

# Confident Reid sinks final shot, Jayhawks

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Only two points are listed by Beau Reid's name in the final statistics of the Nebraska men's basketball game Wednesday night, but you can bet they're the biggest two points of the freshman's career.

Reid hit a 19-foot jump shot with one second remaining to give the Cornhuskers a 70-68 win against Kansas at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Reid's shot came before 14,015 fans and raised Nebraska's record to 11-8 overall and 2-1 in the Big Eight.

"It felt good," Reid said of the game-winning shot. "I concentrated and saw nothing but the rim. I knew it was going in as soon as I shot it."

Reid said the Huskers were trying to get the ball to Eric Johnson for the last shot.

"We wanted to clear out the lane for Eric and let him get his shot," Reid said. "He's just superior one-on-one."

But, Reid said, Nebraska coach Danny Nee gave the go-ahead for any open man to take the final shot.

"Coach said he wanted me to shoot if I had the open shot," Reid said. "He said that I had to believe in myself and that he believed in me, so I should too."

"That's all I needed to hear."

"It's just unbelievable," Nee said. "Kansas was the superior basketball team and played well for 39 minutes and 30 seconds."

Reid's shot capped a 30-14 run by the Huskers in the game's final 11:16. Kansas led Nebraska by as many as 16 points in the second half.

Nebraska had tied the Jayhawks at 68 on two free throws by Derrick Vick with 24 seconds remaining after a foul by Kansas' Danny Manning. Nebraska's Henry T. Buchanan stole the inbounds pass from Manning after the Kansas center looked at the game clock while bringing the ball up the court. Buchanan called time out with 16 seconds left, and the stage was set for another last-second Nebraska win at the sports center.

Last season, Nebraska defeated Kansas 83-81 in overtime in the last regular season game of the year at the sports center. The 70-68 score at this

year's game was the same margin of victory as Nebraska's upset of Missouri two weeks ago, when Buchanan hit a layup, drew a foul and made the ensuing free throw with five seconds left.

"All I know is that we won again," Buchanan said.

Buchanan helped set up Reid's last-second heroics by sinking a three-pointer with 1:44 left to cut Kansas' lead to 67-64. Nee said Buchanan is an outstanding player in the clutch.

"He's very special that way," Nee said. "There are other guards in the Big Eight that are quicker and faster, but he has such determination."

Kansas led 40-28 at halftime and extended its lead to 16 points three times in the second half.

"Kansas' pressure really bothered us in the first half," Nee said. "(At halftime) we talked about getting into our offense and executing, and the big thing was 'don't quit.'"

Nebraska outscored Kansas 42-28 in the second half.

Manning scored 21 points to lead the Jayhawks. Milt Newton added 11 and Chris Piper scored 10.

Buchanan scored 21 to lead Nebraska, followed by Vick with 16, Jeff Rekeweg with 15 and Pete Manning with 10.

Nee said Husker fans played a big part in Nebraska's win.

"I thought the crowd coming in, win or lose, would be magnificent in the last 10 minutes and they hung tough," Nee said.

Reid agreed.

"When we were at the bench in the huddle, I couldn't hear Coach Nee talking to us," he said. "The crowd was yelling 'defense, defense,' and that had to shake them (the Jayhawks) up. Especially when we cut their lead to six, then to four, then two."

Nee said the game, which was Nebraska's second Big Eight win at home, showed the Huskers have a chance to beat anybody at the sports center.

"God was with us tonight and our kids hung tough," Nee said. "Sometimes, you have to be lucky and this time, we hung in there and won it."

"This game shows that we're dangerous at home."



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Nebraska's Beau Reid (middle) celebrates with cheerleader Kevin McCauley (left) and Cornhusker guard Henry T. Buchanan after Reid sank the game-winning shot against Kansas Wednesday night at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

# KU's Manning relives sad scenario

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Kansas center Danny Manning found himself in a difficult scenario during the Jayhawks' 70-68 loss to Nebraska Wednesday night at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

Manning, the Jayhawks' All-America center, dribbled the ball off his leg with 18 seconds remaining. The turnover proved to be a costly one, as Nebraska forward Beau Reid sank a 19-foot jump shot as time expired to give the Cornhuskers the win.

Manning said the game was similar to Nebraska's 83-81 overtime victory

against the Jayhawks last season. In both games, the Huskers used last-second heroics to pull out the victories.

The Huskers defeated Kansas last season when forward Derrick Vick drove past Manning and scored on a layup as time expired.

Kansas basketball coach Larry Brown said Manning's dribbling error came when the 6-11 senior waved off Jayhawk guards Clint Normore and Otis Livingston in favor of bringing the ball up himself. He said it is "scary" when a player of Manning's size has to bring the ball up court.

"I'm not faulting him for bringing the ball up," Brown said. "The sad thing is you gotta have him bring the

ball up."

Manning said he thought he could bring the ball up court.

"I lost the ball," he said. "I just lost the ball. I just had the ball and I tried to bring it up and I lost it."

Manning said the two-point loss to Nebraska was a difficult one to accept because the Jayhawks led by as many as 16 points in the second half. He said the Huskers were able to come back because they "did the things necessary" to win.

"A loss is a loss," Manning said, "but this one stinks."

Brown said Nebraska's victory was a combination of Kansas sinking fewer free throws than the Huskers in the second half and the Jayhawks'

inability to conquer a "scared to death" attitude. Kansas connected on 12 of 16 free throws in the second half, compared to the Huskers' 14 of 19.

"It's a killer," Brown said. "We got control of the game and we don't match any free throws. We played scared to death."

Brown said there was no defensive breakdown during Reid's last-second shot. He said he was frustrated that the Jayhawks weren't able to pick up a loose ball that was left unprotected shortly after Manning's turnover.

"We haven't picked up a loose ball all year," he said.

Brown said the Jayhawks grabbed a 16-point lead with 11:56 remaining

in the second half because they rebounded well and forced Nebraska to turn the ball over.

But Brown said Kansas showed a lack of leadership and poise down the stretch. He said the fact that the Jayhawks became tentative after missing some shots they should have made contributed to the cause.

"Good basketball teams don't let this happen," Brown said. "We're not that good. We're not a good basketball team."

Normore said the loss, which dropped Kansas to 12-6 overall and 1-2 in the Big Eight, resulted from the Jayhawks not responding to a tight-

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# Missing first meet didn't slow NU sprinter's progress

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Nebraska track coach Gary Pepin said he thinks sprinter Bill Trott's progress was hurt when he missed the opening meet of the indoor season last week.

But Trott said he thinks otherwise.

"I think it made me a bit hungrier to compete," Trott said.

Trott missed Nebraska's meet against Drake, Wichita State and Bar-



Trott

ton County Community College last Saturday because of registration problems. Trott said he neglected to pay a fee, which led to the problems.

Pepin said Trott will be a major factor now that the registration problems are behind him. He said he expects to see a good performance from Trott when Nebraska faces Colorado, Colorado State and Washington Saturday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center's track complex.

Trott, who is a junior eligibility-wise for the indoor season but will be a senior for the outdoor season, holds four individual school records.

Trott holds school records in the 60-yard, 55-meter and 60-meter

dashes in the indoor competition. In the outdoor competition, he has the school record in the 100 and also ran the first leg of the record-setting 4 x 100 relay team.

Trott said he will compete exclusively in the 60 and in the long jump during this year's indoor season.

Pepin said Trott's absence from the first meet hurt his performance in the long jump.

"He's inexperienced in that event and he needs to face competition," Pepin said. "It didn't hurt him in the 60."

Last year Trott placed second in the Big Eight meet in the long jump and the 60. He said he would like to

improve his performance in those events this season.

"My first goal is to break my old record in the 60, which is 6.16 (seconds)," Trott said. "Anything lower than that, I'll be satisfied with. I would like to make it to the NCAA finals in the 60 and also make the NCAA's in the long jump."

Trott, a sociology major, came to Nebraska from Long Beach City College in Long Beach, Calif. He said California and his hometown of Devonshire, Bermuda, have one striking difference from Nebraska: the weather.

But, Trott said, Nebraska has its advantages.

"The fans are really great and some of the special friends I have mean a great deal to me," Trott said.

Trott said his future goals include making Bermuda's Olympic team. He said he wants to become the NCAA 60-meter champion before he leaves Nebraska.

Trott said this season's Husker team looks strong, but it's too early to say how it will do at the NCAA meet. He said the success of this year's team will depend on how well the freshmen compete and how soon several injured runners return to the team.

"We'll have to see how we do in the Big Eight first," he said.