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San Diego State at UNLV Postgame Quotes

San Diego State 76, UNLV 67

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San Diego State Head Coach Brian Dutcher

Opening Statement:

"Our defense was great they (UNLV) shot 36 percent for the game and 27 from three. Statistically we were good. Our field goal percentage was good and our 3-point percentage was 52 percent. We outrebounded them by 11, but the 21 turnovers is hard. That is what they do. That is what they are good at. They give and they take. After a really good offensive first half, our defense carried us in the second half. When we struggled to score, we didn't let them get back into the game completely. They cut into the lead, but we never gave up the lead. It was a nice road victory and now we will have a week to look at ourselves again and how to get better."

On if he was concerned that the 3-point shooting would not come around:

"Matt (Bradley) stepped his game up; he made five of them, I think. He was 5-of-10 and that sets the table for everyone else. Darrion (Trammell) was 4-of-5, and those two guys are good shooters. Matt has stepped up and he looks like MVP of the conference. He was big and now the key is can he keep that performance going, and I think he can."

On two players who were in foul trouble early and two that didn't make a basket:

"We have different guys who can contribute at different times. We were going to throw that ball inside a lot, but when they decided not to post double and they were going to play one-on-one, and we tried to spread the floor and attack them off the dribble. In the first half, we did a better job of driving and kicking. In the second half we didn't seem to get as much of that, so I'll have to watch tape and see why that happened."

San Diego State Senior Guard Matt Bradley

On what has been the difference in his game to open Mountain West play:

"My mind is in the right place. Finals are done and school is out. I had a really good break, and a lot of things went well for me, and it created a lot of positivity coming back into the conference season. It's given me that drive to finish (the season) strong. I'm getting a lot of love from everywhere, the fans too and really everybody. They are showing me love and support. My coaches and teammates; I can't thank them enough."

On what the team's success from the 3-point line recently means going forward:

"Teams were packing the paint and now they have to spread out a little more and that will lead to players like Lamont (Butler) and other drivers to get into the paint and create for others and create for themselves. So playing that type of style, where were hitting threes and getting to the rim makes it easier on our big men and easier on everybody."

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