

Biesecker Paces Theta Xi to Victory; Navy Sub Stauback DU Squeaks by Pi Kappa Phi, 7-0 Ignites Grid Offense

By JOHN LOTT

Neither snow nor cold nor Sigma Phi Epsilon could stop the scoring combination of Marlin Biesecker and Gary Kirby as Theta Xi squeezed by SPE, 9-7, on the golf course field last night.

The come-from-behind victory put Theta Xi (4-0) within one game of its league championship with a week to go in the regular season.

Biesecker gave Theta Xi an early lead when he booted a 36-yard field goal shortly after the opening kick. But SPE then forged into the lead as a Jan Miller to Jess Kozuske touchdown pass made SPE the first team to dent the scoring column against Theta Xi this season.

SPE's lead proved to be short-lived, however, as Theta Xi completely dominated the second half. After twice being stopped short of the goal by the stingy SPE defense, Theta Xi tallied the winning touchdown when Biesecker spotted Kirby in the end zone and rifled a 15-yard aerial to him for the score.

SPE was threatening with less than two minutes remaining, but Kirby intercepted one of Miller's desperation heaves to ice the win.

In one of the tightest contests of the evening, Delta Upsilon took a 7-0 decision from Pi Kappa Phi.

After a scoreless first half, DU got the pigskin and drove to the Pi Kap four-yard line. A penalty set them back to the 19, and three pass plays were unsuccessful.

With fourth and goal to go, quarterback Ed Giegucz faded back to throw and, finding all his receivers covered, kept the ball



MARLIN BIESECKER, Theta Xi's quarterback, is tagged after intercepting an SPE pass in an IM game at the golf course fields last night. Theta Xi won the battle of unbeaten, 9-7.

and ramped into the end zone unmolested for the game's only score.

Interceptions played a vital role in the 21-0 Phi Sigma Kappa victory over Sigma Tau Gamma. Dick Minnich and Dick Bandura each picked off Sigma Tau passes and raced to pay dirt.

Bandura also scored the second touchdown of the game, taking a 15-yard aerial from quarterback Jack Michener. Bill Clayton converted all three placements for the winners.

Alpha Phi Delta edged Zeta Beta Tau, 1-0, on first downs in a game in which tempers flared consistently. The big rhubarb occurred late in the game when a

ZBT field goal was nullified by an improper placement call. The kick had been made from the center of the field, but the previous play had gone out of bounds, so the ball should have been placed at the hash mark. When the ball was respotted, the boot was short.

In other fraternity competition, Alpha Zeta whipped Triangle, 10-0; Delta Tau Delta nipped Sigma Nu, 7-0; Phi Sigma Delta stopped Phi Mu Delta, 6-2; Phi Kappa Psi blanked Alpha Gamma Rho, 7-0; and Theta Chi got by Alpha Tau Omega, 7-0.

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP)—A sophomore quarterback who, his coaches say, can see what's going on behind him has Navy looking forward toward a bright football future.

The youngster is Roger Staubach, a 6-foot-2 190-pounder from Cincinnati. He took the starting quarterback job away from senior Ron Klemick two weeks ago and has no intention of giving it up.

The Middies lost two of their first three games, to Penn State 41-7 and Minnesota 21-0. The week in between they barely got by William and Mary 20-16.

When the starting unit bogged down against Cornell, Coach Wayne Hardin substituted his offensive team, with young Staubach at the helm.

STAUACH, who had played a total of six minutes in the first three games in which he threw four incompletes and had a minus 14 yards rushing, caught fire and hasn't simmered down yet.

Against Cornell, he completed nine of 11 passes for 99 yards, scored two touchdowns and made a 68-yard run from scrimmage to lead the Middies to a 41-0 victory.

One of Staubach's finer assets is the way he handles himself when his receivers are covered and the defense puts a heavy rush on him.

"WHEN HE GETS cornered, he has an outstanding ability of getting away from onrushing linemen," Hardin said.

"I thought he was going to get it from the side one time against Cornell, but he ducked and the

defensive man went over his head. He then completed the pass to John Sai for the first down."

Assistant coach Steve Belechick credits Staubach's success in eluding defensive linemen with his eyesight.

"Roger has terrific peripheral vision. He seems to sense when someone is next to or behind him," he said.

Staubach's talents don't end on the gridiron, however. In high school he won All-Cincinnati honors two years in basketball and once in baseball.

At New Mexico Military Institute, Roger was selected to the Junior College All-America football team.

He averaged nearly 10 points per game for the Navy plebe basketball team and played outfield for the baseball squad.

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