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Charlotte Hornets forward Cody Zeller (left), and Washington Wizards guard Bradley Beal battle for a loose ball in the second half of an NBA basketball game in Charlotte, NC on Dec 10. Charlotte won 114-107. (AP)



New York Knicks forward R.J. Barrett (left), drives to the basket on Portland Trail Blazers forward Carmelo Anthony during the first half of an NBA basketball game in Portland, Ore on Dec 10. (AP)

Robinson's 10 treys 'lift' Heat to win over Hawks

76ers remain unbeaten at home

WASHINGTON, Dec 11, (RTRS): Duncan Robinson bombed in his ninth 3-pointer of the game 17 seconds into overtime, then added a 10th later in the extra session as the hosts Miami Heat outlasted the Atlanta Hawks 135-121 on Tuesday night.

Five players had career nights in the shootout, led by Robinson, who recorded career highs in points (34) and 3-pointers (10 on just 14 attempts).

Miami rookie Kendrick Nunn led all scorers with a career-high 36 points, Bam Adebayo recorded a career-first triple-double with a career-high 30 points, 11 rebounds and a career-high 11

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assists, and Jimmy Butler also notched a triple-double with 20 points, a career-high 18 rebounds and 10 assists.

Miami's starters combined for 124 of the team's 135 points.

Rookie De'Andre Hunter helped keep Atlanta in the game with a career-high 28 points. Trae Young backed Hunter with 21 points and nine assists for the Hawks, who lost to the Heat for the third straight time this season.

76ers 97, Nuggets 92

Joel Embiid had 22 points, 10 rebounds and six assists, and Philadelphia remained unbeaten at home with a win over Denver.

Tobias Harris added 20 points, Matisse Thybulle had 13 and Al Horford 11 as the Sixers improved to 13-0 at Wells Fargo Center, their best home start since winning 22 in a row in 1966-67.

Will Barton led the Nuggets with 26 points, and Nikola Jokic added 15 points, 11

assists and seven rebounds. Gary Harris also scored 14 points while Paul Millsap had 10 for Denver, which lost Jamal Murray to a hip injury in the first quarter.

Hornets 114, Wizards 107

Devonte' Graham had another big second half on his way to scoring 29 points, and Charlotte made key conversions on offense down the stretch to pull out a victory against visiting Washington.

Terry Rozier had 17 points for the Hornets, and Miles Bridges finished with 16. P.J. Washington, despite coming off an ankle injury sustained Sunday, had 15 points. Cody Zeller had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Bismack Biyombo provided 13 points and 15 rebounds.

Rui Hachimura had 18 points and 12 rebounds for Washington, which lost its fourth straight road game. Bradley Beal added 16, and Ish Smith chipped in 13.

Trail Blazers 115, Knicks 87

Damian Lillard scored 31 points and matched his season best with eight 3-pointers to lead



Indiana guard Al Durham (1) shoots with Connecticut guard James Bouknight (12) defending during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game in the Jimmy V Classic, late Tuesday, Dec 10 in New York. Indiana defeated UConn 57-54. (AP)

'Improving United on the right track'

MANCHESTER, England, Dec 11, (RTRS): Manchester United's recent wins over Manchester City and Tottenham Hotspur, despite missing several injured players, are signs that the team are moving in the right direction, manager Ole Gunnar Solskjaer said on

Wednesday.

With club record signing Paul Pogba among those sidelined, United handed their former boss Jose Mourinho his first Spurs defeat last week and dented the Premier League title charge of Pep Guardiola's faltering City on Saturday.

Portland to an easy victory over visiting New York.

Hassan Whiteside recorded 17 points, 15 rebounds and five blocked shots for Portland, which won for just the second time in its past five games. Carmelo Anthony and Anfernee Simons added 16 points apiece, and C.J. McCollum had 13.

Julius Randle scored 15 points and Mitchell Robinson added 14 for the Knicks, who lost their 10th consecutive game.

New York fell to 0-2 under Mike Miller, the former college and G-League coach who took over on an interim basis after the firing of David Fizdale.

Kansas cruises to 26th consecutive home win

Top-ranked Louisville beaten by Texas Tech

NEW YORK, Dec 11, (AP): Louisville became the fourth No. 1 team to lose this season, falling to Texas Tech 70-57 Tuesday night as Davide Moretti scored 18 points and hit successive 3-pointers at Madison Square Garden.

The Cardinals joined Michigan State, Kentucky and Duke as top-ranked squads to lose, three of them to unranked teams.

Louisville (9-1) easily played its worst game of the season, shooting an abysmal 34% from the floor and leading scorer Jordan Nwora had only 14 points. Coach Chris Mack let loose his frustration in the Jimmy V Classic game in the final 90 seconds and was whistled for a technical.

Texas Tech (6-3) played without leading scorer Jahmi'us Ramsey (17.3 points) for the third straight game because of a hamstring injury, and ended a three-game losing streak. The Red Raiders lost four of their top five scorers off the team that took Virginia to overtime before losing in the NCAA championship game last season.

Kansas 95, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 68

In Lawrence, Kan, Devon Dotson had 22 points and nine assists while Udoka Azubuike added 15 points and 17 rebounds for Kansas.

Ochai Agbaji also had 22 points for the Jayhawks (8-1), who built a 40-12 lead in the first half and cruised the rest of the way to their 26th consecutive home win. It also gave them 300 for the decade, joining Gonzaga (304) as the only Division I schools to have reached the milestone before the calendar flips to January.

Darius Roy had 25 points to lead the Panthers (5-5), who actually outscored the Jayhawks most of the second half. Leading scorer Te'Jon Lucas was held to 11 points on 1-of-6 shooting from beyond the arc.

Penn State 76, Maryland 69

In State College, Pa, Penn State became the fifth

unranked team to beat a top-5 program in this upset-filled season, getting 15 points and 11 rebounds from Mike Watkins to beat Maryland.

Lamar Stevens added 15 points and 10 rebounds, Myreon Jones scored 14, Izaiah Brockington scored 14 and Myles Dread had 12 for the Nittany Lions (8-2, 1-1 Big Ten), who led for all but 1:54.

Jalen Smith had 12 points and 11 rebounds for the Terrapins (10-1, 1-1), who were trying for their first 11-0 start since 1996.

Baylor 53, Butler 52

In Waco, Texas, Mark Vital blocked Kamar Baldwin's potential go-ahead shot with 1.5 seconds

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left and Baylor handed Butler its first loss.

It was the second win in a row, and third this season, for Baylor (8-1) over a Top 25 team.

Butler (9-1) was the third team during the day to lose for the first time, after No. 1 Louisville and No. 4 Maryland fell. That left five undefeated Division I teams.

Baylor coach Scott Drew is a 1993 Butler graduate and faced his alma mater as a head coach for the first time.

Northern Iowa 79, Colorado 76

In Boulder, Colo, Spencer Haldeman stole a pass and raced down the floor for a tie-breaking layup with 49 seconds remaining to send Northern Iowa over Colorado.

Northern Iowa (9-1) defeated a ranked team for the first time since topping No. 25 Wichita State 53-50 on Feb 13, 2016. The Panthers had lost their previous seven encounters against ranked opponents.

A.J. Green and Trae Berhow each had 20 points for Northern Iowa. Lucas Siewert scored a career-high 21 points for Colorado (7-2).