Jewell, Valley in Annual Grudge Clash

National rankings, the Heart of America Conference lead and a fiveyear streak in an old area-college football rivalry will be at stake when William Jewell meets Missouri Valley at 7:30 o'clock tonight in Liberty.

About 8,000 fans are expected to pack Greene Stadium on the William Jewell campus to see the undefeated Cardinals risk their No. 2 NAIA Division ranking against Valley, rated 13th.

William Jewell's offense, led by quarterback Mark Capra, receiver area colleges

Robin Schermerhorn and fullback David Cunningham, has been devastating the last two weeks. In building their conference record to 3-0, the Cardinals totaled 100 points against Ottawa and Central Methodist.

Missouri Valley, 5-1-1 overall and 3-1 in the conference, has won the last five games in the William Jewell series. From 1920-73, William Jewell led 23-21, with seven ties.

Valley, which has put together a tough defense, has a potent passing combination in Trent Mitchell to Bob Fitzpatrick. Fa'au'uga To'oto'o, a 6-2, 200-pound back from Samoa, is as tough to stop as he is to pronounce. He ran 82 yards on a draw play and scored twice in Valley's 24-20 victory over Baker last Saturday.

The crowd will include 1,500 ticket

recipients from Farmland Industries. William Jewell also has a season ticket list of 1,000.

Pittsburg State will attempt to protect its Central States Conference lead this afternoon against Kearney State in Pittsburg. Both Kearney and Missouri Western, 3-1, trail Pittsburg, 4-0, in the standings.

Kearney leads the CSIC in both team offense (363.3 yards a game) and defense (212.0). Pittsburg is second in offense, third in defense. Missouri Western attempts to stay in the running against Washburn this afternoon in St. Joseph.

Northwest Missouri, unbeaten in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association with a 3-0 record, plays at Missouri-Rolla today. Central Missouri, 2-1 after a victory over Lincoln and a forfeit from Southeast Missouri, goes to Kirksville to play Northeast Missouri. Southeast Missouri plays at Lincoln while Southwest Missouri State and Evangel battle for the bragging rights to Springfield in a non-conference game.

Area players picked up the MIAA's top individual honors this week. Mark Smith, Northwest Missouri quarterback from O'Hara, was chosen offensive player of the week, and Dennis O'Hagan, Southwest Missouri linebacker from Belton, won the top defensive honor.

Bethany, ranked No. 1 in NAIA Division II, has a chance to tie Tabor for first place in the Kansas Conference with a victory at McPherson tonight. Tabor, a half-game ahead, is host to Peru State in a non-conference game.