



## 2015 PAC-12 MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

GAME 10: #2 OREGON (67), #3 UTAH (64)

Friday, March 13, 2015

### Locker Room Quotes

#### UTAH

##### Coach Larry Krystkowiak

*On what he said to his team at the end of the game...*

“Well we talked about some, because I didn’t really have a good speech, I didn’t really say much. We talked about our core words of our programs. Seven things that we talk about, believing and persevering and hard work and being selfless and compassion. I’m proud of our guys and I don’t think we lost that game on the last shot. That was a heck of a shot, but that game in my opinion was probably lost in the first half with all of the turnovers. I was really proud, eleven turnovers in the first half and one in the second, we gave ourselves a fighting chance. we had a few breakdowns with the best player at least the MVP in our league, hitting some threes [Joe Young], and I’m proud of guys for coming back, and staying in it and putting ourselves in a position. We all know how much we would’ve liked to go to overtime, but that’s March Madness and fortunately for us our season is not over and we’ll have little recovery day tomorrow and a gathering at my house on Sunday to figure out where we’re going to go and keep fighting on. The one thing that was interesting to me that was brought to my attention, last year was Connecticut finished the season, one of their last games of the year they got beat at Louisville by 34 points and they’re an eight seed and obviously there’s some pretty special magic that happened. I still believe in our guys on whatever it is Sunday, Monday morning, and continue to preserve and see if we can’t finish this thing out on a high note.”

*On what the plan was to defend the Ducks on the closing possession...*

“Well it was a little bit of what you saw. We were going to double team [Joe] Young, but we weren’t expecting him to shoot from 35 feet, so we didn’t get an opportunity to really double team him, he pulled up and made a heck of a shot but it was about keeping him in front and making sure he didn’t rebound any miss.”

##### Brandon Taylor

*On the game...*

“At this point, I am just overwhelmed. That was a hell of a shot.”

*On what was discussed at halftime...*

“He talked about turnovers. It means, personally, that I did a poor job of taking care of the ball. I think I had four turnovers at the half and in the position I’m in, as a junior guard, I can’t have that. I can’t have that and that’s a major contribution to us losing. I have to take care of the ball and we have to

take care of the ball. I think we had 11 turnovers in the first half. At the end of the day, 11 turnovers in any other game, you are going to be down 10. We were fortunate enough to be in the game and be up one at half time.”

*On the last seconds of the game and defense on Joseph Young...*

“I told Jacob [Poehl], if he would have pick and rolled, I said, ‘just stay down on the shot fake so he doesn’t get you in the air and get three free throws. Lo and behold he hit that three from damn near half court. It was just one of those shots, where I guess it wasn’t meant to be for us. Credit to Oregon. They played hard and we played hard, too. He just got that shot at the end of the game.”

*On not being able to shake Oregon...*

“They were scoring the ball, too. They were scoring the ball and it was like we were trading baskets. It came down to them getting a couple more stops. They got a couple more stops and a couple more calls. They had a couple key calls. I thought at the tip layup and then the foul, that made it a three-point play. Jordan’s [Loveridge] foul I thought was a hell of a defense job on his end. They just got a couple more calls when it came down to the wire of the game.”