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**Q. Six off the lead at this point.**

**FRED COUPLES:** For sure. Just was mediocre. Actually, I hit the ball solid and everything and I just kept making bogeys. Then the back nine, hit the ball kind of the same, obviously a little bit better. I didn't top it like I did on No. 1. It's not the easiest course in the world. I mean, 1 under today, I think I was looking, is like 28th place. If my goal was to just keep playing -- I'm not a guy to say, oh, I needed to get it to even par and do all that stuff -- there goes Ernie making a bomb. But it was -- I really thought I hit a heck of a shot on 18, I just couldn't hit it far enough.

**Q. Feel a lot better with that birdie at the end?**

**FRED COUPLES:** Yeah, for sure. I birdied --

**Q. The last four?**

**FRED COUPLES:** -- 16. Yeah, it was not very good. It was mediocre golf at best. I went from last to three-quarters of the way to last. It's okay.

**Q. The second shot --**

**FRED COUPLES:** No, I actually had an okay lie, not as good as I did yesterday in the pro-am, which is kind of relevant because if you're playing, and I was trying to hit a hot rescue and get it over that bunker, which is 80 yards short of the green and just get it tumbling down onto the green and I just topped -- I don't know, I think it's called a top, either that or it just went into the rough and then I had a worse lie in the --

**Q. I never saw it get in the air.**

**FRED COUPLES:** No, I was looking, it was down here. Then I missed the green on 2 and --

**Q. Hell of a putt, though.**

**FRED COUPLES:** -- and made a nice little curler. And then I missed the green on 3. I made an unbelievable par on the downhill hole. Nobody would have got that up and down.

**Q. Which hole is that?**

**FRED COUPLES:** Fifth hole, straight --

**Q. Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah.**

**FRED COUPLES:** -- downhill where I flew it in the back bunker. I turned around and I three-putt No. 7 and all that. But anyway, it was good. I saw some really good golf, Mike Weir and I did. Tomorrow --

**Q. Do you have a number in mind?**

**FRED COUPLES:** No. I have "I hope to hit the ball well" in mind and let the number go. I mean, I won't be leaving many putts short. Why would I?