

FAMU Head Coach Alex Wood

On giving Kenny Coleman and Carson Royal each a half of the game:

“No, Carson got cramps at halftime. He couldn’t move. He had body cramps, so he couldn’t play. So we put Kenny in and he started doing well, so we left him in there.”

On if Kenny’s performance makes him reevaluate who starts:

“No, but I think it will put some heat on Carson of course as we come back. We always knew there was a plan to use Kenny in certain situations tonight anyway, but it happened a little bit differently than what we had planned. It was good, a good experience for him.”

On the offense overall:

“Obviously not very good. Not what we practice for, not what we work for, not very good. We’ve got work to do. We know what we’ve got to work at, and hopefully we’ll get some guys, at least get our left tackle back. That will help us a little bit up front, and those kinds of things. And get some guys healthy up front. Ryan Templeton he’s got a foot that he’s trying to play with, and it’s tough right now, so we are going to try to get him some rest right now too.”

On defense overall:

“Our defense played hard, they played courageously and they played hard. USF made some plays on us, which we knew they would, but we were planning on us being able to counter some of those with either special teams or offense, and that just didn’t happen.”

FAMU running back Devondrick Nealy:

On FAMU having trouble finding space in the running game:

“It’s just our line. It starts with our line. We came into this game knowing it starts with our line. Just like coach said before the game, it’s just playing at game speed, learning the game speed, catching onto the game speed and just moving forward as the game went. We didn’t do a very good job of that.”

On how the offense moved when Kenny Coleman came in:

“Definitely a lot smoother. We got through the transition. We fought through adverse situations in the second half, and we started moving better in the second half. I think that was a key point in the game.”

On the defense:

“The defense played a great game. We just had to come back and compliment them. We didn’t do that in the first half, a little bit in the second half, but by the second half they were tired because they were on the field the whole time, and we couldn’t really catch on to them.”

On the message after the game:

"We just can't be down by this game. It's a long season, there's a bunch of games more to play. So we just have to let this one go in the past. Even though it's a loss, we aren't just going to get over this fast. We are going to go back on Monday and make the best of it."

FAMU linebacker Akil Blount

On the defense as a whole:

"Early on we came out with a lot of energy. We were doing what we wanted to do, stopping the run. The second half we missed some assignments. It's definitely something to build off of, something encouraging to know that a team like that, we can get three and outs. There were times we had three and outs back to back to back, interceptions, turnovers. It's definitely something we can build off of. We're going to evaluate on Sunday and get back to work on Tuesday."

On the defense being gassed:

"Well, just from our evaluation, we had to adjust to the game speed. That's what we did really in the first drive. After that I feel like we just went out and played. We weren't tired. We're conditioned. We started moving the ball in the second half. The offense gave us a little bit more of a rest. But conditioning wasn't a problem. We just had a couple of missed assignments."