

WEEK THIRTEEN
ILLINOIS at IOWA

No. 19 Iowa shuts down Illinois 19-10 behind Stanley, Duncan

IOWA CITY, Iowa -- Iowa's defense made sure the team that was leading the nation in turnover margin gave up the ball.

The No. 19 Hawkeyes forced three turnovers in Saturday's 19-10 win over Illinois, another stout performance from a defense that has been shutting teams down all season.

Iowa (8-3, 5-3 Big Ten), which came into the game allowing just 12.4 points per game, held Illinois to its lowest point total of the season one week after doing the same thing to Minnesota in a 23-19 win.

"There's no quit in those guys," Iowa quarterback Nate Stanley said. "They kept us in a lot of games this year. And quite frankly, they've won a lot of games for this year with the way they've played."

This win was punctuated by the turnovers. Illinois quarterback Brandon Peters threw an interception to Michael Ojemudia on the Fighting Illini's first possession of the game, then threw an interception to Matt Hankins in the end zone in the third quarter. Peters also lost a fumble in the fourth quarter.

"That was big-time," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "We did a great job of getting takeaways."

The Illini (6-5, 4-4) saw their four-game winning streak come to an end.

"It definitely was big," Ojemudia said of getting the takeaways. "We knew going into this game they were going to give us their best shot. They're a hot team. Just tightening down (on defense) was what we wanted to do in this game."

Iowa had forced just 13 turnovers in the first 10 games.

"We felt like we haven't been getting that many turnovers this year," safety Geno Stone said. "I definitely feel like we got them this game."

The Illini, who had outscored opponents 79-22 in the second half in their winning streak, got into Iowa territory on three consecutive possessions in the second half, but only got a field goal.

"We had the opportunities," Illinois coach Lovie Smith said. "But we didn't make the plays today."

Stanley threw for 308 yards and Keith Duncan kicked four field goals to set a new Big Ten single-season mark.

Iowa opened the game with a touchdown for the second consecutive week when Tyler Goodson scored on a 2-yard run for a 7-0 lead. Illinois tied the game when Peters threw a 31-yard pass to Donny Navarro later in the first quarter.

From that point, it was all field goals. Duncan had field goals of 23, 45, 24 and 29 yards to make it 27 this season for the conference record. Illinois' James McCourt kicked a 28-yarder in the fourth quarter.

THE TAKEAWAY

Iowa has won six consecutive games in this rivalry, but this was a competitive game. The Hawkeyes had won the last three games by a combined score of 137-16, including last season's 63-0 game.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Iowa could move up a spot or two with the win. Illinois had received a vote in last week's poll. Both teams were already bowl eligible.

KICKING GAME

Duncan had his third game of the season with four field goals. He also missed two field goals in the game. Duncan is 27 of 32 in field goals this season.

"Of course, we would like to get touchdowns on every single drive," Duncan said. "But our goal is to get points. We did that four out of the six times today on field goals, and we're happy to do that."

Final	1	2	3	4	T
ILL	7	0	0	3	10
IOWA	7	6	0	6	19

Scoring Summary -----

	ILL	IOWA
FIRST QUARTER		
IOWA TD 10:16 Tyler Goodson 2 Yd Run (Keith Duncan Kick)	0	7
9 plays, 75 yards, 4:44		
ILL TD 6:26 Donny Navarro 31 Yd pass from Brandon Peters (James McCourt Kick)	7	7
6 plays, 75 yards, 1:44		
SECOND QUARTER		
IOWA FG 9:34 Keith Duncan 23 Yd Field Goal		10
10 plays, 70 yards, 4:43		
IOWA FG 0:00 Keith Duncan 45 Yd Field Goal		13
2 plays, 22 yards, 0:12		
FOURTH QUARTER		
IOWA FG 14:08 Keith Duncan 24 Yd Field Goal		16
8 plays, 61 yards, 4:49		
ILL FG 10:52 James McCourt 28 Yd Field Goal	10	16
9 plays, 65 yards, 3:16		
IOWA FG 2:44 Keith Duncan 29 Yd Field Goal		19
9 plays, 36 yards, 5:02		

Team Stats	ILL	IOWA
First Downs	20	16
Passes for First	8	12
Rushes for First	10	4
Penalties for First	2	0
Third Down Efficiency	5-15	5-16
Fourth Down Efficiency	0-2	1-2
Total Yards	336	387
Total Plays	73	67
Avg Gain Per Play	4.6	5.8
Net Yards Rushing	192	79
Rushes	39	32
Yards Per Rush	4.9	2.5
Net Yards Passing	144	308
Comp-Att	18-34	18-35
Yards Per Pass	4.2	8.8
Times Sacked	3	0
Yds Lost To Sacks	-25	0
Interceptions	2	1
Punts	4	4
Punt Average	38.5	45.0
Penalties	4	4
Penalty Yards	31	29
Fumbles	2	0
Fumbles Lost	1	0
Time of Poss	28:11	31:49

Individual Stats

RUSHING							
ILLINOIS	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Brandon Peters	10	76	7.6	0	37		
Dre Brown	14	67	4.8	0	19		
Reggie Corbin	6	38	6.3	0	19		
Ra'Von Bonner	7	22	3.1	0	6		
Matt Robinson	2	-11	-5.5	0	0		
IOWA	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Tyler Goodson	21	38	1.8	1	10		
Nate Stanley	4	22	5.5	0	8		
Toren Young	3	7	2.3	0	5		
Mekhi Sargent	1	6	6.0	0	6		
Ihmir Smith-Marsette	2	6	3.0	0	4		
Tyrone Tracy Jr.	1	0	0.0	0	0		
PASSING							
ILLINOIS	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Brandon Peters	16	31	125	4.0	1	2	32.6
Matt Robinson	2	3	19	6.3	0	0	2.2
IOWA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Nate Stanley	18	35	308	8.8	0	1	61.5
RECEIVING							
ILLINOIS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Donny Navarro	3	36	12.0	1	31		
Josh Imatorbhebhe	4	36	9.0	0	14		
Justice Williams	4	24	6.0	0	10		
Casey Washington	3	21	7.0	0	10		
Caleb Reams	2	19	9.5	0	14		
Ra'Von Bonner	1	6	6.0	0	6		
Griffin Palmer	1	2	2.0	0	2		
IOWA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Ihmir Smith-Marsette	4	121	30.3	0	40		
Tyrone Tracy Jr.	6	56	9.3	0	22		
Shaun Beyer	1	40	40.0	0	40		
Sam LaPorta	2	36	18.0	0	22		
Nico Ragaini	2	27	13.5	0	18		
Nate Wieting	2	25	12.5	0	23		
Tyler Goodson	1	3	3.0	0	3		