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UNM Quotes

Coach Mike Bradbury:

[UC Irvine] did a great job defending us and had a great plan. They really caused us problems on offense.

I guess the one thing that probably saved us a little bit was rebounding. It was nice to be able to have a plus side in rebounding. That hadn't happened to us a whole lot this year.

We were sloppy with the ball. ... Going into the game, we thought we could exploit some things and they took them away, so I'm going to say at least half of [the turnovers] were my responsibility.

We have capable scorers and we have a lot of them, and as you can tell, it's different from night to night.

Jaisa Nunn:

I felt pretty good but defensive-wise, I still need to be a little bit more solid on that.

Coach Mike (Bradbury) kept telling us, "There's still three minutes to go" and we were up by like 15. They're a very capable team of coming up from a 15-point deficit.

[Illinois is] a very talented team and they're a very well-put together team so we just have to make sure that we have the correct game plan ... and get into a rhythm.