



OKLAHOMA FOOTBALL

OU POSTGAME QUOTES • HEAD COACH LINCOLN RILEY

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OKLAHOMA HEAD COACH LINCOLN RILEY

Opening statement:

“Obviously, very disappointed with the way the game ended. That’s a game we expect to win. We’re going to go back and find a million things we did well and a million things we didn’t do well – that was the message to the team. It was kind of the tale of two games. The first part, we were inconsistent offensively and didn’t get enough stops defensively. Kind of just average on special teams. And then the end of the game, where I was just very proud of our team’s fight there at the end.

“To get it back there in a tight game and have a chance to win the football game says a lot about what we have in the locker room, says a lot about the culture we have here at Oklahoma. Wasn’t our best performance – we know that and we’re going to own it. We don’t back away from it and we’re all a part of it, but we still found a way to give ourselves a chance to win and that’s what we do.

“We have been as good as anybody in the country the last three years of responding to the very few losses we’ve had. We’ve got a track record right there that you could put up against team in the country and that’s absolutely what we expect to do again. It’s going to take a lot of effort, a lot of hard work. We’ve got to get better in a lot of areas, but we’ve got fight in that room. We’ve got a bunch of guys who are incredibly disappointed right now, but they will be ready to get back on the field here in a couple of weeks against TCU.

“Congratulations to Texas – they played a very good football games. That was one of the epic ones there. That’s one people will keep talking about for years and years and years. It was a really special atmosphere like it always is, I think the game lived up to the building like it always does.”

On the Oklahoma defense:

“We didn’t tackle well. We missed too many big tackles in the open field. I didn’t think we covered great. We had a few too many guys just getting beat to the ball in a couple situations and the glaring thing was the third and longs that we gave up. We gave up a third and 19 and we gave up another third and extremely long and

they carried the ball another 10 yards ... we’ve got to be better on third downs. We kind of surged there at the end and played extremely well – more competitive and more like we expect to play there at the end, but we gave them too many and that’s something we’ve all got to do a better job with.”

On OU’s defensive plan going into the game:

“I liked the plan. I thought we had a good plan, but in any game like this, there’s going to have to be adjustments. Adjustments on all three sides of the ball. I think Texas defensively, did some things we hadn’t seen, we did some things they hadn’t seen, it was kind of a constant back and forth, but we didn’t get enough stops to win.”

On his confidence in his team:

“The end of that football game – a lot of times, teams, when they’re down 21 in an atmosphere like this are incredibly disappointed and some teams pack it up right there. We’ve all got to own it and I have confidence in every person in that room.”



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On the overall performance of the defense:

“Yeah, we just had no rhythm to anything we did all day. Just totally off balance. Couldn’t find anything. Started getting a little rhythm and then we gave up a third-and-19 that I thought was critical. It kind of broke our back there. We missed an assignment and let a guy cross. We were starting to get a little bit into the game, and in that situation, we needed a big stop. I think we may have turned it over and had them in a third-and-long and didn’t get off the field. You can’t make a mistake like that in a game like this and get away with it. Too many errors like that. A lack of physicality at times I think was troublesome across the board. Still, our inability to tackle and be physical. We had them stopped on third-and-18 and they drug us for ten or twelve yards maybe to give it to them on fourth down. Schematically, and in other ways, we were just nowhere near good enough for a type of game of this magnitude until we finally got into a little bit of rhythm. I thought we challenged their receivers better in the fourth quarter, and we gave up just way too many easy throws throughout the course of the game.”

On what caused problems for the defense:

“Our players got a little bit disjointed. We all did. [Texas was] reading what we were doing. We were trying to audible back out of it and I think our players got in between two calls at times. I thought [Texas] played more physical than we did today, and some of it is just who we have there in certain positions. That’s an area we obviously need to get better in – just our physicality across the board.”

On the physicality of the defense:

“There are certain things you can improve on: strength, size, you’ve got to recruit some of it as well. Some of it has been attrition at positions. You always have to evaluate the size of our team and where we need to get bigger and stronger. That’s just the way it is sometimes. And then to be able to execute. I thought it was a poorly executed game. Poorly coached, on our part. To be in such a big game and not execute for three-fourths of the game the way we need to.”

On feeling good about the plan going into this game:

“I did. Their receivers were always going to be an issue. Size of receivers has been an issue for us and making plays. With the last play, I thought we were going to climb out of a deep hole. I didn’t see the last interference. Thought we had another good play on the ball. That was an untimely pass interference. We were going to have them at third-and-long. Just not enough plays. Too little, too late. I’m very disappointed in our overall performance.”

On defending in the red zone:

“Not nearly good- it hasn’t been good enough. There’s some personnel and scheme. It’s always a combination of things when you are in those situations. We tried to move personnel and get bigger personnel. It’s hard in this because we were going so fast to get subbed in and get our smaller guys out and our bigger guys in. It’s hard to do sometimes.”

On Texas using QB Sam Ehlinger’s running game:

“Oh, they’ve always done that. I mean the quarterback draw has been part of it... the quarterback power. Short yardage, goal-line, critical situations... that’s their MO. Just didn’t defend it nearly well enough. They were getting a lot of end-over unbalanced sets and running it and making us shift and move and it was very effective for them.”



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JUNIOR DEFENSIVE END AMANI BLEDSOE

On how much of a challenge the game was:

“Games like these are always big. It can always go either way. I think the way we finished the game is kind of how we should have started as a team in the first half, playing at your best all four quarters and not just turn it on at the end.”

On OU’s fight:

“It just shows you how strong and resilient we can be when down like this, but ultimately we’ve just got to do a better job at playing a four-quarter ball game.”

On confidence for the defense’s future:

“There is always room for improvement. We’ve definitely improved a lot since last season and we just have to do the little things right, like tackling and trusting our job, not trying to do more than our job. If everybody does their job, it’ll be okay.”

On handling frustration:

“Just not feeling sorry for ourselves when there is a turnover or some adversity hits. You can’t play a perfect game all the time. You’ve got to be ready for the adversity to happen and how to bounce back, how strong can you be mentally.”

SOPHOMORE CORNERBACK TRE BROWN

On defense giving them a chance to win:

“It just shows that we’re special. We have a lot going for us, and we got so much more that we can continue to grow on.”

On Texas’ offense:

“We just do our thing, you know, we gotta do our jobs. We didn’t really do a good job at tackling. That’s on us, and that’s what really hurt us. There were some things, some situations where we knew what was happening, but we didn’t get to it quick enough and that hurt us. And we’re going to try to fix that from now on.”

On working through the defense’s frustration:

“Most of us were on different pages, and you could see the frustration on the sideline. But we’re a team, we’re brothers and we picked that up very late. We should have been doing that the whole time. The second half, you know, we came together, but we should have been doing that the whole game.”

REDSHIRT JUNIOR DEFENSIVE LINEMAN NEVILLE GALLIMORE

On coming back in the fourth quarter:

“We had to do a better job tackling. They are a good football team and it took us a little bit to get going. We put up a good fight but if we would have had that same fight throughout the whole game we would be solid.”

On being caught between two calls:

“Even if we do not get the call, it is still our job as players to get down and run the defense. Even if we do not get the call we need to get it lined up, that is the biggest thing for us.”

On the difference between the beginning and end of the game:

“Energy is huge here. It is a good football team we are going up against. They were going to make plays, we were going to make plays. The only thing is we needed to do a better job executing as a defense. But we will rebuild and come back stronger.”

On playing with the same sense of urgency:

“Obviously it was lacking a little bit, but it is a team effort. Defensively we still have a lot to improve on but we fought hard in the fourth quarter. I am proud of my guys and we just need to be better throughout all four phases. I feel like if we clean a few things up we will be just fine. We will come back stronger and we will be ready.”

SOPHOMORE WIDE RECEIVER CEEDEE LAMB

On how OU played:

“We had a couple of things on our end and Texas had a great game, they are a great team. They do what they do best. We had too many turnovers in too many plays.”

On feeling when the game was tied:

“It was a lot of energy, a lot of emotions. We were positive, we had to stay positive throughout the whole game.”

On what the comeback showed:

“It showed that we play a lot better than we showed the first three-quarters.”

On how Kyler Murray played:

“He stepped up. Even when things got bad on his end, he still stepped up.”



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REDSHIRT JUNIOR DEFENSIVE END KENNETH MANN

On the frustration of not getting a stop:

“Of course it is frustrating. On defense we want to convert and get off the field. We kept fighting till the end and I am proud of the way we fought.”

JUNIOR CORNERBACK PARNELL MOTLEY

On the defensive performance:

“Not so good. We need to do better. We need to make plays. We need to minimize the game and make plays happen. We have a bye week coming up so we need to go back to the boards and get things right.”

On fixing issues on defense:

“It is not something that the coaches are doing. It is a personal thing. We need that attitude, we have to want to tackle, it is hard to think about when you are out there trying to make plays and it is moving fast. There are no excuses, at the end of the day players have to make plays and make tackles.”

On the frustration of not being able to get off the field in the first half:

“It is very frustrating when a team like Texas keeps pounding you and you do not do anything about it. We went back in at half and talked things over and there was still a little left in the third quarter, but in the fourth quarter we kind of picked it up. That should not have happened. We should have had that urgency and dominated all day.”

SOPHOMORE LINEBACKER KENNETH MURRAY

On what defense struggled with:

“Obviously we need to tackle better. I feel like we gave up way too many yards as a defense. We need to go in and do work. Coach (Stoops) made a game plan for us and it is up to us to execute. We did not tackle well and obviously on third down we want to do that, so that is something we have to do better at.”

On the frustration of not getting a stop:

“The defense was getting really frustrated when we didn’t get a stop, but we just knew we needed to keep fighting. I am proud of the way we came together and fought as a team throughout the game. Obviously when you can’t get a stop it is frustrating, but that is something we need to take personally and go out and get better. I am just proud of the way we fought.”

REDSHIRT JUNIOR QUARTERBACK KYLER MURRAY

On the first loss as a starter and the two turnovers...

“Obviously I am not used to losing. It hurts and I am disappointed. It is tough because I feel if I do not turn the ball over, I feel it is giving them the advantage when you turn the ball over, we have a better chance of winning the game. Offensively in the first and second half we did a lot of great things. This game is a four quarter game... it is just tough.”

On today’s turnovers:

“The first one, I kind of lost my footing, but knowing coverage and knowing the situation, should’ve tried to fit it in there. And then on the second one, Coach Riley’s thing, and he’s preaching it all of the time, is ball security in the pocket... I don’t know how many times he’s told me that.”

On treating today as his one shot at Texas:

“I mean honestly, going into this season knowing it might possibly be my last season, every game is a last shot at everyone... so yeah. I guess so.”



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Opening Statement:

“What a college football game. That was really fun and an unbelievable atmosphere. The fans were incredible – their fans were too. That’s a hell of a football team. That quarterback is special, a couple of those wideouts are special and they run the ball very, very well. I was proud of us, obviously, to take the lead, and then we shot ourselves in the foot a little bit in the fourth quarter. But, there was zero negativity and bad body language. Everybody was positive, everybody knew we had plenty of time on the clock, and we had done a two-minute drill to start every Tuesday practice for the past three weeks needing a field goal. Every time, our offense has gone down and put our kicker in a position to kick it, and he’s made it every time. As Sam (Ehlinger) said in the locker room, when you practice something, it shows up in games. I’m just tremendously proud of the way our guys prepared and handled the ebbs and flows of this game. We’re excited to celebrate tonight. This one, on the stat sheet, means a lot to our seniors and to our university. But on the win-loss record, it doesn’t count any more than the win in Manhattan, Kan., and we know that. We’ve got some long-range goals that we needed to take this next step to get toward, and I’m happy we did.”

On what this game says about Sam (Ehlinger):

“The guy prepares like a pro – he’s great. Nobody would ever question the way that he prepares. The guy has played in some big ball games this year and he’s played really well in those games. I don’t think anybody was surprised to see him do what he did. I think the first three quarters were very impressive, but that last drive was the most impressive to me, because we’d given up a lot of energy and it was a tie ballgame. For him to go shut the door with his teammates says a lot about his grit.”

On Lil’Jordan Humphrey’s pushing of the pile for extra yardage on third and 20:

“That to me was the play of the game. You throw a tunnel screen just to get some yardage for our punt and maybe pin them inside the 10-yard line and play defense. But ‘LJ’ Humphrey is one of the toughest guys we have on our football team. After we scored that series, we said on the headset that that’s a culture play. If there’s one compliment a coach can get from people that understand football or put the pads on, it

is that you guys played really hard. That’s the biggest compliment you can give a head coach. We may not always be the most talented or deepest, but with our effort and our purpose, we’re capable of doing lots of things. So, thank you LJ for showing everybody what our culture is about. That was big.”

On his rhythm as a play caller:

“The credit goes to the gladiators in the arena. These guys are the ones who made the plays. They’re all designed to score besides maybe a kill the clock and QB sneak play. These guys played their tails off in terms of the execution of our offense, and it was really fun to see them have the kind of success that they had early in the game.”

On the steps his team has taken this year and building on each victory:

“I don’t know about the previous victories, I think they were all important steps for our program against a traditional power like USC in an incredible home atmosphere that night to kind of set the standard for what home games will be like at Texas in the future. Obviously to beat TCU, a conference opponent, and to go on the road to Manhattan, Kan., and win there for the first time in 16 years - all of those are important steps. But I would point to the first game. When we got in that locker room, in the Sunday team meeting after that, we talked to each other and there was no finger pointing, we were just disappointed. But we all understood that that game was not going to define our season. How we respond to that game, would. We learned from the mistakes we made in that game, make sure they won’t happen again, and thus far we’ve responded tremendously.”

On the game-winning field goal:

“We’ve always had confidence in our kicker. I know he’s missed two of his last three before this game, but I don’t know that there’s a kicker on the planet who has never not missed. He corrected the technical mistakes he made, and it bares noting that was a true freshman long snapper, snapping to a true freshman holder, holding for a true freshman kicker. Our confidence in our kicker is sky high right now.”



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On how this win feels, particularly for his seniors:

“It feels really good for these seniors who have been through a lot. They’ve earned this. This was certainly not given to them, not bestowed upon them just by signing at The University of Texas. They had a pretty bumpy ride getting to this point and it means the world to me that I was a small part in giving them this joy that they can take long after they’ve left The University of Texas.”



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FRESHMAN KICKER CAMERON DICKER

On if big kicks like today's game winner are stressful:

"It is, but I kind of just clear everything out out there, know everybody loves me, make or miss, so that's the way I approach everything."

On competing on such a huge stage:

"It feels great. This is amazing, I think Lake Travis helped me prepare for these big moments, I've played in some big games, and it's great to come out here and get a big win."

On realizing the game would rest on his shoulders:

"When they started coming back, I started to think 'Okay, I'm going to kick the game winner.' I knew I was going to, I felt that, and I was ready to go."

On whether a game-winner is something he'd dreamed of:

"It's great to have this, it's a cool feeling. Everybody dreams of this, as a kicker, so it's a great thing."

SOPHOMORE QUARTERBACK SAM EHILINGER

On the rivalry and the game:

"Being part of this tradition and playing in such an incredible rivalry is a blessing and I am reminded of that every year. It is definitely a game that we have circled every year. It means a lot to us...I still can't put to words how incredible this rivalry is and being a part of it."

On the confidence he had in freshman kicker Cameron Dicker:

"I have full confidence in him. We have done that situation in practice for the past three weeks, at the beginning of practice, and he has not missed yet. Seeing what he did in high school, playing against him, watching him kick pregame when I was hurt, I knew the kid was very special and he has proven that so far. He did a tremendous job today."

On starting the second half strong and regaining momentum:

"It is something that we have talked about as an offense. We always want to score on the first possession and we did that in both halves, so it was a great

confidence builder for the half. And, to be up by two scores at that part in the game, I think really solidified our confidence and helped our momentum roll into the second half."

SENIOR DEFENSIVE LINEMAN BRECKYN HAGER

On Kyler Murray:

"The respect I had for this team and that man and how small he is and how I can't see him. The whole game I couldn't see him, he was like a little sliver out of my peripheral vision. I had never seen anything like this, he is a special talent and to play him again would be exciting."

JUNIOR WIDE RECEIVER LIL' JORDAN HUMPHREY

On Sam Ehlinger:

"In practice, Sam has been showing us that he is a poised quarterback and a great leader, and it is translating to the field."

On his touchdown pass:

"I take a lot of pride in it. I feel like it shows you how tough that we can be. On that play, I got the ball and Coach (Herman) is always preaching in practice deep verticals, so I just got deep on verticals and my team was helping me."

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On wearing the No. 60 today:

"Everything I've overcome is also from my father who never won Cotton Bowl, so one of our motto's is 'Go all in'. I chose this term for how I felt about wearing his number and how I needed to sanctify my father's legacy and the legacy of No. 60."



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JUNIOR WIDE RECEIVER COLLIN JOHNSON

On wide receiver Lil'Jordan Humphrey's pass:

"Man, you all did ask about trick plays and his throwing ability. Like I said, you guys asked me before the game plan got put in. We had that play, and he hit me. That was a pretty fun moment."

SENIOR DEFENSIVE BACK P.J. LOCKE:

On getting this win as a senior:

"It's a feeling I can't even explain. Like I said, we've been through so much and with this being my senior year, I've been through the ups and downs with this team. To finally get the win and go out with a bang my senior year, I cannot thank these guys enough. I love my team, I wouldn't trade them for the world."

On what was going through his mind after the game was tied up at 45-45:

"When we got in that situation, we didn't start pointing fingers. We kept our composure, and bad plays kept happening, but we kept everybody together. We knew the offense would pull through, and they counted on us. Again, the offense came out with the win. They finished with the ball in their hands. I can't say much else, I just love my team."

On how the pile play speaks to the team's culture:

"It's a culture. That's literally what we do. We're physical. We like smash-mouth football. That's all we know. Just hitting and going out there to play football the way it's played, and that play was the epitome of that. He went out there, he lowered his shoulder and then the O-linemen came and basically dragged him. That's our culture and that's all I can say."

RS-SENIOR DEFENSIVE LINEMAN CHRIS NELSON

On winning a game like this after some tough years for Texas:

"Coming in, we already knew it was going to be a hard fight. We knew it was going to go all four quarters, and that's the thing we prepare for each and every day."

SENIOR DEFENSIVE END CHARLES OMENIHU

On their game plan:

"We had a great game plan. On Tuesday, Coach Orlando gave us the script on what we were going to do, and everyone bought into it. We knew that we were going against a guy (OU quarterback Kyler Murray) who could fly and when he sees the lane he is going to go. Everybody knew that they just had to do their assignments. As far as defensive linemen, we knew that we had to stay in our rush lanes because if we tried to do our own thing, he is going to go. A credit to everyone buying in and knowing that we had one purpose and nobody was out there trying to do their own thing."

FRESHMAN DEFENSIVE BACK CADEN STERNS

On what this game means:

"It just shows us how good we can be. It is such a big game and shows what we are capable of doing. We cannot let ourselves beat each other down. We are going to celebrate this win. Then Sunday, we are going to focus on Baylor."