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QB Carson Wentz

On how he feels about timing and rhythm of the offense:

“Feels good, could definitely get better. But it’s still early, we’re only two weeks into camp and those are the things that particularly we’re working on. We’re also not game-planning for our defense. You know, seeing different looks and all those things. So, I feel like it’s in a good place, but it’s just going to keep getting better. Far from perfect, but it’s fun developing chemistry with those guys.”

On how hard it is to get timing down with receivers:

“It takes time. It takes time to develop that timing. It takes a lot of conversations too. You know, you go out for a rep at practice, whether you hit it or miss it, you come in and watch the films and say, “This is what I was seeing, this is what I was feeling.”, and you talk through it. But you know, it’s still early, it’s not perfect. It’s in a good place but it’s going to keep getting better. And so, lots of thing to keep talking through and building, but I feel good about where we’re headed.”

On how this training camp compares to previous ones:

“They’re all different, they’re all different. Every year is different. For me, year seven is different. Especially with a younger locker room and kind of a veteran guy coming in. But it feels good, honestly it feels good. It’s been fun. Like I’ve been talking about building that chemistry on the field, but also off the field and getting to know all these guys, different backgrounds, different things, so it’s fun. Different, every year is different, but it’s a good different.”

On how this offense compares to previous ones:

“I like it, I like it a lot. I like where we’re at. I like picking Coach Turner’s brain a lot and just how he sees the game and how he wants to attack defenses. I’ve already learned a lot from him and it’s been fun kind of just creating that chemistry, but in a different way than with receivers and all that. But it’s been fun to kind of dive into it together and see how he sees the game and I’m enjoying it.”

On if this system is more complex than previous ones:

“I wouldn’t say more complex, they’re all different. They all have their own little nuances and it may be a very similar play, but how we want to stretch the defense or attack the defense, how we want to bring the play. There’s all those different things. Quite frankly, that’s one of the fun parts of the game for me is always learning. Always trying to learn and get better. Even little details in a route, in a scheme, knowing where your check-down is, all those things has been fun. To keep pushing the envelope on learning and understanding, and I feel like I like it a lot better.”

On pump fakes in gameplay:

“Yeah, I think only one of them might’ve been intentional tonight. In one of them you know Kendall [Fuller] was sitting on the route, didn't wanna throw it to Kendall and just you know that's part of the game, but some of it is also with the new scheme that we're calling.”

On if it was his first touchdown to Terry:

"I don't think so. I'm not sure. That's a great question, they all kind of blend together. No, it was good to see it out here. Different route that we haven't really worked on a lot yet just to feel that timing out here you know especially in front of the fans, just to get a little taste of the energy that we're gonna feel on Sundays out here, so it's cool."

On how he felt being here and entering the home locker room:

"Feels a little different, feels a little different. Running out there, even getting cheered for that was fun, not getting booed. So no, it was cool. Good experience out there, like I said, just to feel a little glimpse of the energy. You know, and hopefully, obviously, we'll see a lot more of that this Fall. Yeah, it was cool to see a little glimpse of it."

On feeling comfortable right now:

"Kind of, kind of. I mean every week there's some new stuff, every week it's a new defense, it's a lot, so I wouldn't say you ever feel like you got it all figured out. You're always trying to get better and keep pushing the envelope there. But, yeah I think definitely the OTAs were big for me mentally to come in and learn and just really just takes up the playbook and learn it, and now you're coming out practice next, putting it out there, you're seeing it live, seeing the reps. But, yea I feel like it's in a good place right now."

On what he has learned from Scott Turner:

"Nothing specific that I'll share necessarily but just you know little nuances within concepts, how you know it's a similar play I've been running my whole career, but we're gonna line a little differently or we're gonna come out of our break a little differently or attack the defense differently when you get different coverages and just some different things that I may have never thought of before, just some little things that can kind of help understand how he's seeing it, so we could be you know on the same page as we're progressing."

On conversations in-between plays with other plays:

"For one, I'll be doing that the entire year you know always mid game I'll be coming over 'hey what are you feeling against that DB or what's that coverage looking like and that's the fun part of the game. Just trying to understand each other how I'm seeing it, so they know what I'm seeing vice versa. So, you're gonna see that a lot and you never feel like you got it figured out cause it's a new look every single time, it's you know new DB, new different things, so we're always talking, always trying to understand what each other's seeing and feeling."

On his connection with Cole Turner:

"Yeah, I mean he's a big target. Big target, friendly target. For a rookie he's come in and done a nice job. Nice job learning the X's and O's, and the same conversations I'm having with Terry and Curtis, same with him. You know if we're a little off on a throw here I'm not going to over-analyze it, we're just gonna talk about it so we're all on the same page. If it's my fault, his fault, doesn't matter. So he's been really receptive to trying to get better, trying to learn and understand this offense as quickly as you can. But yeah, he brings a big body, a big target with a lot of range and it's been fun working with him."

On his thoughts on Ron Rivera's decision to play him against Carolina:

"That's something I always leave to the coaches. I trust their decision, I trust what coach [Scott] Turner thinks, I trust what coach Rivera thinks and everything. I know as an offense, you know, there are some new pieces, there are some new things so I know we want to get out there, so we'll trust them to make the call in terms of how much. Either way I'm excited to run out there and, you know, get some live action a little bit."

On his relationship with Charles Leno:

“You know it’s been fun. Really the entire offensive line, coming in and getting to know those guys. Really one of the only veteran groups, outside of maybe Cosmi, that we have on the team, and it’s been fun. Some guys coming in from different places, and some guys that have been here a long time, I mean just getting to know all those guys. Charles in particular always brings energy, always has a positive outlook on everything. Definitely a great leader on our offense and on this team, and it’s been fun connecting even off the field. You know, he’s got a couple kids, and we got a couple kids so we’ve gotten together, and his wife and my wife. So it’s been fun just building that relationship not only on the field, because he’s protecting my blind side which is very important, but also just building that relationship off the field too.”