

Egan Rips Neshan



Redskins Lose First Game Since

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Neshaminy High School's iron-clad grip on football victories has been busted wide open.

Power-laden Bishop Egan Catholic High School, clearly on a mission from the bell, unleashed a bruising land-air attack

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which swept Neshaminy to a crushing 41-0 defeat last night at Langhorne.

Egan's oh-so-easy hammering of Neshaminy, which is considered one of the finest high school gridiron combines ever to be as-

sembled, left an overflow throng of 11,000 fans spellbound.

Tough Defense

Coach Dick Bedesem's well-oiled offensive machine, featuring baby bulls in the backfield, and a man-eating defensive unit, manhandled Neshaminy from the outset.

Egan's stunning conquest fractured one of the longest schoolboy victory streaks in the nation. Neshaminy's undefeated string stretched 51 straight games (including four ties) and spanned six years. The last loss sustained by Neshaminy was on Sept. 22, 1961, when Easton Area pinned a stinging 13-7 reversal on the 'Skins.

Egan, packing an all-veteran



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eleven and guided by All-Catholic quarterback Pancho Micir, arrived at Neshaminy with enough dynamite to level a chain of mountains.

Six Straight Losses

The Eagles, breathing fire because of six consecutive losses in a series which began in 1960, were quick to detonate the

charge. The first time the Egans took the pigskin it was a slam-bam affair of chewing up Neshaminy's defensive unit.

An 11-play maneuver, with churning backs like Irv Whalen (5-10, 185), Jackie Lyons (5-10, 195), Micir (5-9, 175) and Don Becker (5-10, 185), was the

springboard the Eagles used to slam the door on the Redskins.

Lyons was given the nod. He delivered on a play that rocketed into the end zone a yard away. The clock showed 4:13 left in the first half. It was only the star quarterback's permission, Egan gave the holes in Neshaminy's wall and piled up

Long Punt

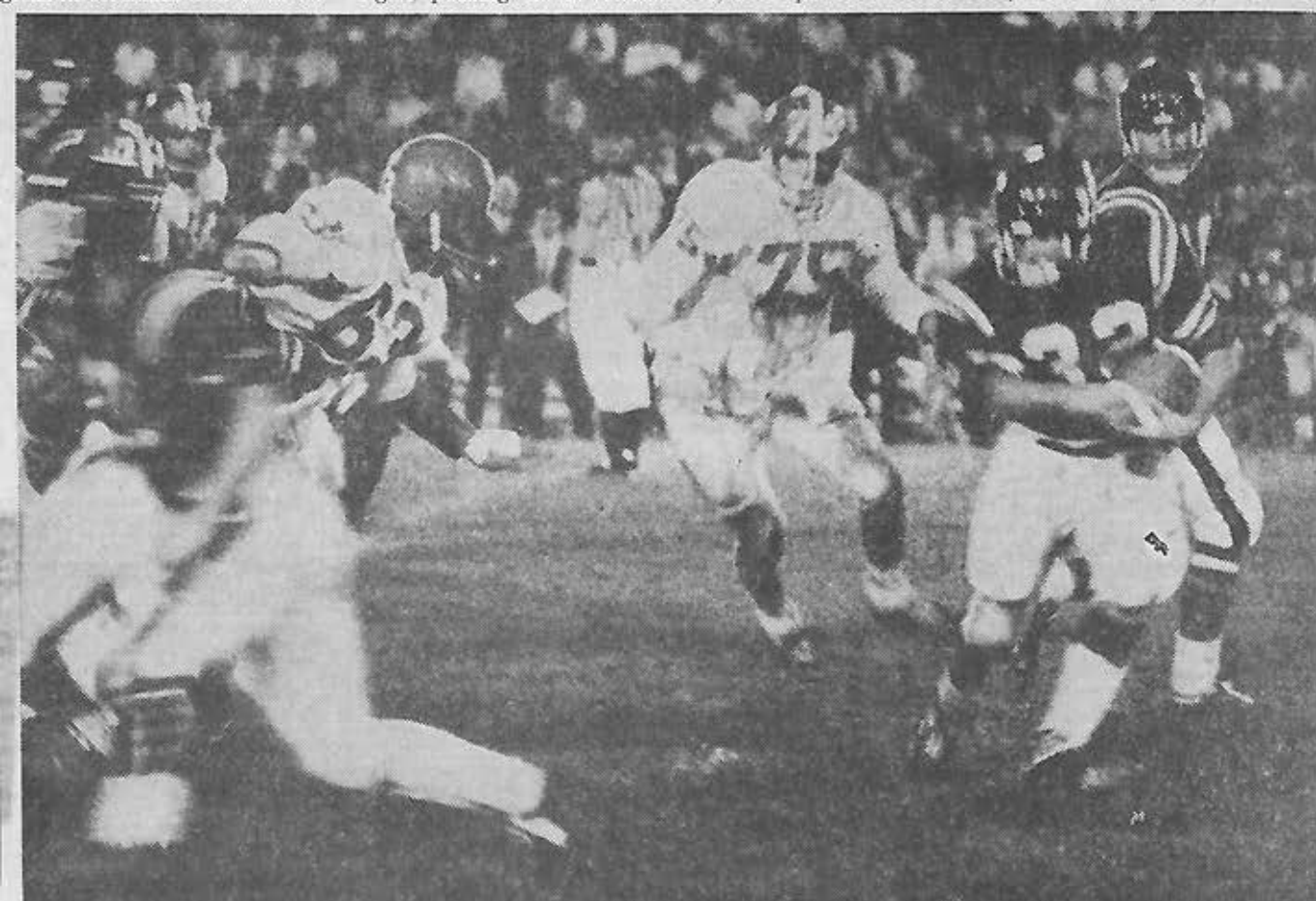
Egan's big edge was shown by an electrifying return by junior Phil Langhorne. It came with a quarter and was a play which Egan sought to prevent.

Tom McHugh, in Neshaminy's head-locks, came down here. Bear. They have the finest teams I've ever known. Our defensive line weren't closing down. Egan blew the hole like it was tissue paper.

Egan never slackened. "We played hard to play. Our dives and slants were good. It stayed with it and it out," Phil Langhorne, backfield pilot, said.

Three Interceptions

Defensively, Egan's was most flawless. It was the Redskins running attack that permitted the 'Skins to



LOOKING FOR DAYLIGHT — Don Becker (32) of Egan took a handoff from Pancho Micir (right) and looked for a hole in Neshaminy's forward wall in the fourth period. Neshaminy's Dave Ivins (63) and

Bruce Sauerbry (75) close in on Becker. Egan belted Neshaminy, 41-0. (Courier-Times Sports Photo by Alex Zidock)