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Interim Head Coach Bill Callahan

On S Montae Nicholson and the legal process:

“First off, a young lady lost her life. Our condolences, thoughts and prayers go out to her family, her friends and loved ones. That’s a sad situation. Relative to [S] Montae [Nicholson] and the legal process, we’re letting that play our right now. We’re getting more facts and information. As of right now, Montae practiced. He’s still on the injury report, and we’ll see where we’re at tomorrow as we get a little bit more info.”

On whether he talked to Nicholson today:

“I have not. Not yet.”

On whether Nicholson will play if he’s recovered from his ankle injury:

“Like I said, we’re still gathering information and we’ll make that determination and decision as we move forward.”

On WR Paul Richardson Jr.’s injury status:

“We’ll know a little bit more this afternoon as we get the medical report from the trainers. He’s been backed down the past few days, he’s been rehabbing and trying to get himself healthy again. I thought there was a really good chance of him playing this week and that possibility still exists, but we’ll see a little bit later.”

On when Richardson suffered the injury:

“Buffalo.”

On the New York Jets offense:

“Really versatile. I’m really impressed with [Jets QB Sam] Darnold and what he does and how he leads plays, executes. He’s a young quarterback that’s emerging, and I think he’s going to be an outstanding player in the years to come. The thing that sticks out mostly when you watch him is his versatility – throwing the ball under duress, making quick decisions, holding it and making the last-minute decision to work through his progression. I’ve seen him basically draped with two or three defensive linemen on top of him and come through and make a throw for a completion, just like he did last week in the Giants game. He’s an impressive guy, a talent, smart. The decision-making is really well-done, but his ability to scramble and extend plays – he has all the traits, moving ability, escape ability, quick drops, quick throws, fast release. I think he’s going to be a really good player for years to come.”

On whether RB Chris Thompson and TE Vernon Davis are being considered for injured reserve:

“It’s a good question. We go week-to-week, day-to-day. We do a really good job gathering information through their workouts and also the rehabilitation process. They’re on the field everyday working. [TE] Vernon [Davis] is out on the field everyday working – I think he’s getting closer. [RB] Chris [Thompson] may not be as close, but we’re doing everything we can to try to find ways to get him back on the field. It’ll be great to get those two guys back out there for certain.”

On RB Adrian Peterson’s toe injury:

“[RB] Adrian [Peterson] is really something. We were discussing his traits and what makes him a great player. I’ve seen him go through so many different injuries since I’ve been here and seemingly one week he has a calf, or a thigh, or a hip, or an elbow. By gameday, he gets himself ready mentally to overcome injuries that he has. He’s impressive that way, he’s rare, he’s one of a kind. I don’t think it’s bothered him much at all through the week. I think the main thing has been rest and trying to keep him off his feet so that he’s fully ready to go on Sunday.”

On whether Peterson is harder to manage because of his tendency to downplay injuries:

“His threshold is amazing. I think I explained this a few times how he pushes through his rehabilitation process and it’s exceptional. He’s honest as to where he’s at, and I always have a discussion with him relative to where he’s at during the week. I can point blankly say, ‘AP, where are you today? What do you need? Are you going to be ready for Sunday? Can I count on you?’ He’s point blank. He’s honest and he’ll tell you right where he’s at, what percent he’s at, whether he’s at 60 percent, 80 percent. If he tells me he’s 100 percent he’ll say, ‘Coach, don’t even worry about it. I’m fine, I’ll be ready.’ So, I’ve got a lot of trust in him because he’s the type of athlete that really knows his body. He knows himself better than anybody, and I’ve got great confidence in his ability to get himself ready as he works through injury and things of that nature. He’s done that his whole career. He’s done it since he’s been here, and that’s one of the most impressive parts about him as an athlete and as a potential Hall of Famer.”