

Mulvane Wildcats Top Valley Center Hornets

by John Carney

A well-balanced scoring attack and an opening game surge provided the Wildcats with the basic essentials to defeat the Valley Center Hornets, 75-63, in the third league game of the season last Friday. The Wildcats new share first place with Kingman who last Friday defeated Augusta, 51-50, in the last three seconds. Both Kingman and Mulvane are 3-0 in league play and 7-1 overall; Augusta is now 2-1 in league play and 8-1 overall.

With six minutes left in the first quarter the Wildcats led, 5-4. They then exploded for 8 quick points and took a 13-4 lead at the 4:21 mark. The fiery pace continued for the remainder of the period as the 'Cats took a 24-13 first quarter advantage.

In the second stanza the 'Cats doubled their first quarter output but only managed to add one point to their lead. The 'Cats also held their biggest lead of the game in the second quarter with only 2:23 left in the half. At that point the 'Cats led by 19, but the Hornets cut that lead by 7 in the remaining seconds of the first half.

In both periods of the second half the Hornets cut the Wildcats' lead to 9, but the Wildcats built the lead back up to 17 in both stanzas.

Not only did the 'Cats have a balanced scoring attack, but they also hit 57% from the field, most of those coming on layups and good percentage shots inside the free throw line. Valley Center, however, connected on four fewer field goals than the 'Cats but in the process put the ball up 17 more times and ended up hitting a cool 36%.

Rick Farber provided the difference in the rebounding department as the Wildcats sound-

ly outrebounded their opponents by the same number of caroms the senior center grabbed off—16. Rick also took scoring honors with 16 counters, followed closely by Phil Roney and Terry Craig with 14, Del Hargrove with 13, and Max Nichols with 12.

Thursday afternoon the Wildcats take on the Golden Eagles of Bishop Carroll for the first game of the Campus Invitational Tournament. The game begins at 4 and if the Wildcats win they will play again Friday evening, but if they should lose they will play Friday afternoon at 4 again.

	FG	FT	F	TP
P. Roney	5-9	4-7	1	14
M. Nichols	4-7	4-8	4	12
D. Hargrove	4-9	5-6	5	13
R. Farber	8-12	0-4	4	16
T. Craig	6-10	2-4	1	14
G. Fleming	1-2	4-6	1	6
T. Flinn	0-0	0-0	0	0
L. Dame	0-0	0-0	0	0
S. Butts	0-0	0-0	0	0
D. Carmichael	0-0	0-1	0	0

We shot 57% from field (28-49); V. C. shot 36% from field (24-66).

We shot 55% from FT line (19-36); V. C. shot 55% from FT line (15-24).

Outrebounded, 40-24.

In the opening game last Friday the Wildcat J. V. squad lost, 70-39. Gick Fleming led the Wildcats with 10 points followed by Dave Carmichael with 8. The sophomore squad lost a close battle Monday night by a score of 55-53 to the Circle High sophomores. Skip Day took scoring honors with 15.

S. Day, 6-3-0; Dave Carmichael, 3-3-3; T. Richardson, 5-0-4; C. Phillips, 5-0-0; Dan Carmichael, 1-1-1; R. Martinez, 3-0-4; D. Carney, 0-0-0; B. Bobrovicz, 0-0-0.