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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, ILL. (February 25, 1986) -- "Parting is such sweet sorrow" is what they say in the movies. During the "Golden Era" in Hollywood, there wasn't a dry eye in the house at the climax of a movie. At Lantz Gym this Saturday, there may not be a dry eye when the Eastern Illinois men's basketball team (16-12, 7-6) entertains Illinois-Chicago (12-13, 7-5) for the final home game of the season.

Four seniors--three starters--will be making their final home appearance at Lantz. 7-0 center KEVIN DUCKWORTH (Dolton/Thornridge) has been a four-year starter for the Panthers while DOUG CROOK (Vincennes, Ind./Lincoln) and JON COLLINS (E. St. Louis/Cahokia) have started for three years. Reserve forward DREW BECK (Streator) will also be making his Lantz Gym Swan Song.

The contributions of seniors on any team is usually substantial. But at Eastern Illinois, they were mammoth.

"The seniors have had a tremendous impact on our program," notes
Eastern Illinois basketball coach Rick Samuels. "They have been
instrumental in the growth of our program to Division One. The group has
gained national recognition for themselves...and for Eastern Illinois
University.

"Drew Beck is one of the unsung heroes of the team. He has given of himself unselfishly for four years to help other players improve. Drew doesn't get much recognition but loves the game.

"The game against Illinois-Chiacgo comes down to who gets the better seed for the AMCU-8 tournament. Our seniors will be ready to play...Illinois-Chicago is one of our biggest rivals and they have been playing some of the best basketball of the season in the past few weeks."

PROBABLE STARTING

LINEUPS:		EIU	CHI
1	F	Jon Collins, 6-4, Sr., 19.8	Derrick Johnson, 6-8, Fr., 4.7
]	F	Dave Vance, 6-5, Fr., 4.1	Robert Anderson, 6-7, So., 4.0
(C	Kevin Duckworth, 7-0, Sr., 18.	Nathan Chambers, 6-8, So., 13.5
(G	Doug Crook, 6-1, Sr., 13.4	Willie Jett, 5-9, So., 11.1
(G	Jay Taylor, 6-2, Fr., 7.8	Dick Knar, 6-5, Jr., 11.4

NATIONAL

EXPOSURE: Senior center KEVIN DUCKWORTH has been gaining a great deal of national exposure lately. The Dolton, Ill. native was named the MOST UNDERRATED PLAYER IN THE COUNTRY by a poll conducted by CBS Sports through the National Association of Basketball Coaches. "Sir Duck" was featured at halftime of the Duke-Oklahoma game last Saturday on CBS. He is averaging 18.7 points a game overall and 20.6 in AMCU-8 play. He is ranked in the top 15 in the country in field goal percentage with a .614 mark. The All-American candidate has hit 37 of his last 53 attempts from the field for a .698 percentage. Duckworth also has 828 career rebounds and is tied with Bob Rickett (1962-65) for the school record. He will break the school standard with his next board. With 1468 career points, he is fourth in EIU history in scoring.

WITHIN REACH: All-American forward JON COLLINS has 1624 career points and is 32 points away from breaking John Milholland's all-time school record of 1655 points. Collins is averaging 19.8 points a game and has scored in double figures in 49 straight games and 83 of his last 86 games. He has scored more than 500 points in each of his last three seasons.

CROOKER: Fifth-year senior DOUG CROOK has 1129 career points and is tied for 12th in EIU scoring history. The Vincennes, Ind. product is 18 points away from becoming the 10th leading scorer in Panther history. Jeff Furry (1973-76) has 1146 points and is in the 10th slot. Crook is averaging 13.4 points a game for the Panthers while being among the team leaders in assists (81) and steals (48).

CUMULATIVE Basketball Statistics -- Eastern Illinois 1985-86 (Includes 28 Games)

-PLAYER	G/ G	FG/FG	A FG	. मगः/	FIA	FT%	PIS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/D	AST	OT.	BLK	SIL	MIN-
Jon Collins	28/ 28	228/ 454			128	.758	553	19.8	134	4.8	50/ 0	65	73	2		1024
Kevin Duckworth	28/ 28	207/ 337	.614		146	.753	524	18.7	251		102/ 6	18	58	36	21	881
Doug Crook	28/ 28	167/ 347	.481	41/	54	.759	375	13.4	91	3.3	71/0	81	43	0	48	963
Jay Taylor	25/ 2	77/ 172		42/	58	.724	196	7.8	61	2.4	37/ 1	87	56	1	29	529
Norm Evans	28/ 26	58/ 128		17/	31	.548	133	4.8	84	3.0	60/ 2	98	56	11	55	714
Dave Vance	21/ 13	28/ 57	.491	29/	37	.784	85	4.1	73	3.5	28/ 0	36	29	1	7	491
Ronnie Duckworth	16/ 7	25/ 50	.500	12/	25	.480	62	3.9	65	4.1	33/ 3	12	19	6	4	306
Brian Murphy	20/ 0	13/ 31	.419	17/	23	.739	43	2.2	26	1.3	27/ 0	3	4	2	5	140
Mike West	24/ 8	20/ 48	.417	4/	13	.308	44	1.8	71	3.0	38/ 0	13	34	3	7	390
Don Peavey	9/ 0	5/ 13	.385	5/	7	.714	15	1.7	5	.6	3/ 0	3	6	0	1	33
Jerry Strickland	14/ 0	6/ 18	.333	10/	11	.909	22	1.6	10	.7	7/ 0	5	2	0	3	57
Todd Emro	6/ 0	2/ 3	.667	2/	4	.500	6	1.0	3	•5	2/ 0	1	0	0	0	9
Drew Beck	11/ 0	3/ 8	.375	4/	6	.667	10	.9	15	1.4	4/0	6	7	0	0	63
Team Rebounds									81							
EIU	28/ 28	839/1666	.504	390/	543	.718	2068	73.9	970	34.6	462/12	428	387	62	203	
Team Rebounds		÷							70							
Opponent Totals	28/ 28	842/1723	.489	328/	470	.698	2012	71.9	941	33.6	500/10	448	359	72	214	

-PER-CAME AVERACES-

-PLAYER	FC	FGA	FI	FIA	PIS	REE	ASI	OT '	BLK	SIL	MIN-
Jan Collins	8.1	16.2	3.5	4.6	19.8	4.8	2.3	2.6	.1	.8	36.6
Kevin Duckworth	7.4	12.0	3.9	5.2	18.7	9.0	.6	2.1	1.3	.8	31.5
Doug Crook	6.0	12.4	1.5	1.9	13.4	3.3	2.9	1.5	.0	1.7	34.4
Jay Taylor	3.1	6.9	1.7	2.3	7.8	2.4	3.5	2.2	.0	1.2	21.2
Norm Evans	2.1	4.6	.6	1.1	4.8	3.0	3.5	2.0	.4	2.0	25.5
Dave Vance	1.3	2.7	1.4	1.8	4.1	3.5	1.7	1.4	.1	.3	23.4
Ronnie Duckwarth	1.6	3.1	.8	1.6	3.9	4.1	.8	1.2	.4	.3	19.1
Brian Murphy	.7	1.6	.9	1.2	2.2	1.3	.2	.2	.1	.3	7.0
Mike West	.8	2.0	.2	.5	1.8	3.0	.5	1.4	.1	.3	16.3
Don Peavey	.6	1.4	.6	.8	1.7	.6	.3	.7	.0	.1	3.7
Jerry Strickland	.4	1.3	.7	.8	1.6	.7	.4	.1	.0	.2	4.1
Toold Finns	.3	. 5	.3	.7	1.0	•5	.2	.0	.0	.0	1.5
Drew Beck	.3	.7	.4	.6	.9	1.4	.6	.6	.0	.0	5.7
EIU	30.0	59.5	13.9	19.4	73.9	34.6	15.3	13.8	2.2	7.3	
Opponent Totals	30.1	61.5	11.7	16.8	71.9	33.6	16.0	12.8	2.6	7.6	

Conference Basketball Statistics — Fastern Illinois 1985—86 (Includes 13 Carres)

-PLAYER	G/ G	FG/ F	GA. FG8	FT/	FIP	FT%	PIS	AVG	REB	AVC	PF/D	ASI	' TO	BLK	SIL	MIN-
Kevin Duckworth	13/ 13	107/ 16	.661	54/	75	.720	268	20.6	123	9.5	45/1	11	31	17	10	432
Jon Collins	13/ 13	105/ 23	.486	35/	46	.761	245	18.9	59	4.5	25/0	30	36	1	10	491
Doug Crook	13/ 13	76/ 16	5 .461	8/	14	.571	160	12.3	49	3.8	35/ 0	39	15	0	18	465
Jay Taylor	13/ 2	40/	77 .520	13/	23	•565	93	7.2	22	1.7	23/1	52	29	1	12	275
Dave Vance	7/5	14/ 2	.636	16/	19	.842	44	6.3	29	4.1	7/0	10	10	0	1	189
Norm Evans	13/ 11	21/ 4	438	8/	13	.615	50	3.9	32	2.5	26/0	47	16	3	26	295
Ronnie Duckworth	9/ 4	13/ 2	.482	8/	16	.500	34	3.8	39	4.3	19/ 1	4	12	2	1	172
Don Peavey	3/ 0	3/	3 1.000	5/	7	.714	11	3.7	1	.3	0/0	2	0	0	1	9
Drew Beck	3/ 0	1/	3 .333	4/	4	1.000	6	2.0	5	1.7	2/ 0	0	7	0	0	22
Brian Murphy	11/ 0	7/ :	l6 .43 8	7/	8	.875	21	1.9	11	1.0	15/0	2	4	1	2	78
Mike West	11/ 4	9/ 3	.474	2/	4	.500	20	1.8	23	2.1	12/0	4	19	0	3	159
Jerry Strickland	4/ 0	2/	4 .500	0/	0	.000	4	1.0	2	•5	2/ 0	0	0	0	1	13
Todd Hinro	1/ 0	0/	000.0	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	.0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0
Team Rebounds									45							
EW	13/ 13	398/ 7	52 .522	160/	229	.699	956	73.5	440	33.9	211/ 3	201	179	25	85	
Team Rebounds									37							
Opponent Totals	13/ 13	398/ 79	99 .498	145/	219	.662	941	72.4	437	33.6	226/4	208	155	21	95	

-PER-CAME AVERAGES-

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-PIAYER	FG	FGA		FTA	PIS	REB	AST	OT	FIK	SIL	MN-
Kevin Duckworth	8.2	12.5	4.2	5.8	20.6	9.5	.9	2.4	1.3	.8	33.2
Jon Collins	8.1	16.6	2.7	3.5	18.9	4.5	2.3	2.8	.1	.8	37.8
Doug Crook	5.9	12.7	.6	1.1	12.3	3.8	3.0	1.2	.0	1.4	35.8
Jay Taylor	3.1	5.9	1.0	1.8	7.2	1.7	4.0	2.2	.1	.9	21.2
Dave Vance	2.0	3.1	2.3	2.7	6.3	4.1	1.4	1.4	.0	.1	27.0
Norm Evans	1.6	3.7	.6	1.0	3.9	2.5	3.6	1.2	.2	2.0	22.7
Ronnie Duckworth	1.4	3.0	.9	1.8	3.8	4.3	.5	1.3	.2	.1	19.1
Don Reavey	1.0	1.0	1.7	2.3	3.7	.3	.7	.0	.0	.3	3.0
Drew Beck	.3	1.0	1.3	1.3	2.0	1.7	.0	2.3	.0	.0	7.3
Brian Murphy	.6	1.5	.6	.7	1.9	1.0	.2	.4	.1	.2	7.1
Mike West	.8	1.7	.2	.4	1.8	2.1	.4	1.7	.0	.3	14.5
Jerry Strickland	•.5	1.0	.0	.0	1.0	•5	.0	.0	.0	.3	3.3
Todd Emro	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
EIU	30,6	58.6	12.3	17.6	73.5	33.9	15.5	13.8	1.9	6.5	
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Opponent Totals	30.6	61.5	11.2	16.9	72.4	33.6	16.0	11.9	1.6	7.3	

-SFASON HIGHS/LOVE-

-		Easter	n Illinois	Oppo	nent -
Points 1st Half:	High	48 vs	Illinois Tech	49 by	Cleveland State
	Iow	21 vs	Colorado State	15 by	WiscGreen Bay
Points 2nd Half:	High	53 vs	Cleveland State	63 by	Cleveland State
•	Iow	32 vs	WisGreen Bay		Illimois Tech
Total Points:	High		Illinois Tech		Cleveland State
	Iow	57 vs	Pan American	52 by	Northern Iowa
Field Goals:	High	41 vs	Illinois Tech	42 by	Cleveland State
	Low	20 vs	WisGreen Bay	_	Pan American
Field Coals Attempted:	High	76 vs	Butler	_	Northern Iowa
	Low		WisGreen Bay	-	Indiana State
Field Coal Percentage:	High		SW Missouri		Valparaiso
	Low	.333 vs	Oblarado State	.364 by	Illimois Tech
Free Throws:	High		Butler	-	Cleveland State
	Low		Cleveland State		Western Illinois
Free Throws Attempted:	High		Butler		Cleveland State
	Low		Cleveland State	_	Illinois Tech
Free Throw Percentage:	High		William Penn	-	BYU-Hawaii
	Iow	.412 vs	Northern Iowa	.375 by	WiscGreen Bay
Total Rebounds:	High		Illimois Tech		Northern Iowa
	Iow	20 vs	South Alabama	21 by	Wis.—Green Bay
Assists:	High		Butler		Valparaiso
	Iow	, t.c	NE Louisiana		WiscGreen Bay
Blocked Shots:	High		Evansville	_	BYU-Hawaii
	Low	-	Cleveland State	-	Southwest Missouri
Steals:	High		Millikin		Cleveland State
	Low		Southwest Missouri		Vestern Illinois
Turnovers:	High		Cleveland State		Millikin
	Iow		NE Icuisiana	-	Chicago State
Personal Fouls:	High		Colorado State		Rutler
	Low	9 vs	William Penn	8 by	Cleveland State

-SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2 Or	OI.	TOTAL	-DEALBALL REBUINDS	•	
EIU	948 1120		0	2068	46		
Opponent Totals	945 106	7 0	0	2012	46		
OVERALL TEAM RECO	CRD 16-1	12		CMLATIVE ATTENDA	NCE 78370	TOTTAL, AVERA	GE ATTENDANCE 2799
AMOJ-8	7-			HOME	29805	101111111111111111111111111111111111111	HOME AVERAGE 2484
Seasider Classic	2-			AWAY	48565		AWAY AVERAGE 3035
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OPPONENT:	SCORE	ATTEND	ιœ	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER-
Illimois Tech	96- 52 W	1492	H	K. Duckworth 24	K. Duckworth 16	Four players 8	Evans 7
William Penn	78- 62 W	1213	Н	Collins 25	K. Duckworth 10	Brown 14	O'Bryant 7
Minnesota	69 - 87 L	11650	Α	K. Duckwarth 24	K. Duckworth 11	Shasky 22	Shasiky 6
Colorado State	62 - 83 L	4103	Α	Collins 13	Taylor 8	Turcotte 17	Dudley 10
Indiana State	59- 60 L	4649	Α	Collins 21	West 7	Williams 25	McComb 14
Millikin	85- 66 W	1972	H	Collins20, Crock20	West 7	Barnes 18	Barnes 9
Pan American	57- 56 W	3245	Α	Collins 14	K. Duckworth 7	Anderson 17	Johnson 9
Butler	81- 78 W	1214	Α	Collins 21	K. Duckworth 11	Tucker 25	Gallahar 9
\$South Alabama	70- 61 W	500 ·	N	Crock 20	K. Duckworth 7	Kortokrax 14	Kortokrax 13
\$BYU-Hawaii	77- 73 W	853	N	Collins 28	K. Duckwarth 11	White 19	White 8
NE Louisiana	68 - 90 L	730	Α	Collins 22	K.Duckworth6,Coll6	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	Α	K.Duckworth 22	K.Duckworth 9	Kraayenbrink 21	McDermott 11
#Western Illinois	81- 68 W	2756	H	K. Duckworth 22	K. Duckwarth 10	Wright 20	Presswood 7
#WiscGreen Bay	77- 52 W	2326	H	K.Duckworth 20	Vance, K.Duck. 6	Cottrell 15	Cottrell 8
#SW Missouri	68– 67 W	6791	Α	K. Duckworth 23	K. Duckwarth 7	Carland 26	Ward, Bell 5
#Cleveland State	89–112 L	6235	Η	Collins 33	K.Duckworth 13	Smith 25	Mudd 8
#Valparaiso	80-88 L	2563	H	K.Duckworth 26	K.Duckworth 10	Bell 24	Rell 9
#Illinois-Chicago	79 - 85 L	1044	Α	Crook 24	K. Duck 5, Coll 5	Locke 26	Khar 10, Chamb. 10
Evansville	8 4- 72 W	1424	H	Collins, Crock,19	K. Duckworth 8	Janes 18	Friehauf 7
#Northern Iowa	68 - 52 W	2406	H	K.Duckworth 17	K.Duckwarth 12	Kraayenbrink 19	Nurse 6
#Western Illinois	7 4– 68 W	2988	Α	K. Duckworth 22	K. Duckworth 11	Presswood 21	Presswood 10
NE Louisiana	69 - 73 L	2423	Η	K.Duckworth 25	R.Duckworth 8	Jenkins 33	Jenkins 15
#Southwest Missouri	72 - 74 L	2487	H	K. Duckworth 27	Crock 8	Garland 20	Three players w/3
#WisGreen Bay	59- 58 W	1008	A	Collins 22	K. Duckworth 10	Obttrell 22	Nardi 6
Chicago State	76 - 92 L	2249	A	Collins 23	K. Duckworth 8	Bell 26	Bell, Jones 6
#Valparaiso	74- 75 L	1250	A.	K.Duckworth 21	K.Duckwarth 9	Sterve 21	Bell 9

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A Collins 20

68- 76 L

#Cleveland State

-SCORE BY PERIOD

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or

or

TOTAL

-DEADBALL REBOUNDS-

Mudd 10

K. Duckworth 14

Smith 13