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Former CU assistant Ambrose to coach against Buffs

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Saw in the small type on the scoreboard page of this morning's edition of The Denver Post's that former CU defensive backs coach Ashley Ambrose landed a job with the University of California to coach the Bears' DBs.

Ambrose, 40, played 13 seasons in the NFL and was named AFC defensive back of the year with the Cincinnati Bengals in 1996.

I thought Ambrose might be retained by new CU coach Jon Embree, who made it clear that he liked having former pros on his staff. And Ambrose, a New Orleans native, was regarded as a strong recruiter.

But when it became known that new CU defensive coordinator Greg Brown would also be the position coach for the Buffs' defensive backs, it was clear that Ambrose would be let go. Ambrose served as CU's defensive technical intern in 2008 and 2009 before being elevated to full-time assistant coach in 2010.

Before departing, Ambrose told me that he and his family absolutely loved living in Colorado and he will always have a soft spot for CU for giving him a start in the coaching profession. He said he looks up to Greg Brown as much as anybody in the business.

Also buried in small type in "transactions" on the Post's scoreboard page was news that former CU tight end Riar Geer, who was on the Broncos' practice squad in 2010, has signed a futures contract with the Tennessee Titans.

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