

# Neshaminy Pins Dieruff With 4th Straight Loss

## STATISTICS

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| First downs           | 6    | 13   |
| Rushing yardage       | 117  | 142  |
| Passing yardage       | 22   | 71   |
| Passes                | 18   | 4-10 |
| Passes intercepted by | 0    | 1    |
| Punts                 | 4-38 | 1-38 |
| Fumbles lost          | 1    | 2    |
| Yards penalized       | 15   | 30   |

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LANGHORNE — Neshaminy scored three touchdowns in the second quarter — two in the final 1:06 of the half — Friday night and contended itself with playing defense in the second half as it registered a 28-6 Big Seven victory over Dieruff.

The Redskins, who have won four in a row since losing their opener, had a 28-0 lead at the half; and Dieruff scored once in a driving rain in the third period but couldn't get in again while losing its fourth in as many outings. The start is the worst for the East Siders since 1962, when they dropped their first six games.

Neshaminy, which is unbeaten in the conference, scored its final two touchdowns of the half on first-down plays following Dieruff punts, and each was a different type of play.

Leading 14-0, the Redskins forced Dieruff to punt, and Mark Donahue took the ball at midfield and returned it to the Dieruff 23. On first down, Joe Sroba, finding the middle plugged up, cut to the outside and outraced the secondary into the end zone with 1:06 to play.

Dieruff got nowhere on three plays following the kickoff, and a short punt — just 10 yards — gave Neshaminy possession on the Huskies' 39 with seven seconds left in the half. On the first play, quarterback Bob Grupp found halfback Donahue open and hit him for a touchdown with no time left on the clock.

That touchdown was the second of the game for Donahue. His first came on a three-yard run in the opening period. Neshaminy had taken the opening kickoff and drove 46 yards on 16 plays for that touchdown, eating up nearly seven minutes of the quarter along the way.

Dieruff and Neshaminy traded fumbles before the Redskins struck again. On a third-down play, Ellis Connor picked off a Jim Noti pass on the Dieruff 43, got a key block from tackle Mark Strawbridge and went all the way without being touched.

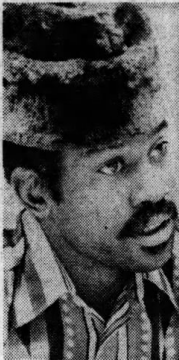
While rain was not a big factor in the first half, it certainly played a role in the second. And

while Neshaminy mounted little offense, Dieruff made its biggest gains.

Luther George recovered a Grupp fumble on the Dieruff 38 to set the state for the Huskies' lone touchdown. Jim Johnson had a 12-yard run, and Mel Riddick picked up 24 yards as Dieruff moved to the Neshaminy 22, where on a fourth-and-two, Noti found Dave Leonard in the flat at the 15, and Leonard took it in easily.

Dieruff's other threat came in the fourth period after it smeared punter Grupp on the Redskins' 35. The Huskies moved to the 10 on eight plays, but on fourth-and-two, John Willis stopped Johnson short of the first down.

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| Dieruff  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0-4 |
| Neshaminy  | 7 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 28  |
| Nesh—Mark Donahue 3, run (Bahr kick).                  |   |    |   |   |     |
| Nesh—Ellis Connor 43, pass interception (Bahr kick).   |   |    |   |   |     |
| Nesh—Joe Sroba 23, run (Bahr kick).                    |   |    |   |   |     |
| Nesh—Donahue 39, pass from Bob Grupp (Bahr kick).      |   |    |   |   |     |
| Die—Dave Leonard 22, pass from Jim Noti (pass failed). |   |    |   |   |     |



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KAREEM ABDUL-JABBAR

## Jabbar Picked Up, Freed In Marijuana-Related Case

DENVER (AP) — The Denver district attorney said late Friday that Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, the star player of pro basketball's Milwaukee Bucks, will not be charged in connection with a marijuana arrest.

Dist. Atty. Jarvis Secombe said neither Abdul-Jabbar nor Mordecai Cooke, 23, of Seattle, two of four men arrested by police who stopped a car in downtown Denver on a routine traffic check, would be charged.

"The investigation is continuing," Secombe said, on the other two men, Lucius Allen, also a member of the National Basketball Association team, and Stephen Duncan, 23, of Columbia, Mo.

The district attorney's decision came nearly eight hours after Abdul-Jabbar, who as Lew Alcindor was an All-American basketball player at UCLA, and Allen posted \$200 bonds each.

Secombe said the cases of Abdul-Jabbar and Cooke were "presented to me today and I'm not going to file charges because of insufficient evidence of any crime."

He said that Duncan was under investigation for possession of marijuana, amphetamines and LSD. Allen is being investigated only for possession of marijuana.

Denver police said a substance suspected as marijuana was discovered when two uniformed officers stopped the car containing the four. The quartet was taken into custody under a law which makes the possession of one-half ounce or less of marijuana a misdemeanor on the first offense.

Jabbar, 25, and Allen, 26, were in Denver with their team, which played an exhibition game Thursday night with the Denver Rockets of the American Basketball Association. The arrests were made about 3 a.m. Friday.

Secombe said the suspected marijuana, as well as amphetamines and LSD, "were tested today and proved positive."

The district attorney said he had sent a letter to police "asking that the bonds be released" on Abdul-Jabbar and Cooke.

Cooke and Duncan had each

posted \$200 bonds and had been released along with the two basketball players.

Under Colorado law, a district attorney has the power to accept for prosecution cases presented to him by arresting officers.

Allen has been arrested twice before on similar charges in Los Angeles.

Wayne Embry, general manager of the Bucks, said he didn't know enough about the incident to say what affect it would have on the players' status.

He added, however, that it was his understanding that Jabbar's religion prohibits smoking of any kind.

"The only thing we know is that they were picked up," Embry said at Stapleton International Airport Friday as the team prepared to board a commercial flight to return to Milwaukee.

"They have not been proven guilty of anything.

"Our attorneys have everything under control and they have advised us to make no comment of any kind."