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RHODE ISLAND'S Jimmy Wright hauls down a rebound while Ram teammate Irv Chatman and BYU's Keith Rice (32) and Glen Roberts (43) look on. The Rams took an 85-76 decision Thursday night.

## Leopards East Past Tigers, 65-61

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SALT LAKE CITY - Three out of four isn't bad but it was the one that got away that got the Orem Tigers Thurs-14 day night as they outscored the East ive Leopards in three of the four quarters but still lost 65-61 in a hard-fought semifinal game of the Salt Lake Valley basketball tournament.

The Tigers will now face Skyline in the battle for third place of the tournament. East will play Highland for the championship.

The Tigers, who were at an average three-inch height disadvantage per man, started out as though they might pull a David and Goliath act as they eat jumped to a quick 10-4 lead in the first quarter.

Orem employed a very effective fullcourt man - to - man press which had East confused and forced the Leopards into four straight turnovers.

However, the Tigers were unable to capitalize as East's tall timber forced

them far outside for their shots. The whole game style." first quarter ended with Orem leading 12-10.

In Orem's nightmarish second period, one in which East scored 31 points to the Tigers' 16, some ragged play allowed the bigger Leopards take complete control of the game. East center Dave Johnson muscled underneath for eight quick points as the Leopards scored 13 unanswered points to assume a 23-12 lead.

From there Orem guard Jeff Edwards came up with the bomb from outside and a classy back-door layup to cut the lead to 25-18, but the 6-6 Johnson and 6-5 forward Brad Boyle hustled in a flurry of points, forced a series of Orem turnovers and, in the process, drew the fourth foul on Orem star Chris McMullen to help the Leopards take a 41-28 lead at the half.

"They were just too tall," pointed out Orem coach Joel Gardner. "When a team is that much taller, it changes your passing your shooting and your

In the third quarter Orem looked as though it would make a game out of it as McMullen forgot he had four fouls and hit six quick points to cut the lead to 41-34. But, he fouled out with 5:20 to go in the period and center Dave Bennion fouled out shortly thereafter. From there Boyle was able to keep the Tigers out of striking distance by hitting on some slick inside layups to preserve a 54-43 third quarter lead.

Orem again cut the lead to 56-49 as Edwards drilled some 20-footers early in the fourth quarter. However, Rich Germillion, who scored 21 points on Tuesday, scored his only points of the night before fouling out, but East again led by 11 at 60-49.

After that it was the East bench making more mistakes than the Orem subs as the Tigers were able to cut the final margin to 65-61.

Boyle led all scorers with 21 points while Johnson was good for 20. Edwards was superb as he hit for 17 for

the Tigers.

East surprisingly turned the ball over six more times than did Orem, but, more importantly, the Leopards outrebounded the Tigers 45-30.

"I really don't think we played as well as we are able to," said Gardner. "Another night and another place I think we should beat them.'

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Schlappi 2 2-2 6, Edwards 8 1-2 17, McGinn 3 4-5 10. Bennion 1 0-0 2, McMullen 3 4-6 10, Shaw 2 2-2 6, Catron 1 0-0 2, Louder 2 0-0 4, Bradshaw 0 4-4 4, Totals 22 17-21.

EAST (65)

Furgis 2 2-2 6, Lunt 0 2-2 2, Gremillion 3 0-0 6, Johnson 7 6-9 20. Boyle 10 1-6 21, Schmutz 1 0-0 2, Matheson 2 1-2 5, Maxfield 1 1-2 3, Totals 26 13-23. 12 28 43 61

Orem 10 41 54 65

Total fouls: Orem 18, East 19. Fouled out: Mc-Mullen, Bennion, Gremillion

Technical foul Orem bench 2. Furgis 1

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