



GEORGIA PRACTICE QUOTES

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C FERNANDO VELASCO, TB KREGG LUMPKIN, SC ASHER ALLEN, SS KELIN JOHNSON, TB KNOWSHOWN MORENO

Question for Fernando Velasco – What has practicing in the Superdome been like? “It has been awesome. This is my first time coming to the Superdome. I am amazed at how big it is. The only other dome I have been in is the Georgia Dome and this feels a lot bigger than that.”

Question for Fernando Velasco – How has the trip to New Orleans been as opposed to playing in bowl games in Atlanta the last two seasons? “It gives it a more of a bowl feeling. I have seen all the sights in Atlanta the last few years. Getting away from that gives you a chance to see another city. It is just great to see all of the things going on in New Orleans.”

Question for Fernando Velasco – How have practices gone the last few days and how well prepared do you think the team is? “Practice has gone real well. I am proud of the guys for keeping focused. Being in a city like New Orleans it can be real hard to stay focused. We have time to play and get away from football, but when it has come time for football everyone has been getting after it real hard and competing. I am just proud of the guys for staying focused and keeping their eyes on the prize. This is a business trip and the ultimate goal here is to beat Hawaii.”

Question for Kregg Lumpkin – Is part of the game plan keeping the ball away from Hawaii’s offense? “Well we will definitely try to do that and keep control of the clock. That is something we are focusing on all week and also keeping the ball out of their hands.”

Question for Kregg Lumpkin – How has Coach Richt motivated the team throughout the season? “He deserves all of the credit. He tells us every week to take it one game at a time and every week we prepare for our next opponent.”

Question for Kregg Lumpkin – Where is the team psychologically coming into this game? “We are excited to be here. We are happy to be here and play Hawaii. It is awesome to be here. New Orleans is a fun place to be.”

Question for Asher Allen – What are the concerns coming off of the long layoff? “Well the most important thing is conditioning. We haven’t played a full speed game in a long time. Being well conditioned will help us when it comes time to play the game.”

Question for Kelin Johnson – How have your teammates been the last few days here in New Orleans? “The guys are upbeat and having fun. We are enjoying being with each other and being in New Orleans. It is wonderful to be in a BCS game and wear the ‘G’ on your helmet one last time representing the state of Georgia.”

Question for Kelin Johnson – At what point does it go from enjoying the city to being serious about playing the game? “It starts the first time you step on the field for practice. You have to take care of your

business in practice. Once you step off of the field, you can relax a little bit and enjoy yourself. Even after that I feel like the whole team is focused.”

Question for Kelin Johnson – How confident are you that you will be able to stop Hawaii’s offense? “I am very confident. That is our duty. We know we are going to have to play physical, fast, and hard. If we do those things we can win this game.”

Question for Knowshown Moreno – How important will time of possession be? “It will be important. Hawaii’s offense does a great job moving the ball and scoring. I think our defense is going to do a great job trying to stop them. We will do our part too.”

Question for Knowshown Moreno – The team got to attend the Hornets and Cavaliers game last night, how was it? “It was fun. I can tell LeBron James is about to get hot. I still think I can take him one on one. I had a good time though, I love basketball.”