

No. Carolina Best Team We've Played . . . Cousy

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COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Boston College basketball coach Bob Cousy was afraid it might happen this way.

"We will play them man-to-man," he said as he checked over his game plans Saturday afternoon. "We might get beat by 20, or we might make it close. But it's what we have to do."

Saturday night, in a solemn B.C. locker room, he summed it up.

"This is the best team we've played. They are solid in every department. Our luck just ran out tonight.

"We had trouble matching up man-to-man. They kept isolating (Larry) Miller and (Bob) Lewis and got us in foul trouble. We had to go to the zone. They are fine outside shooters and killed the zone.

"The boards weren't as much of a problem as we thought. We held our own underneath."

North Carolina's Dean Smith paid tribute to the fast break of the Eagles.

"They were the first team to really break against us. We were real scared at the beginning when they ran up that quick lead. It looked like Cousy was out there again."

Cousy thinks North Carolina will hold its own in the Nationals at Louisville.

"If (Rusty) Clark can hold up physically, they will do all right, even against a team like U.C.L.A. Clark would have to hold up against (Lew) Alcindor for the mto have a chance."

The future?

"We lose only two men (Willie Wolters and Doug Hice) and we were in there with the big boys this year. The experience will do us good. I told the boys they had nothing to be ashamed of."