

**MARSHALL POSTGAME  
C-USA CHAMPIONSHIP  
12-18-20**

**Head Coach Doc Holliday**

**On the game:**

“Offensively we didn’t do our job in the first half at all. We have to do better. We just didn’t get done what we needed to.”

“I thought we had some momentum going there. That game was a battle and a physical game on both sides.”

**Offense:**

“We gotta play more confidently. We’re not playing as confidently as we were.”

“They (Marshall’s defense) were out too much. Offensively, we didn’t do a good job of getting them off the field.”

“We were planning on getting X (Xavier Gaines) in there prior to the game.”

**Getting back for a bowl game:**

“This is a great bunch of kids. They’re always ready to work.”

**Defense:**

“I thought our defensive hung in here the entire game. We haven’t been the best team on the field for the last two weeks for whatever reason and we have to get back to being the best team on the field.”

**MARSHALL STUDENT-ATHLETES**

**Nazeeh Johnson**

*Nazeeh Johnson on the preparation for this game...*

“I thought we were prepared for this game, just like any other game. We just didn’t execute on certain things. Shoutout to UAB, they are a good team.”

*Nazeeh Johnson on the range of emotion...*

“We knew we had to get the job done. We relaxed on one play and it resulted in a touchdown, but we are going to fix it.”

**Eli Neal**

*Eli Neal on the preparation for this game...*

“I thought we were pretty well prepared; the pieces just didn’t fall together all the way like we wanted it to. We just have to build off of this and take the ‘L’ as a lesson.”

*Eli Neal on thoughts on heading into a bowl game...*

“The thing about this team is that we are fighters. We all know what we have to do, and we all know what happened. We all won as a team when we were winning and on our high horse and

we lost as a team in back-to-back weeks. That doesn't make us less of a team or change our preparation. The pieces just didn't fall together. We still have our players and our team and that's all we need."

## **Grant Wells**

*Grant Wells on the adjustments made at halftime...*

"There were no big adjustments at halftime. I know it may seem like that, but I just started making throws. It was inexcusable, the performance I put on in the first half."

*Grant Wells on the zero yardage at halftime....*

"That is fully on me. The play calls good were enough to be there, the routes were good enough to be there. I just didn't perform good enough to win this game."

## **Will Ulmer**

*Will Ulmer on the offensive line's action tonight on blocking UAB...*

"UAB gave us a lot of looks tonight and honestly they are a talented defense and that is why they are in the position that they are in. It just really comes down to schematics, I would say."

*Will Ulmer playing at the Joan...*

"Regardless of the outcome, it is always great to show up, put on some pads and Kelly Green and play a home game in the Joan. There is no feeling like it in the world. Regardless of the outcome it is always a blessing to be a part of this group and what we have going on here."