

Baker caps unbeaten season, romps past Central Methodist

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Baldwin, Kan.—The Baker Wildcats, ranked third in National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II, colligated their first unbeaten, untied season since 1942 by routing the Central Methodist Eagles 69-0 Saturday in a Heart of America Conference game.



The Wildcats gained 384 yards rushing and 129 passing. Kevin Alewine led the rushing attack with 12 carries for 86 yards and one touchdown. Dwayne Johnson gained 80 yards on 11 carries and scored three touchdowns.

The Baker defense, ranked No. 1 in Division II, held the Eagles to 23 yards total offense and recorded its sixth shutout of the season, fifth in conference play. Tracy Bourne had two interceptions for the Wildcats and returned one 37 yards for a touchdown. The defense also scored two safeties in the third quarter, the third time this season that they have scored two safeties.

The Wildcats' regular-season record of 10-0 is their best since 1942, when Emil S. Liston, founder of the NAIA, coached the team to a record of 7-0-0. Pairings for the Division II playoffs will be determined today, with the top eight teams in the final poll qualifying for the playoffs which begin next Saturday. Central Methodist finished 1-9.

William Jewell 41 Tarkio 0

Tarkio, Mo.—The William Jewell Cardinals piled up 543 yards total offense and rushed past Tarkio 41-0 in a conference game.

Jewell had 382 yards rushing, led by Steve Hodges' 105 yards on 10 carries and Scoop Gillespie's 98 yards on nine carries. Tarkio had 116 yards passing and 2 yards rushing.

Jewell, 8-1-1, opened a 9-0 lead after one quarter on a 19-yard run by Scott Sandridge and a 27-yard field goal by Dave Riley.

The Cardinals added 22 points in the second quarter. Hodges scored on an 8-yard run and completed a 49-yard halfback option

pass to Jimi Reed. Reserve quarterback Paul Troth, who entered the game in the second quarter, scored on a 9-yard run.

Mid-America 33 Culver-Stockton 0

Canton, Mo.—Senior split end Tim Osborne caught four scoring passes as Mid-America Nazarene defeated Culver-Stockton 33-0 in a conference game.

Culver-Stockton, 1-9 overall and 0-7 in the conference, drove three times to within the Mid-America 20.

Mid-America is 5-5 overall and 3-4.

Graceland 44 Southwest Baptist 7

Bolivar, Mo.—Quarterback Jeff Smith passed for 337 yards and three touchdowns, leading Graceland to a 44-7 victory over Southwest Baptist in a non-conference game.

Graceland is 6-3. Southwest Baptist finishes its first season of varsity football at 1-6-1.

Sportsbeams

Jewell at home, Baker is in Washington

All quarterfinal games in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics 1983 Division II Championship Football Playoffs will be Saturday and start at 1 p.m., local time.

William Jewell's quarterfinal game will be against Wilmington, Ohio, in Liberty. No. 2 Baker (Kan.), 10-0-0, will be pitted against No. 8 Pacific Lutheran, Wash., 7-2-0 in Tacoma, Wash. No. 3 Wilmington has an 8-1-0 record and No. 7 William Jewell is 8-1-1.

Sixth-ranked Findlay, Ohio, 8-1-0, is paired off against No. 5 Westminster College, Pa., 8-1-0 at Findlay. College of St. Thomas, Minn., which is ranked fourth and has a 9-1-0 record, meets No. 1 Northwestern, Iowa, 11-0-0 at Orange City, Iowa.

Winners of the quarterfinal round games will advance to the semifinals on Saturday, Dec. 3, and the championship will be Dec. 10. Sites and game times for advancing teams will be announced following each round.