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LCU added a run in the fifth on a Rafael Thomas triple and a David Cruz single, but MMC got out of trouble with well-turned double play.

MMC got on the board with back-to-back home runs by Jason Schmidt and Lambrechts, but starter Paul Gonzalez and reliever Hunter Scott closed the door from there.

The Chaparrals added two insurance runs in the eighth on a Cruz single.

"Damewood threw a good game," Bernatow said. "For 7 2/3 innings, we gave them all they could handle."

Thomas, Cruz, Bohlken and Neumann each had two hits for LCU (44-13), which finished with 12 hits.

MMC was held to four hits, home runs by Schmidt and Lambrechts, and singles by Krier and Damewood.

"We couldn't get a bounce," Schmidt said. "If we hit it, they were there. It's demoralizing as a hitter when you feel like you've won the battle, but you've got nothing to show for it."

Gonzalez, pitched 7 2/3 innings, striking out eight and allowing four hits, to pick up the win, his ninth in 10 decisions this season.

Gonzalez played for cross-town Texas Tech in 2009.

"Paul was good today," Blackwood said. "He had command of all his pitches and was hitting his spots well. I was proud of him getting to the eighth."

Damewood took the loss, striking out five. Jake Broscha retired the one batter he faced in relief.

"Josh threw a good game," Bernatow said.

While the Lancers struggled to get baserunners, they did not give up, according to Krier.

"He pretty much had our number, first four, five innings. We've faced guys like that before, not very often, but we've faced guys like that that have kinda shut us down," he said. "We just kept with our philosophy, keep doing what we've been taught to do, keep doing what we've been doing all year, and eventually we're going to break through. We did get back-to-back homers. We got some things going, get runners on base and put



Mount Marty's Jason Schmidt dives safely into first base as Texas-Brownsville pitcher Danny Gidora dives toward the bag during the third inning of their opening round game in the NAIA Baseball Tournament, Bracket 4, Tuesday in Lubbock, Texas.

ourselves in a position to get back in the game."

LCU now plays second-seeded York in the final winner's bracket game today at 2:30 p.m.

"We have to come ready to play another good ball club. They swing it well," Blackwood said. "But we've got one of our top arms ready."

The Chaparrals will throw Frank Corolla (11-2), a right-hander who was drafted in the 19th round of the MLB draft in 2009, which he spent at the University of Houston.

In the opener, Schmidt went 4-4 with a grand slam home run, a triple and six RBI to lead Mount Marty. The triple was a MMC record-tying fourth on the season, tying him with Josh Wenande (this season) and five other players.

Also for MMC, Andy Turbak went 2-4 with a triple. Justin Kemp went 2-3 with a double in the win.

Brian Bustos and Matt Ginn each went 2-4, each with a home run. Jorge Camorlinga went 2-5 with a double.

Krier went the distance for the win, striking out five and walking none. Danny Gidora took the loss, giving up the first four runs.

Texas-Brownsville threatened in the first two innings, stranding run-

ners at third in each of the first two innings. The Scorpions broke through in the fourth, as Brian Bustos crushed a ball to left field to give UTB a 1-0 lead.

The Lancers took advantage of wildness by Gidora in the bottom of the fifth. After walks to Kemp and Krier sandwiched Wenande being hit by a pitch, Schmidt launched a home run over the right field fence, giving MMC a 4-1 edge.

"All the information we had (on Mount Marty) said don't let Schmidt beat you," said UTB head coach Bryan Aughey. "And he beat us. There were four runs with one mistake."

Schmidt was able to read the pattern the Scorpions were using against him.

"The first couple at bats they were throwing me inside," Schmidt said. "In the third at bat, they threw me inside again, so I was looking dead square inside and I didn't miss it."

UTB got one run back in the top of the sixth, when Ginn blasted a home run close the gap. MMC answered again, scoring four more runs to improve the margin to 8-2.

Kemp and Lambrechts had RBI singles, and Schmidt had a two-run

triple in the rally.

MMC added two runs in the seventh on a RBI single by Ross Heine and a run-scoring double by Kemp.

The Scorpions left eight runners on base, including four at third base.

"When you get 11 hits, you need to score more than two runs," Aughey said. "We couldn't get the timely hits. Krier made the pitches when he needed them."

Bernatow felt that his veteran left-hander did what needed to be done with runners in scoring position.

"Trey pitched well with guys on base," he said. "He and Josh (Wenande) kept working, and the defense did a good job of holding up their end."

Krier felt the offensive support helped him settle down after battling toe to toe with Gidora for the first four innings.

"That's the story of our year, the offense carried us," he said. "It makes it so much easier to pitch."

Play in Bracket 4 begins at 11 a.m. with UTB against Avila, 11-1 losers to York. York and LCU play at 2:30 p.m., with MMC playing the early game winner at 6 p.m. Three teams will survive to play Thursday.

Struggling Zambrano Heading Back To Cubs' Starting Rotation

CHICAGO (AP) — As for that Carlos Zambrano-to-the-bullpen experiment, the Chicago Cubs are saying: "Never mind."

Having failed to fix the team's eighth-inning relief woes or to improve his own performance during his three weeks in the bullpen, the \$91.5 million right-hander is returning to the rotation.

"We took a chance that we needed to take," manager Lou Piniella said before Tuesday night's game against Colorado. "We thought his velocity would increase. It hasn't. We're going to stretch him out to get him back in the rotation, and we'll see when he's ready."

Piniella said he'd like Zambrano to pitch two or three times in long relief before making the move. Though all five starters have pitched decently, Tom Gorzelanny is the most likely to be sent to the bullpen to make room for Zambrano.

"We're not five games under .500 because we've had a bad rotation," general manager Jim Hendry said.

Zambrano had 91 victories in his first six full seasons as a Cubs starter before winning only nine times last year. He came to camp this spring in his best shape ever but got rocked by Atlanta on opening day and was 1-2 with a 7.45 ERA in four starts.

The combination of Zambrano's struggles, Ted Lilly's



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return from the disabled list and the ineffectiveness of every pitcher Piniella employed as setup man to closer Carlos Marmol led the Cubs to move their one-time ace to the bullpen.

But Zambrano didn't have very good command or velocity, rarely reaching 90 mph with his fastball. In his most recent outing, he gave up three runs in an inning against Pittsburgh. He had a 6.23 ERA in eight relief appearances, making a bad situation worse.

Zambrano, who turns 29 on June 1 and is signed through 2012, wasn't thrilled about leaving the rotation in the first place. So he was excited to hear he was returning.

"I'm happy, man," he said about becoming a starter again. "As long as the team's happy, I'm happy. Whatever this team wants me to do, I do."

Zambrano recently told Hendry he was having trouble getting loose quickly in the bullpen — a must for a short reliever. And the Cubs aren't about to use a \$91.5 million pitcher as a mop-up man in one-sided games.

"No, no, no," Piniella said. "We don't need Zambrano or any pitcher of that quality in that role."

FINALS

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1995 finals.

Only another footnote for Boston's remarkable history.

Two years removed from their 17th NBA championship, the Celtics, once thought too old to contend for another title, have found their footing again.

After ousting LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers, the team with the league's best record,

Boston is showing no signs of stopping.

"Just think our mindset was to be ready for the type of intensity they would bring after losing at home," Pierce said. "We know the Magic are a talented team and we won't take these two wins for granted."

Boston again started fast.

The Celtics, who took a 20-point lead in Game 1, went ahead by 11 in the first quarter. It wasn't until backup center Marcin Gortat and Howard — a rare combination this season — teamed together that Orlando showed any fight.

NBA

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through a very, very tough year. Actually when I got up and spoke to them, I was thanking them for sticking by us and being so supportive even though we had all the problems."

Now they hope the No. 1 pick can help spark a quick turnaround under Washington Capitals owner Ted Leonsis, who is close to com-

pleting a deal to buy the franchise from the Pollin family. Leonsis met with some NBA owners earlier Tuesday, and the sale is expected to be completed early in June.

"We have a lot of work to do with the franchise," Leonsis said. "The players, the culture, the expectations, the discipline around the team, but I do think it is a breath of fresh air and does revive the franchise and gives us a shot to be an exciting team with a lot of expectations. I know how hard it is to rebuild a team. I am going to be patient but I have a strong belief that our management

team and ownership team is very focused."

The losers this time were the Minnesota Timberwolves, who fell from second to fourth. Sacramento (No. 5) and Golden State (No. 6) also tumbled — the second straight year the Kings went the wrong way in the lottery.

The Kings went from first to fourth last year, but did end up with Rookie of the Year Tyreke Evans — who represented them Tuesday. So maybe the Nets shouldn't lose hope.

The NBA draft is June 24 in New York.



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