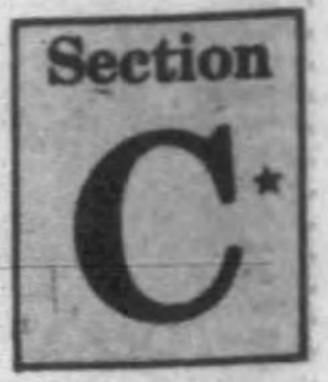
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Duke recalls Bob, Woody

ob Knight, whose Indiana basketball team has a date Saturday in Iowa City with Iowa, and the late Ohio State football coach Woody Hayes are two of the more cantankerous men to walk a Big Ten sideline.

Wayne Duke, Big Ten commissioner who will resign at the end of the year, recalled recently his relationship with Knight and Hayes.

"Contrary to many of the press reports, I enjoyed a great working relationship with Woody Hayes," Duke said. "Despite some of his outbursts, Woody was a good guy. I know he was a real enigma to a lot of folks. But my relationship with him was more of the friendship variety than most people would expect.

"In television meetings we had in Phoenix recently, Coach Knight called me after Dick Vitale had related his thoughts about who the next Big Ten commissioner ought to be. He said one person was Dave Gavitt, commissioner of the Big East.

"I told Dave that Knight recommended him, and then I told Bob that having his endorsement, Gavitt might not have a chance. We had a good laugh over it.

"Contrary to outward appearances, I'd like to think I've enjoyed a good working relationship with some of the more dynamic people in the conference."

Duke recalled Knight's chairthrowing incident and said he should have been tougher on the Hoosiers' coach.

"In retrospect, I should have been more firm in administrating our code of conduct," said Duke, who added many conferences have punished coaches for publicly criticizing officials this season. "I should have invoked the sportsmanlike conduct code more stringently in that case."

Duke doesn't know what he'll do when he leaves the Big Ten, but he said he has received offers to become "a full-time vice president of a major sports organization," and a "sports administrator."

He has a consulting agreement with the Big Ten through 1993.

Vic and Dean

Victor Alexander, Iowa State's smooth sophomore center, basketball first team.

Only three other Cyclones have made the first team in their sophomore year: Jeff Grayer, who is in the NBA with Milwaukee; Don Smith, a first-round NBA

starred at Cedar Rapids Jefferson and went on to have a good career at ISU under Lynn Nance, whose St. Mary's (Calif.) team likely will get an NCAA bid.

Uthoff still is the Big 8's alltime leading rebounder. He led the Cyclones in rebounding four straight years, totaling 1,233, and finished with 1,245 points.

Since his college career ended in 1980, Uthoff has been playing in Australia. He is married and has become an Australian citizen.

Uthoff still is scoring and rebounding. He led his Melbourne Spectres Basketball Club in scoring (18.3 points per game) and rebounding (17.2) this season. He finished third in Most Valuable Player voting in Australia's major professional league, the National Basketball League.

LPGA interest

Rumors surfaced recently event to Cedar Rapids in the summer of 1990, but the effort has been dropped.

Lou King, former executive with the PGA and past organizer of the Amana VIP, had come up with the idea. King has several contacts in the LPGA, including veteran VIP participant Joanne Carner, and even was asked to consider being its commissioner

within the past year. King now runs Lou King & Associates, sports marketing consultants with offices in Cedar Rapids and Lake Park, Fla.

SPORTS ON TRIAL

under fire on witness stand

U of I on defensive about performance of athletes in classroom

Gazette wire services. HICAGO - Fred Mims, the University of I lowa assistant athletic director, testified Wednesday that if the university had known Ronnie Harmon had entered into an agreement to be represented by sports agents during his junior year and had accepted money from them, in his opinion it would not have permitted Harmon to play football in his senior

season. Mims said the university would also have revoked Harmon's scholarship. Harmon did not reveal such information to the university and did play, leading his team to the Big Ten Conference championship and an appearance in the Rose

Mims testified during the second day of the trial of Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom, the agents accused of defrauding a number of institutions, including the University of Iowa, of scholarships and other money paid to studentathletes.

Harmon, a star running back now with the Buffalo Bills, and a teammate, Devon Mitchell, were among the student-athletes.

Mitchell also testified he entered into an agreement with the two agents and received money before his eligibility expired.

Questioned by prosecutor Howard Pearl, Mims also sought to rebut Tuesday's implication by defense attorneys that the university was more concerned with athletic performance and raising money than it was with the academic performance of its football players.

He also sought to rebut the defense contention that the university allowed Harmon to play even though he was academically ineligible.

Mims, who supervised the provision of

academic services to the athletes, insisted the university had stricter academic requirements than did the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

He asserted that the graduation rate of football players was superior to that of the general student body and insisted Harmon was academically eligible his senior year.

One regulation applicable to Iowa and the NCAA is that a student, in Mims's words, be "qualitatively and quantitatively progressing toward a degree."

Under cross-examination by Bloom's attorney, • Please turn to 4C: Harmon

U of I official disputes grade point evidence

By Mark Dukes Gazette sports editor

University of Iowa official has disputed evidence about Ronnie Harmon's academic record introduced at the fraud trial of agents Norby Walters and Lloyd indicating Wednesday that grade-point averages brought into testimony may have been semester figures and not cumulative.

Ann Rhodes, U of I assistant vice president for finance and university services, said Harmon was "in good standing when he left and eligible to participate" in athletics. She acknowledged that Harmon was -placed on academic probation in May 1985 and said she "didn't recall" if that was the only time.

Harmon's academic transcript was subpoenaed by Walters and Bloom. Harmon was questioned Tuesday why he was eligible to compete in football at Iowa when his transcript showed grade-point averages of 1.62, 1.86 and 1.69 during his first three years at Iowa.

"There could have been semesters where he dipped below the minimum," Rhodes said. "But what we're talking about is cumulative grade-point average. The two are not mutually compatible.

"My understanding of how this is being presented in the trial is that they're picking out the most awful points of the transcript."

Cumulative grade-point averages, not semester GPAs, are used to determined eligibility by conferences and the NCAA.

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AP photo

joined some select company when he was named to the Big 8 World record effort

Roger Kingdom of the United States, right, knocks down a hurdle in the 60-meter event Wednesday en route to matching the world indoor record of 7.36 seconds. American Arthur Blake, left, was second in the race at Piraeus, Greece. Story, page 3C.

Illinois blasts past Hawks

3rd straight loss a 1st for lowa in Davis regime

> By Jim Ecker Gazette sportswriter

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. - Illinois was a pretty good basketball team without Kendall Gill.

Now that he's back, the Fighting Illini might be the best in the country. Again.

They looked extremely good Wednesday night as they demolished Iowa, 118-94, before 16,552 adoring fans at Assembly Hall.

Gill, a junior guard, had missed the last dozen games with a broken foot. He started slowly against the Hawkeyes, but when he got in tune, so did the Illini.

This game was tied at 33-33 with 31/2 minutes left in the first half. That's when Gill and all-Big Ten forward Nick Anderson took charge, leading an 18-2 surge that left the Hawkeyes gasping at intermission, 51-35.

It was more of the same in the second half as the fourth-ranked Illini won their 22nd straight game at home, raising their records to 26-4 overall and 13-4 in the Big Ten.

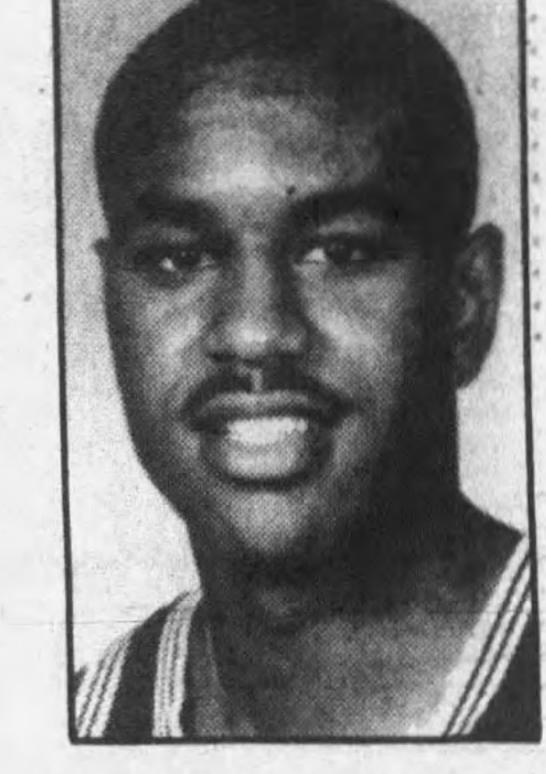
Iowa, losing its third straight for the first time in three years

Edwards, Rice top All-Big Ten;

Horton near unanimous choice

Roy

Marble Career-high 37 points



with Tom Davis as head coach, fell to 21-9 and 9-8. The blowout was the second straight against a Top 10 club on the road for the Hawks, who fell 119-96 at Michigan last Saturday.

"I thought Illinois just picked up where they left off," said Davis. "They were playing great basketball down the stretch. If they keep playing like they did against Indiana, who knows who's going to stop them.

"That's a very, very strong ballclub."

Illinois stood No.1 in the land at 17-0 back in January when Gill. got hurt in a win over Georgia; Tech. The Illini went 8-4 in his absence, including last Sunday's win at Indiana, and now have: their full complement of stars

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Dean Uthoff. Uthoff is the 7-footer who Trade for Murphy called 'dead' deal

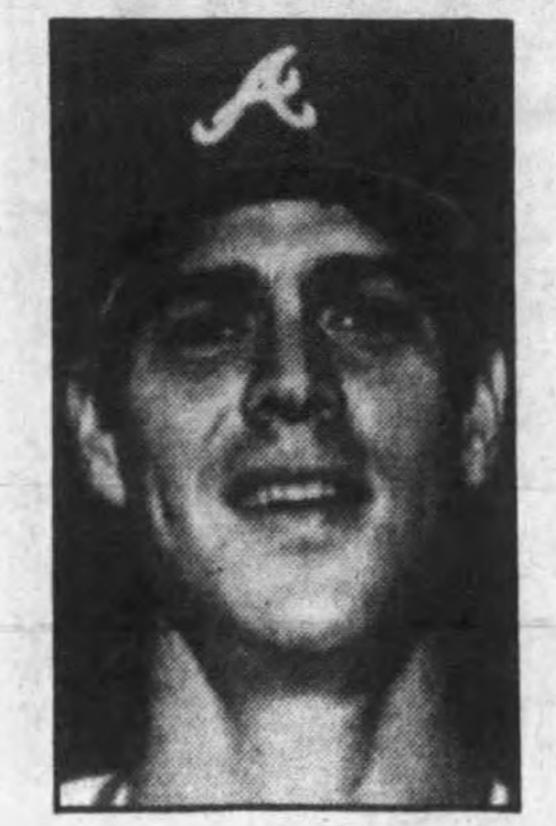
New York Times WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — The big trade is dead, Dale

Murphy says. The Atlanta Braves have told him they are not trading him to the New York Mets or, most likely, to anybody else.

"I'll probably stay here," he said Tuesday. "The Mets called and said it was dead.

"The San Diego Padres cooled down. The Houston Astros called, but I've been told nothing's hap-

Would he have cast his seniority veto or accepted a trade to the Mets after 334 home runs and 11 seasons in the uniform of the Braves?



Dale

"I kept hearing all winter I was going to the Mets," Murphy said. "I kept waiting for the phone to ring. I would have considered

accepting a trade to the Mets."

Murphy

HICAGO (AP) — Jay Edwards of Indiana and two-time scoring champion Glen Rice of Michigan head the 1989 Associated Press All-Big Ten basketball team. Edwards, a sophomore from Marion, Ind., and Rice, a senior from Flint, Mich., were unanimous choices of a voting panel of 19

The also were the only ones to get votes for Big Ten Player of the Year, with Edwards edging Rice 10-9 for the honor. Ed Horton of Iowa missed being a unani-

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mous selection by one point. Rounding out the first team were Jay Burson of Ohio State and Nick Anderson of

Players received two points for a first-team vote and one point for a second-team vote. Eric Anderson of Indiana was selected Freshman of the Year. He received 18 votes to





Ed Horton



B.J. Armstrong

one for Ray Thompson of Iowa. Edwards was the winner last year, giving Indiana the freshman award for two consecu Please turn to 3C: Horton

that a group of Cedar Rapidians was attempting to bring a Ladies Professional Golf Association tour No All-American game for Jefferson's Johnson

But standout gets All-American honor

By Bob Denney

Gazette sportswriter Cedar Rapids Jefferson's Cam Johnson won't be playing in the 12th annual McDonald's All-American basketball game in Kansas City next month, but he is still one of a kind.

McDonald's officials confirmed Tuesday that Johnson, who guided Jefferson to a

share of the Mississippi Valley Conference title, is the only Iowa prep this season to be

selected honorable mention All-America. The 6-foot-2 senior is on a list of 100 players not invited to the prestigious game, but receiving special recognition.

The Gazette learned Johnson and one other Metro player - senior center Garret Pick of Linn-Mar. — incorrectly received letters of invitation to the game.

Pick did not make the honorable mention Cedar Rapids Kennedy prep All-American Al Lorenzen is the only Iowan ever to have played in the McDonald's game.

McDonald's officials said the error originated from the local franchise office in Marion.

Local franchises receive public relations materials concerning the game annually, with each kit containing form letters. According to McDonald's officials, nomination letters were mailed to 19 Iowa seniors. But, Johnson and Pick received the wrong followup correspondence.

"I wish we could turn back the clock, but it is an embarrassing thing for everyone concerned," said Sandy Silver, McDonald's assistant vice president of communications from his office in Chicago.

"We learn the hard way from something like this, but it is refreshing to know that Cam Johnson deserves his spot among the next best 100 players. He is the only Iowa player receiving such recognition."

Jefferson principal William C. Jacobson and J-Hawk Coach Bob Landis inquired about Johnson's invitation, once notified of the mistake by local McDonald's supervisor Darrell Nye of Marion.

Jacobson was contacted twice by Coach Morgan Wooten of Hyattsville, Md., chair of the All-American selection committee. Wooten told Jacobson that Johnson was

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Stringer will stick with lineup change

By Al Hall

Gazette sportswriter IOWA CITY — Iowa Coach C. Vivian Stringer plans to stick with a recent lineup change as the eighth-ranked Hawkeyes wrap up up. the regular season this week.

The Hawkeyes play at Michigan tonight and at Michigan State on Saturday before watching anxiously as the NCAA women's tournament bracket is announced Sunday.

Freshman Trisha Waugh, a 6foot-1 forward, joined forward Fran Price, guards Jolette Law and Robin Christian and center Shanda Berry in the lineup last weekend as Iowa beat Northwestern, 77-46, and Wisconsin, 78-52.

"Trisha has given us the comfort now to be able to substitute and play more people," Stringer said. "She's proven herself in crucial situations."

Early this season, Iowa experimented with several lineups before settling on a group that included 5-4 guards Law and Steph Schueler with the 5-9 Price and Christian at forward and the 6-3 Berry at center.

But that lineup was small by Top 20 standards, though effective much of the time. Schueler still sees plenty of action and the Hawks also have 6-2 Katie Abrahamson and 6-2 Felicia Hall in line on the bench.

"For one, it allows us to be more realistic in our matchups," Stringer said of the lineup with Waugh. "We're always giving away a lot with our smaller group.

"Trisha makes defensive errors. But she's smart. She's learning every time she plays. I'm really encouraged."

Iowa also has two distinctive styles of attack now. With the larger lineup, the Hawks are a bit more deliberate, but when Schueler hits the floor, the tempo picks

It worked well over the weekend. Iowa seemed more relaxed and together than it has for much of the season. Even though the Hawks are 24-4 and share the Big Ten lead with Ohio State at 14-2, the season has been a trying one.

Part of the problem has been inconsistent shooting from the perimeter, but weekend events were encouraging. Price began to light it up again, Law continued her good shooting and Schueler hit all seven of her second-half shots against Wisconsin on Sun-

Stringer also likes Abrahamson's recent work.

"We've got to consistently hit our outside shots," Stringer said. "I feel better about what I've seen from Fran and Katie, Jolette and Steph. What we've got to do is practice a lot more now on just hitting the shots in practice and continue to work on fine-tuning the execution of what we're doing."

Iowa beat both Michigan schools by 40 points in Iowa City, but Stringer said both have improved.

"They are much-improved teams, in particular at their own home," Stringer said. "We've got our work cut out for us."

Michigan is 10-16 overall, 4-12 in the Big Ten heading into tonight's 6:30 (Iowa time) game. Michigan State is 14-12 overall, 8-8 in the league.



AP photo

In a little late

Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg grimaces as Oakland A's catcher Ron Hassey puts the tag on him in Cactus League action Wednesday at Mesa, Ariz. Sandberg was out attempting to score on a fly ball to short right. The Cubs lost, 4-3.

Pitchers taking a pounding this spring

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) - Pitchers are supposed to be ahead of hitters in the spring. Everyone in baseball knows that.

So why are Wade Boggs, Will Clark and others already swinging in midseason form while Dwight Gooden, Dennis Eckersley and plenty of pitchers getting pounded?

"Usually the pitchers are ahead. I don't know why it's not happening this time," said Clark, who is 4 for 12 with a double and triple for San Francisco.

"The pitchers and catchers get down here earlier and should be a week advanced," he said.

Like the Oakland pitchers. Last season, the Athletics led the American League with a 3.44 earned run average. This spring, they have a 5.65 ERA.

Eckersley, who led the majors with 45 saves, has given up seven runs on 11 hits in six innings.

HARMON: Says education no joke

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Dan Webb, Mims was hard pressed to describe how Harmon and Mitchell had advanced toward their degrees.

In going over the college transcripts of the two athletes, Webb presented an eye-opening look at the curriculum some athletes pursue and the university's role in counseling them toward their degrees.

Taking such courses as billiards, coaching football, bowling and soccer his first year, Harmon, who earlier in the day testified his education was "not a joke," achieved a 1.62 grade-point aver-

Only by going to summer school and earning a B in a course titled Fundamental Military Organization was he able to remain academically eligible for his soph-

omore season. The course was used to recruit students for the Reserve Officers Training Corps, and according to Mims, many athletes took the

course. Webb further noted that at the end of his junior year Harmon had a 1.69 grade-point average and was placed on academic probation. He had yet to take one course in his declared major of computer sciences.

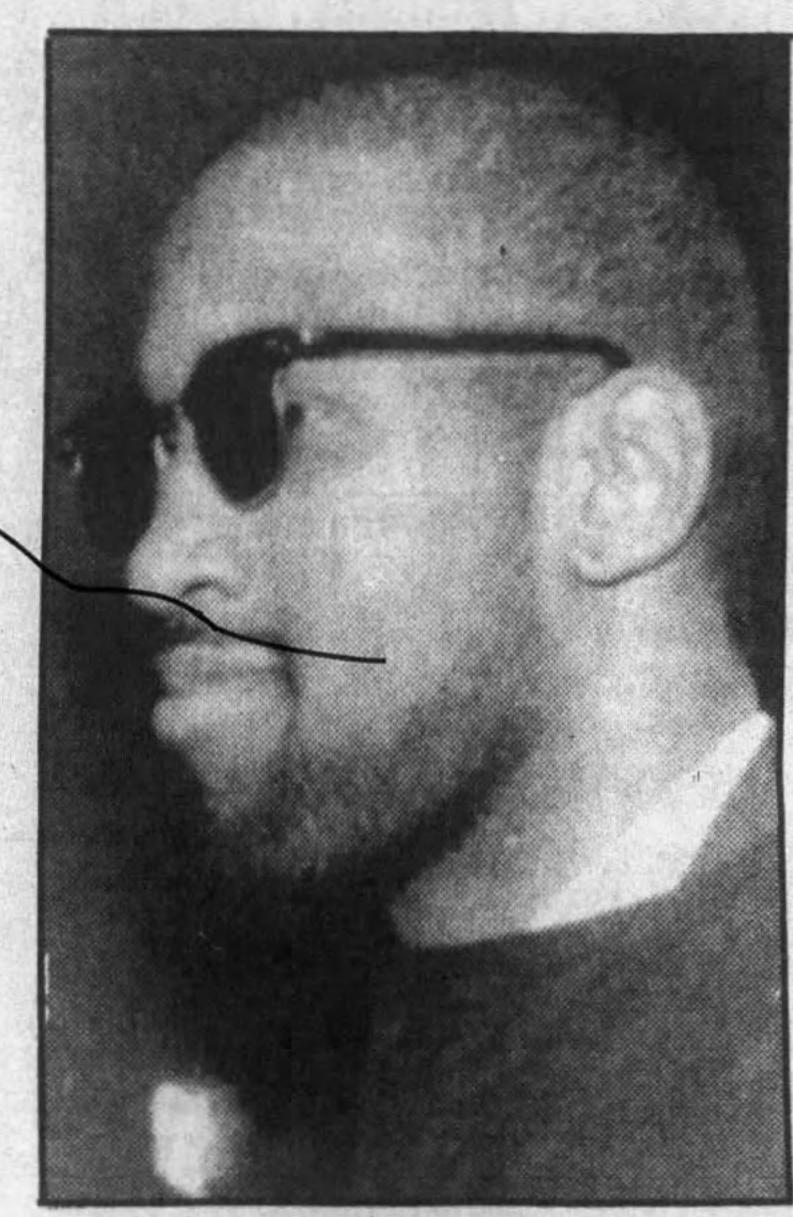
Asked how he could certify to the NCAA that Harmon was making qualitative and quantitative progress toward his degree, Mims responded that at about this time Harmon talked of changing his major to communications or general studies.

Harmon then took a course in watercolor painting during the summer to raise his grade-point average but earned a D, resulting in his being placed on academic probation. When Webb cited a document signed by Harmon's academic adviser that Harmon was not working toward a degree, Mims said the document did not mean what it said and that he was not academically ineligible to play football.

Mitchell's academic record was similar to Harmon's. One year he took a course in jogging but dropped it. During his sophomore year, Mitchell took 15 hours and achieved a 1.0 grade-point average, earning three F's, one D, one C and an A.

The A was granted for his participation on the varsity football team.

He was declared academically ineligible, but raised his average the next semester and over the summer and was able to play the next season. Webb noted that both athletes dropped out of the



Ronnie Harmon Academic record under scrutiny

university after their last game, the 1986 Rose Bowl.

"A lot of guys are on academic probation from semester to semester but they are still eligible," Iowa coach Hayden Fry said about the situation Tuesday. "It depends on what the cumulative grade (grade-point) total is; it depends on how much a 'D' would bring it down. It might still be enough to be eligible.

"I guarantee you — I guarantee you — that there is not anybody connected with Iowa intercollegiate athletics, men's or women's programs, who played when they were academically ineligible," Fry

Harmon, now with the Buffalo Bills, testified Tuesday that he was approached by Walters and Bloom while still a junior at Iowa He said he fired them after receiving nearly \$54,000 in cash and goods for his signature on a contract that was in violation of NCAA rules.

Tuesday, Harmon testified that he got money, plane tickets and a new car from the agents as they tried to persuade him to sign an agreement that would allow them to represent him on professional contract negotiations.

Neither Harmon nor Mitchell graduated from Iowa, Mims said.

Under NCAA rules, college athletes may not play football or receive scholarships if they sign contracts and receive compensation from professional sports

Sam Becker, University of Iowa faculty representative to the Big Ten, said academic eligibility was checked by the U of I Athletic Department.

RHODES: Cumulative is key

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ence academic requirements were changed in August 1983. Students who enrolled after 1983 were required to maintain slightly higher academic standards than those who enrolled before 1983. Ha enrolled in the fall of 1982 and played the '82, '83, '84 and '85 seasons at Iowa, finishing his eligibility in the Rose Bowl Jan. 1,

Rhodes explained that athletes

enrolling before 1983 were required to maintain a 1.7 GPA in their first two years, 1.85 in their third and 2.00 in their fourth and fifth. The change boosted those requirements to 1.8 in the first two years and 1.9 in the third, and kept the 2.0 standard the last two

Release of a student's cumulative or semester grade-point averages is protected under privacy

HAWKS: Lose 3rd in a row

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back in the galaxy for postseason play.

"I think that's a heckuva team," said Davis.

The victory maintained Illinois' hopes of winning the Big Ten title as it chases Indiana in the final week. The Hoosiers can wrap up the crown tonight with a win over Wisconsin in Bloomington. If not, the title will be decided Saturday when Iowa hosts Indiana and Illinois visits Michigan.

Iowa led 20-10 with 12:14 left in the first half, but it was steadily downhill from there despite B.J. Armstrong's return to the lineup after missing a game with a sore left leg.

Illinois scored 41 points in the last 12:14 of the first half, and the game quickly deteriorated in the second stanza. From Iowa's point of view, that is.

The Illini entertained the crowd with a mixture of power dunks and twine-tickling three-pointers as the Hawkeyes were simply overwhelmed.

Gill finished with 15 points in 25 minutes, one of six Illini players to score in double figures. "He's just one more dimension

to a ballclub that was already playing terrific basketball," said

"I'm sure that Kendall had a lot

nois Coach Lou Henson. "It was good for team morale to have him out there." Roy Marble led Iowa with a

career-high 37 points on the day he got snubbed on the all-Big Ten teams, receiving only honorable mention. "I don't know how Roy could have played much better than he

did tonight," said Davis. "I thought he had a phenomenal "He doesn't even make the top

two teams in the Big Ten," said Davis. "You have to shake your

Illinois enjoyed its biggest lead to do with the victory,"said Illi- at 29 points, 91-62, before Iowa

Les Jepsen's rebound basket pulled the Hawkeyes within 95-80 with 5:38 left. But Lowell Hamilton scored five straight to send the Illini ahead 105-82, and the rest was academic.

came back after it was too late.

IOWA (94): Horton 9-20 3-4 21, Thompson 6-12 2-4 14, Jepsen 1-1 1-3 3, Marble 14-23 7-8 37, Garner 0-10 0-3 0, Bullard 1-2 0-0 2, Armstrong 5-11 2-3 13, Moses 1-8 2-2 4, Lookingbill 0-0 0-0 0, Skinner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-78 17-27 94. ILLINOIS (118): Anderson 9-14 9-9 29, Battle 9-15 3-6 21, Hamilton 10-17 4-6 24, Bardo 4-6 0-0 11, Liberty 6-9 0-0 12, Gill 6-12 1-1 15, SMith 0-3 1-4 1, Small 1-1 0-0 2, Bowman 1-1 0-0 3 MacDonald 0-0 0-0 0, Manzke 0-0 0-0 0, Shapland 0-0 0-0 0

Halftime-Illinois 51, lowa 35, 3-point shots-lowa 3-12 (Horton 0-1, Marble 2-4, Armstrong 1-4, Moses 0-3), Illinois 8-15 (Anderson 2-3, Battle 0-1, Hamilton 0-1, Bardo 3-5, Gill 2-4, Bowman 1-1), Fouled Out-None, Rebounds-Iowa 39 (Horton 11), Illinois 38 (Anderson 10). Assists-lowa 18 (Garner 6) Illinois 30 (Bardo 11). Total fouls-lowa 22, Illinois 25.

