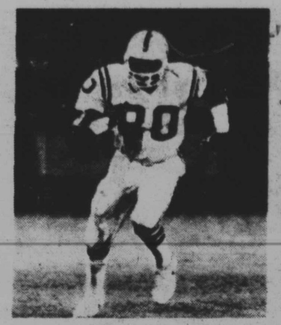

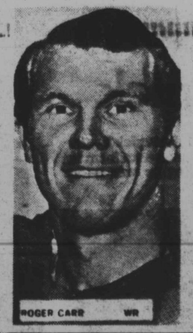

ROGER CARR WR

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80 RAY BUTLER WR
BALTIMORE COLTS

Ray Butler: enemy headache

Will be entering his second year with the Colts . . . Fourth round selection in the 1980 college draft. 1980: Started in all 16 games as a rookie . . . Had the best year of any rookie wide receiver in Colts history . . . Was the top rookie receiver in the AFC . . . Caught 34 passes for 574 yards and scored 2 touchdowns . . . Had best game against the New York Jets (9 - 28) when he caught 6 passes for 88 yards . . . Also caught his longest pass of the season (42 yards) in the contest.

Caught 5 passes for 79 yards against St. Louis (10 - 26) . . . Had 4 receptions for 56 yards vs Cleveland (11 - 9) . . . Top 3 games of the season all came at Memorial Stadium . . . Best game on the road came at Kansas City (11 - 2) when he caught 3 passes for 48 yards . . . Scored first career TD agaisnst Pittsburgh (9 - 14) on a 15 yard pass from Bert Jones . . . Also caught 8 yard TD pass vs Buffalo (11 - 30).

HONORS: Selected to NFL All Rookie Team in '80 by United Press International, Professional Football Writers Association, Pro Football Weekly and Football Digest.

GAMES PLAYED: Played and started in 16 games . . . 1980 16 - 16. COLLEGE: Played two seasons at USC . . . Transferred from Wharton County (Texas) JC . . . Caught 28 passes for 406 yards during two year career at USC . . . Had 21 receptions for 292 yards as a senior . . . Also returned punts and kickoffs . . . Career average of 10.1 yards on punt returns and 19.7 yards on kickoff returns . . . At Wharton, he was named All - Texas Junior College Football Conference both seasons . . . Caught 35 passes and scored 9 TDs as sophomore.

PERSONAL: Born in Port Larace, Texas . . . Attended Sweeny High School . . . Earned All America honors in football, First Team All District in basketball and track . . . A Speech major at USC . . . He and his wife, Anna, reside in Bay City, Texas.

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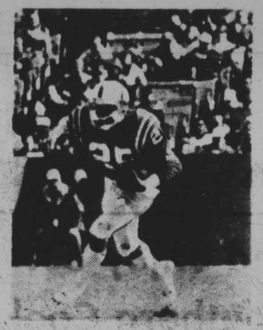

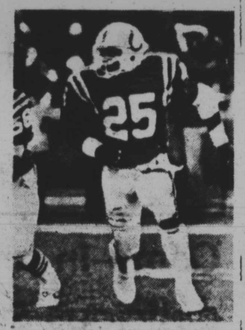

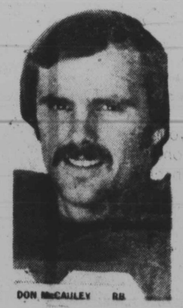

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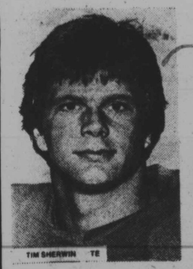

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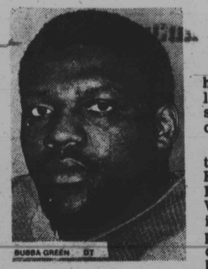

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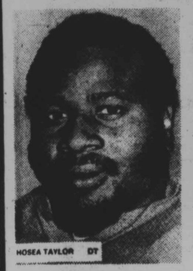

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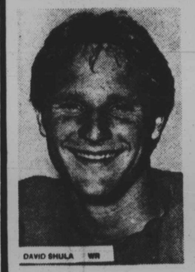


DAVID SHULA WR

DONNELL THOMPSON

Best rookie crop in years

Admittedly, the Colts have not burned up the league with their selections in the college draft of recent years.

True, they picked up the likes of Barry Krauss, Larry Braziel, Reese McCall, Mike Woods and Ed Simonini in early choices over the past five seasons, but otherwise they would have to go back to 1973 to point with any measure of pride.

That was the draft in which they bagged Bert Jones, Joe Ehrmann, Mike Barnes and Ray Oldham.

But in 1980, things looked much better when the Baltimore drafters emerged from the plucking pool. This year, they looked even better.

Last year, the Colt pickers hit the proverbial jackpot getting fleet runningback Curtis Dickey and talented cornerback Derrick Hatchett in successive selections. Then topped off with centers Ray Donaldson and Chris Foote, tackle Jim Foley and wide receiver Ray Butler.

Colt fans are able to see what a fine assortment that group represents.

But.

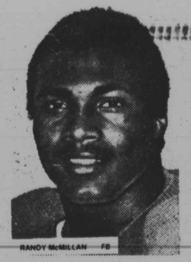
The 1981 visit to the collegiate reservoir produced a genuine windfall of talent — the best in years.

Fullback Randy McMillan from Pittsburgh was drawn and was followed by defensive tackle Donnell Thompson from North Carolina, offensive tackle Randy Van Divier from Washington and tight end Tim Sherwin from Boston College.

Except for the mixed metaphor, one might describe the rest of that draft of last spring as "frosting on the cake."

Defensive tackle Bubba Green from N. C. State, defensive tackle Hosea Taylor from Houston, and wide receiver David Shula already have made contributions and seem certain to make more.

From these last two drafts, the Colts have found eleven starters — Dickey, Hatchett, Donaldson, Foley and Butler ('80), plus McMillan, Thompson, Van Divier, Sherwin, Green and Taylor . . . LACY.



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On the air

Monday Night Football

Sept. 7 — San Diego at Cleveland
Sept. 10 — Pittsburgh at Miami
Sept. 14 — Oakland at Minnesota
Sept. 21 — Dallas at New England
Sept. 28 — Los Angeles at Chicago
Oct. 5 — Atlanta at Philadelphia
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Oct. 19 — Chicago at Detroit
Oct. 26 — Houston at Pittsburgh
Nov. 2 — Minnesota at Denver
Nov. 9 — Buffalo at Dallas
Nov. 16 — San Diego at Seattle
Nov. 23 — Minnesota at Atlanta
Nov. 30 — Philadelphia at Miami
Dec. 7 — Pittsburgh at Oakland
Dec. 14 — Atlanta at Los Angeles
Dec. 21 — Oakland at San Diego

Thursday Night Games

Sept. 10 — Pittsburgh at Miami
Sept. 17 — Philadelphia at Buffalo
Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving) — Kansas City at Detroit; Chicago at Dallas.
Dec. 3 — Cleveland at Houston

Youth prevails

Until the entire league is stabilized with fixed rosters, it is impossible to say that the 1981 Colts are the NFL's youngest.

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