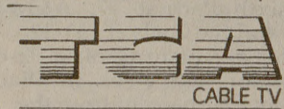


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Cougars rally, beat Tech in overtime

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Sam Mack scored 30 points, including the final six points in regulation, as Houston rallied to defeat Texas Tech 83-80 in overtime Tuesday night in the Southwest Conference.

Houston (19-5, 8-3 in the SWC) has won seven consecutive games against Texas Tech (13-11, 5-7) dating back to a 76-74 overtime victory in Lubbock in 1989.

Tech's Lance Hughes hit a layup with 11 seconds left in overtime to pull the Red Raiders with-

in 82-80. But Houston's Derrick Daniels hit a free throw with eight seconds left, and Tech's Lamont Dale missed a 3-pointer off the front of the rim as time expired.

Mack scored six straight points in the final minute of regulation to pull Houston even at 73.

The Red Raiders held for the last shot, but Moore's 17-foot jumper ticked off the rim as time expired, leaving the score tied at 73.

Mack was fouled by Hughes while shooting a 3-pointer and hit

all three free throws to pull the Cougars within 73-70 with 52 seconds to play.

Derrick Daniels then stole the ball from Tech's Bryant Moore and passed to Mack, who hit a 3-pointer with 34 seconds left.

Houston trailed the entire game, taking its first lead (75-73) with 4:36 left in overtime.

Hughes, who scored all of Tech's seven points in overtime, led Tech with 26. Will Flemons added 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Raiders.

Lady Aggies face challenge against Rice

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floor. It was their second shooting performance against SWC opponent.

"If we play (Rice) with same intensity that we had for last week, we should be in good shape," Hickey said.

Rice and A&M met earlier in the season. The Owls surprised Aggies 85-83 in overtime. They ended a four-game win streak, A&M, and sent the Aggies losing skid where they lost their next six games.

"We kind of dug ourselves out of a hole since the last time we played Rice, but we can get out of it if we play well," Hickey said. "It won't be easy. They have a very physical guard in (Yolanda Stimer, and (Evenda) Barnes (Nicki) Manzo are tough to play against on the inside."

The Aggies are led by senior forward Dena Russo, who has 20 points to become the top player in A&M history to score 1,000 career points. She is averaging 14.3 points and seven rebounds a game. Yolanda Barnes and Sheri Dillard are each scoring in double figures this season.

But Hickey said the Owls' offense is a formidable force.

"They play a zone defense, it is tough for us to control," he said. "We will have to play a really good game."

"We have had several good days of practice and everyone has been alert and attentive. The game will come down to who is in the best frame of mind."

With 11 wins this season, the Owls have already clinched the best season in three years.

Barnes leads the Owls in scoring (15.3 ppg), rebounds (9.8 rpg) and steals (2.3 spg). She is second in the Southwest Conference in field-goal percentage, fourth in rebounds, sixth in steals, fourth in blocked shots and fifth in scoring.

A&M plays Houston on Saturday at G. Rollie White Coliseum, 2 p.m.

Robinson, Spurs smoke Heat 123-101

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — David Robinson scored 26 points and the San Antonio Spurs routed Miami 123-101 Tuesday night, the Heat's 11th loss by more than 20 points this season.

Terry Cummings scored 19 points and Sean Elliott 18 for the Spurs, who have nine wins in their last 10 home games.

After three games as a reserve, Rod Strickland returned to the starting lineup and had 11 points,

nine assists and one turnover in 38 minutes.

The Heat, playing without the injured Glen Rice, got 25 points from Grant Long and 15 from Rony Seikaly. Miami, despite the long list of routs, already has a franchise-record 26 victories this season with 27 games remaining.

Leading 61-58 late in the second quarter, the Spurs scored the final five points of the half and 10 of the first 13 in the third quarter

to take a 76-61 lead that the Heat never threatened. Miami hit just 30 percent of its third-quarter shots.

The Spurs dominated the boards, 60-46, despite Seikaly's 14 rebounds.

Rice, Miami's leading scorer with a 21.3 average, missed the game with a right calf strain. He suffered the injury in practice Monday when he was inadvertently kicked by Seikaly.

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UCLA were undefeated and the best the nation had to offer.

That was then, this is now.

Duke looked like the team to beat. They were the best team in the nation for the first couple of months, led by wonderboy Christian Laettner. But after point guard Bobby Hurley was injured, the Blue Devils have proved to be mortal. They have lost two games in the last three weeks and despite being the No. 1 team in the nation, they are no longer the clear favorite to win it all.

Oklahoma State has hit the skids — big time. The Cowboys were at one time, 20-0, and the No. 2 team in the nation. Now the Cowboys are 21-5 and seem to have as many weaknesses as they do strengths.

UCLA was another team that looked like they could beat anyone. That was before losses to USC and Notre Dame.

So what does all this mean?

Simply put, the best teams this season don't have a clear path to Minneapolis and the Final Four.

Indiana and Kentucky are a couple of teams that could be there, despite lack-luster performances.

Indiana is a good team. But they are just plain boring. CBS better hope the Hoosiers are eliminated quickly in the tournament or they will viewers will begin turning channels for more exciting sources of entertainment.

Then there's Kentucky. The Wildcats struggled early and people wrote them off. They don't have a center but there aren't many teams, outside of LSU and Georgetown, that really

do. What Kentucky does have is a bunch of guys who can hit three pointers, which could take them a long way come tournament time.

The sleeper team of the tournament has to be USC. The Trojans have the best player in the nation this side of Shaquille O'Neal.

Harold Miner is a junior, do-everything player. He can score from outside and isn't afraid to drive the lane and score from the paint.

Miner has been compared to Michael Jordan, which is the ultimate compliment in basketball. Miner even wears the No. 23 on his jersey. He can carry the Trojans a long way.

But there are many teams like the Trojans out there and this season, for a change, anyone of them can leave the "Big Dance" with a big smile.

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(to be continued next week...)

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