

Cards, 4-0, beat winless Doane,

In a game that was supposed to be a breather in the grueling William Jewell College football schedule, the Cardinals had to pull themselves together yet managed to come up with a 28-3 win over Doane College of Crete, Neb.

Doane is winless on the season in four outings. The Cards spoil an unblemished 4-0 record.

The game — Saturday at Greene Stadium here — saw the Cardinals dominate the first half statistics. But a fired up Doane defense kept the Redbirds off the scoreboard.

Late in the second quarter a Kelly Groom pass was intercepted. The ensuing runback, coupled with an unnecessary roughness penalty, put the ball in play for Doane on Jewell's 15-yard line.

Three plays lost two yards for Doane. And with three seconds remaining before the end of the first half, Ed Fye of Doane booted a 31-yard field goal, giving the opponents their first lead of the year.

"Our guys seemed to suffer from a lack of execution and concentration," said head coach Vic Wallace of first half performance. "Doane's switching and stunting formations seemed to keep us off balance. But you have to give them credit: They played good defensive ball and that kept us from moving the ball effectively."

The Cards came out and seemed settled down in the second half.

After a fumble on Jewell's first series, the Cards took advantage of a

bad Doane kick and set up a drive beginning on Doane's 37. Steve Hodges bolted seven yards to the 30 and Kelly Groom, on a keeper, squirmed 28 yards before being knocked out of bounds on the two.

Then Fernandars "Scoop" Gillespie carried it in for the touchdown. A Jerry Burch conversion made it 7-3 for the Cards.

Later in the quarter Wayne Schmidt recovered a Doane fumble on their 44. Steve Hodges tallied five yards and Gillespie added three. At that point Doane picked up a 15-yard penalty for a face mask violation putting the ball on their 22.

A Groom keeper netted 10 more yards to the 12. Gillespie rambled to his right and went standing up for his second touchdown. Burch converted.

Early in the fourth the Cards engineered a 59-yard drive in 11 plays that culminated in Gillespie's third touchdown — a one-yard plunge. Burch converted and the score then was 21-3.

Andre Nelson took over signal-calling for the Cards late in the fourth and with the driving runs of Greg Jacobsen and Alan Grieg, the Cardinals moved very effectively. The Cardinal second unit defense also reacted well keeping Doane away from any first downs. Jerry Burchett intercepted a pass, ran 48 yards, and set the Cardinals up on the Doane nine-yard line.

The final play saw Nelson pass to Vic Davolt for the score. Davolt —

seeing his first game time of the season — has been suffering from a leg injury.

Burch converted for the final scoring putting the tally at 28-3.

The Cardinals' victory was a defensive gem. Doane lost 12 yards on the ground on 37 carries. The Cardinals amassed 329 yards on the ground on 59 carries. Again, it was five fumbles and nine penalties that blunted Jewell's offensive attack.

Jeff McGuire, the Liberty Senior High School alum and sophomore Jewell punter — kept Doane on the wrong end of the field all day. He averaged 41.7 yards per punt.

CARDINAL NOTES

The Cardinals enjoy an open date this week. And that should allow them time to contemplate perhaps one of the most grueling four week schedules in small college football play.

The Cards play the Tarkio Owls at Tarkio Oct. 10. Then comes four straight heavies:

On Oct. 17 — homecoming — the Cards face Ottawa, a perennial football powerhouse. Then there is Central Methodist, which is now slouch; Missouri Valley, which is ranked among the top 20 teams in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II, and Baker University of Baldwin, Kan., which is ranked third in the nation.

Jewell last week was ranked second in the nation.