

Cards win berth

William Jewell pounded Tarkio, 48-7, Saturday in the Cardinals' final regular-season game at Liberty, then received an invitation to the NAIA Division II playoffs.

Jewell, 8-1, is matched with Sul Ross State, 8-0, in the NAIA quarterfinals Saturday at 12 noon in Alpine, Texas.

The Cardinals built a 48-0 lead over Tarkio in three periods. Their decisive win partially-avenged their only loss to Mid-America Nazarene, which had been beaten by Tarkio.

Steve Hudson kicked a 30-yard field goal and Steve Hodges ran one yard for first-quarter Jewell scores. The Cardinals racked up 21 points in the second stanza, on an 11-yard interception by Doug Switzer, seven-yard run by Scoop Gillespie and nine-yard sprint by Scott Sandridge.

Hudson booted a 46-yard field goal, Hodges ran 17 yards to score and Doug Kauffman caught an 11-yard TD pass from Paul Troth in the third quarter.

Hudson converted extra point kicks after all Jewell touchdowns.

The Owls closed the scoring on a six-yard pass from Mike Butt to Keith Barnes, and Ron Eberhart's extra-point kick in the fourth period.

Jewell limited Tarkio, which finished 4-5, to 12 yards rushing and 183 passing.

The win earned the Cardinals the number six ranking in the final NAIA Division II poll and the Heart of America Conference championship.

Sul Ross State, Jewell's next opponent, is ranked fourth in the NAIA. Northwestern, Iowa, 11-0, received the top ranking.

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