

Duke Stays Undefeated by Beating Penn Five, 70-57

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11 — In a game pitting an unbeaten college basketball team against one that had not won this season, form held up as Duke scored a 70-57 triumph over Penn in the Palestra tonight. It gave the Blue Devils a 6-0 won-lost record and left Penn 0-4.

Penn had no solution for the overall brilliance of Duke, no solution for the poise of the Blue Devils and no solution for its own faulty shooting. Nor could the Quakers stop Duke's 6-foot-11-inch center, Mike Gminski. The all-Ameri-

can from Monroe, Conn., tallied a game-high 27 points and also grabbed nine rebounds. Duke's other all-America candidate, Gene Banks of West Philadelphia High, contributed 14 points and 11 rebounds. Kenny Denard also scored 14 for Duke.

Penn got a 17-point effort from its senior guard and captain, James Salters. Paul Little, a freshman from Boston Latin High, added 16 points, 12 in the second half to keep Penn within striking distance most of the final 20 minutes.

Duke took a 44-31 lead at the half, breaking away on a pair of 8-point

streaks and leaving Penn in an unfavorable position to start the final 20 minutes.

Penn's shooting, poor in the first half, was not much better in the second. Duke built leads of 12 points three times and reached a 63-50 advantage with a little more than 5 minutes remaining. The Quakers cut the margin to 9 in the closing minutes, but that is as close they could get.

Bob Weinbauer of Penn was as happy as a coach could be under the circumstances.

"It would have been a great game for us to win," he said. "But Duke is pol-

ished. We were able to score some points inside in the second half, then they shut us off. They know how to seal everything off when they have to."

N. Mexico 78, Grand Canyon 68

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Dec. 11 (AP) — Kenny Page and Everette Jefferson combined for 50 points tonight as the University of New Mexico's embattled basketball team registered its first victory of the season, a 78-68 triumph over Grand Canyon College.

Page scored 26 points and Jefferson 24 points to spark the Lobos (1-4).

New Mexico's basketball program

has been rocked in recent weeks by transcript and eligibility problems involving its players. One player was declared ineligible prior to New Mexico's season opener at Colorado on Dec. 1, and last week the Lobos lost six more players, three of them starters.

Indiana 76, Georgetown 69

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Dec. 11 (AP) — Mike Woodson tossed in 23 points and a freshman, Isiah Thomas, added 19 tonight as Indiana defeated Georgetown, 76-69.

The victory was Indiana's fourth in four outings.

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