The Sports Highlights

Redskins' Sternest Test May Be Pleasantville

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Football is as unpredictable as an over-indulgent blonde at a cocktail party. You never know what to expect, when anything will happen or how.

For instance, it is within the confines of the possible that Pennsbury will beat Neshaminy this Friday night. But no sane man would bet on such an improbable occurrence no matter how pleasant the odds appear.

On the basis of form, which sometimes like "Mr. Hulot" takes a holiday, Neshaminy High School's football forces will not be tested until Friday night, Nov. 19.

On that evening, which probably will be cold and raw, Neshaminy plays at Pleasantville, N. J. barring a tidal wave from the nearby Atlantic Ocean. For those unfamiliar with schoolboy gridiron affairs, Pleasantville has quite a ball club.

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It behooves this individual to travel over 100 miles to see two school football teams play. Even worse, we consider it tantamount to treason to watch night football games after the month of October and wonder where school administrators hide their brain matter when allowing such things to happen.

This forthcoming game, however, is something special and barring a blizzard it might be worth going a great distance to witness.

Pleasantville is the strongest club, with the possible exception of Bensalem, on the Neshaminy schedule. Although they lost last week to undefeated Millville, which is one of the best clubs in the entire East, the Shore eleven packs plenty of power.

Early this season Pleasantville hung one on Atlantic City by a 19-0 count. Atlantic City, in turn, rapped Olney, 12-6, and Southern, 38-18. Both losers are fairly good Philadelphia Public High League

representatives.

There is no doubt that Pleasantville is playing stronger opposition than Neshaminy. The loss to Millville is not a disgrace inasmuch as Millville has beaten Wilmington Conrad, 26-7; Dobbins, 13-0; Swoyersville, 25-7; Pennsgrove, 20-0; Salem, 38-0, and Pleasantville, 35-13. Last year Swoyersville ranked 22d in Pennsylvania scholastic ranks.

In view of the fact that Pleasantville is so strong it may be a good thing that Neshaminy is playing them so late in the season. The tilt was to have been held last month but was postponed due to a sudden outbreak of polio.

This one, and the finale against Bensalem, will be worth watching. Coach Harry Franks wants Pleasantville dangling from the Redskins'

scalp belt very badly.

Is there a possibility that Neshaminy will want Pleasantville so desperately that they will overlook their game one week later against Bensalem? Could it be that physical damage will spoil their title bid? This is possible, but you can never accuse the Redskins of playing "chicken."

FRIDAY NIGHT

Neshaminy at Pennsbury (At Morrisville)

SATURDAY AFTERNOON Bensalem at Bristol

Delhaas at Southampton Morrisville at Council Rock Haverford B at George