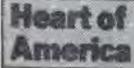


No. 1 William Jewell stays unbeaten, pounds Baker 39-18

By Bill Richardson
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Junior backs Steve Hodges and Scoop Gillespie each rushed for more than 100 yards Saturday night as William Jewell College defeated Baker University 39-18 in a Heart of America Conference game in Liberty.



The victory was the sixth straight for the unbeaten Cardinals and undoubtedly protected their No. 1 ranking in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II. Jewell also has won its last 28 regular-season games.

Hodges, a 5-foot-10, 200-pounder from St. Louis, rushed for 150 yards in 24 carries and Gillespie, a 5-11, 180-pounder, also from St. Louis, had 120 in 16 carries.

Hodges and Gillespie made the key runs for the Cards after Baker had closed the gap to 25-10 midway through the fourth quarter. Gillespie escaped a Baker stunt on the right side and rushed 49 yards to the Wildcats 31-yard line. On the next play, Hodges went through the left side and broke down the sideline for a 30-yard gain to the 1. Hodges scored with 7 minutes, 28 seconds left and the Cards were home free. They added an extra touchdown in the final minute while killing

the clock. Hodges scored from 8 yards out with 23 seconds left.

In contrast to their usual big-play passing attack, the Cardinals gained 302 yards on the ground and 120 passing.

"We wanted to come out and run hard," Hodges said. "We had always passed well against Baker before, but we wanted to show them we could run. Baker was No. 1 in the nation in rushing. We kept the intensity up right to the end. Our line did an absolutely great job of blocking."

Hodges said he returned to his power-running style after working the week before on cuts and finesse running.

"I tried to run hard, with more

power," Hodges said. "I practiced that all week. I made sure I ran hard."

Quarterback Kelly Groom scored twice on runs of 1 and 5 yards. Hodges scored three touchdowns and Steve Hudson kicked three conversions and field goals of 36 and 29 yards.

Graceland 41 Culver-Stockton 0

Lamoni, Iowa—Quarterback Jeff Smith completed 14 of 20 passes for 212 yards and two touchdowns as Graceland defeated Culver-Stockton 41-0.

Graceland had seven quarterback sacks and held Culver-Stockton to 137 yards. Graceland

finished with 439 yards, 257 passing and 172 running.

Dan Lozano, who rushed 16 times for 94 yards, scored on a 28-yard run, and Smith threw scoring passes of 9 and 68 yards to Greg Criswell for a 21-0 lead in the first quarter. Willie Brown scored two touchdowns and Rich White added another for Graceland.

Graceland is 5-2 overall and 4-2 in the conference; Culver-Stockton dropped to 0-7 and 0-5.

Benedictine 35 Mid-America Nazarene 7

No. 15 Benedictine turned three Mid-America Nazarene second-quarter fumbles into touchdowns and defeated the Pioneers 35-7 in

a non-conference game at Olathe.

The Pioneers took a 7-0 lead on their first possession, driving 67 yards for a touchdown. The score came on a 20-yard pass from Derek Dirks to Jeff Kent.

Early in the second quarter junior defensive back Tom Harris recovered a fumble for the Ravens at the Mid-America 42-yard line. Quarterback Terry Torline ran 36 yards for a touchdown two plays later.

The next time the Pioneers got the ball, Dirks was sacked and fumbled at his 3. Junior linebacker Kevin Tighe recovered for Benedictine and Jim DeLong scored on fourth and goal from the 1.

Cardinals sack Vikings 17-7; Fei, CCG 22 Baker to test number one status 1982

by Scott Burton

William Jewell defensive end Steve Montgomery wasn't counting his chickens before they hatched last Saturday night in Marshall, Mo.

The football Cardinals posted a 17-7 Heart of America Athletic Conference victory over Missouri Valley, but it may have been three closing minute quarterback sacks by Montgomery that helped protect William Jewell's top ranking in Division II of the NAA.

"We changed our defensive scheme a little," said Montgomery. "The changes allowed me to get to the quarterback untouched."

Montgomery, who got to Missouri Valley quarterback Don Winkler a total of six times, spoiled the Vikings' last bid to cut into the Jewell lead.

With four minutes remaining, Missouri Valley blocked a Jeff McGuire punt and recovered at the Cardinal 20-yard line. That's when Montgomery came to the rescue.

"We had them (Missouri Valley) scouted real well," said Montgomery. "The coaches did a good job."

Montgomery sacked Winkler for a 10-yard loss on first down and the southwest Missouri native recorded another sack of eight yards on second down. Valley's Winkler didn't find time to throw on third down either. Montgomery recorded another 10-yard sack and the Vikings faced fourth down and 38 with just over a minute to play.

"Defensively, we knew we'd bend a little," said Montgomery. "We knew we'd bend but we didn't break."

The Cardinals opened scoring midway through the first quarter Jewell quarterback Kelly Groom scored on a one-yard sneak and Steve Hudson kicked the extra point. On the ensuing kickoff, Missouri Valley's Tony Walker scooted 77 yards to forge a 7-7 tie.

"I feel like this year's team is more mature," said Montgomery. "We have a lot of people in the same positions and the se-

niors have shown great leadership."

Groom, who led the Cardinals to 409 yards of total offense, directed a 76-yard scoring drive just before the half ended to give Jewell a 14-7 lead. The drive was capped by Groom's five-yard touchdown toss to Jimi Reed.

Hudson booted a 20-yard field goal late in the third quarter to account for the 17-7 margin.

"We're pretty much in the heart of the schedule," said Montgomery. "The coaching staff and the players like to put emphasis on one game at a time."

Jewell, 5-0 and 4-0 in the NAAC, will host Baker University tomorrow night at 7:30. "Give Baker a lot of credit," said Montgomery. "Baker could be our toughest opponent this year."

Baker, 4-2 and 2-1, beat Mid-America Nazarene 26-10 last weekend. Two weeks ago the Wildcats upset NAA Division II ninth-rated Benedictine, Kan., 28-18. "We've got to take it to them offensively," stressed Montgomery. "We've got to show them we can move the football. Defensively, we've got to hit them hard and focus on their running game."

The Cardinals are likely to go with Groom at quarterback, Scoop Gillespie (RB), Steve Hodges (RB), Reed (who had 12 catches for 150 yards last weekend), Darrell Schwabe (WR), Scott Martin (TE), Mark Mundell (G), Ralph Veater (G), Mike Rogers (T), Lonnie Bruns (T) and Greg Embree (C) offensively.

Montgomery, Jerry Twigg (DE), Guy Weber (DL), Jan Redmond (DL), Steve Ennen (LB), Tim Johnson (LB), Steve Mattingly (LB), David Armstrong (CB), Art Davis (CB), Paul Taylor (FS) and Mike Newman (SS) are probable for Jewell defensively.

"It's nice to be ranked number one and be on top," said Montgomery. "Personally, I don't harp on it. You're really not number one until the end of the season."