	1st	Cudahy, Wis.	Marquette-N. Dame
Bill Leonard	4/27/27	6.2	200	1st	Youngstown, Ohio	Notre Dame

John North.....	6/17/21	6.2	200	2nd	Gilliam, La.....	Vanderbilt
Bob Nowaskey.....	2/3/18	6.0	220	2nd	Everson, Pa.....	Geo. Washington
Ollie Poole.....	4/18/22	6.3	220	2nd	Gloster, Miss.....	Mississippi U.
Joe Smith.....	7/23/22	6.1	200	2nd	Electra, Texas.....	Texas Tech.
Win Williams.....	3/10/23	6.2	185	2nd	Ft. Towason, Okla.....	Rice

QUARTERBACKS

Charlie O'Rourke.....	5/10/19	5.11	170	2nd	Montreal, Canada.....	Boston Col.
Y. A. Tittle.....	10/24/26	6.0	190	2nd	Marshall, Texas.....	L. S. U.
Sam Vacanti.....	3/20/22	5.11	210	2nd	Omaha, Nebraska.....	Nebraska-Purdue

HALFBACKS

Everette Faunce.....	6/12/26	5.11	175	1st	Fergus Falls, Minn.....	Minnesota
Lou Gambino.....	9/21/23	6.1	205	2nd	Berwyn, Ill.....	Maryland
Byron Gillory.....	12/18/27	5.8	155	1st	Marshall, Texas.....	Texas
Wayne Kingery.....	6/5/27	5.11	175	1st	Lake Chas., La.....	L. S. U.
Jake Leicht.....	10/1/20	5.9	170	2nd	Jamestown, N. D.....	Oregon
Paul Page.....	9/16/27	6.0	180	1st	Eldorado, Texas.....	S. M. U.
Stormy Pfohl.....	5/21/26	6.0	200	2nd	Vincennes, Ind.....	Purdue
Carmen Ragonese.....	10/21/23	5.11	185	1st	Bridgeport, Conn.....	New Hampshire
Billy Stone.....	10/25/25	6.0	190	1st	Springfield, Ill.....	Bradley Univ.
John Sylvester.....	1/14/23	6.0	185	2nd	Norristown, Pa.....	Temple
John Vardian.....	9/25/24	5.8	170	3rd	Johnstown, Pa.....	None

FULLBACKS

Joe Colone.....	5/22/24	6.0	205	1st	Berwick, Pa.....	Penn State
Spiro Dellerba.....	1/25/23	5.11	200	2nd	Ashtabula, Ohio.....	Ohio State
Rex Grossman.....	2/5/24	6.1	215	2nd	Huntington, Ind.....	Indiana
Harry Jagade.....	12/9/26	6.0	200	1st	Chicago, Ill.....	Indiana
Bus Mertes.....	10/6/21	6.0	205	3rd	Chicago, Ill.....	Iowa
George Pryor.....	12/1/22	6.0	210	1st	Paden City, W. Va.....	Wake Forest

HOOVER, CHARLIE
Center

Age 25 Height 6.4 Weight 240
VANDERBILT

"Charlie Hoover is a dark horse—no pun intended," said Cecil Isbell, Head Coach of the Colts, when he signed the giant center from Vanderbilt.

In clarifying his remark, Isbell explained that in 1946, Hoover was considered by many coaches to be the finest center in collegiate ranks. In midseason, however, in a contest against the Florida 'Gators, Charlie suffered a severe leg fracture which put him on the shelf for the year's remaining games. He seemed ready again in 1947 and weathered the practice sessions in good style, but during the season-opener, he aggravated the injury to the leg and was forced to retire for the balance of the year. He shared the center position in 1948 with Vandy's captain, John Clark, and now seems ready to resume full time duty at the pivot.

Hoover's high school experience found him winning 4 letters in football, 4 in basketball and 3 in track and field. During one hoop season, he was named All-Southern high school center. In 1942, his freshman year at Vanderbilt, he was honored by inclusion on the All-Southeastern Soph-Frosh grid team.

JAGADE, HARRY
Fullback

Age 22 Height 6.0 Weight 200
INDIANA

Perhaps the best capsule recommendation of Harry (Chick) Jagade was included in the words of his coach Clyde Smith, when he said after last year's Indiana-Iowa game, "At least five of those Iowa players had a clear shot at Chick, but he was in one of those Jagade moods—he just wouldn't be stopped. He combines that brute strength of his with confidence and courage. No one else on our football team could have made that 35-yard run for the

tests, the strongest freshman to enter Dartmouth in 15 years! Since 1933, the New Hampshire school has conducted strength and endurance tests as a regular part of the entrance routine and Jenkins came up with the highest overall score ever registered in the various events which comprise this novel physical assessment.

Strength alone, however, is not Jenkins' only favorable attribute, for his quickness to learn was amply demonstrated when he started his first game for the "Big Green" after only a week on the campus.

A native Marylander from the western mountain town of Frostburg, Jenkins played high school football at St. Christopher's Academy prior to his four letter-winning seasons at Dartmouth. Unusually fast for a big man, Jonathan was considered a defensive standout in the Ivy League.

Jenkins, who was on the list of college players drafted by the Baltimore club for 1949, was selected to represent the North in the annual North-South game played last Christmas day and his outstanding work was a big factor in his team's upset victory over the favored Southerners.

KINGERY, WAYNE **Age 22 Height 5.11 Weight 175**
Halfback **McNEESE JUNIOR COLLEGE**

Football players from relatively obscure colleges sometimes turn up as aces in the pro game. Bidding for that exact type of unexpected fame is a scrappy little fellow from McNeese Junior College, an extension of the better known Louisiana State University. His name is B. Wayne Kingery and he is a tow-headed 175 pounder who stands 5 feet, 11 inches tall.

Kingery was born in Lake Charles, Louisiana on June 5, 1927, and he gained his early playing experience at Lake Charles High School where he won three football letters and captained the squad in his senior year. His speed and

agility are attested to by the fact that he also earned 3 letters as a guard on the cage team and ran the 440 yd. dash. His basketball efforts were rewarded by nomination as All-State guard in 1943. He was rated high school All-Southern halfback in 1944.

After entering college, Kingery continued his activities in all three sports in which he had excelled in high school and added another as well. In football he earned four varsity letters and served as captain of his team twice, and in basketball, he captained the cagers once during 4 letter-winning seasons. He lettered in track as a 440-dash man and javelin thrower and won a varsity berth on the baseball nine, playing center field.

Wayne, whose older brother had two seasons of the pro sport playing with minor league teams at York, Pa., and Paterson, N. J., also has a younger brother who is currently footballing for the Tulane Green Wave.

AL KLUG
Guard

Age 28 Height 6.1 Weight 215
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on December 19, 1920, Al was a general handyman on the Bay View High School team in Milwaukee, where at one time or another, he played every position except center and quarterback. The Bay View team won the city championship in 1936. Al also played on the varsity basketball team and hurled the shot-put on the track squad.

Klug played for Marquette University under Paddy Driscoll and Tom Stidham for three years, and was given honorable mention on several All-America selections in '42. His greatest football thrill came in the 1943 East-West game, when he place-kicked the winning point to give the East a 13 to 12 victory.

Al served in the Navy for over three years and was dis-

LARCHE, HARRY
Tackle

Age 26 Height 6.1 Weight 225
ARKANSAS STATE

The jump to pro ball without any college football experience is a big one, but it's almost equally tough to be a top-notch college player without enjoying the thorough grounding which comes with participation in the grid sport at the high school level. Nevertheless, Harry Larche accomplished that difficult task. Harry used his 6 foot, 1 inch height to the best advantage as a high school basketballer, jumping center for the Eros, Louisiana team. He captained the Eros courtmen during his senior year.

Moving on to Arkansas State, Larche became interested in football and applied himself to this adopted sport with such diligence that he earned a starting berth on the State varsity during his sophomore year. After that it was all football with the big fellow and he forsook the hoop game altogether. He continued as a regular tackle during his junior and senior years and was named captain for the 1948 season. At the end of the '48 slate, his teammates named him the team's "Most Valuable Player".

Harry was born in Eros of French-Indian and Irish parents, was president of both the Cadet Officers Club and the Varsity A Club at Arkansas, is married and has a son, Douglas Wayne, who was born in September of 1948. He is no stranger to Baltimore, having lived in that city for a year during the war.

LEICHT, JAKE
Halfback

Age 28 Height 5.9 Weight 170
OREGON UNIVERSITY

Something should be said here about little Jake's ability to run with "the speed of Leicht", but no doubt there would be criticism of this employment of the "sport of Shakespeare", so we won't say it. It is nevertheless true that the

ex-Oregon speedster has negotiated the 100-yard dash in 9.7 seconds, which is quick, brother, quick.

The diminutive Jake was born in Jamestown, North Dakota on October 1, 1920, but he moved west to Stockton (Cal.) High School to engage in his early football activity. Jake played halfback for four seasons for Stockton, captaining the eleven in 1938. In track, as a 100 and 220-yard dash man, he also picked up four varsity insignias and in this sport served as team captain in 1939. Jake was named to the All-State grid team and was nominated the team's "Most Valuable Player" in 1938.

In 1940, Leicht played the pigskin game for Pasadena Junior College, earning a letter and the Most Valuable Player citation.

At Oregon, the Colt veteran won three letters and in 1945 was named to the All-America by both the New York Sun and Yank Magazine. He was the Webfoot captain in 1947, and led the Pacific Coast Conference in scoring.

Jake also had his share of service football, playing for the West Coast Champion 40th Division in 1941, for the Randolph Field squad in '43 and '44, and for the 4th Air Force in 1945.

LEONARD, BILL
End

Age 22 Height 6.2 Weight 200
NOTRE DAME

That famous group of rooters who know no geographical bounds, the Notre Dame Subway Alumni, will take pleasure in noting the name Bill Leonard on the Baltimore Colt roster for 1949. The "Fighting Irish" have their fervent fans in all the corners of the globe and Leonard will find that Baltimore is no exception.

Leonard played his preparatory football at East High School in Youngstown, Ohio, the town where he was born on April 27, 1927. Before being graduated from East High,

this fellow earned 2 letters as a football wingman and 1 as a basketball center.

At Notre Dame, under Head Coach Frank Leahy, Leonard was awarded the big "N" for his end play in both 1947 and 1948. Between high school and college, the Youngstown athlete spent 17 months in Army Ordinance.

One of his teammates while he was at Notre Dame was the Buffalo Bills' star quarterback, George Ratterman, and like so many men who play the grid game at the South Bend institution, Leonard's favorite athletic hero is that old master, Knute Rockne.

MERTES, BUS
Fullback

Age 27 Height 6.0 Weight 205
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Bus Mertes was born in Chicago, Illinois, on October 6, 1921, and played high school football at Lane Tech (Chicago), earning 3 letters and captaining the team in his senior year. He also made the All-State team the same season. In addition to his grid activity, Mertes was a dash man for one year on the Lane track team.

Mertes' next stop along the football trail was at the University of Iowa, where he played under Dr. Eddie Anderson. His Iowa schooling was interrupted by the call to service, but his football experience continued without break. He became a member of the great Iowa Seahawks pre-flight eleven and during his three years with that club, the 'Hawks compiled a record of 22 wins and only 2 losses. In 1945 he was with the Chicago Cardinals and in '46 played with the Los Angeles Dons. Bus was sold to Baltimore for the 1947 season and immediately won the starting fullback post with his driving, bulling tactics.

Bus stood 17th in the conference in rushing during the 1947 season, with 95 carries for 321 yards and a 3.4 yard average. Mertes hiked his standing to 7th place last year

when he carried the ball 155 times for 680 yards and a 4.39 yard average. He also punched over for 6 touchdowns and 36 points.

NORTH, JOHNNY
End

Age 28 Height 6.2 Weight 200
VANDERBILT

Eighty yards, breezing, for a Colt TD! That was Johnny North's story in the opening game of the Colt 1948 season, when he gathered in one of Y. A. Tittle's leading passes and jauntily stepped off the 80 yards intervening between the line of scrimmage and that line of destiny, the double stripe marking the goal. And that 80-yard gain against the New York Yankees stood as the longest passing play of the year for the AAFC until it was tied in the final game of the regular season by—of all people—Racehorse Davis of the Colts, on another heave by the sharpshooting Tittle. So at any rate, Johnny shared one of the 1948 Conference records and thereby gained some measure of permanent fame by his inclusion in the record books.

Johnny joined the Colts as a rookie in 1948, after 3 football letter-winning years at Vanderbilt. During his college career North also earned letters in basketball and track. He was named to the track and field All-America, to the All-Dixie court team and in 1947 was named All-Southeastern end. John served as captain once in each of the three sports in which he participated.

He was born on June 17, 1921 in Gilliam, Louisiana and attended Castle Heights (Tenn.) Military Academy where he annexed 12 varsity letters, four each in football, basketball, and track. As a gridder he was All-State for two years and All-Southern for one, serving as team captain during his senior year.

NOWASKEY, BOB
End

Age 31 Height 5.11 Weight 200
GEORGE WASHINGTON U.

One of the "fighten'est" fellows of the '48 Colt team, veteran end Bob Nowaskey, is back again in '49 to show some of the youngsters how the terminal spot should be played. And Bob is the guy who can show them since he's had a world of football experience at all levels of the modern grid game.

Nowaskey, who was born on February 3, 1918 at Everson, Pennsylvania, first played football for the Scottsdale (Pa.) High School team, winning All-Conference honors in both 1934 and 1935. From Scottsdale High he moved to George Washington University and won varsity letters during the seasons 1937 to '39. In his senior year, he was a first team end selection on the All-Eastern honor squad.

Upon graduation from George Washington, Nowaskey immediately jumped into the play-for-pay game by signing with the Chicago Bears in 1940. He remained with Chicago for three years before entering his first "retirement". The lure of the game proved too much for Bob, however, as it has for many athletes both before and since, and with the formation of the All-America Conference in 1946, he was "back in business", this time with the Los Angeles Dons. Nowaskey was also with the Angelenos in 1947 and contributed his efforts to a twin-thumping of the then hapless "Hosses".

Bob joined the Colts in 1948 in the same deal which brought Chucking Charlie O'Rourke to Baltimore.

O'ROURKE, CHARLIE
Quarterback

Age 30 Height 5.11 Weight 170
BOSTON COLLEGE

Charlie O'Rourke is the lone player of the Colts who was born in a country (Canada) other than the U.S.A., but even the lukewarm football fan knows that in this case, Canada's

loss has decidedly been a gain for the United States in general, and for Baltimore in particular.

O'Rourke is a grand guy with a world of football experience. He played left halfback for the Malden (Mass.) High School for three years, captaining the eleven in 1937. In both 1936 and '37, he was named to the All-State honor squad. His baseball experience in high school paralleled his grid record; he won three letters as a left-fielder and was captain and All-State in 1937.

Charlie moved on to Boston College upon being graduated from Malden High and after 1 year on the baseball nine, he devoted his entire athletic time to the complicated business of football. Playing under Coaches Frank Leahy and Gil Dobie, Charlie starred for four years for the Eagles, and in his senior season was a unanimous choice for All-America and was named the Most Valuable Player in New England. Charlie galloped 24 yards for the winning touchdown against the Tennessee Vols in the 1942 Sugar Bowl classic, to cap a brilliant college career.

He signed with the Chicago Bears for the 1942 season and went into the navy in 1943. He was discharged from service in 1945 and spent the next two seasons with the Los Angeles Dons. With the Dons, Charlie finished 5th and 8th respectively in Total Offense during the '46 and '47 seasons and joined the Colts in 1948 when Baltimore purchased his contract from the Angelenos.

Charlie was born in Montreal on May 10, 1919, and has three children, Sheila Ann, 7, Charlie, Jr., 5, and Patrick Michael, 2.

PAGE, PAUL E.	Age 21	Height 6.0	Weight 180
Halfback		S. M. U.	

The "Achilles Heel" of the Baltimore Club during the

1948 season was in the defensive halfback slot, where the Colts did not have enough reserve strength to last out the gruelling second-half drives of opponents who put over payoff scores in the late minutes of the game. One of the "stoppers" in this department for 1949 is Paul Page.

When Page first reported to the S.M.U. Mustangs in 1945, he was assigned an end position on the third team, but it was not long before his ability at catching passes had moved him to the leadership of the conference in that important offensive role. Toward the latter part of October, the Ponies were facing a crucial game with the Texas Longhorns, whose offensive star was All-America end Hub Bechtol, this year to be a Colt teammate of Page.

"We don't have any back fast enough to cover Bechtol," said Head Coach Matty Bell, "so let's convert Paul Page into a defensive halfback and give him the job of looking after Hub."

Page did such a fine job against Bechtol that the coaches decided to keep him as a defensive back, but they got so tired of sending him in and out every time the ball changed hands that they gave him a few plays to learn on offense. Against Texas A & M the next week he carried the ball several times in highly successful fashion and the S.M.U. board of strategy realized that it had found a top runner as well as a first rate defensive backfield man. Though only three more games remained on the slate after the A. & M. clash, Page carried so well that he won the '45 rushing title in the Southwestern Conference, and in addition, was considered by many experts to be the finest defensive back in college football.

Paul was born in Eldorado, Texas on September 16, 1927, and won athletic recognition in three sports at Eldorado High. He earned three letters each in football, basketball and track and captained each team in his senior year.

the roster of the Baltimore Colts. Ollie has emulated many of his famous relatives in his rise in the realm of athletics and has helped carry on the sporting tradition which the name Poole automatically conjures. The steady parade of various and sundry kinfolk who have preceded Ollie out of the south on the road to sport greatness includes Jim Poole of the New York Giants; Ray Poole of the Giants and the Chicago Cubs; Harmon Poole, also of the Cubs; Barney Poole, All-America at both Mississippi and Army; and Phillip, Jack and Leslie, all of whom lettered in the grid game at Old Miss.

Ollie, currently the most important of the family, from the Baltimore standpoint, was born in Gloster, Mississippi on April 18, 1922. At Crosby (Miss.) High School he won his letter four straight years in football, baseball and basketball, serving as captain of the gridmen once and the hoopsters twice.

Though he played some basketball at Mississippi, Ollie devoted most of his attention to the pigskin sport, playing both end and tackle. During a wartime stint as a V-12 student at the University of North Carolina, he was named All-State and All-Southern, and received an Honorable Mention citation for the 1943 All-America team.

After one year with the New York Yankees, Poole joined the Colts in 1948 and was used almost exclusively in a defensive role.

PRYOR, GEORGE
Fullback

Age 26 Height 6.0 Weight 210
WAKE FOREST

"He hits the line like a fullback and then, once in the open, runs like a halfback."

That's the reputation George Pryor earned at Wake Forest college when he returned to school after a wartime stint in the Navy, and he earned it by his brilliant ball-

carrying in 1947, when he gained more yardage than any other man on the Deacon squad.

George was born in Paden City, West Virginia and he entered the football wars while attending West Virginia's Sisterville High School. He won his varsity football "S" for four straight years, serving as captain twice. During his senior semester, he was named on the All-State team.

Pryor moved from Sisterville to Wake Forest and played two years of football before hearing the "call to arms." He continued his grid work while in the Navy by performing for the Camp Peary and Ford Island (Pearl Harbor) teams.

The hard-driving fullback returned to the North Carolina school in 1947 and immediately became one of the most accomplished backs in Dixie. He added pass-receiving to his other talents and gained sufficient notice that he was placed on the Colts' draft list; he signed a Baltimore contract shortly after the 1948 playing season ended.

Pryor's nickname is Pappy, and justly so; he has two sons and a daughter.

PUCCI, BEN
Tackle

Age 24 Height 6.4 Weight 245
SOUTHWEST (ST. LOUIS)
HIGH SCHOOL

Ben Pucci is one of the few top footballers who has emulated his baseball counterparts by making his way to the football majors via a minor league club, but Pucci, upon completion of his high school career, signed on with the Hollywood Rangers in 1944 and played with that club until he joined the Buffalo Bills in mid-season of 1946. From the Bills, the mammoth tackle migrated to the Chicago Rockets during 1947, and in 1948 joined the Browns of Cleveland in a trade which saw Roman Piskor, a tackle, and rookie center John Rapacz switching to the Chicago club.

He recently married his college sweetheart, who was graduated from New Hampshire with her Master's Degree in Bacteriology in the same class as her new husband.

SANDERS, AL
Tackle

Age 22 Height 6.5 Weight 230
L.S.U.—MISSISSIPPI-SOUTHERN

"An apple a day" was the medicine prescribed in the old adage and the Colts have come up with that medicine in 1949 in the person of Albert Taylor (Apple) Sanders, Jr., towering tackle from L.S.U. and Mississippi-Southern.

Sanders was born in Fernwood, Mississippi on November 10, 1926, and the manner in which he acquired the nickname "Apple" is a subject of some dispute. Some say his rosy cheeks provide the basis for the name, while others insist it is the result of his fondness for the fruit. Sanders himself has offered no solution but he answers to Al or Apple with equal grace and seems to enjoy them both.

Baton Rouge High School provided Sanders with his secondary schooling and he attended Louisiana State University for two years. While at Mississippi-Southern, he played both tackle and center for the gridmen, and played on the basketball team as well.

Sanders comes highly recommended by Coach Cecil Isbell's southern ivory hunters and was on the Colts' 1949 draft list.

SIDORIK, AL
Tackle

Age 27 Height 6.1 Weight 250
MISSISSIPPI STATE

Alexander Theodore Sidorik is a Connecticut Yankee from Hartford, where he was born on December 19, 1921, but for some reason or other he wandered into the deep south to engage in college football. He attended Decatur (Miss.) Junior College for one year, winning a varsity

ber 8, 1925, and was a four-letter man at Detroit's St. Ambrose High School. In addition to his football activity, "Moose" starred in baseball, basketball and track. He continued his basketballing this past winter as a member of the informal Baltimore Colts five which split even in a 14 game schedule.

After his third and final year of football at Detroit U., Jack received Honorable Mention on the 1947 All-America Team.

SIMONETTI, LEN
Tackle

Age 29 Height 5.11 Weight 225
TENNESSEE

If you need a man to quell a riot, fetch a yowling cat out of a tree or keep the "bhoys" from stuffing the ballot boxes on election day, Len (Diz) Simonetti is available. Len is the town sheriff in New Philadelphia, Ohio and a very capable fellow in or out of a football suit. He obtained a leave of absence from his policing job so that he could join the roster of the Colts.

Len was a fullback when he played high school ball in New Philadelphia, where he was born on November 20, 1919. He was captain of his team in 1937, his third letter-winning season, and was named to the All-Ohio eleven the same year.

Basketball and baseball also came in for a lot of Len's attention during his prep days. He won 3 letters in the court sport, serving as team captain twice, and was a catcher on the diamond varsity.

The famous Bob Neyland was Simonetti's grid coach at Tennessee, where he lettered twice and was named to the All-Southeastern Conference squad during his sophomore year. Len also played two years with the Volunteer baseball team. Simonetti's only bowl appearance was in Tennessee's losing effort against Boston College in 1941. And

ing reins of a Texas high school but elected to "gallop" with the Colts once again.

Spruill's college galloping was done at Rice Institute where Jess Neely, head Mentor of the Owls, converted Jim from tailback to tackle. Jim adapted himself to the change rapidly and, before being graduated from the Houston school, won three varsity R's.

Born in Dublin, Texas on February 26, 1923, the quiet, reserved Spruill entered the football wars with the Dublin High School team. As a tailback in the single wing formation used at Dublin, Jim lettered for four years and in 1939 and 1940 was named to the All-District team at that position. During the same seasons, he was accorded similar honors on the All-District basketball squad as a centerman.

Jim used his basketball experience to good account as a member of the impromptu Colt court aggregation of the past winter, showing to such advantage that he was given a tryout with the Indianapolis Jets of the Basketball Association of America.

He is married and has a daughter, Connie Marie.

STEWART, RALPH
Center

Age 23 Height 6.0 Weight 205
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Ralph Stewart was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 10, 1925, and except for some wartime wandering, played his college football close to home. He entered the University of Missouri in 1943 and played on the varsity during his freshman year. He started every game that year and was picked on the second All-Big Six team.

Ralph started the next season as center for the Irish of Notre Dame, but was shifted to North Carolina Pre-Flight, where he played spring and summer ball with Spec Sanders and Bruce Alford, who were later to be his teammates on the New York Yankees.

Discharged from the service in mid-1945, Stewart returned to Don Faurot's Missouri Tigers, where he was named All-Big Six center in '45 and '46. He was team captain in his final year.

The New York Yankees signed Stewart for the 1947 season, and he came to the Colts in early '48 in a deal which also involved Bud Schwenk and Ollie Poole.

The St. Louisan played at McKinley High School, in his home town, in '40, '41 and '42, and in the latter year was named All-City center.

Stewart, who holds his Master's Degree in Physical Education, served in that field in the Baltimore City School system during early 1949. He also played basketball on the Colt's informal court squad.

STONE, BILLY
Halfback

Age 23 Height 6.0 Weight 190
BRADLEY U.

Born in Peoria, Illinois on October 25, 1925, and christened William John Stone, this freshman Colt is considered one of the best backs ever to perform for Bradley University. After an injury-plagued year in 1947 (during which he nevertheless led his team in total yards gained and sported an average of 5.6 yards per carry) Stone really "got hot" in '48. In nine games, which included two with Missouri Valley Conference rivals, he led his team in rushing and yards gained in pass-receiving and played brilliantly on defense.

Stone carried the ball 74 times during 1948 for 612 yards, an average of 8.3 per carry. In the pass-receiving department, Billy snagged 17 for 383 yards and six touchdowns. His combined gain on rushing and pass-receiving totaled 995 yards, and his four rushing and six pass catching TD's for sixty points won him the individual titles in both these categories as well.

In 1946 and 1947, Oklahoma, with Tillman as pivot man, tied for the championship of the Big-Seven. Last year, Pete's team ran rough-shod over all opponents and wound up the undisputed champions of the conference. As a result, Tillman was named to the mythical All-Oklahoma squad and his team was selected to face the North Carolina Tarheels in New Orleans' Sugar Bowl. That game went into the record books as a 14 to 6 win for the Oklahomans, with Tillman playing a brilliant game on both offense and defense.

Pete prepped for his college years by footballing for his home town, Mangum, Oklahoma High School team, serving as both fullback and center. He was the team captain during his junior and senior year and won All-State honors in 1945.

TITTLE, Y. A.
Quarterback

Age 22 Height 6.0 Weight 190
L. S. U.

Y. A. Tittle, Jr., whose well known initials stand for Yelberton Abraham, first attracted notice as a footballer at Marshall (Texas) High School in his home town, where he made the All-State team 3 years in a row. He was also All-State in basketball twice and in baseball once.

From Marshall High, Tittle moved on to Louisiana State University where he won four football letters, played in the Blue-Gray games of 1944-45, was selected All-Southeastern in '46 and '47 and won the L.S.U.-Baldwin Award for playing the most minutes per season in 1945, '46 and '47.

Tittle came to the Colts on a transfer from the Cleveland Browns in an All-America Conference move designed to level off the playing talent of the various conference teams and he immediately started the meteoric rise which was to

make him the greatest rookie passer in the history of the pro sport.

Y. A. spent the winter in Baltimore working as an automobile salesman, and found time to join the informal basketball team made up of other Colt footballers who remained in Baltimore during the off-season.

(For other information on Tittle, see page 15)

VACANTI, SAM
Quarterback

Age 27 Height 5.11 Weight 210
PURDUE—NEBRASKA

"If you can't beat 'em, buy em".

Maybe this is one of the threads of philosophy which runs through Head Coach Cecil Isbell of the Colts, and maybe it isn't, but in any case, it seems significant that Cece arranged the purchase of Vacanti after Sam had almost single handedly beaten the Colts once in 1947 and again in 1948. Sam had the "whammie" on the "Hosses", for the Rockets' triumphs against Baltimore represented the only wins they could score over the two-season span.

In any event, Cecil purchased Sam from the Chicago entry in mid-season of 1948, and while he had no opportunity to shine as an offensive quarterback, Sam earned the plaudits of Baltimore's fandom with his brilliant play-diagnosing and savage tackling from the backer-up spot.

Sam was called into service by the Rockets in 1947 when the great ex-Notre Dame quarterback, Angelo Bertilli, was injured. Sam threw so well in the half-season remaining that he finished the year in 7th place in Total Offense in the AAFC. He threw passes for 17 touchdowns.

Vacanti was born on March 20, 1922 in Omaha, Nebraska and played football for both the Purdue Boilermakers and the Nebraska Cornhuskers. He reports that one of the greatest thrills he ever experienced was when his scoring pass to Boris Dimancheff in the last 38 seconds of the

Purdue-Minnesota game gave Purdue the 1943 Big-Nine championship. Sam was named the outstanding Italian athlete in the nation that same year.

VARDIAN, JOHNNY
Halfback

Age 24 Height 5.8 Weight 170
JOHNSTOWN CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL

Little Johnny Vardian is one of the relatively few pro players who arrive in the big time without the benefit of college football experience, but John made the jump and has played three full seasons in the All-America Conference.

He signed his first pro contract with the Miami Seahawks and played for that AAFC entry during the 1946 season. Moving to Baltimore in 1947 when the Miami franchise was shifted north, Vardian cavorted for the Colts in both 1947 and 1948, primarily in a pass-defense assignment. He and Lamar (Racehorse) Davis, end, are the only two players still on the Colt roster who originally entered pro ranks with the Seahawks.

Johnny was refused a uniform when he reported to the Johnstown (Pa.) Catholic High School football coach. The coach simply said, "Go away, you're too little."

The following season, Johnny reports, "They gave me some old, beaten-up pads and I've been using them ever since."

Vardian used the pads for three years at Johnstown Catholic, captaining the team in his senior year.

On receiving his call to military service, John reported to Ft. Pierce, Florida, and it wasn't long before he was performing for the Ft. Pierce Amphibians, a service team, in company with Lee Artoe, one of Vardian's 1948 Baltimore teammates. The Amphibs that year went through a ten-game season without defeat, knocking off some of the

country's better service teams along the way. After one other season with Ft. Pierce, Johnny hooked up with the Seahawks and the rest is local history.

WILLIAMS, WIN Age 25 Height 6.2 Weight 185
End RICE

The state of Texas is well represented on this year's Colt roster, and one of the Texans who promises to add a lot of punch to the "Hoss" attack is speedy, glue-fingered Windell Williams, holdover end from 1948.

Williams, who was born in Fort Towason, Oklahoma, but who now makes his home in Houston, Texas, played both end and halfback for the Midland (Texas) High School for five seasons. He was the Midland captain in 1941 and was further honored by being named the team's Most Valuable Player the same year.

Win moved from Midland to Rice Institute where he concentrated on the terminal position and developed into one of Coach Jess Neely's most accomplished players. It was Williams who made possible Rice's great upset victory over mighty Texas in 1946, when he snagged a pass in the late moments of the game and threaded his way through the Texas secondary for the winning TD.

Williams made a name for himself in 1948, his freshman season with the pros, by finishing 11th among all the pass receivers in the conference. He snared 32 heaves aimed at him by Quarterbacks Y. A. Tittle and Charlie O'Rourke and piled up 360 yards gain for an average of 11.3 yards per catch and two Colt touchdowns.

ZANGARA, DON Age 23 Height 6.1 Weight 225
Guard OHIO STATE—YOUNGSTOWN
 COLLEGE

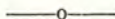
Don Zangara was born in Youngstown, Ohio on August 12, 1926, and launched his football career as a tackle at

East High School in that city. He earned three varsity emblems at the tackle position and in 1945, during which year he captained his team, he was named to the All-City and All-County squads. East High School took down the championship laurels during Zangara's freshman year on the eleven in 1943.

Upon graduation from high school, Zangara entered Ohio State University and played one season of the grid sport under the tutelage of Coach Carroll Widdoes, who had moved into the Buckeyes head coaching spot with the departure of Paul Brown to the Cleveland AAFC Club. Don earned his varsity letter while playing at State.

Don shifted to Youngstown College in 1947 and for two seasons was a regular lineman for his home town school. He was used at both guard and tackle while at Y. C.

Cartooning is Zangara's hobby and avocation and while at Youngstown, he served as staff artist for the college paper. He plans to teach Art when his football playing days are over.



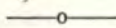
WINNERS OF THE "GLITTER-GLAZE" TROPHY

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1947—Lamar (Racehorse) Davis	(Georgia)	End
1948—Richard J. (Dick) Barwegen	(Purdue)	Guard

1949 FOOTBALL ITINERARY

CITY	ARRIVE	DEPART	HOTEL	GAME	OPPONENT
Baltimore.....	August 8 (6:30 p.m.)	August 8 (11:30 p.m.)	Training Camp	Intersquad (8:30 p.m.)	Intersquad
Syracuse.....	August 10 (4:00 p.m.)	August 10 (11:30 p.m.)	Syracuse Hotel	Cerebral Palsy Benefit Fund (8:30 p.m.)	Bills
Baltimore.....	August 16 (6:30 p.m.)	August 16 (11:30 p.m.)	Training Camp	Variety Club Charities (8:30 p.m.)	Yankees
Allentown	August 19 (4:00 p.m.)	August 19 (11:30 p.m.)	Allentown Hotel	(8:30 p.m.)	Yankees
San Francisco	August 24 (8:00 a.m.)	August 31 (1:00 p.m.)	Old Hearst Ranch Pleasanton, Cal.	August 28 (2:30 p.m.)	49'ers
Los Angeles	August 31 (3:30 p.m.)	Sept. 2 (Midnight)	Green Hotel Pasadena, Cal.	Sept. 2 (8:30 p.m.)	Dons
Cleveland.....	Sept. 10 (2:00 p.m.)	Sept. 11 (6:00 p.m.)	Hotel Cleveland	Sept. 11 (2:00 p.m.)	Browns
Chicago	Sept. 15 (8:00 p.m.)	Sept. 17 (10:00 a.m.)	Congress Hotel	Sept. 16 (8:30 p.m.)	Hornets
Baltimore.....	X X X	X X X	Home	Sept. 25 (2:00 p.m.)	Browns
Buffalo.....	October 1 (4:00 p.m.)	October 2 (6:00 p.m.)	Hotel Statler	October 2 (2:00 p.m.)	Bills
Charlotte.....	October 9 (12 Noon)	October 9 (6:00 p.m.)	Hotel Charlotte	October 9 (2:00 p.m.)	Clippers
Baltimore.....	X X X	X X X	Home	October 16 (2:00 p.m.)	Yankees
Baltimore.....	At Home	X X X	Home	October 23 (2:00 p.m.)	Hornets
New York	October 29 (8:30 p.m.)	October 30 (6:00 p.m.)	Hotel Concourse Plaza	October 30 (2:05 p.m.)	Yankees
Baltimore.....	X X X	X X X	Home	Nov. 6 (2:00 p.m.)	49'ers
Baltimore.....	At Home	X X X	Home	Nov. 20 (2:00 p.m.)	Dons
Baltimore.....	At Home	X X X	Home	Nov. 27 (2:00 p.m.)	Bills



WHO ARE THE COLTS ASSOCIATES

The Colts Associates are a group of younger Baltimore business men who, because they are both sports-minded and progressive, have volunteered their own time and effort to promoting the Baltimore Colts as a truly civic

project. Because they believe that Baltimore, as a city, receives tremendous dividends from the national publicity which a professional football team accords its home town and because they realize the volume of entertainment which the club provides for a wide segment of the population, both in the city and its environs, they have worked since the early spring of 1948 on a number of varied projects.

Included among their activities have been ticket sales, stock sales, "Welcome Home" parades, "Homecoming Day" celebrations, between-the-halves and pre-game entertainment and general publicity and promotion. They have organized and administered contests, selected and maintained a live colt as a mascot, promoted and presented awards to players. In short, this organization has performed invaluable service to the club, without any thought of personal remuneration. Certainly the Colts Associates and the individuals who make up the group are unique in the history of professional sport.

A roster of the Colts Associates follows:

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ALL-AMERICA FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

1949 Schedule—Fourth Season

AUGUST

- 26—Buffaloat Chicago*
28—Baltimoreat San Francisco

SEPTEMBER

- 2—Baltimore.....at Los Angeles*
4—Chicagoat San Francisco
5—Clevelandat Buffalo

- 9—Chicago.....at Los Angeles*
11—Baltimoreat Cleveland
11—New Yorkat Buffalo

- 16—Baltimoreat Chicago*
18—New Yorkat Cleveland
18—Los Angeles .at San Francisco

- 22—Los Angeles.....at New York*
25—Clevelandat Baltimore
25—San Franciscoat Buffalo

- 30—San Franciscoat Chicago*

OCTOBER

- 2—Baltimore.....at Buffalo
2—Los Angelesat Cleveland

- 7—New Yorkat Chicago*
9—Buffaloat Los Angeles
9—Clevelandat San Francisco

OCTOBER

- 14—Clevelandat Los Angeles*
16—New Yorkat Baltimore
16—Buffaloat San Francisco

- 23—Chicagoat Baltimore
23—San Franciscoat New York
23—Los Angelesat Buffalo

- 28—Los Angelesat Chicago*
30—Baltimoreat New York
30—San Franciscoat Cleveland

NOVEMBER

- 6—San Franciscoat Baltimore
6—Buffaloat New York
6—Chicagoat Cleveland

- 13—Chicagoat New York
13—Buffaloat Cleveland
13—San Francisco .at Los Angeles

- 20—Los Angelesat Baltimore
20—Clevelandat New York
20—Chicagoat Buffalo

- 24—Clevelandat Chicago†
24—New Yorkat Los Angeles†
27—Buffaloat Baltimore
27—New York....at San Francisco

DECEMBER

- 4—First Round of Playoffs.
11—CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

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