

10,000 See Egan Beat Neshaminy In Grid Opener

Bishop Egan High School's defending Catholic League and City football champions ushered in Delaware Valley's 1968 football season Friday night with a 13-0 victory over Neshaminy before 10,000 at Langhorne.

Neshaminy, entering the third year of an extensive rebuilding program, battled Egan on even terms through a scoreless first half.

But the Eagles pushed across third — and fourth — period touchdowns to register their third straight opening shutout over the Redskins and spoil the head coaching debut of long-time assistant George Swartz.

Neshaminy was strong on defense in the first half, but 165-pound Bob Lamina darted 71 yards off tackle to set up a touchdown in the third quarter. Ed McDowell dove over from the three-yard line with 4:08 of the period remaining.

Having set up the first touchdown, Lamina scored the other on a 46-yard halfback-pass play engineered by McDowell early in the final quarter. Tackle Joe Doherty place-kicked the extra point following this one.

Not until the waning moments could Neshaminy click on offense. The Redskins then drove 56 yards, only to be stopped at Egan's 13. This was Neshaminy's deepest penetration.