

Sports

MIAMI 118, PORTLAND 108

Heat holds off Trail Blazers, ends Portland's 8-game home win streak

By Anne M. Peterson
AP Sports Writer

PORTLAND — Hassan Whiteside found his voice and the Miami Heat got a win. Whiteside had 28 points and 11 rebounds, and took on a vocal role as the Heat snapped a three-game losing streak with a 118-108 victory over the Portland Trail Blazers on Tuesday night.

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— **Terry Stott**, Portland Trail Blazers coach

Erik Spoelstra said about Portland's late rally. "We were trapping him, bringing a third guy over and he was still getting in the seasons or getting open behind the arc. In those moments, you don't want to beat yourself. We were competitive and found a way to get a couple of stops and Whiteside had some big rebounds."

The Heat led by as many as nine points in the opening quarter. Tyler Johnson's layup gave Miami a 56-44 lead with 3:51 left in the first half. Whiteside's free throws stretched the advantage.

"We heard his voice tonight that way, talking to both ends of the floor, to us on the huddle. He was engaged," teammate Dwyane Wade said. "His presence was known and when he plays that way, when he is that active, we are a good team."

Wade added 22 points and nine rebounds as Miami in the first of a five-game road trip.

heading into the final quarter but Portland rallied with a 9-2 run capped by Seth Curry's 3-pointer that pulled the Blazers to 96-88. Evan Turner's layup and free throw got the Blazers closer.

Miami was coming off an 0-3 homestand, capped by a 95-88 loss Saturday to Indiana, The Heat had 24 turnovers in the loss.

Whiteside's short jumper gave the Heat a 75-63 lead midway through the third period, making him 7 for 7 from the floor to that point.

CJ McCollum had 33 points including seven 3-pointers for the Trail Blazers, but were won three straight but were coming off a five-day layoff. The loss snapped an eight-game winning streak for Portland at home.

Miami led by 15 points

McCollum's 3-pointer closed the gap to 101-100 with 6:54 left. James Johnson answered with a 3 for Miami to momentarily slow Portland's momentum until Meyers Leonard's 3.

Spoelstra inserted Kelly Olynyk into the starting lineup, replacing Johnson. It was Olynyk's sixth start of the season.

Portland began to close the gap a bit with McCollum's 3-pointer pulling the Blazers to 77-70 but Miami led 94-79 heading into the final quarter.

Whiteside's basket and a pair of free throws from Johnson kept Miami in front 108-103, and the Heat were able to hold off the Blazers the rest of the way.

Portland was coming off a 132-105 victory at home over the Jazz last Wednesday. Jusuf Nurkic did not play because of right knee soreness, but he started against the Heat.

"For whatever reason, we didn't seem to have a lot of pop for most of the game," Portland coach Terry Stotts said. "I don't know if it was the five days off or what, but it seemed pretty obvious most of the first three quarters, we just didn't make the energy plays, whether it was in transition or defensively."

"McCollum started to get rolling and there wasn't too much more I told the guys we could do," Heat coach

Rodney Hood, acquired by the Trail Blazers in a trade with Cleveland on Sunday, did not play. He arrived in Portland on Monday and had not had a workout with the

POWDER VALLEY BASKETBALL

Badger girls romp

The (La Grande) Observer
HALFWAY — Megin Bingham scored a game-high 19 points, Autumn Basked added 16 and the Powder Valley Badger girls basketball team earned its 20th win of the season, 58-21, on the road over the Pine-Eagle Spartans Tuesday in Old Oregon League play.

The Badgers built an early double-digit lead, extended it to 27-10 at halftime then pulled away with a 23-4 run in the third quarter.

Powder Valley (20-3 overall, 9-1 OOL) wraps up the regular season Friday at Elgin.

Boys top Pine-Eagle

The (La Grande) Observer
HALFWAY — Reece Dixon scored 15 points to lead four players in double figures as the Powder Valley Badgers boys basketball team earned a 58-35 road win over the Pine-Eagle Spartans Tuesday in Old Oregon League play.

Roper Bingham added 12 points and both Dominick Grende and Moziss Nesser had 10 for Powder Valley.

The Badgers (15-7 overall, 7-3 OOL) visit Elgin Friday.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Westbrook leads Thunder past Magic

By Cliff Brunt
AP Sports Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY — Russell Westbrook is on another one of those runs.

The dynamic point guard had 16 points, 16 assists and 15 rebounds in his seventh straight triple-double, and the Oklahoma City Thunder beat the Orlando Magic 132-122 on Tuesday night.

Westbrook matched the longest triple-double streak of his career with his 20th of the season and No. 124 overall. He is averaging 20.0 points, 13.2 rebounds and 14.4 assists during the streak, and the Thunder are 6-1 during that span.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kansas State tops No. 13 Kansas, 72-67

By Dave Skretta
AP Sports Writer

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kamau Stokes trailed Carter Diarra all the way to the basket, the senior guard watching right along with every Kansas State fan that squeezed into Bramlage Coliseum to see its showdown with Kansas.

He knew the spring sophomore guard would do something special.

With nobody else around him, Diarra elevated for an NBA-style windmill dunk, putting a highlight exclamation point on a 74-67 victory over the No. 13 Jayhawks on Tuesday night — one that snapped an eight-game skid against Kansas and consolidated the Wildcats' lead atop the Big 12.

Utah State nips Fresno

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Sam Merrill scored 20 points and freshman Neemias Queta had 18 points and 15 rebounds to help Utah State hold off Fresno State 82-81 on Tuesday night in a battle for second place in the Mountain West Conference.

Sam Bittner nailed a 3-pointer to give Fresno State a 67-64 lead with 8:22 left to play. Abel Porter pulled the Aggies (18-5, 8-2 MWC) even with a 3-pointer, added 1 of 2 free throws, Queta followed with a dunk and Brock Miller hit from deep 3 to cap a 9-0 run that gave Utah State the lead for good.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL TOP 25 ROUNDUP

No. 1 Tennessee wins 17th straight

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Admiral Schofield and Grant Williams scored 13 points each as No. 1 Tennessee defeated Missouri 72-60 on Tuesday night to extend its school-record winning streak to 17 games.

and Duke pulled away to beat Boston College.

Zion Williamson scored 16 points and a season-best 17 rebounds, RJ Barrett finished with 19 points and Tre Jones added 11 points for the Blue Devils (20-2, 8-1 Atlantic Coast Conference).

(11-11, 6-3).

Tennessee (21-1, 9-0 SEC) has the longest active winning streak of any Division I team. This latest victory also enabled Rick Barnes to match the longest winning streak of his 32-year head coaching career.

They overcame some shaky early shooting by shooting 63 percent after halftime to claim their sixth straight win, and they will be no worse than tied for first in the league standings when they visit No. 3 Virginia on Saturday night.

NO. 7 MICHIGAN 77, RUTGERS 65

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) — Freshman Ignas Brazdeikis scored 23 points and Michigan hit nine of its first 11 shots in opening a big lead and beating Rutgers.

Zavier Simpson added 14 points, seven assists and seven rebounds as the Wolverines (21-2, 10-2 Big Ten) bounced back from a dreadful performance in a loss to Iowa to remain unbeaten in 11 all-games against the Scarlet Knights (11-11, 4-8).

Barnes' 2009-10 Texas team won its first 17 games before stumbling down the stretch to finish 24-10 with a first-round NCAA Tournament loss.

NO. 5 KENTUCKY 76, SOUTH CAROLINA 48

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — PJ Washington scored 20 points, and Kentucky routed South Carolina for its ninth consecutive victory.

NO. 8 NORTH CAROLINA 113, N.C. STATE 96

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Luke Maye scored a season-high 31 points to go with 12 rebounds, and North Carolina beat North Carolina State.

Jordan Bowden had 11 points and Jordan Bone added 11 for the Volunteers. Bone also had seven assists.

The Wildcats (19-3, 8-1 Southeastern Conference) shot just 41 percent but held the Gamecocks to just 28 percent in the second half and 36 percent overall.

Freshman Coby White added 21 points for the Tar Heels (18-4, 8-1 Regular-Season set with their nearby rival for the 12th time in 16 seasons under Hall of Fame coach Roy Williams.

Javon Pickett scored 12 points, Jordan Geist had 11 and Xavier Pinson added 10 for Missouri, which lost for the fourth time in the last five games.

Washburne fell double but posted his fourth 20-point game in the past five. Tyler Herro, Reid Travis each added 11 points for the Wildcats.

UNC was in control all night, shooting 56 percent while dominating the glass and repeatedly getting to the line.

NO. 2 DUKE 80, BOSTON COLLEGE 55

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Freshman Cameron Reddish scored 24 points,

SCOREBOARD

PREP BASKETBALL

Tuesday's games

BOYS

Adrian 61, Harper 43
Banks 67, Astoria 58
Brookings-Harbor 39, St. Mary's 48
Butte Falls/Crater Lake Charter 83, Rogue River 62
Cascade Christian 60, Douglas 46
Central 61, Crescent Valley 40
Century 60, Glencoe 48
Clatskanie 52, Taft 47
Columbia Christian 71, Faith Bible 52
Coquille 70, Gold Beach 36
Corvallis 68, Dallas 43
Crouter 67, Ashland 47
Crosshill Christian 92, Oregon School for Deaf 37
Culver 41, Gervais 31
Damascus Christian 59, St. Stephens Academy 38
Days Creek 50, Camas Valley 33
Elkton 80, New Hope Christian 43
Falls City 67, Jewell 38
Grand View Christian 39, Valor Christian 27
Henley 51, Klamath 43
Illinois Valley 62, Lost River 51
Jesus 72, Mountaineer 68
Joseph 37, Imbler 30
Junction City 54, Elmira 43
Lanuka View 69, Canyonville Christian 47
Mohawk 48, Crow 47
Mountain View 59, Summit 44
Ontario 65, Vale 61
Phoenix 54, North Valley 41
Powder Valley 58, Pine Eagle 35
Praine City 60, Monument/Dayville 31
Redmond 56, Crook County 49
Riddle 68, Umpqua Valley Christian 67
Seaside 43, Valley Catholic 29
Siletz Valley 59, Mapleton 33
South Eugene 65, Churchill 57
Sunset 61, Beaverton 58
Sutherland 76, South Umpqua 56
Toledo 77, Myrtle Point 31
West Albany 62, South Albany 51
Westview 62, Southridge 53
Willamette 65, Roseburg 55
Willamina 48, Warrenton 37

WEATHER POSTPONEMENTS

Bandon vs. North Bend
La Salle vs. Putnam
Powers vs. Yoncalla
Ridgeview vs. Pendleton

Santiam vs. Chemawa

GIRLS

Adrian 68, Harper 26
Astoria 55, Banks 52
Beaverton 56, Sunset 24
Bonanza 36, Gilde 22
Central 42, Crescent Valley 37
Churchill 46, South Eugene 29
Clatskanie 66, Taft 24
Coquille 59, Gold Beach 27
Corvallis 37, Dallas 21
Crater 65, Ashland 24
Damascus Christian 55, St. Stephens Academy 18
Days Creek 33, Camas Valley 22
Douglas 65, Cascade Christian 29
Elkton 51, New Hope Christian 32
Faith Bible 61, Columbia Christian 34
Falls City 47, Jewell 40
Gervais 44, Culver 28
Glencoe 68, Century 54
Henley 52, Klamath 46
Illinois Valley 50, Lost River 45, OT
Jesus 66, Mountaineer 23
Joseph 56, Imbler 19
Junction City 51, Elmira 34
Manist 44, Siuslaw 19
McKenzie 41, Triangle Lake 27
Mohawk 58, Crow 17
Mountain View 64, Summit 54
Nestucca 57, Knappa 39
Oregon School for Deaf 33, Crosshill Christian 23
Powder Valley 58, Pine Eagle 21
Prairie City 35, Monument/Dayville 31
Redmond 63, Crook County 37
Rogue Valley Adventist 24, Hosanna Christian 17
Siletz Valley 43, Mapleton 29
South Umpqua 53, Sutherland 19
Southridge 48, Westview 42
St. Mary's 43, Brookings-Harbor 39
St. Paul def. C.S. Lewis, forfeit
Toledo 36, Myrtle Point 29
Umpqua Valley Christian 30, Riddle 23
Vale 49, Ontario 31
Valley Catholic 43, Seaside 40
Vernonia 56, Gaston 16
Warrenton 72, Willamina 37
West Albany 49, South Albany 45
Willamette 51, Roseburg 42

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Pendleton vs. Ridgeview

Santiam vs. Chemawa

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	39	16	.709
Boston	35	19	.648
Philadelphia	34	20	.630
Orlando	28	27	.509
Brooklyn	10	43	.189

South Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Charlotte	26	27	.491
Miami	25	27	.481
Washington	22	31	.415
Orlando	22	32	.407
Atlanta	18	35	.340

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	39	13	.750
Indiana	35	19	.648
Detroit	24	29	.453
Chicago	12	41	.226
Cleveland	11	43	.204

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	31	22	.585
San Antonio	32	23	.582
Dallas	24	28	.462
New Orleans	23	31	.426
Memphis	22	33	.400

Northwest Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Denver	37	16	.698
Okla. City	34	19	.642
Portland	32	21	.604
Utah	30	24	.556
Minnesota	25	28	.472

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Golden State	37	15	.712
L.A. Clippers	30	25	.545
Sacramento	28	25	.528
L.A. Lakers	27	27	.500
Phoenix	11	44	.200

Monday's Games

Atlanta 137, Washington 129
Detroit 129, Denver 103
Milwaukee 113, Brooklyn 94
Indiana 109, New Orleans 107
Houston 118, Phoenix 110

Sacramento 127, San Antonio 112

Tuesday's Games

Boston 103, Cleveland 96
Indiana 136, L.A. Lakers 94
L.A. Clippers 117, Charlotte 115
Detroit 105, New York 92
Memphis 108, Minnesota 106
Oklahoma City 132, Orlando 122
Toronto 119, Philadelphia 107
Miami 118, Portland 108

Today's Games

All Times PST

Denver at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.

New Orleans at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.
Charlotte at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 6 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

L.A. Clippers at Indiana, 4 p.m.
Minnesota at Orlando, 4 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Boston, 5 p.m.
Memphis at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 7:30 p.m.

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