

STARS AND STRIPES®

Saturday, November 28, 2015

A news digest for U.S. forces serving overseas

stripes.com

Study: Overworked Navy facing crisis

Daily Press (Newport News, Va.)

The Navy faces a crisis on the near horizon, with too few ships, tired sailors and emerging global threats, leaving the Pentagon with no easy choices, a new study concludes.

The main problem facing the Navy and Marine Corps is “that demand for naval forces exceeds the supply they can sustainably deliver,” according to the Nov. 18 report from the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments.

Titled “Deploying Beyond Their Means: America’s Navy and Marine Corps at a Tipping Point,” the report lays out options for the Defense Department that involve either a fundamental policy shift or spending more money. The study was sponsored in part by the U.S. Navy League’s “America’s Strength” campaign, which lobbies for more naval resources. The report cites several options for the Navy:

■ **Pull back:** The Navy could reduce its presence around the globe, but that would come amid rising tensions in Syria, Ukraine and China.

■ **Build more ships:** The study says it would require another \$4 billion to \$7 billion per year to build a fleet that could sustain the Navy’s current global presence while still meeting guidelines for training and maintenance. In real dollars, the Navy’s shipbuilding account has been about \$16 billion for years.

■ **Move another aircraft carrier to Japan** to address the Asia-Pacific region. Or Congress could set aside more money to maintain the current operating tempo, pumping more money into sailors’ paychecks and maintenance budgets.

The Defense Department “will eventually need to reconcile the mismatch between the supply of naval forces and the demands placed on them,” the report states.

Authored by Bryan Clark, a CSBA senior fellow, and research assistant Jesse Sloman, the report comes as the U.S. is without an aircraft carrier in the Middle East, the first such gap in nearly a decade. It occurred when the USS Theodore Roosevelt left the region

in October. The USS Harry S. Truman, which deployed from Norfolk, Va., last week, will fill the void.

The report frames the crisis as a result of trying to do more with fewer resources.

The Navy had 333 ships in 1998, and now it’s down to about 271. But the workload has remained constant during that time. “As a result, each ship is working harder to maintain the same level of presence,” the report states.

In 1998, 62 percent of Navy ships were deployed instead of training near home. That rose to a high of 86 percent in 2009, dropping to about 74 percent this year.

Increased operating tempo has caused problems. In 2010, the amphibious assault ship USS Bataan rushed to aid victims of the Haiti earthquake one month removed from a seven-month deployment. While in Haiti, it suffered an equipment failure that forced a delay in operations.

In 2011 and 2012, the USS Essex experienced mechanical problems due to skipping

maintenance, causing the ship to miss one Pacific exercise and scale back participation in another.

More recently, the aircraft carrier Dwight D. Eisenhower endured back-to-back deployments in 2012 and 2013, resulting in a maintenance period that was 65 percent longer than planned.

Crews have also felt the strain. The report cited a 2014 survey by two Navy officers that found 49.8 percent of enlisted personnel and 65.5 percent of officers felt that operational tempo was too high. To address these concerns, the Navy has instituted a new deployment cycle called the Optimized Fleet Response Plan. It’s designed to make the rotation of deployments and homecomings more predictable and reduce at-sea periods to a maximum eight months.

This plan, once fully implemented, “will better enable some naval forces to complete training and maintenance between deployments,” the report states. “However, it will also reduce the presence they can deliver overseas.”

3 killed in shooting at Colo. Planned Parenthood clinic

Associated Press

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — A gunman burst into a Planned Parenthood clinic and opened fire, launching several gunbattles and an hourslong standoff with police as patients and staff took cover under furniture and inside locked rooms. By the time the shooter surrendered, three people were killed — including a police officer — and nine others were wounded, authorities said.

For hours, police had no

communication with the shooter other than intermittent gunfire from inside the Colorado Springs clinic. As the standoff progressed, officers inside the building herded people into one area and evacuated others.

Officers eventually moved in, shouted at the gunman and persuaded him to surrender, police said. About five hours after the attack started, authorities led away a man wearing a white T-shirt.

Police identified him as Robert Lewis Dear, 57, of North

Carolina. Jail booking records indicate Dear is due in court on Monday.

Few other details about the suspect were immediately available, including whether he had any connection to Planned Parenthood.

“We don’t have any information on this individual’s mentality or his ideas or ideology,” Colorado Springs police Lt. Catherine Buckley told reporters on Friday. She said Saturday that investigators expect to study the crime

scene for several days.

Dear spent time at a small cabin in North Carolina with no electricity or running water about a half-mile up a twisty dirt road near Black Mountain, a neighbor said. On Saturday, there was a cross made of twigs on the wall of the pale yellow shack.

“If you talked to him, nothing with him was very cognitive — topics all over place,” said James Russell, who lives a few hundred feet down the mountain.

Militants built network of tunnels in Iraq

Associated Press

IRBIL, Iraq — Under the Iraqi town of Sinjar, Islamic State militants built a network of tunnels, complete with sleeping quarters, wired with electricity and fortified with sandbags. There, they had boxes of U.S.-made ammunition, medicines and copies of the Quran stashed on shelves.

The Associated Press obtained extensive video footage of the tunnels, which were uncovered by Kurdish forces that took the city in northwestern Iraq earlier this month after more than a year of Islamic State rule.

"We found between 30 and 40 tunnels inside Sinjar," said Shamo Eado, a commander from Sinjar with the Iraqi Kurd-

ish fighters known as peshmerga. "It was like a network inside the city."

"Daesh dug these trenches in order to hide from airstrikes and have free movement underground as well as to store weapons and explosives," Eado said, using an Arabic acronym for the Islamic State group. "This was their military arsenal."

The video, shot by a freelancer touring the town with Kurdish fighters, showed two tunnels running several hundred yards, each starting and ending from houses, through holes knocked into walls or floors.

The narrow tunnels, carved in the rock apparently with jackhammers or other hand-held equipment, are just tall enough for a man to stand in. Rows of sandbags line sections

of the walls, electrical wires power fans and lights and metal braces reinforce the ceilings. One section of the tunnel resembled a bunker. Dusty copies of the Quran sit above piles of blankets and pillows. Prescription drugs — painkillers and antibiotics — lie scattered along the floor.

In another section of the tunnel, the footage shows stocks of ammunition, including American-made cartridges and bomb-making tools.

Islamic State has been digging tunnels for protection and movement throughout the territory it controls in Iraq and Syria, even before the U.S.-led coalition launched its campaign of airstrikes against the group more than a year ago. "This has been part of ISIS' strategy from

the very beginning," said Lina Khatib, a senior research associate at the Arab Reform initiative, a Paris-based think tank. "ISIS has been well prepared for this kind of intervention."

After pushing Islamic State out of Sinjar, peshmerga officials and local residents have uncovered two mass graves in the area. One, not far from the city center is estimated to hold 78 elderly women's bodies. The second grave uncovered about 9 miles west of Sinjar contained between 50 and 60 bodies of men, women and children.

Eado, the peshmerga commander, said that as Kurdish forces clear Sinjar of explosives, he expects to find more tunnels and evidence of atrocities.

"It's just a matter of time," he said.

Kunduz civilian death toll still unclear

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly two months after a U.S. warplane mistakenly attacked a hospital in northern Afghanistan, officials said Friday it remains unclear how many civilians were killed.

In releasing a two-page summary of an international investigation that was intended to assess civilian casualties from the Oct. 3 attack in Kunduz, NATO said efforts are still

underway to reconcile reports that put the death total at either 30 or 31.

A separate U.S. military investigation has been completed to more fully sort out what went wrong and to establish the basis for possible disciplinary action against the U.S. personnel involved. That investigation concluded that the crew of the AC-130 gunship that conducted the attack did not know the target was a hospital, but that a combination of human error,

technical failures and other mistakes led to the tragedy.

The U.S. investigation report has not been released publicly, but the top U.S. commander in Afghanistan, Gen. John Campbell, said Wednesday it found that 30 civilians had died.

The international investigation, officially called a Civilian Casualty Assessment Team, or CCAT, said it found credible evidence that 31 civilians had died at the hospital run by Doctors Without Borders.

Attack on UN base in Mali kills at least 3

DAKAR, Senegal — A mortar attack on a United Nations base in northern Mali's Kidal early Saturday killed at least three people, including two U.N. peacekeepers and a contractor, said the mission spokesman.

The attack also injured 20 people, of which four are in serious condition, said Olivier Salgado, spokesman for the U.N. mission in Mali known as MINUSMA.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack in the country's restless north but Islamic extremists are suspected. In 2013, the French pushed Islamic militants out of Mali's northern cities and towns although jihadists continue to carry out attacks on U.N. peacekeepers.

"I want to reiterate that these attacks will not impede the determination of the United Nations to support the Malian people and the peace process," said Mongi Hamdi, the head of the U.N. mission and the special representative for the secretary-general in Mali.

From The Associated Press

Pope pays homage to Ugandan martyrs

Associated Press

NAMUGONGO, Uganda — Pope Francis on Saturday honored the Ugandan Christians who were burned alive rather than renounce their faith a century ago, urging today's Catholics to follow in their missionary zeal and spread the faith at home and abroad.

A somber Francis prayed at shrines dedicated to the 23

Anglican and 22 Catholic martyrs who were killed between 1885 and 1887 on the orders of a local king trying to thwart the influence of Christianity in his central Ugandan kingdom. According to historians, the Christians were also killed because they refused the king's sexual advances, citing the church's opposition to homosexuality.

At Namugongo, outside the

capital of Kampala, where most of the martyrs were burned alive, Francis prayed first at the gruesome sanctuary dedicated to the Anglicans, kneeling before part of the same tree where they were tortured before being executed. He then prayed at the Catholic shrine and celebrated Mass in their honor to mark the 50th anniversary of the Catholics' canonization.

Houston sinks Midshipmen

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Navy could not get the Houston offense off the field.

Greg Ward, Jr. threw for 308 yards and three touchdowns to lead Houston to a 52-31 win over Navy, sending the Cougars to the first American Athletic Conference championship game.

Houston (11-1, 7-1 American) clinched the West Division title and will host either Temple or South Florida in the championship game Dec. 5. The Cougars are also well positioned to earn a bid to a New Year's Six bowl game, likely the Fiesta Bowl, if they win the league championship.

On top of Ward's play, Navy coach Ken Niumatalolo singled out Houston's 16 of 19 on third downs and two perfect fourth-down conversions for the loss.

"The difference in the game was that we couldn't get them off the field," Niumatalolo said. "We played decent on first and second down, but we could not get them off the field on third downs. It just killed us."

Keenan Reynolds, Navy's outstanding triple-option quarterback, rushed for 84 yards on 19 carries and a fourth quarter touchdown and was 14-for-17 for 312 yards passing and a touchdown for the Midshipmen (9-2, 7-1). The Heisman Trophy contender scored his 83rd career touchdown to match the FBS record set by Wisconsin's Montee Ball. Reynolds also set a Navy record with his 29th career TD pass.

reer TD pass.

"Whatever works to get us down the field we're going to do," Reynolds said. "Football is both. We're able to run the ball for 300-plus yards, so the game plan was for us to throw it, and we were able to complete some big plays in the passing game."

Navy had its five-game winning streak snapped.

"Third downs killed us," Niumatalolo said. "We had the ball like three times in the first half. I don't know how many possessions we had, but we didn't have the ball very often. Like I said, our defense has been playing lights out this whole year. You just tip your hat to them, they played better. Our defense has played really well this year, and sometimes it happens. Sometimes they out play you, and you just have to move on."

Navy's Jamir Tillman caught five passes for 162 yards and a touchdown. Chris Swain ran for two touchdowns for Navy.

Navy had rushed for 400 yards in back-to-back contests, but was limited to 147 yards by Houston's defense.

Navy finishes its regular season against Army Dec. 12.

"You know 1-0, it works both ways," Reynolds said. "Fortunately, we're working in the win column more than the losing column, but we have to move on. Like coach said in the locker room (Army) is the biggest game on the schedule this year. The pain we felt losing this game doesn't compare to losing to Army."

Ward was 26-of-35 passing and ran for 83 yards and another score as Houston opened up a 38-17 lead by the end of the third quarter.

Houston's Brandon Wilson, who was moved from cornerback to running back this week because of injuries, ran for 111 yards and two touchdowns on 22 carries. Demarcus Ayers had eight catches for 161 yards and a touchdown and threw a 29-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter for Houston, which compiled 555 yards of offense.

"They were just making great plays," Navy nose guard Bernard Sarra said. "The coaches put us in good positions on third down. We were always in good positions on third down. We just weren't able to get them off the field."

After Reynolds was intercepted on the second play of the second half, Ward threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Linell Bonner to increase Houston's lead to 17 with 11½ minutes left in the third quarter.

Following Austin Grebe's 39-yard field goal for Navy, Ayers extended Houston's lead to 38-17 with a one-handed catch and run for a 62-yard touchdown reception from Ward with 2:26 left in the third.

Ward put Houston ahead for good, spinning away from four Navy defenders and scampering for a 5-yard touchdown with five minutes left in the first half. Ty Cummings hit a 45-yard field goal to end the half to give the Cougars a 24-14 lead.

No. 3 Iowa improves to 12-0

Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Iowa certainly didn't change the minds of critics who say the Hawkeyes don't look the part of a national championship contender.

They didn't do a whole lot on offense against Nebraska, their defense gave up a lot of yards again and they muffed a punt.

When the clock struck 0:00 Friday, though, they were celebrating a 28-20 victory that finished their first perfect regular season in 93 years.

"We're not trying to be pretty, we're trying to be productive," coach Kirk Ferentz said. "Football's not gymnastics. There are style points in gymnastics. Here it's having one point more than your opponent. We're 12-0. You can't do better than that."

The Hawkeyes (8-0 Big Ten, No. 4 CFP) locked arms and ran to the south end zone to pick up the Heroes Trophy that goes to the winner of this game. Then it was off to the corner to salute their fans before heading to the locker room.

There's still work to be done to make this season even better. Next stop, the Big Ten championship game in Indianapolis where they'll play for their first conference title since 2004. Win there, and a spot in the College Football Playoff is a very real possibility. Maybe even a certainty.

"The goal is three more," offensive lineman Austin Blythe said. "Right now we're going to enjoy this one and find out our opponent on Sunday."

Jordan Canzeri ran for 140 yards on 17 carries and broke long touchdown runs on back-to-back series in the third quarter on a raw afternoon when a gusty north wind made for a 12-degree wind chill.

The Hawkeyes generated only 250 total yards and were limited to just 44 plays from scrimmage because they went 0 for 9 on third downs. But Nebraska's Tommy Armstrong Jr. threw four interceptions, with Parker Hesse returning one 4 yards for a touchdown, and the Cornhuskers (5-7, 3-5) committed eight penalties, including four personal fouls.

All that helped Iowa remain one of two unbeaten teams. Clemson is the other.

"You want to win every game, that's your goal," Ferentz said. "We find ourselves in a good position today. But we've been trying to get there for 17 years."

Canzeri ran off left tackle two straight times for two touchdowns in the third quarter to keep Nebraska from gaining any momentum. His first TD went 29 yards and the second 68 yards for a 28-17 lead.

The Huskers, who started 3-6 under first-year coach Mike Riley, had their third losing season since 2004 and lost four times at home for the first time since 1961.

The Huskers needed a win to assure bowl eligibility. They still might play in the postseason if there aren't enough six-win teams to fill the 80 bowl spots.

"To some people who say we're not good enough to go to a bowl, maybe they're right," Nebraska defensive end Jack Gangwish said, "but I'd sure like to go."

Boykin, TCU top No. 7 Baylor in 2OT

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Trevone Boykin had quite a closing act in his final home game for No. 15 TCU.

His right foot heavily taped after missing a game, Boykin threw an 8-yard touchdown pass to KaVontae Turpin in the second overtime after scoring on a 1-yard run in the first extra period, helping the Horned Frogs beat No. 7 Baylor 28-21 on a rainy, chilly Friday night.

"Crazy, man. A 12-round fight really, to be honest," said Boykin, who was once the Heisman Trophy front-runner. "We knew the whole game we just had to fight through the weather and the distractions and all the adversity and just play football."

TCU (10-2, 7-2 Big 12) got to 10 wins for the 10th time in the past 14 seasons under coach Gary Patterson, and a measure of revenge for a 61-58 loss in Waco last season while knocking the Bears (9-2, 6-2, No. 7 CFP) out of contention for a third consecutive Big 12 title.

"It's an awesome feeling," defensive end Josh Carraway said. "This is one of the greatest feelings in the world. You just feel like you're on top of the world. But we're not done yet. We have a bowl game."

After punting on all nine of its possessions in the second half, TCU forced a

second OT with Boykin's keeper. After scoring again, the Frogs stopped Devin Chafin short on a fourth-and-1 play to end the game.

With the loss by Baylor, the Big 12 champion will be the winner of No. 5 Oklahoma at No. 9 Oklahoma State on Saturday night. The Sooners, No. 3 in the latest CFP rankings, and Cowboys are both 10-1 overall and 7-1 in the Big 12.

The Horned Frogs won their 13th consecutive home game since losing to Baylor two years ago.

In October 2014, Baylor overcame a 21-point deficit in the final 11 minutes and won with a field goal on the final play. That was the only loss last season by the Horned Frogs, who shared the Big 12 title with Baylor before the league's two private schools were the first teams left out of the inaugural four-team College Football Playoff.

No. 18 Oregon 52, Oregon State 42: Vernon Adams threw for 366 yards and three touchdowns and the Ducks extended their winning streak to six games and closed out the regular season with a victory over the visiting Beavers in the 119th Civil War game.

Royce Freeman ran for 167 yards and two touchdowns for the Ducks (9-3, 7-2 Pac-12), who will now wait to see how the postseason bowl picture shakes out. Stanford will represent the Pac-12 North in the conference championship game.

ence championship game.

It was the ninth straight loss for the Beavers (2-10, 0-9), the most since 1995, when they lost 10 in a row. Oregon State did not win a conference game for the first time since 1997.

Washington 45, No. 20 Washington State 10: At Seattle, Myles Gaskin ran for 138 yards and two touchdowns, Sidney Jones, Darren Gardenhire and Azeem Victor returned turnovers for touchdowns in the second half and Washington became bowl eligible with a 45-10 victory over No. 20 Washington State.

The Huskies (6-6, 4-5 Pac-12) removed any doubt about their postseason status by stemming the best passing game in the country and taking advantage of seven turnovers by the Cougars, the most by Washington State since 2009 against Hawaii.

Western Michigan 35, No. 24 Toledo 30: Corey Davis caught two touchdown passes and the Broncos upset the host Rockets to send Northern Illinois to the Mid-American Conference championship game.

The Rockets (9-2, 6-2) could have earned the MAC West title and a spot in the league title game, but the Broncos (7-5, 6-2) created a three-way tie for the division. NIU beat both Toledo and Western Michigan and will face Bowling Green on Dec. 4 at Ford Field in Detroit.



Ship's Store official new car program

Exclusive Navy at-sea offers:

www.navyauto.com or nasinfo@navyauto.com

Warriors remain unbeaten

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Stephen Curry scored 41 points in three quarters, Draymond Green had a triple-double and the Golden State Warriors beat Phoenix 135-116 on Friday night, extending their NBA-record start to 17-0.

The Warriors set a franchise mark for three-pointers with 22, one shy of the league record.

Curry made a season-high nine of his 16 attempts from long range in his 14th career 40-point game. Green had 14 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists in his third career triple-double, two this season.

The Warriors, in their highest-scoring game of the season, set another NBA mark by making 15 three-pointers (in 20 attempts) in the first half. Leandro Barbosa added 21 points on 8-of-9 shooting, including 5-for-5 on threes.

T.J. Warren scored a career-high 28 points for the Suns in their third straight loss and fourth in five games.

Rockets 116, 76ers 114: James Harden had 50 points, nine rebounds and eight assists, and host Houston beat winless Philadelphia.

Harden was 14 for 28 from the field and 16-for-20 at the line in his third career game with 50 or more points. He is averaging 36.2 points in his last five games.

Pacers 104, Bulls 92: Paul George scored 33 points, C.J. Miles had 16 and host Indiana earned its fourth consecutive win.

The Pacers have won 10 of 12 overall. Monta Ellis had 14 points, and George Hill finished with 10 assists.

Cavaliers 95, Hornets 90: LeBron James had 25 points and 13 rebounds for visiting Cleveland, extending his personal run of dominance against Charlotte.

James' teams have won 23 straight games against franchises based in

Charlotte — both the Hornets and Bobcats. He played in all but two of those.

Thunder 103, Pistons 87: Kevin Durant had 34 points and 13 rebounds to help host Oklahoma City beat Detroit for its fourth straight win.

Russell Westbrook, Serge Ibaka and Enes Kanter added 14 points apiece for the Thunder. In a matchup of the NBA's top two rebounding teams, the No. 2 Thunder outrebounded the No. 1 Pistons 58-38. Detroit center Andre Drummond, who was leading the league with 17.8 rebounds per game, finished with seven.

Hawks 116, Grizzlies 101: Paul Millsap had 23 points and 14 rebounds, leading balanced visiting Atlanta past Memphis.

Atlanta, which had lost five of seven, had six players score in double figures. Jeff Teague had 20 points and seven assists, Al Horford scored 16 points, and Kent Bazemore had 14.

Heat 97, Knicks 78: Gerald Green scored a season-high 25 points while starting in place of Luol Deng, and visiting Miami earned its second victory over New York this week.

Chris Bosh added 20 points and Dwyane Wade had 17 for the Heat, who held the Knicks to 78 points in both victories over the last six nights.

Magic 114, Bucks 90: Elfrid Payton had 22 points and 10 assists to lead host Orlando to the win.

The Magic shot 52.4 percent from the field and limited the Bucks to 41.9 percent shooting. Tobias Harris scored 19 points for Orlando, and Evan Fournier and Victor Oladipo had 17 apiece.

Spurs 91, Nuggets 80: Kawhi Leonard scored 25 points and visiting San Antonio beat Denver for its fourth win in a row.

Tony Parker added 13 points and Jonathon Simmons had 12 for the Spurs,

who were without Tim Duncan and Manu Ginobili. The veteran stars got the night off to rest with San Antonio playing the second of three games in four nights.

Clippers 111, Pelicans 90: Blake Griffin and J.J. Redick each scored 20 points as host Los Angeles routed New Orleans.

Griffin, who scored 40 points against Utah on Wednesday in a 102-91 loss that began a six-game homestand, made seven of 15 shots to help fuel the Clippers' sixth straight home victory over New Orleans. Chris Paul had 17 points and eight assists.

Timberwolves 101, Kings 91: Andrew Wiggins scored 22 points, Zach LaVine added 19 points and eight rebounds, and Minnesota got a big game from its reserves to beat host Sacramento.

Shabazz Muhammad had 15 points and Andre Miller added 12 points and four assists to help the Timberwolves to their third straight win and first over the Kings since March 16, 2014. Minnesota, one of the worst home teams in the NBA this season, also improved to 6-2 on the road.

LaVine scored 14 points in the second half of his return to the lineup, helping Minnesota pull away. LaVine was starting in place of Ricky Rubio, who was sidelined by a left ankle injury.

Celtics 111, Wizards 78: Jared Sullinger had 18 points and 15 rebounds and Isaiah Thomas scored 21 points, leading Boston past visiting Washington.

Jae Crowder scored 17 and Avery Bradley had 16 points for the Celtics, who posted a runaway win against the Wizards for the second time in three weeks.

Kelly Olynyk scored nine of his 12 points in the fourth quarter as both coaches left the finish to their reserves.

Bruins overtake Rangers

The Associated Press

BOSTON — With less than 4 minutes left and their modest winning streak in jeopardy, the Boston Bruins pulled off a comeback that would have seemed improbable a few weeks ago.

Ryan Spooner and David Krejci scored 2:03 apart late in the third period and the Bruins rallied to beat the New York Rangers 4-3 on Friday.

"We didn't stop playing. We kept pushing," Krejci said.

After limping through an inconsistent start to the season, the Bruins extended their winning streak to five games by beating one of the top teams in the Eastern Conference.

Tuukka Rask had 24 saves for the Bruins.

Spooner's power-play goal with 3:46 left to play tied it at 3, then Krejci struck again on a deflected slap shot that beat Henrik Lundqvist with 1:43 remaining.

"We showed a lot of character tonight. I think we have to be really happy about it," Boston forward Brad Marchand said. "It shows that we're learning and we're coming together."

Patrice Bergeron and Brett Connolly also scored for the Bruins.

Blackhawks 3, Ducks 2 (OT): Artem Anisimov scored 1:53 into overtime and visiting Chicago rallied from a two-goal deficit in the final moments of regulation for a victory over Anaheim.

Stars 3, Canucks 2 (SO): Tyler Seguin scored on the first shot of the shootout, Antti Niemi stopped all three opponents' attempts after making 34 saves and host Dallas beat Vancouver.

Coyotes 2, Flames 1 (OT): Oliver Ekman-Larsson scored in overtime, Mike Smith stopped 25 shots and host Arizona beat Calgary for coach Dave Tippett's 500th career victory.

Red Wings 4, Oilers 3 (OT): Niklas Kronwall scored 26 seconds into overtime to lift host Detroit over Edmonton.

Canadiens 3, Devils 2 (SO): Alex Galchenyuk and Sven Andrighetto scored in regulation and again in the shootout and visiting Montreal rallied from a two-goal deficit to beat New Jersey for its fourth straight win.

Blue Jackets 2, Penguins 1 (OT): Cam Atkinson scored with 2:18 left in overtime after a dazzling setup by Brandon Dubinsky and host Columbus beat Pittsburgh.

Panthers 3, Islanders 2 (SO): Aleksander Barkov scored the winner in a five-round shootout and host Florida beat New York.

Sabres 4, Hurricanes 1: Chad Johnson made 27 saves, Jack Eichel got his eighth goal of the season and host Buffalo beat Carolina to end a six-game losing streak.

Capitals 4, Lightning 2: Jason Chimera scored a power-play goal and had an assist during another man advantage to help host Washington beat Tampa Bay.

Jets 3, Wild 1: Dustin Byfuglien had a goal and assist, Connor Hellebuyck made 14 saves to win his NHL debut and visiting Winnipeg spoiled left winger Zach Parise's return from a knee injury by beating Minnesota.

Flyers 3, Predators 2 (OT): Shayne Gostisbehere scored on the power play with 52 seconds left in overtime to lift host Philadelphia to a win over Nashville.

No. 1 Kentucky rolls over South Florida

Associated Press

MIAMI — As had been the case plenty of times before, Orlando Antigua had a courtside seat to watch Kentucky turn a close game into a runaway.

For once, he didn't enjoy the view.

The former Kentucky assistant feared that a big run was coming, and when it arrived his South Florida team had no answer. Jamal Murray scored 21 points, Skal Labissiere added 17 and No. 1 Kentucky went on a 15-0 run to end the first half on the way to beating the Bulls 84-63 in the HoopHall Miami Invitational on Friday.

"One of the things we tried to avoid was how quickly they could put points up, how quickly they transition from one end to the other, on made baskets, missed baskets, quick turnovers," said Antigua, in his second season coaching the Bulls. "You take a bad shot, they rebound it and they're down the court in 3 seconds, 4 seconds."

Take away that spurt at the end of the first half, and USF played Kentucky within six points over 34 minutes. That helped explain why Kentucky coach John Calipari wasn't exactly overjoyed even after a 21-point win.

"That's who we are as a defensive team," Calipari said about the 15-0 run. "What you saw in the second half is not. If you're out to prove who you are, you're doing that every night."

USF shot 60 percent in the second half, playing the Wildcats to a 42-42 tie in the final 20 minutes.

Skal Labissiere added 17 points for the Wildcats (6-0), who led by as many as 31. Charles Matthews scored 11 points and Isaiah Briscoe finished with seven assists for Kentucky, now a winner of 37 consecutive regular-season games and 39 in a row against unranked opponents.

No. 3 Michigan State 77, Boise State 67: At Fullerton, Calif., Denzel Valentine scored a career-high 32 points, hitting five consecutive three-pointers to break open a tight game in the second half, and the Spartans beat the Broncos in the semifinals of the DirecTV Wooden Legacy.

No. 4 Iowa State 99, Virginia Tech 77: At Niceville, Fla., Jameel McKay scored 23 points and the Cyclones beat the Hokies to advance to the Emerald Coast Classic final.

No. 8 Villanova 69, Georgia Tech 52: At New York, Jalen Brunson and Josh Hart each scored 13 points to help the Wildcats beat the Yellow Jackets in the NIT Season Tip Off championship game.

Providence 69, No. 11 Arizona 65: At Fullerton, Calif., Kris Dunn scored the Friars' last 10 points, including a go-ahead jumper with 31 seconds left, in the semifinals of the DirecTV Wooden Legacy. Ben Bentil scored a career-high 21 points for the Friars (6-0) and Dunn finished with 19 despite playing in foul trouble most of the game.

Richmond 94, No. 14 California 90: At Las Vegas, Terry Allen had 34 points and 12 rebounds in the Spiders' victory over the Golden Bears in a Las Vegas

Invitational consolation game.

Northeastern 78, No. 15 Miami 77: Quincy Ford made a jumper at the buzzer to lift the visiting Huskies past the Hurricanes.

No. 17 Notre Dame 68, Iowa 62: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., V.J. Beachem scored 16 points, Demetrius Jackson had 12 and the Fighting Irish beat the Hawkeyes in the consolation round of the AdvoCare Invitational.

Gonzaga 73, No. 18 UConn 70: At Paradise Island, Bahamas, Kyle Wiltjer scored 17 points, Eric McClellan added 15 and the Bulldogs held off the Huskies in the Battle 4 Atlantis third-place game.

Alabama 64, No. 20 Wichita State 60: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Shannon Hale scored 20 points and Riley Norris added 12 to help the Crimson Tide beat the Shockers in the AdvoCare Invitational consolation round.

No. 23 Xavier 87, Southern California 77: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Trevon Bluiett scored 16 points and the Musketeers beat the Trojans to reach the AdvoCare Invitational title game.

No. 24 Cincinnati 65, Nebraska 61: At New York, Troy Caupain scored 17 points and the Bearcats beat the Cornhuskers in the Barclays Center Classic semifinals.

Syracuse 74, No. 25 Texas A&M 67: At Paradise Island, Bahamas, Michael Gbinije had 20 points, Malachi Richardson added 16 and the Orange held off the Aggies in the Battle 4 Atlantis championship game.