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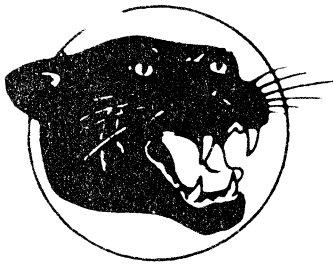
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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, ILL. (January 28, 1986)--The Eastern Illinois men's basketball

team travels to the northern reaches of the AMCU-8 conference as it battles Illinois-Chicago (8-9, 3-2) Thursday and Wisconsin-Green Bay (2-14, 1-5) Monday. The Panthers--12-6 overall and 4-2 in the league--are tied for second in the AMCU-8 with Western Illinois. Cleveland State is perched on top with a 5-1 mark.

Coach Rick Samuels' crew has won 10 of its last 13 games going into the half-way mark of the loop ledger. It will also be a homecoming of sorts for the squad to play in the Windy City. Seven of EIU's 15 players on the roster list the "Greater" Chicagoland Area as home.

"These two games this week are very important for us," cites Samuels. "Illinois-Chicago has done extremely well since Christmas . . . they are always a factor in the league . . . especially at home. Wisconsin-Green Bay can't be taken too lightly. I said before the season they would beat one of the top teams in the conference. Playing up in Green Bay isn't one of the easiest things in the world."

Eastern is still making a strong bid for the league crown despite suffering a 112-89 home loss last week to pre-season favorite Cleveland State. The Panthers have a triumverate of seniors who have provided the majority of the offensive power for the squad in 1985-86. They have accounted for 73% of EIU's offense.

All-American JON COLLINS (East St. Louis/Cahokia) is leading the team in scoring with a 20.6 average. He has scored in double figures in 38 consecutive games and 72 of the last 75. The 6-4 forward scored a career-high 33 points in EIU's loss to Cleveland State.

7-0 center KEVIN DUCKWORTH (Dolton/Thornridge) is second on the team in scoring with an 18.6 mark. He also leads the club in rebounding (9.1) and field goal shooting (.591).

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Sharp-shooting DOUG CROOK (Vincennes, Ind./Lincoln) is third on the team with a 13.2 average. He is 10 points shy of becoming the 20th player in school history to score more than 1000 points in EIU annals.

RADIO: Both Eastern Illinois games will be broadcast live on WLBH-radio (97 FM) beginning with the pre-game show at 7:20 p.m. Marc Stuart will provide the play-by-play on the broadcasts.

PROBABLE

STARTING LINEUPS:

<u>EIU</u>		<u>ILL-C</u>
Jon Collins, Sr., 6-4, 20.6	F	Dick Knar, Jr., 6-5, 10.8
Mike West, Fr., 6-8, 2.3	F	Derrick Johnson, Fr., 6-8, 4.8
Kevin Duckworth, 7-0, Sr., 18.6	C	Nathan Chambers, So., 6-8, 9.7
Doug Crook, 6-2, Sr., 13.2	G	Willie Jett, So., 5-9, 10.3
Norm Evans, 6-0, So., 5.8	G	Eric Longino, So., 6-1, 19.0
<u>UWGB</u>		
Bernie Tompa, Fr., 6-4, 7.2	F	
Adrian Bolding, Fr., 6-2, 4.7	F	
Steve Cottrell, Jr., 6-5, 9.5	C	
Marquis Hines, Fr., 5-8, 2.8	G	
Frank Nardi, So., 6-2, 4.8	G	

COLLINS
NEARING

THIRD: Eastern Illinois All-American JON COLLINS has 1442 points and currently fourth on Eastern's all-time scoring list. He is 10 points behind Charles Thomas (1975-78) who registered 1452 points during his career. Collins leads the club in scoring with a 20.6 scoring average and is second in the conference. The 6-4 senior scored a career-high 33 points against Cleveland State; he has scored in double in 38 consecutive games and 72 of his last 75.

SIR DUCK: Senior center KEVIN DUCKWORTH was named the AMCU-8's Player of the Week for his stellar performance a week ago. The imposing 7-footer scored 73 points and grabbed 30 rebounds; he also scored the game-winning basket at the buzzer enabling EIU to eek out a 68-67 win at Southwest Missouri. He is fourth in the league (all games) in scoring with an 18.4 average while pacing the conference in rebounding with a 9.1 mark. Over the past seven games, he has averaged 22.7 points and 10.2 rebounds a game. Sir Duck has moved into eighth-place in EIU history with 1275 career points.

THE MAGIC

NUMBER: EIU has won 10 of 11 games when it has held its opponents below 68 points. The lone reception was the 60-59 loss at Indiana State.

HOW THEY
STACK UP:

AMCU-8 STANDINGS

	Conference	Overall
1. Cleveland State	W-L 5-1	W-L 16-3
2. EASTERN ILLINOIS	4-2	12-6
Western Illinois	4-2	9-9
4. Illinois-Chicago	3-2	8-9
5. Southwest Missouri	2-3	13-5
6. Northern Iowa	2-4	6-10
Valparaiso	2-4	6-12
8. Wisconsin-Green Bay	1-5	2-14

CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- Eastern Illinois 1985-86
(Includes 18 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PIS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	SIL	MIN-
Jon Collins	18/ 18	151/ 286	.528	69/ 91	.758	371	20.6	89	5.0	25/ 0	45	43	0	15	636
Kevin Duckworth	18/ 18	133/ 225	.591	65/ 88	.739	331	18.4	163	9.1	62/ 4	12	42	28	16	553
Doug Crook	18/ 18	102/ 217	.470	33/ 42	.786	237	13.2	46	2.6	45/ 0	55	31	0	33	593
Jay Taylor	15/ 0	43/ 103	.418	25/ 32	.781	111	7.4	42	2.8	19/ 0	50	31	1	16	307
Norm Evans	18/ 18	46/ 97	.474	12/ 21	.571	104	5.8	62	3.4	44/ 2	67	42	9	40	508
Dave Vance	15/ 11	20/ 42	.476	9/ 23	.826	59	3.9	50	3.3	18/ 0	30	22	1	5	347
Brian Murphy	11/ 0	8/ 20	.400	14/ 18	.778	30	2.7	20	1.8	15/ 0	3	1	1	4	92
Mike West	18/ 7	19/ 45	.422	4/ 13	.308	42	2.3	66	3.7	34/ 0	13	31	3	5	348
Ronnie Duckworth	7/ 0	6/ 14	.429	1/ 4	.250	13	1.9	16	2.3	14/ 1	2	3	2	0	66
Jerry Strickland	11/ 0	5/ 17	.294	10/ 11	.909	20	1.8	10	.9	6/ 0	5	2	0	3	52
Don Peavey	7/ 0	5/ 13	.385	1/ 2	.500	11	1.6	5	.7	3/ 0	3	4	0	1	28
Drew Beck	10/ 0	3/ 8	.375	4/ 6	.667	10	1.0	15	1.5	3/ 0	6	7	0	0	61
Todd Emro	6/ 0	2/ 3	.667	2/ 4	.500	6	1.0	3	.5	2/ 0	1	0	0	0	9
Team Rebounds								38							
EIU	18/ 18	543/1090	.498	259/ 355	.730	1345	74.7	625	34.7	290/ 7	292	259	45	138	—
Team Rebounds								39							
Opponent Totals	18/ 18	538/1093	.492	211/ 301	.701	1287	71.5	603	33.5	324/ 4	287	242	54	137	—

-PER-GAME AVERAGES-

PLAYER	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PIS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	SIL	MIN-
Jon Collins	8.4	15.9	3.8	5.1	20.6	5.0	2.5	2.4	.0	.8	35.3
Kevin Duckworth	7.4	12.5	3.6	4.9	18.4	9.1	.7	2.3	1.6	.9	30.7
Doug Crook	5.7	12.1	1.8	2.3	13.2	2.6	3.1	1.7	.0	1.8	32.9
Jay Taylor	2.9	6.9	1.7	2.1	7.4	2.8	3.3	2.1	.1	1.1	20.5
Norm Evans	2.6	5.4	.7	1.2	5.8	3.4	3.7	2.3	.5	2.2	28.2
Dave Vance	1.3	2.8	1.3	1.5	3.9	3.3	2.0	1.5	.1	.3	23.1
Brian Murphy	.7	1.8	1.3	1.6	2.7	1.8	.3	.1	.1	.4	8.4
Mike West	1.1	2.5	.2	.7	2.3	3.7	.7	1.7	.2	.3	19.3
Ronnie Duckworth	.9	2.0	.1	.6	1.9	2.3	.3	.4	.3	.0	9.4
Jerry Strickland	.5	1.6	.9	1.0	1.8	.9	.5	.2	.0	.3	4.7
Don Peavey	.7	1.9	.1	.3	1.6	.7	.4	.6	.0	.1	4.0
Drew Beck	.3	.8	.4	.6	1.0	1.5	.6	.7	.0	.0	6.1
Todd Emro	.3	.5	.3	.7	1.0	.5	.2	.0	.0	.0	1.5
EIU	30.2	60.6	14.4	19.7	74.7	34.7	16.2	14.4	2.5	7.7	—
Opponent Totals	29.9	60.7	11.7	16.7	71.5	33.5	15.9	13.4	3.0	7.6	—

Conference
Basketball Statistics — Eastern Illinois 1985-86
(Includes 6 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PIS	AVG	FEB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	SIL	MIN
Kevin Duckworth	6/ 6	59/ 89	.663	19/ 29	.655	137	22.8	55	9.2	17/ 0	5	17	11	6	198
Jon Collins	6/ 6	51/ 97	.526	21/ 26	.808	123	20.5	25	4.2	7/ 0	16	16	0	7	215
Doug Crook	6/ 6	29/ 66	.439	5/ 9	.556	63	10.5	15	2.5	16/ 0	15	7	0	5	200
Dave Vance	3/ 3	6/ 10	.600	7/ 9	.778	19	6.3	13	4.3	1/ 0	5	4	0	1	80
Jay Taylor	6/ 0	17/ 34	.500	3/ 6	.500	37	6.2	13	2.2	9/ 0	27	12	1	4	124
Norm Evans	6/ 6	12/ 27	.445	5/ 7	.714	29	4.8	17	2.8	14/ 0	24	10	1	14	156
Don Reavey	2/ 0	3/ 3	1.000	1/ 2	.500	7	3.5	1	.5	0/ 0	2	0	0	1	8
Brian Murphy	5/ 0	6/ 10	.600	5/ 6	.833	17	3.4	7	1.4	6/ 0	2	1	1	1	44
Mike West	6/ 3	8/ 17	.471	2/ 4	.500	18	3.0	18	3.0	9/ 0	4	17	0	1	125
Drew Beck	3/ 0	1/ 3	.333	4/ 4	1.000	6	2.0	5	1.7	2/ 0	0	7	0	0	22
Ronnie Duckworth	3/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 1	.000	4	1.3	7	2.3	7/ 0	0	1	0	0	16
Jerry Strickland	3/ 0	1/ 3	.333	0/ 0	.000	2	.7	2	.7	1/ 0	0	0	0	1	12
Todd Emro	1/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	0
Team Rebounds								13							
EIU	6/ 6	195/ 362	.539	72/ 103	.699	462	77.0	191	31.8	89/ 0	100	92	14	41	—
Team Rebounds								13							
Opponent Totals	6/ 6	195/ 373	.523	63/ 97	.650	453	75.5	204	34.0	104/ 0	92	73	10	48	—

-PER GAME Averages-

PLAYER	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PIS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	SIL	MIN
Kevin Duckworth	9.8	14.8	3.2	4.8	22.8	9.2	.8	2.8	1.8	1.0	33.0
Jon Collins	8.5	16.2	3.5	4.3	20.5	4.2	2.7	2.7	.0	1.2	35.8
Doug Crook	4.8	11.0	.8	1.5	10.5	2.5	2.5	1.2	.0	.8	33.3
Dave Vance	2.0	3.3	2.3	3.0	6.3	4.3	1.7	1.3	.0	.3	26.7
Jay Taylor	2.8	5.7	.5	1.0	6.2	2.2	4.5	2.0	.2	.7	20.7
Norm Evans	2.0	4.5	.8	1.2	4.8	2.8	4.0	1.7	.2	2.3	26.0
Don Reavey	1.5	1.5	.5	1.0	3.5	.5	1.0	.0	.0	.5	4.0
Brian Murphy	1.2	2.0	1.0	1.2	3.4	1.4	.4	.2	.2	.2	8.8
Mike West	1.3	2.8	.3	.7	3.0	3.0	.7	2.8	.0	.2	20.8
Drew Beck	.3	1.0	1.3	1.3	2.0	1.7	.0	2.3	.0	.0	7.3
Ronnie Duckworth	.7	1.0	.0	.3	1.3	2.3	.0	.3	.0	.0	5.3
Jerry Strickland	.3	1.0	.0	.0	.7	.7	.0	.0	.0	.3	4.0
Todd Emro	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
EIU	32.5	60.3	12.0	17.2	77.0	31.8	16.7	15.3	2.3	6.8	—
Opponent Totals	32.5	62.2	10.5	16.2	75.5	34.0	15.3	12.2	1.7	8.0	—

-SEASON HIGHS/LOWS-

		Eastern Illinois		Opponent
Points 1st Half:	High	48 vs Illinois Tech		49 by Cleveland State
	Low	21 vs Colorado State		15 by Wisc.-Green Bay
Points 2nd Half:	High	53 vs Cleveland State		63 by Cleveland State
	Low	32 vs Pan American		22 by Illinois Tech
Total Points:	High	96 vs Illinois Tech		112 by Cleveland State
	Low	57 vs Pan American		52 by Wisc.-Green Bay
Field Goals:	High	41 vs Illinois Tech		42 by Cleveland State
	Low	22 vs Colorado State		21 by Pan American
Field Goals Attempted:	High	76 vs Butler		78 by William Penn
	Low	41 vs South Alabama		46 by Indiana State
Field Goal Percentage:	High	.674 vs SW Missouri		.619 by Valparaiso
	Low	.333 vs Colorado State		.364 by Illinois Tech
Free Throws:	High	25 vs Butler		28 by Cleveland State
	Low	6 vs SW Missouri		4 by Western Illinois
Free Throws Attempted:	High	34 vs Butler		38 by Cleveland State
	Low	7 vs SW Missouri		5 by Illinois Tech
Free Throw Percentage:	High	.952 vs William Penn		.895 by BYU-Hawaii
	Low	.412 vs Northern Iowa		.375 by Wisc.-Green Bay
Total Rebounds:	High	52 vs Illinois Tech		42 by Northern Iowa
	Low	20 vs South Alabama		21 by South Alabama
Assists:	High	24 vs Butler		20 by Valparaiso
	Low	9 vs NE Louisiana		7 by Wisc.-Green Bay
Blocked Shots:	High	4 vs Northern Iowa		8 by BYU-Hawaii
	Low	0 vs South Alabama		0 by SW Missouri
Steals:	High	19 vs Millikin		18 by Cleveland State
	Low	4 vs Cleveland State		3 by Western Illinois
Turnovers:	High	25 vs Cleveland State		23 by Millikin
	Low	9 vs Indiana State		8 by SW Missouri
Personal Fouls:	High	28 vs Colorado State		25 by Butler
	Low	9 vs William Penn		13 by SW Missouri

-SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	-DEADBALL REBOUNDS-
ETU	630	715	0	0	1345	30
Opponent Totals	602	685	0	0	1287	30

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	12- 6	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	57402	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	3189
AMCU-S	4- 2	HOME	21065	HOME AVERAGE	2633
Seasider Classic	2- 0	AWAY	36337	AWAY AVERAGE	3634

#	CONFER	SCORE	ATTEND	LOC	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
	Illinois Tech	96- 52 W	1492	H	K. Duckworth 24	K. Duckworth 16	Four players 8	Evans 7
	William Penn	78- 62 W	1213	H	Collins 25	K. Duckworth 10	Brown 14	O'Bryant 7
	Minnesota	69- 87 L	11650	A	K. Duckworth 24	K. Duckworth 11	Shasky 22	Shasky 6
	Colorado State	62- 83 L	4103	A	Collins 13	Taylor 8	Turcotte 17	Dudley 10
	Indiana State	59- 60 L	4649	A	Collins 21	West 7	Williams 25	McComb 14
	Millikin	85- 66 W	1972	H	Collins 20, Crook 20	West 7	Barnes 18	Barnes 9
	Pan American	57- 56 W	3245	A	Collins 14	K. Duckworth 7	Anderson 17	Johnson 9
	Butler	81- 78 W	1214	A	Collins 21	K. Duckworth 11	Tucker 25	Gallahar 9
	South Alabama	70- 61 W	500	N	Crook 20	K. Duckworth 7	Kortokrax 14	Kortokrax 13
	BYU-Hawaii	77- 73 W	853	N	Collins 28	K. Duckworth 11	White 19	White 8
	NE Louisiana	68- 90 L	730	A	Collins 22	K. Duckworth 6, Collins 6	James 19	Jenkins 10
	Butler	81- 66 W	2508	H	Collins 24	K. Duckworth 17	Fitzgerald 22	Gallahar 8
	Northern Iowa	67- 66 W	2602	A	K. Duckworth 22	K. Duckworth 9	Kraayenbrink 21	
	Western Illinois	81- 68 W	2756	H	K. Duckworth 22	K. Duckworth 10	Wright 20	Presswood 7
	Wisc.-Green Bay	77- 52 W	2326	H	K. Duckworth 20	Vance, K. Duck. 6	Cottrell 15	Cottrell 8
	SW Missouri	68- 67 W	6791	A	K. Duckworth 23	K. Duckworth 7	Garland 26	Ward, Bell 5
	Cleveland State	89-112 L	6235	H	Collins 33	K. Duckworth 13	Smith 25	Mudd 8
	Valparaiso	80- 88 L	2563	H	K. Duckworth 26	K. Duckworth 10	Bell 24	Bell 9

All-America Update

Jon Collins

Eastern Illinois Forward

6-4, 195, Senior

East St. Louis, Ill.

All-America Candidate

JON COLLINS scored a career-high 33 points against pre-season AMCU-8 league favorite Cleveland State . . . he hit 15 of 20 from the field against the Vikings . . . the 6-4 senior forward had 24 points in EIU's 88-80 loss to Valparaiso . . . against the Crusaders he moved into fourth-place on Eastern's all-time scoring list with 1442 points . . . Charlie Thomas (1975-78) holds down third-place with 1452 points . . . Collins needs 213 more points to become Eastern's all-time leading scorer . .

What They've Said About Jon Collins

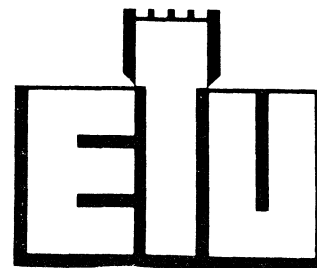
After Collins scored a career-high 33 points against Cleveland State: "Jon Collins is one of the finest swing-men in the country. We'd like to have Collins on our team." Kevin Mackey, Cleveland State head coach.

CAREER STATISTICS

	FG/FGA	(Pct.)	FT/FTA	(Pct.)	REB	PTS	(AVE)
1983-84	212/409	(.518)	89/110	(.809)	105	513	(18.3)
1984-85	230/424	(.542)	98/137	(.715)	121	558	(18.6)
1985-86	151/286	(.528)	69/191	(.758)	89	371	(20.6)
TOTALS	593/1116	(.528)	256/338	(.756)	315	1442	(19.2)

1985-86 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	FG/A	FT/A	PTS	REB	AST
Illinois Tech	8/14	4/6	20	10	1
William Penn	10/16	5/6	25	7	4
Minnesota	11/18	0/1	22	2	1
Colorado State	5/16	3/4	13	6	2
Indiana State	7/16	7/8	21	4	4
Millikin	8/13	4/4	20	3	4
Pan American	5/15	4/5	14	6	3
Butler	9/13	3/6	21	5	2
South Alabama	7/11	4/5	18	2	5
BYU-Hawaii	10/21	8/12	28	6	0
NE Louisiana	9/17	4/4	22	6	1
Butler	11/19	2/4	24	7	2
Northern Iowa	6/16	2/5	14	2	2
Western Illinois	7/15	4/4	18	4	5
Wisc.-Green Bay	4/10	6/6	14	2	3
SW Missouri	9/16	2/2	20	4	2
Cleveland State	15/20	3/4	33	5	1
Valparaiso	10/20	4/5	24	8	3



From Eastern Illinois University

JON COLLINS' ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1983-84

- * Named AMCU-8 "Newcomer-of-the-Year"
- * Received First-Team All-AMCU-8 accolades
- * Eastern Illinois Most Valuable Player
- * Second in the AMCU-8 in scoring (18.3)
- * Set an Eastern Illinois record with 32 points vs. Cleveland State
- * Scored 513 points in first season at Eastern Illinois
- * Set Eastern Illinois record with 15 field goals vs. Cleveland State
- * Led Eastern Illinois to 10th winning season in the last 11 years
- * Scored in double figures in 27 of 28 games

1984-85

- * Named AMCU-8 "Player-of-the-Year"
- * Received Honorable Mention All-American laurels from The Sporting News
- * First Eastern Illinois Division I All-American
- * Named to the First-Team All-AMCU-8 squad
- * Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American selection
- * Second in the league in scoring with an 18.6 average
- * Led Eastern Illinois to a first-ever AMCU-8 Post-season tournament title
- * Led Eastern Illinois to a first-ever 20-win season in Division I
- * Scored more than 500 points (558) for the second year in a row
- * Fifth in the AMCU-8 in field goal percentage (.546)
- * Set an Eastern Illinois Division I record with an 18.6 scoring average
- * Named Team Most Valuable Player

1985-86

- * Named to Street and Smith's Magazine Pre-Season All-American team
- * Average of 20.6 points per game is on track to break the Eastern Illinois all-time scoring record (1625 points)
- * Has scored in double figures in 38 consecutive games
- * Has scored in double figures in 72 of 75 games in three years at Eastern Illinois