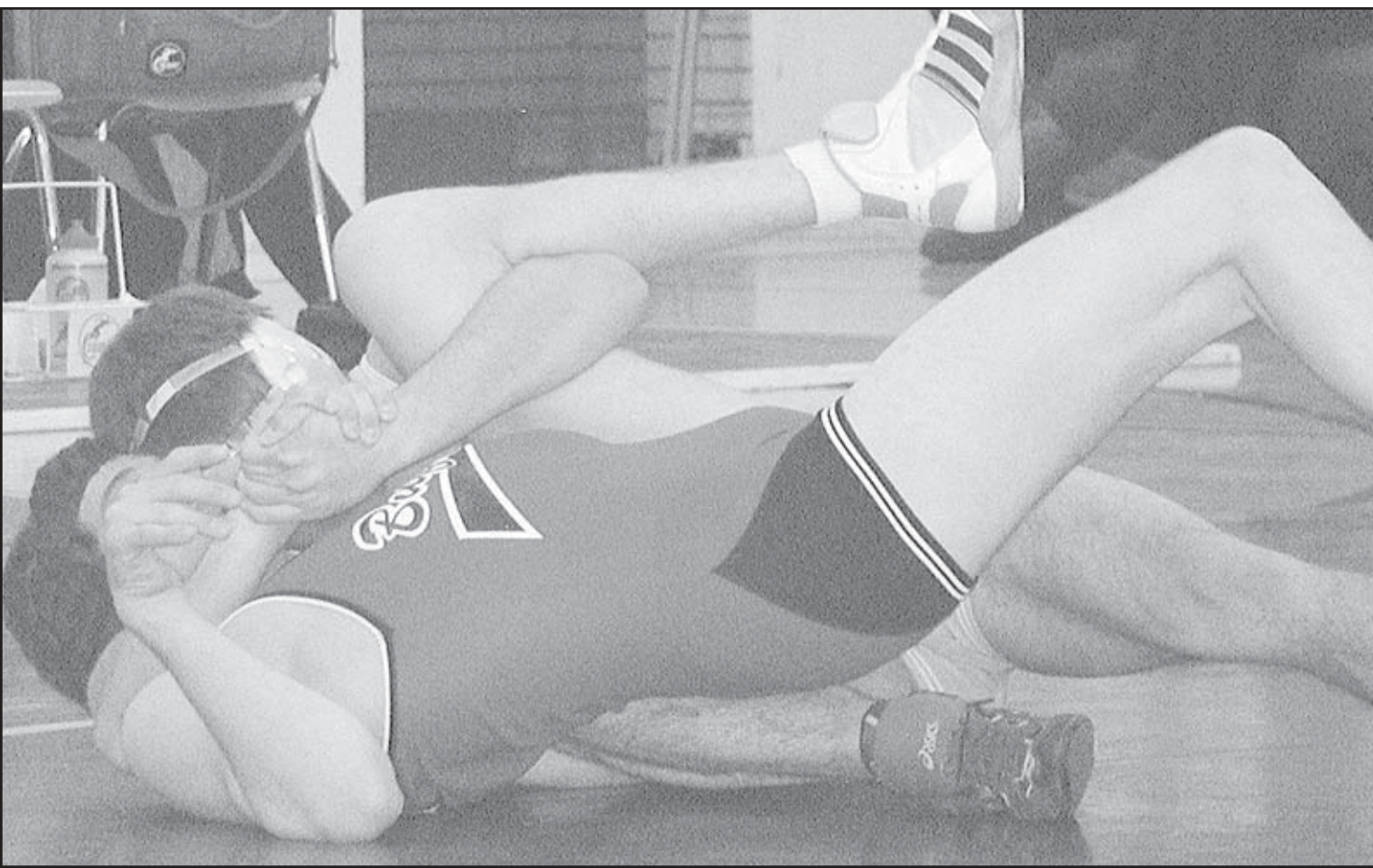
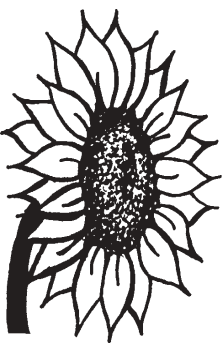


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At the Game



TREY HILT, wrestling 145 pounds, pinned Argabright, Atwood, in Friday's action at St. Francis. Both Atwood and Sainty wrestlers had dug through the box of old uniforms and were wearing them in honor of Wrestling Homecoming.

Herald staff photo by Lezlie Hilt

Sainty wins; prepares for Regionals

By Betty Jean Winston

The St. Francis-Atwood wrestling dual held in St. Francis Friday was the final Northwest Kansas League contest of the year and also a Homecoming evening honoring former St. Francis Community High School state placers (see related story).

"It was a fun night and I want to recognize the journalism class for helping get the Hall of Fame pictures ready and also Teri Richard (elementary school secretary) for everything she did," Coach Larry Gabel said concerning the Homecoming and State Champions Hall of Fame."

The six seniors on this year's squad, Trey Hilt, Troy Zwegardt, Nick Keller, Grant Keller, Luke Keller and Kyle Buffington, were captains for the

evening with the 53-17 victory topping off the evening.

"We were not as sharp as I would have liked to have seen us," Coach Gabel said. "We will need to fine tune before this weekend."

Indians winnings by falls were Trevor Richard Trey Hilt and Derek Ross, while Jordan Gienger won by a technical fall. Receiving forfeits were Brady Frewen, Dylan Loyd, Gabe Gienger, Troy Zwegardt and Gabe Smull.

Team totals

Sainty wrestlers listed first followed by their opponents: wins: 10-11; pins: 6-3; takedowns: 17-22; near falls-two: 7-5; near falls-three: 17-12; reversals: 9-6; escapes 5-5.

Individual results

103: Richard won by a fall over Migchelbrink; 112: Frewen won by

forfeit; 119: double forfeit; 125: Loyd won by forfeit; 130: J. Gienger won by a 16-1 technical fall over Binning; 135: Matt Brown lost by an 8-7 decision to Howard; 140: G. Gienger won by forfeit; 145: Hilt won by a fall over Argabright; 152: Zwegardt won by forfeit; 160: Smull won by forfeit; 171: Ross won by a fall over Samson; 189: Nick Keller lost by fall to Vap; 215: Gabe Walz lost by an 18-3 technical fall to Horinek; 275: Seth Swihart lost by a 1-0 decision to Klein.

Coach's Awards

Best junior varsity performance: Brown, Wilger, Colby Novice champions; most takedowns, J. Gienger, three; best sophomore performance, Brown, Earl, first and second respectively at Colby Novice; most outstanding performance:

Brown, Wilger, Colby Novice champions; most exciting match, Swihart vs Klein, Atwood; key match award: Richard vs Migchelbrink, Atwood; best freshman performance, Wilger, Colby Novice, champion; practice wrestler: Hilt; fastest fall, Ross, Samson, Atwood; coach's Award: Zach Mills.

Junior varsity

St. Francis and Atwood had one junior varsity match on Friday evening with Higley of Atwood winning by a 7-4 decision over Brennan Wilger.

Junior varsity team stats

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

Double duals held here Thursday

By Betty Jean Winston

Junior high wrestlers from Burlington and Hoxie visited St. Francis on Thursday afternoon and competed in a double dual competition with the Indians.

St. Francis won 10 matches against Burlington and six against Hoxie.

"These kids are getting better each time out," Coach Steve Jenkins said. "We won a number of matches tonight over kids that had beaten us earlier. Having missed our meet last week, I worried that we might not be as crisp—but we were."

Sainty wrestlers ending the day with a perfect record include Josh Carpenter, Ted Crabtree, Tyler Miller, Justin Sherlock and Brennan Van Allen.

vs Burlington

Team totals

Sainty wrestlers listed first followed by their opponents: wins: 10-11; pins: 6-3; takedowns: 17-22; near falls-two: 7-5; near falls-three: 17-12; reversals: 9-6; escapes 5-5.

Individual results

Josh Carpenter won by a technical fall over Jacobucci; won by a fall over Jacobucci; Ted Crabtree won by a 14-2 major decision over Miller; won by a fall over Hodgkinson; Scott Ford lost by a fall to Penney; Keaton Frewen lost by a 9-3 decision to Rinehart; lost by a fall to Harrel; David Guthmiller lost by a fall to Harrel; Trevor Hilt won by a fall over Rodriguez; Talon Jones won by an

8-2 decision over Sharon; Trent Kinen won by a 7-5 decision over Mitchell; lost by a 14-2 major decision to Weber; Tyler Miller won by a fall over Weaver; Jesse Pacheco won by a fall over Mari; lost by a 7-5 decision to Korbelik; Jacob Riedel lost by a 9-0 major decision to Eckburg; Corbin Sherlock lost by a 4-2 decision to Rinehart; lost by an 8-5 decision to Harrel; Justin Sherlock won by a fall over Weaver; Gavin Smull lost by a 7-1 decision to Rouse; Sam sowers lost by an 8-0 major decision to Rodriguez.

vs Hoxie

Team totals

Sainty wrestlers listed first followed by their opponents: wins: 6-9; pins: 2-5; takedowns: 9-10; near falls-two: 4-3; near falls-three: 7-15; reversals: 6-12; escapes 2-3.

Individual results

Chase Barnhart lost by a fall to Burris; Ford lost by a fall to Pope; Guthmiller lost by a fall to Poss; Hilt lost by a fall to Bird; Chance Hobrock lost by a 9-2 decision to Burris; Jones lost by an 11-3 major decision to Best; Miller won by a fall over Rose; Riedel lost by a technical fall to Rall; J. Sherlock won by a fall over Gaede; Smull won by a 5-0 decision over Baalman; Sowers won by an 11-4 technical fall over Ratcliffe; Brennan Van Allen won by a 4-2 decision over Aumiller; won by a 10-6 decision over Taylor; RL Walz lost by a fall to Pope; Shawn Warren lost by a 5-2 decision to Burris.

College Sports

Fort Hays State University Basketball - Michael Wolters

Two wins helped the Fort Hays State University Tiger basketball team improve their record to 15-8 overall and 9-6 in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

On Friday night Fort Hays won their 14th game of the season when they outscored Colorado Mines 89-

77. Wolters saw game time during this contest but scored no points.

Saturday night Wolters scored seven points in the Tigers effort over Colorado Christian. The final score was Fort Hays 97, Colorado Christian 55.

Wolters hit on 2-of-3 three-point attempts and on 1-of-2 free-throw attempts.

School Schedule

Thursday: junior high wrestlers, St. Francis, Oberlin, Atwood at St. Francis, 5:30 p.m.; junior high basketball, Oberlin, here 4:30 p.m.; Regional Journalism, Hays; pep assembly for wrestlers

Friday: high school basketball, here, Quinter, 6:30 p.m.; high school wrestling, Regionals, Norton, 2 p.m.

Saturday: high school wres-

ting, Regionals, Norton

Monday: junior high girls basketball, Northwest Kansas League, round one, to be announced

Tuesday: junior high boys wrestling, Northwest Kansas League Tournament, Oberlin, time to be announced

Thursday: junior high girls basketball, Northwest Kansas League, round two, seventh grade in St. Francis, eighth grade in Colby.

Sainty junior high plays Quinter bulldogs

By Betty Jean Winston

The final score in the Quinter-St. Francis junior high varsity basketball game was Quinter 34, St. Francis 13. St. Francis hosted the contests on Thursday, Feb. 12.

"This game was different from the others we've played this year," Coach David Morrow said. "Since Quinter only had 10 players (two eighth graders), they combined their players to have one varsity team. We decided to follow suit on Thursday. We combined the eighth grade with the seventh grade first squad. This was an interesting experiment. We had a lot of subs available and were able to combine the talent to both squads. Incidentally, this was also a look into our own future (having varsity and junior varsity squads) because declining numbers in the next few years will force us to consolidate the seventh and eighth grade squads into one team.

"We let a first quarter lead get away from us and were never able to regain our composure after that. We played better in the first quarter of this game than at any other time this sea-

son. Our defense was tough and we ran the floor pretty well.

"After that, the press began to frustrate us and we were forced into some bad decisions. All in all, I think we are improving. At the very least, we're learning what it is going to take to become successful basketball players.

"Elizabeth Gienger, Sidnee Crabtree, Jami Pevler and Andrea Holzwarth were the seventh grade players who contributed during the game."

SF 05 04 00 04 13
Q 04 12 10 08 34
Scoring: Holly Keller 4, Crabtree 3, Cassie Dankenbring 2, Katie Marin 2, Dara Loyd 2

Junior varsity game Quinter 30, St. Francis 6

"We had a tough time getting our offense going in this game (only three quarters)," Coach Morrow said. "Jami Pevler accounted for most of the scoring with her four points. Lacy Kibel made one shot from the field.

"Next week, we will be back to the regular format of seventh grade and eighth grade games with fifth quarters after each."

SF 02 02 02 06
Q 04 16 10 30
Scoring: Pevler 4, Kibel 2

Ladies challenge Sharon Springs

By Betty Jean Winston

The St. Francis Lady Indian basketball team played twice last week and found themselves losing a close 45-41 game to Sharon Springs on Tuesday, before falling to Atwood 63-40 on the road Friday night in a Northwest Kansas League contest. The Sharon Springs game was so a road game for the Sainty Ladies.

One more regular season game is on the calendar for this year. The senior girls, Toni Rice, Lori Faulkender, Hannah Sowers, Meredith Knodel, Ashley Holzwarth, Allyse Lampe and Kande Raile, will be recognized at the final home contest Friday evening in St. Francis against Northwest Kansas League opponent Quinter. Game time is 6:30 p.m. in the high school gym with the junior varsity playing the second game in the grade school gym.

vs Sharon Springs

Kande Raile led the scoring with 16 points Tuesday evening as the Sainty Ladies tried valiantly to overcome a low scoring first quarter in Sharon Springs. They did outscore the Lady Wildcats 26 to 21 in the second half but they never could get over the hump to have the lead when the buzzer sounded.

"We got off to a slow start, and struggled shooting the ball," Coach Devin Dinkel said. "The girls played hard and had a chance to win in the end. We just fell a little short."

Sainty was 2-of-10 from three-point range for 20 percent, 14-of-50 for 28 percent from two-point range and 7-of-14 from the free-throw line for 50 percent. The Lady Indians did have a better percentage from the charity line as the Lady Wildcats were only 3-of-11.

St. Francis also did well gathering rebounds as they had 43 compared to 28 for Sharon Springs. Raile also led in this department



HANNAH SOWERS MOVES the ball down the court for the Lady Indians. also pictures are Allyse Lampe (left) and Toni Rice (11).

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

as she pulled down two offensive boards and 11 defensive ones for

a total 13 for the evening.
SF 04 11 12 14 41

SS 10 14 09 12 45

Scoring: Raile 16, T. Rice 8, Megan Rice 7, Holzwarth 6, Faulkender 2, Knodel 2

Rebounding: Raile 13, M. Rice 8, Amy Grace 5, Holzwarth 5, T. Rice 3, Faulkender 3, Hannah Sowers 3, Alecia Zimbelman 3

vs Atwood

Atwood had the Lady Indians down 34-16 by halftime and continued to pour in the points (21) in the third quarter ending up with a 63-40 win.

The Sainty scoring was divided among 10 players who each contributed between two and six points during the evening. A number of the younger players have seen floor time in the last few contests.

St. Francis had a scoring spurt in the third quarter when they managed 16 points.

Under the basket 11 Lady Indians contributed with at least one rebound and the team as a whole collected 34 board compared to 27 for the Lady Buffs. This is one area where St. Francis has been very competitive during the season.

"The first half we had too many turnovers, and not enough shots," Coach Dinkel said. "We just never were able to overcome the mistakes we made in the first quarter."

Thirty turnovers by the Lady Indians spelled their doom and they countered this with only seven steals. Zimbelman had three of the steals. Grace led in assists with two.

SF 07 09 16 08 40
A 13 21 21 08 63

Scoring: M. Rice 6, Knodel 6, Raile 5, T. Rice 4, Sowers 4, Grace 4, Holzwarth 4, Faulkender 3, Kelsey Dunn 2, Zimbelman 2

Rebounding: M. Rice 7, Zimbelman 5, Raile 5, Holzwarth 4, Knodel 4, Grace 3, Sowers 2, T. Rice 1, Amy Nickols 1, Faulkender 1, Dunn 1