

WEEK Three
PRAIRIE VIEW AT UNLV

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UNLV Rebels running back Xzaviar Campbell (35) tries to run the ball past Prairie View A&M Panthers cornerback Jaylen Harris (23) during the first half of a football game at Sam Boyd Stadium in Las Vegas on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018.

Three takeaways from UNLV’s 46-17 victory over Prairie View A&M on Saturday at Sam Boyd Stadium:

1. Prairie View never had a chance.

There was never a sense UNLV was in any kind of trouble, with the Rebels taking control from the beginning and making a clear point this would not be Howard repeat.

The Rebels lost 43-40 to Howard in last year’s season opener, and now that game can be seen as a one-off. In UNLV coach Tony’s Sanchez’s four seasons, the Rebels have beaten Idaho State 80-8, Jackson State 63-13 and Texas-El Paso 52-24.

UNLV led 20-0 after the first quarter and 34-0 at halftime. It was similar to the week before when the Rebels led UTEP 38-10 at in-termission.

Prairie View was simply overwhelmed, twice butchering punt snaps, once losing a fumble deep in UNLV territory and another time fail- ing to score after getting a fumble within breathing distance of the Rebels’ end zone.

UNLV, though, needs to do a better job of keeping up the pressure. The Rebels appeared disinterested in the third quarter, allowing the Panthers score twice and trim their lead to 34-14.

2. The Panthers’ star back was never a factor.

Dawonya Tucker entered off back-to-back 200-yard rushing games, and he was averaging 10.2 yards per run for the Panthers.

It was as if Prairie View forgot he was on the roster.

Tucker carried three times in the first quarter when the running game still could have been a factor, gaining one yard. He was lim- ited to nine yards on seven first-half carries, and by that time the drama had been taken out of the game.

He finished with 12 rushes for 61 yards. Give UNLV’s defense credit for allowing him to get untracked.

3. Now the schedule gets serious.

UNLV did what it had to do in dispatching UTEP and Prairie View, and now the Rebels’ schedule gets considerably harder.

They next travel to Arkansas State, which has at least shared five of the past seven Sun Belt Conference titles. In some ways, there is little pressure on the Rebels. Their bowl hopes remain very much intact with a loss, but should UNLV win, it would be a major step forward for the program and bring those postseason dreams that much closer to reality.

Then after a week off, the Rebels head into Mountain West play with an Oct. 6 home game against New Mexico.

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PVAM	0	0	14	3	17
UNLV	20	14	0	12	46

Scoring Summary -----

FIRST QUARTER		PVAM	UNLV
UNLV TD 9:23			
A. Rogers pass,to D. Tejchman for 24 yds for a TD, (E. Pantels PAT MISSED)13 plays, 75 yards, 5:37		0	6
UNLV TD 8:01			
L. Thomas run for 1 yd for a TD, (E. Pantels KICK)		0	13
2 plays, 5 yards, 0:37			
PVAM TD 5:24J. Morton pass,to T. Wallace for 6 yds for a TD		6	13
4 plays, 0 yards, 1:25			
UNLV TD 1:29A. Rogers run for 6 yds for a TD, (E. Pantels KICK)		0	20
2 plays, 12 yards, 0:35			
SECOND QUARTER		PVAM	UNLV
UNLV TD 8:12A. Rogers run for 2 yds for a TD, (E. Pantels KICK)		0	27
14 plays, 89 yards, 6:34			
UNLV TD 0:51 A. Rogers run for 2 yds for a TD, (E. Pantels KICK)		0	34
4 plays, 59 yards, 0:56			
THIRD QUARTER		PVAM	UNLV
PVAM TD 5:38J. Morton pass,to T. Wallace for 4 yds for a TD, (Z. El- der KICK)3 plays, 41 yards, 0:42		7	34
PVAM TD 1:44			
J. Morton pass,to Z. Holcombe for 13 yds for a TD, (Z. Elder KICK)		14	34
2 plays, 50 yards, 0:41			
FOURTH QUARTER		PVAM	UNLV
PVAM FG 8:28Z. Elder 28 yd FG GOOD		17	34
10 plays, 88 yards, 2:39			
UNLV FG 5:04			
E. Pantels 32 yd FG GOOD 6 plays, 21 yards, 3:14		17	37
UNLV TD 4:15 A. Rogers run for 8 yds for a TD, (E. Pantels KICK)		17	44
2 plays, 11 yards, 0:44			
UNLV SF 0:37 PRAIRIE VIEW penalty, illegal kicking (C. Darbone) for a SAFETY 7 plays, -20 yards, 3:32		17	46
Team Stats		PVAM	UNLV
First Downs		15	26
Total Yards		345	454
Total Plays		73	88
Avg Gain Per Play		4.7	5.2
Net Yards Rushing		116	324
Rushes		36	66
Yards Per Rush		3.2	4.9
Net Yards Passing		229	130
Comp-Att		10-37	11-22
Yards Per Pass		6.2	5.9
Times Sacked		1	4
Yds Lost To Sacks		-5	-19
Interceptions		0	1
Punts		6	3
Punt Average		0.0	0.0
Penalties		5	4
Penalty Yards		49	35
Fumbles		6	2
Fumbles Lost		3	2
Possession		22:07	37:53

Individual Stats

RUSHING						
PVAM	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	
Dawonya Tucker	12	61	5.1	0	30	
Jalen Morton	14	22	1.6	0	14	
Reginald Peck	2	6	3.0	0	6	
Caleb Broach	2	5	2.5	0	4	
Trazon Connley	2	5	2.5	0	3	
UNLV	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	
Lexington Thomas	30	124	4.1	1	15	
Armani Rogers	16	122	7.6	4	28	
Xzaviar Campbell	8	33	4.1	0	9	
Charles Williams	7	22	3.1	0	8	
Tyleek Collins	1	17	17.0	0	17	
Team	1	0	0.0	0	0	

PASSING

PVAM	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Jalen Morton	11	37	208	5.6	2	0	99.5
Trazon Connley	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
UNLV	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Armani Rogers	11	21	130	6.2	1	1	105.5

RECEIVING

PVAM	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	
Kalen Riles	4	134	33.5	0	61	
Tristen Wallace	3	52	17.3	1	33	
Jose Medrano	1	27	27.0	0	27	
Zarrian Holcombe	1	13	13.0	1	13	
Dawonya Tucker	1	7	7.0	0	7	
Xavier Johnson	1	5	5.0	0	5	
UNLV	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	
Tyleek Collins	2	29	14.5	0	15	
Drew Tejchman	1	24	24.0	1	24	
Kendal Keys	2	24	12.0	0	16	
Evan Owens	1	16	16.0	0	16	
Darren Woods Jr.	1	11	11.0	0	11	
Mekhi Stevenson	1	11	11.0	0	11	
Giovanni Faulolo	2	9	4.5	0	9	
Jamaal Neal	1	6	6.0	0	6	