# Kansas getting ready for Okla. State

back-depleted Kansas Jayhawks have one last chance for a Big 12 win this Saturday against Oklahoma State.

The Jayhawks (2-9, 0-7 Big 12) have had a long first season under coach Mark Mangino, including embarrassing losses of 64-0 to No. 11 Kansas State, 36-12 to Missouri and last week's 45-7 setback to Nebraska.

Starting quarterback Bill Whittemore injured his left knee against Missouri and his replacement, Jonas Weatherbie, did the same to his right knee against Nebraska.

"The team believes in the kids we

LAWRENCE (AP) — The quarter-just don't have a lot of experience. I'll do it. If it makes us better, I'll do finish in either game. He was replaced Those kids can play. I think we've had it.' And now we may ask him to go back some ineptitude on offense but it's just to quarterback." not the quarterbacks' fault."

> things to happen at the quarterback 1,666 passing. Dyer, who opened the position. Mangino is hoping Whittemore will be healthy enough to play in the season finale. If not, safetyquarterback Zach Dyer may have to re-learn the offensive system and

"Bill's still day-to-day. Our trainer has briefed me twice a day on this issue," Mangino said Tuesday. "I would say that he's probably cautiously optihave at quarterback. We believe we mistic. Zach Dyer is a model young have talented quarterbacks," said man and all he tells me, when I ask him

Whittemore was leading the Jayseason at quarterback, was moved to safety before the Baylor game. Now he's fifth on the team in tackles with 48.

"It's tough to jump back in there," said Dyer. "I have been focusing so much on defense the past couple of weeks it is going to be difficult. But that is what the team needs is two quarterbacks who can get back there and run the offense. That is what I have done for most of my life."

by redshirt freshman Brian Luke, who passed for 153 yards in the two games.

"I have no serious injuries," said The Jayhawks are relying on two hawks with 549 yards rushing and Luke. "I'm sure (Mangino) feels more confident with Zach. I have to respect that and that is his decision."

> Kansas is still hoping Senior Day will bring a little hope against Oklahoma State (4-5, 2-3), which can become bowl eligible with two more wins. The Cowboys have not won a game on the road this season.

'They are trying to get in a bowl game. I want to ruin it for them," said linebacker Greg Cole, who has broken the school record for tackles for a loss Weatherbie was the starter against with 21. "I don't get to go to a bowl so

## Mangino. "The issue is, some of them—something, is, 'Does it help the team? Kansas State and Nebraska but did not—I don't want anybody else to." Denver Broncos flat following bye week

DENVER (AP)—Healthy and confident coming off their bye week, the Denver Broncos were ready to knock Romanowski. their biggest rivals out of the playoff

That changed quickly Monday night as the Broncos limped away from a decisive loss to the Oakland Raiders.

Denver couldn't stop Oakland's quick-hitting offense, never got its own offense going and lost two starters in ending a seven-game home winning streak over the Raiders. Denver dropped to 6-3, tied with San Diego atop the AFC West, while Oakland ended a four-game losing streak to pull within one game of the leaders.

"They just outplayed us," Denver defensive tackle Lional Dalton said after Oakland's 34-10 victory. "They were desperate and everything bounced their way."

The Broncos entered the game as healthy as they've been in several years, but it didn't last long.

Reinprecht picked the perfect time to

Reinprecht set up Colorado's first

goal, then scored the game-winner

midway through the third period as the

Avalanche beat the Columbus Blue

Jackets 5-4 Tuesday night to end the

worst home start in the 24-year history

"I had some chances on this scoring

slump, but I pushed it a little bit hard of the season for us, and that's huge

end his scoring slump.

dislocated his right elbow late in the first quarter while attempting to catch a pass over former teammate Bill

Sharpe appeared to come down with a one-handed catch, but the ball popped free when his right arm got caught under Romanowski as he fell. He was wearing a sling as he left Monday night and is expected to miss three to four weeks.

Denver then lost defensive end Trevor Pryce to a knee injury midway through the third quarter when the three-time Pro Bowler was hit while fighting off a double team.

Pryce, who has thrived after switching from tackle this season, was diagnosed with a second-degree sprain of the medial collateral ligament in his

Denver coach Mike Shanahan said Pryce could be out two weeks, but Pryce was walking around the locker room after the game and said he ex-Tight end Shannon Sharpe partially pects to be ready for Seattle on Sunday.

going for you, you just need to focus

on what you can do to help the team."

29 shots and just three points in 15

games. Against Columbus, he had an

assist on the first of two goals by Milan

Heiduk in the first period—his second

point in 10 games — then scored with

8:29 left to put the Avalanche up 5-3.

"Tonight, Rhino had his best game

Reinprecht entered with no goals on

ferent, but that's what I think," said Pryce, who is tied for the AFC lead with seven sacks.

Most surprising was Denver's inability to stop Oakland's offense.

Denver entered the game ranked first against the run and third overall. The Broncos held the Raiders to 27 yards on 14 carries, but it had more to do with Oakland's game plan than anything Denver was doing.

Using a tactic that had been effective against Oakland in recent weeks, Denver dropped its safeties into deep coverage and rushed quarterback Rich Gannon with as few as two people. The idea was to keep Oakland from hitting the long ball, but the Raiders picked the Broncos apart with a short passing game that was almost like running the

Oakland scored on its first five drives, with Gannon hitting 29 of his first 30 passes, including an NFL single-game record of 21 consecutive

"They could tell me something dif-completions. Gannon finished 34-for-38 for 352 yards and three touchdowns, two to Oakland's ageless wonder Jerry

> "It was terribly frustrating," Denver linebacker John Mobley said. "He just found the void in our defense."

Denver's offense wasn't much bet-

The Broncos had little trouble on their first drive, moving from their 38yard line to Oakland's 4. But Rod Woodson stepped in front of Clinton Portis and returned an interception 98 vards for a touchdown.

Denver never recovered. The Broncos' only points came on a 1-yard run by Portis in the second quarter and a field goal by Jason Elam in the fourth.

"I felt like we came out flat," Denver fullback Mike Anderson said. "We just kind of got way out of rhythm. When you get a big game like this, with the Raiders coming in, you've got to show up and play big. It was a shocker from the start.'

## Jayhawks win easily over Washburn, 101-66

LAWRENCE (AP) — Nick Collison scored 24 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to lead No. 2 Kansas to a 101-66 exhibition win over Washburn Tuesday night.

Kirk Hinrich, a preseason All-American, and Aaron Miles each scored 12 points for the Jayhawks.

Washburn trailed 29-23 with 7:18 left in the first half before the Jayhawks scored 10 unanswered points as part of a 19-3 run, taking a 50-30 lead at halftime.

Keith Langford then scored 11 of the Jayhawks' first 13 points in the opening 3:30 of the second half, giving Kansas a 63-33 lead. Langford finished with 15 points.

Washburn forward Ryan Murphy ish in double figures.

The Jayhawks have won 14 consecutive exhibition games and improved to 18-0 against the Ichabods in Lawrence. Washburn, which played in the NCAA Division II championship game in 2001, has not defeated Kansas since 1944.

The Jayhawks played without forward Wayne Simien, who sat out the game with tendinitis in his right ankle. Kansas guard Jeff Hawkins played only eight minutes and left early in the second half with chest

"Hawkins started having chest pains and we're trying to be very cautious," said Kansas coach Roy Williams. "That is something you don't want to play around with. We led all scorers with 25 points. He sent him to the locker room and the was the only Ichabods player to findoctors came in. Right now, he's fine."

## Next four weeks crucial for Chiefs' playoff run

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — If the Tuesday. "But I know we have three of Kansas City Chiefs are going to make the next four at home. We've got to take a serious run at the playoffs, they'll advantage of it." make it in the next four weeks.

Dick Vermeil's club is entering what stacks up on paper as the most inviting quarter of the season. Starting Sunday with Buffalo, Kansas City plays three of its next four at home. Their only road trip is the next week at Seattle, which has struggled all season.

Sunday's 17-13 loss at San Fran-Oakland.

"I don't know if any game is auto-

Then they're back home for the first two weekends in December against Arizona and St. Louis.

cisco left the Chiefs at 4-5. They'll probably need to win at least three of the next four games to stay within hailing distance of the playoffs. If they win all four, they could be in good shape for the final three games of the regular season, which are all against AFC West opponents: Denver, San Diego and

matically winnable," Vermeil said

### bowling results

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KMA	28	12	
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Pocket Rockets	19	21	
Collinwood	19	21	

The Chiefs will be slight favorites at

home Sunday over the Bills (5-4), who have had six games decided by a touchdown or less.

"They're very much in the hunt for the playoffs," Vermeil said. "Seattle is now starting to win some football games. I know St. Louis was in the Super Bowl last year and they're back playing like that now because they're healthier. By the time we play them, (quarterback Kurt Warner) will be "Our schedule is tough. But the fact

home paints a little more positive picture in terms of our opportunity to Vermeil declined to say how many

we play three out of our next four at

of their next four or five the Chiefs would need to win. "To me, you have to win every foot-

ball game," Vermeil said. "If you're going to be a playoff team, the first time you make it you have to play every game like a playoff game.' One encouraging note has been the

recent play of the defense, which has shown great improvement over the first seven games.

"Right now, I think we're a competitive playoff-caliber football team,' Vermeil said. "We're not a playoff team yet because we haven't played in one. But we've been competitive against every team that was a playoff team last year. We even won one or

## Wednesday Nite Darts ps

dart results

#### November 6,2002 Confused over Diggin it 14-2

8 Dart Out: Mark Wear

Silver Bullets over 3MTA3 13-4 Bad A's over Lounge Lizards 10-6 Dart Sharks over Acme Darts 9-7 4th Round Outs: Duane Hanke-3, Casey Lee-3, Kevin Delano-2, Paul imons-2, Louie Yarger-1 High Ton: Brandi Scott

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Scott-2, Jen Schamberger-1, Angel Corke-1, Teresa Dickey-1, Tony Dickey-1, Cassandra Dawdy-1, Eric Smith-1, Lana Jackson-1, Tina Wilson-1. Wins: Duane Hanke-7, Mark Wear-6,

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Standings: 1. Confused 73-23 2. Acme Darts 51-45; 3. Silver Bullets 49-47; 4. Lounge Lizards 48-48; 5. Bad A's 44-52; 6. Diggin It 41-55; 7.3MTA3 38-58; 8. Dart

DENVER (AP) — Steven Reinprecht said. "When things aren't coach Bob Hartley said.

Avalanche end scoring slump against Blue Jackets

Colorado continued to struggle on special teams, survived a late goal and fought off a flurry of shots in the final six minutes, and somehow found a way to win for the first time in nine home

The Avalanche got two goals from Hejduk, a goal and an assist from Peter Forsberg and peppered Columbus goalie Marc Denis with 51 shots to become the last NHL team to win at and was thinking about it too much," because we need Rhino," Colorado home (1-4-3-1).

"Certainly it was not a fun week for said. "We were not happy with where lanche. we were at and we are still not happy with where we are at, but tonight it's two points.'

It wasn't easy.

Hejduk scored his first goal with 26 seconds left in the first period, but Geoff Sanderson answered with his first of two early in the second.

Radim Vrbata tied 53 seconds later, and Hejduk put the Avalanche up 3-2 late in the period. Sanderson opened the third with a power-play goal — the ninth allowed by Colorado on its fivegame homestand.

The Avalanche seemed to be in control when Reinprecht beat Denis with a hard slap shot from between the 0), Friday 6 p.m.

things tense by beating Patrick Roy from near the blue line with 5:58 left. "The good news is we showed lots

circles, but Jaroslav Spacek made

of resiliency," said Denis, who dropped to 0-5 against his former team. 'We were down a few times, but came back and made it a game.' Columbus did it by surviving seven

penalties in the first two periods, after setting a team record with 66 penalty minutes against the New York Rangers on Saturday. Columbus allowed just one goal — on a two-man advananyone, starting with our fans, for us, tage—then stayed out of the box in the he management, the players," Hartley third to put more pressure on the Ava-

### playoff sechedule

By The Associated Press Here are pairings for the next round of Kansas football playoffs

Eudora (10-1) at Paola (7-4) Topeka Hayden (10-1) at Fort Scott (11-0) Wellington (9-2) at Marysville (11-0) Saturday. Scott City (10-1) at Holton (10-1), Friday, 3 p.m. CLASS 2-1A

WaKeeney-Trego (10-1) at Salina Sacred Heart (11-0), 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16 Sedan (10-1) at Jefferson North (9-2), Friday 1

Atwood (11-0) at Claflin (10-0), Friday 1 p.m. Jackson Heights (11-0) at Pittsburg Colgan (11-

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