ROUND 3 INTERVIEW August 25, 2019

FRED COUPLES (-12)



Q. Obviously not the outcome that you wanted today. Can you just talk a little bit about your round?

FRED COUPLES: Yeah, it wasn't very good, It was an easy day to play golf, but it was a hard day. Our whole group was kind of struggling and I was probably the leader of the pack. But, you know, I had a lot of -- I didn't drive it in much trouble, but I had a lot of in between shots and I kept going with softer ones and I didn't hit very many really good ones. Then I bogeyed every par 3, and then at the end it was just like let me just finish and get the hell out of here.

Q. Do you think you might have wanted it too much?

FRED COUPLES: No, it's just another nice day of golf. It just was -- it's really a very poor round of golf with my irons. I birdied the first hole and then I had a few other chances. Then I started to hit irons that weren't going the right distances. Like I say, all three of us were -- every time we hit a shot, it wasn't very good. I think Paul shot 75 and, you know, we all struggled. But David ended up shooting a better round on the back nine, but it was ugly golf for me.

Q. At what point did you realize what Brandt was doing?

FRED COUPLES: I didn't know he got to 18 under. I hit it in the water, I made a putt on No. 9 for bogey and then we were tied. Then I thought, okay, good. Then I had a couple chances. A 63's a heck of a round. I don't think -- it wasn't a difficult day. It was difficult to try and win and I was really bad, but he played a very good round just like Toms and I did yesterday. But today was a good day for him to keep rolling. Did he eagle 18?

Q. Birdied it.

FRED COUPLES: So he played very, very well.

Q. Does it hurt more being in Seattle?

FRED COUPLES: No. You know, obviously if I would have won today it would have been unreal, but when you play bad, you could be in Japan and it's not much fun.