

William Jewell quarterback Kelly Groom is tackled by Jeff Walton (80) and John Lallas (75) of Pacific Lutheran during quarterfinals in the NAIA playoffs at Liberty, Mo. Jewell's Mark Mundell (55) throws a belated block. Jewell won 19-14 to advance to Saturday's NAIA semifinal match with Austin College.



It could have been written in a novel.

With a plot like a spythriller, the William Jewell Cardinal football squad Saturday added a beautiful win to beautiful weather in an action-filled afternoon. The Cards had to wait until the last play of the game but they finally downed the number one ranked team in the NAIA Division II, Pacific Lutheran.

Along the way, some 2,500 faithful were treated to the kind of contest that tests both those watching and playing. Typical was a pass to receiver Mike McGill

from Kelly Groom which got Jewell out of a 4hird-down, back-against-the-wall situation.

Not absent, though, was the Jewell defense which had it "together" in more ways than one. Pacific Lutheran found out just how close that group is on several occasions.

The win moves Jewell into the NAIA quarterfinals Nov. 21 in Texas and then, given a win there, probably back here the following week. (See related story and photos in Shopper Sports section.)