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2019-20
KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

#3/3 KANSAS vs #16/17 WEST VIRGINIA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020
LAWRENCE, KAN. // ALLEN FIELDHOUSE



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KU STARTERS (SEASON/CAREER)

Devon Dotson (13/49)
Marcus Garrett (13/33)
Ochai Agbaji (13/29)
David McCormack (12/25)
Udoka Azubuike (13/62)

SERIES INFO: Kansas leads, 13-5

- It was the seventh time in KU's last 13 meetings with West Virginia that the Jayhawks trailed by double digits. Kansas has come back to win five of those seven contests, including today's (trailed by 10 twice in the first half).

ATTENDANCE: 16,300 (297th-consecutive sellout)

KANSAS' WIN...

- Made Kansas 11-2 or better for the sixth-straight season and for the 13th time in the 17-year Bill Self era.
- Gave Kansas its 29th-consecutive conference-opening victory, a streak which started in 1991-92.
- Made the KU-West Virginia series 13-5 in favor of the Jayhawks, including 8-0 in Allen Fieldhouse.
- Handed West Virginia their first Big 12 road-opener loss since joining the conference in 2012.
- Extended Kansas' home court winning streak to 28 games, including 26 in Allen Fieldhouse.
- Made KU 6-0 in Allen Fieldhouse this season, 256-13 in the venue under Bill Self and 794-113 all-time in AFH.
- Improved Self to 484-108 while at Kansas, 691-213 for his career and 13-5 against West Virginia.
- Made Kansas 2,286-861 all-time.

TEAM NOTES

- The game marked the first time Kansas has won in Allen Fieldhouse when scoring 60 points or less since the Jayhawks outlasted Oklahoma on Feb. 5, 2006 by a score of 59-58.
- Kansas' 60 points were its fewest in Allen Fieldhouse since scoring 57 against San Diego State on Jan. 5, 2014 (57-61).
- The Jayhawks trailed at halftime (24-30) in Allen Fieldhouse for the first time since it found itself behind Iowa State (37-42) at the break on Jan. 21, 2019.
- After trailing at halftime, KU started the second half on an 8-2 run, with Agbaji's lone 3-pointer of the game tying the game at 32-32 just 2:17 after the restart.
- Kansas set season lows for field goals (19), field goal attempts (47), field goal percentage (40.4%), rebounds (30) and assists (11).
- KU held the lead for just 13:26 of the contest -- a season low.
- The Jayhawks' 19 field goals were their fewest in a Big 12 game since hitting 16 field goals against Oklahoma State on Jan. 13, 2015. KU came out on top in both contests.

TEAM NOTES (CONT.)

- KU lost the rebounding battle for just the second time this season (44-30). The -14 rebound margin was KU's worst since Baylor outrebounded the Jayhawks by 19 (30-49) on Jan. 12, 2019 in Waco.
- Kansas held West Virginia to a 32.2 percentage from the field, marking the third time this season that the Jayhawks have held an opponent at that clip or lower.

OPPONENT NOTES

- West Virginia's 53 points were the fewest by a KU opponent this season. KU has held seven of its 13 opponents to fewer than 60 points this season. Kansas is now 174-2 under Bill Self when its opponent scores less than 60.
- West Virginia set KU opponent season lows for 3-point field goals (3), 3-point field goal attempts (14) and tied for fewest assists (7).
- WVU set KU opponent season highs for offensive rebounds (21) and total rebounds (44).
- Oscar Tshiebwe's 17 rebounds were the most by a Kansas opponent in Big 12 play since Texas' Jarrett Allen grabbed 19 rebounds on Jan. 21, 2017.
- Tshiebwe's 10 first-half rebounds were the most by a Jayhawk opponent in a half since Seton Hall's Angel Delgado pulled down 11 boards in the second half of his game against KU on March 17, 2018.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Senior Udoka Azubuike

- With his 6-for-6 mark from the field, has now been perfect in three of his last five outings. In that span, Azubuike is 24-for-29 (82.8 percent).
- His six blocks marked a career high and were the most by a Jayhawk this season. It was the most rejections posted by a KU senior since Jeff Withey swatted nine against West Virginia on March 2, 2013.

Sophomore Devon Dotson

- Collected four steals, marking the fourth time he has tallied four or more thefts. Since his season-high five steals vs. Dayton (11/27), Dotson is averaging 3.0 steals per game.

Freshman Christian Braun

- Topped his season-high in minutes (21 vs. Kansas City), logging 30 and playing all 20 minutes of the second half.
- Tied his season-high with two steals.

Junior Marcus Garrett

- Posted a team-high six assists, posting five or more dimes for the sixth time this season. Over his last six games he has averaged 4.7 assists per game.
- In that same six-game span he has tallied a 2.8:1 assist-to-turnover ratio.