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Nebraska's Andre Woolridge puts a layup past Citadel's Scott Van Schaardenburg Monday night at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

## Husker pressure defense stymies Citadel's arsenal

By Derek Samson  
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Nebraska's defense frustrated The Citadel into intentional and technical fouls as the Cornhuskers rolled to an 86-46 victory Monday.

After a 41-20 halftime lead by Nebraska, frustration began to set in during a second half that saw Nebraska rattle off 18 unanswered points before 11,004 fans at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

"Nebraska came to play," coach Danny Nee said. "The defense played hard and were ready to play." Minor altercations broke out during the game and many of those included Husker forward Bruce Chubick.

"They're a military school that thought they were going to war rather than a game," Chubick said. "The important thing is when they get frustrated for us not to get frustrated."

"They were just a scrappy team, a real scrappy team."

Immediately following an intentional second-half foul on The Citadel's Scott Van Schaardenburg, Bulldog coach Pat Dennis was whistled for a technical.

The NU defense held The Cita-

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del to only 20 first half points and the Bulldogs went scoreless for a six-minute, 33-second stretch in the second half.

"(Defense) was solid," said Nebraska guard Jamar Johnson, who dished out eight assists. "We played a team that had multiple offenses, so it says a lot."

After the game was out of reach for The Citadel, Johnson said it was time for the Huskers to enjoy the victory.

"In games like that you have to have some fun," Johnson said. "Our practices are dead serious and we practice hard so we deserve to have fun in these type of games,"

Freshman guard Jaron Boone led Nebraska scorers with 15, on a

six-of-eight shooting night from the floor.

Eric Piatkowski, who started the season with back-to-back 20-point games, chipped in 13. Other Huskers in double figures included Terrance Badgett with 12 and Erick Strickland with 10.

The Citadel was led by Lamar Wright with 12 points.

Nebraska shot 50 percent from the floor for the game, while its opponent had a 30.9 percent shooting night.

"We executed and got the job done," Nee said. "We took yesterday off and we had fresh legs."

The Huskers' biggest scare of the night came when center Derrick Chandler went down with an ankle injury just before halftime. Although the extent of the injury was not known, Nee said Chandler will likely play against Creighton on Thursday night.

Nee said that if Chandler does miss the game, the Huskers will start Badgett, who pulled down a game-high nine rebounds Monday.

"We've worked in sessions without each of our players, so it shouldn't be a big change," he said.

## KU Jayhawks will dominate, coaches say

By Jeff Griesch  
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Once again, the Kansas Jayhawks were the talk of the Big Eight during the basketball coaches' teleconference Monday.

Last week, the conference coaches raved about how good they thought the Jayhawks could be, and this weekend, Kansas did not disappoint them.

The Jayhawks passed two early season tests by defeating Georgia 76-65 in Lawrence, Kan., on Dec. 1 and Indiana at the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis 74-69 on Saturday.

"I thought we defended well and we competed well against Indiana," Kansas coach Roy Williams said.

One of the keys to the Kansas victory over the Hoosiers was nearly flawless play of senior point guard Adonis Jordan.

"Perhaps it was the best game (Jordan) has ever played at Kansas," Williams said. "He was our defensive player of the game; he had zero turnovers; he was 6-for-6 from the free throw line and, I think, 4-for-6 from the field against one of the best defenses in the country."

Williams also said he liked the way his team responded to playing on the road in front of 47,000 fans. He said that the experience of playing in a hostile environment would benefit Kansas in the future.

"When you play in that atmosphere, it can do nothing but help you," Williams said. "But we can't rest after this one, because in March nobody is going to remember this win."

As much as Williams would like to remember the win over Indiana, he would just as soon forget about the game against Georgia, he said.

"We were up 20 at the half and from then on it was a nightmare for me," Williams said. "We didn't compete very well and that upsets me."

Despite Williams' disappointment with the Georgia game, the consensus

### AP Top 25 Poll

1. Duke 2-0
2. Kansas 2-0
3. Kentucky 2-0
4. Indiana 4-1
5. North Carolina 3-0
6. Michigan 1-1
7. Seton Hall 4-1
8. Iowa 3-0
9. Louisville 1-0
10. Florida State 3-2
11. Oklahoma 2-0
12. Georgetown 2-0
13. UCLA 4-1
14. Arizona 0-1
15. Syracuse 3-0
16. Arkansas 3-0
17. Georgia Tech 1-1
18. Purdue 3-0
19. Cincinnati 1-0
20. Tulane 3-1
21. Memphis State 0-2
22. UNLV 1-0
23. Massachusetts 1-1
24. Michigan State 1-1
25. Nebraska 3-0

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among the Big Eight coaches is that Kansas is the class of the conference.

Nebraska coach Danny Nee said he believed the Kansas victory would improve the image of the conference.

"I thought it was a big victory for the Big Eight, and it can only help the

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## Seminoles will deliver New Year's headaches

Take out that second mortgage. Put up your car as collateral. Borrow more money. Get all the money you can and call a bookie.

Florida State is favored by 10 points over Nebraska in the Orange Bowl.

Excuse me, make that Florida State is favored by ONLY 10 points over Nebraska.

Yes, the oddsmakers certainly must want to give all bettors a belated Merry Christmas.

Think about it. Ten points. A touchdown and a field goal. Has there ever been a safer bet? Only if the Seminoles were favored by fewer than 10.

But to be truthful, it would be a safe bet if the spread was, say, 35 points. Maybe that sounds like a rather large spread, but the Seminoles would cover it — easily. As easy as they'll cover the 10 points they've been given already. They'll cover it in a big way.

But wait a minute. Nebraska shook its jinx against a rated team, didn't it? The Cornhuskers beat Colorado and Kansas real bad.

Who cares? All the Buffaloes and Jayhawks in the world wouldn't equal one Seminole, no matter how bad your math is.

Florida State is better than anyone on Nebraska's schedule and much better than Nebraska itself. The Huskers don't belong on the same field as Florida State. Anyone who thinks they do should seriously look into checking into a therapy session. Rumor has



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it there's a cure for Big Red Fever or whatever it is that makes people think Nebraska even has a chance against any team from Florida.

But, as usual, spirits will be high heading into the bowl game. After all, the Huskers are the champions of the next-to-worst conference in the country (the Southwest Conference being the worst), so that means Nebraska has the momentum it needs to win its first bowl game in what seems like 20 years.

Yeah, whatever. Hope does spring eternal. Santa Claus comes every Christmas. The Tooth Fairy compensates kids for losing teeth.

And Nebraska loses bowl games. That's almost as sure a bet as taking Florida State and giving Nebraska 10 points.

There is no way Nebraska can beat Florida State. The Seminoles might be the hottest team in college football right now and you can make a case for calling them the best team in the country. Florida State could turn the

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