



GARY COLLINS

... the "crowded" end

All-American Collins Has 'Winning Touch'

By JIM KARL

Gary Collins, Maryland's brilliant All-American end, is a football player who has what coaches like to call a "winning touch."

Collins, an excellent pass receiver, defensive end and punter, is the type of player who can make the difference between victory and defeat in a close game.

FACTS IN SUPPORT OF THE ABOVE STATEMENT:

●Last year Collins broke through the Wake Forest defenses to block a Norm Snead field goal attempt and intercepted a pass in the end zone with time running out to preserve a 14-13 victory.

●An ankle injury cut Collins' playing time down to three minutes in the Clemson game the next week, but that was long enough for him to almost single-handedly win the game. Maryland coach Tom Nugent put Collins into the game with the Terps driving for a score. He caught a pass and went 32 yards to the one yard line and Maryland scored on the next play.

Later in the game Nugent sent Collins back in and he scored the deciding touchdown in the 19-13 victory by taking a screen pass and bowling over friend and foe alike on 12-yard jaunt into the end zone.

●Four weeks later Collins again scored the deciding touchdown in a 22-19 win over North Carolina. With fourth down and goal to go on the three, late in the game, Collins maneuvered himself into isolation in the Tar Heel end zone and calmly took the TD toss from quarterback Dale Betty.

Rip Engle, Penn State's silver-haired coach, is well aware of Collins' ability. Last year against Penn State Collins was a demon on defense and despite Penn State's 28-9 victory he was voted the "Outstanding Lineman" of the game.

Collins either holds or has an excellent chance of breaking every pass-reception record in Maryland's grid history.

In 26 games covering two and

Terps' Nugent Keeps Opponents Guessing

By JIM KARL

If Penn State beats Maryland at Byrd Field tomorrow, one thing is certain, the loss won't be traced to a lack of original thinking on the part of Terrapin coach Tommy Nugent.

Known as the magician of southern gridirons, Nugent has added more wrinkles to college football in the past two and one-half years than most coaches do in a lifetime. And the amazing thing about it all is that along with the "I" formation, victory huddle and his patented pro-style offense, Nugent manages to win more than his share of football games.

After Maryland's banner years of 1947-1953, during which head coach Jim Tatum guided the Terps to five post-season bowl games and a national championship in 1953, football took a nosedive at College Park.

Tommy Mont took over in 1956 but he couldn't recruit enough good football players to cope with Maryland's rough Atlantic Coast Conference schedule and at the end of three years he had a record of 11 wins, 18 losses and 1 tie.

In 1959, Nugent's first year at Maryland, the Terps ended up with a 5-5 record and surprised everybody by finishing third in the conference standings.

Included among Maryland's five wins were victories over Clemson and North Carolina, the top two teams in the circuit.

Last year Nugent gave Maryland fans their first winning season since 1955. His Terps finished 6-4 and won five out of their last six games, the only loss coming at Beaver Stadium when State scored a 28-9 triumph.

This year Nugent is reported to have the best material in his 11 years of big time college coaching. Led by All-American end Gary Collins and quarterback Dick Novak, the Terps have upset Syracuse, 22-21, in addition to beating SMU 14-6, Clemson 24-21 and Air Force 21-0.

Maryland has been beaten in two conference games by North

Carolina 14-8, and South Carolina 20-10.

Nugent is famous for his quick wit and good humor, and more than once the affable coach has used his ingenuity to win football games.

As a novice coach at Florida State University, Nugent had a halfback who also starred on the gymnastics team. On the first play of an important game Nugent sent the acrobatic halfback in motion—not running, but doing cartwheels and hand stands.

The other team was so busy watching the act that Florida State's fullback ripped up the middle for a 20-yard gain.

But all of Nugent's innovations are designed to win football games, not get laughs.

He invented the "I" formation, in which all four backs line up single file behind the center, to wreck a Virginia defense designed to stop power plays off tackle.

The first time he used it against the Cavaliers, his team picked up close to 500 yards—all off tackle.

The victory huddle is designed to instill confidence and esprit de corps in the players and his pro-style offense is designed to score touchdowns—which it usually does.

Melchior Leads DU To Victory

By DENNIS KNECHT

Delta Upsilon rolled to a 19-0 victory over Phi Kappa Theta last night on the golf course IM field behind the quarterbacking of Jack Melchior, whose accurate passing accounted for all three DU touchdowns.

Dave Flinchbaugh was Melchior's favorite target with the combination clicking for two scores. Jim Hahn hauled in the other touchdown pass for the winners.

Marlin Biesecker was the big hero for Theta Xi as he passed to Gary Kirby for a touchdown, kicked the extra point and also booted a 40-yard field goal to crush Delta Theta Sigma, 10-0.

In other fraternity battles last night, a pass from Don Woodruff to Joe Eichert gave Tau Phi Delta a 6-0 victory over Pi Lambda Phi; Pi Kappa Alpha downed Alpha Sigma Phi on first downs, 4-2; Phi Mu Delta beat Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 4-2 on first downs and Alpha Chi Sigma squeezed by Zeta Beta Tau on first downs, 3-2. Phi Gamma Delta smashed Beta Sigma Rho, 13-0; Pi Kappa Phi defeated Alpha Rho Chi, 9-0, and Phi Sigma Delta downed Sigma Pi, 7-0.

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