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Virginia vs. Notre Dame
Charlottesville, Va. (Scott Stadium)

Notre Dame Player Quotes

Corner Back Ramon Henderson:

On learning that he would be transitioning to field safety:

"Honestly, it just came this past Monday. I was sick Monday, but I guess we just put it in some new stuff. Tuesday I was told I'd be moving to field safety and possibly starting if I got it all down, so it's kind of like hard transition. It's very different from corner, but I was just told this past week."

On what he saw on the interception:

"Honestly, I probably wouldn't have got it if DJ [Brown] didn't tell me to do something. He told me to show too high and then he bumped down. [Jay Woolfolk] just showed eyes at [Dontayvion Wicks] so I just ran over there and tried to catch the ball."

On switching preparation after hearing that Brennan Armstrong wouldn't be playing:

"I think we can all say that [Brennan Armstrong] is a good guy. [Jay Woolfolk] also is still good. I think they're a little bit more fluid with [Armstrong]. When we heard the news, at the end of the day, we've still got to go play them. They've still got to come play us. I don't think any heads turn, it's just like we've got to go play we've got to stop [Woolfolk]. The D-line did a good job moving around and making him a little nervous."

Wide Receiver Braden Lenzy:

On the morale boost that Kyren Williams brings to the sideline:

"Kyren can make a three yard run look like the best play of the game and he can go untouched for 70 [yards] and you're just like that's just Ky. I think he's just kind of set the standard so high for what we expect that I would love to say that I get really surprised, but there's just so many times at this point that I'm not as much. I'd say what he does more than anything is he just gets people excited to play football. It's really comforting when a lot of his runs are based on mistakes. It's only a highlight play because someone else messed it up and put themselves in a good position to tackle him and then he makes a great play, so I think it's very comforting knowing you can have a guy where if you mess up, he can pick up the slack and that's what your captain does and he does that week in and week out so it's very nice to have him on the team."

On having a gritty performance:

"I think just going into the week, when you lose a leader, someone that puts up a lot of good numbers and has been a great player for us, it was definitely harped on to be more focused in what we do. Obviously the score doesn't reflect it, but we were going in thinking it was going to be a shootout. In my mind, I was prepared to do everything we could each snap because we don't know what can happen. And I just think that's the culture at Notre Dame. It's pretty normal."

On getting better every week:

"I think that's overall the exact message we get every week. That's what Coach Rees harps on. The goal is to get better every week. I think early in the year there came so many games where we were winning and we just didn't feel good about the wins. Winning is not easy. You see so many of these good teams losing, so I think we really have just been very methodical and focusing on that week and what we can do to get better that week. I think that you see the results recently especially after the bye week and Virginia Tech. We just continue to develop."