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CREDIT UNION 1 MW MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP – QUARTERFINAL

#1 Utah State vs. #8 UNLV Postgame Notes

Championship Notes

- Utah State advanced to the semifinal of the 2026 Credit Union 1 Mountain West Men's Basketball Championship with an 80-60 victory over UNLV. The Aggies will await the winner of No. 4 Grand Canyon and No. 5 Nevada at 6 p.m. PT. Utah State split the season series against both teams.
- This marks the fourth-straight semifinal appearance for Utah State.
- Utah State is now 19-10 all-time in the Mountain West tournament, while UNLV falls to 31-23, all-time. The Rebels have not made the semifinals since 2014.
- No. 1 seeds are now 25-1 all-time in the quarterfinals of the Mountain West tournament. The lone loss was in 2004 when Air Force was upset by Colorado State.

Utah State Notes

- Utah State shot 50.9 percent from the field, improving to 18-0 this season when shooting at least 50 percent from the field.
- Mason Falsev led the Aggies with 24 points, nine rebounds and three steals. It is third-consecutive MW tournament game with at least 15 points, seven rebounds and two steals. That ties him with San Diego State's Marcus Slaughter (2005/06) for the longest such streak in MW tournament history.
- Mason Falsev joined MJ Collins Jr. with over 500 points this season. Utah State is the only Mountain West team this year with two players who have scored at least 500 points.
- Additionally, Falsev has now scored at least 20 points in each of the three games against the Rebels this year. He is the first player with three 20-point games against the Rebels in a single season since 2001-02 when both Ruben Douglas (New Mexico) and Randy Holcomb (San Diego State) did so.
- MJ Collins Jr. added 20 points. The Aggies are now 14-0 this season when Collins scores at least 20 points. That is the most wins without a loss in 20-point games by any DI player this season.

UNLV Notes

- UNLV's 60 points tied a season low. The Rebels also scored 60 points against Tennessee State on Dec. 13.
- Walter Brown scored a career-high 11 points on 4-of-6 shooting.
- Kimani Hamilton fouled out for the 13th time this season, the most by any DI player this season and the most by a player in Mountain West single-season history.
- Additionally, UNLV has now had a player foul out 38 times this season, the most by a DI team in a season since Washington in 2015-16 (46).