NFL Draft Update

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said Jack Brennan, sportswriter who regularly covers the Bengals for the Cincinnati Post. "Their back-up from last season, Mike Hammerstein, is coming off knee Payton, a Jackson State graduate, retired surgery and they aren't sure when he will be after last season, creating a slot for a new-

dealing with that kind of bulk. Cincinnati's We're going to run the ball first, with Curt back-up slot at nose tackle "is wide open," Warner and John L. Williams. If a guy can't block, he's not going to help us."

For now, Howard's Reed fits in as a back-up with the Bears. Superstar Walter comer. Neal Anderson is being groomed as

the 10th round, you're a projection, a long shot," said Rudy Kasmiersky, Saints director of media services. "But the only young, proven guy we've got on the line is James Geathers. The other guys are all unproven

Pillow, 5-10,170. caught 37 passes for

ily and they certainly will have problems tions director. "He has blocking ability. during his senior season, prompting New one who can cover one-on-one. Obviously Orleans to have him switch positions. "In he has something the coaches like and they want to take advantage of it."

Goss entered camp weighing 365 lbs., but the Jets want him to lose 30 lbs. by July 15 when training camp starts. "He may have some future potential," Ramos said, "but he's not ready at this point. The guy is 6-7. He's not fat, but he's not in football shape.



All-Pro Tim Krumrie is the starter at that Payton's immediate successor. Thomas position. "The Bengals have several candi- Saunders is also vying for playing time. dates in camp for this position," Brennan said. "I guess his chances of making the Reed has the ability to hit a hole quickly on team are about as good as one would expect his first step," said Ken Valdiserri, Bears for an eighth round draft choice. The guys he's competing against don't have a whole lot credentials than he does."

Speaking on Maxey, Bengals defensive line coach Bill Urbanik told the Cincinnati Post: "He's a Refrigerator-type guy. He five defensive linemen last year," Neubert moves well and he's got that good, initial quickness. You could say he's a poor man's William Perry."

degree in criminal justice.

Tyler is 6-5, 259 pounds. "We're looking for a guy who can block first," said Dave

"Our coaches look at athletic ability and public relations director.

defensive end, Neubert said. Veterans Jacob Green and Wes Dove are listed ahead of Wise, who is 6-4, 280. "We kept added. "But we traded Randy Edwards to Tampa Bay. So in a way, there's an open Incidentally, Maxey already has his nose tackle and defensive end. Deatrick is

> Fizer, 6-2, 250, is projected as a defen-'sive end for the Saints. Fizer played

597 yards and four TDs in only eight He has a lot of character and he knows games last season. Mark Carrier, Gerald Onzy Elam (former Tennessee State Carter and Bruce Hill are the Bucs' top linebacker who now a Jet) and they played three wide receivers. "All 11th round draft picks are long shots," said Paul Royak, Bucs' public relations assistant. The Bucs The Seahawks will try out Wise at left / had not held a mini-camp for rookies and free agents as of this writing.

> The 5-11, 165 lbs. Harper is being tried as a fourth cornerback with the Seahawks, who started Terry Taylor and Patrick Hunter at that position last season. Because so the team will need back-up help. Melvin but he has been upgraded to the third cor- Colorito, who was on injured reserve. nerback slot. "Our coaches liked Harper's

together in high school. And Onzy is of mendous character."

The Jets feel that Goss' best playing weight would be around 310 lbs. At one time, Goss weighed more than 400 lbs. "He's a long range projection," Ramos added, "but he has good athletic ability."

Grambling's Johnny Carter is 6-3, 295. "We're looking for size at nose tackle," the Kerry Justin missed the last five games of Broncos' Hawkins said. "As far as ability spot at end, because (Edwards) played both last season, his status for '88 is uncertain, (first round pick) Ted Gregory was our first choice." Carter is also competing against competing against Alonzo Mitz and Dove." Jenkins was the fourth cornerback in '87, incumbent Greg Kragen and back-up Tony

- Gregory D. Clay

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Dr. Walter Reed is the new athletic director at Florida A & M. Reed was athletic director at Jackson State for the last 11 years. He replaces Nelson Townsend who became athletic director at State University of New York - Buffalo last December.

"It was a semi-tough decision for me," said Reed, a Jackson State alumnus who has worked at his alma mater for 15 1/2 years. "When I take a look at what's best for Walter Reed and his family, that makes it a lot easier than it normally would have been."

Reed's move will reunite him with his daughter, Kathy, who is completing her first year in Florida A & M's physical therapy program.

Reed's hiring is effective July 1. Meanwhile, assistant athletic director Paul Covington, former men's basketbal coach, football coach W.C. Gorden, baseball coach Robert Draddy, and track coach Martin Epps have been mentioned as possible replacements for Reed....

In last month's issue, the Black College Sports Information Directors Association SID Of The Year was incorrectly identified as Maxine Brown of Delaware State. Maxine Lewis of Del State won that award.....

The honors keep coming for Washington Redskins quarterback Doug Williams, MVP of Super Bowl XXII. Grambling State, Williams' alma mater, awarded him with an honorary law degree during spring commencement exercises. Williams was an All-American at GSU and graduated in 1977. He is a major contributor to the university foundation and frequently helps the school's football team during spring

Savannah State is in jeopardy of being dropped from **Maxine Lewis** NCAA Division II. The NCAA has given Savannah State, a member of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, one year to bring its athletic program up to Division II standards.

The reason for the action involves the school's women's tennis team. In order to comply with NCAA guidelines, a Division II school must have five participants on a team and play at least 10 matches. The Lady Tigers had two members and they played

As a result, no Savannah State team will be eligible for NCAA championships. Ath- and president, Art Modell. "First, the letes may still compete for individual national championships. The restriction, the sec- coach has an opportunity to work within ond in five years for SSC, is effective Sept. 1. The school was placed on restriction in the professional ranks of the National 1983-84 for non-compliance in cross-country and tennis....

Grambling State's Eddie Robinson, the winningest football coach in NCAA histo- NFL exposure to the vast coaching talry, was among nine people honored on May 20 at the Horatio Alger Awards Dinner in ent in the college community." Washington, D.C. The awards honor distinguished Americans who have risen to prominence from humble beginnings.....

Leonard Jones, the starting center for Morris Brown, says that losing his right leg in the Browns' training camp at Lakewon't end his college football career.

Jones' leg was amputated after he was struck by a car last month. Following a team July 18 through Aug. 12. "I am deeply meeting, Jones, a sophomore, was standing on a corner near MBC in a driving rain honored that Marty (Schottenheimer, while waiting for a traffic light to change. Two cars collided on the slick pavement and Cleveland's head coach) has asked me the impact of the crash sent one of the autos hurtling towards Jones, causing him to be to come to the Browns' training camp 1967 and was traded to Miami in 1970. pinned under one of the cars. He was rushed to an Atlanta hospital where his right leg and work with the offensive line," said was amputated above the knee.

A little more than a month after the accident, Jones' coaches and teammates are eagerly anticipating his return to the team this fall.

"I understand he can be fitted with an artificial leg that makes it possible (for him to ored and durable offensive linemen in play. "I admired his playing style and play)," said Greg Thompson, MBC coach. "Knowing the kind of kid he is, I'm sure that if anybody can do it, he can."

Southern University has won the Southwestern Athletic Conference's C.D. Henry All-Sports Award for the fifth time in six years.

The award is given annually to the school that accumulates the most points accord- Little's career. The six-time All-Pro was ing to final team standings in each of the eight men's sports contested in the SWAC. voted AFC Offensive Lineman Of The 1980 and became head coach at Southern, which had 65.5 points, won conference championships in baseball, basket- Year three times (1971, '72, '73) and Bethune-Cookman in 1983. In 1984, he ball, and golf. The Jaguars were second in football, tennis, and indoor track. They were made the Pro Bowl team five straight led the Wildcats to their first ever third in outdoor track and fifth in cross-country.

"Pride is back in our program," said athletic director Marino H. Casem.

Texas Southern finished second in the all-sports competition with 55.5 points, followed by Jackson State (55), Grambling (51.5), Alcorn State (38.5), Mississippi Valley State and Prairie View (34 each) and Alabama State (24).

Close but no cigar for Hampton's tennis squad

for the Hampton University tennis team as ruled singles play, getting victories in the they were defeated by Chapman College top four positions. The Panthers clinched Tennis Championships at Rohnert Park, no. 1 doubles. Miles Walker and Oliver

Chapman foiled the Pirates' plans for a bles matches were called. national championship. Entering the tour- In spite of losing the team title, the nament, Hampton was 27-0 and ranked tournament did produce some bright number one in the division. This was moments for HU. Islam Ul-Haq and HU's third time to the NCAA finals in Yakubu Suleiman, both unseeded, scored four years.

a 5-3, come- from- behind victory over for Hampton. Even when the Pirates won sixth-ranked Southern Illinois at the team title in 1976, they didn't place Edwardsville. Coach Robert Screen's any singles players in the top four of the troops then proceeded to win decisive finals. matches in the no. 5 and no. 6 singles matches along with getting the winning point in the no. 3 doubles to defeat Cal Poly-Pamona, 5-2 in the semi-finals.

In the finals, HU felt it would be fully a strength for the Pirates all season. Chap- Rollins College.

A perfect season ended on a down note man, however, had other plans. They in the finals of the NCAA Division II the match with a straight-sets win in the Amerlinck defeated Luis Nascimento and It was the second time in two years that Flavio Lima, 6-1, 6-3, and the final dou-

victories to advance to the final four of The Pirates opened the tournament with the singles competition. This was a first

Suleiman and Ul-Haq dropped their singles matches in that round. HU's no. 1 doubles team of Nascimento and Lima finished second in their doubles match-up served by its roster depth, which has been against Robert Green and Barry Pelts of

Little awarded Browns' coaching fellowship

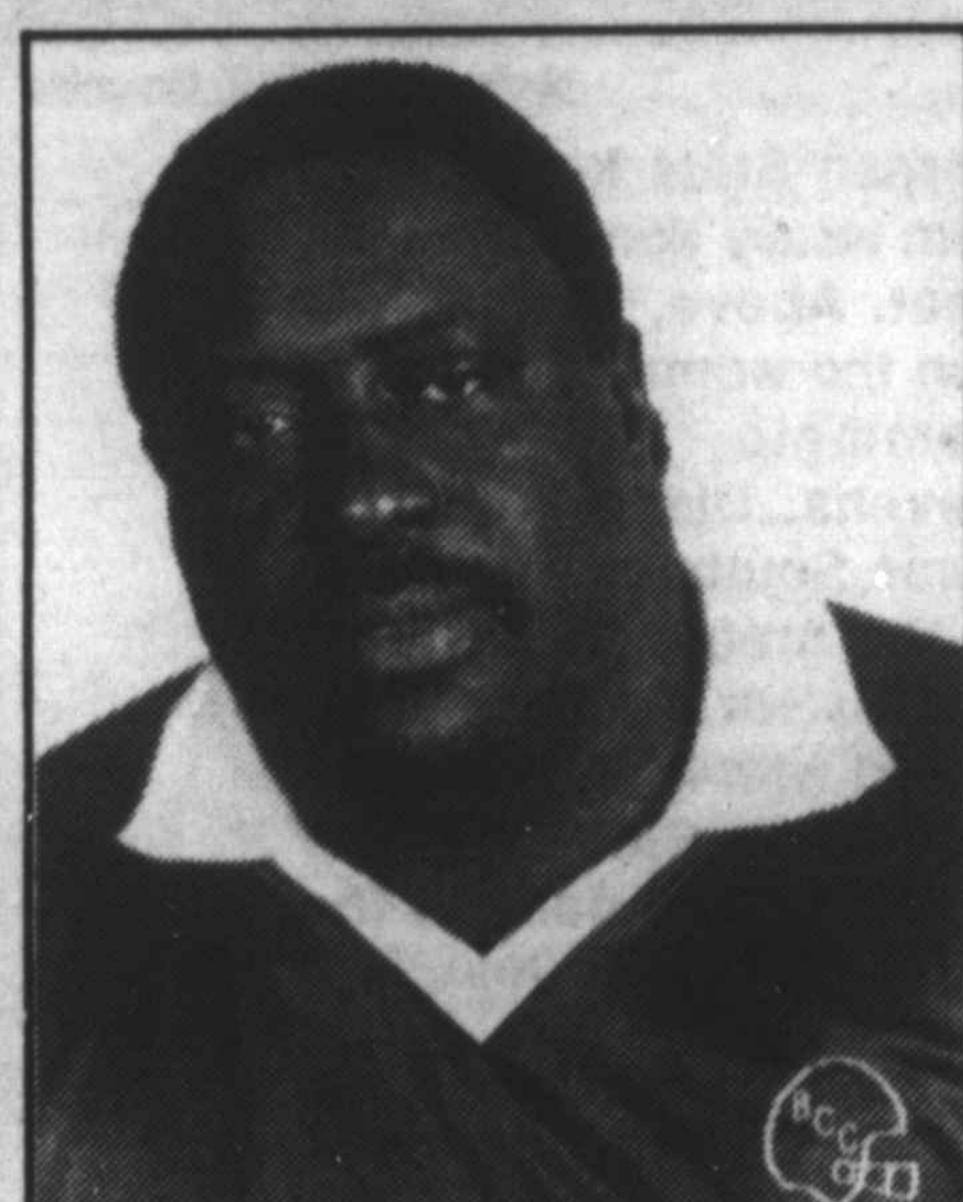
Larry Little, head football coach at Bethune-Cookman College has been awarded the 1988 Cleveland Browns' Coaching Fellowship.

"The benefits of this minority program are enjoyed by both the coach and the organization," said Browns' owner Football League. Secondly, it provides

The Wildcats' coach will participate land Community College (Fla.) from Little. "I am very elated."

pro football history during his 14 -year work ethic. Now I know him as a top in three Super Bowls. The Dolphins camp." won two world championships during years. He was also inducted into the MEAC championship and was chosen Florida Sportswriters' Hall Of Fame.

Little, who started 175 of 198 NFL also voted coach of the year by the games, entered the league as a free Pigskin Club in Washington, D.C. and agent with the San Diego Chargers in the 100% Wrong Club of Atlanta.



Larry Little

"I have known Larry a long time," said Schottenheimer. "I first knew him as an opposing player with the Dol-Little became one of the most hon- phins and then as a coach watching him NFL career. For 10 seasons, he cap- notch college head coach. Larry will be tained the Miami Dolphins and played involved in all aspects of our training

> Little retired from pro football in MEAC Coach Of The Year. He was