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Game 5 • Thursday, March 5, 2015

Sears Centre Arena • Hoffman Estates, Ill.

NO. 10 ILLINOIS 71 (15-16), NO. 7 NEBRASKA 86 (21-9)

NEBRASKA advances to play NO. 2 IOWA at 7 p.m. EST FRIDAY



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GAME NOTES

ILLINOIS

- Illinois' 20 steals ranks second on the Big Ten Tournament single-game list. The Fighting Illini forced Nebraska into a season-high 24 turnovers. The 24 turnovers turned into 25 Illini points.
- Freshman G Amarah Coleman scored 18 points along with five rebounds. It is her eighth double-digit scoring game this year and fifth against a Big Ten opponent.
- Coleman's four three-point field goals and five attempts are both career bests.
- Senior G Ivory Crawford recorded her third double-double this season with 19 points and 10 rebounds. She also added five steals.
- Freshman G/F Kennedy Cattenhead contributed a career best five steals in just 13 minutes of action.
- Illinois won the offensive rebounding battle by a 16-4 margin and put up 18 second-chance points.
- Illinois put up 70 or more points for the second-straight game and 12th time this season.

NEBRASKA

- Nebraska leads the all-time series with Illinois, 9-3. The Huskers have won five straight including three meetings this year.
- Nebraska opened the game with 15-3 run, including 10 points from freshman G Natalie Romeo (6) and senior F Hailie Sample (4).
- Romeo set a career best with 26 points. She started the game 7-of-9 from three-point range with her first 21 points coming from behind the arc.
- Her seven three-point field goals is tied for second on the Big Ten Tournament single-game list. It is also a new career best for Romeo.
- Senior G Brandi Jeffery set a new career-best with eight assists.
- The Huskers claimed their largest lead of the game at 75-47 with 8:21 to play.
- Nebraska shot a season best 61.7 percent from the field (29-47).
- Nebraska's 49 first-half points is second only to its 53 first half points vs. Wisconsin against Big Ten foes this season. It is the fourth time this year Nebraska has led by 20 or more points at the half (49-29).
- The win moves head coach Connie Yori to second on the Big Ten Tournament winning percentage list at 80.0 percent (8-2).
- The Huskers have averaged 84.0 ppg in their last three Big Ten Tournament games. They have scored 80 or more points in five of 10 Tournament appearances.
- Nebraska had five players score in double figures for the third time this season.