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It was a game Hillcrest "had to have," according to coach Jim Jimas. After being upset by Orem a week earlier on their own court, the Huskies couldn't afford another loss in Region Two play.

And they got it, all right, but not easily. Despite missing 13 foul shots in the final quarter, the Huskies kept hustling right to the end and came away with a 67-59 victory at home over Brighton.

Jimas, physically and emotionally drained after the intense game, couldn't say enough good about his team.

"Our guys kept hustling and never quit, even when we missed all those foul shots," he said. "We stayed aggressive defensively and really hit the boards well."

Even though Hillcrest tried to give the game away in the final minutes by missing all those foul shots, the Bengals didn't take it.

During a three-minute span late in the final period, when the Huskies didn't score and missed seven consecutive free throws, Brighton could only cut the margin from seven to three at 58-55. Then Mike Bernardo and Bob DeMarco each got loose for breakaway layups within 20 seconds of each other and the game was out of hand with only 1:58 to play.

The first half had been a seesaw affair with the lead changing hands seven times and ties resulting six times. The Huskies finally forged a 31-28 lead thanks to some long-range bombing by Bob Keyes. Brighton's Brad Steinke countered with some 20-footers of his own to keep the Bengals close.

In the second half, Hillcrest jumped out to an 11-point edge before making it close again with the poor foul shooting performance.

Keyes was the leading scorer on the night with 18, while DeMarco and Bernardo came in with 13 and 12, respectively. Dan Hill led the Bengals with 15 and Steinke finished with 14.

Bingham seemed to be stuck in gear in its win over Orem 79-67, because the Miners just couldn't stop.

"We got on the right track, beat their press, got the ball inside, and then kept the lead," commented coach Sluga of Bingham. What more could a coach want?

Ron Vance led the Miner attack with 27 points and was aided by Tom Roberts with 24.

"Our boys were just run to death," Orem coach Joel Gardner conceded. "We worked so hard that fatigue killed us." Chris McMullin led the Tigers with 17 and David Bennion added 15.

With a bunch of scrappy kids that "just wouldn't quit," coach Tom Stewart of Alta did himself proud with a 44-43 victory at Kearns. That marked the first league win ever for the young Alta team.

Alta was trailing by one with only 11 seconds left when Dave Mills brought down an offensive rebound and was fouled. He then plunked in both ends of the one and one attempt. That won the game as a last-second Cougar shot missed.

Mills led the Alta attack with 11 and Gordy Campbell added 10. Kearns' Todd Clark led all scorers with 19.

#### Region Five

During the week, Cizo Goncalves is a mild-mannered foreign exchange student at Murray High. Friday night he turned into a basketball superman and shot baskets faster than speeding bullets to boost the Spartans to a 69-67 win over the Jordan Beetdiggers. Goncalves was too hot to handle in the second half and had 21 points before the evening was over. Murray coach Dee Jensen said, "Cizo was shooting the ball wrong in the first half. He was pushing it out. . . we talked to him at halftime, though. He sure knows how to get the ball in the basket!"

Even Jordan coach Hal Hale was impressed. "You sure have to give that Goncalves kid credit. We knew he was good, but he showed us just how good he is. He's a great shooter."

But Cizo wasn't the only exciting part of Friday's game. Jordan fielded a strong, hustling team that had Murray beaten the first half. The Beetdiggers worked for shots and went into the lockerroom with a 35-25 halftime lead.

A couple of several bad passes and turnovers spelled disaster for Jordan in the third quarter.

Murray capitalized on every mistake and took the lead with four minutes left in the period.

Murray widened its lead to 10 points in the fourth quarter, but the Beetdiggers fought back to within two. A last second basket was an inch off or Jordan would have taken the Spartans into overtime.

Hale said his team might have relaxed at halftime giving Murray its opportunity to come back. "Murray changed to a bottleneck defense. We became a little complacent and didn't probe the defense like we should have," he said. We let down in intensity and got a little nervous in the third quarter. We almost took it into overtime and I think we could have won it if we had. It's tough to win three of the four the quarters and lose the ball game."

The Beetdiggers had five players in the double figures. Craig Ensign led the scoring with 17. Doug Price followed with 16 while Steve Henricks added 12. Lynn Jensen and Mike Reich each had 10 points.

Brad Hale was right behind Goncalves with 20 points for Murray while Brent Geddes had 13.

After two weeks of Region Five play, Murray and Cyprus are the only undefeated teams. Top-seeded Judge Memorial was upset Thursday night by the Pirates, 69-61.

In other Region Five action, Uintah defeated Union 67-63 and Tooele downed Carbon 58-54 in overtime.

Bret Applegate was the high scorer for the Buffaloes with 16. Wesley Gross and Bill Russell followed with 11.

#### Region Three

After losing a couple of heartbreakers in their brand new gym to two of the region's best, Skyline and Highland, the West Panthers



couldn't stay up with what may be the region's best team, East, losing 89-67 in the confines of the Leopards' old gym.

The Leopards, now 2-0 in region play, counted on the superb inside play of Brad Boyle with 26 points and Rich Gremillion with 23, to run away from the outmanned Panthers.

The taller Leopards actually outran the smaller and supposedly faster West team. "We've been working harder on breaking the press and today we got the fast break baskets," said East coach Dick Milne.

The Leopards now look forward to a big battle with Skyline, also 2-0, next Friday.

Cottonwood came down with a case of "double fever" Friday night when they succumbed to the Highland Rams, 97-64. From the very beginning, the Colts were double-teamed by the Rams' vicious zone defense; the Rams ran twice as fast, and several times doubled the Colts' scoring.

The Colt offense, on the other hand, although hitting fair from the field, especially on long shots, found it hard to cope with Highland's shifting zone that appeared bigger than life.

It was a scoring spectacle. At the close of one period, Highland led 22-8. Late in the second quarter, after Highland pulled out with 45-22. At the half, the Rams led 55-29.

Again, with "double" on their mind, Highland opened up half two with a quick score of 65-32. Then, after constant steals, and fast breaks, and a score of 73-36 midway through the third period, it was time for fresh blood. Coach Larry Maxwell emptied the bench.

Big score boys for the Rams were Mike Maxwell, John Baucom, Gordon Kener and Dave Aird, with 26, 20, 16 and 10, respectively.

Granite used excellent foul shooting and balance scoring to defeat Olympus 89-80.

The Farmers broke down an Olympus zone press and half-court trap to score many easy baskets. They also used a tight zone defense to stifle the Titan offense.

#### **Region One**

Layton struck down the high-flying and previously unbeaten Falcons of Clearfield in a 69-52 blowout at Layton Friday night.

Six-foot-7 Gordon Anderson scored a career-high 30 points for Layton and was instrumental in the collapsing defense that allowed Region One scoring leader Russell Florence only four points. Clearfield's other big man Roger Vincent picked up just 14 points mostly in the first half.

The Viewmont-Bountiful game had been billed as the hottest rivalry in the league, but turned out to be the biggest rout in Region One. The Vikings blasted the Braves 87-67.

Viewmont stayed true to its tradition this year of winning on the road while losing at home, as its 3-2 record will testify. Viking Brad Thacker led his team with 22 points and Jim Miller was high for the Braves with 14.

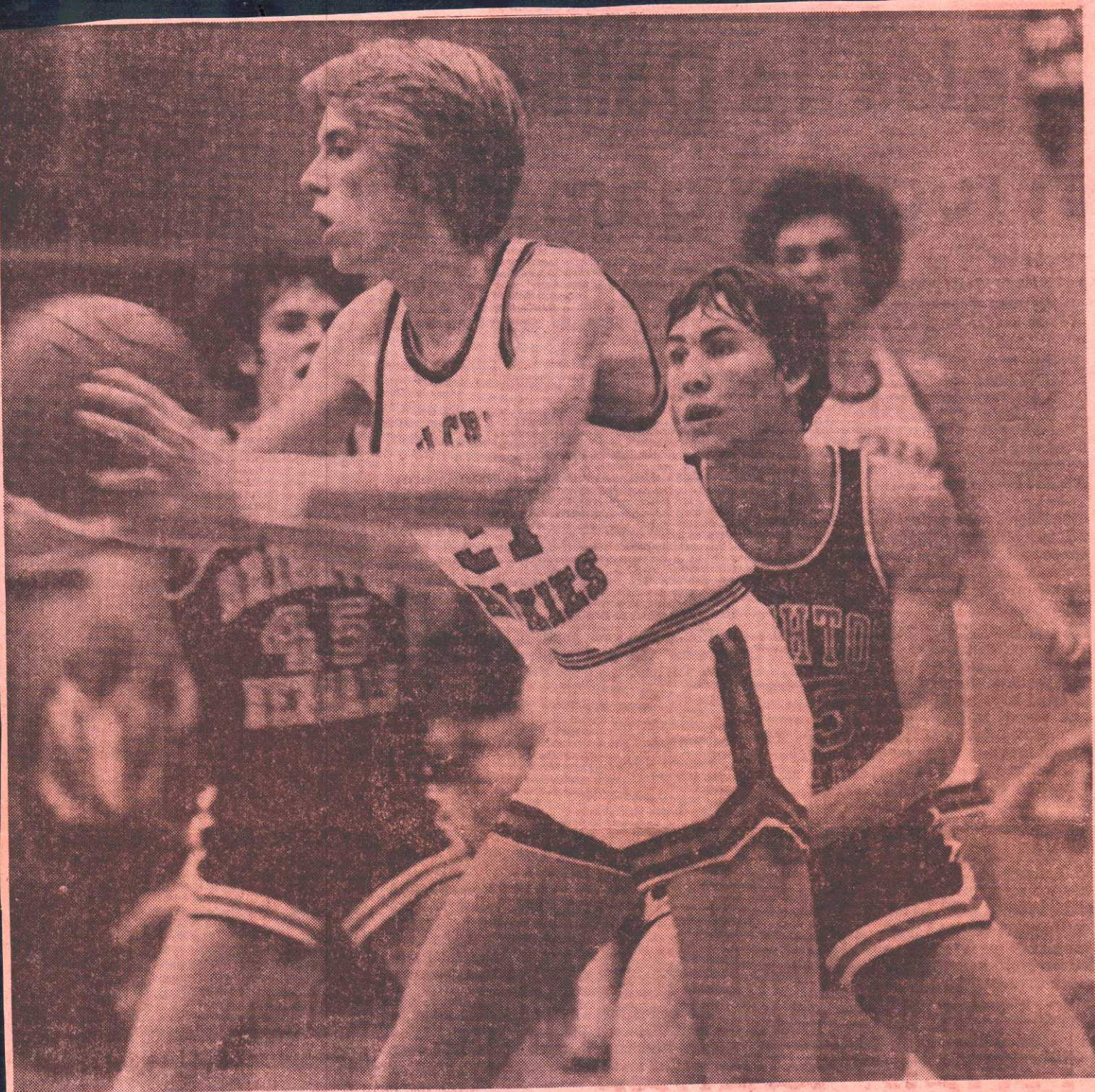
#### **Region Four**

The big shootout in Region Four occurred at the Ogden corral, when the Davis dropped by for a challenge of undefeated teams. The Tigers won the match 83-71 by outdueling the Darts 58 to 53 percent in a spectacle of good shooting.

Ogden and Woods Cross both own 4-0 records now in sharing the league lead. One will have to fall as the two squads square off Tuesday at Woods Cross.

In another Region Four game Bear River behind Gary Miller's 16 points tipped South 65-63.





Jerry Hansen of Hillcrest, closely guarded by Brighton's Dan Hill, gets ready to pass ball off in Huskies' 67-59 win.