



Washington Interim Head Coach

Bob Gregory

On Not Capitalizing On Offense

"Yeah, got to score some points and can't turn the ball over. I mean, it's pretty simple. As you look at the tail of the game right there how we played good enough on defense. Would've been nice to get a turnover on defense, but with four turnovers especially in critical situations in the red zone, it's tough."

On Changing QB's Early

"Yeah, that was the plan all week is to get a different quarterback in the game, give someone a spark and that was our plan last week with Sam. So, we stuck with the plan."

On The Mindset With Patrick O'Brien and Dylan Morris

"We just felt like Dylan was playing good enough at the time and so we stuck with Dylan."

On Giving Sam Huard Another Chance Next Week

"Yeah, we'll see about next week."

On The Defense Today

"Yeah, I'm not sure if our guys could have done much more other than get a turnover. And, again, when there's four turnovers on the other side of the ball that makes it hard on us."

On Ja'Lynn Polk

"Yeah, the guy is a good football player, an awesome kid and a guy that you saw what he could do, caught a touchdown pass. And we'll continue to use him."

On Devin Culp's Performance

"Yeah, it was great to see him. You know, when you're down a body that position, a kid, and he can be a really good football player. I think he's got a lot of potential."

On Imagining Not Making A Bowl Game

"Nope, not at all. It's been a challenging season, that's for sure. But these guys, I've said all along to you guys. They're not quitting. They're playing hard. They're playing fast. We're doing everything that we asked them to do. We just can't make enough plays when we need them."

On the Apple Cup

"Yeah, I say each time you play the Apple Cup, there is going to be juice to it, that's for sure. Been a part of a lot of them and there'll be some juice to it. There's no doubt."

On Offensive Struggles

"Yeah, I don't know if there's just one thing whether it's a turnover, getting stuck on a drive or whatever it might be. We just have not been able to really get it cranking on offense. That's pretty obvious. And if we were better today on offense, we would've had a chance to win the game."

On Not Being Able To Score Despite Third Down Success

"Well, I think you said it, we weren't able to score. It's pretty obvious to everybody. I don't have any magical answer for you

guys. We can't turn the ball over. We got to be able to score some points and we were unable to do that today."

UW DB Kyler Gordon

ON THE OVERALL GAME

"It was very tough and you obviously want to come up with a win and finish the game off strong and it just didn't happen today."

ON THE COMPLETENESS OF THE DEFENSE

"It's pretty solid. There's obviously stuff to clean up and execute more in there but I know we played pretty solid."

ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE TEAM

"We're not really focused on all the outside noise or what's happening. As you guys have seen, we just focus on us as a brotherhood and going out there and being able to represent us as a team, as brothers, individuals and going out there and just performing."

ON NOT GOING TO A BOWL GAME

"It is disappointing because I know everyone wants to go and do that extra game and play the game we love."

ON WHAT'S BEEN MISSING THIS SEASON

"There's no need to point fingers anywhere but just up to everyone to just contribute to their best ability. Stop the offense or weekend and just continue from this."

ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE APPLE CUP

"It's the biggest thing right here. We're not trying to let that trophy go at all. We are going to keep it in Seattle for sure. I want to finish on top of the mountain no chance. The Apple cup has got to stay with us."

ON 6 DAYS LEFT OF THE SEASON

"I just try to live every day in the moment. I call my brothers and talk to them all day. Have fun, enjoy them. Enjoy this whole entire day, enjoy the whole season."



UW RB Cameron Davis

ON NOT BEING ABLE TO CONVERT TO POINTS

"Any offense wants to go down and score the ball. We had a lot of good jobs and we just want to finish at the end of the day. I feel like at the end of the day it just puts more of a chip on our shoulder. It makes us hungrier as an offense but we just need to execute at the end of the day. Get the job done."

ON IMPORTANCE OF COMPLETIONS

"It's always the emphasis to get it out quick, get it out early and just make plays. I feel like it was no more of emphasis as any other week. We were just following our game plan, trying to run the ball, get the run game going and also take shots too at the end of the day."

ON HIS CONFIDENCE

"My confidence has gone up a lot just getting a lot of reps. I feel like that will do that for anybody. It's just a job that I feel like any of the backs in the room are ready for but I feel like it's a job that I can step up to the plate and get the job done."

ON THE PREPARATION

"We were just out there playing loose, having fun, but those are things we do in the first place. There weren't really any big changes this week."

ON IMPORTANCE OF THE APPLE CUP

"It's a big emphasis. We need to keep that trophy at UW. We got something to play for this week. It's a big game. It's been circled on our schedule for the whole year. We're going to come with energy and just play hard next week."

ON HUGE GAINS BUT NO POINTS

"It's a little frustrating. It's a little draining but at the end of the day, I'm going to keep coming and I'm going to keep doing what I got to do. The offense is going to do the same. There's just some things that we need to clean up at the end of the day, you know, we're going to be back on that field, doing the same thing, getting the job done."



Colorado Head Coach Karl Dorrell

OPENING STATEMENT

"Well, we found a way to win another game at home. I was very proud of our team, strong effort with what they were able to do. You know, it's interesting you look at that stat sheet and you will say how did they win that game? We were opportunistic on the turnovers, that gave us an opportunity to get some points on the board. I think the defense did a lot of bending but didn't break. Offensively, we still didn't have a lot of production, but their production came when they needed it. We had a 90-yard drive when we needed a 90-yard drive. Big turnover that was a result of that and very stressful game. But it was a hard-fought win. I'm very proud of his team. They're starting to develop that competitiveness, that drive to just fight for 60 minutes. It's definitely something our program's going to build on. It's really going to be part of who we are, that's our fabric is being fighters. We got to continue to build this program the way that it used to be. We're going get it back to that level. I think the mentality is starting to come back but we still got a lot of work to do. It was a good win. We got one left. We're going to try to do our best one more time next week against Utah."

ON OPTIMISM WITH DEFENSE

"I don't consider that lucky. Those are things that we talked about. We have to be opportunistic. We're around the football and there was a very strong sign of that today. You know Jack (Lamb) was ready to pick up a fumble that was left out on the field in the first quarter. He picked it up and ran. You know how about Nikko Reed on a great defense on a go ball in the endzone. He makes a great play for an interception Robert Barnes and so on. These guys we're trying to preach that, that's how we play defense. You have to preach it. You know for the turnover factor to work you got to look for opportunities for that to work. The ball just doesn't fall to you. It's got to be generated, it's got to work out and that was a good sign today that the defense really stepped up and made some opportunities come to existence today. It was good."

ON DEFENSE GETTING THAT LAST STOP

"You know, we need it. They knew what the situation was as soon as they we had 10-point lead when we kicked it back off to Washington they come back down and score relatively quickly. We tried to get a first down offensively, burn some timeouts and then the ball was back in our possession. They know they needed to make a stand. That was something that this team is learning through this process, understanding the adversity that games present. Then how do you have to step up. I would say four or five games in ag, it might have been that feeling, we'll who's going to make the play? I think now this team is understanding that I want to win. I want to make the play instead of waiting for someone else to do it. When they're around the football they're trying to generate the play to be made. So, we've been preaching that for quite some time. It was good to see that that happened particularly in that last series because they stepped up and wherever the ball was and who was around it they were making plays on really getting some critical stops. It was good to see the defense finish the game that way."

ON WASHINGTON'S THIRD DOWNS

"They were doing it quite often. We were trying to find the right solution to stop those. Sometimes those guys were out of coverages by a few yards here and there. You've got to give credit to (Washington QB Dylan Morris). He played his best game of the year.

They were 14-of-21 on third downs, which is really crazy. It's unbelievable (having) that many third downs and being able to convert that many. We definitely have a lot of work to do. Our situation is that we're playing with some newer players because of injuries. We're a little bit nicked up. But, the bottom line is we got to fix those things. We found a way to overcome it and get a victory. I think that (helps us in) being able to swallow that, but we still have a lot of work to do."

ON NATE LANDMAN IN THE VICTORY FORMATION

"He was close (to playing). He's devastated. He wanted to be in this game particularly for sure (with it being) the last home game. We just didn't feel it was worth the risk. He's not completely healthy yet. To honor him for what he has (meant to) our program, when we were able to get in that victory formation, we put him back in the protection part of it. It was good for him to be on the field for one last time and take a few steps."

ON SENIOR DAY

"It's more because we know these families. We're so tied into the recruiting process and getting to know them over the course of time. They become part of our family -- the Buffalo family. When you see people departing and leaving to do bigger things, there's always that emotional side that affects you. Every one of those guys are great young men that are going to be doing a lot of positive things in life. The way I look at it, when I shook their hand and gave them hugs, it was emotional because I felt like I didn't have enough time with them. I only had a year with but we've come so close in such a short period of time. I feel great that we came up with a tough victory, and at least their last time on that field, it was a win for them."

ON CU'S FOURTH QUARTER TD DRIVE

"What happened (offensively) happened when it mattered and when we really needed it. We started out the game pretty good with a fast start and got some points on the board. They're really good defense. Watching their body of work over the season, they're challenging at times with what they do. It wasn't a great matchup for us. Their defense was stout inside. Our run game was hard to establish. Their passing system (is difficult to go against) because they put pressure on the quarterback. They're one of the top passing defenses statistically in the nation, not just in the conference, but in the nation. It was challenging. It was hard for us to manufacture some yards. We still left some offense out there, like we've been (doing) in the past. This was a great game that really was a great testimony of if you take care of the football. The other team gives up the football so it doesn't matter how many yards you get. If you're able to capitalize on some of those turnovers, it still gives you a chance to win and that's what we did today."

ON WR BRENDEN RICE

"It's not a major injury. We thought that maybe he could come back in and play but it was starting to stiffen up on him. We decided to hold him out because he's got a chance (to play) next week."

ON WR LE'VONTAE SHENAULT

"He's not currently with the program."

ON GRADUATING JUNIORS GOING THROUGH SENIRO DAY

"That was an option that we give those guys to participate, because they're graduating."



LB Quinn Perry

ON TAKING NATE LANDMAN'S PLACE

"Nate is definitely still a factor even off the field. Today, he had given me some tips of what he's noticed in the run game early on and some tendencies that they give us. Filling in for Nate's obviously an honor and I take it with a heavy weight on my shoulders. I accept those responsibilities and just do my best and try to make the best of the opportunities that are presented. This is what we have been training for and God has a plan for everything. Everything happens for a reason. Nate has taught me so much and he can pass the torch off, hopefully later on. The older guys are trusting me and in what they do themselves. It's great to know that he could do that and wholeheartedly believe that I'll fill in the right way for him."

ON ROBERT BARNES

"That's my guy. It was a perfect play. He opened right up to the ball, it was just sitting there on a silver plate. It's a great place, he's definitely earning all his spotlight and he's a great player. We're just going keep building every week to get better."

ON COLORADO FOOTBALL

"We're playing for next season. We want to show people why Colorado football is Colorado football. We've got a lot to ramp up for next year. We're just showing a little preview right now. And we're just we are hard-headed people, we want to play football. That's what we do, that is what we love. We don't care about any of the logistics it doesn't matter we're here to play ball and that's it."

LB Nate Landman

ON LAST HOME GAME

"It's huge honor. I love the school and they've done so much for me. I try to repeat and repay that favor on the football field. It was crazy to experience running out there in front of the crowd one last time. Hugging my family, seeing my family and then going through the crazy emotional game and coming out with the win. I'm super thankful for Coach Dorrell, for letting me go on for those last couple of snaps. That's a great experience and I wouldn't change how it all went down. It was amazing"

ON HIS FIRST HOME GAME VS LAST

"It's super emotional. Both times have different kinds of emotions. The first time you're excited. Nervous? Yeah. And then last time, you're kind of reminiscing on all the great memories you've had, great games you've played in that stadium, the plays you've made, the people you've met and people you've played with. So many different experiences. It was super emotional both times."

ON QUINN PERRY

"Quinn has always been a leader and I love Quinn like a brother. He came in and we've been grinding ever since he came in. He's always had the potential to play and I was given this chance to lead the defense and he's doing a great job defensively and amazing today. He gets us other guys going. He, along with Carson Wells and Rob Barnes, and those guys who made a lot of plays today gives him confidence. And then, in return, he gives them confidence. I think he's doing a great job these last couple of weeks, and I'm excited to see what he does next week."

ON CARSON WELLS & ROBERT BARNES

"Rob's been grinding since he's been here. He's been patient with taking his time. Today, it finally all came together for him. He made those plays. Carson's been doing that since he's been here with me. I don't think Carson gets enough attention. He's an amazing player and obviously, you could see that by the way, he played today."

DL Mustafa Johnson

ON SAYING GOODBYE TO FOLSOM

"I really appreciated it, actually getting have my family out there and having everybody there to support me. I really appreciate it. I appreciate my friends coming out and my teammates fighting to the end to get us this win."

ON DEFENSE

"It became a defensive battle. We struggled early where we kept letting them get downfield on us. We weren't getting out and getting off the field on third downs, but we didn't bend, we didn't break. The bamboo doesn't break. They would get down there and start the game with a hell of a drive and stopped on the three-yard line for a touchdown. I think we came out ready to go and ready to play. We put pressure on the quarterback and put the game on his back. The biggest thing we wanted to do was to stop the run. I think after the half they had around 30 rushing yards and that was our goal. Make them have to stop their runs because that is what they are known for with their big guys. We wanted to stop the run and force him to stop the ball, and that is what we did."

ON NEXT WEEK

"The preparation will be the same as always. Make sure our team is ready and make sure I'm ready and do the same thing I do every week. To go out there and play our hearts out. For me, t's a bittersweet moment because even though last year was kind of a sudden change, and this time I'm actually going to sit down and feel all the effects of everything. It's bittersweet, but I'm going to do everything I normally do each week."



LB Carson Wells

On Getting a Victory

"There was no better feeling. At the end of the game I teared seeing Nate [Landman] out there during the victory formation. I felt like there was no better way to end the game."

On Big Plays

"We have to get better pressure. We can't let the quarterback just sit there and wait on the crossing route and just out run somebody. We just kept playing. The whole time we just kept telling each other we playing for each other. We got to the first turnover down on the five-yard line and Jack took all the way back. We just kept playing the whole time. It was bend but don't break. We kept fighting the whole game."

On Defensive Message

"Sack the quarterback. Get after him. Affect him. Hit him. Everything."

On the team's momentum

"Definitely, we had a lot of young guys playing tonight to get some experience that is crucial for moving forward in the program."

On when Nate Landman got dressed to play in victory formation

"I don't know. I saw him with three minutes left and he still had street clothes on, so I'm not sure."

On if he was surprised to see Nate Landman go onto the field at the end of the game

"He told me that he was going to do it. I told him that he should have taken the snap."

TE Matt Lynch

On the Win

"To be able to sing that fight song one last time means a lot. The whole Senior Day process for sure had some tears in my eyes. It was hard to hold back a little bit but I am glad we were able to pull it off and secure the win."

On his fourth quarter catch

"The catch kind of sparked the drive to go down and seal the game off. It was something we game-planned. We knew it was going to be there when they gave us the right coverage. It got called, so we had to execute."

LB Robert Barnes

On Robert playing time

"It's all God if I'm being honest. I have worked on my faith for so long. I'm super strong in my faith. I never wavered in my preparation. I prepare in the same way every week and I knew my time was going to come. I told both these guys [Lynch and Wells] before the game I was going to give them everything I had. I am happy I was able to go out

there and contribute and get these guys a win and send them off right."

On team being able to make defensive stops

"I think that it was awesome. Like Carson (Wells) said, it just makes our bond so much tighter. Before the last drive, we looked in everyone's eyes and we wanted to win that game. I think that is going to build so much momentum going into Utah, knowing the task that we have at hand there. I'm just so proud of these guys that we were able to go out there and put in the performance that we did."

On what has changed in the last month for the team

"All of it goes back to practice and the mindset that we have at practice every day. We had a couple periods that focused on good versus good to give our offensive line good looks against a defense that helped B Lew (Brendan Lewis) with progressing. That was something that we have seen which has been good. Defense has been balling lately also."



QB Brendon Lewis

On Senior Night

"Yeah that was my biggest thing, and the whole team's biggest thing going into the game is playing for our seniors. I really didn't want to send them off like that because I love each and every one of them and they've been so good to me since I got here. It felt really good to send them off Folsom Field with a win."

On Team's Improvement Offensively

"Yeah, I've been saying every week how we've improved. We've seen improvement each week from every position from the linemen, tight ends, wide receivers. Start making plays. I've been saying that each week in practice because we just focus on making every rep perfect. I feel like that's really helped. Coach Dorrell has really emphasized on the conviction in the game and to be very detailed, so I feel like that's really helped. The passing game has improved, and the line is holding up, so I feel like we've all done a good job as a whole."

Lewis on his Game-Winning Touchdown

"It felt really good. It was really fun. Brou (Jarek Broussard) told me what he was going to do before the play, and I was like bet. I just took it in and seeing my teammates get happy and seeing the fans jump up and down, it's just really, really fun just knowing that that sealed the game to get a win for the seniors."

OL Chance Lytle

On the offensive line

"With the o-line, I think a lot of it is our demeanor and rapport. A lot of us have really changed in our mindset and the way that we finish, the way that we approach practice and the way that we approach film. We've become more of a cohesive unit over the past five weeks. It's hard to lose an o-line coach and it's hard to get a new o-line coach but we've faced a lot of really hard struggles and I think this is the most together the line has ever been - at least since I've been here. I don't think there's a big change in technique or scheme, I think a lot of it really is just our mindset and you could see it out on the field constantly. We don't quit. We don't stop. Even when things don't go our way, we continue to run back out there and that's something that we weren't doing before."

On QB Brendon Lewis' improvement and the belief the o-line has in him

"With an o-line and a quarterback, there has to be a sense of synchronization there. As we get better as a unit, he's going to come up with us. His confidence was kind of similar to ours. We just weren't that confident earlier but now we have that confidence and you can see it clearly in 'B Lew.'. That guy walks out there with a sense of swagger. He walks out there and he throws darts constantly. The guy has had to scramble a little bit here and there - which we don't love and we're going to fix - but the dude has a mindset that has changed. He has that confidence and now he's letting out the athlete that he is and the athlete that we've always known. We see it in practice constantly and now we're going to see him shine. It's good to see the media is getting back on his side because that kid is going to be really good."

OL Colby Pursell

On what it meant to play for the last time at Folsom Field on Senior Day

"Last game out here -- my fifth year. It's pretty emotional for me. For us to come out and win on Senior Day and send the seniors off right, it was nice. Now, we got another game next week, that [if the Buffs win] would send them off right. We won at Folsom, now we need to go get one more."

On his last game at Folsom Field and what was going through his head

"Time flies. I still remember when I first came out of the tunnel -- we were in Denver against CSU. I remember that like it was yesterday and here I am five years later on my Senior Day."



TE Brady Russell

ON SENDING SENIORS OFF WITH A WIN

"It feels good sending them off with a win. It was kind of sad just knowing, because I mean that's some of the guys that I came in with, like Nate (Landman). We don't know because it's our fifth year, so it's kind of weird. I don't know if Carson (Wells) will be here T-Lang all those guys that came in with. It's sad that it's our last time being together and Folsom. But I don't know, it's going to be a good memory now, just seeing you put them out with a win."

ON GETTING BIG CATCHES IN BIG SITUATIONS

"Yeah, it's fun. It's fun being the guy they're looking for in the scramble drill, B-Lew's looking downfield for. But it's a good feeling when you can propel a drive and get some momentum going for your team and everything. And, I don't know, I wish I could do it more but it's fun when the whole team is kind of counting on you."

ON THE RECEIVING CORES' CONTRIBUTIONS TO PASSING GAME IMPROVEMENTS

"It's so fun. Especially because there's all the young guys and everything. So, seeing those guys have success is really cool because I mean, we've all been working together all season and like they'll give me tips I give them tips a lot of time just because they're inexperienced and they might need help seeing some different things that they wouldn't have seen otherwise. It's fun when you work with those guys and you help each other out and then you see them finally start fighting that success like Chris Carpenter."

ON CONFIDENCE WITH BRENDON LEWIS

"Oh, yeah, I'm very comfortable with B-Lew. We've been thrown together for a while now. It's just cool seeing his confidence grow because it struggled so much the beginning of the season and it's finally taking off and he's doing the things that seemed like every week the media would ask and where they'd be like, 'What do you think of B-Lew you think there needs to be changes?' I have so much confidence in the kid, he's so capable and now everyone is finally seeing the fruits to that. It's really cool seeing him take off and his confidence building."

ON ENDING THE GOAL TO END THE SEASON ON A HIGH NOTE NEXT WEEK

"I think it'd be huge especially I don't remember the outcome or I don't actually don't know the time of the Oregon, Utah game. But uh, potentially a season to ruin if they go down today and we take them out of the championship. So that'd be a lot of fun to take them down and especially at their place. That's definitely a little feud with them we've had going for the last few years so it'll be fun. Because I think some of the guys have been playing for four years that I've been going against so I don't know if build relationships is the right word but when you're going against the same guys every year seeing them over and over and over it's fun getting to see him again."