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POSTGAME QUOTES

#3/3 KANSAS vs OKLAHOMA STATE

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KANSAS HEAD COACH BILL SELF

On defense:

"I thought when Udoka was in the game we guarded well. That's when they came back was when he was out because we didn't have anything guarding the rim. We only gave up 24 at half, and that's pretty good. In the second half up until the last five minutes we played the scouting report. Our switches were good, and we were positionally in the right spot."

n Coach Eddie Sutton:

"I've had a chance to see Coach Sutton recently in Tulsa. I was able to see him and spend time with him, not as much as I wanted but I was able to see him. Scott told my staff he was here so I came out early enough so I could see him. I always thought Mr. Iba was taken for granted in this area because they were so comfortable with him because they saw him all the time. When you see someone all the time you take for granted the magnitude the role they played in making our game. As Bob Knight said, 'of all the shadows that were cast on our game, his was the biggest ever.' I feel the same thing about Coach Sutton. I feel like he's been around a lot and people can take for granted what he's done for our game. Hopefully he can be elected into the hall of fame, which he richly deserves. He's an amazing coach. I spent three years with him. As a coach I'd like to make Coach Sutton proud by watching my teams play. He's pretty awesome."

On playing well without Devon Dotson:

"I thought it was good to see. We've played two good games without Devon Dotson. We played one at Oklahoma where he didn't play, but we need him because he played 39 minutes the next game and we needed every minute of it. He wasn't much of a factor because foul problems got to him."

On playing short-handed:

"It's been a hard week. Our guys have played and acted mature since it has started. The best we could've done is what we've done the last two games, so I'm proud of them."

OKLAHOMA STATE HEAD COACH MIKE BOYNTON

Thoughts on the game:

"It was kind of mind-boggling and frustrating all at the same time. Until they got the offensive rebound with 10 seconds left in the half, we had a chance to get the ball and tie the game going into the half. That didn't happen, but we were in a two possession game at home against the No. 3 ranked team in the country and for us not to seize that opportunity to play with great passion and energy for 20 minutes is disappointing. We have to get better. We have to keep encouraging these guys that they are capable of success and when tough times arise we have to find a better way to respond."

On the defense:

"We just didn't fight enough in the second half. We didn't give enough resistance from the three-point line and it started with the dribble penetration. We have to do a better job of containing the basketball. They don't usually shoot that many threes, but us playing a zone invited that a little more. We knew the guys that were going to shoot them, but we didn't do a good enough job of covering them."

On Cameron McGriff:

"Cam was sensational for us. I'm not just talking about his 18 points. He played the game we needed him to play to give us a chance. He played with a lot of aggression and fought his tail off on the glass, drove the ball to the basket and got to the free-throw line. I'm proud of his total effort for the full 40 minutes. It's hard to lose a game by 15 points playing that many minutes and end up a minus-one in the plus/minus, but that shows the impact he had while he was in the game. We need to have more guys doing what he did for us tonight."

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