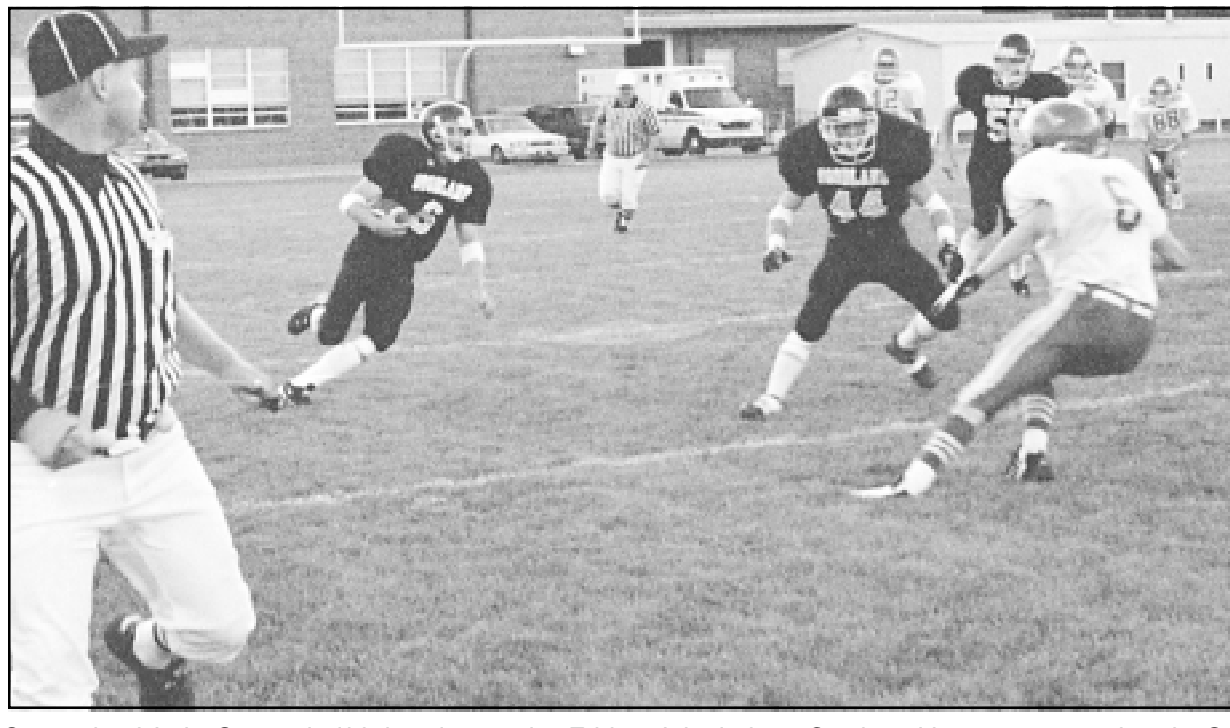


Cowboys' win will rely on defense

By Rachel Miscall
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Coach Chris Walters says if the 1-2 Goodland Cowboys play a strong defensive game on Friday, they have a shot at taking down the undefeated Atwood Buffaloes who are ranked third in Class 2-1A schools in Kansas. "Our whole season we have struggled on defense," said Coach Walters. The team has been working hard to strengthen its defensive line, he said, and if it can stand up to the Buffalo's offense the Cowboys have a chance at victory. He said to win the Cowboys must hold the Buffaloes score to below 20 points.



Quarterback Luke Stone tried his hand at running Friday night during a Cowboys' home game against the St. Francis Indians. The Cowboys will play the Atwood Buffaloes Friday at Atwood.

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"We can't let them jump on us and put up 14 points early in the game," the coach said. "If we can stay with them right up to the end, we have a shot at winning." His comment is reminiscent of the Class 4A Cowboys' loss to the Class 2A St. Francis Indians last week, when the Indians made two touchdowns early in the game, ending the first half with a score of 14-6 St. Francis.

The Cowboys came back in the second half, but couldn't defeat the Indians and the game ended with a score of 28-22 for St. Francis. "Defensively, if we could have just held them a couple of times," said Walters after the game, "we would have had a chance."

He had the same thing to say after the Cowboys lost their first game to the Class 5A Hays High Indians. The team beat the Class 3A Holcomb Longhorns in their second game of the season, but Walters said the Longhorns were a weaker team. The Cowboys' season record is now 1-2, and the Buffaloes are

3-0. Coach Walters said Atwood is one of the toughest teams the Cowboys will face this season. "They are going to be at least as good as St. Francis," he said, "if not better." Walters said the Buffaloes are ranked third in their class, and have a

great football program. The two teams will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Atwood high school stadium, east of downtown. The Atwood Junior Class will be serving hamburgers, hot-dogs and bratwurst at 6 p.m. at the Vocational Agriculture shop near the stadium.

U.S. swimmers emerge from pool with fists full of medals

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Two, one, zero. Lenny Krayzelberg captured Olympic swimming gold No. 2 for himself Thursday, Tom Dolan had to settle for one and Jenny Thompson came out of her last hunt for individual gold with none. The U.S. swimmers emerged from the latest pool party in Sydney with another fistful of medals. It was a bittersweet session as Thompson couldn't challenge double gold-winner Inge de Bruijn of the Netherlands in the 100-meter freestyle and Italian Massimiliano Rosolino beat Dolan in the 200 individual medley. Krayzelberg hugged and kissed his

parents after swimming an Olympic record 1 minute, 56.76 seconds in the 200-meter backstroke. The Ukrainian immigrant won the 100 backstroke Monday. Another American, 17-year-old Aaron Peirsol, took the silver. De Bruijn won the 100 free in 53.83 seconds to go with her victory in the 100 butterfly Sunday. Sweden's Therese Alshammar came next, while Thompson and her American rival and teammate, Dara Torres, tied for bronze in 54.43. The medal raised Thompson's total medal count to nine, including seven relay golds. She's now the most decorated woman swimmer in history, surpassing Dawn Fraser of Australia,

German Kornelia Ender and American Shirley Babashoff, who have eight each. Thompson, 27, stuck with swimming after the Atlanta Games to try to win a gold all by herself. Now that opportunity is gone. "The individual gold medal wasn't in the cards, I guess," she said. "I know I did the best I could." Dolan won the 400 individual medley Sunday, but said he was hurting down the stretch Thursday. "I didn't have speed or strength to go that fast," he said. Thanks to the swimmers, the United States increased its lead in the medal count Thursday. The Americans finished the day with 31 medals (11 gold,

10 silver, 10 bronze) to 25 for Australia (8-9-8). France (7-9-4) and Russia (4-8-8) each had 20. **SOFTBALL:** It happened again. Virtually invincible coming into the Olympics, the U.S. softball team lost its third straight extra-inning marathon. This time Australia beat the Americans 2-1 in 13 innings. Peta Edebone hit a two-run homer off Lisa Fernandez in the bottom of the 13th to win it for the Aussies. The Americans had 112 straight victories before the games. **BASKETBALL:** For the first time ever, somebody challenged a Dream Team. The U.S. men led by only five points in the final minute before beating Lithuania 85-76, the closest Olympic victory ever for an American team stocked with NBA stars. The Dream Teamers never won by less than 22 points in the last two Olympics. **BOXING:** A heavy match is up next for U.S. heavyweight Michael Bennett. Bennett downed Poland's Wojciech Bartnik 11-2 Thursday.

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	90	62.592	—	
New York	86	66.566	4	
Florida	71	80.470	18 1/2	
Montreal	65	86.430	24 1/2	
Philadelphia	62	89.411	27 1/2	
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	90	62.592	—	
Cincinnati	79	74.516	11 1/2	
Houston	68	84.447	22	
Milwaukee	67	85.441	23	
Pittsburgh	64	88.421	26 1/2	
Chicago	60	92.395	30	
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	91	60.603	—	
Los Angeles	81	72.529	11	
Arizona	79	71.527	11 1/2	
Colorado	76	75.503	15	
San Diego	74	78.487	17 1/2	

x-San Francisco clinched division title
 y-Cincinnati clinched tie for division title

Tuesday's Games				
Florida 3, Montreal 1	Atlanta 12, N.Y. Mets 4	Houston 8, St. Louis 6	Pittsburgh 12, Philadelphia 8	San Diego 7, Colorado 2
Los Angeles 1, Arizona 0	Milwaukee 9, Chicago Cubs 8	San Francisco 7, Cincinnati 3	Wednesday's Games	
Pittsburgh 7, Philadelphia 6, 10 innings	Montreal 4, Florida 2	N.Y. Mets 6, Atlanta 3	Milwaukee 3, Chicago Cubs 2, 10 innings	St. Louis 11, Houston 6
San Diego 15, Colorado 11	Los Angeles 1, Arizona 0	San Francisco 4, Cincinnati 2	Thursday's Games	
Houston (McKnight 2-1) at St. Louis (Benes 10-8), 11:10 a.m.	Florida (Burnett 2-6) at Montreal	San Diego (Tollberg 4-3) at Colorado (Jarvis 2-4), 1:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (Reed 10-5) at Philadelphia (Daal 3-19), 5:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Anderson 5-9) at Milwaukee (Rigdon 3-4), 6:05 p.m.
Arizona (Stottlemire 9-6) at San Francisco (Rueter 10-9), 8:15 p.m.	Only games scheduled			
Friday's Games				
St. Louis (Kile 19-9) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 7-7), 1:20 p.m.	Atlanta (Millwood 10-11) at Montreal (Armas 6-8), 5:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 9-6) at Philadelphia (Wolf 11-7), 5:05 p.m.	Houston (Lima 7-15) at Cincinnati (Dessens 9-5), 5:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Silva 9-9) at Milwaukee (Snyder 3-10), 6:05 p.m.
Florida (Penny 6-7) at Colorado (Tavarez 10-4), 7:05 p.m.	San Diego (Witasick 3-2) at Los Angeles (Gagne 3-6), 8:10 p.m.	Arizona (Schilling 10-12) at San Francisco (Gardner 11-6), 8:35 p.m.	American League	
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	85	65.567	—	
Toronto	80	71.530	5 1/2	
Boston	79	72.523	6 1/2	
Baltimore	67	86.438	19 1/2	
Tampa Bay	61	90.404	24 1/2	
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	90	61.596	—	
Cleveland	82	67.550	7	
Detroit	74	78.487	16 1/2	
Kansas City	70	82.461	19 1/2	
Minnesota	66	85.437	24	
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	86	66.566	—	
Oakland	82	68.547	3	
Anaheim	77	74.510	8 1/2	
Texas	70	83.458	16 1/2	

Tuesday's Games				
Chicago White Sox 6, Detroit 2	Seattle 5, Tampa Bay 2	Toronto 16, N.Y. Yankees 3	Kansas City 5, Anaheim 1	Oakland 7, Baltimore 4, 1st game
Oakland at Baltimore, 2nd game, p.p.d., rain	Boston 7, Cleveland 4	Minnesota 15, Texas 7	Wednesday's Games	
Cleveland 2, Boston 1, 1st game	Cleveland 5, Boston 4, 2nd game	Baltimore 2, Oakland 0, 1st game	Oakland 4, Baltimore 0, 2nd game	Chicago White Sox 13, Detroit 6
Toronto 7, N.Y. Yankees 2	Seattle 5, Tampa Bay 4	Anaheim 7, Kansas City 4, 10 innings	Texas 6, Minnesota 4, 12 innings	Thursday's Games
Cleveland (Finley 13-11) at Boston (Arrojo 5-2), 1st game, 11:05 a.m.	Cleveland (Bere 5-3) at Boston (Wakefield 6-9), 2nd game, 5:05 p.m.	N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 12-11) at Toronto (Wells 19-6), 5:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Schoeneweis 7-8) at Kansas City (Suppan 8-9), 6:05 p.m.	Chicago White Sox (Sirota 14-10) at Minnesota (Santana 2-2), 6:05 p.m.
Oakland (Hudson 17-6) at Seattle (Moyer 13-9), 8:05 p.m.	Only games scheduled			
Friday's Games				
Tampa Bay (Lidle 2-6) at Toronto (Hamilton 2-1), 5:05 p.m.	Detroit (Nomo 7-11) at N.Y. Yankees (Neagle 7-5), 5:05 p.m.	Baltimore (Ponson 8-12) at Boston (R. Martinez 8-7), 5:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Pote 1-1) at Texas (Oliver 2-7), 6:05 p.m.	Cleveland (Brower 2-3) at Kansas City (Meadows 6-2), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Wells 5-9) at Minnesota (Radke 12-15), 6:05 p.m.	Oakland (Olivares 3-8) at Seattle (Garcia 8-4), 8:05 p.m.	Goodland Regional Medical Center		

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Seventh-grade fights, but loses to Cougars

After both teams spent the game fighting for a score, the seventh-grade Grant Junior High Mustangs fell to the Burlington Cougars Tuesday as the Cougars scored a touchdown in overtime. The game ended with a score of 6-0 Burlington, giving the seventh-grade team a season record of 1-2, not including the seventh-grade Mustang "B" team's loss to the Colby Eagles Saturday.

Offensively, a few players made small gains for their team, while a few lost yards.

Coach Terry Daise said the team did a good job blocking a Cougars' score, but couldn't score themselves. "The team played great defense," said Coach Daise, "but we just couldn't get anything going on offense." Though they didn't score, the Mustangs made some good attempts at a touchdown. Quarterback Brandon Zelfer completed three of his 10 pass attempts, with Jase Herl catching all three passes and completing a total of 45 yards of pass plays.

Jon Beeson gained 10 yards for his team on seven rushing attempts; Herl two yards on four attempts; and Bryant Nemechek gained two on one attempt. Brandon Hatfield lost two yards in his two attempts to score; Quarterback Zelfer lost 14 yards on seven rushing attempts; and Daniel Schields lost two on one attempt.

Defensively, the team was strong. Brett Lalicker intercepted a Cougars' pass and the Mustangs had a strong tackling game. Herl made 8 tackles; Beeson, 7; Derek Fenner, 6; Lalicker, 5; Zelfer, 4; Heath Chatfield and Jared Robinson, 3 each; Nemechek and Chris Baumfalk, 2 each; and Josh Ford, Mark Starr, Cory Yarbrough, Wyatt Dautel and Brandon Tatman, 1 each.

Cowgirls to host match

The Goodland High School Cowgirls volleyball team will have a quad match at home this afternoon facing off against Sharon Springs, Ulysses and Holcomb starting at 3 p.m. at the Max Jones Fieldhouse.

A match against Holcomb at 3 p.m. Ulysses will play Sharon Springs at 4 and then face Goodland at 5. Holcomb will play Sharon Springs at 6 and Ulysses will face Holcomb at 7. Goodland will end the evening with a match against Sharon Springs at 8 p.m.

The varsity Cowgirls are currently ranked second in the state after they traveled to Overland High School in Aurora, Colo., on Saturday and walked away with an 11-0 record. In the varsity competition today, Ulysses will face Sharon Springs at 3 p.m., Goodland will go up against Holcomb at 4 and Holcomb will play Sharon Springs at 5. Goodland will face Ulysses at 6 p.m., and at 7 p.m. it will be Ulysses vs. Holcomb. The varsity evening will end with Goodland facing Sharon Springs at 8 p.m.

All times are approximate, and matches will run ahead of schedule when possible. Junior varsity and freshman matches will be rally scoring in the third game only.

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