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(Neb.)-Eagles Handle Orediggers

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CHADRON - The Chadron State College women's basketball team earned its fifth win of the season and its second in as many nights by besting Colorado School Mines 76-62 in their Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference meeting.

For the second straight night, Chadron State's Dallas Shaw hit four 3-point field goals in the first half to help give the Eagles a 40-27 lead that they wouldn't surrender in the game's final stanza.

The Orediggers battled back in the second half behind the sharp shooting of Taylor Helbig, who had 20 points, and Angie Charchalis, who finished with 23 points.

Just as it looked like the Orediggers were going to claw their way back into the game Kattie Ranta, who finished with her seventh double double of the season – 20 points and 14 rebounds – came through with some clutch buckets to preserve the lead.

Shaw, a sophomore from Buffalo, Wyo., scored 12 first half points and finished with 19 along with eight rebounds.

Also for Chadron State, Kate Simonton scored 16 points while Hattie Guzman added 10 points to go alone with seven rebounds for the Eagles.

For the second straight night the Eagles shot well from long range and capitalized on second chance points.

The Eagles hit eight 3-point field goals while shooting a blistering 42 percent from long range. The win marks the Eagles first back to back win of the season and improves their record to 5-18, and 5-14 in the RMAC.

With the loss, Colorado Mines falls to 13-12 and 10-9 in the RMAC.