

**Postgame Quotes**  
**Texas 23, Kansas State 9**  
**Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015**

**Kansas State Quotes**

**Kansas State, Head Coach, Bill Snyder**

**On comeback in second half:** We could have bounced back better than what we did. Once again, we made so many mistakes that were critical in the outcome of the ball game. I think Texas played very well. We had our opportunities and missed them

**On defense:** We played well on defense. A couple of young guys who hadn't really been on the field played real well and sustained us. We gave up a few plays, but we played reasonably well. It was a team loss and we had mistakes on offense and special teams that contributed to the loss as well.

**On Jerrod Heard scrambling ability:** As we knew going in and I have said all along, anybody that watches any game that Texas is in knows that he is a talented young guy. He's elusive, he's a change of direction guy, and he can make you miss. I didn't see all of them, but we had some missed tackles that we should have made and I am sure his speed affected us as well, because he was just faster than some of the guys trying to tackle him.

**On passing game:** We were very limited in what we were able to do today. It was an issue for both teams, but we have got to be better. Taking the weather out of it, we have to do better. We are capable of it and I have seen it we just have to do it.

**On K-State RB Charles Jones:** I thought we challenged him to run hard and I like the way he ran today. As aggressively as I have seen him run in the time that he has been here—that's what we need him to do. He ran quite well. I was pleased with his effort.

**Kansas State, DB, Shawn Newlan, Sophomore**

**On Jerrod Heard and Tyrone Swoopes:** They executed exactly what they were told to do. That was their game plan, they were going to run the ball and when did they executed. I don't know how many yards or attempts either of them had, but they are both talented players that made plays.

**On team morale:** It is go time now. Every game is vital. If we want to have the type of season we can have every game, every day, every practice, every meeting, every film session is vital. We have to take it to heart and put it on our shoulders and we have to turn this around.

## **Kansas State, QB, Joe Hubener, Junior**

**On loss against Texas:** We had opportunities, we were able to get the ball moving some and not able to make plays. We had situations where we would move the ball and then we would hurt ourselves with a penalty or loss of yardage and that hurts.

**On team morale:** We have to pull together we can't be pointing fingers. We have guys that are not going to give up, they are tough guys, and we need to buy into Coach Snyder's system.

**On playing in the rain:** Nothing to this degree. I have played in one rain game ever in my life and this was number two and it was really tough.

## **Travis Britz DT #95**

**On Jerrod Heard's ability to extend drives during the game:** It was detrimental. I made a mistake on the first third-down conversion and didn't do my job, and that's the story of the day. We just made mental errors that really hurt us.

**On how difficult it is to corral Jerrod Heard:** He's very athletic. He's similar to Boykin, but he's a young player so he's still going to make decisions that you think veterans wouldn't make. But he's a great athletic quarterback.

**On getting hurt by Heard in the first half but containing him in the second:** Yeah we did a nice job, we corrected what we needed to do. But those 16 points you can't get back and that's what killed us.

**On the difference in the second half and shutting down the Longhorns:** We corrected our mistakes. We just had the attitude that we're going to finish this game. We're going to come out and we're going to do all we can to correct the mistakes and get after them.

## **Deante Burton WR #6**

**On the progress made between last week's game and today:** I think it depends who you ask about progress. Losing sucks, I think this team is just about tired of losing, as we should be. Yeah we did get beat 55 or 58 to nothing, but it's still a loss in the books.

It definitely hurts. We've improved in some things, but we're not where we want to be at all. I think that's going to be our next step, is getting where we want to be.

**On the pulse of the football team:** That's a good question. A lot of guys are down. I think this is really where you find out what kind of players you've got on your team, and the players you want to have on your team. You get punched in the mouth a few times like we have this season and you lose a couple heart-breakers, you decide how you play, who you are. I think we're starting to weed out what's going on and figure out the guys who want to play. That's going to be what you want to build your team off of. Continue to use those guys.

### **Elijah Lee, Sophomore LB**

**On containing Daje Johnson:** We wanted to hold him better than that. We knew they were going to try and run it down our throats the whole game just because of the weather and we knew he was a big part of their run game. When he got going, it was just difficult to stop.

**On Jerrod Heard scrambling:** It was very frustrating, because we have him pinned in and then he escapes outside and you don't want to miss your coverage, but when he is scrambling, you have to come over and help.

**On team mentality into bye week:** It gives us more time to find out who are. We have this bye week and we can think about who we are and what we want to be. We need to have guys that are willing to stand up, take charge and say the past is the past and go win games.

### **#24 RB Charles Jones**

**On what was different today:** It wasn't too much of a difference. I just feel like we had a great week of practice. After what happened last weekend, we just had a lot of energy and hopes.

**On confidence when you get the ball:** I guess you can say that. It all starts with the offensive line. Having an offensive line like that it can make anyone have confidence. Just having them out there makes me more comfortable out there.

**On what were you seeing today from that offensive line:** Just huge hope. They are blocking their butts off and hats off to them.

**On if it is an encouragement that you guys have the run game back on track:** Definitely, definitely, I feel like last year our run game was nowhere it needed to be. I feel like this year we are really trying to build it back up. It is helping a lot.

**On the weather:** It was really hard to catch the ball especially with the rain, but I feel

like we handled that really well. I feel like receivers caught the ball well. I feel like the weather wasn't too much of a factor, especially for our game.

**On feeling during the second half:** It is just really frustrating not converting on third downs, lost yardage plays, penalties. It is just really frustrating. Those are little things we can fix as we practice.

**On mental state of the team right now:** It is tough with any team with four-straight losses. I have never been a part of that, but we are going to keep fighting, keep swinging, not keep our heads down, but just look to the next game, look to Baylor, and have a great week of practice.

**On team spirits being on a decent level:** Definitely, I feel like we have great leaders that will help us keep our heads held high. We are not going to hold our heads down and feel sorry for ourselves.

### **#33 DB Morgan Burns**

**On how difficult it is to deal with [Jerrod] Heard:** I am proud of my defense. I think we played hard to the end. In the first half, they had a couple of drives and a few big plays on us, but for the most part I think we pursued him well and the running backs as well, and played well on the run. So again we made a few mistakes, but as a whole I think we played well.

**On [Jerrod] Heard being particularly good on third down:** They did a good job of kind of spreading us out on a few plays and giving him so room to run, and obviously we have to understand that he can run the ball. We just have to focus on him and understand that he is "do it" kind of guy. He is a great athlete, a great player. He is a redshirt freshman coming in and playing in the Big 12, and he does a great job.

**On pulse check for where this football team is right now:** I think we have a lot of heart. I think that whole game we didn't give up until the end and have to continue to stick together. Those guys are my brothers out there and we grind every day, work hard every day. We have a week off, so we just have to look ourselves in the mirror and figure out what mistakes we need fix and just really come together. We still have five games left, so we still have a great season. I believe we are not going to give up until the very end.

