

Cold Shooting Sinks Cats In Early Games

The Mulvane High School Wildcats opened the 1974-75 basketball season with a pair of losses last weekend. The Cats were defeated by Winfield, 45-40 on Friday and lost to Goddard, 66-35, on Saturday.

The losses were largely due to extremely cold shooting. "On Friday, we did a good job on defense," Coach Larry Thomas said. "The turning point, I think, was when Mark Cranston left the game with an ankle injury."

Cranston, a 6-4 forward-center, will be out of action until after the Christmas holidays. He was selected as the "Hustler of the Game" by local fans.

"On Saturday, our defense really wasn't that bad," he continued. "We're having trouble scoring and we were flat at Goddard. Summaries of the games follow:

Lose To Goddard

Mulvane hit a chilly 31 percent from the field as they dropped a 66-35 game to the Goddard Lions. The Cats connected only 15 of 49 from the field. They didn't do too much better at the charity line, canning just five of 12 for 41 percent.

Goddard sped out to a 16-4 first period lead and increased the margin to 31-14 at halftime. Goddard held a 41-21 third period margin and scored 25 points in the final eight minutes to turn the game into a rout.

Kent Hughes paced the scoring for Mulvane with 13 points. The box score: Kent Hughes 5-3-1; Mike Nichols 0-0-2; Jim Carr 4-0-4; Ed Stunkel 1-0-1; Mark Brozek 1-0-0; Rick Owens 0-0-0; David McKinney 3-0-3; Robbie Fry 0-0-0; Forrest Wise

1-1-4; Sterling Borthwick 0-1-0; Mike Alumbaugh 0-0-0.

Goddard out rebounded Mulvane 41-17. David McKinney and Forrest Wise led Mulvane with four rebounds each. Others on the rebounding chart were, Kent Hughes 3; Mark Brozek 2; Jim Carr, Sterling Borthwick, Ed Stunkel, Robbie Fry, one each.

"B" TEAM LOSES

Goddard won the "B" team game, 43-37. Ed Stunkel led the scoring for Mulvane with 11 points. The box score: Mike Nichols 1-0-1; Mike Alumbaugh 1-1-3; Ed Stunkel 4-3-1; Robbie Fry 0-4-1; Jeff Crawford 3-1-5; Brad Sorenson 1-2-3; Dennis Moon 0-2-2; Rick McKinney 0-0-0; Dan Lawless 0-0-0; Leon Hicks 2-0-0; Don Fairchild 0-0-0.