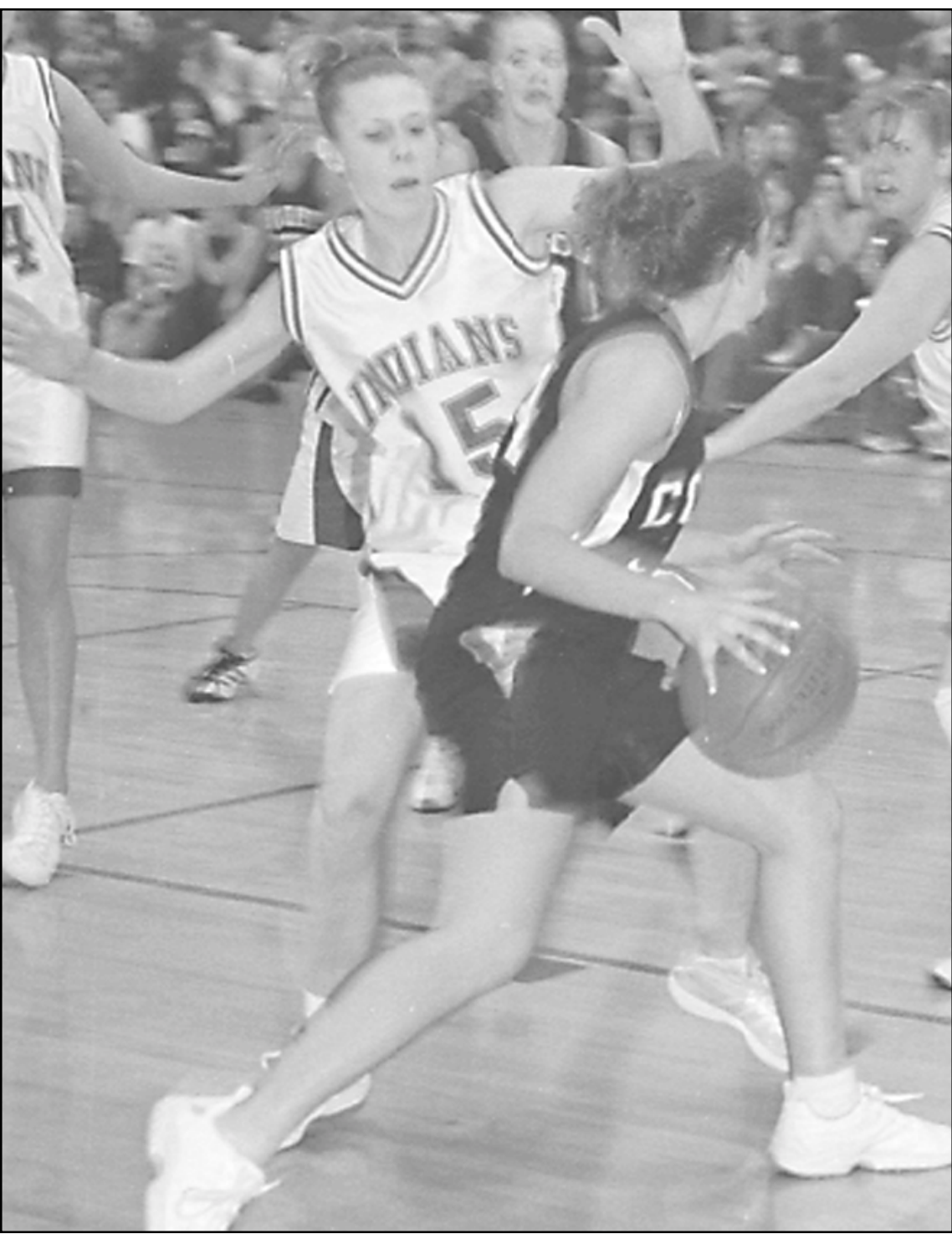


At the Game



AMBER FEIKERT closely guards her Colby opponent in basketball action Saturday evening at the high school. Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

Strong third quarter helps Colby win league contest

By Betty Jean Winston

A strong third quarter moved the Colby Lady Eagles on their way to victory Saturday evening in a Northwest Kansas League basketball game played in St. Francis. The final score was Colby 57, St. Francis 36.

During the opening half of the game, St. Francis was successfully keeping the Colby scoring down and actually outscored them 7 to 6 in the second frame.

The pace had been pretty even during the first 16 minutes of play but the third quarter saw Colby double the score that the Lady Indians could manage (24-12).

"We couldn't get a basket to fall for us and Colby couldn't miss the second half!" Coach Ted Busse said. "They shot 10-of-11 in the third quarter and that was a major

difference in the outcome."

During the first quarter the only Sainty Ladies who could put point on the board were Sam Coates and Kandee Raile. Colby was not having things much better as they just spurted ahead near the end of the quarter.

Two players, Sam Coates and Kelsey Andrist, scored in double digits for the Lady Indians. They each had 12 points. Half of Coates' points came from her perfect 2-of-2 from three-point range. She also was 3-of-7 from two-point range. Andrist was 6-of-10 from the free-throw line for half of her points and the remainder where field goals.

"We played hard!" Coach Busse said.

Under the basket, Andrist had 12 boards, with nine of them defen-

sive. St. Francis had seven assists and 12 steals during the evening with Coates leading in steals. Amber Feikert, Coates and Gina Frohlich each blocked a shot.

"Colby is a good team and is ranked in the top 10 in Class 4A," Coach Busse said.

Colby emerged with the best shooting percentage from two-point range. They connected on 20-of-44 shots for 45.5 percent while St. Francis was 10-of-45 for 22.2 percent.

SF	04	07	12	13	36
C	10	06	24	17	57

Scoring: Coates 12, Andrist 12, Raile 5, Frohlich 4, Toni Rice 2, Feikert 1.

Rebounding: Andrist 12, Feikert 4, Raile 4, Rice 3, Coates 2, Ashley Holzwarth 2, Frohlich 1, Allyse Lampe 1.

St. Francis 32, Oberlin 26

"We played very well, Coach Dinkel said. "I really was pleased with the overall team effort we had. Everyone got to play quite a bit and really ran the offense and press really well."

Three players, Knodel, Voorhies and Sam Marin, each scored six points as the scoring was distributed among seven players.

Scoring: Knodel 6, Voorhies 6, Marin 6, Sowers 5, Faulkender 4, Grace 4, Jade DeGood 1.

St. Francis 35, Cheyenne Wells 16

St. Francis outscored Cheyenne Wells by a number of points in this Saturday night, Dec. 21 contest, as the home team was a 35-16 winner.

Grace pushed 12 points through the basket to lead the team,

"Again, we really played very well," Coach Dinkel said. "I was extremely pleased with the girls overall effort. They really started to get into the flow of the game in the second half."

"What a way to go into Christmas break."

Scoring: Grace 12, Voorhies 7, Maddie Knodel 6, Faulkender 5, Chelsey Weeden 3, Sowers 2.

girls basketball, Colby, here, 4 p.m.; junior high wrestling, Hoxie, here, 6:30 p.m.; high school basketball, Hoxie, there, 6:30 p.m.



Thursday: board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Friday: high school wrestling, Hoxie, here, 6:30 p.m.; high school basketball, Hoxie, there, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday: junior high

College Sports

Wrestling
Colby Community College
Ryan Zwegardt

The Colby Community College Trojan wrestling team closes out the home portion of its schedule in early January. Wednesday night they had a dual with Lincoln College (Illinois) and on Friday and Saturday they will host the annual Tournament of Champions. Action begins at 10 a.m. Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday at the Colby Community Building. Sunday they will dual Neosho County, also at the community building.

The tournament will feature seven of the nation's top 10 National Junior College Athletic Association teams.

The National Junior College Ath-

letic Association Coaches Association released its first regular wrestling poll on Dec. 16 and Colby College was ranked number one as they were in the pre-season poll. Seven Trojan wrestlers were also ranked.

Steve Lampe, who has received many honors during his time at Colby, is the head coach.

Basketball
Kansas Wesleyan University
Jennifer Henderson

Kansas Wesleyan University basketball teams return to the court today (Thursday) when they host Bethel College. They will also play

Sterling College on Saturday and York College on Monday.

Colby Community College
Mike Wolters

The Trojan's mens basketball team resumed play after the Christmas break with a 75-58 win over Butler County in a game played in Colby. Wolters was one of the players scoring in double figures with 11 points. He was 3-of-6 from three-point range for 9 points and 2-of-2 from the line.

On Tuesday the Trojans traveled to Garden City and tonight (Thursday) they host Cloud County.

Colby wins 77-47

By Betty Jean Winston

Colby defeated the St. Francis junior varsity boys basketball game 77-47 Saturday night.

Leading the scoring for St. Francis was Jon Zwegardt who poured in 16 points. He was especially effective in the first quarter when he scored six points and the last quarter when he scored eight points.

"Under the circumstances, we played pretty well," Coach David Morrow said. "We have a few critical weaknesses that will continue to plague us all year. Perhaps the most important one is a lack of players to throw into the game. With seven or eight players left for the second half, our team is doomed to get tired and have momentary lapses on defense. Like I've said all year, however, this team plays hard from whistle to whistle and gives supreme effort. "On Saturday, we were just out-

manned a little. Colby has a good squad that's played a lot of ball in the summer. I thought we played a great first half. Helped out by a few of our older boys, we entered the second quarter up by three points. Colby had a very strong second quarter, however, and reclaimed the lead for halftime by an 11-point margin. Needless to say, we were slightly overwhelmed in the second half.

"Jon Zwegardt had a career game. He had 16 points and quite a few rebounds. And like the rest of the team, Jon's hard work in practice is paying off for him. These kids are working hard to become better ballplayers."

SF	15	14	04	14	47
C	12	26	17	22	77

Scoring: Zwegardt 16, Tyler Voorhies 7, Nick Raile 6, Michael Raile 6, Tanner Kinen 4, Heath Owens 4, Jon Roelfs 2, J.D. Hawkins 2.



INDIAN Chase Collier looks to move the ball against Colby. Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

Coach pleased with effort against strong Colby team

By Betty Jean Winston

On Saturday night, St. Francis went into half time against the Colby Eagles with only two points separating the teams. During both of the first two periods, the Indians had played evenly with the Eagles.

Colby pulled out in the second half and the final score of the Northwest Kansas League basketball contest was Colby 57, St. Francis 45. The Indians worked hard but the loss gave St. Francis an 0-2 league record and a 3-4 record overall.

"I was pleased with the effort," Coach Greg Wolters said. "We competed for 32 minutes.

"We were down 26-24 at half and I really felt we had a chance to pull off the upset. They (Colby) hit two big 3's early in the third quarter, we had trouble handling their fullcourt pressure and they were able to widen the margin and win the game."

The leading scorer for the Indians was Marcus Dodd, who hit the basket for 14 points, mainly under the basket, but he also had a successful 4-of-5 from the line. Added to his offensive effort was 17 rebounds, 14 of them defensive. Tyler Wolters led in assists with six.

"Colby has a good team," Coach Wolters said. "They expose your

weakness. We allowed too many offensive rebounds and committed too many turnovers.

"We played hard - we just need to continue to work to improve."

The Indians were 45.5 percent from the field and 68.4 percent from the free-throw line. St. Francis outrebounded Colby 31-22, partly because of Dodd's efforts.

SF	11	13	11	10	45
C	15	11	20	11	57

Scoring: Dodd 14, Cale Rieger 9, Wolters 8, Jonathan Roelfs 7, Tanner Kinen 4, Michael Raile 3.

Rebounding: Dodd 17, Raile 4, Roelfs 3, Rieger 2, Wolters 2, Kinen 2, Tyler Voorhies 1.