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BAYLOR HEAD COACH KIM MULKEY

On the lineup without Lauren Cox...

"I've got depth. What I'm trying to figure out is: do I start Queen [Egbo]? Is she better coming off the bench? So, I gave her the chance to start. The difference between Queen, [Erin] DeGrate and [Caitlin] Bickle is obviously size. Then, you've got athleticism with one and then you have a great shooter with the other. I have to figure out where they need to be to be productive for us. I thought Queen did better for us coming off of the bench in the second half. I thought in the first half she tried to do too much. She hasn't started since she's been at Baylor. Hang with her. It'll come, she'll relax. It's not because of a lack of effort. She then ends up having a career high [in points] at Baylor. Then you look at [Te'a] Cooper and you see 10 assists and no turnovers, and that takes you back to the Niya Johnson days. Niya could feed everyone the ball and leave here with a great assist-to-turnover ratio. It was a good night. I thought we created a lot of turnovers. It was productive for everybody."

On having to take a minute to settle in on defense...

"I think it did. I think we had a few things that we didn't do well on the offensive end and they created offense because of it. It's crazy that we're even talking about somebody scoring 13 points when we're up how many in the first quarter. We have to make some adjustments here with [Lauren] Cox being out. It's not like we don't have the talent. We have to adjust to not having her on the floor and make sure everybody does what they do best, competing."

On Erin DeGrate's performance tonight...

"Two things. One, college experience. This kid's a graduate transfer. She's got many games under her belt. Secondly, she's surrounded by great talent. I tell these kids 'you're as good as the people around you.' You can't play this game by yourself and be successful. She's got players around her that get her the ball and make it easy on her. She is comfortable with her surroundings. She's also blessed with size."

BAYLOR GRADUATE TRANSFER GUARD TE'A COOPER

On career high 10 assists...

"That felt good. I mean I'm at the point guard position again so that was refreshing. But my team made it happen so thanks to them."

On not shooting much in the second half ...

"I think that's just how the game was going. That's just how it was flowing. I didn't really need to make anything happen. My teammates found me, I made shots. And, in the second half I found them, and they made shots. So that's just how the game went."

BAYLOR SOPHOMORE POST QUEEN EGBO

On her first career start...

"I wouldn't say nerves, I didn't seem as comfortable in the first half, I wasn't as loose. In the second half I was more loose, and I knew what to expect at the time and I knew just run the floor; let the game come to you. I think in the first half I was just overthinking and trying too hard."

On "replacing" Lauren Cox...

"I wouldn't say replacing because Lauren is her own person, I look up to her a lot and she knows that. Lauren is a really good leader, I just try to do things that they need me to do which is rebound, run the floor, take smart shots, things like that."