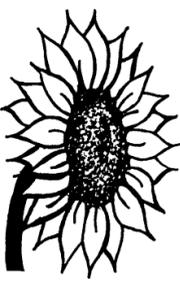


At the Game



Indians wrestle Hoxie

By Betty Jean Winston

Hoxie, the number one team in 3-2-1A in the state of Kansas, actually the number one team in all classes in the state, defeated St. Francis 55-15 Friday night in wrestling action in St. Francis.

Winners for St. Francis were Dylan Loyd, Trey Hilt, Kyle Buffington and Gabe Walz. Buffington won his match by a fall.

"I was encouraged by our effort," Coach Larry Gabel said. "The lopsided score does not indicate how close some of the matches were.

"This will help us to get better. I see good things ahead."

On Friday the team will travel to Oakley and on Saturday they will participate in the Sterling Dual Tournament.

Team stats

Sainty wrestlers listed first followed by their opponents: takedowns 7-14; escapes 6-5; reversals 8-8; near falls 1-11; wins

Ladies face full schedule

By Betty Jean Winston

Christmas break is over and the high school basketball teams are moving full force into the busy time of the year.

The week of Jan. 6 they played two games on the road. Atwood on Tuesday and Hoxie on Friday. The Atwood game, which did not count in the league standings, went into the loss column as did the Hoxie game which was a Northwest Kansas League matchup. Add these two games to the game played with Colby on Saturday, Jan. 4, and the Lady Indians are moving down their schedule.

In both contests this week, the scores were very close as Sainty lost to Atwood by three points and to Hoxie by two. The amazing thing was that Hoxie went into the game with a perfect 7-0 record, an indication that the Lady Indians played well and almost pulled out the win.

This weekend they play Oakley in St. Francis and Holyoke on the road, and then spend three days the following week at the Oberlin Invitational.

Atwood 46, St. Francis 43

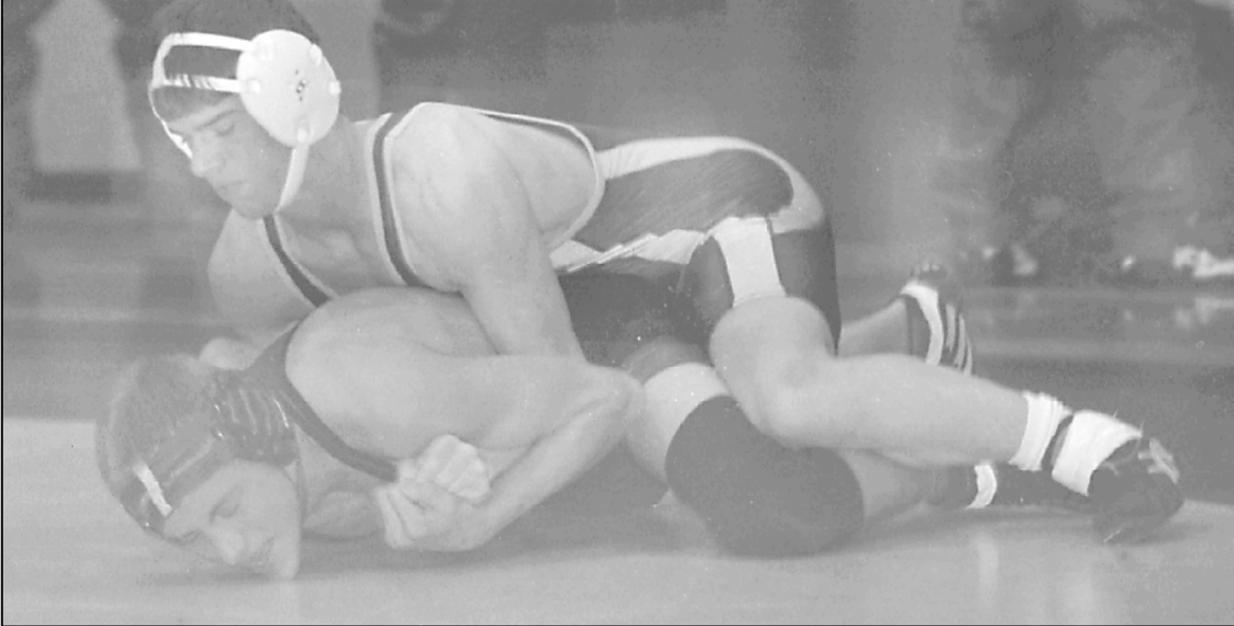
The scoring was very even in the Atwood game with no Lady Indian in double digits. Nine players scored with Gina Frohlich having mine. Sainty had the advantage at the end of the first three quarters but the Lady Buffs had a strong final quarter to take the win.

The St. Francis team was 18-of-58 from the field for 31 percent, which was better than the Atwood percentage (29.5) but the Lady Buffs came through at the free-throw line with a better percentage (17-of-25 for 68 percent) compared to the 43.8 percent for the home team.

"We played the best quarter of basketball the first quarter that we have played all year (22 points)," Coach Ted Busse said. "Then we went cold from the field."

Under the basket the Sainty Ladies had 33 rebounds but were out rebounded by the Lady Buffs who had 40. Frohlich, Kandee Raile and Kelsey Andrist each had seven. Andrist led in assists with five, while Samantha Coates, Andrist and Raile had the most steals for Sainty. The team accounted for 25. "We will see Atwood again," Coach Busse said.

Scoring: Frohlich 9, Amber Feikert 7, Raile 6, Ashley Holzwarth 6, Andrist 5, Toni Rice



145 POUND WRESTLER Gabe Smull competed in recent wrestling action for the Indians. On Friday evening the number one ranked team in Kansas, the Hoxie Indians, visited St. Francis.

Herald staff photo by Lezlie Hilt

4-10; major decisions 0-0; technical falls 0-2; falls 1-7.

Individual stats

103: Trevor Richard lost by a fall to Farber; 112: Loyd won by a 4-2 decision over M. Shamberger; 119: Matt Brown lost by a 15-0 technical fall to Baker; 125: Gabe Gienger lost by a fall to Spillman; 130: Kevin Brown lost by a 17-technical fall

to Gilliland; 135: Devin Rohweder lost by a fall to M. Schippers; 140: Troy Zwegardt lost by a fall to J. Schippers; 145: Gabe Smull lost by a fall to K. Schamberger; 152: Trey Hilt won by an 8-7 decision over Lewis; 160: Derek Ross lost by a 10-7 decision to Campbell; 171: Buffington won by a fall over Shipley; 189: Travis Hilt lost by a fall to J. Cooper; 215:

Dallas Walz lost by a fall to Pratt; 275: G. Walz won by a 3-1 decision over D. Cooper

Coach's awards

Best sophomore performance: G. Walz; best junior varsity performance: Tafoya; most exciting match: Ross vs Campbell; best freshman performance, Loyd; key match award, Trey Hilt; fastest fall: Bullington; practice wrestler: M. Brown; most outstanding performances: Loyd, Trey Hilt, Buffington, G. Walz; most takedowns, Travis Hilt; coach's award: M. Brown.

Wrestlers of the Week

The St. Francis wrestling coaching staff has selected Kyle Buffington as Wrestler of the Week. Kyle was the only St. Francis Indian to win by a fall over Hoxie on Friday night.



KELSEY ANDRIST moves the ball for the Lady Indians as they begin a busy winter season. She led the scoring against Hoxie Friday evening with 20 points but was held to five points against Atwood on Tuesday.

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4, Coates 2, Dennon Zimbelman 2, Allyse Lampe 2

Rebounding: Andrist 7, Raile 7, Frohlich 7, Holzwarth 6, Feikert 2, Coates 2, Lampe 2

Hoxie 66, St. Francis 64

"They (Hoxie) made a 3-point shot from 22 feet to win the game," Coach Busse said.

St. Francis had two good scoring quarters the second (18 points) and the fourth (26). This final quarter put the Lady Indians in a good position to pull off an upset of the undefeated team but Hoxie connected in the final seconds for the win.

One of the areas in which St. Francis was strong was in rebounding. They had 44 compared to 39 for Hoxie which contributed to the close score. Every rebound collected keeps the ball away from the opponents. Nine players recorded boards with Andrist having 12.

St. Francis also had a better scoring percentage from the field in this game with 45.5 percent from two-point range and 43.5 percent counting both two-point and three-point shots. Andrist was 8-of-11 from the

field for 72.7 percent. Feikert, Coates and Frohlich were all 50 percent successful from two-point range.

Fourteen assists were record with Feikert, Andrist and Raile each having three. The team had 12 steals with Raile having three and four blocked shots (Frohlich 2, Holzwarth 1, Andrist 1).

"We played a good basketball team," Coach Busse said. "We played our best all-around game as we got down early by as many as 18 points and came back to take the lead in the final minutes.

"I was very pleased with the girls' effort!"

Andrist had 20 points for the evening, Raile contributed 12 and Frohlich 10.

SF 09 18 11 26 64
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Scoring: Andrist 20, Raile 12, Frohlich 10, Coates 7, Feikert 6, Holzwarth 6, Rice 3

Rebounding: Andrist 12, Raile 8, Coates 6, Frohlich 5, Lampe 4, Feikert 3, Holzwarth 3, Zimbelman 2, Rice 1.

Action begins today

By Betty Jean Winston

When school reopened following the Christmas break the junior high boys reported for wrestling practice while the girls became involved in basketball.

After 10 days of practice the season will open today (Thursday) in St. Francis with Colby playing basketball with the eighth and seventh grade teams and Goodland and Quinter wrestling with the young Indians.

Rob Schiltz (eighth grade) and David Morrow (seventh grade) are coaching the basketball teams and Steve Jenkins (head coach) and Daryl Loyd (assistant coach) will guide the wrestlers.

Basketball

Rosters for the two junior high teams are as follows:

Eighth grade: Megan Rice, Britany Lucas, Danielle Flemming, Andrea Blair, Melissa Burton, Janelle Zwegardt, Mindy Cooper, Lauren Ross, Addie Swihart, Alecia Zimbelman. Rob Schiltz is the coach.

Seventh grade: Jenice Hartman, Dara Loyd, Kattie Ford, Sara Miller, Cassie Dankenbring, Holly Keller, Katie Marin, Teri Walters, Vanelly Gomez, Heather Hnizdel. David Morrow is the coach.

Wrestling

The wrestling roster includes: Eighth grade: Brady Frewen, Darren Laffond, Russell Rogers, Zach Mills, A.J. McAtee, Joel McAtee, Jordan Gienger, Travis Havel, Levi Weeden, Mac Frewen, Adam Peter, Brennan Wilger, Andy Waite.

Seventh grade: Josh Carpenter, Ted Crabtree, Justin Sherlock, Gavin Smull, David Guthmiller, Keaton Frewen, Chance Hobrock, Corbin Sherlock, R.J. Walz,

Schedule

Thursday, Jan. 15: basketball, Colby, here, 4 p.m.; wrestling, Goodland, Quinter, here, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 23: basketball, Hoxie, there, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25: wrestling, Goodland Tournament, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 28: basketball, Goodland, there, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 30: basketball, Atwood, here, 4:30; wrestling, Hoxie and St. Francis at Colby, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday: Feb. 6: basketball, Oakley, here, 4:30 p.m.; wrestling, Colby, St. Francis at Oakley, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 13: basketball, Quinter, there, 4 p.m.; wrestling, Oberlin and St. Francis at Hoxie, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 20: basketball, Oberlin, there, 4:30 p.m.; wrestling, Atwood, here, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 24: basketball, first round tournament

Tuesday, Jan. 25: wrestling league tournament, Quinter, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 27: basketball, seventh grade at Hoxie; eighth grade at Oberlin, 3 p.m.

Stat leaders announced in Journal

The Salina Journal on Friday, Jan. 10, published their list of the area state leaders in both wrestling and basketball. Cheylin and St. Francis athletes were among those mentioned. Following are the names and categories listed:

Basketball

Girls, scoring, Sara Moore, Cheylin, 19.0 points per game.

Boys, rebounding, Marcus Dodd, St. Francis, 12.4 rebounds per game

Girls, rebounding, Moore, Cheylin, 11.0 per rebounds per game

Wrestling

Wins, 112 pounds, Dylan Loyd, St. Francis, 14-0

Takedowns: Loyd, St. Francis, 9 Pins: Travis Hilt, St. Francis, 24

Pins: Dallas Walz, St. Francis 23

Junior varsity

There were nine junior varsity matches Friday night when Hoxie was in town. Results are as follows:

Team stats

Team statistics with St. Francis listed first followed by their opponents: record: 6-3; pins: 4-2; takedowns: 10-6; near fall-2: 1-4; near fall-3: 9-2; reversals: 3-2; escapes: 0-3.

Individual stats

Grant Keller won by a fall over Morgan; John McWilliams lost by a fall to Erwin; Josh Walters lost by a 14-0 major decision to Neuenschwa; Mario Tafoya won by a fall over Popp, won by a fall over Weeks; Nick Keller won by a fall over Morgan; Seth Swihart won by a 4-1 decision over Pratt; Tal Earl lost by a fall to Pratt; Troy Torrence won by a 19-9 major decision over Erwin.

Free-throw contest in St. Francis Sunday for youth 10 through 14

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are welcome to participate in the local round of competition for the 2003 Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Championship. The local competition will be held Sunday, Jan. 19, at 2 p.m. at the St. Francis Community High School gym.

The Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Championship is sponsored annually with winners progressing through local, district and state competition. International champions are

announced by the Knights of Columbus International headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions and will compete in respective age divisions.

Last year more than 267,000 sharpshooters participated in 4,017 local competitions.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact Dave Ritter at 332-3054 after 8 p.m.

College Sports

Basketball

Colby Community College Mike Wolters

Colby suffered two losses this week when they were defeated by Garden City in a 75-74 heartbreaker on Tuesday and by Cloud County 67-64 on Thursday.

In the Garden City contest, Wolters scored five points, one three-pointer and one two-pointer. The Trojans were ahead most of the second half with Garden City taking the lead on three occasions including the end.

Colby led with 34 second on the clock but Cloud County connected on a last minute shot and was fouled. Wolters did not score.

Colby is now 13-4 overall and 1-2 in league play.

Monday the Trojans played Barton County and on Wednesday they played Seward County on the road. Saturday they will be at home against Hutchinson.

Kansas Wesleyan University Jennifer Henderson

Henderson led the scoring for the

Lady Coyotes in the contest with Bethel Thursday evening. She collected 14 points with three 3's, one field goal and three free throws (she was 3-of-4 from the line). Kansas Wesleyan was defeated 80-51 although they trailed by only four points with 12 minutes left.

The team has two games on the schedule this week with both being conference games. Tonight (Thursday) they play McPherson and on Saturday they play Bethany.

Henderson scored nine points in the contest with Sterling on Saturday. She was 2-of-3 from three-point range. The Lady Coyotes were defeated by Sterling 77-36.

Monday the Lady Coyotes played York College.

Wrestling

Colby Community College Ryan Zwegardt

The Colby Community College Trojan wrestling team defeated Lynx College, Lincoln, Ill., 36-14 in dual action Jan. 8. Colby lost one match and forfeited two weight classes.

School Schedule

Thursday: junior high girls basketball, Colby, here, 4 p.m.; junior high wrestling, Goodland, Quinter, here, 5:30 p.m.

Friday: high school basketball, Oakley, here, 6:30 p.m.; high school wrestling, Oakley, there, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: high school wrestling, Sterling, duals, 10 a.m.; high school basketball, Holyoke, there, 3 p.m.

Tuesday: high school basketball, opening round, Oberlin Invitational

Thursday: junior high basketball, Hoxie, 4 p.m.