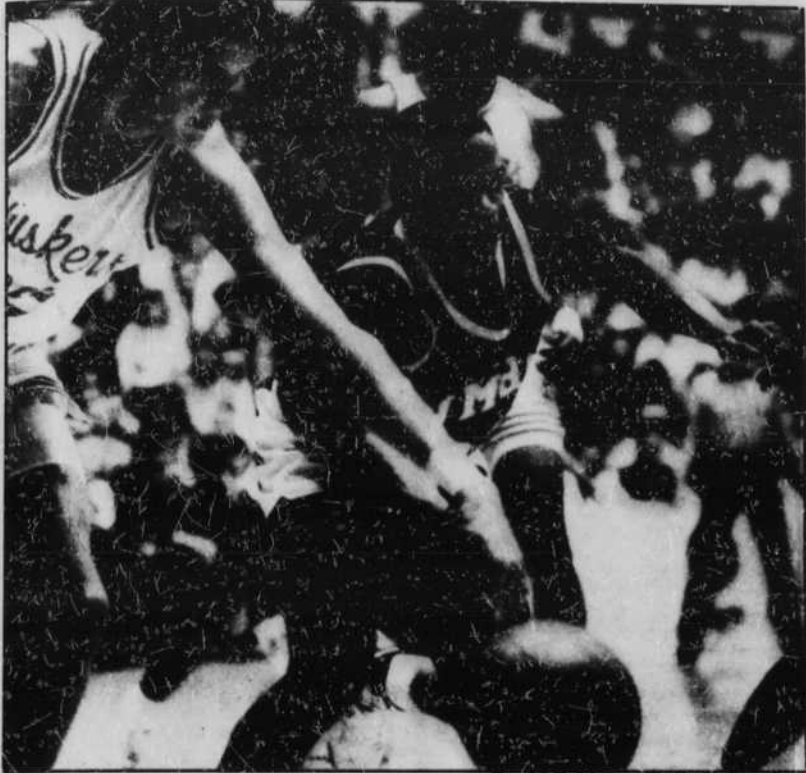


King, Manning lead Huskers to victory



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Husker center Rich King battles for control of a loose ball against Maryland-Baltimore County player Jeff Reynolds.

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Nebraska's Rich King set a single-season record for blocked shots and five players scored in double figures as the Cornhusker men's basketball team downed Maryland-Baltimore County 86-65 Tuesday night at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

"We were fortunate enough to catch them flat at the beginning of the game and took advantage of that," Nebraska coach Danny Nee said. "I was pleased with how Nebraska played from top to bottom."

The Huskers opened an early 8-1 lead with 17:24 remaining in the first half and never trailed the rest of the game.

Pete Manning's 17 points paced Nebraska. Manning, a senior forward, made all seven of his field goal attempts as well as all three free throws. As a team, Nebraska hit 80.8 percent of its free throws compared to the Retrievers' 69.6 percent.

Nee said that he was happy with his team's inside game, led by Man-

ning and King. In addition to his school record, which he tied during Saturday's loss to Oklahoma State, King scored 10 points and dished out a career-high six assists.

King, a sophomore center from Omaha, got his record-breaking block mid-way through the first half.

Maryland-Baltimore coach Earl Hawkins said his squad's inability to make easy shots early in the contest hurt. "It's always hard to play catch up to a team with Nebraska's overall speed and depth," he said.

"I was pleased," Nee said. "There was good passing, good hustle and good defense. We had a chance to play a lot of people and I'm sure that they are a better team than they showed tonight."

Nebraska starters Beau Reid and Eric Johnson each added 13 points. Meanwhile, freshman Dapreis Owens came off the bench to score 10 points, eight of which came in the second half.

The Retrievers were out-rebounded by Nebraska 41-34. Huskers Ray Richardson and Reid each pulled down seven rebounds, while Jeff Reynolds led the Retrievers with

eight caroms. Duane Faust and Gamel Spencer paced Maryland-Baltimore's scoring with 19 and 10 points respectively.

Both Nee and Manning agreed that Nebraska's win was a good confidence builder going into Saturday's Big Eight confrontation with the Kansas State Wildcats.

"It helps us going into Kansas State," Manning said. "It gives us good momentum."

Hawkins compared Nebraska to Arkansas State. The Retrievers were upended by Arkansas State 94-67 earlier this season.

"They're similar in a lot of ways," Hawkins said. "I would have to say Arkansas State is probably a little bit more physically stronger of a team than the team we played tonight."

Husker center Richard van Poelgeest sat out of Tuesday's game because of tendonitis in his knee.

The victory gave the Huskers a record of 11-6 for the season, including an 8-2 mark at the sports center. The 11 victories are two wins shy of their win total for last year, 13-18. Maryland-Baltimore fell to 10-6.

Jayhawk coach concerned about the fate of tonight's game

By Mike Kluck
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There are two reasons for Kansas women's basketball coach Marian Washington to be concerned when her Jayhawks take the floor tonight against Nebraska.

Washington's concern centers around Nebraska's impressive home record and guard Amy Stephens. The Cornhuskers have won 28 straight games at the Bob Devaney Sports Center thanks in part to the services of Stephens, who is averaging 21 points per game.

Tonight's game, which features free admission for all University of

Nebraska-Lincoln students who present their student ID's and will include a "Just Say No" anti-drug campaign at halftime, begins at 7:35 p.m.

"Nebraska has an unbelievable home game winning streak," Washington said. "They are very tough to beat at home. We are going to have to play hard for 40 minutes."

Nebraska coach Angela Beck said she knows conference teams are hoping to defeat the Huskers because they are the defending Big Eight champions. She said all teams play their best when they face Nebraska.

"For most teams it would be a great upset to beat Nebraska," Beck said. "Last season we were able to

surprise a few teams, but this season we can't surprise anybody. We just have to continue to work."

'Nebraska has an unbelievable home game winning streak'
--Washington

Beck said Kansas has surprised some teams even though it starts three freshmen and has no seniors on its roster. The Jayhawks upset Iowa

and Wake Forest, both of which are ranked in the top 20, earlier this season.

Beck said Kansas and Washington will be ready for Nebraska.

"When Kansas and Nebraska face each other, her good team usually shows up to play," Beck said. "I expect them to put all their money in our game tonight. I do think they are a very good basketball team."

Beck said she expects Kansas to play a "helter-skelter" defense. She said that defense has limited opponents to 38 percent shooting from the floor while using extensive presses and other forms of gambling.

Beck said the Kansas offense is led

by junior guard Lisa Braddy. Braddy has averaged 14.8 points per game this season.

"I have been very delighted with her," Washington said. "She is hard working and I have been pleased with her attitude. Her future is very bright."

Beck said Kansas starts two of the bigger women in the Big Eight. The Jayhawks' front line includes Lynn Page, a 5-foot-11, 197-pound freshman forward, and Marthea McCloud, a 6-4, 245-pound center.

"They have been doing some nice things for them," Beck said. "It is very difficult to move on them. Our key will be for quick movement."

NCAA proposal discriminatory, NU coach says

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Nebraska men's basketball coach Danny Nee has a good reason for supporting Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson's walk-out last Saturday night.

Nee said he agreed with Thompson, who walked off the court prior to the start of the Hoyas' game against Boston College because of Proposition 42. Proposition 42, which was passed after originally being voted down at the NCAA Convention last week in San Francisco, states that a student-athlete who fails to meet the academic requirements of Proposition 48 will not be eligible for financial aid beginning in 1990-91.

Major Points of the NCAA Conference

Held January 4-8 in San Francisco, Calif.

- Passed Proposition 42.
- Vetoed a proposal that would have placed mandatory cuts on most women's athletics.
- Vetoed a proposal that would have banned kicking tees.
- Conducted a half-day seminar for presidents and chancellors that was presided by Martin A. Massengale, the chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the chair of the NCAA Presidents commission.



Previously, student-athletes who failed to meet the NCAA's academic requirements were allowed to be awarded financial aid but were not allowed to practice or play during their first year. The student-athletes also had to forfeit a year of eligibility.

Nee said his reason for supporting Thompson is freshman Lewis Geter, who was declared ineligible this season because of Proposition 48. Proposition 48 mandates that athletes must maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average in high school and post either a 15 on the

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American College Test or a 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test in order to be eligible during their first year of college.

"It (Proposition 42) is discriminating against a large section of black men and women who don't have the same opportunities," Nee

said. "A perfect example of this is Lewis Geter. He is a partial qualifier. He would not be at Nebraska if the proposition was in effect."

"But Geter, because he's put into a situation, a controlled situation, with study hall, tutors, remedial help, he gets a 3.2 (GPA). That shows me that Lewis Geter had that potential, that ability and under the right conditions, it was brought out."

Nee said he supports Thompson's walkout.

"I really liked it and I thought he was the perfect person to do it," Nee said. "One is because he was our Olympic coach -- he's one of the highest profile coaches in the United States. And two, because he's black."

"I think it helped focus on Proposition 42. I don't like the rule and I don't like it very simply because it's taken away opportunities of kids."

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Devaney opposes proposition to cut aid

By Nick Hodge
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The passage of Proposition 42 will have a negative effect on Nebraska athletics, according to Cornhusker Athletic Director Bob Devaney.

Devaney said the proposition discriminates against student-athletes and colleges in less populated areas of the nation.

"I'm not for it because it's directed against people with a poor education," Devaney said, "and we're in an area where there's not

that many people to pick from."

Proposition 42 prohibits student-athletes who do not meet minimum academic standards from receiving financial aid during their freshman year.

Academic standards were established in 1985 by an NCAA rule known as Proposition 48. This proposition requires high school seniors to have at least a 2.0 grade point average in 11 academic courses. The rule also mandates that student-athletes must score a 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or a 15 on the American Col-

lege Test in order to be eligible during their freshman year.

If high school student-athletes do not meet the standards, Proposition 48 forced recruits to sit out their freshman year but permitted them to receive a scholarship.

After being defeated Jan. 10 at the NCAA convention in San Francisco, the proposition was passed the following day by a 163-154 vote. The proposition, which was sponsored by the Southeastern Conference, will go into effect in 1990.

Devaney said he was not sure

why the Southeastern Conference proposed the change, but said it was a "bad move."

Devaney said he believes that student-athletes should have the opportunity to prove they can adequately complete college work.

"Sometimes kids in high school are not urged to take courses so they can pass college entrance exams," he said.

Devaney said the new rule will make it more difficult for the Nebraska sports programs to recruit athletes to the Midwest.

"This hurts colleges in the less

densely populated areas -- like Nebraska," Devaney said. "It's like going to a store and having less selection to pick from."

Devaney called much of what was discussed at the convention "negative towards college athletics."

Devaney said the passage of Proposition 42 was instigated by a recent push to raise academic standards for student-athletes.

"People are trying to make it more difficult to participate in

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