



LSU TIGERS VS ARKANSAS RAZORBACKS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018

POSTGAME QUOTES: ARKANSAS HEAD COACH CHAD MORRIS

Opening Statement ...

"First of all I want to thank our veterans, those that are serving our country and those that have served. Just thank you; thank you for what you do to allow us to be able to play this game and to be able to live in the country that we live in. Thank you. I want to thank our fans. It was live from the moment we started down Razorback Road and the Hog Walk. I told our players, just get them in the game and keep them in the game. I want to thank our fans and I want to thank our seniors. It's very, very important that we recognize these seniors and the hurt and the fight that they've been through. It started with 27, down to 15. They love the Razorbacks with all their heart and we love them. A guy like Hjalte (Froholt), J-Red (Jared Cornelius) making some big catches tonight, Dre (Greenlaw) playing through some pain and the fight that he had and they all have. Armon Watts, what a great story with how he's gotten to where he is. Thanks to all our seniors. I want to give LSU credit, we knew that they were an elite defense. We knew that going into this week and they definitely showed that. I'm very proud that our team fought hard. There was no quit. There was a constant fight with our guys and it has been that way all year. We got within a score, and just needed one more stop but we couldn't find a way to get that ball back. There was a fight in these guys and our locker room and coaches are hurting. Offensively I thought we were very inconsistent, and we couldn't run the football. We were poor on first downs. I think we averaged two vards on first down and 2-of-12 on third down and that's difficult. It's difficult to move the football when those two areas aren't in sync. They made us one dimensional, and we knew the back end of their secondary was as good as any we've seen. Making us one dimensional, that's tough to do. Ty (Storey) was tough, I thought he played with toughness. He stood in the pocket and took some hits and the grit that he showed kept us in the game, especially in the third quarter into the fourth. The pressures they were bringing we had seen before, I thought that there were times they were bringing some delayed pressures on us but we just couldn't get off and pick them up. Field position early on, offensively I thought we put ourselves in a bind. We couldn't flip the field early. Defensively, we had seven TFL's and three sacks. I thought the guys swarmed to the football. We held them to 360 yards and I thought we were extremely aggressive. Just the fight in all our group, it's just an opportunity that these men have been coming back in this building and fighting every day. That's our message right now, we've got to come back in and continue to fight."

On Rakeem Boyd's injury and inability to run the ball...

"It was his ankle and we'll reevaluate tomorrow. I just think defensively they were very, very aggressive. I thought that they had an extra hat in the box, and obviously their linebackers played extremely well. When we would get a crease, it just seemed like it closed extremely guick."

On Cheyenne O'Grady's performance ...

"He made some tremendous catches. I thought that the touchdown before was close to being unsportsmanlike. I addressed it with him, I said 'you have to play smart', my exact words were 'you've got to be composed'. I knew that if there was anything remotely close that he was going to get called."

On Austin Cantrell going through senior day ...

"With Austin, we've had that discussion. He's leaning strongly towards going on. He's married and got a family and just looking to moving on to the next step. That's something that he and I will have a discussion about after the season's over with. I shared with him 'look I don't want you to miss this if that's part of your thought process. If not we'd love to have you back and we'll go through another senior day."

On staying in the ball game ...

"I thought we swarmed the football really well. I thought that there were a lot of hats to the ball, a lot of red jerseys around that football. I thought we tackled well. That was another big thing, just our ability to pursue the football."





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LB Dre Greenlaw

On how tough this loss was ...

"Losing isn't fun at all. I wish the season would've been better than what it is, but we just have to continue to fight. I saw a lot of fight in our team tonight. There was plenty of time we could've given up. Guys were banged up. I'm just proud of the way we fought and battled. Just going out there in my last game in that stadium. I felt like we fought hard and I'm really proud of that."

On playing through his injury...

"My right ankle, since that first game of the season has just been there kinda lingering. Some movements and some turns give it a sharp pain. It's definitely starting to heal up a little bit. It was my last game, I wasn't about to leave that field for any reason. I could've broken my foot and I still would be playing. Being a Razorback means that much to me."

On his fumble recovery...

"Coach [Chavis] called a good play. Called a blitz. I was in the B gap and Sosa [Agim] was doing his job and got to the quarterback and got the ball back. I saw the ball right there and I knew I was about to pick it up and go. I made sure I picked it up first. When I finally got going I felt my ankle. I tried to go into another gear, but it just couldn't do it. Sosa [Agim] made it happen and I tried to get it in the endzone for him, but just couldn't do it."

DL McTelvin Agim

On how tough this loss was...

"I feel like it's a testament to this team and coaching staff. It doesn't matter how much we're down by, how tough this season is going, we're still going to give it our all until the last ticks on the clock. We're just going to keep fighting, even if it's not a good season."

On LSU's last drive to close the game out...

"It was ours against theirs and they just won their matchup. I feel like we won most of the matchups all night, but when it came down to the clutch moment we gave one up. We just have to go back to the drawing board."

QB Ty Storey

On what got them going in the fourth quarter...

"I think we just got into a rhythm. The O-line was doing a good job of giving us time and CJ [O'Grady] made some great plays along with some other guys who really stepped up and made some plays. It just seemed like we had to kind of get a kick start to get in rhythm and once we started going we put some points on the board."

On the offense being one-dimensional...

"It put us behind the chains, that was the hardest part. It seemed like we were behind the chains the whole first half. We didn't look very good the first half, we looked really bad. Thankfully, we came back and made some adjustments and kind of opened it up and started driving."

TE Cheyenne O'Grady

On what got them going in the fourth quarter....

"Just going off what [Ty Storey] said, it started up front. The O-line gave Ty time and Ty put it in the right spot at the right time. I think it's a big thing, trust, he trusted me and I trusted him and just tried to take advantage of the opportunity given."

On how it felt to go up against an elite defense and have a good game personally...

"I feel like, I don't want to be an individual. I was given the opportunity, I thank God, he made everything possible for that to happen. Coach Craddock calling the plays and trusting me to execute, I feel like anybody, we have good tight ends and receivers, anybody that wanted to get the ball, they could make the play too. I just want to say, I'm thankful for the opportunity."

On what happened after the second touchdown...

"At that point I just, I got a little too excited. Definitely out of control and that's not gonna happen again. That was just an immature move by my part and it's definitely not gonna happen again."

OL Hjalte Froholdt

On how tough the running game was...

"They have some really big guys up front so, it's tough to gain some movement on double-teams and they have some really athletic linebackers. You know everyone knows Devin White but, they're all extremely athletic and when we can't really get to linebackers they make some big plays. You saw them fly around and make a lot of plays in the backfield and they have a really good back end as well, even when we block it out right they fill real quick. We had a couple plays that led to where the safety made the tackle where it could have been a big play but, they kept it to no more than six, seven yards. It's a really good defense, they fly around they don't just stop whenever you're on them, they stay active and they're a really good run stopping defense."