

Cat Girls Trip Buhler

It's getting hard to tell which Mulvane girls' basketball team is going to show up.

Is it going to be the Wildcats who lost to Augusta by 32 points? Or is it going to be the 'Cats who showed up for their home game against Buhler Tuesday night, Jan. 10?

Mulvane pulled away in the fourth quarter for a big AVCTL Division III win over Buhler, 59-46. Mulvane improved to 3-1 in AVCTL III, 5-3 overall, tied on top of the league with Augusta and Rose Hill. Buhler slipped to 2-2 in the league, 4-3 overall.

The Wildcats jumped ahead 16-10 after one quarter and led by five at halftime, 27-22. Mulvane shot the ball very well in the second half and used a 22-16 advantage in the fourth quarter to put the game away.

Did we mention the Wildcats shot the ball well? The 'Cats shot just over 50% (22-for-43) from the floor, including over 60% (20-for-33) inside the three-point arc. Mulvane was also 13-for-20 from the free-throw line. On defense, meanwhile, Mulvane held Buhler to just 28% shooting, including a bagel (0-for-13) from three-point range.

Laura Buchanan led Mulvane with 18 points while Tara Roberts and Megan Turner each added 16. Mulvane also got seven points from Josey Gosch and two from Kristi Parker. Turner was 7-for-8 from the floor while Buchanan was 7-for-12. Gosch had eight rebounds, Buchanan had seven, and Roberts added five.

The Wildcats suffered their first league loss of the season at Augusta Friday night, Jan. 6. In a game where little went right for Mulvane, the 'Cats fell to the host Orioles, 60-28.

"It just seemed like we weren't prepared to play," said MHS head coach Dale Landes. "Everybody has to take responsibility for that, myself included. Once we really started falling behind, it was like we just got discouraged. We didn't quit, but we just couldn't seem to do anything right on either end of the court."

Mulvane had trouble finding the basket all game long, although they did score the first basket of the game, a layup by Laura Buchanan that gave the 'Cats a brief 2-0 lead. It was all Augusta after that, as the Wildcats scored no more than eight points in any quarter, while the Orioles scored in dou-

ble figures in each period. The 'Cats also seemed to struggle with turnovers, especially when the Orioles put the pressure on.

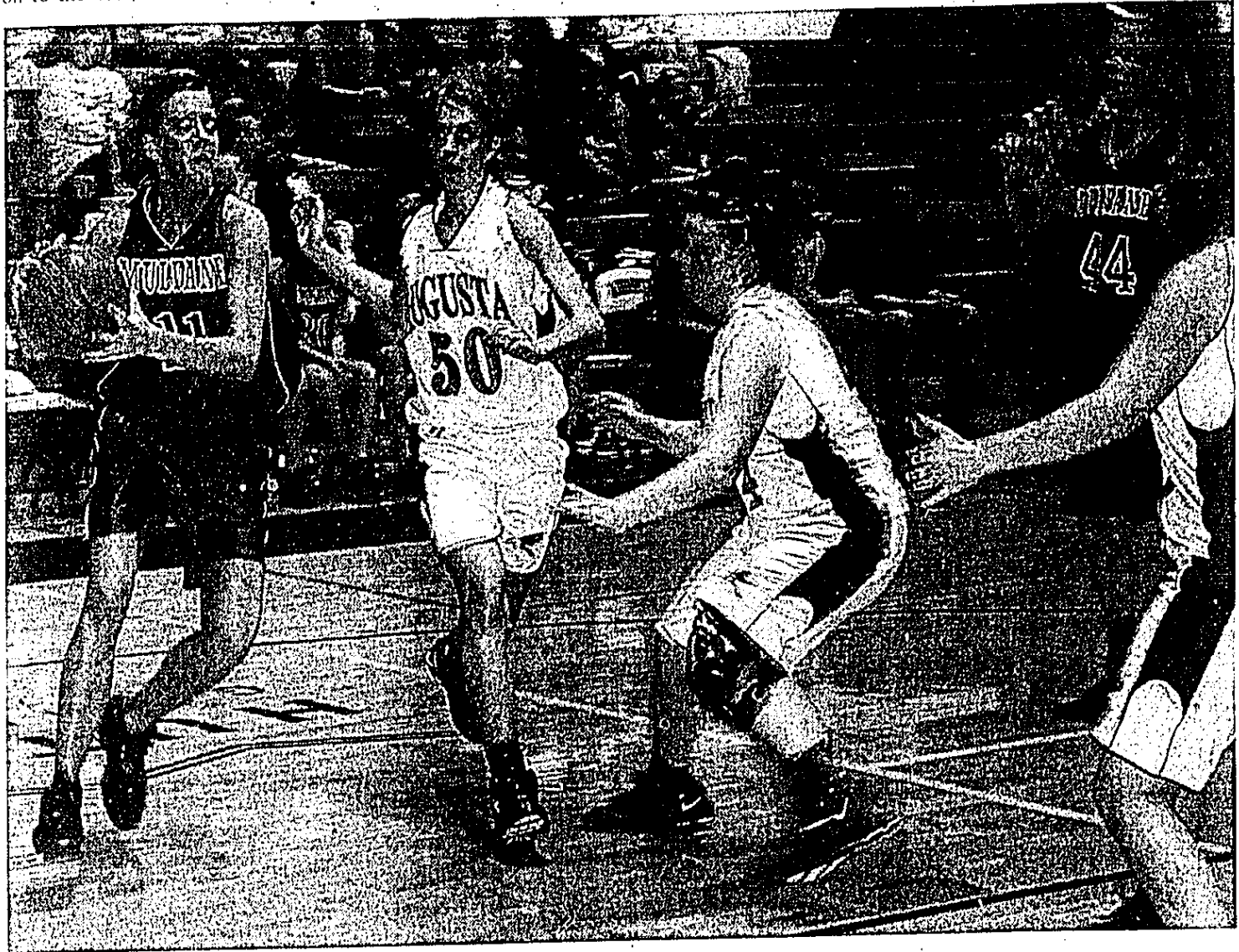
"They didn't do anything we didn't prepare for and expect," said Landes. "We just didn't make very good decisions with the ball: We made bad passes, we couldn't hang on to the ball, and rushed ourselves into

turnovers. It was like things just snowballed after the first quarter. Even though we were down 16 at the half, we still thought we could make a run, but it simply never materialized."

For the game, the 'Cats made just 11 shots from the field, including three three-pointers, and made just three of nine free-throw attempts. Only five players scored for

Mulvane, led by Buchanan with 13 points. Josey Gosch had six points while Tara Roberts, Caitlin Wise, and Amanda Hagerman each added three points.

The Wildcats will host their Homecoming game Friday night, Jan. 13, against AVCTL III rival Rose Hill. The game is scheduled to tip off at 6 p.m.



Mulvane senior Megan Turner (11) takes it to the basket against Augusta

AVCTL III-IV Girls' Basketball Standings

DIVISION III

	League		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Rose Hill	3	1	6	2
Augusta	3	1	7	1
Mulvane	3	1	5	3
Buhler	2	2	4	3
Wellington	1	3	2	6
El Dorado	0	4	0	7

DIVISION IV

Circle	4	0	7	0
Andover Central	3	1	6	1
Kingman	2	2	6	1
Andale	2	2	5	3
Clearwater	1	3	2	6
Andover	0	4	1	6

Games Friday, Jan. 13

Rose Hill at Mulvane (Homecoming)
Wellington at Augusta
El Dorado at Buhler
Andover Central at Andover
Clearwater at Circle
Kingman at Andale

Game Saturday, Jan. 14

Andover at Buhler

Games Tuesday, Jan. 17

Andover Central at El Dorado
Andale at Augusta
Andover at Fredonia Tournament

Varsity Girls

Buhler 10 12 8 16-46
Mulvane 16 11 10 22-59

Buhler—Brittany Hines 9, Tara Wiens 6, Cassie Barber 4, Brennen Richman 6, Shawna Cikaneck 8, Whitney Jones 6, Tanya Friesen 7 FG 14 (0), FT 18-24

Mulvane—Megan Turner 16, Laura Buchanan 18, Kristi Parker 2, Josey Gosch 7, Tara Roberts 16 FG 22 (2), FT 13-20

Mulvane 8 7 6 7-28
Augusta 12 19 11 18-60

Mulvane—Amanda Hagerman 3, Caitlin Wise 3, Laura Buchanan 13, Josey Gosch 6, Tara Roberts 3 FG 11 (3), FT 3-9

Augusta—Sarah Waldorf 4, Elizabeth Myers 1, Erin Meyer 2, Brooke Burns 3, Kelsey Farmer 2, Rainey Nickel 23, Hannah Garcia 5, Katy Little 8, Julie Stephenson 12 FG 21 (2), FT 16-23