

KMC Dismantles Mulvane Gals

For 16 minutes Friday night, March 7, in the Class 5A Sub-State Basketball Tournament at Campus High School, Mulvane's girls were proving they could play with the best.

For the next 16 minutes, Kapaun Mt. Carmel was proving the Wildcats couldn't, and the Crusaders from Kapaun did a rather convincing job. They advanced to the Class 5A State Tournament at Emporia which opens tonight (March 13) by swarming all over Mulvane in the second half in a 52-30 shelling, then trouncing Campus the next evening.

The loss concluded Mulvane's season

Haysville Class 5A Girls Sub-State

FIRST ROUND

Mulvane 7 10 0 13-30
Kapaun 12 12 23 5-52

Mulvane--Kristl Lawless 2, Arlene Reekie 2, Sandy Whetstone 11, Shelley Gerlach 2, Cindi Lawless 2, Denise Standerfer 11. FG 10-48, FT 10-19, F 18.

Kapaun Mt. Carmel--Shannon Wilson 2, Linda Webber 2, Betsy Szczepanik 15, Missy Plein 2, Jamie Wright 10, Mary Kennedy 20, Wendy Addison 1. FG 23-58, FT 6-13, F 19.

Campus 57, Goddard 43

CHAMPIONSHIP

Kapaun Mt. Carmel 68, Campus 44

with a 10-8 record. Kapaun advanced with a 19-2 standard.

Coach Bill Brown's Wildcats held the Crusaders in check much of the first half and trailed, 24-17, at halftime. However, Kapaun came out after intermission to out-score Mulvane, 23-0, in the third period to break the game wide open.

"They became very aggressive in the third quarter and got their running game going," testified Brown, "but it was their defense in that quarter that locked it up. They became super-aggressive on defense and got the defense going. They started picking us up higher on defense and we couldn't get it in for any decent shots. We dribbled too much and they shut off our passes inside. That was the difference."

Consequently, the Wildcats were perfect from the field in the third quarter, missing all 13 shots they took.

And when Mulvane did get it inside, there was Kapaun's 6-foot-5 Mary Kennedy to throw up those big arms. Mulvane finished the night with a 21 percent shooting mark from the field, far off their season average.

"I don't know if we were intimidated or not but we could have been," said Brown. "I don't know how many times we pulled up and shot a jumper instead of driving. We've got to be driving, that's our style, but we weren't doing it."

The Cats' inside game was throttled, with only senior Denise Standerfer approaching her usual production. She finished with 11 points and tied for team-high scoring honors with guard Sandy Whetstone. The rest of the insiders--junior Arlene Reekie and Cindi Lawless--were held to two points each.