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Cyclones in funk after loss to NU

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AMES, Iowa — Call it Hilton Magic in reverse.

Then-No. 7 Iowa State and Nebraska magically switched roles on Saturday at Hilton Coliseum in Ames, leaving the Cyclones with a 74-69 overtime victory and the Cyclones uncertain about the rest of the season and their position in the NCAA Tournament.

"I don't know what's going to happen with this team," said senior guard Dedric Willoughby, who led the Cyclones with 22 points. "Hopefully, this opens our eyes a little."

ISU lost its second straight game and third in its last five outings leaving them at 18-6 overall and 9-5 in conference, but it still is second in the Big 12 North Division. Iowa State — now ranked 13th — has more than likely earned an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament, but what once looked like a high seed now isn't so solid.

"We're playing like a bunch of individuals," Willoughby said. "If we don't start playing like a team, we won't be around for long."

In the final minutes against NU, everything went bad for the Cyclones. Iowa State looked more like the inconsistent Husker team in the final 3:35 than a top 25 team by:

- Blowing a 55-47 lead, its largest lead of the day, in that span.
- Giving up 17 points, 12 of those to sophomore guard Tyrone Lue.

Among those 17 points were three 3-point shots, including senior forward Bernard Garner's bomb from the corner to tie the game at 64 and force overtime.

"Our defense really lacked focus at the end," ISU Coach Tim Floyd said. "We let Nebraska back in the game."

ISU still had a chance at victory, but Cyclone senior forward Kenny Pratt couldn't convert from four feet as time expired. Pratt made a similar shot Feb. 15 against Kansas State to seal a 62-58 win at Manhattan.

In overtime two big plays hurt the Cyclones. Referees ruled a Willoughby basket a two instead of a 3, and then Willoughby dribbled the ball off his foot bringing the ball up the court.

Floyd said the game was lost not only at the end, but in a stretch in the first half when Nebraska used a 15-3 run to open up a 26-16 lead. NU led 28-23 at halftime as ISU shot a dismal 26 percent in the first half.

"We didn't play at all for a time in the first half," Floyd said. "We had a lot of good looks, and nothing went down."

In the end, Floyd had nothing but praise for the Huskers.

"The better team was Nebraska," Floyd said. "They played like we should have down the stretch."

The same went for Lue, who tied his career-high with 30 points in the game.

"He utilizes his quickness better than any guard in the Big 12," Floyd said. "He does everything well."

As for Iowa State, Floyd said the team will have to refocus itself for a late-season run. The Cyclones play Oklahoma State and Colorado in the final week of the regular season.

"We need to understand why we lost and focus on making our offense better," Floyd said. "We can't let defense kill us."

Tennis team improves on slow start

By JAY SAUNDERS
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A dual record of 2-3 doesn't thrill Men's Tennis Coach Kerry McDermott, but after a win over Southeast Missouri State, NU is pointed in the right direction.

The Cornhuskers are coming off a 7-2 victory over the Bears on Saturday. The win over the Bears pushed the team's record closer to the .500 mark, but McDermott said NU has a good chance to be on the flip side of that mark.

"I think we are capable of playing at a much higher level," McDermott said. "I haven't seen the guys click yet."

The singles play has been the team's strength early this season.

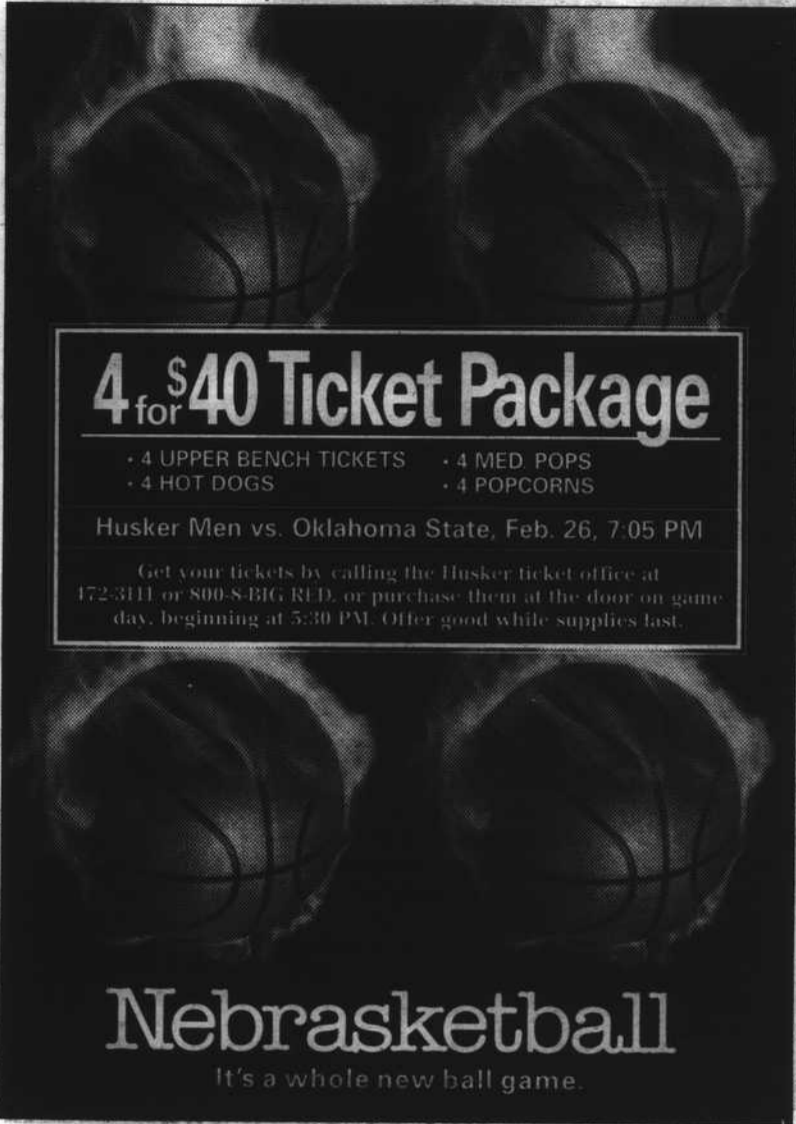
Against Southwest Missouri State, the Huskers swept all six singles matches. Andrew Weise and Roshan Fernando each lost the first set, but both came back to win in the three. Fernando played at No. 6 singles in place of freshman Todd Nicholl.

"Our singles play has been pretty solid," McDermott said.

Where McDermott sees room for improvement is in NU's doubles play — the No. 2 and No. 3 doubles teams lost to the Bears.

"It is kind of disappointing," McDermott said. "I hate to change things around, but if we aren't winning, we need to switch some things."

Those things will have to turn around quickly for the Huskers, who face another big weekend of competition. Nebraska travels to Boise, Idaho, for the Boise State Invitational.



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Teams vie for quality seeds

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Those teams have to win four games in four days to win the tournament title. This season only Kansas, Texas, Iowa State and Colorado have won four straight conference games — all of which are in position to clinch an open date.

A few coaches think it will be a difficult, but not insurmountable, task to win four straight games. The consensus belief among coaches is that fatigue is the biggest factor to a team's success in a tournament.

"Getting to Sunday is not impossible," Texas Coach Tom Penders said. "Winning Sunday will be next to impossible."

Nebraska Coach Danny Nee's team is 15-12 overall and 6-8 in the Big 12 after winning three of its last four games. Nee said it's best to avoid being the No. 8 or No. 9 seed because the Jayhawks await a team in round two.

"It's going to take a lot of hard work and a few breaks," Nee said. "It will be a difficult task because they're (Kansas) sitting there like King Kong. You'd definitely rather be the seventh seed."

NU can either be the seventh or 10th seed depending on how it plays against Oklahoma State and Kansas this weekend.

CU Coach Ricardo Patton said gaining a first-round bye is vitally important.

"Everybody wants it," Patton said. "Rest is definitely important because you're going to see some dog fights."

Texas A&M Coach Tony Barone's team is 9-15 overall and 3-11 in the conference. Barone said one of the five through 12 seeds stands a good chance at making the championship game.

"There's going to be some luck involved," Barone said. "I think the team that makes the run will have a hot player. Sometimes the other team is cold and you win a big game."

Texas Tech Coach James Dickey said it is highly unlikely a team could accomplish the four-in-four feat.

"I'd say it's pretty remote," Dickey said. "You just go in with the idea of winning the first game because you can't win four unless you win the first."

Upsets seem to have become the rule in conference tournaments lately, OU Coach Kelvin Sampson said. So much so a team needs some divine intervention to win survive tournament play, he said.

"You're probably going to need a warrior and an angel," Sampson said. "It's going to take a lot of fortune, injuries, foul trouble and fatigue."

Huskers ready for Jayhawks

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"He's just not having a Francis Collins start," Sanders said.

Last season, Collins sparked Nebraska with a 38-game hitting streak and led the team with a .424 average.

Armenta said unlike last season, the Husker pitchers have begun the season in good shape.

"Last year we really had the run support, but our pitching wasn't there," Armenta said. "This year, our pitchers need to stay consistent. I know our hitters will come around."

In Armenta's first outing against Nebraska:

Kearney, he allowed two earned runs in three innings while striking out five.

"I wouldn't say I've hit my groove," Armenta said, "but I'm feeling confident."

For Kansas, offensive production has not been a problem this year. The Jayhawks (4-2) average six runs per game and are led by senior Joe DeMarco, who broke a school record by scoring 76 runs last season.

The Jayhawks return nearly two-thirds of their offense, but it will be a rebuilding year for the KU pitching staff, Coach Bobby Randall said earlier this season.