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2021 BIG TEN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Game 2 • Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Bankers Life Fieldhouse • Indianapolis, Ind.

FINAL: #8 Nebraska 72 (12-11), #9 Minnesota 61 (8-13)

#8 Nebraska advances to play #1 Maryland at 11 a.m. (ET) Thursday



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GAME NOTES

#8 NEBRASKA TEAM NOTES

- Nebraska earns its first Big Ten Tournament win since March 2, 2018, when it defeated Michigan, 61-54 in a quarterfinal matchup at Bankers Life Fieldhouse.
- This was Nebraska's largest margin of victory in a Big Ten Tournament game since March 5, 2015, when it defeated Illinois, 86-71 in a second-round game at the Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates, Ill.
- The Huskers snap a three-game series losing streak to Minnesota, earning their first win over the Golden Gophers since Jan. 4, 2020 (72-58 in Lincoln).
- Nebraska now leads the all-time series against Minnesota, 15-12, and has won both meetings in the Big Ten Tournament (also 80-67 on March 7, 2014, in a quarterfinal at Bankers Life Fieldhouse).
- Nebraska had only eight turnovers in today's game, one shy of their season best set twice before — Dec. 23 at Purdue and Jan. 19 vs. Minnesota.
- Freshman guard Whitney Brown dished out a career-high six assists, doubling her previous personal best set against Michigan State on Jan. 10, 2021.
- Freshman forward Kendall Coley tied her career high with six points, having previously reached that total in the Huskers' last meeting at Minnesota on Feb. 24, 2021.
- Senior center Kate Cain recorded two blocks today, giving her 349 for her career and putting her in position to become the sixth player in Big Ten history with 350 career blocked shots.

#9 MINNESOTA TEAM NOTES

- Minnesota scored a season-low 21 first-half points on Wednesday. The Gophers' previous low point total in the first half this season had been 25 points on two occasions, most recently Feb. 20 at Maryland.
- Graduate student forward Laura Bagwell Katalinich made her second start in a Golden Gopher uniform today and came within one rebound of her first double-double at Minnesota (10 points/nine rebounds). Her nine rebounds were a season high, eclipsing the six she grabbed twice before (most recently at Penn State on Jan. 25).
- Freshman guard Katie Borowicz earned her first collegiate start today and responded with career highs of 12 points (previous: eight on two occasions, the last on Feb. 10 vs. Illinois), four assists (tied that total for the third time, most recently vs. Nebraska on Feb. 24) and three steals (previous: one on five occasions, the last at Rutgers on Feb. 17).

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- In a unique Big Ten Tournament twist, the #9 seed continues to have a winning record against the #8 seed in second-round matchups, leading 16-11 following the win by #8 Nebraska.
- This is the first time since 2014 that the #8 seed has defeated the #9 seed at the Big Ten Tournament, with #8 Ohio State downing #9 Northwestern, 86-77 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. The Buckeyes would go on to upset top-seeded Penn State, 99-82 in the quarterfinals, before bowing out to No. 5 seed Iowa, 77-73 in the 2014 semifinals.