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Cards blast Quakers, set for semifinals

by Angie Ballard

Scoop Gillespie and Scott Sandridge ran for two touchdowns each and Paul Troth threw for two more as the William Jewell Cardinals blew out the Quakers of Wilmington College, 51-7, in an NAIA Division II quarterfinal playoff game here Nov. 19.

With the victory, the Cardinals advance to an NAIA Division II semifinal game against Northwestern Iowa of Orange City at 1 p.m. tomorrow in Greene Stadium.

Jewell's defense, which held the Quakers to 138 total yards (52 on the ground, 86 via the pass), wasted no time showing it was a dominating force as it made Wilmington punt on fourth and 13 on their first possession.

In turn, the Cardinal offense showed its dominance on its first drive as it went 60 yards in 11 plays with senior quarterback Sandridge going over from the one with 8:33 left in the first quarter for a 6-0 lead. Sophomore kicker David Riley added the point after to up the score to 7-0.

Sandridge scored his second touchdown on the Cardinals' next possession on a ten-yard run with 2:02 remaining in the opening period. With the extra point Jewell led 14-0.

Wilmington scored its only points early in the second quarter after a Sandridge pass was intercepted by Quaker linebacker Skip Thompson and returned to the Jewell 33-yard line.

Following a questionable pass interference call on Cardinal defensive back Mike Newman in the Quaker end zone, junior fullback Ted Mehlman went over for the touchdown to cut the Cardinal lead to 14-7 with 12:28 left in the second quarter.

The Cardinals' next touchdown appeared to take all the wind out of the Quakers.

Following a fumble recovery by Cardinal junior linebacker Tim Johnson, senior running back Scoop Gillespie sprinted 40 yards for a 20-7 Jewell lead.

"That was a key play in the game," said head coach Vic Wallace. "The game was

close at that point, and when Scoop broke that run it really fired us up."

Quaker Head Coach Bill Ramseyer echoed Wallace, "When they went up 20-7 on that big run everything we did from then on failed."

Defense dominated play for the remainder of the half as well as a good part of the third period.

Newman set up the Cardinals' next touchdown on his second of three interceptions when he returned a Jim Spocet pass 21 yards to the Quaker 22. Senior running back Steve Hodges plunged over from the one to widen the lead to 34-7 at the end of the third period.

Junior defensive back Cory Wohlford picked off yet another Spocet pass and five plays later senior back-up quarterback Paul Troth hit senior wide out Jimi Reed for 13 yards and a touchdown for a 41-7 lead with 11:56 remaining.

Two minutes later Troth found senior

wide out Reggie Hill for a 23-yard touchdown pass on the Cards' next possession for Jewell's final touchdown of the day and a 48-7 lead.

Riley added a field goal from 35 yards out for the final 51-7 score.

The Cardinal offense rolled up 406 total yards with Hodges gaining 128 yards on 22 carries and Gillespie 126 on 20 carries. Reed caught 5 passes for 72 yards to lead the Jewell receivers.

Jewell's defense was led by junior linebacker Steve Ennen's seven unassisted tackles while senior end Jerry Twigg and Johnson each had five.

Sandridge and Newman were named NAIA offensive and defensive players of the game for their respective performances.

The victory was the fourth straight win for the Cardinals in NAIA quarterfinals competition, and tomorrow's game with Northwestern is a rematch of last year's semifinal contest in which Jewell won 23-10.

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Playoff rematch with Northwestern...

Cards advance to NAIA semifinals

by Greg Lucas

Call it deja-vu, call it whatever you want, but for the second time in two years, the William Jewell College Football Cardinals will meet Northwestern College of Orange City, Iowa, in an NAIA Division II Semifinal



"Northwestern runs a 4-3 similar to ours," said Wallace, "except they will blitz their safeties a lot more. When they do blitz that will leave an open area in the secondary and we'll have to find that open area to be effective with the passing game."