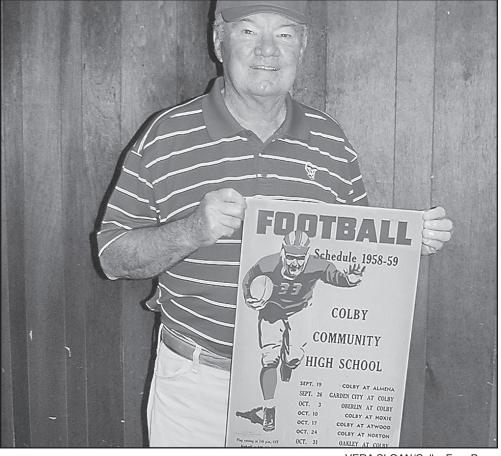
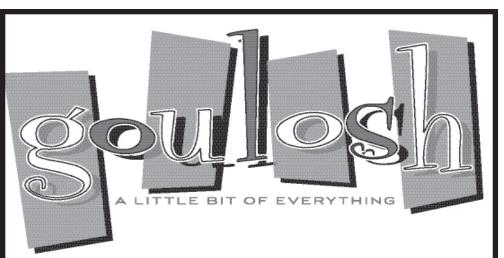
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## Player remembers thriller against Goodland



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Ron Evans, class of 1961, holds a schedule printed in 1958, when he played for the Colby High School football team.



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Being picked as number one Class A football team in the entire state of Kansas in 1959 was huge for Colby High School, the community and especially the members of the football team who earned the honor.

Ron Evans, class of '61, said that last game of the season with Goodland was a thriller. They won the battle 13-7 in the last few minutes of the game.

"The referee actually took a knife and stuck the blade into the ground between the chain marker and the end of the ball to determine if we had made the first and 10," Evans said. "It was good... we had made it, and went on down the field for 60 or 70 yards and scored. And that was the end of the ball game.

"People remember that, and talk about it to this day. We had an incredible rivalry in Goodland, and we probably had as many fans

at the game there as they did."

Evans also reminisced about how good the team was at the beginning of the year, when he recalled the first game of the season with Garden City, a class AA school.

'We beat them 13-7," he noted, "and there were no more close games until that final game with Goodland.'

Evans said there were no playoff games in those earlier years, but it was the Topeka Daily Capitol newspaper who named the cham-

His memory of the guys on the first string, besides himself and brother Buddy, as running backs, are of Tom Hamill as quarterback; Dick Williams, fullback; Tom Thompson, center; Jim Parrott, guard; Bill Watt and Phil Harrison, tackles; and Tim Hamill, Dave Phillips and Harold Herbel, who played the end positions.

"We averaged scoring 41 points per game," He said, "and that was the second highest in the history of the school."

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