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Ohio State Upsets Top-Ranked Iowa

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COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 2 — Without Keith Byars, the tailback and injured leader, the Ohio State Buckeyes called upon two substitutes and an old but successful formula — a nearly mistake-free game and the help of "the Horseshoe" — to defeat Iowa, 22-13, today on a dark, wet and wild afternoon.

Byars, who has been troubled by foot problems that have kept him out of all but two games this season, was reduced to the role of speechmaker and cheerleader. But before a raucous record crowd of 90,467 at Ohio Stadium, the massive gray horseshoe where Iowa has not won since 1959, John Wooldridge scored on a 57-yard run and Vince Workman, the third-string freshman who became the starter, scored a 4-yard touchdown to restore a 15-point lead in the fourth quarter after the Hawkeyes had drawn to within 8 points.

The Buckeyes (7-1 over all, 4-1 in Big Ten play), were intercepted twice but did not lose a fumble for the eighth straight game. The Ohio State defense, which allowed Purdue's Jim Everett to throw for 497 yards two weeks ago, minimized the few offensive mistakes by limiting Iowa's Chuck Long to 17 completions in 34 attempts — none for longer than 20 yards — and 169 yards. Long's four in-

terceptions were half as many as his total in the previous seven games.

"We thought we were going to pass the ball on them," said Mike Haight, the Hawkeye right tackle. "They must have had a crystal ball or something. They seemed to know exactly where the ball was going."

"I don't know what happened," Long said. "It went by so quick. I couldn't tell you what was going on. I'll probably be sick tomorrow when I watch it. We did have some guys open deep, and I missed them. I guess I underestimated their defensive backs a little bit. They were faster than I thought."

The coverage, which made sideline passes more difficult and concentrated on preventing Long from throwing deep, often forced him to throw to areas where receivers were outnumbered by defenders. The horseshoe, and all the noise it created in Ohio State's 20th consecutive home victory, prevented Long from calling out changes in plays at the line of scrimmage.

Within a few startling hours, the Hawkeyes (7-1 over all, 4-1 in Big Ten play), lost their undisputed conference lead and probably their top ranking in both The Associated Press

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and United Press International polls. Throughout the seven victories, Long and **Ronnie Harmon**, who gained 120 yards on 26 carries, were responsible for many of the most significant plays. **Harmon** was on the sidelines during the final minutes, however, as a result of an ankle injury, fatigue and lingering effects of the broken leg he suffered last season.

"He never has been completely well," Coach Hayden Fry of **Iowa** said.

Today, the big plays came from the other side of the ball. Sonny Gordon, an Ohio State defensive back, blocked an **Iowa** punt through the end zone for a safety and a 5-0 lead. Chris Spielman, a sophomore linebacker, made two of the four Ohio State interceptions and was part of 19 tackles.

The most important of Spielman's tackles came late in the third quarter.

The **Hawkeyes** had fallen behind, 15-0, on two field goals by Rich Spangler, the safety after the blocked punt blocked punt, and Wooldridge's 57-yard touchdown.

But **Harmon** completed an 88-yard, 14-play drive with a 3-yard run to make the score 15-7 before halftime. Then Spangler, who had missed just once in 10 attempts, was wide with a 29-yard attempt for his second miss of the game, and Jim Karsatos, the Buckeye quarterback, was intercepted at the Ohio 19-yard line.

The **Hawkeyes** went for the first down on fourth down and 1 from the Ohio 10. Harmon dived into the right side of the line, but Spielman tackled him around the waist for no gain.

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