Tech 7th Best

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game of the consolation bracket of the All-College tournament.

Lest anyone mistakes Southwestern for a pushover, one must examine its tournament play. Southwestern led 10th-ranked Southern California by a point at halftime and carried Oklahoma City down to the final seconds before losing.

However, Tech didn’t give the Pirates a chance to breathe. The Hokies snuffed their lights out in the first half by running to a 49-26 lead on shooting that was near 50 per cent.

When it was over the Hokies had connected on 46 of 94 shots to win going away in spite of foul trouble which knocked out Ed Frazier and Duke Thorpe and threatened to claim a couple more.

For the record, Craig Lieder fired in 34 points and looked like the Lieder of last year. “If he hadn’t gotten tired,” said DeVoe, “he might have gotten 50.”

Thorpe didn’t get tired and the freshman had another good game with 12 points and eight rebounds. He fouled out early in the second half, but it was his spring-like quickness on the boards which enabled Tech to control the rebounding.

Another double-figure scorer was guard Charlie Thomas who scored 14. But Thomas also pulled in 13 rebounds, tops for both teams, as Tech dominated the boards 62-39.

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