

# At the Game

## Defense holds Cowboys scoreless; Sainty wins 30-0

By Betty Jean Winston

Win number three for St. Francis came on a 30-0 shutout of Northwest Kansas League opponent Goodland on Friday evening in Goodland. This was the first league game for the Indians, and the remainder of the regular season will be against league teams.

All four teams in District 14 are also league teams (St. Francis, Atwood, Hoxie and Oberlin). The Quinter/St. Francis game on Oct. 11 will be the Homecoming game.

Interestingly enough, St. Francis stands with one Kansas win, one Colorado win and one Nebraska win after week three.

"This was a good game," Coach Tim Lambert said. "We beat a quality opponent that played hard all four quarters."

The Sainty defense was very stingy allowing Goodland minimal rushing yards as they had only 107 for the evening. When stymied on the ground, the Cowboys tried the air but that was also fruitless as they had no completions out of eight attempts.

"Our defense played really well," the coach said.

Goodland did have one sustained scoring drive during the evening but could not come up with that final push into the end zone.

Although St. Francis had some good rushing statistics and the passing attempts resulted in a number of completions, they did have more fumbles than they would like and also the number of penalties could be lowered.

Sainty scored once in the first quarter on a 93-yard drive with Tyler Voorhies handling the quarterback duties. The Indians ground game was excellent at eating up time on the clock.

This drive began with a penalty flag against the Indians on their first play following the kickoff run back by Marcus Dodd. The move back put Sainty on their own 7-yard line.

St. Francis needed a few first downs along the way to sustain the drive but then junior Michael Raile broke loose for a 65-yard touchdown to give Sainty the advantage. Trey Hilt added the two-point conversion and Sainty had all the points they needed for the win, although they didn't know that and even if they did they would play the remainder of the game with full intensity.

With Goodland having no success at all moving the ball, they were forced to punt and Sainty again controlled the ball. This time the drive was cut short by a turnover.

Goodland could not take advantage of the opportunity and it was not long before they were again forced to punt. Goodland was not handed many special opportunities and failing to capitalize on them hurt their effort.

On Sainty's next series, they had enough confidence in their ability to try a fourth down rushing attempt rather



**TREY HILT (47) protects the ball when being tackled by Goodland Cowboys on Friday evening. The Indians as a team rushed for 369 yards.**

Herald staff photo by Lezlie Hilt

than punt and it worked, keeping the drive going. This drive moved over into the second quarter but they lost the ball on downs after a failed passing attempt.

Goodland again could not move the ball and on Sainty's next drive they reached the end zone on a 40-yard run by Raile. Kyle Buffington went in for the extra points and Sainty was ahead 16-0.

Voorhies and Jonathan Roelfs were sharing quarterback duties with Trey Hilt, Buffington, Raile and Derek Ross moving in and out of the backfield.

When Goodland received the kickoff following the Sainty score, they fumbled the ball and Nick Keller had it for the Indians. Sainty was on the 20-yard line and moved down within the 10-yard touchdown territory but Goodland recovered an Indian fumble and the Cowboys took over.

Goodland had their initial first down of the evening on this drive but again could not sustain the forward motion. Quarterback Roelfs was sacked on a passing attempt during this series with the clock showing under 2 minutes. Roelfs did have a pass completion

both teams and Chadron is the defending champion.

## Volleyball team beats Atwood

By Betty Jean Winston

A win over Atwood and a loss to Sharon Springs were the results of the first junior varsity volleyball matches played in St. Francis.

"These were two good matches," Coach Jeff Olofson said. Sainty defeated the Lady Buffs from Atwood by scores of 15-9, 15-12.

"Against Atwood we served well and we took advantage of the opportunities we had," Coach Olofson said.

Sharon Springs played St. Francis hard as the Lady Indians took them to three games before the Lady Wildcats emerged as the winner. Sharon Springs won the first and third games and St. Francis the second game. Sainty staged a comeback in the third game but fell short at the end. The final scores were 7-15, 15-7 and 13-15 (rally score).

"The Sharon Springs match was very frustrating," Coach Olofson said. "We played well and poorly in the same match. We were down 8-14 in the third rally score game and came back to lose 13-15."

to Ross but it was short of a first down and the half ended following an incomplete passing attempt by the Cowboys after they received the ball with seconds left.

No scoring took place during the third quarter but the Indians played some power football during the final 3 minutes of the quarter and went into the fourth quarter in good position to score. The Sainty line had been playing well throughout the evening.

A 35-yard pass play to Dodd began

the fourth quarter and just a few plays later Ross went into the end zone on a 6-yard run. He also added the two after-touchdown points giving the Indians a 24-0 advantage.

The Indians dominated the line of scrimmage throughout the evening. Goodland managed to move to a first-and-goal position in the fourth quarter but a penalty hampered them and Sainty knocked down their fourth-and-12 passing attempt to halt the drive.

There was one more scoring drive

for the Indians. They were moving along with first downs but the series came to a stop when they had an incomplete pass and then a high snap on a punting attempt which turned into another incomplete pass.

Ross accounted for the final score when he took the first play from scrimmage on a touchdown run. The six points put the Indian score at 30 and marked another game in the win column.

"We made quite a few mistakes, and

## Junior High Sports

### Volleyball teams were happy to have home games

By Betty Jean Winston

In volleyball action with Oakley on Thursday, Sept. 19 the teams had another opportunity to play at home. Today (Thursday) the team will also be playing at home, this time against Atwood. Players would appreciate your support at the gym.

The results of the matches with Oakley are as follows:

#### Eighth grade

The eighth grade A-team was defeated by Oakley 3-15, 0-15. Scoring in the first game were Megan Rice, Janelle Zwegardt and Danielle

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St. Francis moved their record to 3-0 in junior high football action Thursday against Oakley when they won by a dominating 38-14 score.

"This was our best performance so far," Coach Jeff Beims said. "It's good to be home finally."

St. Francis came out ready to play and had a very offensive first quarter. During this period the runners crossed the goal line on three different occasions

Fleming with one point each.

"Both A and B teams played very well," Coach Terri Orth said. "They hustled and set the ball up a lot. The score just doesn't show it."

"We will get a lot of playing time in this week with Atwood and the tourney in Hoxie on Saturday."

The B-team scored a number of points in their games but the final results saw them defeated by Oakley 11-15, 9-15.

Scoring: game one: Addie Swihart 3, Miranda Teeters 3, Janae Glidewell 2, Melissa Burton 2, Shaina Gohl 1;

game two: Gohl 5, Swihart 2, Glidewell 1, Andrea Blair 1.

#### Seventh grade

The seventh grade A-team fell to Oakley by scores of 1-15 and 4-15.

"The A-team had a very hard time getting into the game," Coach Tammi Sherlock said. "We couldn't get a good serve or bump tonight. Hopefully we can go back to practice and work on the fundamentals and get ready for the next game."

Scoring: game one: Holly Keller 1; game two: Vanelly Gardea 1; Sara Miller 1; Ashton Knorr 1; Kattie Ford

### Football team extends their record to 3-0

and had posted 24 points at the end of one.

"We talked about the essences of Indian football as tough defense and a grinding "three yards and a cloud of dust" style offense, and that is exactly what we got from these guys Thursday."

Sainty continued their scoring in the second quarter by adding another touchdown on a one yard run by A.J. McAtee.

"Our offensive and defensive lines

played great, and we cleaned up the penalties from last week."

First quarter scoring saw Jordan Gienger having a 22-yard touchdown run with Russell Rogers moving in for the conversion points; Adam Peter put the ball in the end zone on a 6-yard run with a pass from McAtee to Gienger added the two conversions points and then Gienger scored again on an 18-yard run with Rogers adding two conversion points.

## Ninth grade ladies attend Oberlin tournament

By Betty Jean Winston

The St. Francis ninth grade volleyball team competed in a tournament at Oberlin on Saturday and played four matches during the day.

The team has not had very many opportunities to play this year and can be expected to improve with each additional match.

The team has a number of events on the agenda. They are playing Imperial and Dundy County today (Thursday), at the Brewster Invitational on Saturday and with Cheylin and Oberlin on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

vs. Atwood - 14-16, 4-15

"We started out well, but Ally Reichert broke her foot at the last part

of the first game and it shook our team up," Susan Dinkel, coach, said.

"We had a hard time recovering from it mentally, and everyone knows volleyball is a mental game." vs. Goodland - 5-15, 9-15 "We missed way too many serves this match,"

there are a lot of things that we need to get better at or we will pay the price down the road," Coach Lambert said.

#### Next action

The first home game is on the horizon. Fans have been waiting for this since the season began. The Oakley Plainsmen will be the league opponent.

"We expect to play a very tough football team. They hit hard. Their 1-2 record is not indicative of how good they are," Coach Lambert said.

#### Team stats

St. Francis listed first followed by Goodland: first downs: 14/4; rushing yardage: 369/107; passing yardage 60/0; total offense: 429/107; punts: 1/5; fumbles: 2/2; penalties: eight for 60 yards/five for 35 yards.

#### Individual stats

Rushing: Raile, 139 yards on 11 attempts; Ross, 76 yards on five attempts; Hilt, 73 yards on 19 attempts; Buffington, 70 yards on 16 attempts; Voorhies, 11 yards on five carries; Roelfs, -5 yards on four carries.

Passing: Voorhies, four attempts, three completions, no interceptions, 54 yards; Roelfs, three attempts, one completion, no interception, 6 yards; Raile, one attempt, no completion, no interception Pass receivers: Dodd, one for 30 yards; N. Keller, two for 26 yards; Ross, one for 6 yards

Kickoffs: Ross, four for a 40-yard average; Trey Hilt, one for 43 yards

Punt returns: Dodd, one for 4 yards

Punts: Raile, one for 27 yards

Interceptions: none

Fumble recoveries: N. Keller

Scoring: Ross 14; Raile 12; Buffington 4

Tackles: Buffington 8; Tyler Wolters 8; N. Keller 7; Travis Hilt 7; Ross 6; Roelfs 5; Dodd 4; Justin Lindsten 3; Trey Hilt 3; Cale Rieger 2; Dallas Walz 2; Jon Zwegardt 2; Troy Torrence 2; Raile 1; Chase Collier 1

#### Area scores

Weekend scores involving Northwest Kansas League teams are as follows: St. Francis 30, Goodland 0; Stockton 12, Hoxie 8; Atwood/Quinter canceled; Oberlin 13, Oakley 8; Yuma, Colo., 25, Colby 24. Other 2A scores of interest: Claflin 40, Medicine Lodge 0. In an area game Cheylin was defeated by Weskan 42-6.

## College Football

### Southwest Missouri State Jon Zwegardt

The Southwest Missouri State football team defeated Southeast Missouri State 28-21 on Saturday at Springfield, Mo. The Southwest Missouri Bears jumped into a 14-point lead early in the second quarter and ended up with the non-conference victory.

It was an exciting game and Jon Zwegardt played the entire game on the line.

Next week the team will be playing Youngstown State in Youngstown n, Ohio, and the game will be broadcast on Fox Sports Network. This is Channel 30 on St. Francis Classic Cable and it is hoped this will be the game that will be shown in this area, but Fox Sports shows different games in different areas. The game begins at 1:30 p.m. and will be a conference game.

### Trinity International University Ben Swihart

The Trinity International University Trojans were defeated by Malone College of Canton, Ohio, 41-7 on Saturday and this moved their record to 2-1 having suffered their first loss of the season.

On Sept. 28 they play Geneva College at home.

### Fort Hays State University Dustin Dunn

Dustin Dunn is involved in the Fort Hays State University football program. On Saturday Fort Hays was defeated by No. 25 ranked Chadron State 52-23 in Hays. It was the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference opener for

Coach Dinkel said. "If we can't get the ball over the net, there is no way we can score."

vs. Colby - 10-15, 15-7, 7-15

"We really played pretty good this match. Colby missed quite a few serves, we just didn't capitalize on them."

vs. Hill City - 10-15, 13-15

"We were just dead tired by the time we played Hill City," Coach Dinkel said. "To their credit, they served pretty hard and fast, but we were just moving slow by that time. The two mile runs the girls did at the beginning of last week didn't even touch their conditioning for this match."

Enjoy watching the girls when they play in St. Francis.