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Wyoming Cowboy Basketball Postgame Notes

Following a 120-73 Win over Peru State on Nov. 18, 2009

Team Notes

• 120 points scored by the Wyoming Cowboys is an Arena-Auditorium record. The previous AA record was 113 points on Nov. 27, 1987 in a 113-82 win over Denver. The Pokes were just one point shy of breaking the UW's all-time scoring record.

• The Wyoming school record for points in a game is 121 vs. Mississippi Valley State in a 121-87 win on Dec. 2, 1967. Tonight marks the fourth time in school history that the Cowboys have scored 120 or more points.

• This marks the first time that the Cowboys eclipsed the 100-point mark since Dec. 16, 2008. Last season, UW scored 100 or more points twice.

• All 11 Cowboys that played tonight scored at least one point. Five different Cowboys scored in double-figures and eight scored eight or more points.

• The Cowboys scored 67 points in the second half of tonight's game.

• The Cowboy bench outscored Peru State 61-31 tonight. The Pokes also outscored Peru State in the paint 76-20.

• The Cowboys had 14 dunks tonight. Seven different players had at least one dunk, led by Adam Waddell and Djibril Thiam with three apiece.

• The Cowboys forced Peru State to turn the ball over 34 times tonight and scored 45 points off of those turnovers. The Cowboys utilized a full-court press throughout much of tonight's game.

Individual Notes

• Afam Muojeke scored a game high 26 points tonight. He has scored in double-figures in both Cowboy games this season as well as in 24 of his 35 career games. He has now scored 20 points or more five times.

• Muojeke has also now scored 499 points in his career.

• JayDee Luster handed out 11 assists tonight and did not commit a turnover. Eleven assists matches the fifth most in a single-game in Wyoming history. The UW single-game record is 15 assists, set by Jay Straight during the 2003-04 season. Luster also had five steals tonight.

• Djibril Thiam scored a career high 18 points and blocked a career high four shots tonight. He was also nine of 10 from the field. His previous career high was 12 points against New Mexico on March 7, 2009 and three blocks versus Western State on Dec. 16, 2008.

• A.J. Davis had a career high five steals tonight. He also had a then career high four steals against South Dakota State in UW's first game of the season. Through two games, Davis is averaging 4.5 steals a game this season.

• Ryan Dermody scored 12 points tonight, which is the most points he has scored in a game since his sophomore season. Dermody missed most of last season with injuries. Tonight marks the 15th time Dermody has scored in double-figures in his career.

• Three weeks to the day from undergoing knee surgery, Adam Waddell returned to the lineup tonight. He scored nine points and pulled down two rebounds in nine minutes of play. Waddell had arthroscopic surgery on his right knee to repair cartilage damage on Oct. 28.

Cowboy Basketball Postgame Quotes

Postgame Quotes From Wyoming Head Coach Heath Schroyer

"It was a good win for us. We played a lot of people, and I was pleased with our defensive effort tonight. I thought we played with a lot of energy. We extended our defense, and we got out in the passing lanes well. We held them under 40 percent shooting, which is one of our goals every game.

"A lot of times with a young team if you give them too many things to think about it can hurt you. Tonight I told them to play hard, and I wanted them to trust their instincts. We have a young, athletic group, but we're still learning to play together. I like this group, and I think we have a chance to be a good team.

"I was happy with the way the kids bounced back from a tough loss last Saturday. We worked extremely hard in practice the last few days, and to see our guys respond the way they did tonight was very encouraging.

"Offensively, we did a nice job of sharing the ball. We had 27 assists on 43 made field goals, which I love."

Regarding the Play of Adam Waddell, Who Had Arthroscopic Surgery on His Knee on Oct. 28

"My goal was to play Adam (Waddell) 10 minutes tonight in his first game back. We played him nine in the first half, and decided to rest him in the second. He has such a good understanding of what we want to do offensively and defensively. He makes us a different team with his experience, and I think he provides our players with an added confidence when he's out there on the court. He played with the same energy tonight that he always has, which was good to see coming off his surgery."

Regarding Wyoming's Next Opponent, Boise State, Who Will Visit Laramie on Saturday, Nov. 21

"They're a very good team, and they've had a week to prepare for us. We'll have to come out with the same intensity we showed tonight. The kids know we're playing a much better team Saturday, and we're looking forward to the challenge. We took a step forward tonight, and we'll have to step it up another level on Saturday."

Peru State Basketball Postgame Quotes

Postgame Quotes From Peru State Head Coach Troy Katen

"I was proud of our guys--if you look at our roster we are mostly freshman with only three returners from last year's team that went 1-29.

"We used this game as a learning experience and I think especially in the first half we did some good things. We executed what we wanted and did some things defensively that caused them some problems.

"We have a team that shoots from almost anywhere. Wyoming will see that we aren't a typical team, with a typical offense."