JEWELL LOSES "MUD BOWL" TO BAKER

In a watered down version of a big time small college football showdown game, the William Jewell Cardinals lost a rugged defensive struggle to the Baker University Wildcats in Baldwin City, KS last Saturday night by the score of 10-0. The Red Rage is now 3-1-1 in Conference play and 5-1-1 overall. Baker leads the Conference at 4-0 and is 7-0 overall. For the second year in a row the Cards lost their first game of the season in game #7 at a Kansas school ('82 9-7 loss at Mid-America). It was a great night for "mudders" on a field that was in terrible condition due to the heavy rains all week. There was water standing in numerous places on the field.

Baker scored quickly with 12:58 left in the first quarter. They moved 80 yards on their first possession on a 46 yard pass from quarterback Chuck Rhodes to TE Joe Boeh. Later in the quarter Baker recovered a fumble at the Jewell 33 and drove to the 6 yard line and had to settle for a 25 yard field goal by Ron Frazier. This completed the scoring for the night at 10-0. Jewell threatened midway through the second quarter, but Baker intercepted a Jewell pass at the goal line to kill the drive. The Jewell defense tightened up and held Baker to just two first downs in the last three quarters. Jewell moved only sporadically on the slippery field on its offensive possessions. Jewell started drives on their own 1, 10, 12, 15, and 18 yard lines in the second half due to the punting of Baker's Darin Liston who used the muddy surface to deaden his punting precision. Jewell missed a 42 yard field goal with 2:40 left on the clock. Baker beat Jewell for the first time since 1979. Jewell recorded its first shut out since 1976 when Missouri Valley won by a score of 24-0.

CAPSULE COMMENTS: Head Coach Vic Wallace --"We just couldn't generate enough offense...our four turnovers really hurt...we didn't get any big breaks our way... the cards were stacked against us...were down 10-0 at Baker on a poor playing field ...Baker Coach Charlie Richard -- "I thought it would take 24 points to win the game... it's really a big surprise...we played as good a defensive game as I've ever seen...we had a good first half of offense...then Jewell's defense dominated us in the second half...the muddy field hurt our option runs and that's a big part of our game.." Senior WR Jimi Reed -- "Baker didn't do anything special...they just played tough on defense...I never thought we'd get shut out."

STATS LEADERS: (Baker 10-22-83) () longest gain

Rushing: Hodges 12-38(7), Gillespie 8-24(8) Passing: Sandridge 13-23-2-157(36) Receiving: Gillespie 3-50(20), Reed 1-36, Hill 1-31, Hodges 5-29(9) Punting: Brinser 6-214-36.0(46) Interceptions: Newman 1 Tackles/Asalsts/For Loss: Newman 7-1-1, T. Johnson 8-0-1, Taylor 7-2-0, Twigs 8-1-1 Sacks: S. Montgomery 1 Team Totals: Offense 212 Yards (155 Passing, 57 Rushing) Defense 240 Yards (162 Rushing, 78 Passing)

First Downs:Jewell 11Baker 13Pepaltics:Jewell 2-30Baker 5-40Fumbles/Lost:Jewell 3-2Baker 0-3