

ULM WARHAWK FOOTBALL



POST-GAME QUOTES: UL-LAFAYETTE 40, ULM 24

ULM Head Coach Todd Berry

Opening Statement...

"It's obviously a disappointing loss. We have to play better than what we did, and that constitutes everybody on our football team. I thought we came out emotional and I thought we looked a little tired in relation to them. Obviously, we didn't tackle well and if you don't tackle well, you're going to end up giving up 600 yards and 40 minutes of possession time. Offensively, things change on us. Congratulations to UL-Lafayette, they obviously came in here ready to play."

On Kolton Browning's Injury and the game's momentum...

"Our guys have faith in Cody Wells because they've seen him play before. That's something that we kind of talked about. Kolton Browning is the spark. I'm not kidding myself, either, in terms of what he brings to the table."

"Obviously, the game plan changes somewhat with Kolton's ability to run the ball. When you lose one quarterback, you're obviously not that fired up about losing another one, so the game plan changes somewhat in terms of how you're going to protect that guy. I thought Wells came in. I don't think he played great but he played well. I think some other guys really attempted to step up their game. The bottom line is that this game is about making plays, and we didn't make a lot of plays today."

"Offensively, we didn't make some plays that were out there. Defensively, we certainly didn't make any plays. Even on special teams, we had an onside kick that didn't go 10 yards. That's called not making a play, and we have got to step up and make plays. That's the bottom line. These kids are great and we'll rebound and that's what I just told them."

"We have a quick turnaround and this is a test of their wills and you have to thank the good Lord for adversity because this is when you find out what your team is made of. We'll find out this week and we'll see that we're right."

On the final play of the game...

"I think everybody has the play in the book where you throw the ball away, and I'm sure that's what they were probably trying to do. We have a play where you bring everybody. That's kind of the deal and you throw the ball out of bounds."

"I don't like the last play because I'm sure that it was not necessarily driven by the call."

On post-game conversation with Coach Hudspeth...

"We didn't talk."

On secondary struggles and adjustments...

"We have to play better. I'm not going to bring a kid out of a redshirt for the last four games. Obviously, we're not playing very well back there. We're better than that, and they know it. For whatever reason, we don't do it. They've shown they can do it. After Baylor, they're scared to death, I think."

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On Cody Wells' performance...

"I think he did well, as I mentioned earlier. Our team has faith in him."

On defensive performance...

"It was not very good. I mean, 600 yards is not very good. Obviously, we have to play better. It revolves around the fact that we didn't tackle well at all and we looked like a tired football team. We don't have much time to rest, so we have to get out and start practice tomorrow for a very good Arkansas State team Thursday. Obviously, the margin of error is minimal now."

On current position of 3-way tie for Sun Belt Lead...

"We're still in it, but the margin of error is minimal now because of that tie. Now, it's time to see how we respond. We didn't respond every well to some things that happened today, and that's going to be a great learning experience for us, and we'll see if we learn anything. If we did, then we'll come out and play well Thursday night. If we don't, then the same things happen again."

More on the last play: "I haven't seen anything like that very often."

UL-Lafayette Head Coach Mark Hudspeth

Opening Statement...

"I'm proud of the kids because they went through a really tough last two weeks, but they have come back and worked very hard. We came back and kept focused on where we wanted to be. We beat a very good football team out there tonight."

On Throwing Deep with Four Seconds Left...

"We couldn't kneel the ball and we talked about taking a safety. So we ran a play we knew would take up all four seconds down the field, and they didn't send anyone back there to cover. I can't control that, they rushed all 11 people. You got to guard the guys on the field."

"I could care less how it looked. The way we called it was to run the clock out. We didn't design it to run the score up. We did it to run the clock out for four seconds, so you can take it or leave it."

On 99 Yard Drive to Start Fourth Quarter...

"I am really proud of our guys. Our offensive line controlled the line of scrimmage and that was the difference in the game. We didn't take care of the ball early, but got better as the night went on. Terrence Broadway to me stepped up big time."

On Controlling Time of Possession...

"That was the plan to keep their quarterback off the field. It changed the game plan when he went off."

On Defense's Effort...

"We gotta get a better pass rush, but when we needed big plays we got big plays. We held a very powerful offense somewhat in check. They are very good offensively. It isn't easy when you don't have your starting quarterback, we live that every week."

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On Terrence Broadway...

"It has been three weeks he has taken a lot of heat in. But he has taken the responsibility of being a D1 starting quarterback, and he has worked hard to become a more complete quarterback and has earned his teammates respect."