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The Huskers were within six when Alfaro, who was on his way to a season-high 23 points, attempted to shoot over Marshall in the right corner. Marshall made sure the Wildcat senior didn't get the shot off, but was called for his first foul of the game.

On the inbounds play, Ben Mitchell's pass got to Alfaro. Once again, Alfaro leaped to shoot. Once again, Marshall flew in to block it. In the next instant, Alfaro was flat on his back and "almost knocked out," he would say later, and Marshall was ejected from the game.

The flagrant foul was a "referee's decision," Iba said. Marshall refused to talk about it.

"We weren't talking at all," Alfaro said. "Just all of sudden he comes up and I just got plowed. He went right at my nose," he said.

Winston was a little more emphatic in his criticism of the play.

"From what I saw, I think it was a good call he got thrown out on," he said. "He went for Tom, not the ball. It

was a flagrant foul."

Alfaro made two technical free throws to put K-State back up by eight, but Nebraska's Demetrius Buchannon and Carr hit back-to-back jumpers from outside to cut it to four. The game swayed back and forth from six to four point Wildcat leads until Hoppen banked a 10-footer in with just under eight minutes to play to make it 51-49.

But the Huskers couldn't get closer as the Cats matched baskets and started a steady procession to the free throw line. However, it was a missed free throw that Winston saw as the turning point.

Elder had hit the first end of a one-and-one with the score 55-53. His second bounced off the right side of the rim and came down between two Huskers and to Tyrone Jackson, who laid it up and in. The Cats led by five and four minutes to go.

"I thought that was the pivotal play," Winston said. "I saw something in their eyes and I knew they thought they could do it."

"They made the tough plays tonight. All we've talked about the whole week was making the big plays, and being a man."

K-State took a five-point lead with free throws before Carr turned over a pass to K-State's Mark Bohm. Bohm passed ahead to Alfaro, who missed a running lay up attempt.

But Curtis Moore was called for traveling on the rebound after he was poked in the eye. The Cats then ate 39 seconds off the clock before Bohm was fouled. His two free throws gave K-State a seven point lead with 1:03 left and the Cats held on the rest of the game.

"We played hard for 40 minutes," Winston said. "I can't emphasize enough that we've got more than one or two guys playing, we're a pretty good team. We showed that tonight."

Lady Cats' revenge stops Husker women

By Mike Reilley
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MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kansas State, led by the scoring and rebounding of guards Cassandra Jones and Carlisa Thomas, overcame a one-point half-time deficit and a career-high scoring performance of Angie Miller to defeat the Nebraska women's basketball team, 87-76 Saturday.

The Lady Cats, now 4-6 in conference play and 13-10 overall, avenged a 74-67 loss to the Huskers without the services of leading scorer Jennifer Jones, who was sidelined with a fractured jaw.

"I'm sure they had the revenge factor going for them," Nebraska Coach Kelly Hill said. "They didn't think they played well against us earlier in the year up in Lincoln."

Miller, a sophomore from Clatonia, scored 18 of her 30 points in the second half. The scoring burst surpassed her previous high of 27 she scored against Creighton earlier this season.

Miller sank 13 of 19 shots from the field and pulled down team-high eight rebounds in 32 minutes. Maurice Ivy, a freshman from Omaha, was the only Husker to join Miller in double figures with 16 points.

But the combination of Jones and Thomas proved to be too much for the Huskers, who dropped to 3-7 in the conference and 8-15 overall.

Jones, a 5-7 junior from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., scored 13 of her 21 points during K-State's second half surge while Thomas added 14 points and pulled down a game-high 13 rebounds before fouling out with 1:16 remaining. Thomas missed the previous meeting

between the two teams after undergoing dental surgery.

"I think Carlisa might have felt a little pressure to carry the load since Jennifer was out of the lineup," Hill said.

Nebraska held a 24-14 lead with 7:05 remaining in the first half, following a Cathy Owen 15-foot jump shot.

The Lady Cats slowly chipped away at the lead and pulled ahead 32-31 on a follow shot by forward Shelia Hubert.

Senior forward Terri Priott gave the Huskers a 33-32 half-time lead when she hit a layup with 12 seconds remaining in the half.

"We got outthusted in the first half," K-State Coach Matilda Willis said. "We were lucky to be down only one at half time. Nebraska was beating us up and down the floor pretty good and they scored four or five layups against us on the fast break."

The Lady Cats regained a lead they never relinquished with 17:29 remaining on a three-point play by center Sue Leiding. — Willis said she was pleased with the squad's defensive efforts in the second half.

"Nebraska is a scrappy team. They're not big, but they're strong and they go after every loose ball," Willis said. "We allowed them to do that too much in the first half."

Hill said neither a man-to-man or a zone defense could stop the Lady Cats in the second half.

"K-State shot extremely well in the second half," Hill said. "We tried to go with a man-to-man defense on them and they went inside. When we went to a zone their people started hitting from the outside."

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