Georgia Postgame Quotes

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Head Coach Kirby Smart

On bouncing back with a win in the SEC…

"It feels great. It's hard to win in the SEC and you don't realize that until you're in it. It's hard to go on the road and win and our guys came out with good juice today. I think we scored the first two or three drives. That was big- setting the tone, getting off the field some on defense was huge. I think that's a big success and a big step in the right direction for us."

On Gunner Stockton's ability to use his legs…

"I thought Mike (Bobo) called a good game. Gunner (Stockton) plays better when he gets a couple runs in and loosens up and feels good. He's getting a little beat up, he's banged up today but he had two third down conversion runs around the 50-yard line that were huge."

On the defense improving on third down…

"It was a huge emphasis. We are trying to do some different things and give some different looks and make some plays on the ball. I thought we did effect the quarterback better today and we're going to have to grow in that area to get where we want to go."

#14 Gunner Stockton | QB | R-Jr.

On his passing execution…

"I felt more comfortable. I think it was about practice. After last week, we just went to work, and I think it paid off."

On the team's focus going into this game after last weekend…

"Timing down a fast game and getting back to work is the biggest part, and not taking a day for granted."

On Micah Morris and his resilience…

"Micah's a great guy, a good friend. You know, he'll do anything for you. He'll fight and claw for every game. It means the world for this team for him to push through."

#3 CJ Allen | ILB | Jr.

On being up early 14-0 and how the Bulldogs kept pushing…

"You have to keep your foot on the gas. It was nice to start off with the offense scoring. We are just trying to get the ball back to the offense. We are trying to get it back to them as soon as possible. "

On if he thinks the defense played up to standard…

"There is a lot of stuff to clean up. We had a couple of long drivers standing down in the fourth quarter. We just have to go back home to see what we can fix."

On how he thinks they got to the Kentucky quarterback today…

"We came into this game knowing it was going to be a physical game. Kentucky is a great team, you know. They have always been. We came in knowing it was going to be a physical match."

Kentucky Postgame Quotes

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Head Coach Mark Stoops
On keeping the team engaged despite negativity…
"The guys, I just told them again, I mean, they care. You know, they work hard and their preparation is important to us. You think we're the only ones? You know, nobody feels sorry for you in this league. I mean, throughout the country, you think we're the only people? I mean, that happens. So you've got to block it out, go back to work, and, you know, that's what matters to me. And I told them it's about continuing to stay very positive. I mean, we're not even halfway through the season yet. We've played five, so we've got seven games left."

On the team's improvement and performance…
I think he did. I think we got better in certain ways today, you know, there were good periods in time. I think we threw the ball 40, 42 times, and certainly they're going to create pressure. They're great defensively always, you know, with their coverage and getting pressure on you. I felt like times today we had some decent time. We got rid of the football on time, you know, we got some completions. In particular, in the first half, you know, I think our completion percentage was a little higher and, you know, I wish we would have kept at least three there at the end of the half. It gave us a little momentum, but I thought we made some strides, and I thought Cutter [Cutter Boley] grew up today.

#8 Cutter Boley | QB | Fr.
On the offensive coordinator and play calling…
"We just have to keep working on everything we're doing in the pass game and the run game. I really like the way he called it today. I was really comfortable with everything we were running. We got into a flow better than we had been in the past."

On the intermediate pass game and how to get the deep pass plays going…
"I just have to keep giving my guys chances. I feel like I gave a lot of our guys better chances to make a play on the ball downfield. Just have to keep giving them better chances to make a play."

On negativity outside the program towards coach Stoops…
"At the end of the day, if you're a grown man, you have to realize that nothing outside of this locker room matters. I feel like we have a lot of grown men around this team, and nothing else on Saturdays except these guys matters."

#25 Jordan Lovett | DB | Sr.
On what Georgia was doing to make it harder on Kentucky in the passing attack…
"We just got to get off on second down, you know, miscommunications, misfits, too many misalignments, too many Mas (missed assignments) I like to call it. You know, we've got to do better. I got to play better as a senior. We just got to do better as a defense."

On what you all are doing to take steps forward defensively…
"Like I said, we got to get off the critical downs, you know. It's really the critical downs that's killing us. And as a senior lay group. Like you know, me, Khalil Sanders, Alex Farr, and all the rest of the leaders, we got to step up."
"Shout out to Kirby, to be honest with you, he was a great play caller. Shout out to Georgia. But you know, we got to step up as a defense. We've got to be better and get ourselves into those starting lineups as well."