

WEEK FOUR
RICE AT SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

HATTIESBURG, Miss. -- Jack Abraham passed for 428 yards and four touchdowns and Southern Miss rolled to a 40-22 victory over Rice on Saturday in the Conference USA opener for both teams.

Abraham, a sophomore, completed 25 of 34 passes and finished with the fourth-highest single-game yardage total in Golden Eagles history.

Southern Miss (2-1) jumped out to a 10-0 first-quarter lead on Parker Shaunfield's 28-yard field goal and Abraham's 28-yard scoring strike to Quez Watkins.

The Owls (1-3) pulled within two points by quarter's end on Austin Walter's 62-yard TD run and a 2-point conversion run by Jordan Myers.

Abraham connected with Tez Parks for a 14-yard TD and a 17-8 lead early in the second quarter. Rice again cut its deficit to two on Aaron Cephus' 5-yard pass from Shawn Stankavage, but the Golden Eagles answered with Steven Anderson's 1-yard plunge to lead 24-15 at halftime.

Abraham sandwiched TD passes to Jaylond Adams and Tim Jones around Shaunfield's 44-yard field goal to pull away in the second half.

It marked the eighth straight meeting that the winning team has scored at least 40 points.

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RICE	8	7	0	7	22
USM	10	14	10	6	40

Scoring Summary -----

	RICE	USM
FIRST QUARTER		
USM FG 9:32		
Parker Shaunfield 28 Yd Field Goal		
5 plays, 67 yards, 1:30	0	3
USM TD 7:52		
Quez Watkins 28 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Parker Shaunfield Kick)		
1 play, 28 yards, 0:09	0	10
RICE TD 6:31		
Austin Walter 62 Yd Run (Jordan Myers Run for Two-Point Conversion)		
3 plays, 75 yards, 1:21	8	10
SECOND QUARTER		
USM TD 14:06		
Tez Parks 14 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Parker Shaunfield Kick)		
9 plays, 86 yards, 4:14	8	17
RICE TD 7:24		
Aaron Cephus 5 Yd pass from Shawn Stankavage (Jack Fox Kick)		
12 plays, 59 yards, 6:34	15	17
USM TD 3:15		
Steven Anderson 1 Yd Run (Parker Shaunfield Kick)		
1 play, 1 yard, 0:04	15	24
THIRD QUARTER		
USM TD 8:58		
Jaylond Adams 6 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Parker Shaunfield Kick)		
10 plays, 74 yards, 4:28	15	31
USM FG 2:10		
Parker Shaunfield 44 Yd Field Goal		
8 plays, 41 yards, 4:36	15	34
FOURTH QUARTER		
USM TD 11:00		
Tim Jones 21 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Two-Point Pass Conversion Failed)		
4 plays, 91 yards, 2:15	15	40
RICE TD 6:58		
Aaron Cephus 4 Yd pass from Shawn Stankavage (Jack Fox Kick)		
8 plays, 58 yards, 3:54	22	40

Team Stats	RICE	USM
First Downs	12	25
Total Yards	262	566
Total Plays	55	65
Avg Gain Per Play	4.8	8.7
Net Yards Rushing	137	138
Rushes	29	31
Yards Per Rush	4.7	4.5
Net Yards Passing	125	428
Comp-Att	13-26	25-34
Yards Per Pass	4.8	12.6
Times Sacked	1	0
Yds Lost To Sacks	-11	0
Interceptions	2	1
Punts	6	1
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	3	5
Penalty Yards	30	39
Fumbles	0	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	28:01	31:59

Individual Stats

RUSHING

	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
RICE					
Austin Walter	6	81	13.5	1	62
Emmanuel Esukpa	18	37	2.1	0	7
Shawn Stankavage	4	17	4.3	0	11
Jordan Myers	1	2	2.0	0	2
USM					
Steven Anderson	8	52	6.5	1	20
Trivenskey Mosley	9	42	4.7	0	13
Tez Parks	6	31	5.2	0	13
De'Michael Harris	2	19	9.5	0	10
Quez Watkins	1	8	8.0	0	8
Jack Abraham	3	-6	-2.0	0	5
Team	2	-8	-4.0	0	0

PASSING

	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
RICE							
Shawn Stankavage	13	26	125	4.8	2	2	14.3
USM							
Jack Abraham	25	34	428	12.6	4	1	81.8

RECEIVING

	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
RICE					
Austin Trammell	6	60	10.0	0	29
Jordan Myers	3	35	11.7	0	15
Aaron Cephus	3	22	7.3	2	13
Austin Walter	1	8	8.0	0	8
USM					
De'Michael Harris	4	99	24.8	0	74
Quez Watkins	5	85	17.0	1	28
Tim Jones	4	65	16.3	1	23
Jay'Shawn Washington	1	65	65.0	0	65
Jordan Mitchell	3	62	20.7	0	49
Jaylond Adams	4	32	8.0	1	11
Tez Parks	1	14	14.0	1	14
Trivenskey Mosley	2	8	4.0	0	8
Neil McLaurin	1	-2	-2.0	0	0