

Mulvane Wildcats Roar By Circle Thunderbirds

A rugged, pressing defense, coupled with hot shooting in the first half was enough to power the Mulvane High School Wildcats to a 58-55 Chisholm Trail League win over the Circle Thunderbirds, here, last Friday.

For the first half, Mulvane hit a hot 50 percent, canning 14 field goals on 28 attempts. This allowed the 'Cats to leap out to a 35-24 intermission margin.

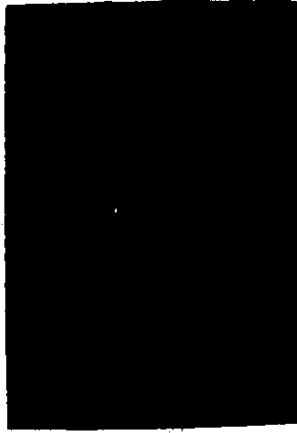
Things cooled off a bit in the second stanza and by the end of the ball game, everything was tight. Mulvane held a 49-40 lead moving into the final period. However, in the last eight minutes, the Wildcats netted just a pair of field goals.

Late in the game, Circle rallied to trail by just a couple of points. However, Mulvane had several opportunities at the free throw line to put the contest out of reach. After falling on a number of attempts, Terry Allred sank a free toss with 54 seconds remaining to move the Wildcats to a three-point margin. Then, in the final seconds, Brian Bobrovicz and Dave Carney added a free throw each to put the game safely in the Mulvane victory column.

Overall, Mulvane hit 40 percent of their shots from the field, nailing 22 of 52. If the 'Cats had one big problem it was cold free throw shooting. Mulvane could manage just 14 of 31 for a chilly 48 percent.

Brent Fleming, Mulvane's 6-0 sophomore center, paced the scoring with 18 tallies. Fleming left the game mid-way through the fourth quarter with five fouls. Dave Carney chipped in 13 tallies.

In addition, Fleming was the leading rebounder, with 10. Dan Carmichael, 6-7 senior, had six rebounds and chipped a couple of key blocked shots.



BRENT FLEMING
... 18 point performance

Coach Carl Felver praised the Wildcats for their continued hustle. "They didn't quit, when Circle caught up," he continued.

The Mulvane box score: Skip Day, 2-0-5; Terry Allred, 1-1-2; Brent Fleming, 7-4-5; Dave Carney, 3-7-5; Brian Bobrovicz, 3-1-5; Mark Sorenson, 3-0-4; Randy Martinez, 3-0-1; Curtis Roberts, 0-0-0; Jerry Shoemaker, 0-0-0; Dan Carmichael, 0-1-2.

Mulvane High School "B" team dropped a 53-47 preliminary game to the Circle reserves. The "young Thunderbirds" tossed out a full court press in the final quarter to pull out the victory.

Jerry Shoemaker led the Mulvane attack with 10 points. The box score: David McKinney, 3-

1-5; Forest Wise, 1-1-4; Mark Pierson, 3-0-5; Gayland Titus, 1-1-2; Jim Carr, 3-1-0; Mark Brozek, 2-1-2; Jerry Shoemaker, 4-2-2; Curtis Roberts, 1-0-3; Mark Cranston, 2-0-1.