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POSTGAME QUOTES

// 2018-19 KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

#12/12 Kansas 62, #14/14 Texas Tech 91

Saturday, February 23, 2019

Lubbock, Texas // United Supermarkets Arena

KANSAS HEAD COACH BILL SELF

Opening Statement:

"That was a beat down. I'm not going to say the game was over early, but the way they jumped on us. We played great defense on the first possession, then they throw one in to go up two to nothing. We've got a wide-open lob that we don't throw and on our first possession, take a bad shot and they made us pay for it and it was five (point deficit). They were so much better than us tonight. We had some guys who had been in the moment not be in the moment and they kind of ate us up. I still think we can learn from this and I still think that there's a lot of young kids out there playing some minutes that understand, maybe a little bit better (now), how important it is to communicate in practice and not wait for somebody else to do your job, to be aggressive and talk and do some things like that. Because once we switched up – we did a lot of different things ball-coverage wise – it all stunk, but once we started switching what we did, we couldn't get back. We are a team that doesn't adjust well during the game defensively at all and that was very evident tonight."

On which player or players need to be big on Monday night vs. K-State:

"If you look at Texas Tech, obviously (Jarrett) Culver had a big game, but I don't think anybody carried their team. You had six different guys make at least two threes, and only one of them took more than four (3-point shots). That's as good of a balance as you can have. So I would say that we'd rather do it by committee, kind of what like Tech did tonight, even though Culver had a big game. But, obviously, our best players have to have big nights (Monday). They didn't guard us the same way they did the first time, they didn't pressure us, they basically dared us to make some shots and when they do that, you don't make them early and kids get a little timid and then, obviously, you don't look very good offensively."

On how the team puts tonight behind it and gets ready for K-State in time for Monday's game:

"We'll do that. We'll put this one behind us. It's not going to do us too much good to watch this film. But we'll get this behind us. We were talking – not putting it behind us because the game was over – but talking about that as early as halftime. We would have had to come out in the second half, in the first eight minutes, and cut it to 15 (point deficit), or something like that, to probably have a chance to put some game pressure on them and we didn't do that. So, therefore, the whole deal was that for the last 12 or 14 minutes we were just trying to get our guys to the finish line so we have rested bodies for Monday."

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