



Missouri Valley Conference
Women's Basketball Tournament
The Family Arena – St. Charles, Mo.
Game 5 – Friday, March 15, 2013

No. 2 Creighton 60, No. 10 Southern Illinois 43

Creighton Quotes

Head Coach Jim Flanery

On the game:

“We won the game with our defense in the first half. Second half, we weren’t as good. That’s a credit to them...Getting some separation early was good for us.”

On containing Cartaesha Macklin:

“I thought we did a good job of getting back and lulling her off with two people and not fouling her on her drives to the basket.”

Marissa Janning

On playing defense against Cartaesha Macklin:

“Shutting down Macklin in transition was our main focus and not letting her go off like she did yesterday. Transition is what we feel she is best at and where she can hurt us most.”

On playing in her first MVC tournament:

“Tonight, I was nervous because I didn’t really know (what to expect). It’s a different atmosphere, but it’s a great atmosphere. I was really excited, and I’m really excited to keep going in the tournament.”

Sarah Nelson

On the advantage of playing Southern Illinois a week ago:

“It’s a good and a bad thing, because although we know what we did wrong, at the same time they, obviously, know what they did wrong too, and what they think will be effective against us. I thought it helped us though, because we got to play Macklin. I feel like there is no one in the league who is really like her. What helped us most was watching that game last night, and seeing how effective she can be and how big of a threat she is.”

Carli Tritz

On playing on fresh legs:

“I don’t think they are as deep as we are, so that was also a factor. Then the fact that they had to play even longer [last night] was only going to benefit us.”

Southern Illinois Quotes

Head Coach Adrienne Harlow

On the game:

“We struggled offensively in the first half. You have to credit Creighton; they played great defense, but our energy just was not there. I think last night took a lot out of us and we just didn’t have it tonight.”

On looking forward to next year:

“We are the youngest team in the MVC, so we have to mature. But, we saw yesterday what our potential could be. We just have to mature and develop going into next season. These girls have already gone through the fire this year and I think we will be ready next year.”

Cartaesha Macklin

On if the fresh legs of Creighton played a role in the loss:

“If you want to say that you can. It shouldn’t be an excuse. We were struggling on the offensive end. I didn’t play my role like I should have and they took advantage of it.”