

Cowboys give Buffaloes first loss, 55-48

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The Cowboys handed the Rawlins County Buffaloes their first loss of the season on Friday at Max Jones Fieldhouse, 55-48, but could not keep up with the Hays High Indians on Saturday losing 66-48.

With the win over Rawlins County and the loss to Hays the Cowboys are 2-0 in Northwest Kansas League games and 4-5 overall. Rawlins county is 8-1 overall, and 3-1 in league play. Hays is 5-3 overall.

The Cowboys fell behind in the first quarter 13-6 against the Buffaloes with junior Travis Angelos getting 5 of the 6 points in the quarter. The Cowboys improved in the second quarter scoring 14 points, but were behind 27-20 at half.

In the third quarter junior Greg Farris and senior Tanner Smith hit back to back three-point baskets to cut the Buffaloes lead to 27-26. About a minute later Angelos got a steal and passed to junior Brandon Rome for a lay-up and the Cowboys had the lead 28-27. On the next play the Buffaloes turned the ball over and Farris passed to Rome for another basket to make it 30-27 with just under four minutes left in the third quarter.

The Cowboys led 34-33 at the end of the third quarter, and a technical foul on Rawlins County's Marcus Cahoj made it a two-point lead when Smith hit the second of the two free throws.

The Buffaloes tied the score at 37-37 with five minutes left, but another three-point basket by Farris regained the lead for Goodland. The Cowboys maintained the lead and extended it at the free throw line where Farris was 6 for 6 in the last minute as the Buffaloes had to foul to try to get the ball back.

The final Cowboy point was a free throw by Rome, and the Buffaloes got a last second basket to make the final 55-48.

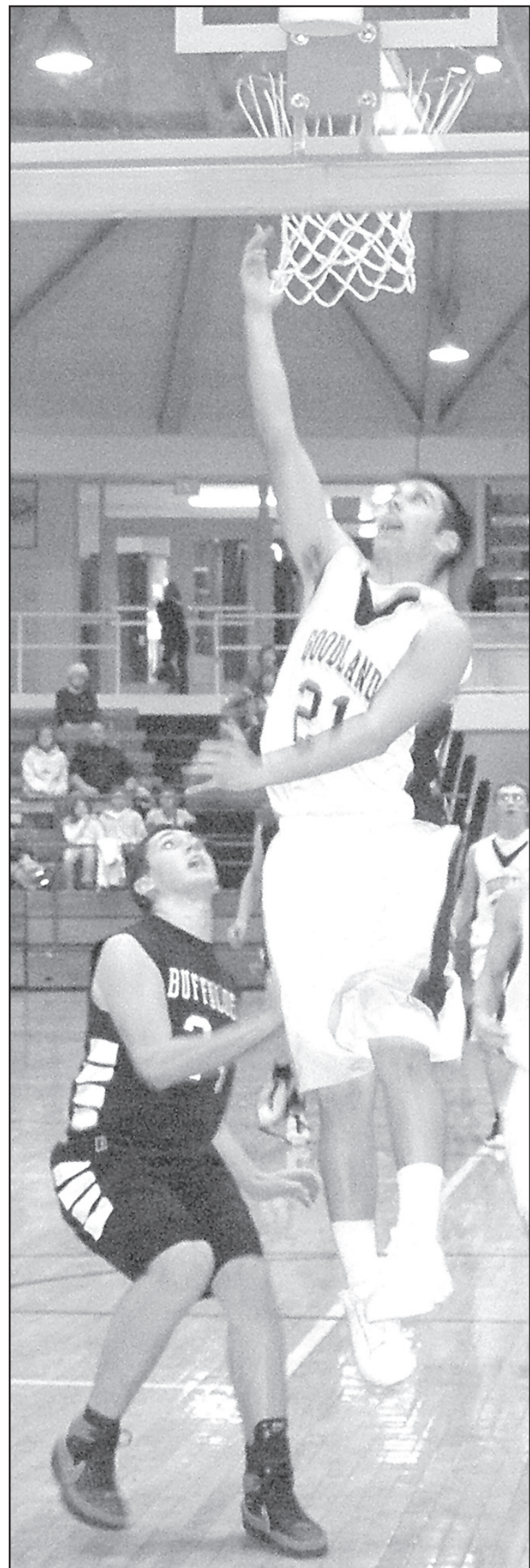
Farris led the Cowboys with 21 points on 3 three-point baskets, 3 field goals and his 6 free throws. Angelos had 10 on 4 field goals and 2 of 4 free throws. Smith had 9 on 1 three-point basket, 1 field goal and 4 of 8 free throws. Rome had 7 on 3 field goals and 1 of 2 free throws. Senior Josh Duke and senior Forrest Trachsel each had 4 points.

The Cowboys hit 33 percent from the floor (14 of 43), 33 percent of the three-point shots (4 of 12) and 63 percent of the free throws (15 of 24).

Smith led the Cowboys in rebounds with 12, Rome 8, Angelos



Junior Greg Farris (above) drove to the basket between two Rawlins County Buffaloes during the game Friday at Max Jones Fieldhouse. Farris had 21 points in the game leading the Cowboys to a 55-48 win. Junior Brandon Rome (right) scored on back to back fast break plays making lay ups in the second half of the Cowboys game against the Buffaloes. Photos by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News



6, Farris and senior Preston Dautel 5 each, Duke 2, and Trachsel 1. Angelos had 5 assists, Smith 3, Rome and Farris each had 1.

Hays Indians

The Cowboys got the first points of the game against the Hays High Indians on Saturday, but that was the only lead of the game as the taller Indians won 67-48.

Dautel opened the scoring with a three-point basket in the first 10 seconds of the first quarter, but the Indians took a quick lead on a basket by Evan Charles 6'8" and a three-point basket by Jordan Juenemann. The Cowboys were down 17-9 at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter Dautel got

a steal and went the length of the court for the basket and was fouled, but he missed the free throw. Halfway through the second quarter the Cowboys were down by 10, 27-17, and it was 38-23 at half-time.

The Cowboys matched the Indians in the third quarter with each scoring 11 points to make it 49-34 going into the final quarter. The Indians outscored the Cowboys 17 to 14 in the final quarter to win 66-48.

Angelos led the Cowboy scoring with 16 points on 7 field goals and 2 of 2 free throws. Dautel had 10 on 2 three-point baskets and 2 field goals, Farris 8 on 2 field goals and 4 of 4 free throws, Smith 6 on 3 field goals;

Trachsel 4 on 1 field goal and 2 of 5 free throws; and Duke and Rome each had 2 on a field goal.

The Cowboys hit 41 percent from the field (17 of 41), 33 percent from three-point range (2 of 6) and 67 percent of their free throws (8 of 12).

Thursday the Cowboys will be in Colby at 7:15 p.m. at the Community Center for the start of the 23rd annual Paul Wintz Orange and Black Basketball Classic facing the Colby Eagles. The Eagles are 7-3 overall and 3-0 in league play having defeated Oakley (80-39), St. Francis (76-50) and Hoxie (64-36).

Goodland High bids farewell to 28-year teacher and coach Dennis Stone. He will be greatly missed.

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School calendar for January 15 to January 21

Today: Gold Day. 4 p.m., Seventh- and eighth-grade basketball against Wray. 10:40 a.m., Northwest Kansas Technical College meeting with juniors. 3 p.m., senior high scholars bowl at Scott City.
Wednesday: Black Day. North Site Council. 10:40 a.m., Northwest Kansas Technical College meeting with sophomores.
Thursday: Gold Day. 3:30 p.m., Seventh- and eighth-grade basketball against Oakley. 3:30 p.m., junior high wrestling triangular against Hoxie and Burlington. 7 p.m., financial aid night for seniors and parents in high school cafeteria. Orange and Black Classic Basketball Tournament at Colby.
Friday: Black Day. 2 p.m., varsity wrestling at Hays Senior Prairie Classic Wrestling. Orange and Black Classic Basketball Tournament at Colby.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m., varsity wrestling at Hays Senior Prairie Classic Wrestling. 8:30 a.m., junior varsity wrestling against Atwood. 9 a.m., Mustang Wrestling Invitational. Orange and Black Classic Basketball Tournament.
Monday: 3:30 p.m., Seventh- and eighth-grade basketball at St. Francis. 3:30 p.m., high school scholars' bowl.

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