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# POSTGAME QUOTES

// 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

## #7/9 Kansas 73, Baylor 68

Wednesday, January 12, 2019

Ferrell Center // Waco, Texas

### KANSAS HEAD COACH BILL SELF

#### *Opening statement:*

"We played well. Other than about a four-minute stretch in the first half until the under-four (media) timeout (in the second half), that's as dominant as we've been all year. We played well. We executed. We got the ball where we wanted to get it and defend it. They were better on the glass, obviously, until that point. Then the last four minutes – that's on me – I sucked. Dedric (Lawson) said he was tired, Devon (Dotson) is playing a ton of minutes and we play again on Monday. So I thought surely we could bring home a 22-point lead, and then we find every way to screw it up, and Lagerald was a big part of that. Good gosh, (he) had no poise at all. In the backcourt, we threw it away twice, which led to four or five points (for Baylor). But the story shouldn't be us playing terrible the last four minutes, the story should be that we got a good road win."

#### *On the team's 11 blocked shots from flat-footed guys and without Udoka Azubuike in the lineup:*

"Well, Dedric had five, but he had a couple – like the one where he blocked it off the backboard – that was a tremendous athletic play. We did a good job early in the game of getting some blocked shots (by) walling up and that's what happens when you guard it right. We did some really good things early, get up 18-2 and then did some really poor things – they went on a 17-to-4 run and then we finish the half about perfect. And then (we) just totally dominated the second half until we quit playing at the under-4 (minute media) timeout. I'm disappointed in that, but I'm really glad we got it done and we definitely need to have some momentum going into the turnaround (of the next game, Monday night vs. Texas in Allen Fieldhouse)."

#### *On the past seven days for freshman G Ochai Agbaji and his impact on the game with his activity:*

"He's been terrific. He's been great. He's going to continue to play more and more. He needs to get his wind a little bit. But, certainly, we're more active and athletic when he's in the game. I'm just pissed right now because you can't finish a game worse than that. And Ochai had the most poise of anybody out there down the stretch. He's got the hardest job, to throw it in, and so when guys aren't open, he's got the count in his head, he made the great pass to Dedric, which resulted in two missed free throws. We just jacked around. Still, he's done extremely well and we're going to need him to continue to play at a high level."

#### *On the Texas Longhorns coming to Allen Fieldhouse for Big Monday:*

"Well, they lost to Texas Tech today; I think they played Oklahoma State a couple of weeks ago, so at least you got part of it right, they are in the Big 12 (Conference). [Laughter] You're on top of your game. But they are so long and athletic. It just worries me so much. They (Baylor) kicked our butt on the glass (by 19; 49-30 today). We know (Baylor RS-sophomore G/F Mark) Vital is the best offensive rebounder in the league, hands down. He wore us out and we had nothing for him from a competitive standpoint. We've got to be so much better. Dedric had an awful game rebounding the ball. For him to get three rebounds in a game when there's so many missed shots is just awful. He scored the ball, he played well, he did a lot of good things – he had five steals – but we've got to be a heck of a lot better, and more competitive, especially, when we have to play this small."

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