

WEEK TWO
COASTAL CAROLINA at KANSAS

Coastal Carolina overpowers Kansas 12-7

LAWRENCE, Kan. -- Entering Saturday night's matchup between Kansas and Coastal Carolina, all eyes fell to the Jayhawks' Pooka Williams Jr. as he made his season debut following a single-game suspension, his offensive impact under new Kansas coach Les Miles eagerly anticipated.

However, a 148-yard, two-touchdown performance by Coastal Carolina's CJ Marable quickly gleaned the spotlight, exceeding the output of Williams and leading the Chanticleers to a 12-7 victory over the Jayhawks in David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium.

Fred Payton connected with Marable for 20 yards to pick up the Chanticleers (1-1) lone touchdown of the first half; however, a missed extra-point attempt in conjunction with a shanked 31-yard field goal by Massimo Biscardi sent the Chanticleers to the locker room facing a 7-6 deficit.

To open the second half, Chandler Kryst picked off the pass of Carter Stanley, fueling a 64-yard drive by Coastal Carolina resulting in a second touchdown for Marable and an ultimately insurmountable lead for the Chanticleers.

A third missed field goal by Biscardi, this time from 27 yards, gifted Kansas (1-1) one final offensive drive late in the fourth quarter, yet the Jayhawks were unable to convert, turning the ball over on downs after gaining only eight yards.

"At that moment I felt like I let everybody down and let the team down," Williams said. "They trust me with fourth down and 3. They trust me, and I felt like I let them down."

Williams rushed for 99 yards on 22 carries to lead the Jayhawks. Khalil Herbert tacked on an additional 82 yards on the ground, including a 41-yard touchdown run to cap the Jayhawks' opening offensive drive and secure the lone Kansas touchdown. However, the efforts of the shifty Kansas running back unit were unable to make amends for two untimely interceptions and a 107-yard passing performance by Stanley.

"What led to the offensive struggles was a secondary that played some quality zone coverage and frankly we couldn't quite beat that," Miles said.

THE MILES ERA

The Jayhawks' far-from-perfect performance against Indiana State followed by Saturday's loss leaves it unclear as to whether Miles will turnaround the near decade of mediocracy fostered by David Beaty, Charlie Weis, and Turner Gill. Miles believed the matchup with the Chanticleers was a game the Jayhawks should have won.

"I'm not happy," Miles said. "This is not how I saw it going. This is not how our team saw it going. Our guys played with their hearts on their sleeves and did everything they could possibly do to win this game."

QUARTERBACK CONTROVERSY

For the second-consecutive week, both Fred Payton and Bryce Carpenter saw action at the quarterback position for Coastal Carolina. Despite a four-interception outing last week, Payton again earned the starting nod, throwing for 98 yards and completing 6-of-9 passes. Early in the second quarter, coach Jamey Chadwell turned to Carpenter, who added 21 yards off two completions.

THE TAKEAWAY

Coastal Carolina: In only their second season as a full-time FBS team, the Chanticleers were to overpower their first Big 12 opponent in program history for much of the evening, hanging 291 total yards of offense on Kansas compared to the Jayhawks' 280. Cracking a five-game losing streak, Coastal Carolina showed improvements offensively following a struggle-ridden opener against Eastern Michigan last week featuring four interceptions.

Kansas: Falling to 1-1, the slim margin of victory last week paired with the loss to Coastal Carolina leaves much to be desired from the newly-renovated Kansas offense. The return of Williams appeared to provide a needed spark to the Kansas run-game, allowing the Jayhawks to pick up 68 more yards on the ground than they recorded last week.

Final	1	2	3	4	T
CCU	0	6	6	0	12
KU	7	0	0	0	7

Scoring Summary -----

FIRST QUARTER		CCU	KU
KU TD 11:32 Khalil Herbert 41 Yd Run (Jacob Borcila Kick)		0	7
8 plays, 65 yards, 3:28			
SECOND QUARTER		CCU	KU
CCU TD 0:41 CJ Marable 20 Yd pass from Fred Payton (Massimo Biscardi PAT failed)		6	7
6 plays, 64 yards, 2:00			
THIRD QUARTER		CCU	KU
CCU TD 7:58 CJ Marable 8 Yd Run (Two-Point Pass Conversion Failed)		12	7
7 plays, 44 yards, 3:27			

Team Stats	CCU	KU
First Downs	20	17
Passes for First	6	7
Rushes for First	13	10
Penalties for First	1	0
Third Down Efficiency	1-9	4-10
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-1	0-3
Total Yards	291	280
Total Plays	63	56
Avg Gain Per Play	4.6	5.0
Net Yards Rushing	172	173
Rushes	49	37
Yards Per Rush	3.5	4.7
Net Yards Passing	119	107
Comp-Att	8-14	13-19
Yards Per Pass	8.5	5.6
Times Sacked	3	2
Yds Lost To Sacks	-22	-18
Interceptions	0	2
Punts	4	2
Punt Average	40.3	49.5
Penalties	4	5
Penalty Yards	31	40
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	34:26	25:34

Individual Stats

RUSHING

COASTAL CAROLINA	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
CJ Marable	24	148	6.2	1	27
Jacgez Hairston	11	34	3.1	0	7
Reese White	3	5	1.7	0	5
Aaron Bedgood	1	4	4.0	0	4
Bryce Carpenter	5	1	0.2	0	9
Team	1	-4	-4.0	0	0
Fred Payton	4	-16	-4.0	0	0
KANSAS	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Pooka Williams Jr.	22	99	4.5	0	15
Khalil Herbert	8	82	10.3	1	41
Dom Williams	2	4	2.0	0	3
Andrew Parchment	1	0	0.0	0	0
Carter Stanley	4	-12	-3.0	0	5

PASSING

COASTAL CAROLINA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Fred Payton	6	9	98	10.9	1	0	47.9
Bryce Carpenter	2	5	21	4.2	0	0	26.3
KANSAS	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Carter Stanley	13	19	107	5.6	0	2	16.0

RECEIVING

COASTAL CAROLINA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Isaiah Likely	2	46	23.0	0	24
Jaivon Heiligh	2	26	13.0	0	19
CJ Marable	1	20	20.0	1	20
Jeremiah Miller	1	12	12.0	0	12
T'Qele Holmes	1	9	9.0	0	9
Shadell Bell	1	6	6.0	0	6
KANSAS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Stephon Robinson Jr.	4	45	11.3	0	15
James Sosinski	3	36	12.0	0	20
Andrew Parchment	3	14	4.7	0	11
Pooka Williams Jr.	2	10	5.0	0	7
Velton Gardner	1	2	2.0	0	2