

Sports

Jays bomb Huskers

By Jim Ballard
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OMAHA — The Creighton Bluejays dropped a bomb on Nebraska Saturday night. The "three-point bomb," that is. The Bluejays shot 27 three-point

attempts and connected on 12 of them in their 78-66 win against Nebraska before 9,618 fans at Omaha's Civic Auditorium.

"The three-point play, I thought, was the difference in the game," Nebraska coach Danny Nee said. "I really thought

Creighton came to play and did a good job with it."

Nee said that coming into the game, Nebraska was going to try to "play the percentages" and keep Creighton on the outside.

"Part of the game plan and what we had in mind was to make Creighton shoot from the outside and see what we could do with them. We had to live with the game plan," Nee said.

The Cornhuskers jumped out to an early six-point lead and held on to it until midway through the first half. That's when Creighton's Gary Swain took over.

The senior guard led the way for the Bluejays with a game-high 26 points, 17 of which came in the first half.

With the game tied 15-15 and 8:32 left in the half, Swain hit 11 straight points. That gave the Bluejays a lead they didn't surrender for the rest of the night.

Creighton started the second half with a 10-point lead that Nebraska chipped away at. But again the three-pointer took its toll.

Nebraska pulled to within five points with 12:40 left, but two three-pointers by junior Rod Mason and another by Swain put the Bluejays ahead by 12.

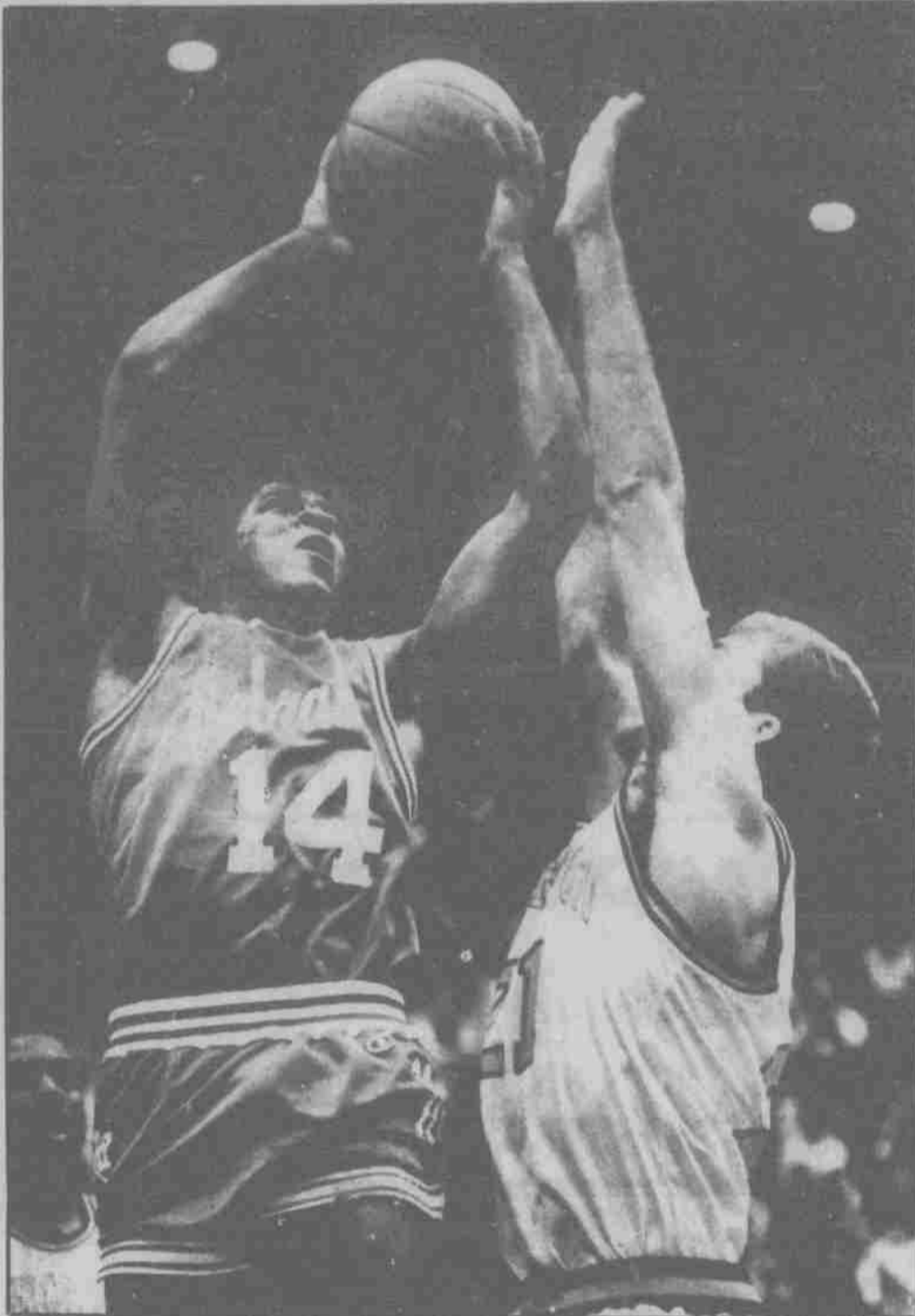
Nebraska climbed back to within six, but again four straight three-point goals, three by freshman Matt Roggenburk, put Creighton ahead 58-49 with 4:39 left in the game.

With 42 seconds left, Nebraska made its last serious threat, pulling to four, at 70-66. Then it became a free-throw contest for Creighton, highlighted by two technical fouls charged to Nee.

Nee was given the technicals for coming onto the floor to argue an intentional foul call.

"The game was going along fine and it's obvious the official was from a certain conference, because Tony (Barone) tells him to start making those calls," Nee said. "It didn't matter. I was going to let him know that I knew he was a jerk. I just didn't think there was any reason for those calls."

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Nebraska forward Anthony Bailous attempts a shot over Creighton's Gary Swain during Saturday night's 78-66 Bluejay win. Bailous led Nebraska with 15 points.



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Nebraska's Erid Schonowise prepares for a spin against Pittsburgh while Lori Endicott (2) and Tish Delaney look on. Schonowise had 22 kills against the Lady Panthers Saturday.

Huskers come back

By Chuck Green
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The Cornhuskers may have kept back the crowd when they should have been cheering for their favorite son, Pittsburgh, at the first round of the NCAA volleyball tournament.

By Tom Farnsworth, who had just finished his first year at Nebraska, said he was surprised to see the crowd so quiet during the first game.

After the Panthers defeated the Huskers in the first game, they threatened again in the second, tying the game 1-1.

Then Deborah Clark, a junior outside hitter from Pitt, broke the tie by serving seven consecutive points, five of which were aces.

on Tuesday as the first game and a half.

Clark said she and her teammates were worried after the first game.

Clark said that he was surprised his team won the first game and that he knew Nebraska would win the second match.

"Nebraska's a better team than we are," Collier said. "I think it was unlikely for us to win that first game. For Nebraska to win the second game was expected. The Nebraska players started hitting the ball harder. They had reached back as a team something extra."

Varsity MVP of the Lady Panthers with four assists and one ace, coach Denise Franklin and Lisa Stewart led Pittsburgh with 18 kills and Mason scored 11. Pittsburgh finished its season with a 1-1

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