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KINGSTON, R.I. — Bob Cousy had to force a smile when someone slapped him on the back in her Boston College dressing room and said, "nice win."

"It wasn't nice," said Cousy. "It was a farce. Here we had a chance to really do something for New England basketball with all this exposure and we got involved in a farce like this."

Little guard Jack Kavancz sat on a table slowly unwinding some tape.

"It was a frustrating game. We had an idea this was go-

ing to happen. Connecticut has a history of doing this in tournaments."

On the next table sat Steve Adelman, the key man in the game with seven straight points opening the second half.

"It's a funny feeling after playing a game and not even sweating or being tired. My arm's not even sore tonight," Adelman said to Kavancz, who usually gives Adelman

No one shot much. Adelman took seven of B.C.'s 26 shots but five of the seven went in.

"At the half I told the kids the first few minutes of the second half were going to be

crucial. I told them that we'd have to build up a lead to force Connecticut out of that slow game.

"We've played in slow down games before," continued Cousy, "but never one this bad."

"We were afraid," said Kavancz, "that if they ever got the lead in the second half they wouldn't shoot again. When they had that four-point lead early in the game (13 to 9) I was worried. They were willing to stall all night if they could."

However, Adelman took care of things by hitting seven

straight points as the second half opened, and B.C. took a 21-13 lead.

"I'm supposed to be a shooter," said Adelman with a big grin. "At least the guys always kid me about getting a sore arm."

"But I thought if I could get my spot I could make the adjustment.

shots. Actually, I made a little adjustment.

"The jump shot is my favorite shot, but I've had it blocked on me about 20 times this year. I just don't jump as high as most guys to take

the shot because when I do, I feel like I'm forcing it.

"Like the first one I tried tonight (Bill) Holoways blocked it on me. Then I finally started to get a little smart.

"In the second half, I gave him a little head fake first, and when he left his feet I went up and got the shot away. That's why he fouled me that time when I got the three pointer."

Cousy was far from pleased.

"We anticipated this, but we didn't think they would slow down this much. I guess a win is win. It was effective. But that's all."