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Eli Benched?

Eli Manning is definitely going into the Hall of Fame. He has taken down the Belichick-Brady empire twice in the Super Bowl while winning Super Bowl MVP both times, he has the most touchdown passes in Giants franchise history, and he has the record for most passing yards in a single postseason in NFL history. He did all of this while starting in 210 consecutive regular season games, second in history to only Brett Favre.

Unfortunately, that streak is about to be snapped today. Ben McAdoo, Giants head coach, has decided to bench Eli and start former Jets quarterback Geno Smith instead, likely due to the way the Giants and Eli have been performing lately. Since 2013, Geno Smith has 28 touchdowns and 5,962 total yards with a passer rating of 72.3. Even though Eli is having a rough year, he has half of Geno Smith's total career touchdowns with 14 in this season alone, 2,411 yards, and a passer rating of 84.1. When asked about playing in today's game, Geno told ESPN "Great opportunity. I look forward to Sunday, I look forward to being at my best and playing well."

College Football Madness

Yesterday was a crazy day in college football. The rankings are definitely going to be changed after yesterday's game.

The first major game was Miami-Clemson. Number 7 Miami went up against number one Clemson in the ACC Championship game. Clemson won the game 38-3, while Miami narrowly missed being shut out with a field goal in the 4th quarter. This game was big because this essentially locks Clemson into the number one spot.

The next important game was the Georgia-Auburn game. This is a game that sent madness through the top team rankings. Number 6 Georgia took on number 2 Auburn in the SEC Championship game that looked good for Auburn out of the gates, as they led off the game with a touchdown in their first possession. But at the end of the 1st quarter, everything went downhill. Auburn fumbled, which led to a Georgia touchdown. Later on, a 31-yard Auburn field goal was blocked. Auburn fumbled yet again, leading to another Georgia touchdown. Auburn did not score any points after their first quarter touchdown, leading to a 28-7 loss, which will definitely rock the standings.

Another huge game was the Ohio State-Wisconsin game. Number 8 Ohio State went up against undefeated number 4 Wisconsin in the Big Ten championship game that changed the standings for sure. Unlike the other 2 games, this game was close. At halftime, the score was 21-10 Ohio State, but Wisconsin came within 3 points in the 4th quarter at 24-21. After that possession, Ohio State kicked a field goal to make the game 27-21, and with 1:09 on the clock, Wisconsin quarterback Alex Hornibrook threw an interception in Ohio State territory to secure the 27-21 victory for Ohio State.

In The Rulebook

Did you know that in overtime in NCAA Football, if the team wins the coin toss and elects to receive the ball first, they automatically start at the 25 yard line? Both teams are given chances to score either a touchdown or a field goal. If one team is winning after those 2 possessions, then the winning team wins. If it's tied, then it continues. If a game goes into 3 overtimes, the teams must attempt 2 point conversions instead of extra points after touchdowns.



Revised College Football Predictions

1 Clemson



2 Georgia



4 Alabama



3 Oklahoma

Sources:

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