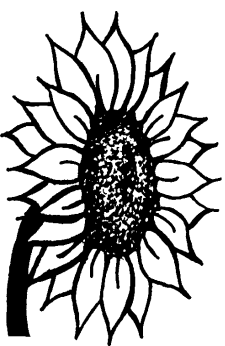


At the Game



Ladies do well; place second in league tourney

By Betty Jean Winston

St. Francis was in the final match for the championship Saturday after a good showing all day long at the Northwest Kansas League Volleyball Tournament held in Hoxie.

"This league has many fine volleyball teams in it," Coach Kent Kechter said. "Several of which could possibly be good enough to qualify for the state tournament. With parity like we have, and the great kids I get to work with, it makes for a fun tournament."

In pool play Saintry defeated Atwood and Oakley before losing to Colby, thus making them eligible for the semi-final bracket.

In the semifinal match they defeated Oberlin which saw them meet Colby for the second time that day. The Saintry Lady Indians came home with a second place finish in a battle with 4A, 3A and 2A league schools.

"This was a great day for Lady Indian volleyball!" Coach Kechter said. "We played well throughout the day."

"Every player contributed positively to the success of the team. I was especially pleased with the performance of the kids coming off the bench. They have certainly proved to be a great spark to our team."

"We got some outstanding play from our team today."

Next on the agenda is 2A Substate action. St. Francis will be playing in Leoti (see related front page story).

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Five players had more than 10 attempts on the hitting attack. That includes Fiedler being 15-of-18, Culwell 12-of-16, Feikert 13-of-15, Andrist 8-of-13 and Raile 8-of-10.

Handling the most sets were Fiedler with 32 and Feikert with 23. Both had all of their attempts playable.

The team had 101 good passes out of 118 attempts. Culwell had the most attempts with 27.

Other stats include - blocks: Coates 2, Raile 2, Feikert 1, Culwell 1; stuffs: Feikert 3, Coates 2, Culwell 1, Ashley Holzwarth 1; digs/saves: Culwell 7, Feikert 2, Andrist 2, Coates 1, Fiedler 1, Meredith Knodel 1, Allyse Lampe 1.

Colby 8-15, 7-15

The team served 88 percent against Colby, which is a very strong team. Only two servers were 100 percent. Fiedler and Andrist each had six good serves.

Service points: Coates 3, Feikert 3 and two aces, Raile 3 and one ace, Fiedler 2, Culwell 2, Andrist 2.

On the attack, Coates had 23 attempts with 20 being playable. The team was 88 percent with Andrist being 12-of-12.

Having kills were Feikert 5, Coates 4, Fiedler 2, Culwell 1, Andrist 1.

Feikert was 32-of-32 on sets with Fiedler being 24-of-26.

On passing, the team handled 124 attempts with 99 being good. Culwell had 34 attempts.

Other stats include - blocks: Feikert 3, Fiedler 3, Gina Frohlich 1, Andrist 1, Raile 1; stuffs: Culwell 1, Andrist 1; digs/saves: Culwell 6, Raile 5, Fiedler 3, Andrist 3, Feikert 2, Coates 1, Toni Rice 1.

"We played pretty well against Colby, but we just could not keep up with their skilled performance. They have played very well all year and could be a force in the 4A state tournament if they can get past some other good teams in the substate."

Semifinal match vs Oberlin 13-15, 15-10

"Colby won our pool and Oberlin defeated Goodland to win pool two. Therefore, we played Oberlin in the semifinal round, while Goodland and Colby played each other," Coach Kechter said. "We played very scrappy defense, passed and served extremely well, and defeated the Red Devils for the third straight time this year. This was a big win for us! I think Oberlin is good enough to qualify for the 2A state tournament out of the Hill City Substate. They were a state tournament participant last year."

The team served 93 percent at the service line, 88 percent on the passing attack, 93 setting and 74 percent passing.

Service points: Culwell 7, Fiedler 6, Andrist 5, Raile 5, Feikert 4, Coates 3.

Aces: Fiedler 2, Culwell 2, Coates 1, Coates 1.

Hitting attack leaders: Fiedler, 24-of-26 for 92 percent; Feikert, 19-of-22 for 86 percent.

Kills: Feikert 6, Fiedler 6, Culwell 5, Coates 3, Raile 2.

Setting leaders: Fiedler, 36-of-40 playable; Feikert, 38-of-39 playable.

Passing leaders: Andrist, 46 good out of 48 attempts; Culwell, 30 good out of 35 attempts.

Other stats include - blocks: Andrist 6, Coates 3, Feikert 1, Fiedler 1, Culwell 1, Raile 1; stuffs: Andrist 4, Feikert 4, Fiedler 3, Coates 1, Culwell 1; digs/saves: Culwell 16, Andrist 8, Feikert 8, Fiedler 6, Raile 6, Coates 3.

Championship match vs Colby 15-12, 12-15, 15-17

St. Francis won the first game and played hard the remainder of the match but Colby prevailed and won the league championship.

"The championship game was a great match," Coach Kechter said. "Two very good teams getting after it. Colby defeated us in a very tight, hotly contested match in three games 15-12, 12-15, 15-17. Colby left the tournament with the league championship in hand as well as a 28-2 record."



LADY INDIAN Kelsey Andrist was among those who played hard and earned St. Francis a second place at the league tournament held in Hoxie Saturday.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

"There were dozens of unbelievable plays made in this match by both teams. We were down 1-12 in the first match and came back to win 15-12. We traded leads back and forth in the second game. In the third game we jumped out to a 13-6 lead, but Colby came back to take the match 15-17."

"Check the numbers and you'll see what kind of match this was. We were 72-of-78 serving, 172 of 188 in attacks, 155 of 158 setting, passed the ball 231 times, and dug up 61 dug/saves...and we still did not win the championship."

Service points: Andrist 15, Raile 9, Feikert 6, Knodel 6, Feikert 6, Fiedler 2, Culwell 2, Coates 1, Lampe 1.

Aces: Raile 4, Feikert 1, Culwell 1,

Knodel 1, Andrist 1.

Hitting attack leaders: Feikert 55-of-61; Culwell 37-of-40

Kills: Feikert 13, Culwell 7, Coates 4, Fiedler 3, Raile 3, Frohlich 1, Andrist 1, Knodel 1.

Setting leaders: Fiedler was 100 percent with 85-of-85; Feikert contributed 58-of-50

Passing leaders: Culwell, 53 playable out of 61; Raile, 40 out of 45.

Other stats - blocks: Fiedler 6, Coates 3, Feikert 2, Raile 2, Culwell 1, Holzwarth 1; stuffs: Feikert 7, Culwell 3, Coates 1, Andrist 1; digs/saves: Fiedler 15, Culwell 15, Feikert 10, Coates 7, Raile 7, Andrist 4, Rice 2, Knodel 1.

two: Janae Glidewell 5; Andrea Blair 3; Swihart 3; Teeters 2; Shaina Gohl 1; Burton 1.

Seventh grade

The seventh grade A-team fell to Colby 12-15, 9-15 while the B-team won both games to put a match in the win column. The B-team scores were 15-4, 15-8.

"The girls did a good job of playing volleyball," Coach Tammi Sherlock said. "We didn't get to practice Friday and no school on Monday. It's hard to get into the swing of things."

"It's been a fun year. I've enjoyed the girls a lot. The season is coming to an end. We have the league tournament in Atwood today (Thursday). I think we will be a surprise for the other teams."

A-team scoring: Kattie Ford 9, Holly Keller 6, Teri Walters 3, Cassie Dankenbring 2, Jenice Hartman 1.

B-team: Vanelly Gomez 9, Jasmine Torrence 7, Sara Miller 6, Walters 5, Lauren Ross 2, Ashton Knorr 1.

Junior high volleyball teams ready for league

By Betty Jean Winston

The junior high volleyball teams played at home for the last time this season when they hosted Colby on Monday, Oct. 14. The only activity remaining on their schedule is the Northwest Kansas League Tournament today (Thursday) with the seventh grade playing in Atwood and the eighth grade in Goodland.

Results follow --

Eighth grade

The Colby A-team won the eighth grade contests over St. Francis Monday, Oct. 14. Addie Swihart scored a number of points in the second game to keep Saintry in the competition.

"The girls played pretty well," Coach Terri Orth said. "They were a little flat in the second game. But they made a real good comeback from 0-11 to lose the game 11-15."

"We will make a good effort to be ready to play next week at league."

Scoring: game one: Janelle Zweggard 3; Danielle Flemming 3; Alecia Zimelman 1; game two: Mindy Cooper 9, Addie Swihart 2.

The eighth grade B-team split their games with Colby, taking the final game of the evening. The scores for the two games were 6-15; 15-12.

"This game was played pretty well overall," Coach Orth said. "I think not having practice on Friday may have hurt us a little. The kids started out a little slow, but came back for a victory in the second game."

"It has been fun watching everyone improve."

Scoring: game one: Miranda Teeters 3, Swihart 2, Melissa Burton 1; game

Team completes goal; is undefeated

By Betty Jean Winston

What an excellent job the junior high football team did this season. They had a goal when the year began and they kept their focus throughout the season to obtain the undefeated campaign.

On Monday, Oct. 14 the team finished their schedule with a 28-8 win over Colby on Greene Field in St. Francis.

"This game was not as easy as the final score might imply," Coach Jeff Beims said. "We were in a dog fight throughout most of it, but in the end we wore our opponents down with strong offensive line play and some punishing runs."

"Our defense played exceptionally well as we have come to expect. Even the play Colby scored on was defended well. We were in the right position to make a play we just misread the ball."

Scoring for Monday's game included two touchdowns by Jordan Gienger in the second period, one on an 8 yard run and one on a 31-yard run. After the second score Adam

Peter went in for two conversion points.

Saintry next scored in the fourth quarter. Gienger made his third touchdown of the game, this time going in from 19 yards out Peter again added the conversion point and the Indians had collected 22 points. The final score was on a 1-yard run by A.J. McAtee.

"These boys became young men over the past two months," Coach Beims said. "An undefeated season is very rare at any level in any sport."

"These young men did something that they can be truly proud of because they worked hard to get it. Nobody laid down for us. On the contrary we got everyone's best game. We gave three teams their first loss of the season."

"They have seen what kind of work and dedication it takes to be champions and they were equal to the task."

"They should be fun to watch in years to come."

Look for a picture of this undefeated team in the Fall Sports Tab published with this issue of the Herald.

Two wins earned at Winona triangular

By Betty Jean Winston

The final triangular of the season saw the Lady Indians put two more matches in the win column when they traveled to Winona on Monday, Oct. 15. This was a good way to gain momentum for Saturday's Northwest Kansas League tournament.

"We played very well this night," Coach Kent Kechter said. "At times we were just 'awesome.' We still made errors and have a lot of room for improvement, but we sure have been playing well lately."

"I was very pleased with the performance of our substitute players coming in off the bench. They have contributed all season long, and played especially well."

Winona

With the team serving 97 percent for the match, St. Francis defeated Winona 15-3, 15-3. Jan Fiedler (9 points), Amber Feikert (6 points and two aces), Kelsey Andrist (6 points and one ace), Kande Raile (2 points and one ace) and Heather Culwell (2 points) were all 100 percent from the line while Sam Coates was also good with only one error out of seven attempts and 5 points.

Culwell had the most hits on the attack with 13 and the ladies recorded a team hitting percentage of 88. Having kills were Raile 6, Coates 3, Feikert 3, Culwell 2, Andrist 2, and Fiedler 1.

Fiedler (22), Feikert (16) Andrist (2), Raile (2) and Coates (1) all contributed to the team's 100 percent setting.

The passing saw Culwell, Feikert and Andrist with 10 or more attempts.

Additional stats include: blocks: Andrist 5, Coates 1, Feikert 1, stuffs: Feikert 2, Fiedler 2, Coates 1, Andrist 1; digs/saves: Feikert 3, Culwell 3, Raile 2, Coates 1, Fiedler 1, Andrist 1.

Sharon Springs

Last time the two teams met, the Lady Wildcats were victorious so it was especially nice to have this match be a turnaround.

The final scores were 15-6, 15-8. When action was completed on Tuesday, Saintry had a 12-8 record.

Having service points for Saintry were Feikert 6, Fiedler 6, Andrist 5, Raile 4, Coates 3, Culwell 3, Tara Neitzel 2, Toni Rice 1. Having one ace each were Coates, Feikert and Rice.

Saintry's hitting attack was also successful with Culwell leading in attempts with 21 and being 100 percent for the match. Also at 100 percent hitting were Andrist (9), Gina Frohlich (3), Neitzel (1) and Meredith Knodel (1).

Feikert had 32 playable sets with Fiedler following with 16 attempts.

Eight players recorded passing attempts with Andrist having 23, Culwell 18, Raile 16 and Feikert 14 to lead the way.

Additional stats include: blocks: Feikert, Fiedler and Raile, 2 each; Stuff: Fiedler; digs/saves: Feikert 9, Andrist 4, Fiedler 3, Culwell 3, Frohlich 2, Raile 2, Coates 1, Knodel 1.

"Both teams we beat were good teams," Coach Kechter said. "We just played very well."

"It seems like we are gaining more and more confidence. Hopefully, we can continue to improve as the most important matches of our season are ahead of us."

Tourney results told

By Betty Jean Winston

Riverside Mens Club golf tournament was held Sunday with nice weather and 17 golfers participating. With October half over and the time change on Saturday, plus cooler weather right around the corner, there will be less days with perfect golfing weather.

With a 73 on his scorecard, Rich Grace placed first in the championship flight. He was followed by Brad Leiker and Larry Gabel tying at 75 for second place and Roger Lauer and Gerald Lauer, tying for fourth with 76.

In the first flight, Randy Andrist was the winner, Roger Faulkender placed second and Steve Danielski and Rod Lampe, tied for third.

Hole prize winners were Tyler Lampe (2), Rod Lampe, Mark Roessner, Randy Andrist, Mel Confer and Richard Grace.

- College Football -

Trinity International University

Ben Swihart

The Trinity International University Trojans were defeated by St. Ambrose 19-7 on Saturday. On Oct. 25 they play University of St. Francis at Deerfield. Trinity is 3-4 overall and 0-3 in conference play.

Fort Hays State University

Dustin Dunn

Fort Hays State University defeated Panhandle State, Oklahoma 49-32 Saturday in a non-conference game. The Tigers are 3-4 overall and 1-4 in conference play.

The next game will be with Mesa State.

Southwest Missouri State

Jon Zweggard

The Southwest Missouri State football team lost to Western Kentucky Saturday 31-7 in the 2002 Homecoming contest. The Bears struck first in the Gateway Football Conference action but were held scoreless for the remainder of the game.

The next scheduled opponent is Southern Illinois.

School Schedule

Thursday: junior high volleyball Northwest Kansas League Tournament, seventh grade in Atwood, eighth grade in Goodland, 2 p.m.

Friday: high school football, Hoxie, there, 7:30 p.m.; end of first nine weeks

Saturday: high school volleyball Substate Tournament, Hoxie

Thursday, Oct. 31: high school football, Atwood, here, 7:30 p.m.

