

Football team falls to rival

Third quarter dooms Eagles at Goodland

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A couple of breakdowns by the Eagles' special team's units proved to be the turning point in the game at Goodland late Friday night, which ended in a 38-22 loss.

The game started about 2 1/2 hours late due to lightning from a thunderstorm moving through. By the time the game was over, it was well past midnight.

Colby was leading 14-13 until the Cowboys' Kelly Pearson caught a punt from Colby senior Logan Middleton and dashed 45 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter. Goodland went for two, and Cowboys' quarterback Reed Bellamy was able to find running back Riley Oharah in the end zone, extending the lead to 21-14.

From there, things went from bad to worst for Colby. On the ensuing kickoff, the Eagles' special teams neglected to touch the ball after it had gone over 10 yards and the Cowboys' recovered it on their own 27-yard line.

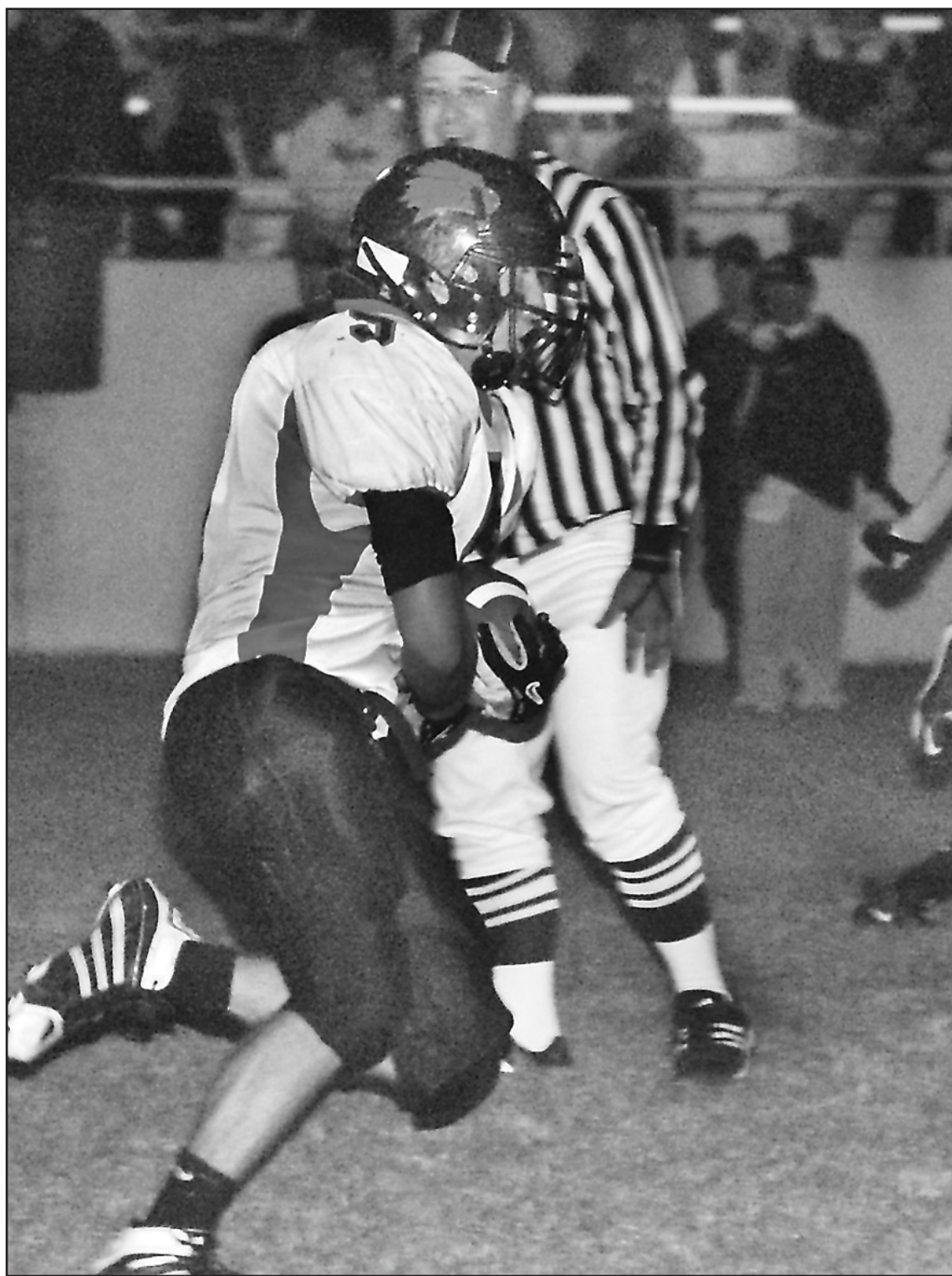
Moments later, senior cornerback Christian Wilson drew a face-guard call on a pass near the end zone. Coach Chris Gardner expressed his displeasure with the call with officials and was flagged for unsportsmanlike conduct. Soon after the penalties, Bellamy hit Brock Wilkins with 10-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was good and Colby was behind by two touchdowns. The Eagles were never able to recover from this disastrous sequence of plays.

"We've got to play all four quarters," the coach said.

The Cowboys' Dillon Trachsel intercepted a pass from senior quarterback Kale Arnberger pass on Colby's next series. Later in the quarter, Bellamy scored from six yards out to make it 34-14 with less than two minutes left. The extra point was good, giving Goodland a three-touchdown lead.

The Eagles had some success in the final quarter. Arnberger found a seam in the offensive line and motored for a 15-yard touchdown. Flanagan ran in the two point conversion. But Colby was unable to put any more points on the board, and the Cowboys won 38-22.

Things were going well for Colby at the end of the first half. Senior fullback Ryan Parker creased through a hole and took the ball 45 yards for a touchdown, cutting



Colby High senior Ryan Parker carried the ball down field during the Eagles' game at Goodland on Friday.

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Goodland's lead to 13-12 near the end of the half. Then senior Andrew Flanagan took the handoff and rammed his way into the end zone to put his team up 14-13.

The Eagles maintained control of the game's momentum on defense. Senior defensive end Roque Russell and senior defensive lineman George Smollock combined for a sack on Bellamy as time expired.

The boys started the game with a workmanlike drive that ended in a touchdown. The drive featured a quarterback sneak on fourth and inches by Arnberger and a 32-yard run by Flanagan that left Colby on its own 11-yard line. Parker capped off the drive with a four yard touchdown run, giving the Eagles a 6-0 lead with a little over

eight minutes left in the first. The Eagles went for two, but this time the Cowboys stopped Parker short of the goal line.

Things continued to go Colby's way early on. Playing safety, Arnberger intercepted an ill-advised pass by Bellamy with 5:31 left in the first. But the Eagles' offense was unable to capitalize on the error and Goodland soon regained possession.

Later on, in the second quarter, Pearson ran in from one, tying the game at 6. The touchdown was set up by a 22-yard run by Bellamy. The Cowboys' extra point was good and they took a one point lead.

The Eagles looked like they were poised to respond to Goodland's touchdown. Arnberger

hooked up with senior receiver Corbin Stephens for more than 30 yards on a pass. But when Arnberger tried to find his favorite target a second time, his throw was picked off on the Eagles' own 18. Bellamy found Brock Wilkins with a nine-yard touchdown later in the quarter.

Flanagan had a monster game on defense, finishing with 15 tackles. "He did a nice job," Gardner said. "He played well both offensively and defensively."

Flanagan gained 12 carries and Parker rushed for 50 yards on five carries.

With the loss, Colby dropped to 3-3 for the season. The team will play its first district game against Concordia at 7 p.m. Friday at Denen Field.

Lady Trojans win two of three

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While the Lady Trojans' volleyball team managed to win two of three matches on Saturday, they were unable to knock off Jayhawk West conference kingpin Dodge City Community College.

The quadrangular was played at Colby High School, and the team collected for Toys for Tots at the event. Instead of paying for a ticket, fans could donate a toy to get into the gym. The Lady Trojans, like all the volleyball teams in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference, are involved in a coaches' initiative to support a charity at one home match in October.

Coach Carey Jones said her team collected \$170 in admittance fees and a full box of toys. They women swept McCook Community College from Nebraska 25-15, 25-21 and the Air Force Academy Preparatory School from Colorado Springs 25-15, 25-12, and Dodge City swept them 25-21, 25-23, 25-18.

The Lady Trojans' matches against McCook and Air Academy were best of three sets and the match against the Conquistadors was best three out of five. Jones said Dodge City coach Shaun Pohlman and her decided they wanted to play some extra matches so all their players could get playing time. She said this is why both teams also played shortened matches against Air Academy and McCook.

Colby's backup players saw a lot of action against McCook. Lady Trojans starters, including sophomore setter Emily Lubbers and freshman outside hitter Ana Calito, sat out most of the match.

Freshman Nichelle Erskine said it's important to get the backups playing time in case some of the starters get injured. Coach Jones said she expected her substitutes to get the job done against McCook.

Colby jumped out to a 8-2 lead in its first set against the Lady Indians. Later on, the Lady Trojans extended their lead to 22-14. Colby went on

to win the set 25-15. Two of the women's last three points were kills by sophomore Gabrielle Cardoso.

Erskine had two kills early in the second set against McCook to give her team a 3-0 advantage. The Lady Indians fought back and tied the game at five. Later on, McCook took a 8-6 lead. Colby responded by scoring four of the next six points to make it 10-8. The Lady Trojans' last point came on a long volley that featured a nice save by freshman J'Nae Raynor.

Colby clung to its lead throughout the rest of the game. Freshman outside hitter Ashley McMullen got a kill, increasing the lead to 16-14.

Cardoso dominated the rest of the game. The senior hit three consecutive kills, giving the women a 19-15 lead. Another kill by Cardoso made it 23-20, and the Lady Trojans went on to win the set 25-21 and take the match.

The Lady Trojans' first game against Dodge City went back and forth. Two straight kills by Calito tied the score at 4. Moments later, a kill by Danqi Li made it 5-5. Then the women managed to distance themselves from their opponents, taking a 9-6 lead.

Later on, the Lady Trojans led 14-10. A kill by Emma Filaga of Dodge City cut the lead to 15-12. The Conquistadors scored the next three points and tied the set at 15. They eventually took a 21-18 lead. Then Cardoso scored on a kill. The Lady Trojans cut Dodge City's lead to 22-21, but the Conquistadors scored the next three points and won the set 25-21.

The second set was as competitive as the first. Cardoso made two kills to put Colby up 22-21. Dodge City scored the next point, but then sophomore Danqi Li got a kill, tying the set at 23. The Conquistadors got the next two points and won the set.

The Conquistadors built up a 23-17 lead in the final set. They went on to win 25-18.

Colby's record now stands at 24-12 and 6-4 in the Kansas Jayhawk West.

The women's next match will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in Hutchinson.

Late touchdown leads to Chiefs' loss

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Mike Hart still has some of those old Michigan moves in his back pocket.

With an overpowering 11-yard touchdown run on the last of his career-high 11 carries, the third-year running back scored in relief of the injured Joseph Addai to give Indianapolis a 19-9 victory over previously unbeaten Kansas City.

It's the first time since 1970 that no NFL team reached 4-0.

The Colts (3-2) won in atypical fashion. For the first time this season, Peyton Manning failed to top 300 yards. He finished 26-of-

44 for 244 yards with one interception and couldn't get the Colts into the end zone until Hart's win-clinching score with 4:02 to go.

Junior and senior dominate race at Lakin

Colby High junior Emilea Finley and senior Katrina Kaus took first and second out of 52 junior and senior runners runners at the Lakin Cross Country meet Saturday.

Finley finished in 16 minutes, 24 seconds and Kaus in 16:46.

Coach Bob Mannebach said Finley and Kaus both ran good races. The boys' and girls' team finished sixth out of 21 teams with 84 points.

The scoring formula at the meet is different than at other meets, Mannebach said. The team score is based on the top seven finishes from the boys' and girls' teams together. The girls' and boys' times were divided into two groups: freshman-sophomore and junior-

senior. Medals were given to the top 20 runners in each division.

Lakin took first as a team with 23 points. Finley, Katrina Kaus, senior Katherine Kaus (Katrina's twin) and senior Kayla Hockersmith all earned medals for finishing in the top 20 in the junior-senior class. Katherine took 10th with 18:22 and Hockersmith finished 14th in 18:54.

It was the first time Hockersmith won a medal this season, while Finley and the Kaus' sisters have collected medals at every meet. Senior Amy Schroeder just missed a medal, finishing 22nd in 19:55. Other girls' times include junior Christina Ostmeier with 21:23 and junior Andrea Torres 27:38.

Sophomore Dustin Reed earned the only medal for the boys. He took 12th out of 101 runners in the freshman-sophomore class with 18:35. Reed has earned medals at every meet this season.

Junior Jared Nally came close, finishing 23rd with 19:11. Other boys' times included sophomore John Faber, 19:23; junior Jake Thompson, 21:54; junior Andrew Rasmussen, 22:11; senior Andrew Ketchum, 22:41; sophomore Brad Schroeder, 20:44; sophomore Brad McNinch, 21:30; sophomore Matt Dickman, 21:37; freshman Marc Bremenkamp, 22:59; sophomore Kyle Peterson; and sophomore Henry Schuette, 25:01.

"We had some good individual performances; however our times

were not as good as in previous meets," the coach said. "We will continue to work hard leading into the league, regional and state meets, hoping to perform at a high level in these important meets."

Other teams at Lakin were Ness City, Liberal, Hugoton, Ulysses, Wichita County, Scott City, Syracuse, Oakley, Garden City, Stanton County, Sublette, Guymon, Okla., Cimarron and Goodland.

Colby will run next at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Great West Activities Conference Meet at Hugoton.

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