

Mulvane Wins Regional Trophy

(by Gary Kuntz)

The Wildcats of Mulvane High School moved into the State tournament by defeating Anthony 54-51 in the regional finals at Haven last Friday night. The Wildcats never led until there was about 55 seconds remaining in the game.

The victory avenged a one-point overtime loss in the finals of the district tournament.

The top scorer for the Wildcats was Wes Wenzel with 25 points. This brings his total in the five tournament games to 113 points.

Don Reed scored 15 points and Don McKee counted for 8 points. Although being held to 4 points, Cliff Hess played an important part for the Wildcats. With the Wildcats ahead by one point and just a few seconds remaining in the game, Cliff sank two free throws which put the game on ice for the Wildcats.

The first quarter saw the Wildcats get off to their slowest start of the season. The team was able to connect on only two field goals the entire quarter. Don McKee and Wes Wenzel were the only players able to score for the Wildcats as Anthony grabbed a 15-4 lead.

The second quarter started showing signs of life for the Wildcats. While Anthony was scoring 15 points, the Wildcats made 18 points and the half ended 20-22 in favor of Anthony. The two scorers for the Wildcats in the second period were Wes Wenzel and Don Reed. They scored 11 and 7 points respectively.

The third quarter saw the Wildcats cut the lead to three points as they outscored Anthony 18-11. Although the Wildcats were still behind, they showed many signs of a sensational comeback.

Then came the wild fourth period. The Wildcats outscored Anthony 18-10. The Wildcats made two quick steals and two fast buckets which proved too much for Anthony. Then, clutch free throw shooting by Don Reed and Cliff Hess was too much for a possible Anthony comeback.

The Wildcats season record is 11 wins and 12 losses going into the state tournament at Hutchinson.

MULVANE	fg	ft	pt
Wenzel	9	7	0
Reed	4	7	1
Iverson	0	0	5
McKee	4	0	3
Meek	0	2	1
Hess	1	2	4
Totals	18	18	14
ANTHONY	fg	ft	pt
Kaufman	0	1	1
Newlin	0	1	3
Meyer	3	5	3
Weiberg	2	2	3
Wilson	7	4	1
Dusenbury	6	2	3
Totals	18	15	14