

Villanova 81, Massachusetts 62

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 19 (AP)—Keith Herron scored 8 points midway through the second half to help send Villanova to an 81-62 victory over Massachusetts tonight.

In the second game of the twin bill at the Palestin, Penn beat St. Joseph's 63-55.

Massachusetts, with a 7-5 won-lost record, had trailed by 50-37 before closing the margin to 50-45. Then Herron made a layup on a steal to start his 8-point run and put Villanova ahead to stay. Villanova, whose overall record is 11-3 and has a 3-0 ledger in the Eastern Collegiate Basketball League, took a 39-31 lead in the first 20 minutes as John Olive, a senior, scored 18 of his career-high 28 points.

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