Yesterday's Question: How many Big Ten titles have Lou Henson's men's baskethall teams at Illinois won outright over his 21year ccaching career

Answer: None. Henson's bunch did share a title in 1984

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First Round Friday, March 1 Illinois vs. Indiana, 4 p.m.

Northwestern vs. Michigan, 6 p.m. Ohio State vs. Minnesota, 8 p.m. Quarterfinals Saturday, March 2

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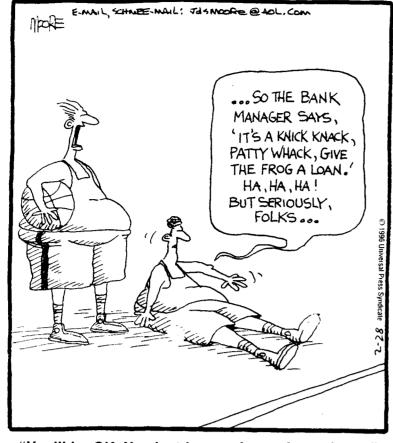
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In The Bleachers

by Steve Moore



"You'll be OK. You just bumped your funny bone."

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Brown: Leader on, off court

By BRAD YOUNG

Collegian Sports Writer

Back when men's basketball forward Matt Gaudio was a freshman, when he was a guppy in the pond where he is now one of the biggest fish, he was having a pretty rotten day.

The Lions were practicing for the 1991-92 season, and Gaudio was just a step slow and basically not altogether there one afternoon. He was so bad that Gaudio says then-coach Bruce Parkhill booted everybody out of practice because of him.

He was sitting off by himself afterwards, bummed and sulking. One of his senior teammates, guard Monroe Brown, came over to talk things over

"I saw a different side of Monnie," Gaudio says

Gaudio had witnessed Brown as a leader on the floor, with his smothering defense and his competitive spirit that had earned him the team's most inspirational player award the year before. But Gaudio saw then that Brown's influence extended even further than that.

He saw the makings of Brown's future.

Brown is currently a part-time assistant coach for Penn State and coach Jerry Dunn, deciding after two boring years in the business world that his calling was with a whistle. That he should get paid to help guide a team just like he did when he played. And the Lions are grateful that he has.

"He's just done an incredible job," says Gaudio, now in his final season. "He was just such a great player and such a great defender and he just knows basketball. I think he's a big asset for us.

After finishing as Penn State's seventh leading scorer and starting in each of his four years under Parkhill, Brown graduated with a degree in logistics. His mother, Jackie, said her son hired an agent and took a peek at pro hoops. But the only offer he received came from Europe and was less than lucra-

So Brown took a job in Chattanooga, Tenn., pushing a pencil, not an opponent to the brink of insanity with his maddening defensive pressure. He was to work as a distribution supervisor for a liquid gas company the type of position his Penn State education prepared him for.

The money was fine. That wasn't the problem. Neither was the fact that there was a "generation gap and about that too much longer. a cultural gap" with the 20 graying truck drivers he was in charge of. "I could find no comparison between their lives and mine," Brown says. Despite the differences, he got along with them just fine.

They weren't why he absolutely hated it. "It just wasn't any fun," Brown says. "I wasn't

happy." He needed basketball. He had since he was a kid. He got to play some ball after work once in a while, but that wasn't enough to quell his fix. As Jackie says, 'He wanted to be close to the game any way he could.'

With his playing career finished, "any way he could" became coaching. He was sending out letters, trying to get into the almost impenetrable world of college coaching.

Parkhill knew his former player was looking for a chance on the sidelines, and in the summer of 1993 Penn State flew Brown in to interview for a vacant part-time assistant job. Mike Wilson was hired. Parkhill says his reasoning behind the decision was

that he just wanted to make sure Brown understood what was best for himself. Parkhill said it sounded to him like Brown had decent gig in Tennessee, and he wanted Brown "to be sure the business world was indeed something that wasn't for him.'

Also, Parkhill says, "I knew that with part-time assistants, there's turnover. I knew down the road there would be other opportunities for Monnie."

That opportunity came a year later, when Brown was working for a company in Baltimore. Wilson had moved on, leaving that part-time assistant slot open when Brown came back to State College for an alumni weekend. Parkhill asked him what he was doing. "Same thing," Brown told him. Parkhill changed that, and Brown had broken that rigid coaching-career seal.

Now, the 25-year old isn't working a sleepy nine-tofiver. He logs a lot more time in the office than that, to the tune of better than 60 a week. But Jackie reports "he loves it a lot" anyway.

Brown gives Dunn a young assistant who can relate to the players better than most coaches can. And Dunn says Brown has upgraded other aspects of his sideline demeanor, from understanding the opponents he studies on videos to his work with the scout team.

"He has really improved as a coach," Dunn says. Improved to the point where he might be ready to move on. Brown said he hopes "to ride the wave" of the team's success this season into a full-time assistant position somewhere. He enjoys what he is doing now, but he says being a part-time assistant is "parttime in title, full-time in hours, part-time in pay.'

Gaudio thinks Brown won't have to be worried

"I know he's going to leave soon to go find (a fulltime) assistant job somewhere," Gaudio says, "and I think it's going to be a loss, a big loss, to the pro-

Lions', Purdue's fates narrowed

By DAVID COMER Collegian Sports Writer

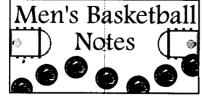
Purdue's magic number is two, so a combination of Boilermaker wins and Penn State losses equaling two will give Purdue its third consecutive Big Ten title. That should happen March 2, when the No. 5 Boilermakers host league doormat Northwestern.

Purdue started the season at 4-2, losing to both Memphis and Villanova in a two-week span stretching from late November to early December. The Boilermakers then won 10 straight before falling to Illinois and Penn State in back-toback games in late January, but now they are on another roll. They have won nine in a row since their 87-77 loss in State College.

Last week, the Boilermakers (23-4 overall, 13-2 Big Ten) won at Illinois and at Indiana for the first time in the same season since 1971. They appear set to be the first Big Ten team to "three-peat" as undisputed champions since Ohio State did it from 1960-62.

"We're just ecstatic about last week," said Bruce Weber, a Purdue assistant coach. "Different guys stepped up at different times as

they have all year' Roy Hairston led the way with 23



points in the Boilermakers' 74-71 win against Illinois, while Chad Austin and his 18 points engineered a 74-72 victory in Bloomington,

Minnesota visits Mackey Arena on Thursday and Northwestern goes to West Lafayette, Ind., for a Saturday game before ending the regular season on the road at Iowa.

Purdue is a balanced team with great depth that plays exceptional defense. That combination wins games, and for the Boilermakers, it wins championships.

Trivia Question

This player led the 1930-31 and 1931-32 Purdue teams in scoring and later went on to a stellar coaching career. Who is he and at what school did he enjoy a brilliant coaching tenure?

The King-sbury Returns at Iowa Last time we met, Chris Kingsbury, Iowa's long-range misser. was getting ready to return to the He became a coaching legend at Hawkeye lineup after serving a UCLA.

three-game suspension for his unsportsmanlike behavior against Penn State on Feb. 3.

His coach, Tom Davis, didn't know what to expect from the three-pointaholic. Well, Kingsbury did return. And he missed. In five minutes against Michigan State, the bomber was 1-of-3 from both the field and the foul line. He finished with three points and one rebound in Iowa's 83-47 defeat of the Spartans.

Iowa then traveled to Illinois on Saturday, where it lost, 91-86, as Kingsbury played 11 minutes and finished with five points, making 1of-3 field goal attempts and his two free throw tries. With the defeat, the No. 20 Hawkeyes dropped to 19-7 and 8-6 but still appear headed to the NCAA tournament. Just don't tell Davis

"We're not in the (NCAA) tournament yet," he said. "Two more wins would probably get us in, but there is no guarantee.

But alas, Kingsbury is back.

Trivia Answer John Wooden topped the Boilermakers in scoring in 1930-31 when he averaged 8.2 points per game and once again led Purdue the next season at 12.2 points per contest.



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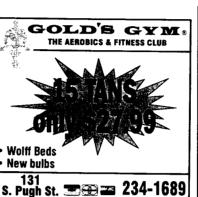
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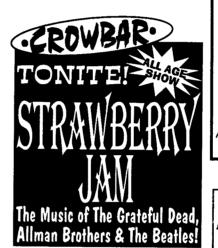
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