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(Neb.)- Petteway Leads Nebraska Past Northwestern, 53-49

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EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Terran Petteway scored 17 points, and Nebraska overcame a slow start to beat Northwestern 53-49 on Saturday.

Walter Pitchford added 15 points, nailing three 3-pointers, and the Cornhuskers (12-10, 4-6 Big Ten) picked themselves up after getting blown out by Michigan earlier in the week.

They trailed by six after an ugly first half and blew an eight-point lead late in the second but managed to pull this one out.

Northwestern (12-12, 5-6) had just scored eight straight to tie it at 44 when Pitchford hit two free throws and a 3 to make it a five-point game with 2:25 left.

Then, after two free throws by the Wildcats' JerShon Cobb, Petteway nailed a 3 with 22 seconds left to make it a six-point game. Northwestern's Sanjay Lumpkin answered with one of his own, but the Cornhuskers hung on.