

Tipton in playoff hunt again

Briefly

Clifton-Clyde to recognize Buller

CLYDE — Legendary high school football coach Ed Buller, who accumulated 335 victories in 45 years of coaching, will be honored by U.S.D. No. 224 Friday night before, during and after the Eagles' district game against Sacred Heart.

Pre-game recognition of Buller will be at 7 p.m. Former athletes of Buller are being requested to appear on the field at halftime. A reception in the high school cafeteria will follow the game.

Buller, who retired at the end of last season with a 335-78-7 record, coached teams to 24 league championships, 10 undefeated seasons and his 1977 Clyde team won the state 1A championship.

Other honors earned by Buller include: Kansas Coach of the Year in 1977; nominated by the Kansas Coaches Association for District 5 and National Coach of the Year; the only Kansas coach to be selected Coach of the Year for District 5, which includes the states of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Missouri.



Buller

Nixon rules ump's deserve raise

NEW YORK (AP) — Former President Richard M. Nixon, acting as an arbitrator, decided Monday that major league umpires will receive a 40 percent increase in pay for working additional baseball games in the two divisional championship series.

Nixon, chosen by the presidents of the two leagues to decide the dispute between baseball and the umpires in binding arbitration, said in a statement, "The arbitrator's decision is that because the championship series have been expanded by a factor of 40 percent, the working umpires are entitled to receive a 40 percent increase in compensation, which amounts to an increase of \$4,000 per umpire, or a total of \$48,000 per year for the 12 working umpires for the years 1985 and 1986."

The American and National League playoffs were expanded from best-of-5 to best-of-7, beginning in 1985. The umpires threatened a strike, but later agreed to the arbitration by Nixon.

Moon to discuss first KSU win

Kansas State University interim football coach Lee Moon will speak at Thursday's Wildcat Club meeting. It begins at noon at the Cavalier Club.

In addition to speaking and answering questions about the Wildcats' first victory of the season last Saturday over Missouri, Moon will show the fourth-quarter film of the game when K-State rallied from a 17-6 deficit to win, 20-17.

Anyone is welcomed to attend. Reservations are suggested and can be made by calling 825-7181 and asking for Michelle.

Sign-up set for wrestling clinic

The Salina Wrestling Club will have a sign-up session tonight for a beginners wrestling clinic.

The sign-up session will be at 7 p.m. at the handi-bank in the Mid-State Mall. Interested youths, ages 5-14, are urged to attend the session.

The four-week clinic begins Nov. 4, while the club's regular season starts in early December.

For more information, contact Bob Stein at 827-7379 after 4 p.m.

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Sports Writer

Remember Tipton? The Cardinals were the team which lost to undefeated Ingalls in last year's Eight-Man Division II state championship football game. But people rarely remember second-place teams.

That's one major reason why this year's Tipton squad is aiming for the top. The Cardinals, under first-year head coach Ron Schulte, have had little trouble winning their first seven games of the season. Tipton is ranked second in Eight-Man II in this week's Salina Journal state rankings.

"Our kids are confident and are looking forward to going back to the playoffs," Schulte said. "The fact that they did go as far as they did last year really helps their confidence."

As expected, Tipton's offense has been powerful, scoring 53 points and rolling up over 500 total yards a game.

That offense is led by a pair of talented seniors in running back Jon Becker and quarterback Joe Koenigsman. Becker was an All-Area Eight-Man II player last year after rushing for 1,240 yards and scoring 26 touchdowns. Through seven games, the 5-10, 175-pounder has run for 951 yards on 149 carries (6.4 a carry) and 18 TDs.

Koenigsman quarterbacked last year's 11-2 team and has passed for nearly 1,200 yards this season.

"We've tried to be more diversified this season," Schulte said. "Jon (Becker) is definitely the main cog in our offense, but we have tried to mix in more passing, especially the last four games."

Koenigsman and Co. have totaled over 200 passing yards in each of those last four games. That's good news for Schulte because he realizes that state playoff competition

School	W-L
1. Lawrence (1)	7-0
2. Shawnee Mission West (2)	6-1
3. Junction City (4)	7-0
4. Olathe South (3)	7-0
5. Dodge City (5)	7-0
CLASS 5A	
1. Wichita Kapaun (1)	7-0
2. Arkansas City (2)	7-0
3. Kansas City-Ward (3)	7-0
4. Wichita Carroll (4)	6-1
5. Liberal (5)	6-1
CLASS 4A	
1. Mulvane (1)	7-0
2. Norton (2)	7-0
3. Shawnee-Aquinas (3)	7-0
4. Arbondale-Santa Fe Trail (4)	6-1
5. Colby (5)	7-0
CLASS 3A	
1. Rossville (1)	7-0
2. Clifton-Clyde (2)	6-0
3. Silver Lake (4)	6-1
4. Seneca-Nemaha Valley (4)	6-1
5. Plainville (NR)	6-1
CLASS 2-1A	
1. Pittsburg-Colgan (1)	7-0
2. Clifton (2)	7-0
3. Ashland (3)	7-0
4. Lyndon (4)	7-0
5. Centralia (NR)	6-0
EIGHT-MAN I	
1. Coldwater (1)	7-0
2. Mankato (2)	7-0
3. Almena-Northern Valley (3)	6-1
4. Greensburg (5)	7-0
5. Sharon Springs (NR)	6-1
EIGHT-MAN II	
1. Denton-Midway (1)	6-0
2. Tipton (2)	7-0
3. Brewster (3)	6-1
4. Tescott (5)	7-0
5. Wakefield (4)	6-0

will be tougher than what the Cardinals have faced much of this season. The need for a balanced attack is important in those games.

Defensively, Jon and brother Kenny Becker have filled the two big holes left at linebacker by David Becker and Darin Brummer. The two safety spots vacated by twins Bryan and Bruce White are being manned by junior Russell Hake and Steve Tiernan.

Schulte is a Tipton native but doesn't teach. This is his first head coaching job. He has been out of teaching for four years but spent 11 years at Plainville where he picked up much of his football coaching knowledge from Larry Friend.

"At first, I wasn't that enthused about taking the head job but after thinking about it, I looked at it as a challenge," said Schulte, who replaced Rick Keltner. "I knew there would be some pressure, but the kids really responded well to me and have made it easy."

Schulte only hopes the winning continues. Tipton must get by Kensington and Eastern Heights in District 9 to get back to the playoffs.

Midway-Denton, which on the Eight-Man Division I title last year, remains the No. 1-ranked school in Division II.

Midway's biggest challenge in District 1 will come from Bern, which is 5-1 and 1-0 in district. The two teams meet on the final week of the season.

Third-ranked Brewster — winner of six straight after a season-opening loss to Quinter — faces little challenge in District 12. Fourth-ranked Tescott has already beaten its nearest challenger — Bennington — in District 5. No. 5 Wakefield did likewise in District 2 in defeating St. Xavier last Friday.

In Eight-Man I, Coldwater is still No. 1 but will have to defeat unbeaten and No. 4 Greensburg in District 6 on the last week of the season to make the playoffs.

Second-ranked Mankato has already beaten No. 3 Northern Valley in District 3. The Cougars play Palco this week and Pike Valley the following Friday.

Sharon Springs cracked the top five after a hard-fought 6-0 District 8 win over Quinter last Friday. The Wildcats can clinch the district title this week with a win at Tribune.

Class 2-1A is the only class boasting all unbeaten teams. Pittsburg-Colgan — last year's Class 2A state champs and owner of the state's longest winning streak of 20 — has been ranked No. 1 all season but

Raiders roll by Chargers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Quarterback Marc Wilson picked apart a shaky San Diego secondary and Marcus Allen ran for three touchdowns as the Los Angeles Raiders rolled to a 34-21 National Football League victory over the Chargers Monday night.

The win was the fifth straight for the Raiders, 6-2, who maintained a tie with Denver for first place in the American Football Conference West at the season's midpoint.

Wilson completed 15 of his 31 passes for 258 yards, including seven to tight end Todd Christensen for 134 yards.

Allen, who rushed for 111 yards on 30 carries, scored on runs of three and one yards in the second quarter and four yards in the third period. He left the game midway through the fourth quarter with a bruised shoulder.

Allen's three touchdowns gave him eight this season and 52 in 49 regular-season NFL games.

The Raiders went ahead for good only 6:41 into the game on a 20-yard field goal by Chris Bahr. Cornerback Mike Haynes intercepted a Dan Fouts pass to give Los Angeles the ball at the San Diego 32-yard line.

Rookie wide receiver Jesse Hester made it 10-0 with 4:37 remaining in the opening period by scoring on a 13-yard reverse on his first NFL carry.

The Chargers cut the deficit to 10-7 on the first of two Fouts touchdown passes, but then Allen ran for two second-period TDs to put Los Angeles in control. Wilson's 28-yard throw to Christensen set up the Allen's first score of the period and the duo's 48-yard pass play set up the touchdown that gave the Raiders a 24-7 halftime edge.

Gary Anderson scored twice for the Chargers and Fouts got the final touchdown touchdown on a 1-yard



San Diego linebacker Carlos Bradley (50) knocks the ball loose from Los Angeles Raiders' quarterback Marc Wilson (6) during Monday night's NFL contest.

pass to Jesse Bendross with 2:20 to play. It was the 21st scoring pass of Fouts' career, eight-best in NFL history.

The Chargers cut the Raiders' early lead to 10-7 when Fouts fired a 52-yard scoring pass to Anderson on the first play of the second quarter.

San Diego showed renewed life in the third period when a 4-yard scoring run by Anderson after 3:21 of the quarter drew the Chargers within 24-14.

But Allen scored his third touchdown with 4:24 to play in the period and Bahr added his second field goal, a 35-yarder with 12:45 remain-

ing, to make it 34-14. The Chargers threatened twice after that, each time coming up empty, before scoring the late touchdown.

The Chargers turned the ball over on downs at the Raider 13-yard line with 7½ minutes to play, and then lost the ball on downs at the Los Angeles 39 a few minutes later.

Fouts, pressured throughout the game, finished with 23 completions in 50 attempts for 315 yards. He was sacked six times.

San Diego lost its seventh game in a row to the Raiders. Los Angeles has scored 252 points in those games.

Niekro wants to return to Braves

CONYERS, Ga. (AP) — Knuckleball pitcher Phil Niekro, who became a free agent Monday, said he'd like to return to the Atlanta Braves after two seasons with the New York Yankees, but his future depends on "who seems most interested in me."

During an autograph session in the Atlanta suburb of Conyers, the 46-year-old said he still wants to play.

"I can still pitch," Niekro said. "I just don't understand managers who look at your age and say you're through. It shouldn't be that way, but it is."

Niekro spent all of his career with the Milwaukee and Atlanta Braves until signing with the Yankees when the Braves released him after the 1983 season. He was 16-12 this year for the Yankees and recorded his 300th career victory on the last day of the regular season. He was 16-8 in 1984.

Niekro said he'd like to wear a Braves uniform again, but doesn't know whether the team is interested.

"I just might go back to New York and play," he said.

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5A state tennis tourney today

Three Salinans will be among the participants in today's Class 5A state girls' tennis championships.

The event includes 18 teams and will be contested at Oakdale Park, South and Central high schools and Salina Country Club. The opening matches are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. with the finals set for approximately 6 p.m. at the Salina Country Club courts.

Competing in the singles' division will be South's Kim Marchand, who finished third in last week's Topeka regional. The favorites in the division are Kapaun-Mt. Carmel's Maureen O'Connor, who is 22-3, and Mis-

ty Bitner of Bonner Springs, who is 20-2.

Central's No. 1 doubles team of Mari Stevenson and Kappy Johnson also earned a spot in the state tourney. The Mustang duo placed fourth in the Hays regional.

The favorite in the doubles' division is the Great Bend team of Shawna Prosser and Susan Goss, which has a 28-0 record. Kapaun's duo of Annie Buford and Bridget O'Connor brings a 20-1 mark into the event.

"There will be some state-class players," said Central coach Cel Muff, who is the tournament director. "It'll be fun to watch."

SHHS spikers fall to Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS — Minneapolis took a pair of North Central Activities Association volleyball matches from Sacred Heart Monday night.

The Lions won the first match, 15-8, 15-5, then came back to rout the Knights, 15-3, 15-3.

Sacred Heart finished 5-7 in league play and is now 11-11 heading into Saturday's sub-state action at Minneapolis. The Lions finished the regular season 9-3 in league play and 17-8 overall.