

Penn Wraps Up Ivy Title, 85-72

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ITHACA, N.Y., Feb. 23 — The University of Pennsylvania built a 44-32 halftime lead, then scored the first 8 points of the second half and cruised to an 85-72 college basketball victory over Cornell tonight.

The victory gave the Quakers an 11-0 won-lost mark in Ivy League play and clinched the team's second straight Ivy title with three league games remaining. Penn is now 19-4 over all. Cornell fell to 7-16 over all and 2-9 in league play.

Penn was led by Tony Price with 21 points.

The title was the second straight for Bob Weinhauer, who took over the Quaker coaching duties last year after Chuck Daly quit just prior to the season to take a position with the Philadelphia 76ers.

Unselfish Squad

"We preach unselfishness on this team," said Weinhauer, "and we have a group of intelligent players who know that unselfishness wins league titles. We did not feel tonight was a pressure situation because we always had tomorrow to fall back on."

Penn held a 24-22 lead with 6 minutes 12 seconds remaining in the first half before outscoring Cornell by 11-1 in the next three minutes to take a 35-23 lead. Price and Vince Ross scored 4 points each during the spurt.

Matt White, the Quaker center, scored a basket and two free throws, and the guards, Bob Willis and Ken Hall, tallied layups, all in the first three minutes of the second half, to give the Quakers a 20-point lead at 52-32. The Big Red got no closer than 11 points after that.

Penn shot 69 percent from the floor in the first half, connecting on 18 of 26 shots, and wound up at 56 percent, 33 of 58.

Price, a senior forward from Taft

High Scholl in the Bronx, also had nine rebounds, and Tim Smith had 17 points and eight rebounds.

Cornell was paced by Mike Davis with 32 points. Davis, a junior forward, now needs only 7 points to reach the 1,000-point mark for his career.

Kentucky 96, Vanderbilt 70

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 23 (AP) — Dwight Anderson scored 19 points and four other Wildcats hit double figures as Kentucky routed Vanderbilt, 96-70, tonight in the Southeastern Conference finale for both teams.

The victory lifted Kentucky to 15-10 over all and 10-8 in the S.E.C. while Vanderbilt fell to 18-8 and 11-7.

Fred Cowan scored 15 points for Kentucky, Kyle Macy added 14, Jay Shidler had 13 and LaVon Williams chipped in with 11.

Mike Rhodes had 23 points for the Commodores, who suffered their third straight defeat in conference play.

Vanderbilt got into foul trouble in the first half when Charles Davis, the Commodores' leading scorer, and Tom Springer each picked up four fouls. Davis fouled out just five minutes into the second half and two other Vanderbilt starters also fouled out.

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