

Last Second Shot Goes In, Instant Replay For Boys

It was as if NBC or CBS was running one of those "instant replays" only from what they call the "reverse angle." Twice within the same week is too much to expect the fickle finger of fate to pick you out but it did.

A shot from 18 feet by Wellington's Jesse Ybarra with two seconds left gave the visiting Crusaders a 56-54 triumph over Mulvane Friday night, Feb. 4, in a Chisholm Trail League basketball game.

Although it occurred at the opposite end of the floor, it was almost an exact duplicate of last week's 57-56 setback to Kingman. The shot was almost the same location, it came with two seconds left and it left Mulvane wobbling with a 4-9 record overall and 2-4 in the CTL.

Earlier this year, the Cats had measured out a 58-47 verdict over the Crusaders.

"Well, it was almost an instant replay," agreed Mason. "In fact, our defense on him (Ybarra) was even better than on the Kingman kid. (David) Belew was really hanging all over him but he got it off and it went in."

The shot spoiled a golden opportunity for the Cats to move up in the league. Mulvane came out strong in the first half but the Crusaders out-scored Mulvane, 24-9, in the third quarter. The final period was catch-up for the Wildcats, as they rallied to tied from a 13-point deficit with four minutes left.

"We played two entirely different ball games," complained Mason. "The first half, we were attacking. In the third quarter, we were sitting back on our heels, and in the fourth quarter, we went back to attacking."

The Cats also switched to a full-court man-to-man press which had good results. And it didn't hurt that the

Boys Varsity

Wellington	9	16	24	7-56
Mulvane	15	11	9	19-54
Wellington--Mark Sneed 9, Damon Jones 4, Jesse Ybarra 16, Jeff Everhart 20, Mark Nelson 3, Wilbur Scobee 2, John Huck 2. FG 26-51, FT 4-17, F 17.				
Mulvane--Allen Whitmer 1, Todd Travis 22, J.C. Shook 7, Lonny Travis 5, Kevin Bell 2, David Belew 13, Kevin Butler 4. FG 22-56, FT 10-20, F 15.				

Boys Junior Varsity

Wellington	10	15	14	12-51
Mulvane	9	17	11	22-59
Wellington--John Huck 3, Wilbur Scobee 2, Steve Scheufler 14, Jim Wetta 12, Andy Tatum 8, Mark Cornejo 2, Jeff Williams 2, Tracy Ward 8. FG 23-37, FT 5-12, F 33.				
Mulvane--Greg Quigley 16, Robert Fortner 2, Terry Reusser 6, Jamie Lough 13, Bo Jones 4, Aaron Huslig 8, Mike Rodgers 9, Rob Cartwright 1. FG 18-44, FT 23-42, F 17.				

Crusaders finished the game by missing five of six free throws in the final period. Overall, Wellington went 4 of 17 at the stripe.

"Last year, we won some of those (close) ball games and this year we're losing them," said Mason. "It spoiled a great effort by Todd and Lonny Travis. Todd has his best game offensively and got eight offensive rebounds. He kept us in the game down the stretch by going to the boards."

The 6-foot-4 junior also scored a game-high 22 points and had 13 points and junior J.C. Shook finished with seven points.

The Wildcat junior varsity also put on a fourth quarter surge but it was enough to carry Coach Dennis Tegethoff's Cats to a 59-51 triumph.

Greg Quigley tossed in 16 points and Jamie Lough added 13 for Mulvane. Mike Rodgers finished with nine and Aaron Huslig had eight for the Cats.

The Wildcats will be at Valley Center for a varsity make-up game only at 8 p.m. tonight (Feb. 10), then tangle with Augusta there Friday night, Feb. 11.