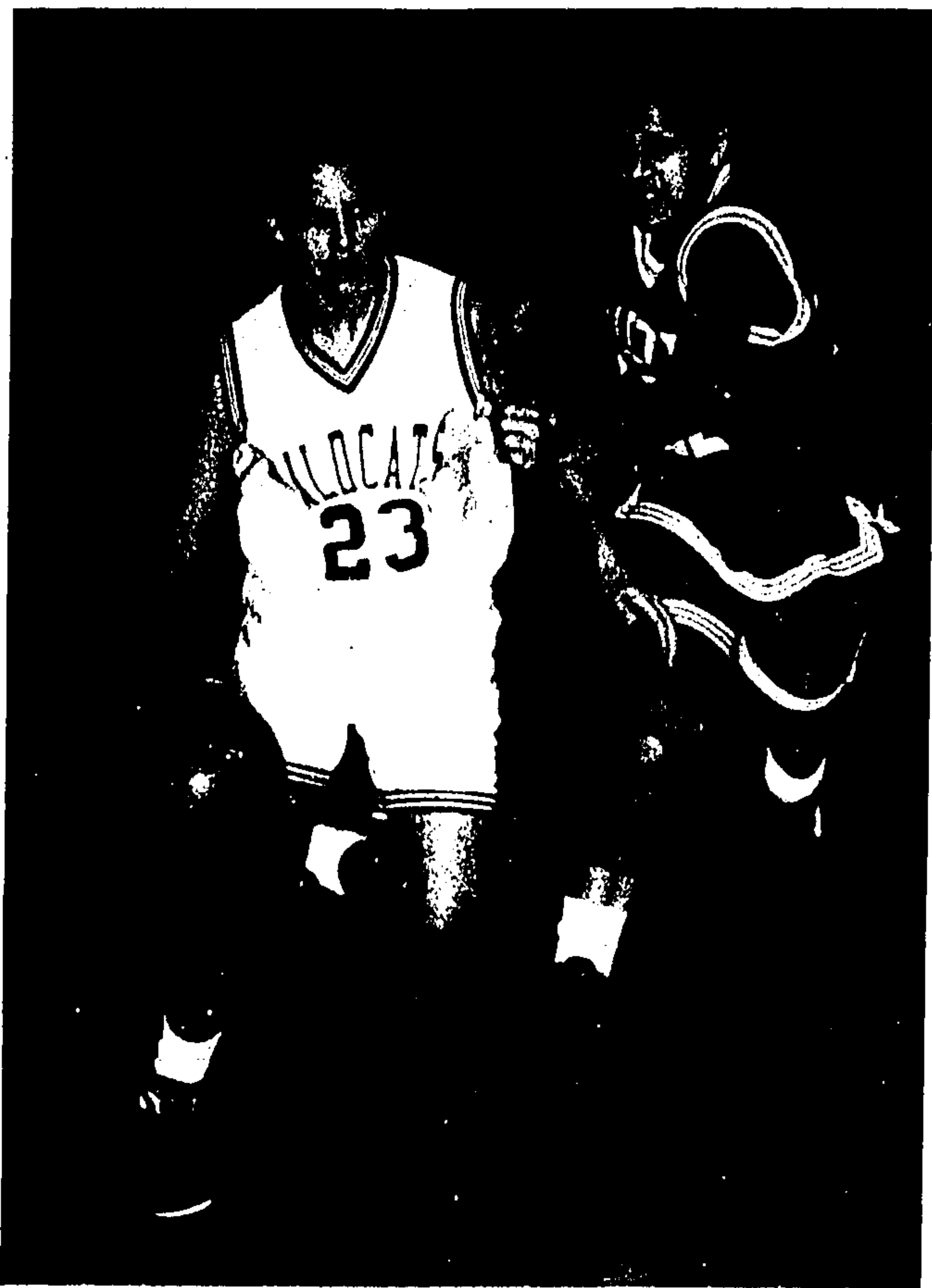


Tournament Next Week

Cold Snap Hits Girls Early



Mulvane's Lee Cates (23) drives to baseline against Maize

For everybody else in Mulvane, the cold snap hit this week. For the Mulvane High School girls, the cold snap hit Friday night, Jan. 14, when Maize rolled into town.

The visiting Eagles put the Wildcats' hot three-game winning streak on ice when they put Mulvane in the deep freeze by a 57-41 count in a Chisholm Trail League encounter.

The loss knocked the Cats back a notch in the CTL to 3-2 and to 3-7 overall as Coach Ron McMahon's gals prepare for a trip to Goddard Friday night, Jan. 21.

"We had a very cold first quarter and that put us on the run," said McMahon. "We didn't score our first basket until there was about three minutes left in the first quarter. We came out with a cold hand but part of our problem was their half-court zone trap, which forced a lot of turnovers. I think we had 17 turnovers in the early stages of the game, which really hurt us and gave them a big lead."

And the Wildcats never could catch up. Maize broke to a 16-4 edge after a quarter, and stretched the lead into an 18-point advantage by intermission. McMahon

Wildcat Girls Basketball Classic Pairings

MONDAY, JAN. 24

Game 1 — Winfield (5-4) vs. Wichita South (5-5), 5:30 p.m.

Game 2 — Andover (9-1) vs. Wellington (1-8), 7

TUESDAY, JAN. 25

Game 3 — Garden Plain (7-1) vs. Mulvane (3-7), 5:30 p.m.

Game 4 — Circle (8-1) vs. Clearwater (2-6), 7

THURSDAY, JAN. 27

Game 5 — losers of games 1 and 2, 3:30 p.m.

Game 6 — losers of games 3 and 4, 5:15

Game 7 — winners of games 3 and 4, 7

Game 8 — winners of games 1 and 2, 8:45

SATURDAY, JAN. 29

Game 9 (Seventh Place)—losers of games 5 and 6, 2 p.m.

Game 10 (Fifth Place)—winners of games 5 and 6, 3:45

Game 11 (Third Place)—losers of games 7 and 8, 5:30

Game 12 (Championship)—winners of games 7 and 8, 7:30

acknowledged their pressure hurt, just like the Mulvane pressure which has helped bring the Cats back to respectability.

"We also came out cold and that was another factor which hurt," added McMahon. "One thing I'm happy about, though, is that the girls realize they gave it away. They had 30 turnovers. Maize didn't beat us, we beat ourselves, and the girls understand that. They don't accept defeat easily. Hopefully Friday night, they'll come out with a better shooting hand."

The Wildcats did plow back into the game in the early stages of the third quarter, cutting the deficit to 10 points but Mulvane couldn't make up more ground because three starters fouled out. Lee Banzet, gone. Cody Watson, gone. Courtney Renfro, gone.

For Mulvane, senior Lee Banzet was the scoring ringleader, hitting for 13 points. Kristi McDowell, coming off a leg injury, scored eight points off the bench and both Watson and guard Lee Cates dumped in six points.

In the junior varsity game, Maize won a 29-16 contest which went one half.

Renfro was the top scorer with eight points. Valerie Larson scored four points and both Janelle Wenke and Jamie Hardison had two points.

Varsity Girls

Maize	16	23	9	9-57
Mulvane	4	17	14	6-41

Maize—Julie Myrick 13, Heather Fletcher 9, Melissa Bruce 14, Jill Myrick 8, Sylvia Bribiesca 3, Randi McClellan 2, Patti Oleson 8. FG 21 (2), FT 13-25, F 21.

Mulvane—Lee Banzet 13, Kristi McDowell 8, Cody Watson 6, Anna Wenke 3, Lee Cates 6, Courtney Renfro 2, Heather Taylor 1. FG 14 (0), FT 13-26, F 23.

Junior Varsity Girls

Maize	14	14-29
Mulvane	0	16-16

Maize—Kory Jacobs 4, Lesley Alexander 4, Dena Holmes 10, Patti Oleson 2, Kara Jackson 7, Randi McClellan 2. FG 11 (0), FT 7-9, F 9.

Mulvane—Courtney Renfro 8, Jamie Hardison 2, Janelle Wenke 2, Valerie Larson 4. FG 8 (0), FT 0-0, F 14.