

Illinois State Postgame Notes FINAL – Southern Illinois 24, Illinois State 17 Nov. 16, 2013 • Saluki Stadium • Carbondale, Ill.

PLAYER NOTES:

- **Dontae McCoy** intercepted his first career pass and returned it 64 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter for the Redbirds.
- The defensive touchdown was the first of McCoy's career and the second of the season for ISU. Tevin Allen previously returned a 17-yard fumble return for a touchdown two weeks ago vs. UNI.
- Colton Underwood recorded the second turnover of the day for the Redbirds, when he forced his second fumble of the season and it was recovered by Rickey Simpson.
- Underwood tied a career high with 3.5 tackles-for-loss, to finish the season with 12.
- The forced fumble was the fifth of Underwood's career, tying him for sixth most in ISU history.
- Underwood also set a career high with three pass break ups in the loss to SIU.
- Chick Chatham caught a 19-yard touchdown from Blake Winkler in the second quarter, marking his second of the season and of his career at ISU.
- Pat Meehan recorded a career-high 15 tackles in the loss to SIU and added a half sack.
- Brandon Westphal tied a career-best with 1.5 tackles for loss against the Salukis.
- Senior Milton Colbert recorded a career-high 70 yards against SIU, including a long reception of 43 yards.

TEAM NOTES:

- ISU recorded its second defensive touchdown of the season, topping its mark of one from 2012. The last time the Redbirds had multiple defensive touchdowns in a season was 2011, when they had three.
- With the win, SIU improves to 40-33-3 all-time in the series vs. ISU and has won six out of the last seven meetings overall, including the last two.
- The Redbirds finish the season 5-6, with all five wins coming at home and all six losses on the road.
- The losing season is the first for ISU head coach **Brock Spack** in his tenure at ISU.