

# Valley Center Hornets Sting Wildcats, 78-45

A combination of icy shooting and weak rebounding resulted in the Mulvane Wildcats taking a 78-45 thumping at the

hands of the Valley Center Hornets on Friday.

Mulvane hit 17 shots out of 55 attempts for a chilly 30 percent. At the free throw lines, the 'Cats connected on 11 of 18 for just 61 percent. To add to Mulvane's woes, the Hornets held a 45-27 rebounding edge and Mulvane was slapped with 17 turn-overs.

Valley Center ripped into the lead during the opening moments of the game. At the end of the first quarter, the Hornets held a 21-13 margin. This was boosted to 46-26 at intermission.

During the early going of the third period, Mulvane utilized a press defense and sliced Valley's lead to just 14 points, 50-36. Then, the Hornets ripped up eight consecutive unanswered points to put the game out of reach.

Brent Fleming paced the scoring for Mulvane with 14 tallies. The box score: Jim Carr, 2-4-2; Brent Fleming, 6-2-4; Jesse Morgan, 2-0-3; David McKinney, 0-1-0; Jerry Shoemaker, 4-1-2; Mark Cranston, 2-2-2; Kent Hughes, 0-1-0; Mike Nichols, 1-0-0; Forrest Wise, 0-0-0.

Fleming also paced the rebounding for Mulvane with seven. McKinney grabbed six rebounds. Others on the rebounding chart were: Cranston, 5; Carr, 4; Shoemaker, Wise, 2 each, and Morgan, 1.

## 'B' TEAM WINS

Coach Jon Brown's "B" team closed the season on a successful note, defeating Valley Center reserves, 61-53. It was just the second defeat of the year for Valley.

During the final minute of play, Kent Hughes canned six free throws and Forrest Wise added a basket and two free throws to ice the victory. Valley held a slender, 36-34 lead going into the final stanza.

Overall, Mulvane finished the year with a 9-7 record.

As usual, it was Kent Hughes leading the scoring for Mulvane. The sophomore sharp-shooter netted 26 points. Another soph, Mike Nichols, added 14 points.

The box score: Forrest Wise, 2-5-3; Jeff Crawford, 0-0-0; Mike Alumbaugh, 2-2-1; Ed Stunkel, 1-4-1; Kent Hughes, 7-12-2; Sterling Borthwick, 0-0-0; Mike Nichols, 6-2-3.