BRAXTON HAS 23 POINTS

JACKSON -- Rontreal Braxton scored a game-high 23 points as 16th-ranked Cumberland came from behind to score a 72-69 victory over Lambuth Thursday night.

Braxton hit 7-of-9 from the field, including 4-for-4 from 3-point range, and was 5-of-6 at the foul line, helping the Bulldogs (22-4) to their fourth win in the last five games. No other Cumberland player finished in double figures. Jamar Finley and Brandon Springer both finished the contest with nine points.

Lambuth stayed in the game despite shooting just 44 percent from the field by hitting the glass, collecting 21 offensive rebounds. The Eagles (15-10) led 31-30 at the half despite making only 13-of-36 shots from the floor in the period.

Youssoupha Sene led five Lambuth players in double figures with 14 points and also grabbed 10 rebounds, while Donnie Haywood added 13 and Tom Hammonds posted 12. Antawn Coby and Antawn Long both scored 10 points. Coby also recorded nine rebounds.

CU's WOMEN FELL to 8-20 on the season with a 101-57 loss to Lambuth in Thursday's opener. Cumberland's Keshia Brown scored a season-high 13 points, going 5-for-9 from the field and grabbing six rebounds.

Lambuth (20-5) raced out to a 49-20 halftime edge after hitting nine 3-pointers in the opening period and 17 in the contest.

Cumberland's men and women play at Bethel College Thursday, Feb. 26 before finishing the regular season Saturday, Feb. 28, at home against rival Trevecca Nazarene.

COACHING MILESTONE -- The Lambuth win marked the 200th career victory for CU's Lonnie Thompson in 11 years as a collegiate head coach – including a four-year stint at
Motlow
State
Community College