



# 2014 BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

DIVISION I

COLUMBIA REGIONAL • CAROLINA STADIUM • MAY 30-JUNE 2

## GAME 5

### POSTGAME QUOTES

#### South Carolina 9, Campbell 0

##### South Carolina Head Coach Chad Holbrook

It was an incredible performance by Wil [Crowe]. It was no doubt the story of this game. He was as efficient as I've seen him since he's been here—his command, fastball, breaking ball, change-up. He was in total control out there. It was a masterful performance by him to go nine innings. We obviously needed that under the circumstances that we're under, coming out of the loser's bracket. Not only was it an incredible performance by him, it gave us a better opportunity in the game tonight because we obviously got to rest our bullpen. Got a couple big swings on the bat and got some runs across there in the fourth that gave us a little bit of breathing room. That's all Wil needed. It was a big win for us, and we get to play Maryland tonight with a chance to even the score, so to speak.



##### *On the offense...*

It was good to see, got some hits there in the fourth with some really good at-bats. It happened so long ago I don't really remember the sequence. I felt like it was a big hit when it was 3-0 and that ball dropped for Max [Schrock]. It got us some breathing room. We had some really good at-bats there in the fourth inning, loaded the bases there with nobody out. It was a good offensive performance for the most part.

##### *On his freshman pitchers...*

Wil [Crowe] and Taylor [Widener] are special. They are special. They have a chance to be special players here obviously. Wil's performance today was as good as any starting pitching performance that I've seen here at Carolina Stadium in awhile, and I've seen some good ones. With our backs against the wall, nine innings, 101 pitches, efficient. He looked like a big leaguer out there. Didn't lose his velocity. He's a horse, and he wants the ball in his hands.

##### Freshman pitcher Wil Crowe

##### *On if he knew he had to go deep into the game...*

I knew that we needed a good outing and that I needed to go deep into the game, especially if we win, then we have a game tonight. So I went into it thinking that if I kept my pitch count down then I could help the team out for later.

##### *On the feeling of pitching in the postseason for the first time...*

It was incredible. The atmosphere is awesome, especially in the postseason, even better than the regular season.



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Well, great tournament. Anytime you end your season like we did today, it's tough, very emotional. The one thing about Campbell is that we are very tight. You saw our guys and the relationships that we have. It's a small town; there's not a lot to do but hang out a lot. Seeing those eight seniors go by, that graduated today, was tough, but I'm just very thankful for what they did for our program, and we're very excited about, hopefully, using this stage to trampoline and look forward to some more great years.



#### *On where this program is now...*

Like I said before, these guys are awesome. From picking my spirits up last year on one of the toughest days of my life to get to a point this year with a whole new club and just the way they fought in the tournament last week to today. It's just amazing, and I'm very thankful to be the coach at Campbell and these players and what they've done for us and this program, you just cannot put a price tag on getting an opportunity to come and play at this type of setting in this type of regional with this awesome fan base and so forth. It's just amazing what they've done, and I'm just so thankful for what they've done here. I'm looking forward to using this to try to get back. This is fun, and hopefully people will respect that we've won 40 games three years in a row and hopefully the committee and so forth will look at our program differently.

#### *On Wil Crowe...*

Well, I knew he was from Tennessee, and good things come from Tennessee. It's where I'm from. I hate that my brother had to beat me like that. I was hoping that the atmosphere and stuff for a freshman would be a little overwhelming for him, but from the first pitch on he was in command. He was in command, and as an old pitching coach I'm glad to see him go out there and command the baseball. From the defeat they took last night, they knew their season could end today, too. You would have never known it. Their mentality was different today, and I have a lot of respect for Wil.

#### Senior starting pitcher Ryan Koopman

##### *On the accomplishments of the program this year...*

For me, I have a different vantage point than Steve (Leonard). I've been here for four years, and I'm not sure if you are aware of the history, but my freshman year we went 17-37. To see this program, myself as a player, just completely turn around. To see the facilities that our administration got us and where we are, it's amazing. It is truly a blessing. It's awesome to be able to have this kind of stage and to play at this level. It's great, fantastic.

##### *On the delay in the first inning...*

I'm going to have to trust the umpires on that and trust that they got the right call. I don't know the rule, but I just focused on that next guy. Go out there and throw another strike, see where Steve (Leonard) was set up. I missed it a little bit. I got the ball four called, big deal, so what. I got away with it, and nothing ever happened. But with the delay, I've never been a part of a delay where the umpires actually had to leave the stadium. But what are you going to do? We just had to battle through it and keep playing.

#### Sophomore catcher Steve Leonard

##### *On Wil Crowe...*

He just pitched very well today. He mixed all three pitches he was throwing. He threw strikes with all three, which is very good. He commanded the inside corner of the plate. He just did a very good job today.