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Nebraska women use every player in 66-48 win



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Nebraska's Stephanie Bolli grabs an offensive rebound over Nebraska's Maurtice Ivy during the Huskers' game against Oklahoma State Tuesday night in the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

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Nebraska's women's basketball team wasted little time defeating Oklahoma State, 66-48, Tuesday night at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

The Cornhuskers went to its bench early, using every player, and took advantage of poor shooting from the field by Oklahoma State to jump to an early 14-3 lead. Nebraska led by as many as 18 points during the first half.

"This is probably the best conference game we've played all season," Nebraska coach Kelly Hill said. "The players off the bench played well, and I think defense was the key for us tonight."

Oklahoma State shot 17 percent from the field in the first half and 26 percent overall on the night. Nebraska countered with 26 rebounds in the first half and shot 42 percent from the field.

"We couldn't shoot the ball tonight," Oklahoma State coach Dick Halterman said. "We had some decent shots and if we would have made them, it would've been a completely different ball game."

Nebraska took a 12-point lead with 9:35 remaining in the first half on a three-point play by forward Stephanie Bolli. The Huskers' largest lead of the half came one minute later as guard Maurtice Ivy scored from inside, making the score 22-6. Nebraska led at intermission, 28-17.

Oklahoma State cut the Nebraska lead to nine with 14:47 left to play as forward Clinette Jordan scored on a layup, making the score 36-27. The Cowgirls kept the game within 11 points until midway through the second half, due largely to their 11 of 20 free throws.

Hill said she thought the majority of the fouls called on the Huskers "weren't fouls," but added that part of Oklahoma State's success at the beginning of the second half was because of the reserves that played for Nebraska.

"With all the new people playing in the game, we lost a little of the defensive pressure we had during the first half," Hill said.

Center Angie Miller led Husker scorers with

19 points, 10 of which came in the first half. Miller now has 1,194 career points at Nebraska, making her the fifth all-time leading scorer for Nebraska.

Miller led all scorers and pulled down eight rebounds. Ivy added 14 points. Oklahoma State guard Jamie Siess led the Cowgirls with 16 points and eight rebounds.

The win improves Nebraska's record to 4-5 in the Big Eight, 11-11 overall this season. Oklahoma State falls to 3-6 in the conference, 12-12 overall. The Cowgirls will host Missouri Saturday night.

Nebraska 66

Player	Points
Miller	19
Ivy	14
Bolli	9
Costello	6
Stephens	6
Block	4
Kriebel	4
Hill	2
LaGuardia	2

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Siess	16
Jordan	15
East	8
Duncan	7
Lesnyk	2

Nebraska will travel to Lawrence, Kan., Saturday to face the Jayhawks, who handed the Huskers an 84-64 loss in Lincoln earlier this season. Hill said the key to victory against the Jayhawks will be to stop its guards from shooting from the field.

Minority coaches face tough climb

By Bob Asmussen
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A few years ago, St. Louis Cardinal shortstop Garry Templeton complained after learning he hadn't been named a starter to the National League All-Star team. Templeton, who was in the middle of a tremendous season, was picked as a reserve on the team.

Templeton was not pleased about being passed over as the starter, so he uttered the now-famous line, "If I ain't starting, I ain't departing."

You could use that same line, only change it to "am departing," for Kansas State assistant basketball coach Darryl Winston.

Kansas State Coach Jack Hartman has resigned effective at the end of the season. Winston said if he doesn't get the head coaching job at Kansas State for next season, he will leave.

"I will not return to Kansas State as an assistant next season," Winston said.

If Winston is hired as the Kansas State coach, he will be one of only 26 minority coaches at predominantly white Division I colleges.

Winston coached Kansas State the final 15 games of last season after Hartman suffered a heart attack and had to have bypass surgery. Kansas State won only five of those 15 games, but the Wildcats did close the season winning three of their last four games, including a 15-point win against Missouri at Columbia.

"I stepped in at an awkward time," Winston said. "The last part of the season gave me confidence that I could do the job."

Winston said he doesn't think minority coaches are getting a fair chance to show their abilities as coaches.

"It's a disappointment that the opportunity hasn't been there," Winston said. "It's a shame that officials haven't opened their eyes."

Winston said he has been treated fairly at Kansas State and would like to be the head coach next season. He played at Kansas State from 1973 to 1977, including three years as a starter. Two of the three teams Winston played on qualified for the NCAA tournament; the third team made the NIT.

One minority coach who has been given a chance is Temple's John Chaney. Temple has qualified for the last two NCAA tournaments and is headed for its third straight appearance this season. In the 1984 tournament, Temple upset St. Johns before losing to North Carolina.

Chaney said one reason the opportunities for minority coaches don't exist is because many schools hire coaches away from other schools.

"It seems as though the same people continue to occupy the jobs," Chaney said. "A coach might get fired by one school and end up at another. It happens all the time."

Chaney said he thinks the success of minority coaches in both football and basketball have removed the thought that minorities aren't capable of doing an excellent job.

"There have been great examples of great minority coaches," Chaney said. "Big House Gaines in basketball and Eddie Robinson in football have been two of the most successful coaches in all of college sports."

Chaney said he was questioned when first hired at Temple, if he felt his race would affect his job.

"Somebody asked me what I thought about Temple hiring a black basketball coach," Chaney said. "I said, 'I hope people thought they hired a basketball coach who happens to be black.'"

Before taking the Temple job, Chaney had a successful coaching career at Cheyney State in Pennsylvania. Before taking that job, Chaney had coached at two high schools in Philadelphia. Chaney said the people accepted him at Temple because they were familiar with him and his coaching style.

"I think all of us go through a period where we have to gain acceptance," Chaney said. "I have not really had a problem adjusting to coaching a Division I basketball team."

Both Chaney and Winston said minority coaches would give some schools advantages in recruiting some athletes that they might not enjoy with white coaches.

"Places that would have trouble attracting good black athletes would benefit by having a minority coach,"

Winston said.

"What everybody in the college administration has to realize is that recruiting is paramount to success," Chaney said.

Lonnie Porter is the basketball coach at Regis College, a Division II school in Denver. At 42, Porter said he is not looking to make the move to Division I coaching.

"I'm here (at Regis) until something super comes along," Porter said. "I'm looking for security and financial gain."

Porter said he views Division I schools in three distinct categories. The first category is the upper-echelon schools — Georgetown, UCLA, Kentucky and Louisville. The second category is what Porter called the "middle-of-the-road" schools, and the third category is the lower-echelon schools.

"Very few black coaches have been head basketball coaches at the elite schools," Porter said. "When John Thompson got the Georgetown job, the program was on its last leg. They figured they had nothing to lose."

"I think it's safe to say that the majority of the jobs that we will get will be with floundering programs," he said.

The biggest thing for minority coaches to overcome, Porter said, is stereotypes about their abilities.

"You turn on your TV and you're going to see that eight out of the 10 players are black players," Porter said. "We're still dealing with racist ideas that blacks can play, but they can't coach."

Porter went to Regis after five years as an assistant coach at Nebraska. Porter said he experienced some of those racist ideas when he applied for head coaching jobs.

"I can remember applying for jobs and they'd say I was too young," Porter said. "Then they'd go out and hire a white coach who was younger than me."

Porter said the options for minority coaches are limited.

"What black coaches are going to have to end up trying is to take a chance at one of those lower-echelon schools and try and build the program up."



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Departing

Kansas State assistant coach Darryl Winston stares up at the scoreboard during the Wildcats game Feb. 5 at the Bob Devaney Sports Center against Nebraska. Winston said he might not coach at Kansas State next season.