

# AFTER DEFEATING TARKIO OWLS CARDINALS NOW 5-0

The William Jewell Cardinals come into today's game with an unblemished 5-0 record. On the road last week they easily defeated the Tarkio Owls by the score of 27-6. Junior quarterback Kelly Groom had his best outing of the year so far as he completed 15 of 26 passes for 211 yards, including a 49 yard first quarter touchdown pass to Mike McGill. McGill and Marty Hensley were Groom's primary targets of the day, each catching a season-high 5 passes. Hensley netted 85 yards while McGill had 70 total yards for the game. Linebackers Tim Johnson and Wendell McGill led the Cardinal defense against the Owls. Johnson had 12 tackles, 3 unassisted. McGill had 9 tackles, 3 unassisted and a quarterback sack. Sophomore strong safety Paul Taylor had an impressive day in the secondary as he had 9 tackles, 3 unassisted, and a pass interception.

After five games the Cardinals continue to dominate their opponents in virtually every category. They have 1167 rushing yards to their opponents' 580 and 901 yards in the air to 534 for the opposition. The Cardinals are averaging 413.6 yards per game while the opponents are netting a 222.8 average. The Cardinal defense continues to look awesome. They have allowed only two touchdowns the entire season.

This afternoon's opponent, the Ottwa Braves, come into

today's contest with a 3-1-1 record, 2-1 in the Heart of America Athletic Conference. They traveled to Marshall, Missouri last weekend where Missouri Valley handed them their first HAAC loss of the year by the score of 28-24. Other scores around the conference last week had Graceland defeating Mid America Nazarene 40-29, Baker trouncing Central Methodist 35-0, Culver falling to St. Ambrose 42-22, and William Jewell over Tarkio 27-6.

The Heart of America Athletic Conference race continues to be extremely close. After six weeks of action there are three teams who still undefeated. Missouri Valley currently leads the HAAC with 4 wins and no losses. Close behind are William Jewell and Baker, each 3-0 in the league. Ottawa is now 2-1. Graceland follows at 2-2. Rounding out the HAAC are Tarkio and Central Methodist, each 1-2 in conference action, Mid America Nazarene is 1-5 and Culver Stockton 0-5.

The Cardinals are on the road next weekend as they travel to Central Methodist College. Game time is 1:30 p.m. in Fayette, Missouri. Back home again in two weeks, the Cardinals will likely have one of their toughest games of the season as they host their traditional arch rival, the Missouri Valley Vikings.

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Hello, CARDINAL Fans,

Here we are at mid-season, a perfect 5-0 record, and homecoming this Saturday. Everything looks great, Right? WRONG!!!

Would you believe, we have 5 running backs on the injured list? Their availability at this time is not known. I am sure Coach Wallace will tell you about it in his comments, later on in this letter.

We were able to get on the board early. At the 8:24 mark, in the 1st quarter, after we recovered a fumble on the 50 yard line, Kelly Groom lofted a perfect aerial to Mike McGill, who worked his way open and went in untouched for a TD. Jerry Burch made the conversion, and it was 7-0 early.

The Tarkio Owls displayed poise, on a 10 play drive in the second quarter. Then our guys toughened up, and the Owls settled for a 27 yard field goal, and the scoreboard read 7-3.