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Kinne, Wakely push Drake women to 11-0

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Statistics show that Drake's Kristi Kinne and Tricia Wakely are going to get their points. Opposing coaches just wish the two would have to work at it a little more.

Kinne and Wakely pretty much did what they wanted against Bradley on Saturday and the result was a 75-60 Drake victory.

That gave the Bulldogs an 11-0 record, the Missouri Valley Conference record for the best start. Drake is 3-0 in conference games.

"You throw the ball into them, and you

see everyone converge on them," Drake guard Deha Peyton said of Kinne and Wakely."Then to see them scoop it to the other one, we love it. It's so cool how they work together."

Kinne led Drake with 18 points, Wakely added 15.

"We gave them a lot of easy shots inside," Bradley Coach Lisa Boyer said. "We were worried about (Julie) Rittgers, but then it was like, 'Wakely and Kinne, there they go.' They're very potent inside."

The two have been on target since conference games began. Kinne, a 5-foot 11inch forward, has made 70 percent of her shots in the league games. Wakely, a 6-1

center, has made 71 percent. For Kinne, who had 31 points against Indiana State on Wednesday, it was the second consecutive game in which she continually got open shots under the basket.

"It doesn't surprise me, because we've got the passers," Kinne said. "Our guards are doing a tremendous job leading the ball away from the defense. They lead us right into the open shot."

Peyton had a career-high nine assists Saturday.

Drake's inside players made it rough for Bradley on the other end of the court, too. The Bulldogs targeted Bradley center Carrie Coffman, and the Lady Braves couldn't get the ball to her without a Drake player getting a hand on it. Wakely had four steals, Kinne three as the Bulldogs helped force 26 turnovers.

Drake built its lead in the first half after a Wakely steal led to a three-point basket by Lisa Brinkmeyer. A basket by Wakely gave Drake a 23-13 lead with 9 minutes 6 seconds left in the half.

Coffman scored the next basket with 8:08 left in the half, but Bradley didn't get another until 1:24 remained. Drake led at halftime, 31-18.

"Neither team played that well in the

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person doesn't have to read the sports section or watch the tube to know when life is good for the Iowa Hawkeyes.

The Hunter Rawlings Indicator says it all.

I haven't heard the university president's name bandied about in vain since the response a few weeks ago when he announced he was leaving for the Ivy League.

That's a sure sign of success. Want to know whether the Iowa athletic teams are having a good season? Listen to the coffee talk.

The more Rawlings' name pops up, the worse the Hawkeyes are doing.

The Rawlings Indicator is unusually reliable. If there were a gauge this dependable on Wall Street, we'd all be traveling to the big games by private

When the basketball and football teams are struggling, when lowa is losing games or just missing on hot recruits, Rawlings seems to get more than his share of the blame.

You'd think he was the one missing the tackle or clanking the free throw

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or making the unproductive recruiting pitch.

But when the Hawkeyes are rolling along, the way they have been the past several weeks, Rawlings doesn't even get honorable mention. During the good times, he is the invisible man. Recruiting appears to be going well for the Iowa football team. The Hawkeyes seem to be patching their defensive holes with speed and size. Saturday's loss notwithstanding, the basketball team is a huge story, having vaulted onto the national charts — with a bullet. Iowa upset Duke on a neutral floor and beat Indiana in Iowa City. At Michigan State, against the top-ranked team in the Big Ten Conference, the Hawkeyes played valiantly in a heart-wrencher at the buzzer. Tough luck, but they'll bounce back. So. If Rawlings' critics can accuse him of sabotaging a great athletic department when the Hawkeyes are losing, shouldn't they turn around and praise him when the teams are winning? I suppose Rawlings' enemies would say coaches Fry and Davis are so good they excel despite Rawlings. But that seems unfair. Doesn't this recent run of prosperity suggest that high standards and athletic excellence are not mutually exclusive? The trouble is, it's hard to be sure about those high standards. For most students, admissions information is easy to come by. Prospective applicants can stroll into any library or book store, thumb through the reference material and walk away with a good idea about the kind of scores and grades they need to get in.

Spartans rely on Snow to slip past Iowa, 69-68

By RON MALY

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East Lansing, Mich. -- Tom Davis called it devastating. Jud Heathcote called it lucky.

They were talking Saturday about the game. Then Eric Snow talked about the shot.

At first, the Michigan State senior guard was ready to call it a miss. But he was on target with his 14-foot field goal as time expired, and the 14th-ranked Spartans slipped past No. 22 Iowa, 69-68.

"I thought the shot was long," Snow said. "But I'm sure happy it went in."

So was Heathcote, whose Michigan State team stands 9-1 overall and 2-0 in the Big Ten Conference in his final season as coach. The Spartans trailed by eight points with less than 5 minutes to play, and Heathcote said, "It looked like curtains.

We try to tell our players that we're never out of a game, and the circumstances all happened for us to pull this one out. Iowa missed free throws, and we capitalized." The Hawkeyes, whose record is 11-3 overall and 1-1 in the Big Ten, wasted a 29-point performance by guard Chris Kingsbury and had nobody to blame but themselves for

letting a victory get away.

Iowa missed five consecutive free throws down the stretch, and season scoring leader Jess Settles didn't get a point in the last half. Settles was 0-for-7 in the final 20 minutes and scored only nine points - 11.2 less than his aver-

Kingsbury failed on his second free throw when the Hawkeyes were ahead, 68-64, with 3 minutes 19 seconds to play. They didn't score again, and Kingsbury wound up with one point in the final 9:02 after Snow began guarding him. He connected on six of 13 three-



But it's not that easy when it comes to student-athletes. The admissions requirements are less consistent, more wiggly, harder to hold onto.

"We feel very, very lucky to win.

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Cold-shooting Iowa State crumbles on road, 71-57

By RICK BROWN

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Boulder, Colo. - Tim Floyd smiled, but it was an embarrassed smile.

"I guess you all are scratching your heads thinking, 'That group was 11-1 that we just watched,' Iowa State's basketball coach said. "It wasn't very good."

The 16th-ranked Cyclones lost to Colorado, 71-57, in the Big Eight Conference opener Saturday at the Coors Events/Conference Center. Iowa State had entered the game with a school-record nine-game winning streak. But it ended thanks to another school record. A dubious one at that.

The Cyclones turned the ball over 31 times, tying a school record first set in a 126-97 loss at Oklahoma on Feb. 6, 1989.

"Thirty-one turnovers, I don't think you have to look past that," said Floyd, losing a conference opener for the first time in his nine seasons as Division I coach. "I don't think I've ever had a team turn it over 31 times."

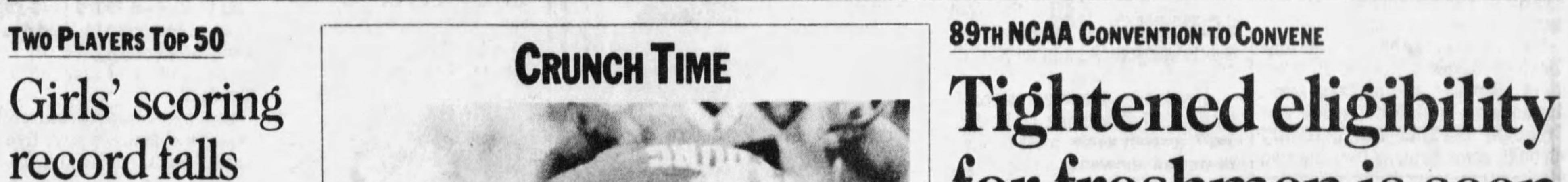
Iowa State was averaging just less than 15 turnovers a game entering the game, and had just five in a 20-point victory Dec. 31 against San Diego.

"We made just too many mental mistakes, and that really killed us,"

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lowa's Kenyon Murray knocks the ball away as Michigan State's Eric Snow drives to the basket

ASSOCIATED PRESS in the first half Saturday. The Spartans won, 69-68, on Snow's buzzer-beating shot.





I have heard an Iowa coach say the Hawkeyes decided against recruiting an athlete who ended up at Iowa State because they couldn't get him into school. I have heard an Iowa State coach say the same thing about an athlete who enrolled at Iowa.

I have heard coaches and administrators discuss their higher standards, only to watch them sign junior-college transfers who didn't qualify academically under NCAA regulations as high school seniors.

I have heard coaches, cheerful and optimistic when discussing their preseason prospects, complain about their school's "lack of commitment" when that preseason optimism is replaced by a losing streak.

Early in the football season, a handful of newspapers ranked the admissions standards of the Big Ten and Big Eight schools. The stories were interesting, but inconclusive.

What the schools say they do and what they really do are not always the same. So far as I can tell, Rawlings tried to keep the talk within arm's length of the walk.

Maybe he wasn't the best friend Iowa athletics ever had, but he came along in the wake of the Norby Walters-Ronnie Harmon embarrassment and did his best to keep the Hawkeyes honest. That is not a bad legacy.

The problem now is finding a new indicator.

twice in week

By JOHN NAUGHTON

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The girls' state scoring record of 50 points didn't last long.

Kate Hanneman of Center Point-Urbana set a five-player singlegame best of 50 points Tuesday in an 89-29 victory against East Buchanan of Winthrop.

Then Trisha Heiden of Northeast Hamilton of Blairsburg scored 51 points Friday in a 79-25 victory against Alden.

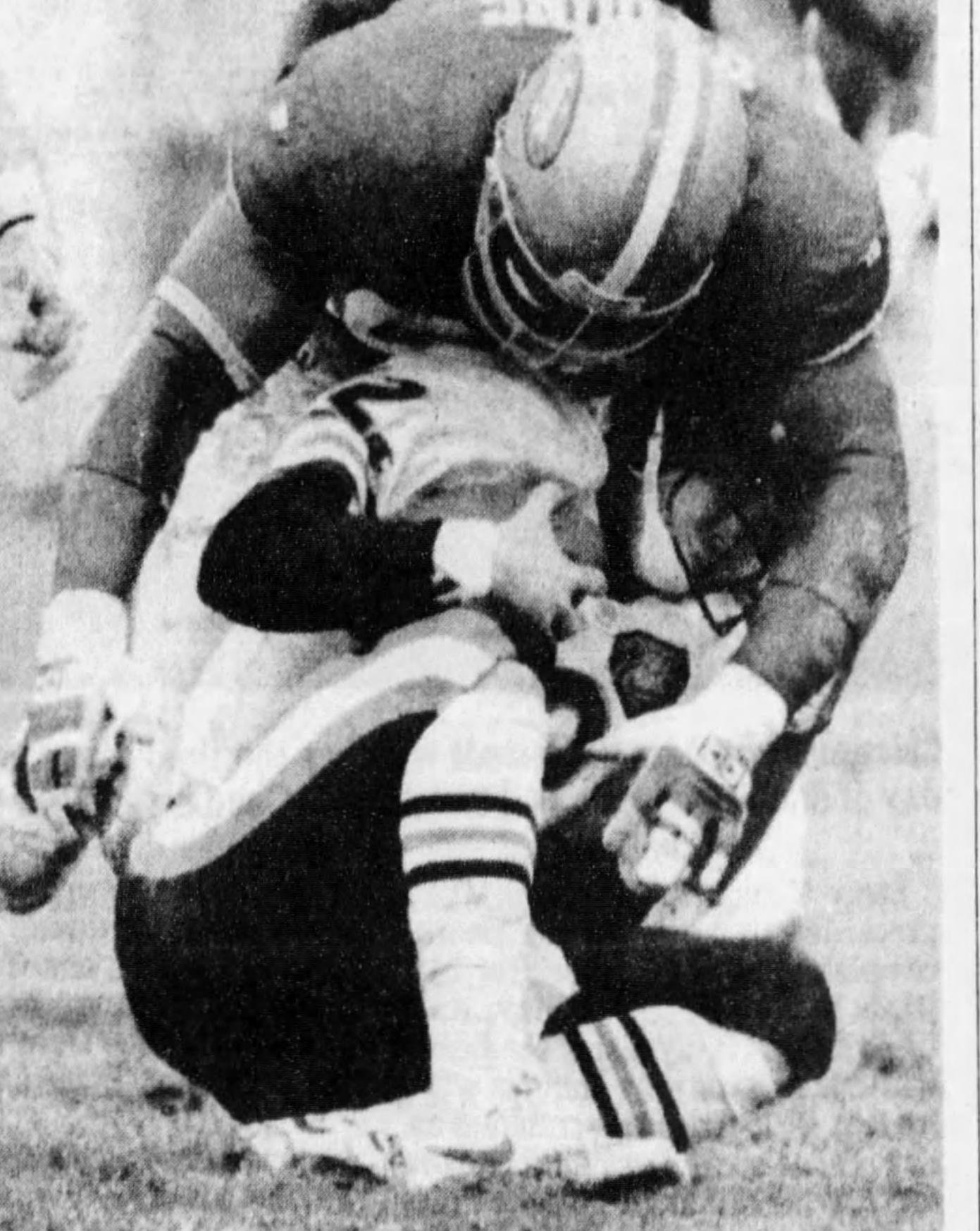
Hanneman made 20 of 28 fieldgoal attempts and six of seven free throws Tuesday in a game played at Center Point.

She set a state record last season with 47 points. Jenny Childress of Washington scored 48 later in the season.

"This year it seemed to go pretty fast," Hanneman said. "It was about the same circumstances as last year. Mostly I got great passes from my teammates."

Hanneman didn't know her total was a record until after the game. Neither did her coach, Randy

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Chicago's Erik Kramer is sacked Saturday afternoon by San Francisco's Bryant Young during a 44-15 playoff victory by the 49ers, who had four sacks. STORY: Page 2D.

for freshmen is seen

By TOM WITOSKY

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San Diego, Calif. - An NCAA official predicted Saturday that the push by college presidents for better academic preparation of prospective major-college athletes will be successful.

"We are moving forward toward that goal and I believe we will make progress this week," said Judith Albino, chancellor at Colorado and chairwoman of the influential NCAA Presidents Commission.

The 89th NCAA Convention gets under way today.

Albino also defended the Presidents Commission push for higher minimum eligibility standards because it would prevent exploitation of minimally prepared student-athletes.

Convention delegates expect the most fireworks Monday when the 300 NCAA Division I members tackle minimum eligibility standards for freshman athletes.

Since 1986, NCAA rules have required prospective athletes to have at least a 2.0 grade-point average in at least 11 high school core courses

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and a minimum score of 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or 17 on the American College Test.

Failure to meet those standards have resulted in a loss of a year's eligibility and a year of practice and competition.

Those standards are scheduled to get tougher in August with an increase to 13 core courses, a minimum grade-point average of 2.5 and a test score of 700 or 17. An athlete could have a 2.0 GPA but would need a 900 on the SAT or 21 on the ACT.

Those higher standards have been criticized by the Black Coaches Association and other groups who contend the use of standardized test scores penalizes minority students and are not adequate predictors of academic success in college.

The McIntosh Commission for Fair Play in student-athlete admissions has asked that higher standards be repealed with all freshmen instead being made ineligible.