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Notre Dame Press Conference Quotes

Head Coach Muffet McGraw

On Cal's team...

"They're really fast and active and they penetrate well. I think we really have to be prepared for that. They're just a really great team."

On ND's experience in the past tournaments...

"We definitely have experience in the tournament. We've been here before and we know what to expect. I think we'll stay composed under pressure. We certainly hope this brings us a win."

On the lack of free throws in Sunday's game...

"I was a little disappointed yesterday. I thought it was really well officiated though. We took a lot of jumpers. Didn't really go into the post much or shoot very many baskets, and we really need to do that."

Devereaux Peters • Ir • Forward

On Cal's inside game...

"From what I know they have some pretty big post players and they're pretty athletic. They obviously crash the boards a lot so hopefully we'll use our quickness a little bit more."

Natalie Novosel • Sr • Guard

On if Cal reminds her of any other team they have played in the past...

"I think they are a really long and athletic team and Kentucky was a good simulation. I think they are really going to run the court with us. But I think they rarely play against a four-guard lineup so I think we are just going to have to be strong there and be strong in rebounding and boxing out. I think we did a pretty good job on that against Liberty and against Cal it will come into play again."

Brittany Mallory • Sr • Guard

On Cal's defense...

"They are really quick and up in your face on defense. We really can't get flustered on how they're going to guard us and just run our offense. They are going to run so it's going to be an up in your face game. We have to be ready."