

# Girls Shine In Opener

First none, then three. Tomorrow **THE WORLD!**

That's the feeling Mulvane High School's girls basketball team and its head coach Bill Brown must have after opening the season Tuesday night, Dec. 5, at Cheney on a winning note. The Wildcats dished out a 35-25 defeat to start the season on the right foot.

Two years ago, Mulvane had no victories during the season and last year posted three.

"It wasn't too artistic, we didn't shoot very good but we won," claimed Brown. "The idea was to get the ball inside for the good shot and we missed a couple of them. Then, the girls started pressing."

Shelly Gerlach finally caught fire,

scoring eight of her game-high 12 points in the final quarter. Another big scorer for the Cats was guard Sandy Whetstone, who finished with 10 points.

The Wildcats also dominated the boards, pulling down 38 rebounds (to 22 for Cheney). Center Kim Elston ripped down 12 rebounds, Cindi Lawless added eight and Jan Dakert six.

We also used a full-court press for the first time ever (a 1-2-1-1) and forced a lot of turnovers," added Brown. "Our defense and the press was the big difference because they didn't get many open shots."

Mulvane will open its home season Friday, Dec. 8, when Goddard comes to town. It'll also be the Cats' first Chisholm Trail League game of the year.

## Wildcat Scores

Mulvane 4 12 10 9 --35

Cheney 3 4 7 11 --25

Mulvane -- Vicki Kill3, Shelly Gerlach 12, Sandy Whetstone 10, Cindi Lawless 4, Sheena Martinez 4, Kim Elston 2 FG 17-52, FT 1-5, F 24

Cheney -- Amy Goldsmith 6, Penney Sigwing 6, Julie Ewing 2, Julie Williams 1, Michelle Viner 5, Jan Williams 1, Nikki Viner 4. FG 7-32, FT 11-28, F 11

**B-Team -- Cheney 30, Mulvane 26**

Mulvane 14 17 16 15 --62

Cheney 28 18 22 15 --83

Mulvane -- Tom Fagan 16, Mark Smith 11, Gary Fortner 8, Troy Wayman 3, Courtney Gammon 16, Grant Sorensen 4, Troy Phillips 2, Lon Pribble 2. FG 27-64, FT 8-9, F 23

Cheney -- Brian Bohm 20, Mark Bohm 12, Jerry Kill 6, David Krenzel 6, Steve Scheer 20, Roger Holt 8, John Ewing 9, Scott Lehner 2. FG 28-58, FT 27-32, F 1

**B-Team -- Mulvane 63, Cheney 54**