

# Sports

## Husker victory 'lucky'

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"Lucky, lucky, lucky," Nebraska Assistant Coach Tom Baack said after the Huskers held on to defeat Wisconsin 53-51 Wednesday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center Wednesday night.

Nebraska guard Brian Carr told Wisconsin Coach Steve Yoder the same thing.



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Curtis Moore and Wisconsin's J. J. Weber battle for a rebound during Wednesday night's game.

"We probably shouldn't have won," Carr told Yoder in the Wisconsin locker room minutes after the game.

Nebraska seemed to have the game in hand, leading 51-43 with 5:43 remaining in the game, but Nebraska fouls allowed Wisconsin to stay alive and close the gap to 57-51 with 28 seconds left.

Wisconsin had a chance for victory, but a last second shot by guard Rick Olson missed the mark.

"We might have shot the ball a little early," Yoder said. "Olson was to drive off the pick of Shelton Smith, if the shot was there, shoot it."

A win is a win, Nebraska coach Moe Iba said.

"Wisconsin came in and played awfully hard," he said. "We played our first bad game of the year."

Iba said over confidence almost led to Nebraska's downfall.

"Any time my center says were going to win by 30 and my forward says were going to win by 25, their heads are swelled up," he said.

But Nebraska center Dave Hoppen didn't think over confidence was a factor.

"We've got a good ball club, not a great ball club. If we're going to win, we're going to have to play over our head."

Hoppen was held to a season low 11 points. Curtis Moore led Nebraska scorers with 13 and Harvey Marshall added 12. Wisconsin led all scorers with 18.



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Nebraska women's basketball coaches, Kelly Hill, Holly Warlick and Mavis Washington relayed as the lady Huskers cruised to a decisive victory.

## Women cagers trap Coyotes

Nebraskan coach Kelly Hill finally got what she wanted: a win.

And oh what a win. Her women's basketball squad steamrolled to a 94-56 victory over South Dakota Wednesday in the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

The Huskers had been in a victory drought after losing four straight following a season-opening victory.

Hill said the Huskers needed a victory. "We sure did," she said, but "it wasn't real pretty."

But Hill wasn't complaining. Her Huskers jumped to an early 20 to 12 lead with 12:50 remaining in the half. The lead was never relinquished. Angie Miller sparked the Huskers with 10 first-half points.

But South Dakota coach Chad Lavin

said the Huskers may not have seen the Coyotes at their best. South Dakota had played four games in the past week, including Tuesday night.

"Not to put Nebraska down," he said, "but our kids were very tired. We missed some shots that we normally don't miss." Lavin said the Coyotes missed their first eight shots of the second half. The cold shooting partly could be attributed to Nebraska's defense, he said.

"Our defensive intensity was the difference in the game," Hill said. "We emphasized defense the whole week in practice."

Debra Powell led the Huskers with 17 points followed by Miller and Stacy Imming with 16 each. Ann Pancoast led South Dakota with 22 points.

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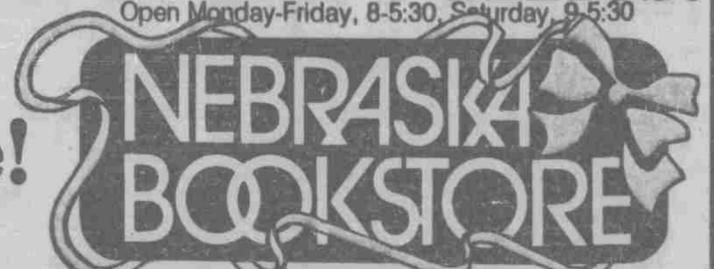


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