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#### By Jim Ecker

Gazette sportswriter IOWA CITY — Jim Bartels felt lucky to be in one piece Monday afternoon. No broken bones, no disabling injuries, nothing worse than a bruised shoulder that kept him from practicing with the

## Chargers can't blame Harmon

ho says Super Bowls never live up to expectations? Almost everyone, and that probably includes the San Diego Chargers, fully anticipated the San Francisco 49ers would fold, spindle and mutilate the Chargers in Super Bowl XXIX. Spine-tingling, it wasn't. Anything that opens with Kathie Lee Gifford's lipsyncing the national anthem doesn't hold much promise of being the event of the century, or even the evening. On some levels, though, it was a wonderful Super Bowl. If only I could think of one. Oh yeah, some funny commercials were debuted. My favorite was the one from a soft drink company that mocked "Field of Dreams," the gooey movie that all too many non-Iowans think of when they hear our state mentioned. If you missed that advertisement, what in the world is wrong with you? You certainly didn't watch the Super Bowl for the football, did you? (By the way, am I the only one who had nightmares from that crazy halftime extravaganza? Big snakes and a guy getting set on fire? Yeeesh!) All anyone really needs to know about Sunday's game is that the 49ers scored 49 points. Some NFL owner would be wise to look at that "coincidence" and change the name of his or her franchise to the "50ers." If nothing else, SB XXIX (pronounced "sbxxix") should make Hawkeye fans a little more forgiving toward San Diego running back Ronnie Harmon, who fumbled his way into Iowa infamy in the 1986 Rose Bowl. His four first-half lost fumbles and a dropped pass for a would-be touchdown in Iowa's 45-28 loss to UCLA led some to speculate Harmon was involved in something sinister. Point-shaving, I believe it's called.

HAWKEYE BASKETBALL University of Iowa men's basketball

team. Bartels has seen television replays of the frightening fall he took Saturday at Carver-Hawkeye Arena when he leaped high for a lob pass and got upended by Minnesota's Jayson Walton.

Bartels landed with a thud and lay still for several minutes before getting up.

"I looked at it maybe twice yesterdoubt." you can't tell what's in the mind of the 6-foot-6 senior off-balance with a hip day, and then I saw it on the Coach Davis show last night," he said Mon- check as Bartels jumped high for the player. It may have been a natural

#### day. "Originally I thought, how did not break my wrist?"

Bartels said he felt "like I've been in a car accident," but insisted he'll play Wednesday against Illinois.

THAT CAME AS welcome news for the Hawkeyes, because Jess Settles said Monday there's "probably no chance" he'll play against Illinois because of his sore back.

Bartels does not blame Walton for the incident that occurred midway through the first half.

"I would seriously hope he wouldn't do it on purpose. I'm giving him the benefit of the doubt," Bartels said. "Only God and Walton know what happened. I'll leave it to them."

Television replays showed Walton Davis said Monday. "The problem is, backing into Bartels and knocking the



Bruised Bartels takes a day off to mend

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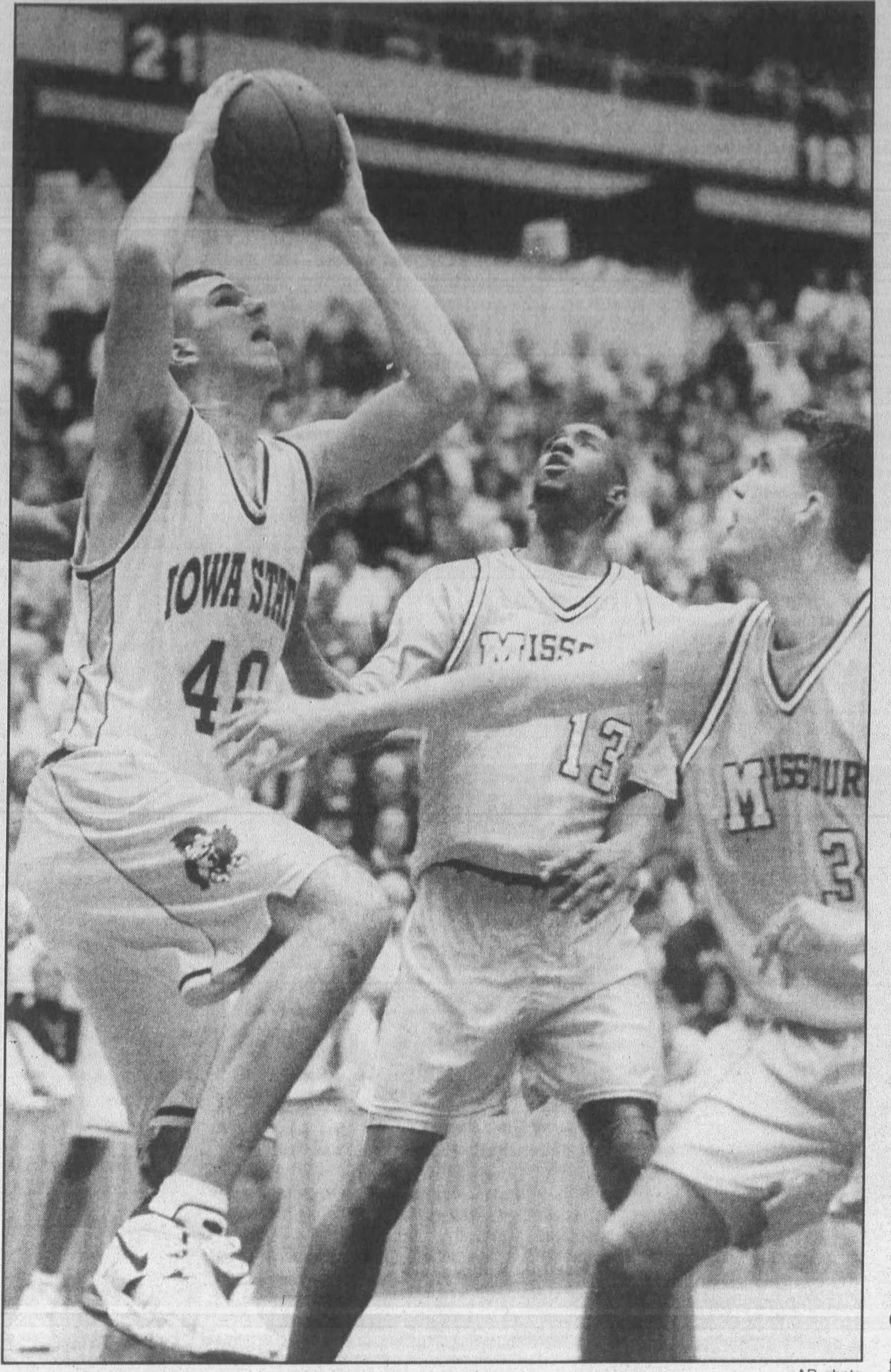
pass from Mon'ter Glasper.

"It was a pretty vicious undercut,"

physical reaction. It may not have been intended to hurt anybody. You've got to give him the benefit of the

Nobody accused the Hawkeye defense of intentionally giving up 45 points and 488 yards that day. Harmon did have 157 total yards, not bad for someone who couldn't hang on to the ball. Maybe Harmon was an easy target because he was from New York City, had a fondness for gold chains, and didn't have to ride the Cambus to class, if you know what I mean. It did turn out that Harmon had been given a chunk of cash from a rather questionable (some said sleazy) agent named Norby Walters before his college eligibility had elapsed. Many other college players across the country also took money from Walters while they were playing college ball. Still, if a guy were going to shave points, would he be so blatant as to lose four fumbles in front of the world? It would be more subtle to miss a block, slip and get tackled for a loss on third down, or fake a groin pull. But fumble ad infinitum? Not unless you want the FBI to get to know you up close and personal. Harmon likely is the best running back in Hawkeye history. He showed Sunday he is still a fine player as a ninth-year pro, catching 8 passes for 68 yards. ESPN sage Chris Berman said Harmon probably played the best of all the Chargers in the Super Bowl. That may not be the best compliment, but it beats being called a scoundrel. The thing Harmon did that could give him a place in many hearts came after San Diego quarterback Stan Humphries threw a fourth-down quail that Deion Sanders intercepted in the end zone. Sanders ran it back to the Niners' 14yard line, where he was plastered by a

Turn to 3D: Hawks



# Hilton Magic no match for Missouri

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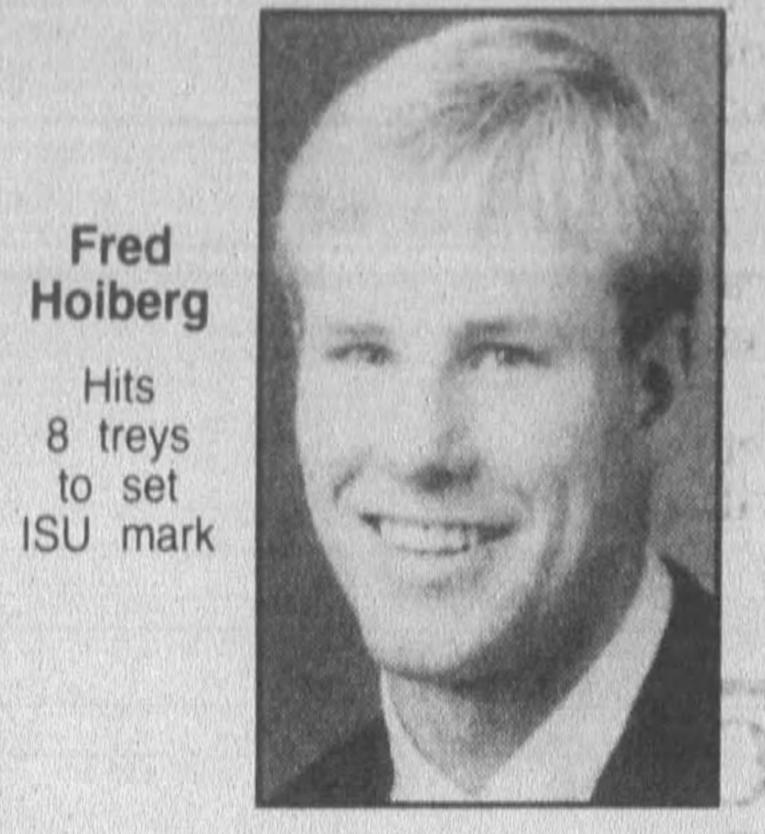
Hits

Hot-shooting **Tigers hand ISU** 1st home defeat

By Dan Davenport Ames correspondent AMES - Big Monday proved to be Manic Monday for 11th-ranked Iowa State.

The Cyclones, riding a sixgame winning streak and tied for the Big Eight Conference lead, were summarily dispatched by an unflappable Missouri team, 80-71, before a free throw line — a team national ESPN audience and 13,721 sign-toting, face-painted, ref-baiting, willing-to-do-any thing-to-get-on-TV Hilton fanatics.

The loss, just two days after a rugged home win over Kansas State and two days before a tough road trip to Oklahoma, snaps ISU's Hilton Coliseum winning streak at 12 games.



season low.

"But this game isn't about our 71 (points), it's about their 79," Floyd said. "We couldn't stay between our guy and the hole."

The game started with a shot clock on the fritz, and ended with the Cyclones in a funk the likes of which haven't been seen since that disastrous trip to Colorado three weeks ago.

AP photo

lowa State's Loren Meyer moves to the basket Monday night against Missouri's Julian Winfield (13) and Scott Combs in Hilton Coliseum at Ames. Missouri handed the No. 11 Cyclones their first loss at home this season, 80-71. The schedule stays tough for lowa State, which plays Saturday at No. 3 Kansas.

Despite a school-record eight

### ISU HOOPS

3-pointers by Fred Hoiberg, ISU drops to 17-3 overall and 3-2 in the Big Eight.

"Missouri did a great job executing offensively," said Cyclone Coach Tim Floyd, who had warned about his team's defensive "slippage" following its 87-79 win over K-State. "They had a plan, and it was about taking it at us.

The Tigers made 13 of their 18 second-half shots, a blistering 72 percent, and finished at 60 percent for the game.

That's a season-high both for the Mizzou offense and the Cyclone defense.

To add a little more insult, Missouri's 60 percent from the floor was just one percentage point behind ISU's 61 from the

After leading by as many as six points in the first half and five with 12:18 to play in the game, ISU was outscored 30-16 in the final dozen minutes.

No. 18 Mizzou (15-3, 4-2) blocked out the wild Hilton crowd and exploited the soft Cyclone defense for a 17-2 run midway through the half.

Five different Tigers scored during that stretch. The knives in the heart were backto-back three-pointers by Jason Sutherland and Kendrick Moore that gave MU a 67-59 lead with 7:03 to play.

The fans waiting for Hilton Magic to kick in and melt the Tigers are waiting still. Three minutes later, MU had yet to falter. When Simeon Haley made 1 of 2 free throws with

Turn to 2D: Cyclones

## Solid senior leadership the key for No. 3 Washington

#### By Jeff Dahn

Gazette sportswriter

A lot has been made lately of the impact freshmen and sophomores have had on boys' basketball in Iowa.

### PREP BASKETBALL

That's what seniors should do and are doing for us," Kummer said. "We know the games are going to be close, but these kids have played in a lot of close ballgames, and as seniors now they're focused on getting the most victories they can." THE FOCUS SEEMS to be paying dividends. Washington, ranked third in Class 4A, has won three straight games heading into tonight's intracity clash with No.5 Jefferson at Jefferson. The Warriors beat the J-Hawks (7-2, 10-2) at Washington earlier this month, 71-65.

#### sale at 5:15.

The Warriors have been successful by using their experience and quickness to play an uptempo brand of basketball that emphasizes putting points on the board in a hurry.

hustling Harmon.

Best of all, Harmon then got in Prime Time's face. Sanders pointed at the scoreboard, but Harmon kept yapping with relish at the king of the hot dogs. The Chargers got blown out of Joe Robbie Stadium Sunday, and the 49-26

Super Bowl loss will probably make them cringe for years to come. But it wasn't Ronnie Harmon's fault.

Of course, San Francisco still covered the spread.

But never underestimate the contributions of seniors. Tom Kummer certainly hasn't.

Kummer, in his second season as coach at Cedar Rapids Washington, has used a senior-dominated lineup to guide the Warriors to an 11-2 record, including an 8-2 mark in the Mississippi Division of the Mississippi Valley Conference.

What has been the key for the Warriors through their first 13 games?

"Having seniors who respond under pressure.

Tipoff tonight is slated for 7:45 p.m. Tickets go on

Washington is averaging 76.2 points a game while surrendering 61.8.

Kummer starts four seniors - Kyle Petersen. Chet Hogenson, Aaron Burrell and Matt Ball and junior Ryan Luehrsmann. His top players off the bench are seniors Jason Dicken, Wes Johnson and Shon Elam, and juniors Solon Bell and Ryan Ovel.

Turn to 3D: Preps

## 3 Hawkeyes win bouts

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - University of Iowa wrestlers Jeff McGinness, Lincoln McIlravy and Joel Sharratt all won their matches Monday in the National Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Classic at the University of North Carolina.

McGinness (17-0) beat Shawn Enright of Ohio, 9-3, at 126 pounds; two-time defending NCAA champion McIlravy (12-0) dominated Marc Taylor of North Carolina, 23-9, at 150 pounds; and defending NCAA champion Sharratt (16-0) beat Emilio Collins of Michigan State, 5-4, at 190 pounds.

A fourth Iowa wrestler, top-rated Mike Mena (20-2), dropped his 118-pound bout to Kelvin Jackson of Michigan State, 3-2.

## TODAY'S TIPOFF

#### TELEVISION

College Basketball — Indiana at Purdue, 6:30 p.m., ESPN; Louisiana State at Arkansas, 8:30 p.m., ESPN

NBA — Dallas Mavericks at Milwaukee Bucks, 7 p.m., TNT

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#### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I have just talked to our athletic director, and we are not dropping basketball at the University of Connecticut."

- Connecticut Coach Jim Calhoun, whose previously unbeaten team had just been routed by Kansas, 88-59

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#### EVENTS IN THE AREA

Boys' basketball - Washington at Jefferson, 7:45 p.m.; South Tama at LaSalle, 7:45 p.m.; Regis at Iowa City West.

Girls' basketball - Prairie at Linn-Mar, 7:45 p.m.; Regis at Iowa City West; Kennedy at Iowa City High.

#### TODAY'S DATE IN SPORTS

1991 — Michael Adams of the Denver Nuggets scored a career-high 45 points, handed out 12 assists and grabbed 11 rebounds in a win over New Jersey.

#### TRIVIA QUESTION

Name the site of the only Super Bowl played in Texas.

#### Answer in Fine Print

## **DeVries putback keys UNI**

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Darian DeVries put back an offensive rebound to beat the buzzer. and give visiting Northern Iowa a 59-58 victory Monday over Wichita State.

DeVries' shot with one second left broke a four-game losing streak for the Panthers (6-14 overall, 2-8 Missouri Valley Conference).

Wichita State (10-7, 4-6) lost a key player when point guard L. D. Swanson, who has won two games for the Shockers at the buzzer, fouled out with 3:11 left. Northern Iowa forced three turnovers in the backcourt in the final two minutes, tying the game 57-57 with 34 seconds remaining on Sredrick Robinson's steal and layup.

Northern Iowa's Jason Daisy led all scorers with 16 points, and Jason Sims added 15.

**Complete listing in Fine Print**