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# POSTGAME QUOTES

// 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

**West Virginia 65, #7/8 Kansas 64**

Saturday, January 19, 2019

Morgantown, W.Va. // WVU Coliseum

## KANSAS HEAD COACH BILL SELF

### *Opening statement:*

"That was bad. We played awful. They played awful, too, the first half. (In the) Second half, we actually controlled most of the half. We probably played a little bit better, took care of the ball, made a couple of shots and played to our strengths a little bit. Then, when it got tied late, we had a chance. We helped (on defense) when I don't think there was any reason to help and gave up the three to cut it to three points. We're in the double bonus, they're in the double bonus and you've got to drive the ball. We bailed them out by shooting a couple of really ill-advised, bad 3 (-pointers). We knew that kid would drive to his right and he just got to his strong hand and made a little 3-footer. I should have called timeout. The last eight seconds is all on me. I should have called a timeout to try to get us organized. I thought driving the ball, down one, with an open floor would be, without question, the best offense we could have. I think we thought we were down three. We end up passing up opportunities to drive it to get fouled so we can shoot a 3 (-pointer) that couldn't go in. (It was) Bad execution and that's on me. Certainly, I should have called timeout. It doesn't mean we would have scored, but I think we could have at least had a closer chance to trying to do something (to score) that had a chance."

### *On Marcus Garrett's impact when he is on the floor for the Jayhawks:*

"Marcus is playing terrific. He was, by far, the best player of the first half. He had to do everything. He played well and we had some other guys play well, in spurts, without question. But (having) one assist and 13 turnovers, that's a reflection of never having been in this situation and running from the ball maybe a little bit, not having quite as much leadership out there as what you'd like to have. Still though, the guys made some plays to put us in a good position to win the game and we'd win probably nine-out-of-10 situations that are like that, but I don't know that we did one positive thing in the last two minutes (of the game) other than the fact that Marcus drove it, we didn't get the call and he stole it back. He got us a fresh 30 (on the shot clock). And then it was little things like (West Virginia point guard James) Bolden being able to deny (Devon) Dotson the ball when the (last) play was running through Dotson. That's a huge play. So then we have to ad-lib and we come away with nothing, as opposed to Bolden just whipping our butts. I thought that was a really big play that will go unnoticed in the stats, but it was pretty good (defensive play)."

### *On turning around for the second-consecutive week from playing on Saturday to playing a big Monday game.*

"I don't want to talk about Iowa State. We know they kicked our (butt) the first time we played them (Jan. 5 in Ames) and we know that we've got to be a lot better Monday. It's important that we get back (to Lawrence), regroup and not let one (loss) become two. Right now, this one stings quite a bit."

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