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## The Saint Francis Herald At the Game

# Sainty defeats Hoxie

**By Betty Jean Winston** bettyw@nwkansas.com It took awhile for the Friday night football game to be played. Actually, game time ended up at 1 p.m. on Saturday. Lightning and a rain storm were the culprits. When the final buzzer sounded on Saturday afternoon, Sainty had handed Hoxie their first loss of the season by a 30-14 score.

"We were in Hoxie (Friday night) and it was 30 minutes from game time when the lightning postponed the action," Coach Tim Lambert said. "We waited until 9 p.m., as it also began raining and the field became wet. At that time, the game was postponed until Saturday.

"We left for home about 9:30, arriving in St. Francis about 11:30. At 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, we left for Hoxie again.

"I was so happy with the way they (the players) handled all the delays and the bus trips.'

The St. Francis team improved their record to 4-1 with the win over Hoxie. This Friday they will play the final regular season game before District action begins. Northwest Kansas League opponent Quinter will visit St. Francis for the Friday contest. Quinter also had their game postponed on Friday night and rescheduled the makeup game on Monday.

The Indians have the same District opponents as last year, Syracuse, Wichita County/Leoti and Rawlins County. St. Francis will have the home field advantage against Syracuse on Oct. 12 with the other two games away.

Sainty had 355 yards rushing against Hoxie with Ted Crabtree, quarterback, having 147 yards, intercepted a St. Francis pass and on added the final Indian touchdown



#### David Guthmiller moves away from his defenders to gain yardage for the Indians.

David Guthmiller 95, Trent Raile 67 the subsequent play scored. They and Trevor Hilt 30. Several young Indians were used, especially later in the contest.

Defensively Sainty had 58 total tackles with Crabtree leading with eight and T. Raile and D. Guthmiller having seven apiece. Raile also had a pass deflection.

board against Hoxie with T. Raile going in the end zone from 3-yards out. Crabtree added the two-point conversion and the game stood at St. Francis 8, Hoxie 0 midway through the first quarter.

Hoxie answered the St. Francis score during the same period. They

were unable to add the two conversions points leaving the Sainty advantage a small two points, 8-6.

Early in the second quarter, Raile had an 18-yard run for the next Indian score. Crabtree again took the ball in for two points.

One additional score was put on Sainty put the first score on the the St. Francis side of the scoreboard before halftime. Crabtree had a successful 5-yard rushing attempt late in the quarter. This time the conversion attempt failed.

Going into the locker room for half time, Sainty had a 22-6 advantage.

In the third quarter, Crabtree

when a 9-yard run ended by scoring six points. Hilt was used for the conversion attempt this time and he was successful making the score 30-6.

Hoxie earned eight points in the fourth quarter with a 5-yard run and a point-after attempt which worked. The clock said 2:51 remaining

Several young St. Francis players saw action during the game, especially in the fourth quarter.

#### Game stats - Hoxie Scoring: Crabtree 16, T. Raile

12, Hilt 2. Rushing: Besides the 339 yards rushed by Crabtree, D. Guthmiller, T. Raile and Hilt, Adam Guthmiller added 12 yards and Drew Zwey-

rushing attempts. Passing: Crabtree passed for 4-yards, being successful twoof-four attempts. Jesse Pacheco received a 3-yard pass and Keaton

Frewen a 1-yard pass. Tackles: Sixteen players had either unassisted or assisted tackles for the game. Besides those mentioned by Crabtree, T. Raile and D. Guthmiller, others with at least one were Trent Kinen, M. Raile, A. Guthmiller, Hilt, Alex Long, Scott Ford, Frewen, Terrence

Lamb, Pacheco, Shawn Warren, Sam Sowers, D. Zweygardt and Ethan Zweygardt. Hilt had five kick-off attempts

gardt 4 yards. Matt Raile had two for a total of 220 yards while T.

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Raile had two punts for a total of 91 yards.

#### League scores

St. Francis 30, Hoxie 14; Hays 24, Goodland 7; Oakley 30, Colby 0; Oberlin 33, Rawlins County 22; Quinter played Ness City-Dighton at Quinter.

#### Junior varsity

The Oakley and St. Francis junior varsity teams played one quarter of football after the varsity game on Saturday. It was an evenly matched quarter with the score being 0-0 at the buzzer. This eliminated the junior varsity game which was to be played on Monday.

## Volleyball tournament matches held in Ober

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bettyw@nwkansas.com St. Francis attended the Oberlin Invitational volleyball tournament on Saturday and the varsity picked up one win and suffered three losses.

St. Francis won their second match of the day, which was against Oberlin, with scores of 22-25, 25-23 and 25-23. As the scores indicate, all three games were close with the outcome going down to the final points.

The losses came in contests with Hoxie (14-25, 22-25), Rawlins County (20-25, 12-25) and Norton 19-25.18-25)

excellent volleyball at times," Coach Kent Kechter said. "We just need to keep working to develop more consistency in our good play and eliminate errors that give away points."

Lady Indians who saw court time at the tournament were Kattie Ford, Holly Keller, Dara Loyd, Katie Marin, Sara Miller, Elizabeth Gienger, Andrea Holzwarth, Jami Pevler, Ally Marin, Cassie Dankenbring and Teri Walters.

#### vs Hoxie

St. Francis was defeated by Hoxie 14-25, 22-25.

"We did a lot of good things against Hoxie, but we just did not execute real well at times," Coach Kechter said.

"Our passing got us into trouble in game one as we gave them several points off serve reception due to inaccurate passing.

"A couple missed serves were untimely in game two.

'We will need to execute better to beat them when/if we see them in the Northwest Kansas League tournament, Regionals, or Substate."

The percentage of good serves "This group of girls has played was lower than normal in this contest, as it stood at 86.5 percent. Pevler and Keller had the most attempts at 100 percent with Pevler having two aces and Gienger, one.

Service points: Pevler 5, Keller 4, Miller 2, Loyd 1, Gienger 1.

The team had 51 good attempts on the attack out of a total of 61 for 83.6 percent. Having the most attempts were Pevler with 12(15/12)and Ford with 13 (13/9). The 100percent players were led by Miller with 4/4.

Loyd, who does the majority of the setting, had 38 attempts, with 32 on target and five more playable.

The Sainty Ladies had 83 passing attempts with K. Marin having 27 with 12 on target and six more playable. Having the best percentage was Pevler with 14 attempts, nine on target and two more playable.

Keller led in blocks with three and Ford in stuffs with four.

#### vs Oberlin

In the winning match, the final scores were 22-25, 25-23, 25-23.

"Against Decatur County we executed much better," Coach Kechter said. "Our serving was good, our passing was much improved, and our attack was very successful.

"We really looked awesome offensively (26 kills) and played well defensively as well.

"Our middles, Holly (Keller) and Kattie (Ford), were very effective with their blocking in this match.

'When our passing accuracy is 60 percent or better (as it was in this match) we will have the opportunity to attack on most of our possessions.

"This is critical to our success."

Service points: The team percent- Gienger 1. age was 91.5. Gienger (7/7) was the only one with 100 percent but Pevler was 14-of-15, Loyd 12-of-14; K. Marin 12-of-13, Keller and Miller with 10-of-11.

Aces: K. Marin and Pevler, one each.

Service points: K. Marin 10, Pevler 10, Loyd 8, Keller 6, Miller 6, Gienger 3.

Attack: The team was 81.9 percent. Loyd (8/8) was the only one with 100 percent. Others were (attempts first followed by those in) Pevler 31/25; Ford 16/11; Miller 13/12; Gienger 13/12; K. Marin 4/3. Keller 20.15.

Sets (attempts/on target/playable): Loyd 72/66/6; Ford 3/2/1; K. Marin 3/1/1; Ford 3/2/1; Miller 3/1/2; Gienger 2/1/0; Pevler 1/0/1. Gienger handled 34 passes with 20 on target and nine more playable. Others passing were K. Marin

29/20/4; Keller 21/12/3; Miller 18/9/6; Pevler 15/10/3; Loyd 6/4/0; Ford 2/1/0.

Blocks: Keller 4, Ford 3. Stuffs: Keller 6, Ford 4.

K. Marin 3, Miller 3, Keller 2, with the best percentage.

#### vs Rawlins County/Norton

Sainty lost to Rawlins County 20-25 and 12-25 and to Norton 19-25 and 18-25.

"We served well against Rawlins County and Norton, but our passing and setting accuracy was not as good as needed to win," Coach Kechter said.

"Rawlins County attacked very well late in both matches. We will likely see them again. We will work hard to do better.

"Our offensive attack was very weak against both teams. We only had eight kills against Rawlins County and seven against Norton.'

In the Rawlins County match the team was 91.2 percent on serving with Loyd and Dankenbring both being 8-of-8 to lead the way.

Aces: Loyd and Dankenbring each had one.

Service points: Dankenbring 5, Loyd 3, K. Marin 3; Pevler 1.

Pevler had 14 attempts on the attack with 10 being good. Gienger Digs/saves: Pevler 5, Loyd 3, was 9-of-9 for the most attempts

Kills: Pevler 4, Gienger 2, Keller 1, Loyd 1.

Loyd had 42 setting attempts with 35 successful and six playable.

K. Marin had 30 passing attempts with 16 on target and seven more playable.

In the Norton match the team was 92.3 percent on serves. Pevler was 15-of-15.

Aces: Pevler 2, Keller 1.

Service points: Pevler 11, Miller 5, Keller 2, Loyd 1.

Ford had 14-of-15 successful hits on the attack.

Kills: Ford 3, Keller, Gienger, Holzwarth and Pevler, one each. Loyd was 32 attempts, 28 on target and one playable on her sets.

K. Marin handled the most passes with 18 attempts. Pevler had the best percentage with those having five or more attempts. She was 8/7/1.

#### Next action

The varsity team will be playing the Scott City Invitational with nine other teams on Saturday. Sainty's record at the end of Oberlin Tournament was 6/17.

"Come support the girls!" Coach Kechter said.

### Lady Indians meet Cheylin and Oberlin on Tuesday

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St. Francis split their varsity volleyball games on Tuesday at Cheylin defeating Cheylin 26-24, 25-18 and losing to Oberlin 12-25, 13-25. Their record at the end of the day was 5-14.

team began focusing on the Oberlin Tournament on Saturday.

"The tournament should be very exciting as all teams are somewhat closely matched," Coach Kent Kechter said.

The first contest on Tuesday for the Lady Indians was with Oberlin

'We did not play real well against Oberlin at times," Coach Kechter er having two each and Holly

very well. We just seemed a little "sluggish" and somewhat unenthused to play at times. We must find more consistency with the good play and "fire."

The Ladies were 88.5 percent on their serves, 84.3 percent on After the matches on Tuesday, the the attack and 93.48 percent on sets.

> Six players contributed to the serving with Jami Pevler (6/6), kills while Kattie Ford, Marin and Katie Marin (4/4) and Elizabeth Gienger (3/3) being 100 percent. Pevler had the lone ace for the team

The service points were a team effort with Pevler having three, Dara Loyd, Marin and Sara Mill-

said. "At other moments, we played Keller and Gienger having one one more playable. apiece.

> On the attack, Keller had 16 attempts and was successful 14 times. Pevler had 11 attempts with nine successful. No one having at least five attempts was 100 percent but Loyd (4/4) and Marin (2/2)accomplished this with fewer opportunities.

Keller and Pevler each had three Gienger had one each.

Loyd, the team's main setter, had 39 attempts with 31 on target and five more playable.

Marin led the passing with 24 attempts. Having the best percentage (five or more attempts) was Keller with 13, having nine successful and

Ford had two blocks and Keller two stuffs to lead in these categories.

#### vs Cheylin

The team's fifth win of the season came in the Cheylin match which they won in two games 26-24, 25-18, although the first game went past the 25 points before Sainty could claim the victory.

"Against Cheylin we executed really well when game one was close near the end," Coach Kechter said. "I was proud of that. We played quite a bit better in the second match."

Loyd was 10-of-10 in sets for 100 percent. The team as a whole was



83.7 percent which is one of their lower serving percentages.

Having aces were Loyd and Miller with two and Keller, Marin and Pevler with one each.

Service points: Pevler 9, Loyd 6, Marin 4, Miller 3, Gienger 3, Keller 2.

Pevler had 17 attempts on the attack while Keller had 11 and Ford 10. Miller had the best percentage with at least five attempts. She was 6-of-6.

Loyd had a large number of sets, 45 for the match. All of them were either on target or playable.

In passing Gienger had 25 attempts with 22 either on target or playable while Keller had the best percentage with 11 on target or playable out of 13.