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Bills Sign Harmon

Ronnie Harmon, who rushed for 2,442 yards and 22 touchdowns during his four seasons at **Iowa** and starred at Bayside High School in Queens before that, has signed a series of one-year contracts with the Buffalo Bills. The 22-year-old Harmon was the first of Buffalo's two first-round draft choices. . . . The Chicago Bears signed their first-round choice, Neal Anderson of Florida, a running back.



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Gaylord Perry

General Manager Jerry Vainisi also said he was close to signing **Todd Bell**, the safety who missed all of last season in a contract dispute. . . . **Tim Green**, the Syracuse linebacker who was a first-round choice of the Atlanta Falcons, has agreed on a con-

tract and was expected to report to camp tomorrow. . . . The Falcons acquired **Ed Luther**, a quarterback, from the San Diego Chargers in exchange for **Ronnie Washington**, a linebacker. Luther, a fourth-round choice of the Chargers in 1980, left the team after the 1984 season and signed with Jacksonville of the United States Football League. . . . **Steve Nelson**, a Pro Bowl inside linebacker for the last two seasons, ended a 26-day hold-out by signing a contract for at least two years with the New England Patriots.

Tar Heel Ineligible

Kevin Madden, the University of North Carolina sophomore who was counted on to fill the void at small forward left by the graduation of Steve Hale, has been declared ineligible for next season. Madden did not comply with National Collegiate Athletic Association academic guidelines, according to Dean Smith. The Tar Heel coach said Madden needs to demon-

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