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# Celtics in nest above rest with healthy Bird on floor

Associated Press

Larry Bird, who won't make excuses when he has physical problems, acknowledges that the aches and pains are healed.

And now that a healthy Bird is playing a brand of basketball that other players only dream about, it should come as no surprise that the Boston Celtics have won 26 of their last 29 games.

Although he shrugged off his injuries at the time, he admits now that "my elbow and back hurt at the beginning of the season. Now I have a therapist who has helped a lot. I always knew I could play better than last year if I started feeling better."

After winning the Most Valuable Player award for the 1984-85 season with an average of 28.7 points, 10.5 rebounds and a .522 shooting percentage, Bird started 1985-86 with a clang. Twenty games into the season, he was averaging 22.9 points, 9.4 rebounds and a .447 field-goal

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— Boston's Larry Bird

percentage, and his chances of joining Bill Russell and Wilt Chamberlain as the only NBA players with three consecutive MVP awards did not look bright.

Statistics, of course, never tell the whole story with Bird, but his intangibles probably couldn't overcome his being 12th in the NBA in scoring and a 75 percentage-point drop in his shooting percentage.

In the last 38 games, however, Bird is averaging 26.5 points, 10.6 rebounds, is hitting 49.2 percent from the field and scored 20 or more points 36 times. In 11 games since Feb. 13, he has posted double

figures in points, rebounds and assists six times.

"I can perform this way when I'm healthy," Bird said. "This is the toughest part of the season, when you have nine-game road trips and guys are tired. But mentally and physically, I feel great. I can't say I've ever felt better this late in the season."

"He's feeling good physically and when that happens he's going to go wild," Boston Coach K.C. Jones said. "He's going to score, pass and rebound."

"There have been times when he's just flowing, moving, always around the ball. Now is one of those times."

The Celtics, who mathematically clinched a playoff spot last week when they still had 26 games left, have five fewer losses than the Los Angeles Lakers in the race for homecourt advantage throughout the playoffs.

# Mavericks nip Suns in double overtime

Associated Press

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Rolando Blackman scored six of his 32 points in the second overtime, including a decisive dunk with eight seconds left, as the Dallas Mavericks beat the Phoenix Suns 139-138 Monday night and swept their four-game NBA series this season.

Walter Davis, who had 31 points and sent the game into overtime on a three-point goal at the buzzer, put Phoenix ahead 138-137 with 15 seconds to go in the second extra period before Blackman got behind the Phoenix defense for his game-winning slam.

Blackman also sank two free throws with five seconds left in the first overtime to tie the score at 127-127.

Mark Aguirre finished with 42 points for the Mavericks, who won their second straight game after six consecutive losses.

## NBA Roundup

Other Monday Scores:

(home team in capitals)

MILWAUKEE 115  
New York 108

L.A. LAKERS 127  
Golden State 117

SEATTLE 118  
Houston 105

Brad Davis added 15 for Dallas, including 11 in the fourth period, while Sam Perkins had 17.

The Suns, who had leads of 65-54 at halftime and 94-85 after the third quarter, got 22 points from Larry Nance — all in the first half.

# Two baseball stars accept penalties

Associated Press

Dave Parker, the Cincinnati Reds' slugging outfielder, and Al Holland, the New York Yankees' relief pitcher, said Monday they would comply with the penalties handed down by baseball Commissioner Peter Ueberroth and avoid suspensions for their involvement in drugs.

Parker and six other major leaguers were handed one-year suspensions by Ueberroth unless they agreed to pay 10 percent of their salaries to drug rehabilitation programs, accept periodic drug testing and perform public service work.

At the Yankees' training camp in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Holland said he would accept Ueberroth's penalties as an alternative to a 60-day suspension.

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# STUDENT GOVERNMENT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

# Student Senate Vacancies

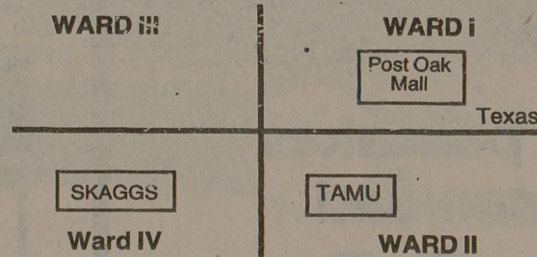
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| (2) Ward IV  | (2) Engineering-Senior                  |

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