

WVU vs. Howard Quotes – Nov. 15, 2016

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Opening Statement

Sloppy. Turnovers and gave up too many layups. Defense was not good. Offense was not good. Some people, you know, got hot. I thought Tynice (Martin) played hard. Lanay (Montgomery) got the rebounds and all that, but we don't pass well out of the post. I thought that Chania (Ray) did a nice job. I thought Kristina King at times did a nice job. But, we don't play hard enough. 50-50 balls we never got. Never got on the floor, never got it where we needed to be. We let people drive from the three-point line, to layups and never got to the ball. It can happen against this team. It can't happen against a good team, we're going to get beat. I saw some good things, but we have a long way to go. I keep saying that and you guys are probably getting tired of hearing that, but we have a long way to go before we can beat a good team.

On junior forward Kristina King's role

She'll play defense. It does no good to score 12 points and give up 16. We lose by four, okay. I tell all of these players you determine your playing time. I don't determine playing time. If somebody goes out in a game and plays hard, plays defense, does what they're supposed to do, they're going to get more playing time. You go in there and you don't play defense and you don't rebound and you don't get after the ball, then they're going to play less time. So, I don't determine playing time, they do. If some of these people off of the bench want to play more minutes, then go in there and play hard. If you don't, then I'll put you in there and you can give somebody a rest and I'll put the other person that plays hard back in. It's just up to them. I don't determine playing time.

On concern of turnovers

It's ridiculous. If you look at the turnovers our fours and fives had 10 of them. The last game our fours and fives had more than our guards. I mean our guards are turning it over some, more than they should, but they have the ball more than everyone else, but when your fours and fives are turning it over so much that's when you're going to have 19-20 turnovers. I mean that can't happen. They're just lackadaisical in there, and they're not taking care of the ball. You know they're calling for the ball, but if it's not a perfect pass they just let it go out of bounds. They won't move their feet and go get it, so we have a lot of work. I usually have been coaching the guards, but I just told them in there that I have the fours and fives for a week. Okay, it's going to be hell week. Alright. We'll be catching the ball after a week and moving in there because it just can't happen. You know, Chania Ray had three turnovers. but she had the ball in her hands all of the time. So you can live with that, but you can't live with it when your fours and fives are turning it over. All they're doing is posting and catching, and you just can't turn it over out of the post. We have to do a better job of that. Lanay once again, you know, they were getting triple team in, but we didn't pass well out of it, and that's what happens.