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kansas city.... ~~you wouldn't have known~~
~~it had you watched him marshall iowa state's winning rally over~~
~~kansas, but~~

gary thompson, the little
roland, ia. rocket , got out of a sick bed to marshall iowa
state's winning last half rally over kansas.

" I've had an upset stomach all day ", he
confessed between the pounds and jostles of his giddy teammates
who had just ~~snapped~~ won their second opening-round game of all-
time while snapping a streak of 12 consecutive ~~axhawkvx~~ losses to
the jayhawks.

" i rested and slept all day ", the 5-10
crewcut blond, continued, " but it didn't do any good. i vomited
again just before the game. "

thompson collared every one of his 14 points
in the final half , the last four of which swung that spine-tingling
82-81 decision. with the cyclones protecting a 78-77 lead with
two minutes left, thompson whisked thru two free to forge a three-
point pad. with 32 seconds remaining , ku once again had pulled within
a point following two larry davenport charities. ~~the~~ thompson again
swished two perfect charities for an 82-79 bulge. had he missed any
of the four , the jayhawks would have won. four ronnie johnson,
a substitute forward, goaled at the buzzer on a recovery directly under
the boards.

asked to explain his first half blanking
by dallas dobbs and john parker, who switched continuously on the
little sophomore, thompson said sim ly.... " i had the shots. i