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Head Coach Sean Lewis

Opening Statement:

"Spring ball is in the books. It was a good 15 practices with good, positive work. Today was a fun day. It was awesome to be in Snapdragon for the first time. There's a lot of work still to be done but a great spring, a great start and we like where we're at and where we're headed."

On the quarterbacks' performance:

"I thought they started out really well. They had good accuracy and some good timing and location. They had some good chemistry. We have to consistently do that all the way through to finish as the field tightens up a little bit there in the red zone but I'm pleased with the way that all of them performed."

On how the defense played:

"They started a little bit slow but the way they bowed up in the end especially there in the sudden change period and in the redzone period to be able to respond. I think on both sides of the ball, we could continue to do a good job within the line of scrimmage. I'd like to see a little bit more physicality across the board as we continue to develop our guys for summer conditioning as we move forward but I was really pleased with the effort."

On how the team has changed since the first spring practice:

"It's night and day. There's just a much better understanding of what we're looking for, the way the guys are going about their business and overall understanding. We went out there the first day and the number of missed assignments, miscommunications, things that were going on, which is to be expected, year one spring one to where we were today. They're doing a much better job."

Players

Junior safety Dalesean Staley

On the pace on the field from a defensive perspective:

From the beginning, we had to push it a little bit faster, but we started to break it up towards the end. Defensively, we like to come out strong. We like to come out fast, physical, getting blocks. We have to know where our checks and assignments are

and make sure we communicate fast. I feel like that's what we improved on from the first week of spring. It showed out there today minus the human errors but we're going to get that corrected.

On the team from practice one to practice 15:

We've just gotten better. The coaches that we've built around, the competitiveness that we want, from talking smack back-to-back, all that's doing is getting us better, stronger as a team, as a brotherhood. Then we can get into what we want, which is to win the Mountain West Championship. We're going to keep on competing and that's what we do everyday thanks to Coach Lewis and all the coaches around us.

On Coach Lewis' energy:

He is always high energy, and that's the type of energy I want to have in my life. When you have that high energy, that good energy around you, good things are going to happen. You don't have the learning errors. The energy that coach brings in brings everyone else up.

Junior wide receiver Louis Brown

On going faster as an offense:

I definitely think we could go faster as an offense, we're a spread simple offense and we want to get the defense tired and off track so we can go score points. So I think we can go way faster.

On what the QBs did well:

Getting the ball out. In practice we have some QBs and receivers that don't have off time to get the ball and run routes. Once we get some extra work in and connect, really dial in on what we're doing with this offense, it'll be a better connection.

On the friendly trash talk:

It gets a little rowdy. We like to compete everyday so we go back at each other. Things like "Let's work, we gotta get this money". There's going to be a little trash talking, if not it's not good work getting put in.

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