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Shania Metcalf's baseball-pass bomb to Courtney McClenahan for a breakaway layup pictured the game in one play as the Lady Plainsmen wore out the transition game in a 58-42 win over Creek Valley last Tuesday night in Grant.

Metcalf, looking very different in jersey number 44 (changed from the 52 she has worn her entire career because of a second quarter blood stain) finished her scoring in the third quarter with two close shots and a mid-range jumper to lead all scorers with 14 points.

The Lady Plainsmen cranked up their transition game in the third quarter, with Jessi Hoffert, Courtney Ostermiller and Mariah Curtis all scoring at top speed.

Jessi Hoffert's sprinting give-and-go basket swelled Perkins County's lead to 20 points at 43-23.

The Lady Plainsmen finished the game by shooting 9-of-23 from the foul line in the fourth quarter alone.

Michi Prante (10 points) finished an excellent lob pass from Metcalf, put back a free throw miss and swished two foul shots to highlight the Lady Plainsmen's second quarter. Metcalf canned two jumpers herself in the second frame.

Shania Brown hit jumpers from both wings and the wheel, and Jerry Straber banked a three pointer without calling it to cut Creek Valley's halftime shortfall to 13 points.

Brandie Ross rolled down a 12-footer and finished a baseline breakout pass along with hitting two free throws to lead the Lady Plainsmen's first quarter attack. Creek Valley got a high-arcing three pointer from Shelby Selby and another from Jill Behrends to offset many missed Lady Storm shots.

Starters Jerry Straber and Shelby Selby fouled out for Creek Valley, and Stephanie Mitchell, Summer Mueller and Shania Brown walked the line with four fouls for a team the committed a whopping 29 in the game.

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Scoring leaders—Perkins County: Metcalf 7FG 0/2FG—14; Prante 3 4/5—10; Hoffert, J. 4 1/5—9; Ross 3 3/7—9; McClenahan 3 2/4—8; Creek Valley: Straber, Jerry 3 (1[x3]) 2/4—11; Behrends 1 (2)—8 Brown 4 0/2—8; Selby 1 (1)—5; Mueller 2 1/2—5.