

POST-GAME QUOTES

HEAD COACH PAUL WEIR

On the game:

"I was hoping that this game would be like every other game we've had after a loss. We bounced back terrific after Auburn and we bounced back terrific after UTEP ... I think its more of a testament to our players and the character of our guys for having great resiliency and bounce back."

On defense the second half:

"I thought we had a rough start to the game. (Fresno State) made some really great plays and came out with some really good pop and we didn't. I thought that after halftime our team settled in and grinded our way through the rest of the game. We just played much better basketball coming out of the half."

On the pace of gameplay:

"Offensively we've been slow to start games all year long. We have guys playing new positions and we're juggling some different rosters, but thankfully our veterans like JaQuan and Vance were able to carry the load for us today."

JAQUAN LYLE

On his leadership of the team:

"I do think that some of the guys look up to me since I'm one of the oldest players on the team. I've been through a lot of different situations in life both on and off the court, so I think that my teammates feel comfortable talking to me about most anything."

On bouncing back from a loss:

"We come into every game with the same approach: confidently and trying to get the win. One of our main goals for this game was to maintain the lead once we got it."

VANCE JACKSON

On his performance:

"I've been the same player since the first game of the season even when I wasn't making shots. I've just kept my head up and having my coaches and teammates send me positive energy has really helped me ... I could miss eight shots in a row but I'm still going to shoot that ninth one like I had just made eight in a row. It feels really good when a shot goes in and the crowd gets involved."

On improvement over the season:

"I've been working hard by going to the gym early and staying late after practice. I'm just going with the flow of the game and staying true to myself. Other than that, I'm just playing the game I've played since I was five."