The Red All-Star team's offensive unit setting up to snap off against the Blue All-Star team's vicious first half defense. [photo: TG]





AYFS Red All-Stars rally from behind to win over the Blue All-Stars

by T. Gasu

Samoa News Sports Correspondent

uring the closing of the 9th American Youth Football of Samoa (AYFS) season last Saturday morning, the final double header kicked off with the Red and Blue All-Star battle that concluded in favor of the Red All-Star team, led by Head Coach Kirifi Ofagalilo, who led the AYFS Packers to No.3 in ranking this year. Leading the Blue All-Star team was Head Coach Loso I'aulualo and Travis Shalhout of the AYFS Panthers.

The Blue All-Star team featured players from the AYFS Panthers and 49ers – the Red All-Star team was made up of players from the AYFS Steelers and Packers.

During the closing ceremony, the All-Star Most Valuable Player (MVP) was awarded to the athletes who delivered the goods.

Defensive Player of the Game was awarded to Sue Luamanu (#34) of the Blue All-Star team, and he is from the AYFS Panthers team, while the Offensive Player of the Game was awarded to Red All-Star team's Paptea Timo from the AYFS Packers.

Red All-Star Team 14 – Blue All-Star Team 8

The Blue All-Star team came out swinging, bringing an unbeatable defense onto the field that would shut out the Red team throughout the opening quarter of play. The Red All-Star's defense showed a lot of containment as well, assuring a play strategy that paid off during the second half of play.

The Red team's defensive game plan slacked off just a bit in the second quarter, as the Blue team made them pay in the first half.

Their plan was no match for the unstoppable ground game set up by I'aulualo and the boys in blue.

7:28 in the second quarter, and the Blue team, who were playing a third and goal situation on the Red team's 2 yard line, saw Pilimase Meafou sending Steven Sinoti straight up the middle for the opening touchdown of the game. The two point attempt was a tuck and run by Meafou to secure an 8 point lead.

As the Blue team was celebrating their first touchdown of the game, they were silenced by the Red's special team during a kick off return play – the kick off after the touchdown was received by Joseph Nanai of the Red team.

They went into a quick huddle with defenders coming down-field, but as they broke out of the huddle, the majority of the Red team scrambled to the far side of the field, and it was Paptea Timo who broke out to the opposite side of the field to find the side-lines, and he was gone with the wind to return the kick off all the way back to the end zone for an 85-yard return for a touchdown, scoring the Red All-Star team's first touchdown of the game late in the second quarter.

The two point attempt was a sweep play out to Ricky Tusitala Sipa, who was stopped immediately in the backfield by Sue Luamanu and a host of Blue defenders.

The Red team now trailed the Blue team by two points 6-8.

Coming on to the field in the second half, the Red All-Star team - who utilized a ground game the majority of the first half – switched off to their air-attack, as Offensive Coordinator Shawn Togia managed to find a weakness in the Blue team's defensive coverage in the backfield, and took advantage with two good play calls that brought the Red team back to life to take the lead.

2:48 remaining in the third quarter, and the Red team who had just gained 39 yards on a slant pass play by Alfred Maiava to Joseph Gibson Collins, managed to trick the Blue team with two more running plays before they hit the same passing play again to score their second touchdown of the game.

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99-86 in NIT

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Freshman Victor Bailey Jr. hit 7 of 8 3-pointers and scored 23 points, both career bests, and Oregon rallied in the fourth quarter to defeat Rider 99-86 in a first-round NIT game on Tuesday night.

Payton Pritchard also scored 23 points and Elijah Brown added 18 for the Ducks (23-12), a three-seed that had no problem with one of the NIT experimental rules. The 3-point line was moved back 20 inches to match the international line and the Ducks were 14 of 25 from distance. Kenny Wooten had 12 points and 10

After taking a 3-2 lead, Oregon didn't lead again until a Pritchard layup made it 57-56 at 2:24 of the third quarter — quarters being another NIT rule.

Rider (22-10), a six seed, which led by 12 in the third quarter before an 11-0 Oregon run, took a 65-61 lead into the fourth quarter but the Ducks hit 11 of 12 shots, including five 3s, and 11 of 14 3-pointers in the last 10 minutes. Oregon shot 77 percent in the second half and 59 percent for the game to advance to the second round against the winner of Wednesday's Harvard-Marquette game.

Dimencio Vaughn led the Broncs, who shot 39 percent in the second half, with 25 points. Tyere Marshall added 18, Jordan Allen 17 and Frederick Scott 16.

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Bailey's 7 3s spark Bonnies stun UCLA 65-58 Oregon over Rider for 1st NCAA Tourney win in 48 years

By JOE KAY, AP Sports Writer

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) The basketball was still high in the air — flung to start the celebration — when the buzzer sounded and the Bonnies' longawaited March celebration commenced. Players chest-bumped on court. Coach Mark Schmidt jumped and waved his arms.

The crowd at the University of Dayton Arena - a place where St. Bonaventure is usually booed - got caught up in the moment, too. And why not? It had been 48 years since anyone saw something like this out of St. Bonaventure.

Courtney Stockard returned from a hamstring injury and scored 26 points, and Jaylen Adams hit a jumper and three free throws in the final minute Tuesday night, rallying the Bonnies to a 65-58 victory over UCLA and their first NCAA Tournament victory since 1970.

At long last, it was time to party in March.

"It can't get better," Schmidt

They'll have more chances. The 11th-seeded Bonnies (26-7) will play sixth-seeded Florida (20-12) in Dallas on Thursday night in the East region. They did interviews, showered and headed for a flight to their next destination.

"Florida's got four or five days on us, so we'll be watching tape on the plane," Schmidt said. "We've got a 2 a.m. flight, but it couldn't be a better flight. Ever."

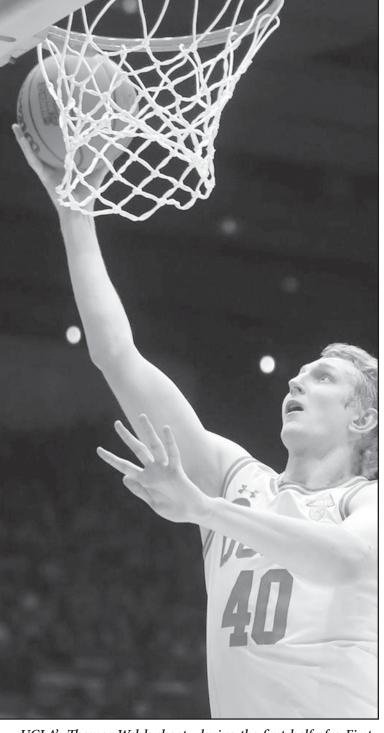
St. Bonaventure set a school record with its 26th win. Stockard got the Bonnies in position for the drought-busting tournament victory by leading a late 12-0 run. Adams — who missed 14 of his first 15 shots closed it out in the final 49 seconds.

"I'm still not 100 percent," Stockard said, "but I'm feeling way better than when I did when I left the Richmond game. much." So I can't really let an opportunity like this pass."

UCLA (21-12) was surprised that it got relegated to the First Four for the first time in its history — the Bruins have been to 18 Final Fours. They had trouble making shots against the Bonnies' zone defense and matched their season high with 20 turnovers, a disappointing ending to a season that started with an international incident.

Freshmen Jalen Hill, Cody Riley and LiAngelo Ball were accused of shoplifting during a trip to China in November. All three were suspended for the season, and Ball left the school.

UCLA's Aaron Holiday led the Pac-12 in scoring but couldn't put his touch on the First Four game. He scored 20 points but had 10 turnovers, including three in the final 29



UCLA's Thomas Welsh shoots during the first half of a First Four game of the NCAA college basketball tournament against St. Bonaventure, Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Dayton, Ohio. (AP Photo/John Minchillo)

seconds as the game slipped

pretty well," Holiday said. "We Four. just turned the ball over too

until the final minute. He finished with eight points on Bonaventure also played at UD 2-of-16 shooting.

BIG PICTURE

St. Bonaventure: The undersized Bonnies lack depth and were glad to get Stockard back from the hamstring injury. He's scored 21, 31, 22, 19 and 26 points in the last five games.

UCLA: Holiday was the Bruins' indispensable player on offense in the last six games, averaging 26 points while sitting out for only 43 seconds total. The Pac-12's leading scorer got the Bruins going early, hitting his first three shots as they pulled ahead 14-5. He St. Bonaventure rallied.

A LOT OF WS

St. Bonaventure's 26 wins surpass the 25 by the 1969-70 "I felt like we matched them team that reached the Final

BONNIE ARENA

UCLA was booed by the Adams is the Bonnies' all- Dayton crowd when it took time leading scorer as a guard the court. St. Bonaventure but had a rough time as well like the Flyers, an Atlantic 10 team — got a loud ovation. St. Arena on Jan. 3 and lost to the Flyers 82-72. That time they were booed, of course.

REGGIE MILLER TIME

Holiday is the first UCLA guard to average at least 19 points in a season since Reggie Miller had 22.3 as a senior in 1986-87.

UP NEXT

St. Bonaventure will try to win two games in the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1970, when it beat Davidson, N.C. State and Villanova before losing to Jacksonville. The Bonnies had lost three missed his next eight shots as NCAA Tournament games in 1978, 2000 and 2012 — since that last win in 1970.



Winnipeg Jets defenseman Josh Morrissey (44) falls as Nashville Predators' Roman Josi (59), of Switzerland, skates past in the first period of an NHL hockey game Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Nashville, Tenn. (AP Photo/Mark Humphrey)

Rinne makes 32 saves as **Predators beat Jets 3-1**

By JIM DIAMOND, Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Facing a tired helps." team, the Nashville Predators jumped on Winnipeg early.

Pekka Rinne made 32 saves and the surging Predators scored two short-handed goals in over in goal for starter Michael Hutchinson. beating the Jets 3-1 on Tuesday night to tie for the top spot in the NHL standings.

Arvidsson had the goals for Nashville, which has shots he faced in 8:45 of action. won 11 of 12.

The Predators reached 100 points in 69 games, the fastest mark in franchise history. The defending Western Conference champions are even with Eastern Conference-leading Tampa Bay — and Nashville has played one fewer game.

Kyle Connor scored for the Jets, losers of three straight. Winnipeg fell eight points behind the first-place Predators in the Central Division.

"We had marked it as a game that had to go our way as we sit here and push towards it late in the season," Nashville coach Peter Laviolette said. "Trying to battle for what we need to do in order to better ourselves for the playoffs and obviously the division and the conference. Those are things we talk about, so the two points were from the right side. very important."

Nashville scored three goals before the game was nine minutes old. Playing the finale of a sixgame road trip, their longest of the season — and their second game in two nights — the Jets came We knew the first was going to be tough for us. out sluggish against the speedy Predators.

Fiala scored the first goal at 2:48 of the opening period.

Roman Josi carried the puck up center ice before sending a pass to Kyle Turris on the right side. Turris returned the pass to Josi as he continued through the slot and he immediately fed a trailing Fiala with a backhand pass. He had an puck that was headed into the net after Rinne got open net, and he buried a snap shot up high for a piece of a shot from Laine. his 22nd goal of the season.

climb up in the standings," Josi said. "You want Aleksander Barkov of the Florida Panthers. ... to finish as high as you can. It's definitely one of our goals. It's huge for the playoffs to get that nipeg successfully killed off all three Nashville home-ice advantage. It's definitely on our mind and we want to stay there now and get better."

Watson and Arvidsson scored short-handed make it 3-0. It was the first time in Predators history that they scored short-handed twice on the same power play.

"Right now, the team is playing great," Watson said. "Our penalty kill has done a good job of taking away time and space and forcing turnovers. When you get a chance to jump on it,

it's nice. Every time a couple go in for you, it

Jets coach Paul Maurice called a basketballstyle timeout following Arvidsson's goal. Following the stoppage, Connor Hellebuyck took After the first period, the team announced that Hutchinson would not return due to an upper-Kevin Fiala, Austin Watson and Viktor body injury. Hutchinson stopped 12 of the 15

> Nashville poured 24 shots on the Winnipeg net in the first, its most in a period this season.

> After the first, Winnipeg founds its legs and put 27 shots on Rinne in the final two periods.

> "In a tough situation, I really liked the way we stayed with it," Maurice said. "There wasn't anything easy there for us tonight. The bench was good. They kept battling and we kind of shut the game down well in the second period, which is hard to do, and had a good push in the third. That's what I'm taking from this one."

Hellebuyck made 30 saves in relief.

Connor got Winnipeg on the scoreboard at 1:08 of the third with a power-play goal when he tapped in the rebound of Blake Wheeler's shot

"I saw a team that was down about half their players and playing the back end of a back-toback," Jets captain Blake Wheeler said of his team. "We went into a tough overtime last night. They came out hot."

Patrik Laine picked up an assist on Connor's goal, extending his franchise-record point streak to 13 games.

Watson also did some strong work in his defensive zone to help Rinne. With just more than eight minutes gone in the third, he cleared a

NOTES: Watson's four short-handed goals "I think every season you play, you want to this season place him one behind NHL leader Nashville is 34-3-5 when scoring first. ... Winpower plays. The Jets have not allowed an opponent to score on the man advantage in five of their last six games. ... Jets C Paul Stastny was a late goals 34 seconds apart on the same penalty kill to scratch. Maurice said Stastny experienced tightness during warmups and could not play.

UP NEXT

Jets: Host the Chicago Blackhawks on Thursday.

Predators: At the Arizona Coyotes on Thursday.

Venus, Halep win, Wozniacki upset at **Indian Wells**

By BETH HARRIS, AP Sports Writer

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Venus Williams defeated Anastasija Sevastova of Latvia 7-6 (8), 6-4 to reach the quarterfinals of the BNP Paribas Open on Tuesday as the oldest woman

The 37-year-old American was coming off a straight-set victory over younger sister Serena a night earlier, ending a threematch skid against her sibling.

"It was a quick turnaround from last night when it feels like, 'Hey, this is a final to you're only in the fourth round," Williams

Playing under cloudy skies in 80-degree heat, Williams had her hands full with Sevastova, who used drop shots, top spin, lobs and jerked her 10-years-older opponent side to side.

"There were some points where she just played and it was too good," Williams said. "I thought I was in control of the point and winning the point, and she turned it around. It's just real talent."

After early losses in her first two tournaments of the year, Williams hasn't dropped a set at Indian Wells, where she has yet to reach the final in six previous appearances.

Awaiting Williams in the quarterfinals is 27th-seeded Carla Suarez Navarro of Spain, who beat American wild card Danielle Collins 6-2, 6-4.

Simona Halep is on track to retain her No. 1 world ranking after defeating Wang Qiang of China 7-5, 6-1 in the fourth round.

Halep is the only former Indian Wells winner left in the women's draw after No. 20 Daria Kasatkina upset No. 2 Caroline Wozniacki 6-4, 7-5. Wozniacki blew a 3-0 lead in the first set and was on the run most of the match before losing for the second time this year to the 20-year-old Russian.

By reaching the quarterfinals, Kasatkina is projected to surpass her career-best ranking of 17th. She has beaten all four current Grand Slam titleholders in the past year, including U.S. Open winner Sloane Stephens in straight sets this week.

Halep improved to 17-1 this year and needs only to reach the final to stay at the top.

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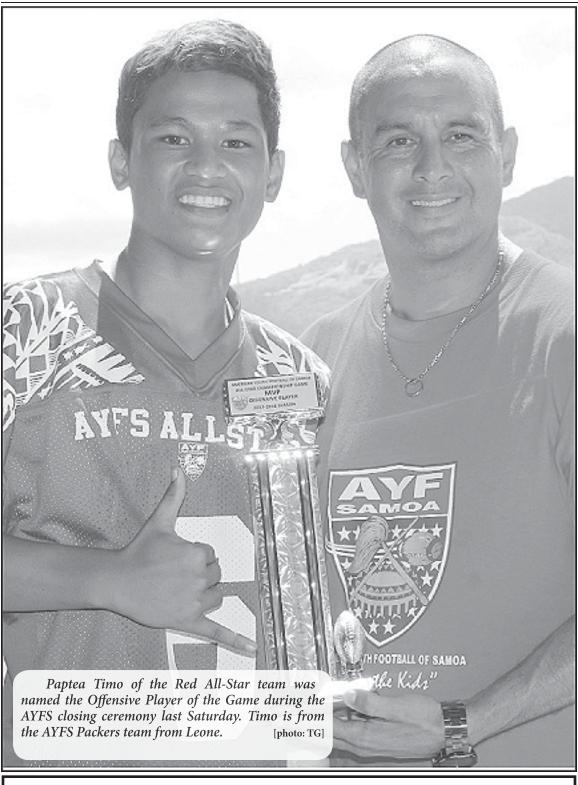
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A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting for all contractors will be held on March 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Procurement-Conference Room. Bids will not be accepted from bidders who are not present at the pre-bid meeting.

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DR. ORETA MAPU CRICHTON Chief Procurement Officer

South Carolina's Wilson excels as game's best amid struggles

By PETE IACOBELLI, AP Sports Writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Wilson is perhaps standing taller than ever after a season in which and the defending national champions struggled.

The 6-foot-5 senior became the first three-time Southeastern Conference player of the year and set South Carolina's career scoring mark while mentoring the next group of Gamecocks and thriving as the best women's college basketball player.

Wilson, who was the No. 1 high school recruit, is a leading candidate to be named national player of the year.

"She has embraced her helping her teams." ambassadorship," college basketball analyst Debbie Antonelli said. At some point over the next few weeks, Wilson's impressive college journey will end. She and the Gamecocks are seeded No. 2 in the Albany Regional. They'll open Friday night at home against No. 15 seed North Carolina A&T.

Staley knows the emotions haps more than the others. will flow as Wilson's time in Columbia winds down.

"When a player has had that kind of impact on you personally and this program, you get a little emotional because you may not get another player like that ever," Staley said.

years ago to keep Wilson, who lived about a half-hour from campus in Hopkins, close to home. She had to fend off the likes of UConn and Tennessee.

olina's rising program achieve and postgame media sessions. milestones it had not before. in Dallas last April.

Gray gave up their eligibility for the WNBA. Wilson's role instantly changed into a teacher as well as main threat on the games armed with the No. 1 court."Shifting gears is never a pick in next month's draft. hard thing for me," Wilson said. "I love to put myself in those in scoring (22.6 point average) situations because that's how I grow."Not that it's been easy.

Wilson fouled out in a loss at Missouri when the Tigers made it their focus to physically the return game last month and 1 Huskies.

the Gamecocks lost once more.

There were demoralizing defeats against the game's South Carolina forward A'ja best, 83-58 to No. 1 UConn and a few days later, to then No. 2 Mississippi State, 67-53, where Wilson was just 14 of 38 shooting in the two games.

> Wilson's father, Roscoe Wilson Jr., said it's difficult for his daughter to handle when she believes she's letting down teammates. A'ja Wilson may have smiled broadly when using a scooter to get around on her bad ankle, but she was angry and frustrated about missing critical contests.

> "It's who she is," Roscoe Wilson said. "She's all about

The struggles seemed to vanish earlier this month when Wilson, the conference tourney's MVP, led the Gamecocks to a 62-51 championship win over previously unbeaten Mississippi State for a fourth straight SEC Tournament title - a first for any league team. Wilson celebrated with exuber-South Carolina coach Dawn ance, enjoying this crown per-

"To never lose a game in the SEC Tournament is something rare. It's a blessing and an honor," she said. "For us to do what we did, especially with people doubting us, it's a great feeling."Point guard Tyasha Harris said Wilson has given Staley fought like crazy four more of herself this season to help lead South Carolina's young lineup this year. Wilson has expanded her game on the court as well, bringing the ball up more after rebounds. She's Wilson knew as a high also the leader in goofiness school senior she wanted the among teammates in locker challenge of helping South Carrooms, bus rides, plane flights

When giving out her one she saw fulfilled amid the Instragam address after the confetti and cheers after win- SEC Tournament championning the national championship ship game, a laughing Wilson made sure to note, "It's A-j-a, Within days, the several not A-s-i-a."There are few fans starters on that team were gone. of the women's game who don't Alaina Coates was a senior and know Wilson's accomplishjuniors Kaela Davis and Allisha ments. Bill Laimbeer, general manager and coach of the relocated WNBA Las Vegas franchise, has attended Wilson's

Wilson, who led the SEC and blocks (3.2 a game) and was third in rebounding (11.2) per game), is ready to stretch her wing span for the pros.

First, though, there's one last challenge South Carolina's top tournament to finish. Wilson player. A sprained ankle late understands the Gamecocks, in against Auburn led her to miss the same region as top-seeded a home loss to Tennessee in UConn, won't get much back January. Vertigo kept her from to toppled the undefeated, No.

Davis leads Pelicans past Hornets, 119-115

By BRETT MARTEL, AP Sports

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Anthony Davis and the New Orleans Pelicans ran their way over in the clutch sometimes. out of a two-game skid with a slew of shots around the rim.

Davis had 31 points, 14 rebounds and five blocked shots, and New Orleans beat the handful." struggling Charlotte Hornets 119-115 on Tuesday night.

that," Davis said of a fast-paced attack that produced 78 points in the paint and 28 points on handful of alley-oop dunks by connections for open 3s. Davis.

stops, we're able to get the with him," Davis said "When ball out and run it back down a you have a guy like that, it's team's throat and put them on easier for guys to get involved their heels," Davis said.

The Pelicans had scored no streak, but failed to reach 100 in team that has lost six of seven. their previous two losses.

gence, handing out 17 assists to go with 12 points. Jrue Holiday highlighted a 25-point, nineassist performance with 10 front for good.

Holiday's second 3 in that 22 3-point attempts. stretch widened New Orleans' lead to five points with 1:19 to 52 percent in a high-scoring first go and he added a driving finger half during which New Orleans roll that made it 117-110 with never trailed, but also never led 30 seconds left.

"I just decided to be aggressive," Holiday said. "Rondo a close-range hook shot with gave me ball, so that was kind 1:37 left in the second quarter. of a sign."

with 2.8 seconds to go.

Hornets coach Steve Clifford sounded resigned to the fact that players like Holiday can take

"He's playing at the level relentless pace that produced a he was when he was an All-Star" with Philadelphia in 2013, Clifford said. "This is his best year he's had in while. He's a

New Orleans shot 50 percent (52 of 104), with seven players "It was good to get back to scoring 11 or more. Davis gave credit for that to Rondo, who set up teammates with everything from no-look, behind-the-back fast breaks - not to mention a bounce passes to cross-court

"He likes to push the ball, so "Even when we don't get we need everybody else to run and get it going."

Still, the Pelicans needed fewer than 114 points during every bit of that production in their recent 10-game winning a tense contest with a Hornets

Dwight Howard had 22 Rajon Rondo spearheaded points, 11 rebounds and three New Orleans' offensive resurblocked shots for Charlotte, while Kemba Walker added 22 points. Kaminsky had 21 on 9-of-13 shooting and Batum scored 20 for the Hornets, who points in the final 2:39, starting shot 48.4 percent (45 of 93), with a 3 that put the Pelicans in but went 7 of 26 from 3-point range.The Pelicans made 9 of

> Both teams shot better than by more than 11.

Davis reached 21 points on But before the half ended, Charlotte gave itself a chance Walker scored his 20th point on for an unlikely comeback when a driving finger roll that made Nicolas Batum's steal led to it 72-65. Charlotte didn't take Frank Kaminsky's 3 that made its first lead until Kaminsky's it a two-point game with 4.5 three-point play on a driving seconds left. The result wasn't layup while being fouled by



Charlotte Hornets forward Michael Kidd-Gilchrist (14) shoots the ball against New Orleans Pelicans forward Anthony Davis (23) in the first half of an NBA basketball game in New Orleans, Tuesday, March. 13, 2018. (AP Photo/Veronica Dominach)





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Venus...

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Next up for Halep is Petra Czech Republic 6-3, 7-6 (4).

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mentier, No. 23 seed Anastasia every time I can.' Pavlyuchenkova and two-time tova without dropping a set.

scared," Pliskova said of Anisi- Hughes Herbert 6-2, 3-1. mova. "You can see she's hitgood and not really any weak- ended the match. ness. I think everything is pretty solid."Pliskova faces a quarter- fourth-round matchup with final against Naomi Osaka, who Philipp Kohlschreiber of Gerbeat Maria Sakkari of Greece many, who upset No. 2 seed 6-1, 5-7, 6-1.

Halep attended Venus Wil-Martic of Croatia, who beat liams' straight-set victory over Marketa Vondrousova of the 36-year-old sister and new mother Serena on Monday American teenager Amanda night."I love the way that they Anisimova's run of success are motivated and they are ended in a 6-1, 7-6 (2) loss to still playing at this age, Serena No. 5 seed Karolina Pliskova of with the kid," Halep said. "It's a great thing what they do for Anisimova, a 16-year-old sport, and it's great that tennis wild card, won her first three has them. I have many things WTA Tour matches at Indian to learn from them. That's why Wells, beating Pauline Par- I'm trying just to go in to watch

On the men's side, Gael Wimbledon winner Petra Kvi- Monfils retired in the second set with a back injury trailing "She's 16, so she's not fellow Frenchman Pierre-

Monfils used an eight-minute ting the ball without thinking. injury timeout in the second But everybody is playing like set to get his back worked on this when they are 16. I think before returning to the court and this will change a little bit in the getting broken in fourth game. future, but for sure the game is He then walked to the net and

> Herbert moved on to a Marin Cilic 6-4, 6-4.

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Valanciunas has 26, Raptors beat Nets for 9th straight win



Brooklyn Nets guard D'Angelo Russell (1) reacts a s he looks at his points total during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Toronto Raptors, Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in New York. (AP Photo/Kathy Willens)

By ADRY TORRES, Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The Toronto Raptors reached 50 wins for the third straight season.

Lowry are seeking much more.

"There's a bigger goal," said DeRozan, the lone holdover from a Raptors team that went 22-60 in 2010-11. "Success during the regular season is great, but we're playing for something bigger than all of us. That's to get in the postseason and win all the rounds to get that gold trophy."

Jonas Valanciunas had 26 Raptors won their ninth straight leet's 3-pointer that made it and DeRozan, the Raptors the Brooklyn Nets on Tuesday quarter. night.

won a franchise record-tying ning of the game." seventh straight road game.

Toronto increased its lead in the East over the Boston Celtics, who were off Tuesday, to four games with the start of the playoffs just a month away.

"It's a good mark. It's a good milestone for us. It's a good thing for the franchise," Lowry said. "But we got bigger things to fry, bigger fish to fry. It's another win, another steppingstone for our organization, for our journey."

D'Angelo Russell hit his first seven shots — all 3-pointers and scored 24 points in the first quarter for the Nets, who have lost 11 straight to the Raptors.

The Nets point guard was

Hollis-Jefferson scored 19.

"They trapped me, forced figures. DeMar DeRozan and Kyle me to pass it," Russell said. "We just missed shots down the stretch. I think if we make those shots it might be a different game."

Despite owning the league's third-best overall record, the Raptors have struggled coming out of the gate this season, and trailed 74-59 after Dante Cunningham's tip-in layup in the opening minutes of the second points and 14 rebounds, and the 15-0 run, capped by VanV-

"It was nothing magical," DeRozan and reserve guard Raptors coach Dwane Casey Fred VanVleet each scored 15 said of his team's play in points, and Lowry added 11 the second half. "But again, points and 11 assists for the I shouldn't have to yell and Raptors, who held Brooklyn scream to get guys to play hard if I said it's not important. It is to 35 points after halftime and at half. Just start at the begin-important. I mean, it's impor-

> fourth, CJ Miles led a 14-4 run one extending Toronto's lead said. 103-95 with 7:15 left. Miles finished with 12 points.

Brooklyn got within 103-100 with 5:48 remaining. The Raptors shut the Nets down the rest of the way, setting up DeRo-110-100 with 2:27 to play.

TIP-INS

Raptors: Also won seven consecutive games away from Air Canada Centre from Nov. 23 to Dec. 26, 2006. ... Have scored at least 100 points in subbed out with 4:20 remaining in a franchise record-tying 20

in the period and managed to straight games. Toronto reached make just 3 of 14 from the field the century mark in 20 straight the rest of the way. He finished during the 2009-10 season. ... with 32 points, and Rondae Delon Wright scored 10 points, one of six Raptors in double

> Nets: According to the Elias Sports Bureau, Russell's 24 points in the first quarter were the most by a Net in the opening period since Vince Carter's 24 on Apr. 4, 2005, against Boston. ... Brooklyn tallied 40 points in the first quarter, tying a Barclays Center mark set on Nov. 18, 2013, against Portland.

BEASTS OF THE EAST

Right before Casey headed half.But Toronto went on a out to Los Angeles for the All-Star Game along with Lowry and 16th of 17, 116-102 over 74-all with 6:04 left in the third coach got his group together to stress how important it was to nail down the top spot in the

He just won't do it at the expense of his two All-Stars.

"Deep down I would be lying tant for our franchise, where we The teams traded baskets come from, where we're trying the rest of the period. In the to go to, what we're trying to accomplish to get that No. 1 with three 3-pointers, his last seed, whatever it is," Casey

"And if it doesn't happen, we're not going to give up. We got to keep competing, fighting, (because) again, there are other teams competing, too. . I am not going to wear out DeMar zan's streak of seven straight and Kyle trying to get it, but it's points that increased the lead to important to our growth process and what we're trying to establish, a consistent base for our organization."

UP NEXT

Raptors: Continue their trip at Indiana on Thursday.

Nets: At Philadelphia on



Turner helps Pacers beat 76ers 101-98



Indiana Pacers' Victor Oladipo, top, and Philadelphia 76ers' Dario Saric battle for the ball during the second half of an NBA basketball game, Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Philadelphia. Indiana won 101-98. (AP Photo/Matt Slocum)

By The Associated Press

Myles Turner scored 25 points, the Thunder used a 16-0 run Jazz ahead 81-51. including two clutch free throws late in the fourth quarter to pull **PELICANS 119, HORNETS** had dropped two in a row. with 21.5 seconds remaining, away from the Hawks. and the Indiana Pacers beat preview.

Thaddeus Young added 19 by leading scorer Victor Oladipo to win their third straight and improve to a season-high Hawks with 25 points. 12 games over .500. They were coming off a 99-97 victory at Boston on Sunday night.

and 12 rebounds and Ben Sim- earned its ninth straight win. mons finished with 10 points, 13 straight home games.

TIMBERWOLVES 116, **WIZARDS 111**

WASHINGTON (AP) -Minnesota star Karl-Anthony a franchise record-tying seventh Towns recovered from a shot to straight road game. the mouth that left him down on the court and finished with 37 points and 10 rebounds.

including making all three of his lost 11 straight to the Raptors. 3-point attempts, and showed no Russell finished with 32 points, ill effects after getting knocked and Rondae Hollis-Jefferson in the face with about a minute scored 19. left in the first half.

A 20-3 run capped by an inside basket from Andrew Rudy Gobert had 22 points and Wiggins off Towns' assist put 12 rebounds, sending Utah to its Minnesota up 105-98 with less seventh consecutive victory. than 5 1/2 minutes to go. After the Wizards got within 111-109, score in double figures. Joe Towns sank a corner 3 with 29 seconds left to push the visitors' lead back up to five.

Markieff Morris led Washington with a season-high 27 points, and Bradley Beal added

THUNDER 119, HAWKS 107

ATLANTA (AP) — Russell

Westbrook picked up the 100th buzzer-beating 3-pointer to end go and he added a driving finger PHILADELPHIA (AP) — triple-double of his career, and the third quarter and put the roll that made it 117-110 with

Westbrook scored 32 points, the milestone. Only Oscar Robertson (277 games) and Magic points and 10 rebounds for the Johnson (656) got to No. 100 surprising Pacers (40-28), who quicker than Westbrook, who Holiday highlighted a 25-point, rison Barnes scored 30 points, overcame an off shooting night accomplished the feat in his 736th contest.

RAPTORS 116, NETS 102

Joel Embiid had 29 points and 14 rebounds, and Toronto

DeMar DeRozan and reserve 13 rebounds and 10 assists for Fred VanVleet scored 15 points the 76ers (36-30), who had won apiece, and Kyle Lowry added 11 points and 11 assists for the Conference-leading Eastern Raptors, who held Brooklyn to 35 points after halftime and won

D'Angelo Russell hit his first seven shots — all 3-pointers and scored 24 points in the first Towns shot 13 for 17, quarter for the Nets, who have

JAZZ 110, PISTONS 79

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) -

The Jazz had six players Ingles added 17 points, seven assists and seven rebounds, and Jonas Jerebko had 16 points and eight rebounds.

Luke Kennard scored 18 points and Andre Drummond had 13 points and 11 rebounds for the Pistons, who have lost 11 of 14.

Donovan Mitchell hit a

115

NEW ORLEANS (AP) the Philadelphia 76ers 101-98 dished out 12 assists and Anthony Davis had 31 points, on Tuesday night in a possible grabbed 12 rebounds to become 14 rebounds and five blocked Eastern Conference playoff the third-fastest player to reach shots, leading New Orleans to the victory.

Rajon Rondo added 12 points and 17 assists and Jrue nine-assist performance with 10 points in the final 2:39, starting Taurean Prince led the with a 3 that put the Pelicans in

Holiday's second 3 in that NEW YORK (AP) — Jonas stretch widened New Orleans' Valanciunas had 26 points lead to five points with 1:19 to only a loss to NBA-leading

Dwight Howard had 22 points, 11 rebounds and three blocked shots for Charlotte, while Kemba Walker added 22 points.

MAVERICKS 110, KNICKS 97

NEW YORK (AP) — Harand the Mavericks handed the Knicks their eighth straight loss.

Dallas couldn't stop New York early, and then dominated the second half to win for the third time in four games, with

Houston in that stretch.

Rookie Dennis Smith Jr. added 17 points for the Mavs and Dirk Nowitzki had 13.

Michael Beasley scored 21 and Tim Hardaway Jr. had 19 for the Knicks, who got a visit from Kristaps Porzingis before the game and then showed again that they have no hope of winning without him. They lost for the 16th time in 17 games, most coming since their All-Star forward tore his left ACL on Feb.

CLIPPERS 112, BULLS 106 **CHICAGO** (AP)

DeAndre Jordan dominated with 29 points and 18 rebounds, leading the Clippers to the road

Lou Williams scored 26 and Tobias Harris had 18 points for Los Angeles, which took control late in the third quarter on the way to its fifth win in six games.

Bobby Portis led Chicago with 19 points and nine rebounds. Kris Dunn added 18 points and six assists. But with Lauri Markkanen sidelined by lower back spasms, the Bulls lost for the eighth time in 11 games.

SPURS 108, MAGIC 72

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -30 seconds left. The Pelicans LaMarcus Aldridge scored 24 points, helping San Antonio stop a three-game slide.

The Spurs led 62-37 at halftime and extended that cushion to 39 entering the fourth quarter.

Patty Mills had 13 points for San Antonio, and Dejounte Murray, Danny Green and Pau Gasol each had 11.

Orlando has lost five straight and 12 of 14. Nikola Vucevic and Jonathon Simmons each had 10 points for the Magic.



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AP source: Dion Lewis agrees to 4-year deal with **Titans**

By KYLE HIGHTOWER, AP

Sports Writer

The Tennessee Titans have agreed to a four-year contract with free agent running back Dion Lewis.

A person familiar with the deal says the sides agreed to the contract on Tuesday. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because signings can't become official until the start of the new league year on Wednesday. ESPN's Adam Schefter first reported the pact.

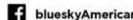
The person said the deal for he former Patriots starter carries a maximum value of \$23.4 million.

Lewis had his first season with New England in 2015 season cut short by knee surgery after seven games.

He played just seven games during his return in 2016, but he had a career season in 2017, leading New England with 896 rushing yards and six rushing touchdowns. He also had three receiving scores and was the Patriots' best kickoff returner, posting a 103-yard return for a touchdown against Denver.

In Tennessee, he joins Derrick Henry in the backfield. He'll also be reunited with former teammate Logan Ryan as well as Malcolm Butler, who also agreed to a deal with the Titans on Tuesday.







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Red team's third down possession from the Blue team's 25 yard line, and Maiava rolls out to look for his Hi-Lo receivers on the slant route, as he opted to fire another perfect pass to Collins again who secured his second catch of the game; this time, he took it all the way to the end zone for the Red team's second touchdown of the game.

The Red team now led 12-8. After that touchdown, the Red team decided to call a time-out, as Offensive Coordinator Togia fixed up one of the hardest two point attempts that allowed the Red team to extend their lead by two points. At the sound of the snap, it was a reverse hand off to Maiava who was lined up at the slot receiver position.

He took the ball behind the line of scrimmage as if he was going to go for it, but it was a strategy that only lured the defense towards him, leaving a wide open Joseph Nanai in the end zone for a perfect two point play that gave the Red team a 14-8 lead — to win the ball game.

The Red All-Star team's conservative defensive strategy paid off in the second half, as they changed it up to an aggressive look throughout the second half to deny any attempts by the Blue team towards the end zone.

International Soap Box Derby to expand

into China

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — The Ohio-based International Soap Box Derby has announced that it will expand into China.

The Akron nonprofit organization says it's signed an agreement with International Resource Development Inc. of Bath Township to introduce Soap Box Derby programs into China.

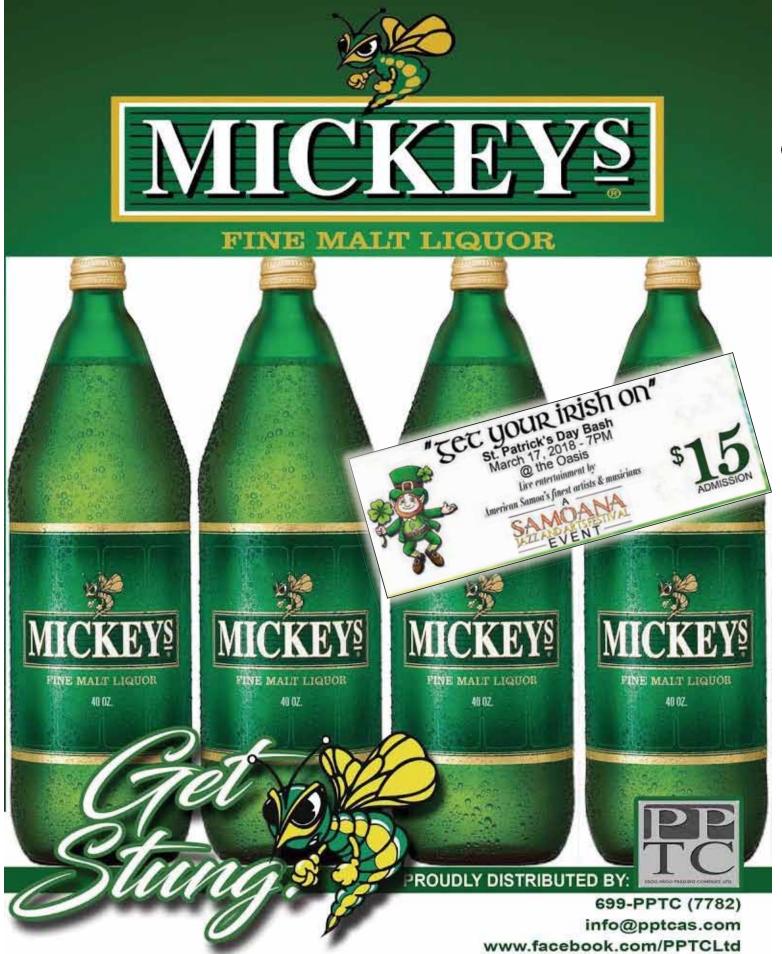
Derby President and CEO Mark Gerberich says international expansion is a big part of the nonprofit's future.

Another partnership to bring derby programming to Australia was announced last fall.

The All-American Racing Program began in 1934 with the first All-American Soap Box Derby World Championship race held in Dayton. It later moved to Akron, where hundreds of kids from around the world now compete annually.

The 81st FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby is set for July 15-21 in Akron.







yet in return from torn ACL

By BRIAN MAHONEY, AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Kristaps Porzingis thought he would go right back into the game when he hurt his knee last month.

Now he's not sure when he can play again.

Porzingis said Tuesday there is no timetable for his return from a torn left ACL that will keep him out the remainder of this season and at least some of the next. The 7-foot-3 All-Star forward was hurt upon landing after a dunk against Milwaukee on Feb. 6. He said there was sharp pain when the injury happened, but that he quickly felt better."I got up, I started walking a little bit, it felt better with every step, so once I got to the locker room I was like, 'Can I go back in the game?'" he said. "I almost felt that good."

"I thought it was like a sprain honestly. I didn't feel it pop, I didn't feel anything. So once it happened on the floor I was trying to get back in as soon as possible, because I thought I don't want to be on the floor too long. It's just a sprain. But then I got the bad news."That came at the hospital, where tests confirmed the torn ligament. He underwent surgery and said he is keeping a positive mindset in his recovery, already working on his upper body strength while rehabilitating the knee.

"I was shocked at first. I couldn't believe that it happened to me, and then about 30 seconds later I said, 'OK, what can I do now?"" Porzingis said. "Now it's just time for me to make a comeback and then I focused on the next thing, and that was prepare myself for the surgery." Porzingis made his first appearance back at Madison Square Garden since the injury. He was welcomed back during pregame warmups, receiving a big ovation before the Knicks lost 110-97 to Dallas, falling for the 16th time in 17 games - nearly all of the losses since Porzingis' injury.

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Porzingis says no timetable Jordan, Williams lead Clippers over Bulls 112-106



Los Angeles Clippers center DeAndre Jordan dunks against the Chicago Bulls during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Chicago. (AP Photo/Nam Y. Huh)

By ANDREW SELIGMAN, AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — The as a team," Dunn said. Los Angeles Clippers need all the seventh straight year even the ugly ones.

So they'll take this.

DeAndre Jordan dominated opener of a three-game trip. with 29 points and 18 rebounds, 112-106 on Tuesday night.

Tobias Harris added 18 to take control late in the third win in six games.

Rivers said. "That's all I'll say to that one."Bobby Portis led to be ready at all times." Chicago with 19 points and nine rebounds. Kris Dunn added 18 about five minutes left in the need to make the playoffs for points and six assists. But with third when Los Angeles went him to play again this season. Lauri Markkanen sidelined by on a 14-4 run that bumped the lower back spasms, the Bulls lead to 14 early in the fourth.

Seventh in the Western Conlocker room with a 62-60 lead. the wins they can get if they're ference, the Clippers struggled

needed this one.

"The approach is to win," points, and the Clippers started Harris said. "The approach is to go out there and compete every quarter on the way to their fifth single night. Go out there and Bradley could miss the rest of 'Well, we won," coach Doc situation we're (in), the margin to repair muscles in his pubic of error is very slim so we have area. The Clippers expect the

lost for the eighth time in 11 Austin Rivers started it with bothering him the past few days. a 19-footer, and Williams broke for a layup off a missed 3 by Chicago's Noah Vonleh. Mon- it acted up in the weight room trezl Harrell drove for a layup before the game so the Bulls just under a minute into the scratched him from the lineup. fourth, making it 92-78, and Los Angeles maintained the lead the rest of the way.

getting better as a unit and pre-

TECHNICALLY SPEAKING two games this season.

The Bulls were up by two in Thornwell as he blocked a 3-pointers.

games."We're young, we're dunk. Williams hit the technical trying to figure (out) who we are free throws and two more foul shots to send Los Angeles to the

LaVine had a rough night, going to make the playoffs for to put away a rebuilding team with 10 points on 3-of-13 going with younger players shooting. Hoiberg thought he while eyeing a lottery pick. was slow at times getting back But they did just enough on the on defense because of his frustration on offense. But on the With the next two at blocked dunk, he made one Lou Williams scored 26 and the Houston and Oklahoma City thing clear."He got hit, there's Clippers beat the Chicago Bulls on Thursday and Friday, they no doubt about it," Hoiberg said. "The referees admitted it afterward."

BRADLEY HAS SURGERY

guard Avery Clippers collect wins. Obviously, in the the season after having surgery recovery time to be six to eight It was four-point game with weeks, meaning they would

MARKKANEN OUT

Markkanen's back has been

Though Hoiberg said it felt "really good" in the morning,

TIP-INS

Clippers: The Clippers were 30 of 41 at the line, matching "Right now, it's about us a season high for free throws made and setting one for pared for the playoffs, and that attempts. The Bulls, by comparis us paying attention to cover- ison, took 15 foul shots. ... Wilages on both ends of the floor liams hit 13 of 14 free throws. and staying locked in," Jordan ... Los Angeles has won five in a row against Chicago, including

Bulls: With Markkanen the closing minute of the first sidelined, Vonleh started and half when Zach LaVine and had eight points and seven coach Fred Hoiberg got called rebounds. ... LaVine was 3 of for technicals, upset there was 13 from the field with 10 points. no foul called against Sindarius ... The Bulls shot 7 of 29 on





Atlanta Hawks forward Mike Muscala dunks against the Oklahoma City Thunder during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Atlanta. (AP Photo/John Amis)

Westbrook's 100th triple-double, **Thunder beat Hawks 119-107**

By PAUL NEWBERRY, AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Welcome to the club, Russell Westbrook.

Not bad company.

Not bad at all.

Westbrook became the fourth player in NBA history to record 100 triple-doubles and sparked show him a lot of bodies," coach Mike Budena 16-0 run down the stretch that carried the holzer said. "When Carmelo started hitting those Oklahoma City Thunder to their fourth straight victory, 119-107 over the Atlanta Hawks on Tuesday night.

Westbrook scored 32 points, dished out 12 assists and grabbed 12 rebounds, joining an free-throw line more. That's why they're a good exclusive group that includes Oscar Robertson (181 triple-doubles), Magic Johnson (138) and Jason Kidd (107).

"Oh man, just an unbelievable blessing," just for allowing me to go out and play the game ovan said he will be re-evaluated on Wednesday I love each and every night. I never take it for granted."

milestone. Robertson needed just 277 games to get No. 100, while Magic Johnson accomplished the feat in his 656th game. Westbrook had played 736 games in his career.

"The group of guys that's ahead are Hall of Famers," Westbrook said. "I'm just happy to be a for complaining about a no-call late in the first part of the crew with those guys."

Atlanta's Taurean Prince knocked down a 3-pointer to tie it at 103 with 5:15 remaining. Led finally cut him off: "Mike, you've made your by Westbrook and Jerami Grant, the Thunder dominated the rest of the way.

line over and over again, while Grant knocked the day. ... After trailing by 11 early in the game, down a 3 and converted a three-point play both off assists by Westbrook. Carmelo Anthony But the Thunder erased the deficit in the first 4 capped the deciding run with his sixth 3-pointer 1/2 minutes of the third quarter. of the game.

Westbrook received a big cheer from the Atlanta crowd when he grabbed his 10th rebound rebuilding job, it definitely helps to keep a roster with 2:38 remaining, locking up the historic handy. triple-double.

Anthony finished with 21 points, while Grant ever-changing lineup. chipped in with 20, helping to make up for the loss of Paul George with a groin injury.

Having accepted a complementary role on a team that belongs to Westbrook, Anthony is reveling in the accomplishments of his teammate.

out basis, the focus that you have to have, the intensity that you have to play with," Anthony said. "For me, being able to be a part of that, be alongside him, it's a special moment. It's something that we should all appreciate, moments like this, and appreciate what we have and who we Prince led the Hawks with 25 points.

But Atlanta, which lost its fourth straight game and remains tied with Orlando for the worst record in the Eastern Conference, had no answer for Westbrook.

"We really wanted to show him a crowd, 3s, that hurt a lot, when he started teeing them up. Then you feel a little hesitant to show a crowd, and Westbrook's starting to get a little more penetration, getting more to the rim, getting to the team."

TIP-INS

Thunder: George went down hard on a foul in the third quarter, landing awkwardly, and didn't Westbrook said. "I give thanks to the man above play at all in the final period. Coach Billy Donto determine the extent of the groin injury, but stressed that the Thunder would be cautious with He became the third-fastest player to reach the his treatment and recovery. George finished with 12 points. ... Center Steven Adams sat out the game with a left hip contusion. Dakari Johnson started in his place but played just seven minutes, scoring three points with two rebounds.

Hawks: Budenholzer received a technical foul quarter. He took several steps onto the court, continuing to gripe, until referee Nick Buchert point." ... The Hawks outrebounded the Thunder 47-38. ... Damion Lee had 13 points in his NBA Westbrook scored seven points, getting to the debut after signing a 10-day contract earlier in Atlanta bounced back to lead 66-54 at halftime.

WHO ARE THOSE GUYS?

With the Hawks in the midst of a massive

That's about the only way to keep up with an

At one point in the second quarter, the Hawks sent out a group that included three first-year players — Lee, John Collins and Tyler Dorsey along with Isaiah Taylor, who had played all of four NBA games before this season. Dewayne "What it takes to do that on a night-in, night- Dedmon was the only experienced player on the

UP NEXT

Thunder: Return home to face the Los Angeles Clippers on Friday.

Hawks: Host the Charlotte Hornets on Thursday before beginning a West Coast road







Titans agree to terms with pair of Patriots' free agents

By TERESA M. WALKER, AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Titans are doing their best to recreate the Patriot Way in Music City.

General manager Jon Robinson, hired in January 2016, got his NFL start as a New England scout. Robinson signed cornerback Logan Ryan as a free agent last year. He then hired Mike Vrabel, who won three Super Bowls as a Patriots linebacker, as Tennessee's new coach in January after the Titans' season ended in Foxborough in the divisional round of the playoffs.

Now the Titans are kicking off free agency by agreeing to deals with a pair of Patriots in cornerback Malcolm Butler and running back Dion Lewis. Agent Derek Simpson told The Associated Press on Tuesday that Butler will sign a five-year deal worth more than \$60 million, which includes more than \$30 million guaranteed, once free agency begins. A person familiar with the deal told the AP that Lewis has agreed on a four-year contract worth a maximum value of \$23.4 million .The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because signings can't become official until the start of the new league year on Wednesday. ESPN's Adam Schefter first reported the deal. The Titans declined to comment because free agency does not begin until Wednesday afternoon. Tennessee had approximately \$59 million in salary cap space to spend after releasing running back DeMarco Murray and three other players last week. The 28-year-old Butler is a Vicksburg, Mississippi, native who went undrafted out of West Alabama but spent the past four seasons with the Patriots. Butler started 48 of his 59 games and has eight career interceptions. He was the hero of New England's Super Bowl win after the 2014 season, intercepting a pass to seal the 28-24 victory over Seattle.

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Hot start propels Jazz to 110-79 win over Pistons



Detroit Pistons' Blake Griffin (23) shoots the ball as Utah Jazz's Derrick Favors, left, defends in the first half of an NBA basketball game on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in Salt Lake City.

(AP Photo/Kim Raff)

By JOHN COON, Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) Rudy Gobert had 22 points players who scored in double figures in Utah's 110-79 vic-Tuesday night.

Joe Ingles added 17 points, rebounds, and Jonas Jerebko had 16 points and eight rebounds for the Jazz, who won their seventh straight and 19th of their past 21 games.

points and Andre Drummond the third quarter and put the glass. UP NEXT had 13 points and 11 rebounds Jazz ahead 81-51. for the Pistons, who have lost

Detroit early, shooting 17 of 21 Pistons' last road victory was from the field in the quarter.

push Utah's lead to 52-31.

TIP-INS

Pistons: Detroit lost its 10th Utah never trailed and buried consecutive road game. The Wednesday.

(81 percent) from the floor in 114-80 over Brooklyn on Jan. the first quarter and scoring on 10. ... F Reggie Bullock did not its final 10 possessions to take play after injuring his back and and 12 rebounds, one of six Jazz a 42-21 lead at the end of the right knee in a vehicle crash on period. Four players — Gobert, Sunday. Bullock has averaged Jerebko, Derrick Favors and Jae 17.8 points for Detroit over his tory over the Detroit Pistons on Crowder — each went 3-for-3 last five games. ... The Pistons forced the Jazz to commit 24 Detroit got within 44-29 in turnovers.Jazz: Posted season seven assists and seven the second quarter, but Utah highs in points and field goal responded quickly. Gobert percentage in the first quarter. dunked and Ingles turned a steal ... The Jazz registered 29 assists into a transition 3-pointer to on 42 field goals. ... Jerebko matched his season high with Donovan Mitchell hit a eight rebounds. Utah finished Luke Kennard scored 18 buzzer-beating 3-pointer to end with a 52-32 advantage on the

> Pistons: Visit the Nuggets on Wednesday.

Jazz: Host the Suns on

KAT hit in face, scores 37 to lead Wolves past Wiz 116-111

Sports Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -A shot to the mouth left Minnesota Timberwolves center Karl-Anthony Towns with some damaged teeth. His sense of humor? That, at least, was

'Mom always says, 'Keep your hand off the stove,' and I put my hand around the stove a little too much now and it was destined to happen that I'd get hit like that and lose my tooth," Towns said with a smile. "But instead. God blessed me with losing pieces of five of my teeth."Towns recovered from that hit to the jaw that left him face-down on the court late in the first half and finished with a season-high 37 points and 10 rebounds, leading the Timber-

on Tuesday night.

"Good thing I got good medical insurance," Towns joked afterward.

Both teams are making their playoff pushes without All-Star guards. The Timberwolves are missing Jimmy Butler, who had surgery on his right knee on Feb. 25, while the Wizards don't have John Wall, out since late January because of an operation on his left knee.

Towns stepped up in so many ways during this game, helping the T'Wolves outscore the hosts 34-21 in the fourth quarter to overcome a 10-point deficit with 10 minutes remaining.

He shot 13 for 17 overall, including making all three of his 3-point attempts, one from

wolves to a 116-111 victory the corner with 29 seconds left over the Washington Wizards that expanded a narrow lead to 114-109 with 29 seconds left.

Towns earlier provided the assist on an inside basket by Andrew Wiggins that capped a 20-3 run for Minnesota and put it up 105-98 with less than 51/2 minutes remaining.

And later, with Washington down 114-111 and inbounding the ball with 15.8 seconds left, Towns went out on the perimeter to defend guard Bradley Beal, who wound up throwing a bad pass that was intercepted by Jeff Teague. The Wizards weren't so sure the defense on that play was completely clean.

What I saw was different (than) what the referee saw," Washington coach Scott Brooks said. "The guy had two hands on him, pushed him out."



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love. Getting together with an old friend will be revealing and will help you put your life in perspective.

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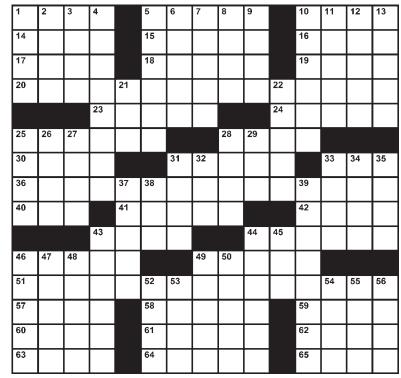
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I thought the poem was clever enough when I first saw it that many of you would enjoy it. After it appeared, many readers thanked me for printing it. Some said they'd framed and hung it in the bathroom their guests used. (Problem solved!) I hear from many readers asking me to re-run articles that hold meaning for them. Some say the articles have been saved until they are yellowed with age and falling apart. Eventually, it was suggested they be put together in a booklet. Since so many readers kept the items to re-read, the booklet is titled "Keepers." It can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address, plus a check or money order for \$7 (U.S. funds), to Dear Abby, Keepers Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price. Filled with clever observations, "Keepers" is both witty and philosophical. It contains poems, essays and letters on subjects as diverse as children, parents, human nature, philosophy and death. It's a quick and easy read as well as an inexpensive gift for newly married couples, pet lovers, new parents, and anyone grieving or recovering from an illness.

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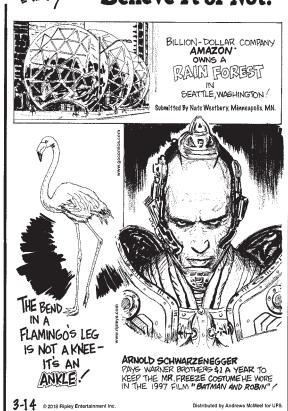
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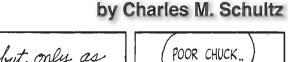




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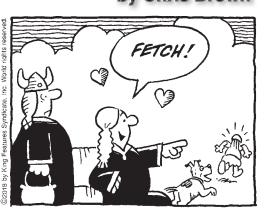
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Barnes scores 30, Mavs hand Knicks eighth straight loss



Dallas Mavericks' Dorian Finney-Smith (10) fights for control of the ball with New York Knicks' Lance Thomas (42) as teammates Nerlens Noel defends during the first half of an NBA basketball game Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in New York.

(AP Photo/Frank Franklin II)

By BRIAN MAHONEY, AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Dallas

more than a month.

itzki wasn't aware the Maver- playing hard. There's obviously up at the end in the draft."

icks hadn't won on the road in some teams that are going for some losses now, and we're one "I didn't even know it's been of the teams that still wants to has been so bad that Dirk Now- this long," he said. "We keep win and we'll see where we end

Probably right around the Knicks, because they look every and Tim Hardaway Jr. had 19 bit as bad. Harrison Barnes for the Knicks (24-44), who scored 30 points and Dallas got a visit from Kristaps Porzturned around the game in the ingis before the game and then third quarter on its way to a showed again that they have no 110-97 victory Tuesday night hope of winning without him. over New York, which lost its They lost for the 16th time in 17 eighth straight game.

only a loss to NBA-leading first 24 shots against defense-Houston in that stretch.

and Nowitzki had 13. Yogi Ferrell finished with 10, but eight came during a game-changing 14-0 run in the third quarter. Smith said it was clear the a little harder," Nowitzki said. Knicks' spirits sagged during little spunk whenever we really locked in defensively," he said.

Dallas (22-46) ended a sixgame road skid with its first victory since Feb. 3 at Sacramento.

Michael Beasley scored 21 games, most coming since their Dallas couldn't stop New All-Star forward tore his left York early, and then dominated ACL on Feb. 6. This one looked the second half to win for the as if it could be different when third time in four games, with the Knicks made 17 of their less Dallas. But the Mavs made Rookie Dennis Smith Jr. enough shots of their own to added 17 points for the Mavs stay in the game, then surged ahead after halftime."They kind of lit us up there in the first quarter and I thought after that we adjusted pretty well, made it

It was tied at 64 before that stretch."Yeah, they lost a Barnes scored on a follow shot to start the 14-0 spurt that included two 3-pointers and another basket by Ferrell.

> Dallas outscored New York 26-12 in the third, a problematic period lately for the Knicks.

"I think it's a lack of focus," guard Trey Burke said. "First half we play a certain way. Second half we have our stretches where we are not as locked in as we need to be on the defensive end. It showed tonight and it is showing last couple of weeks."

New York closed within four in the fourth quarter as Burke led a rally, but Smith made a 3-pointer and Barnes followed with four straight points to put it away.

TIP-INS

Mavericks: Dorian Finney-Smith started after sitting out against Houston while continuing his recovery from left quadriceps tendinitis.

Knicks: Enes Kanter (back spasms) and Lance Thomas (sprained right thumb) were back in the starting lineup. ... The Knicks signed F Troy Williams for the rest of the season after the expiration of his second 10-day contract. Williams averaged 8.1 points in eight games after signing the initial contract on Feb. 21.

PORZINGIS' PAIN

Porzingis said Tuesday there is no timetable for his return from his knee injury, which will keep him out the remainder of this season and at least some of the next. The All-Star forward was hurt upon landing after a dunk against Milwaukee on Feb. 6. The 7-foot-3 forward said there was sharp pain when the injury happened, but that he quickly felt better and thought he'd be able to go back into the game. But doctors sent him for testing, which revealed the tear.

"I was shocked at first. I couldn't believe that it happened to me, and then about 30 seconds later I said, 'OK, what can I do now?" Porzingis said. "Now it's just time for me to make a comeback and then I focused on the next thing, and that was prepare myself for the surgery."





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