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University of Wyoming Postgame Notes

Following a 66-65 win over UNLV
on Jan. 25, 2017, in the Arena-Auditorium in Laramie, Wyo.

Team Notes

- Wednesday's game marked the second meeting between the two schools this season.
- Wednesday's game was the 55th meeting between the two schools and the 24th in the Arena-Auditorium. The Pokes are now 15-9 at home against UNLV and have won three straight in the AA against UNLV.
- Wyoming trails in the overall series, 18-37
- The Cowboys are scoring 814 points in the first half this season and are allowing 707 points. The second half has been different, scoring 806 points and allowing 825.
- The Runnin' Rebels shot 28.1 percent from the field in the first half, the lowest shooting percentage by an opponent in the first half this season.
- The Pokes shot 55 percent from the field in the first half, the second-highest mark this season after Utah State (61 percent).
- Wyoming's bench outscored its UNLV counterpart 38-19. It is the 19th time this season Wyoming has led in bench scoring.
- Wyoming shot a season-low 46.2 percent from the free throw line.
- 10th time this season Wyoming has held its opponent to under 40 percent shooting from the field.
- Wyoming scored 14 points off turnovers, the 15th game this season scoring double-figure points off turnovers.
- With tonight's win, the Cowboys tied their win total from last season and are 11-1 at home.
- Wyoming used the starting lineup of junior guard Jeremy Lieberman, junior guard Louis Adams, senior guard Jason McManamen, junior forward Alan Herndon and sophomore forward Jordan Naughton. It was the seventh time UW has used that lineup this season and the group is 6-1 as starters.

Individual Notes

- Junior guard Louis Adams scored 15 points on 5-of-6 shooting and 3-of-3 from beyond the arc, his fifth game in double figures this season and highest total in MW play.
- Junior forward Hayden Dalton added 15 points and 10 rebounds for his 16th game in double figures this season and his eighth double-double.
- Sophomore forward Justin James added 14 points for his 16th game in double-figures this season.
- Junior Jeremy Lieberman tallied a game-high four assists and shot a perfect 1-of-1 from the field.
- The Cowboys are 5-2 this season when Lieberman leads the team in assists. In his last four games, Lieberman's assist-to-turnover ratio is 5.0
- Junior Alan Herndon logged two blocks, marking his 13th game this season with multiple blocks.

Quotes From University of Wyoming Head Coach Allen Edwards

"At the end of the day, a win is a win, but I was a little displeased in how we came out in the second half. We did not rebound the basketball well in the second half. We had an opportunity to take a step forward as a program tonight, particularly the way we played in the first half. But we didn't come out with that same energy in the second half, and we missed an opportunity to take that step forward.

"To UNLV's credit, I thought they came out in the second half with a lot of energy and effort.

"During a lot of the second half, I felt like I was coaching energy in the huddle and to me that is a something we shouldn't have to coach. I will say this group has given us good effort all year in practice and games, but we didn't come out in the second half with that energy and effort."

Regarding the play of Justin James the last 1:30 of the game

"One of the things that Justin (James) has is he is a talented young man. He is one of the guys who can truly go get his shot, and I don't know if there is a defender who can guard him one on one if he (Justin) understands how to play within our system.

"He made some big shots for us late, and I thought he defended well down the stretch and got a couple big rebounds."

Regarding this coming Saturday's game versus Boise State in Laramie

"I've always admired their (Boise State's) program and what Coach (Leon) Rice has done there. But it is another great opportunity for us with the log jam in the conference and everyone beating up on one another.

"This is another chance for us to position ourselves in the league, particularly being at home for a second consecutive game. But we've got to learn and we've got to get better. It's time for us to stop talking about 'we're right there.' We've got to get over the hump, and become the team we're capable of becoming. And it's not one person or one thing, it's a collective effort -- players and coaches -- to get better to take that next step.

"It has been an amazing season in league play. I told our guys entering the season I thought it could potentially be that type of year. I didn't think there was a clear cut favorite. I do think Nevada is one of the talented teams, and you can never count out San Diego State with what Steve Fisher has accomplished there. But any night this year games can swing any direction. Just look at tonight. We had a double-digit lead at halftime, and then you end up sweating it out to the end. That is just the way the league has been this year."