



The Saint Francis Herald

At the Game

Indians move to 3-0

By Betty Jean Winston

A strong outing by the St. Francis Indians on Friday earned them their third victory of the year. The game, played in Colby against the Eagles, ended with a 55-20 St. Francis victory.

"We played well," Coach Tim Lambert said. "It is tough to evaluate, but I feel we are playing pretty good football. How good we are, we just don't know. We need to be tested."

"Oakley has a pretty good football team, better than a year ago I think."

Last year Oakley was one of the two games St. Francis lost to early in the season.

"We need to keep our nose to the grindstone, keep a positive attitude, work hard and get better. It is a long season, we don't want to get side-tracked."

St. Francis rushed for 450 yards during the evening with eight different players contributing. Both Joel McAtee and Jordan Gienger were over 100 yards for the evening with David Guthmiller close with 95. Trent Raile had the best yards per attempt with 20 for a total of 80 yards on four attempts. A 15-yard pass from Crabtree to Adam Peter was also successful.

Defensively, besides proving the openings for the backfield, the team had two interceptions, one by Levi Weeden and one by Ted Crabtree; and two sacks, one by Gienger and the other by Sam Sowers.

Colby had a total offense of 168 yards, 155 by rushing and 13 by air. So far this season, the Indian's trademark has been to come out focused and hit the opponents with determination in the first quarter.

With the same game plan as in the two prior games, Sainty proved to be ready to play when the whistle blew.

The Indians collected 30 points in the first 12 minutes of play against the Eagles. The running backs, the linemen and the blockers each played their part in the four touchdowns scored in the first quarter. The team also added two points for a safety early in the period.

Sainty earns home victory

By Betty Jean Winston

The junior high football season is having success early this fall. They are entering week four with a 3-0 record after wins over Oberlin, Quinter and Oakley. The latest victory, a 44-14 defeat of Oakley, took place before the home fans on Thursday. Having two wins on the road was a nice opening for the campaign, and the victory at home was a plus.

"This was a pretty nice home opener for us," Coach Jeff Beims said. "I really liked the way our kids came out and immediately set the tone for the game. We slammed the door pretty early scoring 24 points in the first quarter, and 36 by half time. That's a pretty good offensive production for a junior high team."

"Granted Oakley is down in numbers this year, and is struggling, but I think we are improving each week."

"Our first team defense is playing very well. In reality that unit has only been scored on once this year."

"We are by no means perfect and the tough part of the schedule remains, but I like the direction we're going."

Scoring by quarters include;



THREE INDIANS, Jesse Pacheco (30) and Trent Raile (36) stopped the Colby offense on this play Friday evening.

Herald staff photo by John Van Nostrand

Of course, Sainty was allowed to have the ball the majority of the time because the defense played their part by stopping potential Eagle drives.

Two of the early scores came when a running back had the blocking to break loose for an extended run. J. McAtee traveled 44-yards for the first touchdown and gave the Indians a lead which they never relinquished. Guthmiller went in for the conversions points and the score was 8-0. (The team safety extended the advantage to 10-0.)

Gienger put the next six points on the board when he moved into the end zone from the 10-yard line. The Indian offense was opening the necessary holes for the running backs.

During the quarter, Colby went to the air which gave Weeden the opportunity to snare the ball for the Indians. This presented another offense drive and McAtee had the ball on the 1-yard line with his rushing attempt. Gienger went in for the six points and also added the conversion point when he had a successful kick. Sainty now had a 23-0 lead.

The clock was moving along but

Sainty had time for one more score before the quarter ended and Gienger took the ball 44-yards to accomplish this. He again added the kick and the period ended 30-0.

The Indian offense was not done for the evening although young Indians were found on the field beginning in the second period. Sainty had a 16-yard run by Gienger midway through the second quarter to advance the Indian score to 36-0.

With liberal substitutions taking place, the offensive was still working. On one occasion they began a drive on their own 27-yard line and finished in the end zone. The big yardage gainer was a 59-yard run by freshman T. Raile, who earned the score. Another successful Gienger kick put the Indians up 43-0.

Colby collected seven points before halftime and the teams went into the locker room 43-7.

The two St. Francis touchdowns in the second half were the direct result of an interception by Crabtree and later a 60-yard punt return. Following the interception the Indians set up a 39-yard drive with Crabtree moving in from 7-yards out for the touchdown. Crabtree was also the runner on the 60-yard punt return

which ended up in pay dirt.

Sainty had built up 55 points with 8 minutes remaining on the clock. Colby found the end zone twice in the remaining time for two rushing touchdowns, making the final score 55-20.

Team stats

St. Francis listed first followed by Colby: first downs: 16/5; rushing attempts and net yardage: 45 attempts for 450 yards/29 attempts for 155 yards; passing yardage: 15/13; total offense: 465/168; fumbles lost: 0/0; penalties: six for 85 yards/ four for 18 yards.

Individual stats

Rushing: J. McAtee, 107 yards on six attempts; Gienger, 103 yards on nine attempts; Guthmiller 95 yards on 14 attempts; T. Raile, 80 yards on four attempts; Crabtree, 58 yards on seven attempts; Trent Kinen, 3 yards on one attempt; Drew Zwegardt, 3 yards on two attempts; Jesse Pacheco, 1 yards on two attempts.

Passing: Crabtree, three attempts, one completion, 15 yards. Pass receivers: Adam Peter, one for 15 yards.

Kickoffs: Weeden, five for 246 yards, a 49.2-yard average; BJ

Killingsworth, two for 70 yards, a 35-yard average.

Kickoff return: Crabtree, one for 9 yards.

Punt returns: Crabtree, two for 66 yards; AJ McAtee, two for 24 yards; Place kicking: Gienger, five attempts, three extra points.

Scoring: Gienger, 27, four touchdowns, three extra points; Crabtree, 12, two touchdowns; J. McAtee, 6, one touchdown; Raile, 6, one touchdown; Guthmiller, 2, one extra point conversion.

Pass interceptions: Weeden, Crabtree.

Tackles: Weeden 7, J. McAtee 6, Killingsworth 5, Sowers 5, Brady Frewen 4, Gienger 4, AJ McAtee 3, Brennon Wilger 3, Russell Rogers 3, T. Raile 3, Peter 2, Zwegardt 2, Keaton Frewen 2, Mac Frewen 2, Nathan Ketzner 2, Crabtree 2, Guthmiller, Talon Jones 1, Tyler Larson 1.

Northwest Kansas League scores

Weekend scores involving Northwest Kansas League teams include: St. Francis 55, Colby 20; Rawlins County/Atwood 30, Quinter 7; Goodland 17, Hoxie 8; Oakley 44, Oberlin 0.

Junior Varsity Football

By Betty Jean Winston

St. Francis defeated Goodland 28-22 in junior varsity football action on Monday night, Sept. 11. The game was played in Goodland.

"This was a good team effort," Coach Ted Busse said. "I was proud of the way we battled in this game. We still have many things to work on but I felt that we took another step at becoming better."

The first Sainty scoring took place when Josh Carpenter received a 77-yard touchdown pass from Trent Kinen.

This was followed by a 3-yard touchdown run by Jesse Pacheco with Keaton Frewen catching a pass from Kinen for the two conversion points.

Drew Zwegardt scored the next Sainty touchdown when he went on a 33-yard run to the end zone. A Kinen to Frewen pass added an additional two points.

Trent Raile scored the final Sainty points when he went in from 1-yard out.

"This was a good win for us," Coach Brett Petersen said.

Schedule

Thursday: high school volleyball, St. Francis, Dundy County and Imperial at St. Francis, 4 p.m.; junior high football, 5:30 p.m. Rawlins County, here, (rescheduled from Tuesday)

Friday: Homecoming soup supper, 5 p.m.; high school football, Oakley, here, 7 p.m.

Saturday: high school volleyball, C-team, Oberlin Tournament, 9 a.m.; high school volleyball, junior varsity, Brewster Tournament, 10 a.m.; junior high volleyball, Hoxie Tournament, 9 a.m.; Homecoming dance, 9 p.m.

Monday: fall journalism, Hays; high school football, junior varsity, St. Francis at Oakley, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday: high school volleyball, St. Francis, Cheylin, Oberlin at Oberlin, 3 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 28: junior high volleyball, St. Francis at Hoxie, 4 p.m.; junior high football, St. Francis at Hoxie, 4:30 p.m.

Schedule change

The junior high football game in Holyoke scheduled to be played on Oct. 12 has been rescheduled for 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17.



JUNIOR HIGH INDIANS play hard in a recent football game. The team has a 3-0 record.

First quarter: 1) Garrett Figgins with an 80-yard run, conversion run by Brett Lampe; 2) Figgins with a 36-yard run; conversion failed; 3) Adam Guthmiller with a 47-yard run, conversion a Lampe to Cody Killingsworth pass.

Second quarter: 1) Cody Sherlock with a 28-yard run, conversion run by Guthmiller; 2) Guthmiller with a 17-yard run.

Fourth quarter: 1) Figgins with a 90-yard kick return, conversion run by Sherlock.

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Volleyball results from three home matches told

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St. Francis went 2-1 in junior varsity volleyball matches on Tuesday, Sept. 12, with the matches being played in St. Francis.

Rawlins County (17-25, 25-20, 11-15) and Sharon Springs (19-25, 25-23, 5-15) defeated St. Francis in three games each but Sainty won over Wray (25-21, 20-25, 15-13) also in three games.

"The young Lady Indians played hard all night and with the exception of the third Sharon Springs game had a chance to win each game," Coach Jeff Olofson said.

"Against Rawlins County we missed several serves in a row in the first game. It is hard to overcome a sequence where your opponent scores several points and you score one. We started the second game with missed serves but then did not miss another. This helped us win. The third game we served well but did not score when the opportunity presented itself."

"The story was much the same for the second match against Sharon Springs. When we played well things went well, when we played poorly we were very bad. The third

game illustrated this; we could do almost nothing right. It is frustrating to know that you can compete with a team and to lose so resoundingly."

"The last match of the evening was very exciting and an example of how swings in momentum are huge in volleyball. Wray was ahead in the last game of the match 11-7. We came back to win 15-13, the difference was our server got the serves in and scored six straight points. In volleyball continuing to believe you can win is essential to winning."

College Sports

Volleyball

Ally Reichert, a 2006 St. Francis High School graduate, is playing volleyball for McCook Community College. McCook was defeated by North Platte Community College on Thursday by scores of 16-30, 14-30 and 14-30. On Sept. 12 they were defeated by Western Nebraska at Scottsbluff 12-30, 9-30 and 20-30. Saturday, Sept. 9 they competed in

the Colby Community College Tournament were they went 0-3.

Football

Garden City Community College - Tanner Kinen - Kinen was on the defensive team when the Garden City Broncobusters defeated Dodge City Community College on Saturday by the score of 31-7. The Broncobusters have a 1-1 conference record and are 2-1 overall. Saturday

they will entertain Hutchinson Community College.

Sterling College - Seth Swihart, Gabe Smull - Sterling College defeated Southwestern on Saturday in their home opener by the score of 26-14. They have a 2-0 record at this time. Next on the schedule is a Saturday trip to Atchison to play Benedictine College. This is a non-conference game.

Homecoming Game Sainty vs Oakley Friday Night

