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CURTIS—Never mind that the Brady football team is still short-handed because of illness and injuries.

And it shouldn't make a difference that Medicine Valley remains unbeaten at No. 5 in the Omaha World-Herald Class D-2 football rankings.

All that really mattered to Eagle coach Andy Seamann Friday night in Curtis is that his centers—and he tried several—couldn't get the ball into the quarterback's hands.

"We probably lost close to 80 yards all together on bad snaps," Seamann said of Brady's 55-18 loss. "You can't run very many plays if you can't get the ball to your quarterback."

They weren't a new kind of snap either, or even a long snap. They were the standard under-center connection with the quarterback.

"Yeah, Medicine Valley's guy playing across from our center was probably one of the best defensive linemen we've faced but that shouldn't have anything to do with the snap," the coach said. "To be honest, we really didn't play well in any facet of the game."

Medicine Valley was up 41-0 at halftime.

"We did better in the second half," Seamann said, "but it was too little too late."

Zach Mann led the team in rushing yards with 62 on 12 carries.

Michael Neiman added 53 yards on 13 carries. He returned to the field following a dislocated

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elbow in the second game of the season.

Mann completed 10-of-20 passes for 113 yards, 70 of which went to Neiman on three catches.

The Eagles fall to 1-4 with three of those four losses to state-ranked teams.

The Eagles host 4-1 Wallace on Friday in Brady's homecoming game.

Seamann said he hopes homecoming will help instill the sense of urgency in the seniors.

"We have three games left," Seamann said. "If we work hard and get back on track, we can regain the steps we took backward this week. We still have a chance to make our goals. Attitude will be the big key."

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. Friday.