

Redskins' Solid Balance Too Much for AHS 20-0

STATISTICS

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| First downs | 8 | 18 |
| Rushing yardage | 61 | 173 |
| Passing yardage | 109 | 120 |
| Passes | 8-26 | 14-19 |
| Passes intercepted by | 0 | 3 |
| Punts | 1-0 | 3-33 |
| Fumbles lost | 3 | 1 |
| Yards penalized | 0 | 75 |

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LANGHORNE — Neshaminy got the kind of help good football teams don't really need and registered a 20-0 Big Seven victory Friday night over Allen.

The Redskins, in winning for the third time since losing their opener, had everything going their way — offensively and defensively — against an Allen team which couldn't get started because of its own mistakes.

Allen, which lost its second straight after a victory, lost the ball three times on fumbles and three more times on pass interceptions. And when a team is forced to play that much defense against a club like Neshaminy, the result is inevitable.

Coach Jack Swartz's team may not be as devastating as the one which went 11-0 a year ago, but Neshaminy gets the job done when it counts. It scored in three different quarters, and none of the touchdown drives was more than 54 yards.

The Redskins went 48 yards after recovering an AHS fumble early in the first quarter; they went 54 yards after a Canary punt netted zero yards in the second period, and they went 32 yards in the fourth quarter when Allen gambled with a pass on fourth down at its own 32.

Joe Sroba, a senior halfback who had a wild day a week ago against Easton, was the mainstay again for Neshaminy. But he had much more trouble solving Allen's defense than he had against the Red Rovers.

The 5-10 180-pounder got just 46 yards on 15 carries, but he also caught seven passes for 68 yards. He scored the first two Redskin touchdowns — one on a pass, the other on a run.

Proof of Neshaminy's ball control was the fact that Allen ran just 42 offensive plays to 69 for the Redskins. Only 16 Canary plays were on the ground — and two of those were 12-yard losses when quarterbacks got hit while trying to throw. Neshaminy, on the other hand, ran 50 plays on the ground.

Ironically, it may have been the pass — not the run — which hurt Allen most. On Neshaminy's first TD drive, which covered nine plays, quarterback Bob Grupp hit on four of five passes. The touchdown came on a third-and-six play when Grupp hit Sroba in the flat, and the shifty back took it in.

For the game, Grupp hit on 14 of 19 passes for 120 yards, and 10 of those completions came on 12 attempts in the first half. Grupp was also effective as a

runner, picking up 53 yards on 11 carries.

Allen's passing game, meanwhile, had its problems. Junior quarterback Mark Smith hit on just eight of 26 attempts for 109 yards. He got off to a good start, hitting five of his first six — the only one he didn't complete was an interception by Neshaminy — but things went downhill from there.

More than once, open Allen receivers dropped the ball on what could have been good gainers. In the fourth quarter, Jeff Ringer, who had scored on a pass last week against Pennsbury, dropped one en route to what could have been a touchdown. In the first quarter Ringer caught a 33-yard pass, but he fumbled on the end of it, and the ball was recovered by the Redskins.

Allen's only punt of the game set up Neshaminy's second touchdown. Sroba scored it on a power play off tackle on a fourth-and-one situation at the Canary 4. Grupp had runs of 11 and 9 yards in that drive.

The final Neshaminy score came with less than five minutes left. Mark Donahue scored it from the 1 on a drive on which he carried the ball the last three times for 15 yards and also caught a crucial fourth-down pass for a 10-yard gain.

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| Allen | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 |
| Neshaminy | 6 | 7 | 0 | 7-20 |
| Nesh—Sroba: 21 pass from Grupp (run failed). | | | | |
| Nesh—Sroba 4, run (Bahr kick). | | | | |
| Nesh—Donahue 1 run (Bahr kick). | | | | |

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Quaker

STATISTICS

| | L | P |
|-----------------------|------|------|
| First downs | 17 | 22 |
| Rushing yardage | 167 | 336 |
| Passing yardage | 77 | 175 |
| Passes | 7-14 | 6-11 |
| Passes intercepted by | 0 | 1 |
| Punts | 3-37 | 1-35 |
| Fumbles lost | 2 | 1 |
| Yards penalized | 19 | 35 |

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PHILADELPHIA — Five different quarterbacks operated with the same successful result for Penn Friday night as it played its first night game in history and whipped Lafayette 55-12.

Coach Harry Gamble's team, which was stung by the Leopards a year ago, scored the first three times it handled the ball to delight a Franklin Field crowd of 15,684.

Veterans Bob Hoffman and Adolph Bellizeare accounted for five of the eight Quaker touchdowns in the biggest Penn romp since it defeated Lafayette 59-0 in 1947. The Quakers have won 14 consecutive opening games.

Hoffman, who carried 13 times for 78 yards, scored on runs of 2, 7 and 2 yards. Bell-