

Neshaminy Rallies 'Cuskie's Most Wa

Sub QB Stars In 26-7 Win Over Wilson

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STATISTICS		N	W
First downs		9	5
Yards rushing		120	75
Passes attempted		5	16
Passes completed		3	3
Passes intercepted by		4	0
Yards passing		29	40
Net yards		149	115
Points		4	4
Punting average		35.3	32
Fumbles recovered by		0	2
Yards penalized		30	30

Almost! But not quite. Woodrow Wilson's tired - up gridgers almost blighted Neshaminy coach John Petercuskie's desire "to win my most wanted game" last night by holding a 7-0 lead two-thirds of the way into the third quarter.

With over 9,000 fans at the Wilson field awed at the upset-in-the-making, Neshaminy exploded suddenly. Four quick TD's and Neshaminy had itself a come-from-behind 26-7 triumph.

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Neshaminy's Jimmy Colbert (35) walks slowly to the locker room at the half. Colbert, the Redskin quarterback, was then taken to the hospital but later released. He has a muscle strain in the thigh. (Courier-Times Sports Photo by Alex Zidock)

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"I hate to see John (Petercuskie) giving up coaching. He's been good for the area and it's a loss to have him go regardless of who replaces him."

The speaker was Lou Sorrentino, head football coach at Woodrow Wilson High, after his team had dropped a 26-7 game to Petercuskie's Neshaminy squad last night. "Naturally, I want to beat him. But when I lose, I know I've lost to one of the best. He's a top coach. He's honest and he always plays fair."

If it's any consolation to Sorrentino, his boys scored more points against the Redskins last night than any other Wilson team. In six previous outings the Rams have lost to the Langhorne team, 8-2, 20-6, 53-6, 54-0, 40-0, and 59-0.

For the first half, the Rams played inspired ball. It was obvious they were up for the game and they showed it in their smashing defensive play.

Led by John Little, Jerry Kladi, Tom Zefferi, Rich Clark, Rich Banyas and Vince Scaccia, Wilson held the Neshaminy offense to 30 yards in the first two periods.

The second half was a different story. The desire was still there but the results were different as the Neshaminy team took advantage of the Ram mistakes.

Sorrentino's analysis of the change between the first and second half play supported this. "We did some things wrong and they cost us. Their boys let up a little and that was it."

The Rams opened the game

with a halfback pass play that clicked for six yards as John Rugg pitched out to Rick Lewis who in turn threw to Steve Scott. It looked as if the Bristol Township boys had a good offensive weapon going for them.

This same play, however, cost the Rams six points and possibly 12 before the game was over as Neshaminy picked two of the heaves out of the air.

The first theft came in the second period when Wilson had a first down on the Neshaminy 13 with 53 seconds left. Garry Pasquine intercepted the Lewis pass in the end zone and the Redskins took over on the 20 to kill what might have been a Wilson score.

The second steal resulted in the final Neshaminy touchdown. This time Tommy Thompson picked out another Lewis heave on the Redskin 35 and raced across for the TD.

Wilson officials wanted the public to know that private persons charging parking fees were not affiliated with the school. Wilson does not charge for parking at any athletic events.

H.S. Scores

Friday's Scholastic Football
Central 45, Gratz 6
Edison 34, Franklin 14
Perkiomen 20, Friends Central 0
Darryl-Cowlyn 62, Conshohocken 0
Carlisle 40, Central Dauphin East 7
Reading 26, Central Dauphin 7
Bethlehem Catholic 7, Marian Catholic 0
Hakely 13, West Scranton 2
Neshaminy 26, Woodrow Wilson 0
Council Rock 24, Upper Dublin 12
Elizabethin 41, Creswell 0
Donegal 27, Ephrata 13
WPIAL Playoffs
Class A Championship
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Grow Bigger

This looked bigger and bigger, especially with Redskin team leader quarterback Jim Colbert out of the game. He had been injured in the second quarter and been taken to Lower Bucks County Hospital. What appeared to be a serious injury turned out to be a muscle strain of the thigh. After x-rays and an examination, Colbert was sent home.

Junior Ernie Forchetti replaced Colbert and pulled the Redskins from the brink of disaster to a thrilling comeback win.

He led the Petercuskie lads to a 7-7 tie by marshalling a 57-yard drive in 11 plays featured by two passes which he completed, one for 18 yards and another for 11. The latter to Rich McHale scored, and George Nolte's placement kick knotted the count at 7-all.

The next three TD's, which broke open the game, came early in the final quarter.

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1963	9	0	1
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1965	10	0	1
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LOWER BUCKS COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SECTION ONE

Team	Section One Record		Section Two Record		Non-League Record		Overall Record		
	W	L	T	W	L	T	W	L	
x-Neshaminy	3	0	0	0	7	0	10	0	1
Pennsbury	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	2	2
Wilson	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	2
Talent	0	2	0	0	1	3	1	3	6
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SECTION TWO

Team	Section Two Record		Section One Record		Non-League Record		Overall Record	
	W	L	T	W	L	T	W	L
x-Bensalem	4	0	0	0	2	0	6	0
Bristol	2	1	0	0	2	0	4	1
Council Rock	2	2	0	0	4	0	4	2
Morrisville	1	2	0	0	1	1	2	3
Lower Merionland	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	4
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INDEPENDENT

Team	Phia. Cath. North. Div. Record		Pain-Jersey Conference Record		Overall Record	
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bishop Egan	6	0	0	0	6	0
George School	3	2	0	0	3	2
Arch. Wood	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Little Rollie Clark, Wilson's 5-4, 143-pound halfback, dashes seven yards to score in second period against Neshaminy. Neshaminy's Harry Hoffman (54) is too late to grab Clark. Neshaminy rallied from a

7-0 deficit to win the 1965 championship of Section One of the Lower Bucks County Football League with a 26-7 triumph. (Courier-Times Sports Photo by Alex Zidock.)

Neshaminy Rallies To Win

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other two on interceptions, one brought back to the six-yard stripe for a setup while the other returned to the end zone for a score.

Another interception by the alert Redskin defense, just two

plays before the contest ended, halted a determined Wilson drive after the Rams reached the foe's four-yard line.

Neshaminy totaled nine first downs and spread them over all four periods while Wilson notched five, two in the second period and the other three in the last quarter.

The Redskin defense contained the Wilson ground game in three periods as the Rams netted nothing in the first, minus four yards in the third and only 13 in the final.

The Wilson lads mustered 66 yards on rushing in the second period which was featured by a 34-yard dash by Jack Jakobik who was felled from behind at the 13 on a great tackle by Gerry Barr.

Neshaminy only netted 30 yards on the ground in the opening half, then added 90 more in the remaining time.

Wilson took advantage of a break late in the second quarter. John Little covered a fumble on the Redskin 20. Four plays later Rollie Clark banged

through the line for seven yards and a TD. Jakobik's plunge gave Wilson its 7-0 lead. There was still 4:39 of the period to play.

Neshaminy knotted the count with 3:58 remaining in the third. After only 2:22 was gone in the fourth Neshaminy was on "victory road" as Forchetti sneaked over. Then in three minutes the winners tallied two more times.

Fred Conger's interception and runback, plus a personal foul penalty, put it to the six. It took three lunges and a four-

yard burst by Barr to tally. Two plays after the ensuing kickoff, Tom Thompson intercepted a pass and logged it some 35 yards to paydirt.

Half a dozen Wilson boys stood out defensively. As usual, Vince Scancella led the tackling with 12 stops while Rick Lewis had eight, six of them were big one out in the open to half-punctual scoring chances.

Rich Banyas latched on to nine tackles, Tom Porter had eight while Tom Zefferi and Little divided 14.

The stickouts on Neshaminy's defense were headed by Steve Whitehurst who was credited with nine stops of his own. Thompson, McHale and Harry Hoffman divided 18 one-man tackles. Nolte and Bob Rotolo also were defensive standouts.

Barr was the workhorse for the Redskins as he carried the oval 21 times in their 48 running plays. Jakobik was called on mostly by the Rams for ground plays.

In addition to Jakobik's 34-yard sprint, the longest runs of the evening were 18 and 14, both by Neshaminy's Rotolo.

Bret Wins Messenger

WESTBURY, N.Y. (AP) — A decade ago it was Adios Harry, then it was Bye Bye Byrd and Adios Butler. Now it's Bret Hanover who is being hailed as the greatest pacer in harness racing.

The 3-year-old colt by Adios-Brenna Hanover out of Tar Heel demonstrated why Friday night by taking the \$151,242 Messenger Stakes at Roosevelt Raceway. It was his 45th victory in 48 starts, assuring him the 1965 3-year-old pacing championship and made it almost certain he again will be the harness horse of the year.

"The big bum," as trainer-driver Frank Ervin affectionately refers to the colt, took down Horse of the Year honors in 1964 when he was unbeaten in 24 starts.

This year he extended the winning streak to 35 straight before losing by a neck to Adios Vic on a one-mile track. He finished second twice more to Adios Vic also on a mile track but is unbeaten on a half-mile track.

Bret boosted his total earnings to \$514,271 with first purse money of \$75,626. He is the first standardbred to win more than \$500,000 as a 3-year-old pacer.

Bret went off the 1-5 favorite and paid \$2.40, \$2.20 and \$2.20 after doing the mile in 2:02. Tuxedo Hanover returned \$2.20 and \$2.20 as did Rivaltime who finished third another 3½ lengths back.

Tennent To Name Field After Lodge

William Tennent High School will name its football field after Claude W. Lodge, former teacher, coach, athletic director and administration at the high school.

The field will be known as Lodge Field. Dedication ceremonies will be held prior to the Thanksgiving Day football game with Council Rock. The game is slated to start at 2 p.m., with the ceremonies scheduled for 15 minutes earlier.

Lodge coached many sports at Tennent and served as athletic director until he resigned from the school faculty two years ago.

Mahoney Sets C-C Record

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The annual Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Conference cross country championship has been won by St. Joseph's College in the university division team competition. Bill Mahoney, won the individual sophomore contest in record-breaking time.

Mahoney, of Cornwallis Heights, is the former Bensalem High cross-country and track star.

Mahoney, last year conference freshman champion, ran the five-mile course Friday in 26:56.6. His performance smashed the old record of 27:41.2 set by defending champion Pete Dougherty of Lasalle, who finished second.

The championship runs, held at Fairmount Park, saw St. Joseph's snap the two-year-conference title reign of Lasalle with its 48 point total. Temple was second with 59 points, trailed by Lasalle with 64.

The Hawks won by bunching their five hurriers in the first 15 finishers, though they didn't finish a man higher than fourth.

Last year's college division team champion, West Chester, completed in the university division this year and finished sixth.

NESHAMINY (24)
ENDS: H. McHale, A. McHale, G. Vukobratovic, Scanzella, Nolte.
TACKLES: Geyer, Ivins, Bryan, Whitehurst, P. Voburich, Sauerbray, Elawick.
GUARDS: Swenson, Spadaccino, Hoffman, Woodruff, Lobley, Whiteman, Chychola, Schmidt, Keich, Conger.
CENTERS: Walker, Dulak.
BACKS: Cunningham, Thompson, Danz, Marlon, Colbert, Munkel, Pecune, Forchetti, Rotolo, Pasquine, Rakitt, Jay, Barr, Settles.

WILSON (7)
ENDS: Kennedy, Little, Jakubowicz, Stamp.
TACKLES: Zefferi, Urban.
GUARDS: Hunter, Eysenbach, Sannell, Marlon, Colbert, Munkel, Pecune.
CENTERS: Johnston.
BACKS: Ruzik, Lewis, Clark, Jakobik, Hinds, Scott, Porter, Banyas, Moretti.

SCORE BY PERIODS
Neshaminy 0 7 0 16-26
Wilson 0 0 0 7-7

SCORING
SECOND: ————
Wilson ———— Clark 7 run (Jakobik run).
THIRD: ————
Neshaminy — McHale 11 pass (from Forchetti) (Nolte, kick).
FOURTH: ————
Neshaminy — Frochetti 1 run (Nolte, kick); Neshaminy — Barr 4 run (kick failed); Neshaminy — Thompson 31 interception return (kick failed).

OFFICIALS
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Petercusk, who compiled a 59-1-5 mark in six seasons, clutched the game ball and spoke freely after the contest. "It was a good game.

They (Wilson) were tough. But everything was hard earned. It was our toughest game, and I don't mean to take anything away from some of the other teams we played this year.

"We came back but it looked bad at the half. Rotolo ran well in the second half but all of our backs had some clutch plays. And I can't forget the defense. They were terrific.

Petercusk said he felt Neshaminy gave Wilson a "break" for its touchdown. "Someone wasn't in the right spot when Colbert pitched the ball back on an option and they recovered the ball. But they can't help making mistakes."

Wilson gained possession on the 20-yard line and took a 7-0 lead on a touchdown run four plays later by Rollie Clark and an extra point run by Jack Jakobik.

Fred Conger, Neshaminy's 6-0, 195-pound guard and linebacker, intercepted a pass in the fourth period and ran it back from the 21 to the six-yard line, bouncing off tackle after tackling before hitting the turf.

"I wanted a touchdown. I could smell the goal line," he said on the bus later and then

added, "And don't forget, Colbert should be All-State. He's great."

Gerry Barr did a lot of ball carrying for the 'Skins and also scored on a four-yard stab in the fourth period. "Oub blocking was great. The line was just great," he exclaimed as Neshaminy's score was mounting as time was running out.

Sports On Television

SATURDAY

- Channels 3, 4 College Football - Harvard vs. Yale 1 p.m.
- Channel 11 Football Highlights 1:30 p.m.
- Channel 6 College Football - Temple vs. Hofstra 1:30 p.m.
- Channel 10 Football Preview: of NFL games 4 p.m.
- Channel 6 Horse Racing: The Queens County Handicap \$50,000 added 4:30 p.m.
- Channel 9 Bowling 5 p.m.
- Channels 6, 7 Rocketry, Boxing 5 p.m.
- Channel 4 Bicycle Race: The Tour de France 5:30 p.m.
- Channel 6 Horse Racing: The Garden State \$125,000 added 6:30 p.m.
- Channel 5 Wrestling: 8 p.m.
- Channel 17-Pro Basketball-Baltimore Bullets vs. 76ers 8:25 p.m.
- Channels 9, 48 Ice Hockey - Rangers vs. Canadiens 9 p.m.
- Channel 17 College Football - Penn State vs. Pittsburgh 11 p.m.
- Channels 11, 48 College Football: Dartmouth vs. Princeton 11 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Channel 48 College Football - Michigan State vs. Notre Dame 9 a.m.
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- Channel 11 College Football - Michigan State vs. Notre Dame 12:30 p.m.
- Channel 6 High School Football - Abington vs. Cheltenham 12:30 p.m.
- Channel 3 Pro Football - Oilers vs. Jets 1 p.m.
- Channel 2 Pro Football - Giants vs. Cardinals 1:45 p.m.
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- Channel 11 Canadian Football - Second of two play-off games 9:30 p.m.

TO SHOW FILMS

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0 0 1	1 3 0	1 3 1

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Yards penalized	20	20

Almost! But not quite. Woodrow Wilson's fired-up gridgers almost blighted Neshaminy coach John Petercuskie's desire "to win my most wanted game" last night by holding a 7-0 lead two-thirds of the way into the third quarter.

With over 9,000 fans at the Wilson field awed at the upset-in-the-making, Neshaminy exploded suddenly! Four quick TD's and Neshaminy had itself a come-from-behind 26-7 triumph.

The Redskins victory was the 51st consecutive without a defeat and marked the last game in which Petercuskie will be at the helm of the Neshaminy gridgers. The "all-winning" coach announced his retirement at the end of this season in a statement earlier this year.

The triumph gives Neshaminy the Lower Bucks County Section One championship with a 3-0-0 mark (10-0-1 overall). Coach Lou Sorrentino's Golden Rams could have taken the Section One title with a victory but had to settle for a 1-1-1 record (5-2-3 overall).

Desire Fulfilled

After the game, Petercuskie (hugging the game ball) said, "This is the one I wanted to



Neshaminy High School finished its football season with a 10-0-1 record last night by whipping Levittown's Woodrow Wilson, 26-7. Neshaminy won the Section One championship of the Lower Bucks County Football League and the Big Six Football League title. Happy players hang out the windows of a Neshaminy bus

while the coaches get together as Head Coach John Petercuskie (center) holds the game ball. From left are Joe Greytok, Pete Cordelli, Petercuskie, Jack Swartz, Bobby Hart, Hank Tracy, a teacher, and Dick Smith. (Courier-Times Sports Photo by Alex Zidock)

Report From Redskins' Camp:

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