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Colby High School junior Trevor Siebert looked for an open teammate during the Eagles' season opener against Scott City Friday at the Colby Community Building. The Eagles lost 67-32.

Eagle boys lose opener

By John Tole

Colby High School

A young Colby High School Eagle boys basketball team fell to the preseason No. 1 ranked 4A team Scott City Friday 67-32 in Colby.

Experience played a key role in the game, according to Colby coach Derek Bissitt.

"We lost seven seniors and five starters from last year and Scott City, who was 21-3 last year, had all five of theirs back," he said.

The Eagles have only one returning senior, Nick Howard. Howard, along with juniors R.J. Ladenburger, Trevor Seibert, Trey Barnett and Anthony Rohr, started the game with Stephen Dinkel, freshman, and Ethan Stover, sophomore, also seeing court time.

It is unusual for a freshman to play at the varsity level, but Dinkel

seemed to take it in stride.

"It wasn't as hard as I thought it would be, but we could've played better through the whole game," Dinkel said.

Barnett was the top scorer for Colby with 16 points; Howard scored six. Barnett pulled down four rebounds and Ladenburger had three.

"Trey is a kid that can score," Bissitt said.

He said the team played hard at times, but a more aggressive offense is still needed. However, he recognizes that size and experience can really dictate a game.

"It's tough when you're giving up four to six inches per player. The young team will get better and better, if they keep working hard in practice," Bissitt said.

Colby is now 0-1 on the season.

Lady Eagles have easy win over Scott City

By Cyndi Rothfuss

Colby High School

Colby Lady Eagles gave the home crowd a good start to the season Friday defeating the Scott City Beavers 71-33.

Though the Beavers were the first to score, it was the only time they led during the entire game. Senior Jessica Stephens was the top scorer for Colby, with 19 points. Lissa Mazanec, sophomore, was right behind Stephens with 18 points.

Ashley Barnes, junior, led Colby with nine rebounds.

The Eagles played hard from the beginning and maintained intensity the entire game. It was an impressive game for the first of the season with a completely new game plan.

"Being only two and a half weeks into the season, it is tough to totally change the system and still play that hard," said Colby coach Derek Bissitt.

The girls shot an amazing 92 percent at the free throw line and 53 percent of field shots. This was an important factor in the ball game.

"Shooting the ball was a big key

in the game," Bissitt said.

The game was very fast moving, with a lot of breaks to the Eagles' basket.

However, offense wasn't the most impressive factor of the game in Bissitt's opinion. He was pleased with the Eagles' defense.

"For this early in the season, the girls played a nice press. The defense was intense and great," Bissitt said.

Despite the fact that the win was expected, there were some challenges to conquer before even get-

ting on the court. The season brought a new coach with a new system.

It was a struggle for the girls to learn the new game plan.

"The most difficult part was having to learn the new plays. Having Bissitt on the bench wasn't that different though," Barnes said.

Barnes said the first game was a nice win.

"I think the game went pretty well. It was good for our first time with the new program."

Colby (1-0)

Eagle wrestlers earn championship at St. Francis

A pin in the heavyweight category gave the Colby Eagles the championship at the St. Francis Invitational Saturday.

"This was a great team effort that ended in dramatic fashion," said Colby coach Mitch Beims.

Eagle heavyweight Taylor Brown needed to win to guarantee the victory for the Eagles. He pinned Wray's Tate Minton in the

first period. It was Brown's second pin of the day. He finished the day 2-1 and in third place for heavyweights.

Colby edged out Pine Creek for the championship. Colby scored 159.5 points to Pine Creek's 156. Goodland finished third with 148 points. Host school St. Francis finished fourth with 135.5 points.

Four Eagles won their respective

weight class. Bryan Brewer won the 103 lb. class, Brent Luedke won the 112 lb. class, Hunter Olson won the 125 lb. class and Cole Garcia won the 145 lb. class.

Taylor Finley finished second in the 152 lb. class. Darren Sporing finished third in the 119 lb. class. Jared Flanagan took third in the 130 lb. and Kyle Withington finished third in 160 lb. Friday, Colby won

the season opening match at Burlington, Colo., 56-21.

Sporing pinned his opponent in 1:53. Olson won by technical fall. Daniel Gonzalez pinned his opponent in 1:57 and Garcia pinned his opponent in 3:10.

Colby faces St. Francis Thursday in Colby. The Eagle Invitational is Friday and Saturday. Matches begin 2 p.m. Friday.

Golden Plains girls get two victories during weekend

Golden Plains 60
Greeley County 40

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs used a strong first half to cruise past Greeley County in Friday in Rexford. Golden Plains led 37-13 at intermission and increased the lead to 59-25 early in the fourth quarter before emptying the bench.

Katelyn Spresser led a trio of players in double digits by pumping in 16 points. Valerie Broeckelman

tallied 15 and Kendra Spresser 11. Golden Plains shot 41 percent (23-56) from the field and held the Jackrabbits to only 27 percent (15-56).

Katelyn Spresser grabbed 10 rebounds and Megan Juenemann seven rebounds in leading the Lady Bulldogs to a commanding 51-28 edge on the glass.

Golden Plains 75
Northern Valley 37

Eleven girls got into the scoring

column as Golden Plains defeated Northern Valley Saturday in Alma.

The Lady Bulldogs shot 54 percent (29-54) from the floor while holding the Lady Huskies to 22 percent (13-58). Katelyn Spresser netted 24 points and hauled down eight rebounds.

Freshman Kendra Spresser added 11 points and picked off seven steals.

Megan Juenemann scored eight while Jessica Shaw, Ashley Albers and Amanda Rall each contributed six points.

Brittany Ritter and Liz Staats scored five and four points, respectively. Valerie Broeckelman and Candee VonLehe each scored two points and Jennie Staats added one point.

Golden Plains will face Idalia Tuesday in Brewster.

Wildcats announce hiring of Snyder's replacement

MANHATTAN (AP) — Kansas State's search to replace the coach who turned the worst team in major college football into a national powerhouse has ended with the hiring of a man who graduated from high school just 20 miles up the road.

School officials planned to formally announce the hiring of Virginia offensive coordinator Ron

Prince on Monday as head coach of the Wildcats, athletic director Tim Weiser said Sunday evening.

The 36-year-old Prince, raised in Junction City, will become only the fourth black head football coach in Division I-A.

He replaces Bill Snyder, who took the Wildcats from being the nation's only 500-loss team in 1989 to 11 straight winning seasons

through 2003, when they won the Big 12 title.

Snyder led Kansas State to a 5-6 mark this season, announcing his retirement just days before the season finale against rival Missouri — a game the Wildcats won 36-28.

A lineman at Dodge City Community College and Appalachian State, Prince spent five seasons at Virginia, the last three as offensive

coordinator.

He also coached at Dodge City, Alabama A&M, Cornell, South Carolina State and James Madison, and spent four seasons as an NFL Minority Fellowship intern with Jacksonville, Washington, Atlanta and the New York Giants.

"The most important thing for Kansas State was to find the right fit," Weiser said Sunday.

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