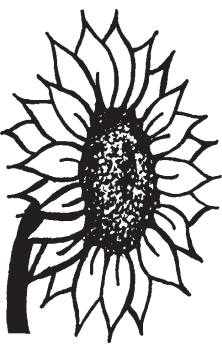


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At the Game



THE SAINTY INDIANS RUN an offensive play with Joel McAtee (5) carrying the ball. Other Indians helping to protect the ball carrier are Brennon Wilger (67), David Guthmiller (42) and AJ McAtee (12).

Herald staff photo by Casey McCormick.

Indians go 2-0 in District, meet the Buffs tonight

By Betty Jean Winston

Two of the three District 14 games have now been played and the St. Francis Indians and the Rawlins County Buffaloes each stand at 2-0. Tonight (Thursday) these two teams will meet for the District Championship at St. Francis. Both teams will advance into Bi-District play against either the first or second place team in District 13. The winner of District 14 will play the second place team in District 13 on their home field. The loser of District 14 will play the winner of District 13 on the home field of the District 13 winner.

St. Francis and Rawlins County enter tonight's competition with identical 7-1 records. They each lost to Northwest Kansas League opponent Oakley in regular season play. "We're excited about Thursday," Coach Tim Lambert said. "Atwood is back playing good football, like in the old days, three or four years ago. I'm excited to have them back in the mix."

The Sainty Indians scored the majority of their points in the first half on Friday night against the Wichita County/Leoti Indians with the bench seeing a lot of action as the evening progressed.

"We played well Friday night," Coach Lambert said. "We pretty much did a good job in every area of the game."

With Trent Raile and AJ McAtee

receiving, Wichita County kicked off to the Sainty Indians.

After the kickoff, St. Francis began play on the 13-yard line. Immediately the line and blockers went into action and Joel McAtee was free to race 87-yards for the first touchdown of the game. AJ McAtee earned the two after-touchdown points and with less than a minute off the clock, the Sainty had an 8-0 advantage.

Wichita County came back with a first down in their first series of play but shortly thereafter were forced to punt on fourth down.

St. Francis was on the move again with Jordan Gienger, David Guthmiller and J. McAtee moving the ball as holes in the Wichita County line were opened for them. Unfortunately this forward motion was stopped when the Indians lost the ball on a fumble.

Again Wichita County could not keep the ball for an extended period of time and Sainty took over on the 29-yard line. Gienger had a nice run 20-plus yard run to the 3-yard line and Sainty was at a first-and-goal situation. Guthmiller took the ball in for the touchdown. Although the conversion attempt was unsuccessful, Sainty had a 14-0 lead with 4:50 remaining in the first quarter.

After the Wichita County offense, which included passing attempts, sputtered, partly due to pressure on their quarterback, they

punted on fourth down.

AJ McAtee returned the ball to the 34-yard line and on the next play an AJ McAtee to Adam Peter pass had another touchdown on the scoreboard. Guthmiller went in for the two additional points.

Before the first period ended, Trent Raile and a Wichita County receiver caught a passing attempt together with Raile ending up with the ball for St. Francis.

St. Francis began the second quarter just like they had the first, with a fast long-yardage touchdown by J. McAtee. Only 15 second had passed on the clock. A Gienger kick made it 29-0.

The next time Wichita County was forced the punt, Guthmiller went 62-yard for a touchdown on the St. Francis first play from scrimmage. A Gienger kick made it 36-0.

Both St. Francis and Wichita County had forward motion halted by a fumble in this quarter. Adam Peter recovered the ball on the Wichita County miscue. J. McAtee was injured when Wichita County recovered the St. Francis fumble. He saw

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— Coach Tim Lambert

no more action Friday evening.

Wichita County had one of their better drives going as the second quarter wound down. On fourth down, they attempted a field goal which was successful putting three points on their side of the board.

Sainty had one more score in the second quarter. This was on a 95-yard kick off return by T. Raile.

The half ended with a long run by Levi Weeden being stopped just short of the goal line. The run began when Weeden intercepted a Wichita County pass.

At halftime, the score stood at St. Francis 42, Wichita County 3.

The second half saw one touchdown put on the board by each team. St. Francis scored when the team completed a 78-yard drive with Gienger going in from the 1-yard line. He also had a successful kick to give St. Francis a 49-3 score during the third quarter.

Wichita County scored in the fourth quarter to make the final 49-10.

"I feel good about where we are at," Coach Lambert said.

Team stats

St. Francis listed first followed by Wichita County: first downs: 17/11; rushing yardage: 473/158; passing yardage 34/91; total offense: 507/249; fumbles lost: 2/3; penalties: five for 45 yards/2 for 20 yards.

Individual stats

Rushing: J. McAtee, 208 yards on four attempts; Guthmiller, 115 yards on 11 attempts; Drew Zwegardt, 61 yards on 11 attempts; Raile 53 yards on nine attempts; Gienger, 52 yards on 10 attempts; Jesse Pacheco, 1 yard on one attempt; AJ McAtee and Trent Kinen each had three attempts.

Passing: AJ McAtee, one completion on three attempts for a total of 34 yards and one touchdown.

Pass receiving: Peter, one completion for 34 yards and one touchdown.

Scoring: J. McAtee, 14, Guthmiller 12, Gienger 9, Peter 6, Raile 6, AJ McAtee 2.

Place kicking: Gienger, four extra-point attempts, three good.

Kickoffs: Weeden, four for 175 yards, a 43.8-yard average; Matt Raile, four for 166 yards, a 41.5-yard average.

Kickoff returns: T. Raile, two for 114 yards and one touchdown; AJ McAtee, one for 8 yards.

Punt: Mac Frewen, one for 32 yards.

Punt returns: AJ McAtee, three for 35 yards, an 11.7-yard average; Josh Carpenter, one.

Fumble recoveries: Peter, one; Grady Brunk, one, Gienger, one.

Pass interceptions: T. Raile, one; Weeden, one.

Tackles: Peter 10, Weeden 10, AJ McAtee 9, Gienger 7, Justin Sherlock 7, M. Frewen 7, Nathan Ketzner 7, Brennon Wilger 6, BJ Killingsworth 5, T. Raile 5, Brady Frewen 4, J. Pacheco 3, J. McAtee 3, Keaton Frewen 3, Carpenter 2, Ethan Zwegardt, Freddy Pacheco, RL Walz, Russell Rogers, Talon Jones, 1 each.

Area scores

Weekend scores including Northwest Kansas League teams - including District record: St. Francis (2-0) 49, Wichita County 10; Rawlins County (2-0) 63, Syracuse 7; Beloit 52, Oberlin (0-2) 20; Goodland (1-1) 41, Hugoton 20; Hoxie (1-1) 14, Quinter (0-2) 0; Oakley (2-0) 26, Trego 8; Ulysses 48, Colby (1-1) 0.

Volleyball B-team places fifth at league tournament

By Betty Jean Winston

The junior high volleyball B-team finished the season with two match victories at the Northwest Kansas League Tournament held in Goodland on Thursday, Oct. 19. The day began with a loss to Colby in two games (23-25, 12-25) but then things turned around and Sainty defeated Goodland in three games (25-20, 26-28, 15-9) and Quinter in two games (25-18, 26-24).

The final record for the season was 5 wins, 8 losses.

Northwest Kansas League Tournament

Scoring vs Colby: game one: Kaitlin Figgins 7, Ashlynn Lambert 3, Caitlin Northrup 2, Lexi Hilt 2; game two: Trista Orth 2, Figgins, 1, Northrup 1, L. Hilt 1, Chauntell Peter 1.

"We played Colby so much better than we did last week!" Coach Kandee Raile said. "The girls came to win today and we almost got the first one. If they play like

this we can do it the rest of the day."

St. Francis met Goodland in the second match of the day. They won the first game, lost the second game and scored the win when they prevailed in the third game.

"It was so awesome to get a win over Goodland!" Coach Raile said. "Our service sessions were incredible."

Scoring vs Goodland; game one: Figgins 15, Lambert 2, L. Hilt 1; game two: Northrup 6, Figgins 5, L. Hilt 3, Peter 2, Lambert 1; game three: Figgins 3, Orth 3, Peter 2, Lambert 2, Northrup 1.

St. Francis defeated Quinter in two games to finish the tournament in fifth place.

"Once again, Quinter beat us earlier in the season so it was exciting to earn a win over the Bulldogs," Coach Raile said.

"The girls finished up the season great with a fifth place and a 5-8 overall record.

"It was such a privilege to see

these young girls mature so much!"

Scoring vs Quinter; game one: Northrup 4, Figgins 3, Hayley Brown 2, Peter 2, Lambert 1; game two: Northrup 4, Figgins 3, Orth 3.

**Vs Colby, Oct. 9
16-25, 15-25**

The B-team lost to Colby in the final home game on Oct. 9. The final scores were 16-25, 15-25.

"Serving in the first two games killed us but overall they have improved 110 percent since day one," Coach Raile said. "I'm very proud of my girls."

Scoring; game one: Figgins 2, L. Hilt 2, Northrup 1, Brown 1, Lambert 1; game two: Lambert 2, Orth 2, Peter 1.

The B-team played a "for fun" game following the match. In this contest St. Francis scored a 26-24 win.

Scoring vs Goodland in "for fun" match: Lambert 6, Peter 2, Allison Grice 2, Orth 1.

School Schedule

Thursday: high school football, Rawlins County at St. Francis, 7 p.m.

Friday: No school, Parent Teacher Conferences. Schedule below.

Monday: Parent Teacher Conferences, high school, schedule below

Tuesday: high school football, Bi-District game. Check Indian News for time and place.

Thursday: call in FFA fruit, cheese and meat orders; junior high boys basketball, at Decatur Community/Oberlin, 4:30 p.m.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher conferences will be held on Friday in the St.

Francis schools.

The high school will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Friday, and 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday night.

The grade school will be all day on Friday until 4 p.m.

Principal Scott Carmichael will be at the high school Friday morning and at the grade school in Friday afternoon.

School calendar update

The high school boys and girls basketball games with Rawlins County have been changed from Tuesday, Feb. 20 to Saturday, Feb. 10. The time is still 6:30 p.m. Please update your calendars.



Go Sainty Indians

Junior High

By Betty Jean Winston

The season is over! And it ended with a victory. This gave the junior high football team a 5-2 record for the 2006 campaign. The final success for the team was a 22-0 shut-out victory over Holyoke on Tuesday, Oct. 17.

Sainty scored in the second quarter on a 2-yard run by Adam Guthmiller with the points after scored on a Cody Sherlock rushing attempt. The score at halftime was Sainty 8, Holyoke 0.

Two touchdowns were posted in the third quarter with Garrett Figgins finding the end zone on a 1-yard run and later Sherlock on a 4-yard run. Guthmiller added two points after the Figgins touchdown.

"It was good to get back in the win column, and a great way to end the season," Coach Jeff Beims said. "One of the best parts of being a coach at this level is watching these guys go from boys to young men. Football is a sport that forces that transition to a certain extent, and this year was no exception.

We talked a lot last week about physical and mental toughness, and getting the job done, and I think we did that pretty well against a pretty good Holyoke team."