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Missouri scores in all phases in 50-0 victory over SEMO

COLUMBIA, Mo. -- After a humbling performance in the season opener, Missouri's defense has taken out its frustration on two straight opponents, including a 50-0 shutout of Southeast Missouri on Saturday night.

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The Tigers (2-1) held the Redhawks (1-2) to 94 total yards.

"Our defense played with good urgency, made things happen and got off the field on third downs, put them in position behind the sticks most of the night, controlled the line of scrimmage and were really aggressive in our coverage," Missouri coach Barry Odom said. The Tigers were haunted by missed tackles in their season-opening loss at Wyoming. They rebounded by holding West Virginia to just 171 yards and seven points last week before dominating SEMO.

For the second straight week, Missouri scored a defensive touchdown. This time, linebacker Cale Garrett intercepted a Daniel Santacaterina pass and returned it 27 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter.

That was part of an early all-phases assault by Missouri. The Tigers opened a 27-0 first-quarter lead. In addition to Garrett's score, Larry Rountree III rushed for a 3-yard touchdown, Kelly Bryant floated a 3-yard TD pass to tight end Albert Okwuegbunam and Richaud Floyd took a punt 71 yards to the end zone.

Garrett said the defense ignored the lopsided score.

"We have a 0-0 mentality, approaching every drive as a new opportunity, being able to get takeaways, too," Garrett said.

Rountree finished with 142 yards rushing and two touchdowns on 18 carries. Bryant completed 15 of 20 passes for 225 yards and a touchdown. Jalen Knox caught two passes for 104 yards. Tyler Badie carried seven times for 73 yards and a touchdown. Tucker McCann converted field goals of 52, 44 and 42 yards.

Santacaterina was 7-of-22 passing for 45 yards for the Redhawks. Jake Reynolds had a serious workout with 14 punts.

HAPPY RETURN

Floyd was moved from wide receiver to cornerback in the offseason, but that didn't mean his touchdown-scoring days were over. In the first quarter, Floyd fielded a punt on his own 29-yard line, followed his blockers to the right sideline and had just one SEMO player in his way.

"I saw a sea of black in front of me, and then I saw the punter," Floyd said. "I thought, `I made it this far. I can't get tackled by the punter.' "

Floyd returned two punts for touchdowns as a sophomore, but during an injury-plagued junior year, he finished with three punt returns for minus-4 yards.

"He's a senior, and had every chance in the world to leave and go somewhere else," Odom said. "He continues to make plays. He's as good of a teammate as we've got."

THE TAKEAWAY

Missouri: The Tigers used a new lineup on the offensive line, giving former backups Bobby Lawrence and Case Cook starts at right tackle and left guard, respectively.

"They had a better week of practice," Odom said. "If you practice the right way and your habits are where they need to be with the urgency, then you're going to be rewarded for it."

Left tackle Yasir Durant left the game in the third quarter with a neck injury, but Odom said he would have returned if the score was closer. $\,$

Southeast Missouri State: The Redhawks, who entered the game ranked 20th in the Football Championship Subdivision coaches' poll, dropped to 1-24 against Football Bowl Subdivision opponents.

SEMO MIZ	0 27	0 10	0 10		0 3	0 50	
Scoring Summary FIRST QUARTER					SEM	0	MIZ
MIZ TD 12:05 Larry		e III	3 Yd Ru	n (Tuc	ker Mc		ick)
7 plays, 75 yards, MIZ TD 11:07 Cale (PAT blocked)		27 Yd :	Interce	ption	0 Return	(Tuck	7 er McCan
3 plays, -6 yards, MIZ TD 8:41 Albert McCann Kick)	0:58 Okwuegh	ounam 3	Yd pas	s from	0 n Kelly	Bryan	13 t (Tucke
3 plays, 60 yards, MIZ TD 6:41 Richaud	1:09 d Floyd	71 Yd 1	Punt Re	turn (0 Tucker	McCan	20 n Kick)
5 plays, 8 yards, 3 SECOND QUARTER MIZ TD 1:32 Larry 1	2:00				0 SEM	0	27 MIZ
5 plays, 64 yards, MIZ FG 0:05 Tucker	1:43				0	uiiii iti	34
<pre>8 plays, 45 yards, THIRD QUARTER MIZ FG 9:33 Tucker</pre>		42 Yd 1	Field G	oal	0 SEM	0	37 MIZ
8 plays, 33 yards, MIZ TD 4:42 Tyler 1	4:26 Badie 6					k)	40
7 plays, 75 yards, FOURTH QUARTER		. 52 vd	E; old	Coal	0 SEM	0	47 MIZ
MIZ FG 12:32 Tucker 5 plays, 18 yards,		1 32 Yu	rieid	GOAI	0		50
Team Stats First Downs			SEMO 8		MIZ 19		
Passes for First			4		7		
Rushes for First Penalties for Fi	rst		3 1		10 2		
Third Down Effici	ency		2-18		2-1	0	
Fourth Down Effic Total Yards	iency		0-0 94		0-0 501		
Total Plays Avg Gain Per Pla	37		64 1.5		65 7.7		
Net Yards Rushin			40		259		
Rushes Yards Per Rush			32 1.3		40 6.5		
Net Yards Passin	g		54		242	2.5	
Comp-Att Yards Per Pass			11-32 1.7		16-1 9.7	25	
Times Sacked Yds Lost To Sack	c		3 - 19		1 -2		
Interceptions	5		1		1		
Punts Punt Average			14 41.1		5 55.	4	
Penalties			6		9	-	
Penalty Yards Fumbles			50 0		79 0		
Fumbles Lost Time of Poss			0 30:57		0 29:	03	
Individual Stats							
RUSHING SE MISSOURI ST	Rush	Yds	Avg		TD	LONG	2
Mark Robinson	11	19	1.7		0	12	3
Geno Hess Zion Custis	6 10	17 17	2.8 1.7		0 0	11 5	
Joe Pyle Daniel Santacaterii	1 na 4	-6 -7	-6.0 -1.8		0 0	0 3	
MISSOURI Larry Rountree III	Rush 18	Yds 142	Avg 7.9		TD 2	LON 0	3
Tyler Badie Anthony Watkins	7 6	73 19	10.4 3.2		1	49 5	
Dawson Downing	5	17	3.4		0	13	
Kelly Bryant Simi Bakare	2 1	6 1	3.0 1.0		0	8	
Connor Bazelak PASSING	1	1	1.0		0	1	
SE MISSOURI ST Daniel Santacaterina	C omp 7	Att 22	Yds 45	Y/A 2.0	TD 0	Int 1	QBRat
	2 2	6 4	13 -4	2.2 -1.0	0	0	
MISSOURI	Comp 15	Att 20	Yds 225	Y/A 11.3	TD	Int 1	QBRat 86.4
Taylor Powell	1	5	17	3.4	0	0	5.0
RECEIVING SE MISSOURI ST	Rec	Yds	Avg		ΓD	LONG	
Kristian Wilkerson Aaron Alston	1 2	15 13	15.0 6.5		0	15 15	
Jordan Foster Colby Cornett	1 1	12 8	12.0		0	12 8	
Caleb Strauss	1 1	5 1	5.0		0	5 1	
Mark Robinson Taylen Waller	1	1	1.0		0	1	
Zack Smith Geno Hess	2 1	1 -2	0.5 -2.0		0	1 0	
MISSOURI Jalen Knox	Rec 2	Yds 104	Avg 52.0		PD 0	LONG 54	
Barrett Banister	3	37 24	12.3		0 1	22 21	
Albert Okwuegbunam Jonathan Nance	1	18	12.0 18.0		0	18	
Tyler Badie Kam Scott	1 1	17 17	17.0 17.0		0	17 17	
Larry Rountree III Daniel Parker Jr.	3 1	16 6	5.3 6.0		0	8 6	
Johnathon Johnson	2	3	1.5		0	4	