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Seminoles Tie Deacons 14-14 At Homecoming

Twice Coming From Behind, FSU Stops WF In Drizzle

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Rocked by the rolling rushes of big fullback Bill Barnes, Florida State had to struggle from behind twice to earn a 14-14 tie with Wake Forest in the rain here
Saturday afternoon.

The rain in Campbell Stadium never stopped, but penalties and a rejuvenated crew of Seminoles cut Barnes and the Deacons' attack down to a slow drizzle in the last half.

When Buck Metts dived two yards for a touchdown early in the fourth quarter and local hero Johnny Sheppard kicked his ninth straight extra point without a miss this season, some 14,000 drenched Homecoming fans were reasonably well satisfied.

Sheppard's toe helped preserve Coach Tom Nugent's record of never losing a Homecoming game here. Incidentally, it was FSU's first tie ball game in Nugent's time.

A LARGE POINT

That big second extra point by Sheppard came the hard way. He kicked one but it was nullified by an illegal-procedure penalty. But he was true enough from five yards farther back.

Wake Forest's two conversions were registered by a sophomore named Larry Brooks, who never before had tried his foot in a varsity game.

Barnes, a 185-pounder, whom Nugent says was the best player FSU has faced this year, was as good as billed. He scored both Deacon touchdowns, in the first and second quarter, on plunges of four and three yards. The first six-pointer came after a 39-yard drive that saw Barnes get 28 of the needed yards. A 66-yard kickoff return by Barnes, following FSU's initial touchdown late in the opening period, paved Wake Forest's second score. All told, Barnes got 85 yards in 20 runs from scrimmage.

Officials kept a close eye on Wake Porest holding early in the third quarter and in one span of about five minutes called four 15-yard penalties on the Deacons, three for illegal use of hands. Wake Forest was assessed 104 yards for infractions during the game, with 69 coming in the last half.

A fumbled punt, recovered by FSU and Bob Nellums—a rugged ball player all afternoon, introduced FSU's first touchdown push. When Deane Hildebrand, who fumbled the punt, tried to pull the ball away from Nellums, the Deacons got fined 15 yards for roughing and the Seminoles started on their drive at the Wake Forest 44. Corso scored that one from a yard out.

Despite the rain-soaked field, Corso was steady enough at quarterback. He hit on five of eight passes as the Seminoles mustered a surprisingly good aerial game. FSU connected on 10 of 14 throws. Vic Prinzi, also turning in some bright work in the aignal-calling role, completed three of four.

PSU battled & yards in the mud to score that tie-bringing touchdown early in the fourth quarter. Corso's passing and running, coupled with timely dashes by Bobby Renn, were the chief contributions.

Renn, approaching full-speed again after nursing a rib inury, racted up 64 yards rushing for the Seminoles.

But as a whole the soggy turf wasn't for FSU. The Seminoles' wide bread-and-butter stuff, designed for their relatively small, fast backs on a dry field, was operating at a disadvantage. Though it rained on both sides, Wake Forest had the pile-driving Barnes to whack the middle repeatedly.

Barnes had some notable upfront help as holes opened for him on the right side of the line. Among the standouts in a ponderous Wake Forest line: end Ralph Brewster, tackle George Johnson, guard Sam Butler.

PSU had first chance of the day with the slippery ball, winning the toss and elected to receive. Three plays from the 30 after the kickoff gained nothing and Buck Metts punted to the Wake Porest 45.

Pretty soon the Deacons punted back, Jim Dalrymple's effort rolling a deadly 45 yards to the FSU

Metts promptly booted again, up to the FSU 39.

PAYOFF PUSH

In nine plays from the 39, Wake Forest scored. Barnes got 28 in five runs and climaxed things by pounding across from four out. Brooks kicked his first extra point of the season and PSU trailed, 7-0.

The Seminoles quickly rallied to tie it up as the ball took some werd bounces.

After the Deacons kicked, offside penalties stymied FSU and Jerry Henderson punted from the 31 on third down. Guard Sam Buller tore through to block it. The ball rolled back to the three and Henderson covered it there. For th down now, and Bobby Rean punted up to the 39. Rildebrand' fumbled the reception and end Nellums hopped on the ball for FSU as Hildebrand engaged him in a wrestling match. Wake Forest drew a 15-yard roughing penalty for Hildebrand's efforts and FSU had a start at the Deacons' 44 as fate turned rapidly.

Renn knocked off five yards. Corso fired a pass to Ronald Schomburger and the end converted it into a 31-yard gain to the eight. Third down found the Seminoles a yard back on the nine. Renn sought Nellums with a pass. A Deacon was judged interfering with the receiver and PSU was provided with a first down at the one. In two smashes, Corso was over. Sheppard came in to kick his eighth extra point in as many tries and knotted the game, 7-7.

SOME RETURN!

Barnes hauled in the kickoff at the 12 and struck out for 60 vards to the FSU 22, where Corso finally pushed him out of bounds. On fourth down, needing seven yards, Barnes made it to the 12 for new life. Barnes then whacked his way to the four, to the three, then second quarter, Brooks converted again for 14-7.

Helped along by Renn's 24-yard dash. FSU moved to the WF 37, thence to the 26 on plunges by Metts and Renn. Corso was decked for minus 10, however. Ted Rodrigue came in at quarter-back and vainly tried to pass. Metts punted over the goal.

A few plays later. Dalrymple punted for 26 yards up to the FSU 44. This time FSU dug as far as

the 29 before running out of downs. Metts punted to the six.

What looked like a sizable FSU advantage went for naught when Nellums crashed in to partially block Dalrymple's punt from the end zone. The ball travelled up to the 10. But Nellums was deemed roughing the kicker and Dalrymple had another chance, this time from the 20 following a 15-yard penalty.

Neither teams made any real first-half dents after that.

HEAVY TAXING

Wake Forest ran into a staggering series of penalties shortly
after the start of the third period.
Recovery of a fumbled pitchout,
Corso to Metts, gave WF a shot
from the FSU 43. Carpenter went
wide to the 33. Five plays later
the Deacons had drawn three
illegal-use-of-hands assessments,
15 yards each, and were back on
their own 33.

Dalrymple, trying to punt on third down, got a bad snap and was hit by Schomburger on the 20. His fourth-down boot was returned by Metts five yards to the FSU 47. Thereupon, WF got another 15-yarder for a personal foul and FSU was in position at the Deasons' 37. Renn and Odom appurred a push to the 16 but Len. Swantic's last-down pass to Odom at the 13 was short of a first down as that bid played out.

After a punting swap, another FSU attempt died when Corso fumbled and Henry Martin recovered for WF at the Deacons' 38. Once again, a holding penalty shackled the visitors.

The Seminoles were goalward bound as the fourth quarter opened. It was a 64-yard drive and Renn was the big instrument until FSU reached the WF 36. Corso dealt a 22-yard pass into the hands of Schomburger at the 14. Metts got one and Corso, on the keep, dug to the three. On third down, Metts dived across from the two.

HE MADE IT

On Sheppard's first try for the all-important point, Dairymple partially blocked it. Still it went through. But FSU was penalized five for illegal procedure. Sheppard, booting the ball from the 13, made it anyhow for 14-14.

FSU's kickoff was short, and it was a break. David Lee fielded the ball, fumb'ed, and Nellums recovered for FSU at the WF 41. The Seminoles got taxed for holding, however, and Henderson punted to the nine.

Dalrymple replied after two futile running trys with a kick to the PSU 47. The Seminoles were on the jump again. Prinzi passed to Corso, now playing halfback, for 17 and to Nellums for three, Prinzi dashed to the 25. Stan Dobosz made it to the 23. Corso to the 17. Metts to the 11, Corso to the five.

On fourth down, needing three, the Seminoles couldn't make up their minds whether to try a field goal or not and drew a 5-yard penalty for delay. With the ball on the 10, Nellums tried a field goal from the 18. The kick was low, never reached the goal pasts.

Wake Forest wasn't playing to tie. Carpenter fired passes that carried across midfield and on the last play of the game the quarterback ran to the FSU 30 before he was stopped.

The Yardstick

First Downs	Wake	Forest	FSU
Rushing Vardage	100	144	141
Passing Yardage		95	16
Passes		1-1	10-14
Passes Intercepted	by		
Punts	-	19-30.1	9-28.1
Fumbles Lost		1	3
Yards Penalized	-	104	66

THE LINEUPS

FLORIDA STATE

LEFT END: Schomburger, Bisbee, Philp

LEFT TACKLE: Musselman, Thomas LEFT GUARD: Baggett, Elliott, Keith

CENTER: Barnes, Leonard,

RIGHT GUARD: Pacifico, McGee RIGHT TACKLE: Boyer, Craig, Graham

RIGHT END: Nellums, Fountain

QUARTERBACK: Corso, Prinzi, Swantic, Rodrique LEFT HALBACK: Renn, Weaver,

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RIGHT HALBACK: Metts, Officer FULLBACK: Holt, Johnson

WAKE FOREST

LEFT END: Lee, Martin LEFT TACKLE: Horn, Thompson LEFT GUARD: Smathers, Lewis CENTER: Moore, Munn RIGHT GUARD: Claxion, Butler RIGHT TACKLE: Johnson, Swaltzel RIGHT END: Brewster, Ladner, Lewis

QUARTERBACK: Carpenter, Barham LEFT HALFBACK: Dairymple, Brooks

RIGHT HALFBACK: Daniels, Led-

FULLBACK: Barnes, Hillenbrand,

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Wake Forest scoring: Touchdowns-Barnes 2 (4, run; 2, run). Conversions-Brooks 2,

Florida State scoring: Touchdowns-Corso (one foot, sneak), Metts (2, plunge), Conversions-Sheppard 2,