

# OU basketball teams split games

By The Herald Staff

FAYETTE, Mo. — Central Methodist University sent the Ottawa University men's basketball team to its second loss of the young season Friday night in the first game of the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference and Heart of America Classic in Fayette, Mo.

The Braves fell 72-57.

Central Missouri ran out to a 41-29 halftime lead.

Ottawa was outscored 31-28 in the second half.

Ottawa shot 43 percent from the field, but was just one of eight from behind the 3-point arc.

The Braves were plagued by 20 turnovers. Ottawa did win the

boards battle, 36-27.

Junior Chris Tate paced Ottawa with 13 points on six of 14 from the field.

Freshman Corey Smith finished with 11 points and seven rebounds. He shot five of eight from the field.

Jake Carter also grabbed seven rebounds.

Ottawa (0-2) plays 1 p.m. today against Baker in Fayette, Mo.

Central Methodist (72) — Sherman 8, Smith 4, Franklin 2, Bredhoeft 6, Pierre 3, Dykman 4, Prosser 11, Dahl 16, Stellwagen 14, Edris 4.

Ottawa (57) — Sloan 4, Schreiner 8, Tate 13, Dippel 6, McGinnis 2, Caleb Smith 2, Carter 2, Doucette 2, Corey Smith 11, Garrett Smith 5, Floberg 2.

**Ottawa 67, Hillsdale 46**  
WICHITA — The Ottawa Universi-

ty women's basketball team notched its first victory of the season Friday with a 67-46 win over Hillsdale Free-will Baptist in the Friends Classic.

The Lady Braves had two players in double figure scoring led by Paige Gibson's 16 points on six-of-13 shooting.

Junior sharpshooter Maggie Hasenkamp had 12 points on four treys.

Ottawa was on fire from behind the arc, hitting 13-of-26 for 50 percent from behind the 3-point line.

Ottawa also dominated the paint, 25-8 and had a 43-32 advantage in rebounding.

Ottawa (1-1) plays 2 p.m. today against Central Methodist.

# Jaguars may provide relief for Cassel

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — This could be the week Matt Cassel keeps his jersey clean.

Cassel has been sacked 24 times in six starts, including 19 the last four games, and has been hurried and knocked down even more often.

The Jacksonville Jaguars (3-4) could offer him some relief when they host Kansas City (1-6) on Sunday.

The Jaguars have a league-low five sacks in seven games, struggling to get any consistent pressure on opposing quarterbacks. Peyton Manning, Kurt Warner, Matt Schaub and Matt Hasselbeck all torched Jacksonville's secondary. Even Vince Young looked comfortable in the pocket last week against the Jags.

Could Cassel be next?

"I don't really know what the Jags' stats are, but teams have had some success throwing the ball," Cassel said. "Any time you're a quarterback you hope that you can get

out there and have the ability to throw the ball. That's an area where we've struggled a bit and hopefully looking to get better in this week."

The Chiefs are coming off a bye week, which provided first-year coach Todd Haley and his staff extra time to retool an offense that hasn't found a rhythm since Haley fired Chan Gailey as offensive coordinator. Haley took over play-calling duties at that time, two weeks before the season opener.

"The bye week was great for us because we never had a real training camp with the terminology and the system, so we needed that time to really kind of just fine-tune some of those finer points that in a normal week you don't get to," Haley said. "It was like a mini-training camp for us these last two weeks."

Haley said his top priority last week was to eliminate negative plays, including sacks. Facing Jacksonville should help.

Defensive end Reggie Hayward, on injured reserve since the opener because of a broken left leg, limped through the locker room the other day and jokingly lifted his arms above his head and said, "Still in the lead."

Indeed, Hayward is tied for the team lead with one sack — and he hasn't played the last six games. Starting defensive linemen John Henderson, Terrance Knighton and Derrick Harvey are still looking for their first sacks of the season. So are linebackers Daryl Smith and Justin Durant.

The lack of pressure has become a huge concern for the Jaguars, who are a bit baffled by the results. Sure, they were forced to switch to a 3-4 defensive scheme following some early injuries, but they expected to improve on last year's 29 sacks. Instead, they're on pace to set the franchise record (17 in 2005) for fewest sacks in a season.

"The thing that has

been pinpointed is we're not playing consistent football," cornerback Rashean Mathis said. "Being consistent is the key to good football. It's going to allow you to stay in ball-games and it's going to allow you to win ballgames. When you're consistent, you make the extra tackle, you make the extra block, you make the extra read. But when you're not consistent, you leave yourself vulnerable to big plays."

So how do the Jaguars become more consistent?

"Focusing and knowing your job and really trusting the person next to you," Mathis said. "You have to trust your counterpart and trust that he's going to make his play and he's not going to try to do your job."

The lack of pressure was compounded last week at Tennessee when defenders missed tackles all over the field.

Coach Jack Del Rio considered having his guys go through live tackling drills this week.

# Royals trade Teahan, slice payroll

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Trimming salary in a 2-for-1 deal, the Kansas City Royals sent infielder/outfielder Mark Teahan to Chicago for two players Friday and declined options on three others, including last season's top home run hitter.

Teahan, who had played infield and outfield at various times without complaint, was traded for infielders Chris Getz and Josh Fields. After being moved out of his third base spot to make room for heralded newcomer Alex Gordon, Teahan had struggled to find a position, going from first base to the two corner outfield spots. When Gordon underwent surgery early last season, he went back to third and hit .271 with 12 home runs and 50 RBIs.

The Royals also announced they had declined 2010 options for outfielder Coco Crisp, right-hander Yasuhiko Yabuta and

catcher Miguel Olivo, who led the Royals last year with 23 home runs.

Crisp and Olivo are eligible for free agency and general manager Dayton Moore said it was possible they could still rejoin the team. Crisp appeared in only 49 games last year because of injury.

The Royals sent an undisclosed amount of cash to the White Sox but probably still saved a lot of money. Teahan was eligible for arbitration and would probably have gotten a raise to about \$5 million.

"Obviously, we're in a time in baseball where the economics are very, very important," Moore said. "I would not discount that as a part of the equation."

He agreed that Teahan may have stayed in Kansas City if he were closer to the minimum salary.

"He would certainly be much more appealing to our baseball team than it

was going forward."

Crisp had an \$8 million option with a \$500,000 buyout. Olivo had an option of \$3.3 million and a buyout of \$100,000. Yabuta's option was \$4 million and his buyout was \$500,000.

Getz, 26, was Chicago's second baseman for much of last year and hit .261 with two home runs, 19 doubles and 31 RBIs.

Fields, 26, appeared in 79 games in 2009 and hit .222 with seven home runs and 30 RBIs.

Moore said Fields, who hit 23 home runs and had 67 RBIs as a rookie in 2007, may challenge Gordon at third base. He is also an outfield possibility.

"Competition is important. They've heard me say that before," he said.

He also emphasized the Royals are not giving up on Gordon.

"We expect Alex to become the player we all anticipated that he would when he first stepped on

the field here at Kauffman Stadium. But Josh Fields has the ability to play third as well. He's played first, he's played left field. Alex is somebody that unfortunately missed most of last season. This time last year in talking about Alex Gordon, we all anticipated that he was going to have a breakout year and if he would have stayed healthy there's no doubt in my mind he would have."

"Alex is still very much a part of what we're doing here."

Both Fields and Getz can play multiple positions.

"The versatility of Josh and Chris is something we potentially want to take advantage of," Moore said. "It puts us maybe in more of a position to be maybe more creative this off-season and through spring training. We like this deal and I think it puts our baseball team in a good situation."

## Sports briefs

### OU players chosen All-District

Ottawa University football players Andy Otto and Jamison Shaw were selected to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District second team in District 7. They are the third and fourth football players in program history to receive ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District honors.

District 7 consists of colleges and universities in the Midwest. To receive the honor, an athlete must maintain at least a 3.3 grade point average, play in more than 75 percent of the games, be at least a sophomore and if you are a transfer student; attend that school for one year. This award is based on not only work in the classroom but your success on the field.

Shaw, a senior defensive lineman from Raymore, Mo., is a biology major. He has started six games, missing two due to an injury. Shaw has 31 total tackles, 18 unassisted and 13 assisted, with seven of those tackles being for loss.

He has 3.5 sacks and one interception that he returned for a touchdown. This is Shaw's second selection to the All-District Seven team. He earned the honor as a sophomore.

Otto, a senior running back from Drexel, Mo., is a history education major. He has started seven games this season, missing one with an injury. Otto has 397 yards rushing on 69 attempts for a 5.8 per yard average. He has five rushing touchdowns and is averaging 56.7 yards per game.

Otto has 17 receptions for 220 yards and three touchdowns. He is averaging 12.9 yards per reception and is averaging 31.4 yards per game receiving.

### OU volleyball sweeps Bethany

LINDSBORG — The Ottawa University volleyball team closed out the regular season Thursday with a three-game sweep of Bethany in Lindsborg.

The 26-24, 25-19, 25-23 victory coupled with Saint Mary's loss gave Ottawa the fifth seed in next week's conference tournament. Ottawa (14-20, 8-10) plays 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bethel. The semifinals are Friday and the championship on Saturday at Tabor.

## KSU: Heart, desire there

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most highly touted recruit Martin has signed since becoming head coach. The Washington, D.C., native had double-doubles in 30 of 32 games while averaging 18.5 points.

Besides their talent, the newcomers have also impressed Martin with their willingness to work.

"When they practice, they play their hearts out," he said. "I have got noth-

ing but positive things to say about how hard those freshmen are trying, but there is a discrepancy there between them and the upperclassmen. That is not a bad thing, it is a good thing. That tells me that those upperclassmen are doing those things that I talked about earlier. They understand that urgency, that daily commitment and that burning desire that you have to have in order to be good."

## Scoreboard

### Schedules

**Saturday**  
College football  
Bethany at Ottawa, 1:30 p.m.  
College soccer  
Bethany at Ottawa (M), 7 p.m.  
College cross-country  
Ottawa at KCAC Meet, Wichita, 10:30 a.m.  
College basketball  
Ottawa vs. Baker (M), 1 p.m.  
Ottawa vs. Central Methodist (W), Wichita, 2 p.m.  
**Tuesday**  
College soccer  
Friends or Bethel at Ottawa (W), 7 p.m.  
College basketball  
Ottawa at MidAmerica Nazarene (W), 5:30 p.m.  
College volleyball  
Ottawa at Bethel, North Newton, 7 p.m.

### Basketball

Ottawa Middle School girls basketball  
**Thursday**  
Seventh grade varsity  
Paola 22, OMS 17  
Corie Fischer 6, Abigail Fangman 1, Abby Hale 2, Abigail White 1, Kylie Foster 3, Brett Moore 2, Sydney Schaefer 2.  
**West Franklin Middle School basketball**  
**Thursday**  
Boys varsity  
Lyndon 37, W.F. 35  
Kyle Evans 13, Matt Gray 12.  
**Girls varsity**  
W.F. 24, Lyndon 17  
Emily Reed 9, McKenzie Steele 7, Katie Yellison 5, Brittany Crump 2, Alexis Atchland 1.  
**JV**  
Lyndon 14, W.F. 7

### Prep football

Friday's Kansas Prep Scores  
By The Associated Press  
**Class 4A**  
Abilene 34, Rock Creek 13  
Andale 54, Concordia 0  
Columbus 36, Coffeyville 28  
Holton 34, KC Piper 21  
Rose Hill 45, Augusta 0  
Hayden 21, Clay Center 0  
Valley Falls 40, Troy 8  
**Class 5A**  
Bishop Carroll 63, Newton 28  
Emporia 35, McPherson 33  
Gardner 49, Schlagle 0  
Hutchinson 55, Liberal 21  
Salina South 31, Kapaun Mt Carmel 14  
Shawnee Heights 14, Turner 10  
St. Thomas Aquinas 47, Mill Valley 21  
**Class 6A**  
Derby 24, Wichita Northwest 14

Free State 38, Olathe East 7  
Manhattan 35, Maize 6  
Olathe North 42, SM East 14  
Wichita Heights 46, Wichita South 14

## Transactions

Friday's Sports Transactions  
By The Associated Press  
**BASEBALL**  
**American League**  
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Acquired INF-OF Mark Teahan from Kansas City for INF Chris Getz, INF Josh Fields and cash considerations.  
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Declined the 2010 contract options for OF Coco Crisp, C Miguel Olivo and RHP Yasuhiko Yabuta.  
MINNESOTA TWINS—Acquired SS J.J. Hardy from Milwaukee for OF Carlos Gomez.

## SHARING ESSAYS ON

### CHRISTMAS SHOPLIFTING

Essay 2



Rick Wright

## Respect CHRISTmas Don't Shoplift

Essay by:  
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With Christmas just around the corner, the crime of shoplifting tends to increase dramatically. Society, today, puts great emphasis on Christmas as a time to give and get presents. Consequently, people seem to get drawn into that idea and believe that Christmas is really about gifts. It is, in fact, a celebration of the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Because of the effect that society has, people think that they must purchase presents for their family members and friends. But, with the present state of our economy, some of us probably can't afford to buy gifts and think that stealing them might be an easy alternative. However, stealing is, of course, against the law. Now, it is most obviously against the laws of the United States, but it is also against the laws of God in fact, one of the Ten Commandments is "Thou shalt not steal."

So if you are ever faced with a situation like that during this Christmas, any future Christmas, or any time in general — please do the right thing. Do it out of respect for the shop owners. Do it out of respect for the laws of this nation. And most importantly, do it out of respect for God and his son, Jesus. Don't shoplift.

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