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### Quakers' Undefeated String Ends at 28 In 90-47 Loss

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RALEIGH, N. C., March 20— Villanova played a near-perfect basketball game today that shocked previously unbeaten Pennsylvania and carried the Wildcats to a 90-47 victory over the Quakers in the quarter-final round of the National Collegiate Athletic Association championship.

Seldom has a team, favored as Penn was, been so humiliated during the Eastern Regional final during the 33-year history of the tournament. Dick Harter, Penn's coach, admitted

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#### *N.C.A.A. Tournament*

Kansas 73	.....	Drake 71
U.C.L.A. 57	....	Long Beach State 55
Villanova 90	.....	Pennsylvania 47
Western Kentucky 81	(ot)	Ohio State 78

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to being "stunned and hurt" as his team became the last major college squad to fall from the undefeated list.

Marquette, the other undefeated team when the tourney started a week ago, was beaten Thursday night by Ohio State.

The big surprise of the day by Villanova followed another unexpected result when Fordham, the little team from Rose Hill in the Bronx, came from behind and defeated South Carolina, 100-90, in the East consolation. The games were played before 10,800 persons in North Carolina State's Reynolds Coliseum.

#### **Wildcats Take Early Control**

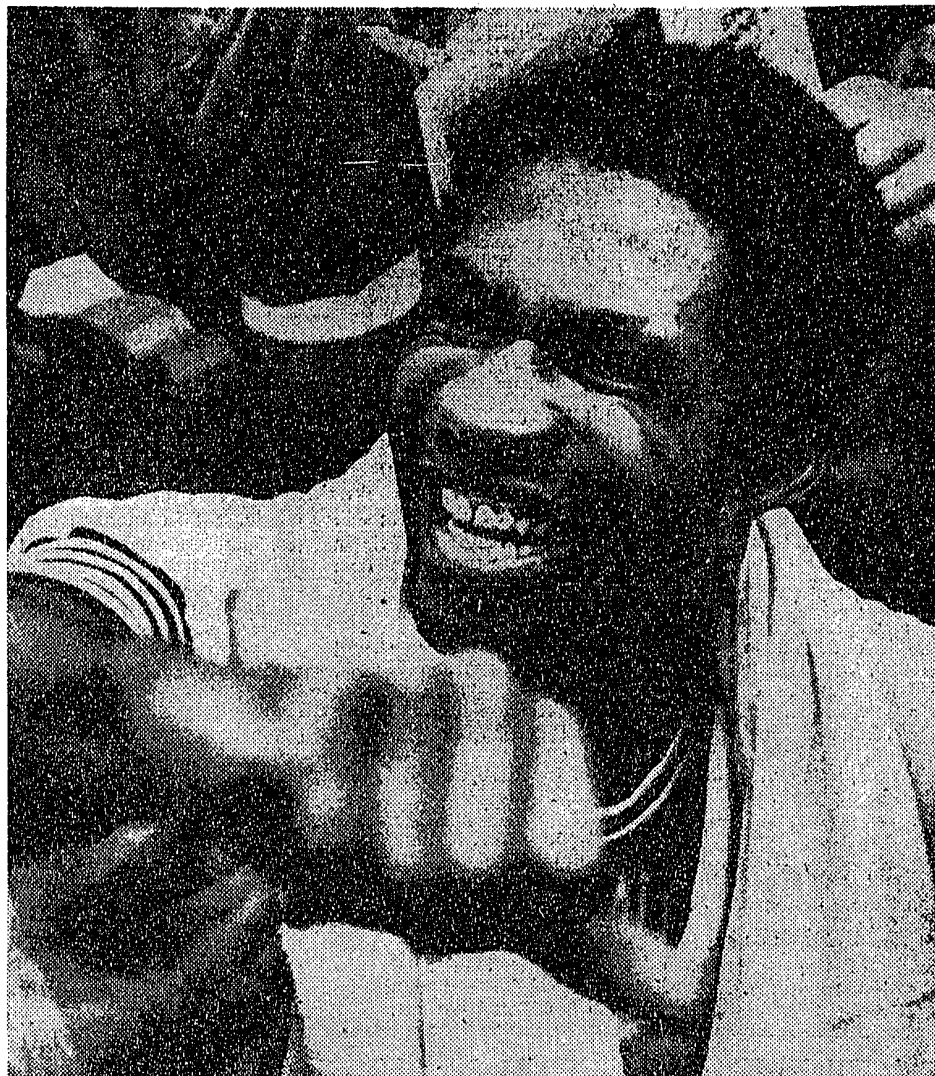
Pennsylvania, the Ivy League champion, entered the game with 28 straight victories this season, including triumphs in the first and second rounds of the tournament. Not since Niagara upset the Quakers in the first round of the N.C.A.A. tourney in 1970, had the Quakers lost.

But from the moment the game began it was obvious that Villanova was going to be a difficult assignment for Penn. Within less than 10 minutes, it became obvious that, barring some miracle, the Wildcats were going to win.

Jack Kraft, the Villanova coach in his 10th season at the helm, said, "I don't think we made a mistake in the first half. This was almost unbelievable. Our defense worked to perfection."

This "unbelievable" happening carried Villanova on to the

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Clarence Smith, who scored 15 points in the Wildcats' rout of Penn, enjoying the victory



Jack Kraft, coach of Villanova, enjoying victory cigar

## Villanova Crushes Penn, 90-47, Stopping Quakers' String at 28

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N.C.A.A. semifinal round next Thursday at the Houston Astrodome. The Wildcats will play Western Kentucky.

It also marked the first time in nine N.C.A.A. tourneys that Villanova had advanced this far.

Villanova usually plays 35 to 40 minutes of a game with only five men—Howard Porter, Clarence Smith, Hank Siemiontkowski, Tom Ingelsby and Chris Ford. They played the "perfect" game today for about 35 minutes and put on a show that was awesome.

Porter was the standout although there were five heroes to choose from. The 6-foot-8-inch jumping star from Sarasota, Fla., dominated the action and led in all important statistics with 35 points, 15 rebounds and 16 field goals.

### A First for Wildcats

Porter scored 17 points in that mistake-proof first half as the Wildcats ran up a 43-22 lead at intermission. Then Villanova ran off 16 straight points at the start of the second half as Penn failed to score a basket for the first 4½ minutes.

Kraft said he could not remember that any of his Villanova teams had ever run 16 straight points before. "And to do it in a game that is the most important we ever played was really something," he said.

Penn's seniors, who were playing their final college game, had beaten Villanova in three straight regular season games—those little backyard struggles that are part of Philadelphia's Big Five competition. Kraft emphasized that one of the reasons Penn had three straight triumphs over Villanova was "because we couldn't run too well against that fine man-to-man defense of Penn's."

That all changed as the Wildcats raced for baskets while leaving the Quakers far behind. Grabbing rebounds by the bushel, the Wildcats made an excellent switch from defense to offense to get their fast break into high gear quickly.

### Rams All Score Well

Penn, which is a strong and tall team that had overpowered many opponents, never really got off the ground. The Quakers not only went 4½ minutes without a score to start the second half but had begun the game by going six minutes without a field goal.

The opener, or consolation game, is supposed to be an affair that no team really wants to play, after all, Fordham had lost to Villanova and South Carolina to Penn Thursday

night, and this game has little meaning.

But the Rams, spunky as ever, came out to play and took on the Giants from South Carolina with an abandon that was exciting to watch, paced again by Charlie Yelverton, who had 25 points, the Rams gave their rookie coach, Dick Phelps, a sweeter pill to swallow on this final day of his fine season.

But Yelverton wasn't alone in fine scoring as Bill Mainor and John Burk had 23 points each and Ken Charles scored 22. This was done mostly on outside jumpers since Carolina is about the tallest team these little men of New York played all season.

### CONSOLATION

FORDHAM (100)			S. CAROLINA (90)				
G.	F.	P.	G.	F.	P.		
Mainor	9	5-5	23	Roché	2	4-6	8
Burk	8	7-7	23	Carver	1	0-1	2
Yelverton	11	3-3	25	Owens	5	3-5	13
Charles	9	4-4	22	Joyce	5	8-8	18
Woylowicz	0	1-1	1	Riker	18	3-5	39
Sullivan	2	2-2	6	Aydlett	4	2-2	10
Plinch	0	0-0	0				
Carlesimo	0	0-0	0				
Larbes	0	0-0	0				
Cain	0	0-0	0				
Camloetti	0	0-0	0				

Total 39 22-22 100 Total 35 20-27 90  
Half-time score—Fordham 42, South Carolina 48.  
Fouled out—Yelverton, Sullivan, Roché.  
Attendance—10,800.

### SECOND GAME

VILLANOVA (90)			PENN (47)				
G.	F.	P.	G.	F.	P.		
Ingelsby	1	6-7	8	Wohl	3	0-0	6
Sminkski	10	0-0	20	Blisky	1	0-0	2
Ford	2	5-9	9	Calhoun	1	0-0	2
Smith	7	1-2	15	Morse	2	2-2	6
Porter	16	3-4	35	Wolf	3	1-1	7
Fox	0	1-1	1	Hankson	4	0-0	8
Gohl	1	0-0	2	Liffenage	1	3-5	5
				Cotter	2	0-0	4
				Kotter	2	0-0	4
				Walters	1	1-1	3

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