

Colby downs Oberlin

Eagles outscore Red Devils, 81-48, in uneven contest

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Friday, Levi Schlick and the Colby Eagles downed the Decatur Community High Red Devil boys basketball team 81-48 in Oberlin.

Schlick recorded a double-double and was the game's top scorer with 29 points and 13 rebounds. He was followed by Colby's Ethan Stover with 18 points and six rebounds.

Oberlin was led by Lucas Juenemann with 16 points, two rebounds and three assists, and Jacob Fortin with 13 points, a rebound and an assist.

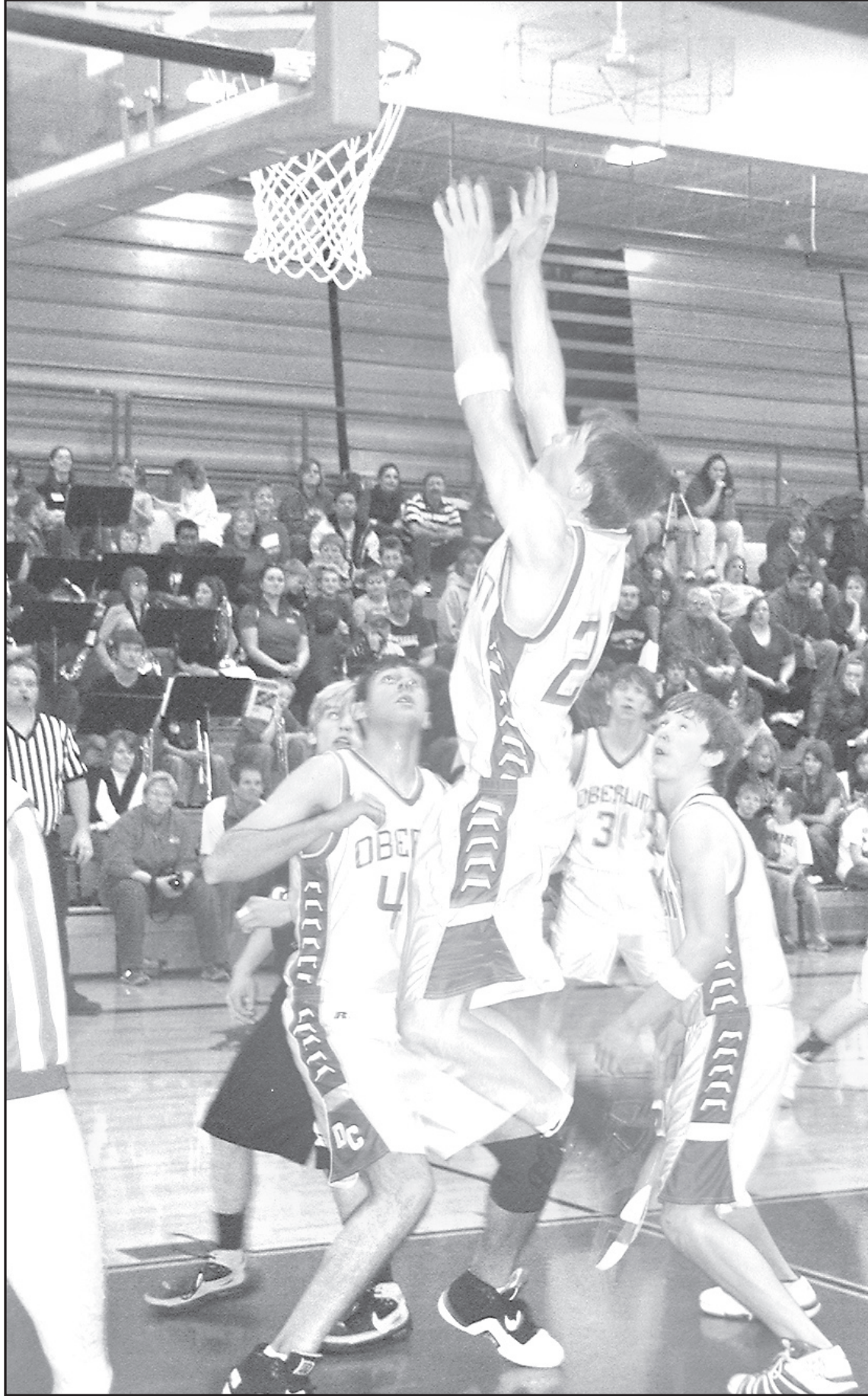
The Red Devils hung with the Eagles through the first quarter, only trailing 21-17 heading into the second quarter, but gave up 33 points in the second quarter before heading into the locker room, trailing Colby 54-31 at halftime.

The Eagles kept pouring it on in the third period as Oberlin couldn't find a way to stop Schlick's strong inside game under the basket. Colby added another 20 points in the third period and led 74-38 at the end of three.

Also helping out Oberlin were Cody Haas, 8 points and five rebounds; Logan Fortin, 5 points, six rebounds, two steals and an assist; Toby Peters, 4 points, a rebound and an assist; Dakota Soderlund, 2 points and two rebounds; and Chad Williams, a steal.

Other scorers for Colby were Tod Ziegelmeier, 9; Stephen Dinkel, Cory Sager, 6 each; Corbin Stephens, 5; Chaz Winger, 4; and Andrew Flanagan, 2.

Colby upped its season record to 11-4. Oberlin dropped to 4-12.



RED DEVIL LOGAN FORTIN went up for one of the six rebounds he collected against the Colby Eagles in the 81-48 loss Friday night. Fortin was Oberlin's leading rebounder against the Eagles.

— Herald staff photo by Jim Merriott

Scoring:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Colby	17	33	20	7	81
Oberlin	17	14	7	10	48

Tuesday the Red Devils were to be in Norton to play the Blue Jays about 8 p.m. On Friday the Red Devils travel to Hoxie to take on the Indians at about 8 p.m.

Boys come back to defeat Indians

The Decatur Community High basketball boys put together an impressive comeback Jan. 8, outscoring the Hoxie Indians 20-11 in the final quarter to take a 71-65 win.

The Red Devils snapped a five-game losing streak, improving their record to 3-5 with a fourth-quarter rush. They outscored the Indians 20-11 in the final quarter after trailing Hoxie 54-51 at the end of three quarters. Until then, Oberlin had trailed in each period.

When the dust settled, the Red Devils had five players in double figures.

Lucas Juenemann pumped in 23 points, followed by Logan Fortin with 11, and Toby Peters, Jacob Fortin and Sam Stapp with 10 each. Chad Williams came off the bench to add four points, while Dakota

Soderlund had three. "Hoxie jumped out early on us," said Coach Greg Olson. "The team's hard work and determination paid off in the end."

The Indians were led by Josh Gaede with 16 points, Jon Pelz with 13, Taylor Rall and Matt Weiss with 12 each, Jon Johnson with five, Heath Best with four and Steiner Scott, one.

The Red Devils continued to improve their game, with players diving for loose balls and showing consistent hustle.

"We overcame an 11-point deficit in the first half to end up victorious by six points, with five players in double figures," Olson said.

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Hoxie	15	18	21	11	65
Oberlin	10	21	20	20	71

Thunderhawks beat Red Devils in Grainfield

The Oberlin boys basketball team fell 99-56 to the Wheatland/Grinnell Thunderhawks in Grainfield last Tuesday.

Logan Fortin was highscorer for Decatur Community High with 17. He was followed by Lucas Juenemann and Jacob Fortin, 10 each; Cody Haas, 8; Chad Williams, 4; Dakota Soderlund, 3; and Toby Peters and Josh Ritter, 2 each.

The Thunderhawks took control of the game after the tipoff, pushing the ball down the court to take a 23-10 lead at the end of the first.

Grinnell's defense kept Oberlin at bay in the second quarter although the Red Devils managed to score 15.

Grinnell added another 25 to lead 48-25 at halftime. Oberlin picked up the game in the third quarter but was still outscored 26-19.

Scoring for Grinnell were Cody Rehmer, 18; Jared Cook, 17; Devin Baalman, 16; Mark Schroeder and Brett Billinger, 7 each; Wade Wolf, 6; Kenton Zerr, 5; Jorgen Lundgren and Landon Stephens, 4 each; Clinton Katt, 3; and Tyler Weber, 2.

"Grinnell jumped out to an early lead, playing very well," said Coach Greg Olson. "We played hard but couldn't overcome their scoring attack."

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Grinnell	23	25	26	25	99
Oberlin	10	15	19	12	56

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