

Steelers wary of resurgent Colts

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PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers are well aware that the Baltimore Colts are not being called the Colts anymore. "They simply have good people playing good football," Noll said of Sunday's opponents. "All I know is that they're tougher than hell."

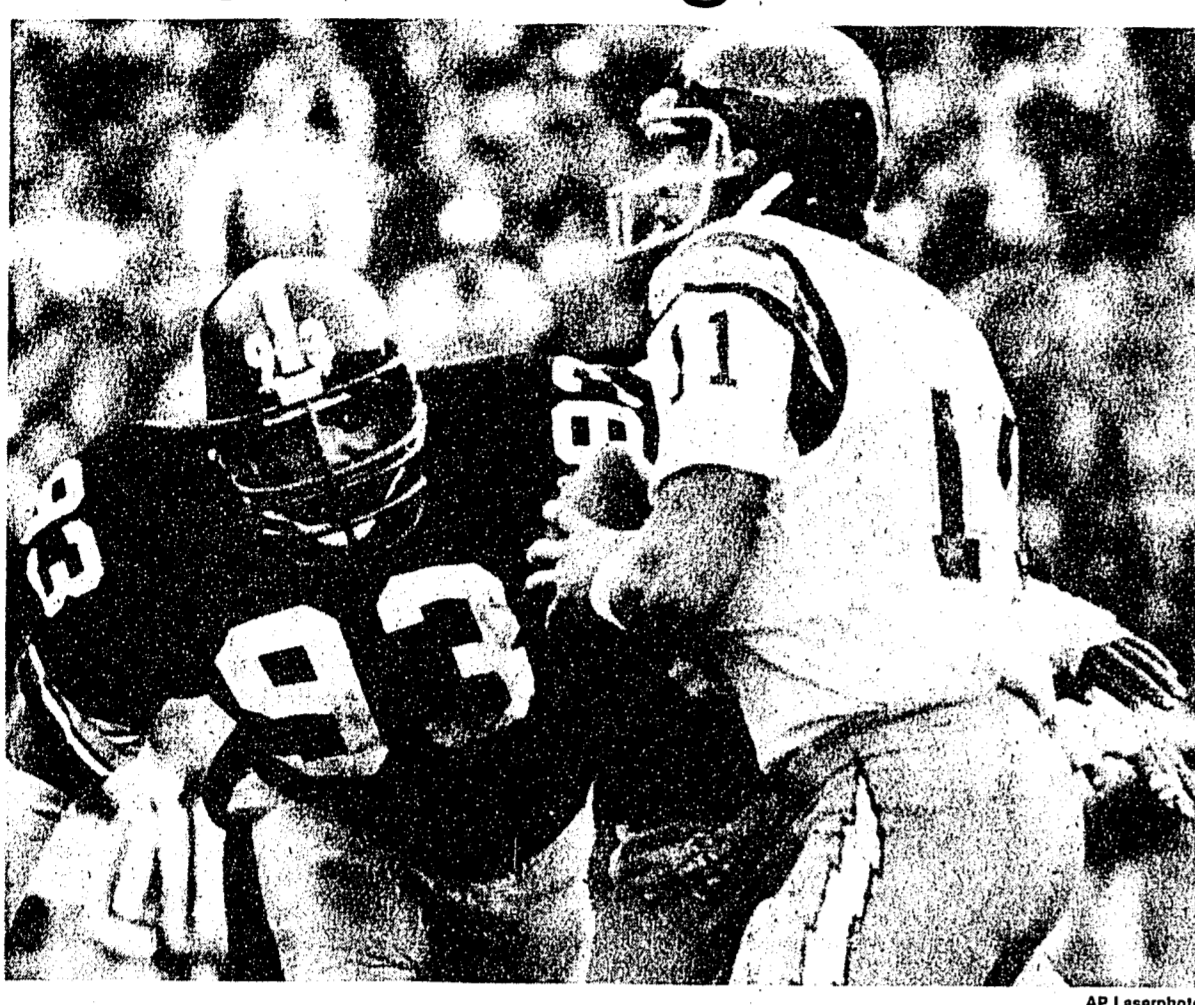
It took Baltimore until December to win a game last season, but now the resurgent Colts are 6-4 and just a game out of the lead in the American Conference East division.

A victory Sunday over the Steelers, whose 8-2 record is the AFC's best, would bring even more momentum to a team tagged with the Colts nickname by frustrated fans last season.

"They're a coming football team," said Steelers Coach Chuck Noll. "They're playing very well and their running game is really doing well. Their offensive line has improved considerably."

Baltimore running backs Curtis Dickey and Randy McMillan are "tough and strong," he said. Noll said an important reason for Baltimore's transition is the play of rookie offensive guard Chris Ely, acquired in the John Elway trade with the Denver Broncos.

"He blows you out of there who aren't normally blown out of there," Noll said. Another reason is an improved kicking game with punter Ron Stark and place kicker Raul Allegre, he said.



Pittsburgh Steeler Keith Willis (93) gets ready to sack San Diego Chargers quarterback Ed Luther during their third quarter action Sunday in Pittsburgh. The Steelers are wary of their upcoming game with the resurgent Baltimore Colts.

Las Cowboys, has become the second leading scorer in the AFC, trailing only Steelers' kicker Gary Anderson.

Noll also is impressed with second-year quarterback Mike Phipps, who played under Colts Coach

Frank Kush while both were at Arizona State. "He hasn't been rattled yet from what we've seen," he said. "He's a good athlete with good scrambling ability. We thought he improved a lot as a rookie last year."

The Steelers were an unknown quantity as this season began, even though they made the playoffs with a 6-3 record in 1982. But few pegged the Colts, 0-6-1 a season ago, as contenders in a division with the Miami Dolphins and New York Jets.

sports briefs

Hollenbeck leads Lion fencers at Temple

Several members of the men's fencing team turned in fine performances last Sunday at the Temple Open. The match, which was not team-scored, attracted about 20 different collegiate teams from the northeast.

Scott Hollenbeck captured first-place in the epee division. Penn State placed three fencers in the top eight. Al Clarke took second, John Papp finished fourth and team captain Jeff

Brown copped eighth place in the foil division. In the sabre division, six Lions returned in noteworthy efforts. Brian Keane led Penn State with a second place finish, while Chris Fowlkes took fourth. Bruce Capin, John Ellis, Rich Hauer and Paul Wharton captured sixth, seventh, ninth and 11th places respectively.

Holmes upset with Arum over tickets

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Larry Holmes understands that Marvellous Marvin Hagler and Roberto Duran are the center of attention, but he is peeved by what he feels to be discourteous treatment by promoter Bob Arum.

The World Boxing Council champion, who is training here for his fight against Marvin Frazier, Nov. 25, asked for 20 tickets to the Hagler-Duran battle for the undisputed mid-

dweight title tomorrow night at Caesars Palace. Holmes said Caesars Palace had offered him four tickets, but he refused to give him any. Asked yesterday about Holmes' request, Arum thundered, "What is he, crazy. Does Larry Holmes fight for me for nothing. That's my business, selling tickets. What am I, crazy."

Pitt looks to locally televise game with Lions

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The University of Pittsburgh is seeking NCAA permission to locally televise its sold-out football game against Penn State on Saturday, Nov. 19.

Over 60,000 tickets, including standing-room, have been sold for the Penn State game in 56,000-seat Pitt Stadium. The game will not be telecast either regionally or nationally by either ABC or CBS because Penn State, under NCAA regulations, has applied the maximum number of times allowable on both networks.

Pitt has applied to the National Collegiate Athletic Association for permission to locally televise the game on WTAE-TV in Pittsburgh.

The NCAA requires that all college football games within 120 miles of Pittsburgh be sold out before the Pitt-Penn State game can be on television. "There are several rules and regulations which must be waived by the NCAA," said Dean Billick, Pitt's assistant athletic director. "We've made the application and we're hopeful we'll get clearance. We'd like all the fans in the Pittsburgh area to see the game."

scoreboard

college football poll

Rank	Team	Points
1	Nebraska (8)	100.0
2	Texas (7)	80.0
3	Auburn	81.0
4	Georgia	80.1
5	Illinois	81.0
6	Miami, Fla.	81.0
7	Ohio State	81.0
8	Michigan	81.0
9	North Carolina	81.0
10	Wisconsin	81.0
11	Michigan State	81.0
12	Florida	81.0
13	Alabama	81.0
14	Arkansas	81.0
15	Washington	81.0
16	Minnesota	81.0
17	Oregon	81.0
18	Stanford	81.0
19	California	81.0
20	Pittsburgh	72.0

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	4	1	.800	—
Buffalo	3	2	.600	1
New York	3	2	.600	1
Washington	1	4	.200	3

CENTRAL DIVISION

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	3	2	.600	—
Charlotte	2	3	.400	1
Indiana	2	3	.400	1
Chicago	1	3	.250	1 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	2	.667	—
Denver	3	2	.600	1/2
Houston	2	3	.400	1 1/2
San Antonio	2	4	.333	2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	2	5	.286	—
Golden State	3	2	.600	1/2
San Diego	3	2	.600	1/2
Los Angeles	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Seattle	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Phoenix	1	3	.250	2

SMYTH DIVISION

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Edmonton	12	2	.857	—
Calgary	6	8	.429	5 1/2
Vancouver	6	8	.429	5 1/2
Winnipeg	3	11	.214	10 1/2
Los Angeles	3	8	.269	10 1/2

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Time	Home	Visitor
1:00 p.m.	San Antonio 132, Seattle 115	
2:00 p.m.	Milwaukee 87, Atlanta 84	
7:00 p.m.	Portland 122, Phoenix 98	

MONDAY'S GAMES

Time	Home	Visitor
7:00 p.m.	San Diego at Washington, (n)	
8:00 p.m.	Boston at Indiana, (n)	
8:00 p.m.	Kansas City at Chicago, (n)	
8:00 p.m.	Los Angeles at Denver, (n)	
8:00 p.m.	Phoenix at Seattle, (n)	
8:00 p.m.	Atlanta at Golden State, (n)	

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7:00 p.m.	Washington at New Jersey, (n)	
7:00 p.m.	San Antonio at Milwaukee, (n)	
7:00 p.m.	Kansas City at Chicago, (n)	
7:00 p.m.	Dallas at Los Angeles, (n)	

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
East	7	3	.700	21 1/2
West	6	4	.600	22 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
East	9	1	.900	215
West	8	2	.800	224

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7:00 p.m.	Minnesota at New York Jets	
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WIDE WORLD OF FOOTBALL

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
East	9	1	.900	310
West	8	2	.800	324

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