

# KANSAS MEN'S BASKETBALL

## **POSTGAME QUOTES**

**BIG 12 - BIG EAST CHALLENGE** (5) KANSAS vs (8) CREIGHTON LAWRENCE, KAN. // ALLEN FIELDHOUSE



### **HEAD COACH BILL SELF**

On the game overall...

"It was a great win. It was a game that we needed, it was an NCAA Tournament type game – a second weekend type game. We played better than before. Missing free throws and having balls in our hands, they scored four points from taking the ball out of our hands. Jalen (Wilson) was great, I thought everybody else was solid. CB (Christian Braun) was terrific, he did a great job on Mitchell (Ballock) - after he hit those two early threes I don't think he made another shot. We guarded them okay, we shot the ball really well. We did a lot of good things. Certainly, we didn't finish the game, we didn't finish by making free throws and taking care of the ball in those critical situations. All in all, (it was an) unbelievable win. I thought (even with) the defense on Jalen, I thought he played pretty well. I didn't have any idea that Jalen fouled him (Marcus Zegarowski) - I thought he blocked it. Still, we have to improve on those (types of) situations."

On Jalen Wilson's game-changing three...

"That was huge. Jalen (has) played good so far, but today he played great."

#### On his team's performance...

"I thought Bryce (Thompson) did great. I didn't think he played well at all at first, but he was stealing it. Our shot selection has to improve, especially outside the arc. I thought he did great, he got a couple of huge rebounds. Ochai (Agbaji) didn't have it today and he has probably been our most consistent performer the first five games. Today we didn't have Ochai like we did previously, but he still contributed in his own way."

#### On David McCormack and Mitch Lightfoot...

"Mitch played six minutes and 20 seconds, didn't make a field goal, but we were a better team with Mitch in the game. I thought David had a really nice game. He had two or three rebounds late and he fumbled them or lost his footing, and we need to get the rebounds in those situations. I think he and Jalen were fighting over one that turned out to be an and-one for them. I thought he did well, I thought Marcus (Garrett) was solid, I thought everybody played pretty well. Tyon (Grant-Foster) didn't get to play that much, Tristian (Enaruna) had his best game of the year so far even though he only played (in the) second half. It was a heck of a win. Jalen was terrific, he was absolutely terrific."

#### On the social-distanced crowd...

"I am happy we had people here. Unfortunately, a guarter of the crowd is from Creighton. We had people here and I thought that the fans that did come that supported us were loud and did a nice job. It was disappointing to have more Creighton fans here during the pandemic than we have had ever. I think it was great for the fans that came here that supported KU, there just wasn't enough. Having a mixed crowd is better than having no fans."

