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Homecoming

Tiny Timms Blocks Marian

By Bob Lueder

“We may be a bit down right now, but I think we’ll be ready by the time Saturday comes around,” spoke Coach Joe DeSoto in preparation for Marian’s Homecoming game with St. Anne at the Bloom field.

The Spartans had a case of the blues after absorbing a 14-0 defeat at TF South.

Marian is shooting for the school’s first winning season and had three home games to notch the victory that would do it.

“The squad wants to win them all and if they play up to their potential without going sour like we did at Lansing, we could move,” DeSoto stated.

However, it was made clear that the Spartans would have to be at their best when they meet St. Anne, which has one of the area’s finest running backs in Paul Timms.

Timms stands only 5-4 and weighs in at 145 pounds, is a real hard runner, and carries the hopes of St. Anne, that has a 4-won, 2-lost record.

Included in the victors is one over Herscher, which Marian tied 13-all. St. Anne spanked Rich Central 12-0 earlier this season.

The Cardinals use a straight T-formation with seniors Ray Hubert and Ron Miles sharing the signal calling duties. Joining Timms in the backfield are 155-pound Jim Sharkey and Tom Laurent, 165, the fullback.

“I saw this club play, and I can truthfully say it is the best team I have scouted this year,” DeSoto remarked. “It will take a good effort to beat them, but if we are healthy it might happen.”

Worrying DeSoto is the mounting list of injuries, the latest being halfback Steve Bergstrom with a bad ankle. A similar injury has senior Mike Schreiber going at half speed.

If Bergstrom is not able to start, his place will be filled by Len Ignelzi, with Dane Mattio moving up to the first backfield reserve spot.

Still running sound and having an outstanding year is 5-8 junior Jerry Nicolas, a 155-pound halfback, the Spartans’ leader in all offensive departments.