

FC women fall short in loss to Pioneers

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The Franklin College women's basketball ran out of time Wednesday, falling to visiting Transylvania 69-67.

Down by only one, the Grizzlies got the ball with 24.2 seconds remaining after the Pioneers committed a shot-clock violation.

With Franklin working for the final shot and the win, Transylvania senior guard Haley Riney stole the ball and converted on one of two free throws to seal the victory.

For the Grizzlies (12-9, 6-7 in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference), it was their third

straight HCAC loss, which could eliminate them from the post-season conference tournament.

Franklin was tied for fifth place going into Wednesday's game, and this year only the top four teams will be in the conference tournament.

Playing without freshman forward Heather Harper, who missed her second game in a row with a hyper-extended knee, the Grizzlies' defense did a superb job on the league's leading scorer, sophomore center Julie Leach. Averaging 20.6 points per game, Leach was held to 11 points in the first half and finished with 15.

Franklin coach Kim Eiler said she was extremely happy with her team's effort.

"That was the big thing we talked about, to play with a lot of energy," Eiler said. "Unfortunately, playing with energy and effort doesn't necessarily guarantee you a win, but I'll coach a team like that any night."

The Pioneers (15-7, 9-4) got to the free-throw line 21 times and made 17, while Franklin got there only four times, making all four.

Junior guard Courtney Swain connected on 4 of 6 from outside the 3-point line and was the game's leading scorer with 26 points, tying a season high.

Meanwhile, seldom-used sophomore guard Stephanie Radtke came off the bench and ignited the Grizzlies with two 3-pointers, one of which tied the score at 52. Her second 3 gave Franklin a 63-60 lead.

Radtke finished the game with 12 points.

Senior Katie Douglas was Franklin's second-leading scorer with 15 points, and she hauled down a team-high nine rebounds.

Transylvania senior guard Cindy Beavin, who brought her team back in the final three minutes, totaled a team-high 18 points.

Franklin will be at home at 3 p.m. Saturday for senior day

against conference foe Mount St. Joseph.

Men score road win against Transylvania

A hot-shooting performance spurred Franklin College's men's basketball team to a 76-66 road victory against Transylvania on Wednesday night.

The Grizzlies (13-9, 8-5) shot 55 percent from the field and were led by sophomore guard Jace Redman, who scored a game-high 20 points on 6-of-7 shooting from the field, including a perfect 3-for-3 from behind the arc.

Franklin had three other play-

ers reach double figures in scoring as Marty Young scored 17 points, Luke Tudor added 14 and Dustin Marshall chipped in 11.

Transylvania (14-8, 7-6) was led by Nick Feagan's 17 points. But the Pioneers were undone by a first half in which Franklin built a 15-point advantage.

The win is Franklin's fifth in its past six contests and lifts the Grizzlies' Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference record to 8-5 and a three-way tie for second place with Mount St. Joseph and Defiance.

Franklin returns to the court Saturday in a vital road conference game against Mount St. Joseph.

Boilers get defensive

Purdue men tie school record in win against Michigan State

The Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE

Carl Landry and David Teague each scored 20 points, and Purdue produced a record-tying defensive effort to beat Michigan State 62-38 on Wednesday night.

Purdue allowed 12 points in the second half to tie the school record for the fewest points allowed in a half. It was Michigan State's lowest point total of the season and the fewest points Purdue has allowed this season.

Raymar Morgan led Michigan State with nine points. Drew Neitzel went in as the Big Ten's fourth-leading scorer with nearly 19 points per game, but he was held to a season-low five points on 2-for-11 shooting. He had scored in double figures for 23 consecutive games.

Purdue (16-8, 5-5 Big Ten) forced 21 turnovers in the game and held the Spartans to 25 percent shooting in the second half.

The teams entered the game in a three-way tie for sixth place in the conference.

The game had added importance because it was their only scheduled meeting of the regular season.

Michigan State (17-8, 4-6) has lost four straight games.

Teague scored 18 points and made four 3-pointers in the second half to help Purdue improve to 13-1 at home.



LANDRY



Purdue's David Teague, left, drives against Michigan State's Goran Sutan during the first half of their game

Wednesday in West Lafayette. Teague scored 20 points in the Boilers' big win against the Spartans.

WEDNESDAY'S NCAA ROUNDUP

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WOMEN

Notre Dame 64

No. 17 Louisville 55

SOUTH BEND — Charel Allen scored 21 points, and Notre Dame used a big run late in the second half to overcome a 12-point deficit and beat No. 17 Louisville.

The Irish trailed 48-43 after Chantise Wright scored inside with 9:30 left. But Allen hit a shot from 17 feet and then found Tulyah Gaines to trigger a decisive 16-0 run. Allen scored eight points during the burst.

Angel McCoughtry scored 19 points in the first half to lead Louisville (21-3, 7-3 Big East) but was held to just 10 points in the second half when the Irish switched to a box-and-one defense to slow her down.

The Irish (15-8, 6-4) improved to 12-1 at home this season. The victory was their second home win against a ranked team this season. Notre Dame beat then-No. 10 Purdue 67-58 on Dec. 6.

No. 15 Baylor 80

Texas Tech 67

LUBBOCK, Texas — Jhasmin Player scored a career-high 22 points to lead No. 15 Baylor to a win against Texas Tech.

Bernice Mosby added 15 points and 13 rebounds for Baylor (20-4, 7-3 Big 12), which has 20 wins for the seventh-straight season.

Patrice Edwards scored a career-high 33 points to lead Tech (14-10, 5-5) and Jordan Murphree added 11.

MEN

No. 1 Florida 71

Georgia 61

ATHENS, Ga. — Corey Brewer scored 18 points, Al Horford added 17, and top-ranked Florida stretched its winning streak to 15 games, pulling away in the second half for a win against Georgia.

Florida (22-2, 9-0 Southeastern



Notre Dame guard Charel Allen, right, drives around Louisville forward Angel McCoughtry during the second half of their game Wednesday.

Conference) also extended its best start ever in the league by sweeping its season series with the Bulldogs. The Gators won 67-51 in Gainesville a month ago, dominating over the final 20 minutes after Georgia led at halftime.

Georgia (13-9, 5-5) lost its third in a row after building an 18-13 lead midway through the first half.

The defending national champions responded with nine straight points and led the rest of the way, limiting the Bulldogs to 34 percent (20 of 59) from the field.

No. 7 Pittsburgh 60

West Virginia 47

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Sam Young scored a career-high 21 points to lead No. 7 Pittsburgh to a win against West Virginia for the Mountaineers' first home loss of the season.

Pittsburgh (21-3, 9-1 Big East) showed no signs of rust from a nine-day layoff and had no trouble scoring inside on the Mountaineers (18-5, 7-4), who were held to a season-low for points. West Virginia's previous low was 50 in a

season-opening win against Mount St. Mary's.

West Virginia fell behind by as many as 17 midway through the second half and was held to just two points over the final 4:46.

No. 4 Wisconsin 71

Penn State 58

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Alando Tucker scored 24 points, Michael Flowers added 12, and No. 4 Wisconsin pulled away after halftime to beat Penn State.

The Nittany Lions (10-12, 1-8 Big Ten) hung close for much of the game thanks to an active zone and energetic forward Jamelle Cornley, who finished with 20 points.

The Badgers (23-2, 9-1) at times couldn't hit shots when they did find space.

Things quickly changed midway through the second half. Flowers hit a couple of 3s from nearly the exact same spot in the corner to give Wisconsin a 51-43 lead with 10 minutes left.

Iowa 91

Minnesota 78

MINNEAPOLIS — Adam Haluska scored 34 points to lead Iowa past Minnesota, the third straight win for the Hawkeyes.

Tyler Smith added 19 points and eight rebounds, and Tony Freeman and Mike Henderson each added 11 points for Iowa (14-10, 6-4 Big Ten), which went 10 for 16 from 3-point range.

Haluska, who sank six of his 10 attempts from behind the arc, gave the Hawkeyes three points each on 10 separate possessions.

Center Spencer Tollackson returned from a broken left hand that kept him out the last month and scored 23 points for the Gophers (9-15, 3-7), who shot a season-best 63.3 percent from the floor.

All seven of their conference losses have been by 10 points or more, and they host fourth-ranked Wisconsin and third-ranked Ohio State next week.

• Fight

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people during the scuffle that happened about 2:15 a.m. at the club on the city's west side.

The confrontation followed another fight involving a person who employees thought was trying to steal coats from the coat check area, police said.

"This was after a game Monday night," Carlisle said. "They were at a function supporting the Colts who had had their Super Bowl celebration at the RCA Dome. ... Our guys have a lot of friends on that team, and their intentions were good."

The three players would not comment on the allegations before Wednesday night's game against Seattle.

"I had nothing to do with this," Tinsley said in a statement released earlier by the Pacers. "I'm extremely upset that my name has been associated with this."

The manager and witnesses told officers that Tinsley, Daniels and a man with them punched the manager in the face and head.

The manager "stated that he was unable to defend himself, at which time both witnesses ... stated that they felt that the life of the victim was in danger," according to the report.

Pacers CEO Donnie Walsh said in a statement Wednesday that the team was aware of the allegations but would have no further comment until police complete the investigation.

"I am totally innocent. Hopefully, the truth will come out," Daniels said in a statement released by the team.

McLeod said in the statement that the players were trying to leave when they noticed a scuffle but denied they were involved.

Tinsley was at a strip club with then-Pacers teammate Stephen Jackson in October when a fight broke out during which Jackson fired a gun into the air several times before he was hit by a car.

Tinsley was not charged in that fight, but Jackson faces criminal recklessness and other charges. Jackson, who has pleaded not guilty, was traded to Golden State on Jan. 17.

• Bars

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probably weren't there to condition or break down film.

They probably weren't drinking soft drinks, either.

At 2:15 a.m., they definitely weren't catching up on sleep.

From all of the above, this much can be accurately pieced together. At the very least, Tinsley and Daniels don't have the best work habits. McLeod probably doesn't, either, but the jury's still out since this is just his first late-night bar row.

For Tinsley and Daniels, it's their second offense in less than four months.

Judging from this vantage point, it's enough to convict the pair of not being true professionals, the definition of which means doing what it takes, on and off the court, to be a winner.

These two act like losers. And it hurts the Pacers on multiple fronts.

It's bad enough they're a fringe playoff team. It's even worse that fans have yet another reason to tune out what was once a model NBA franchise.

On the court, the product is average, a fact easily attributable to mediocre talent. But as this incident reflects, there's more to it than that. Talent is one component, but maturity is another.

Indiana appears bankrupt of the latter commodity.

No doubt there are some guys in the locker room who take what they do seriously. But way too many seem to take it for granted.

If shooting it out at strip clubs during training camp or partying it up at late-night bars during the season doesn't illustrate that point, what does?

What it shows is that too many Pacers, and Tinsley and Daniels in particular, are in it for the

WEDNESDAY'S NBA ROUNDUP

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76ers 92

Bobcats 83

PHILADELPHIA — Andre Iguodala scored 27 points, and Andre Miller had 13 to lead the suddenly surging Philadelphia 76ers to a victory against Charlotte.

Gerald Wallace and Emeka Okafor each scored 16 points for the Bobcats.

Spurs 110

Wizards 83

WASHINGTON — Tony Parker and Tim Duncan scored 20 points apiece, and the San Antonio Spurs pulled even on their road trip with a victory against the Washington Wizards.

Cavaliers 94

Clippers 77

CLEVELAND — Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 16 points with a season-high 16 rebounds, Larry Hughes scored 15 points, and the Cleveland Cavaliers hardly needed LeBron James in an easy win against the Clippers.

James scored 11 points — three above his season low and 15 below his average — and spent the first half of the fourth quarter watching as the scuffling Cavaliers, who came in just 4-8 since Jan. 16, won their fifth straight at home against the Clippers.

Nets 87

Hawks 85

ATLANTA — Vince Carter made the go-ahead layup with 7.6 seconds remaining and grabbed a critical rebound on Atlanta's final possession, and the New Jersey Nets stopped a four-game losing streak with a victory against the Hawks.

Raptors 113

Magic 103

TORONTO — Chris Bosh scored a career-high 41 points and outplayed Dwight Howard in a matchup of All-Star big men as the Toronto Raptors won their season-high fourth straight with a win against the Magic.

Heat 91

Celtics 79

BOSTON — The Miami Heat keep winning, and the Boston Celtics keep on losing.

Dwyane Wade had 30 points and nine assists to lead the Heat to their fifth consecutive victory, sending the Celtics to a franchise-record 16th loss in a row.

obscene paychecks and the decadent lifestyle the money affords.

Winning? It's great to talk about, but it requires a bit more pride and character than some Pacers apparently have.

Sacrifice? Self-discipline? Self-control?

Must not be part of the contract.

Obviously, the recent house-cleaning that swept out Stephen Jackson and Al Harrington wasn't thorough. It's time to sweep the rest of the dirt from under the rug.

It's time for Tinsley to go. Daniels, too. The sooner the better.

This once-model NBA franchise obviously has a high threshold for humiliation. But it has to have its limit. If this isn't it, what is?

We don't know the facts. The players say they did nothing wrong. Legally speaking, maybe they didn't.

But being at that bar at 2:15 a.m., even if they were lifting weights and drinking protein shakes, sends a message that they just don't care.

That, or it shows they're just too stupid to know that partying and playing don't mix.

Either way, it's not part of the fan bargain. Yet, sadly, it's what paying customers have come to expect.

Proof is reflected by the dwindling Conseco Fieldhouse crowds.

Unless the franchise wants to become a permanent afterthought in the afterglow of the Colts' Super Bowl win, Donnie Walsh and Larry Bird will answer this wakeup call and send Tinsley and the like packing.

Recent events notwithstanding, it's not too late to salvage some dignity. Not the season, perhaps, but at least some dignity.

At this low ebb, every little bit helps.

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