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Senior Quarterback Austin Allen

On what level of play he has to bring to Arkansas...

"For me, I just have to take what they give me. A few times last year, I felt like I had to make a play to get us back on track. I thought I had to get out of my comfort zone and it didn't always work out. Punting isn't always the worst thing. This year if I get four yards on a 3rdand-6, I know that it is playing field position and flipping the field. Knowing the scenario of the game and the down and distance will really help me out by playing smarter and staying in the flow of the game better."

On veterans leaving and new faces in the receiving core...

"We had a lot of good football players last year leave us so this time next year, y'all will be talking about how the quarterback taking over has a stacked wide receiver group. I think a lot of those young guys could have a really big year."

On emphasis this offseason on finishing strong...

"That has been our M.O. since after the Virginia Tech game and going into winter conditioning. We might think we are done, but then we run another four or five sprints and things like that. We are putting in a lot of extra film work, especially in the summer when it is a lot of player-led stuff. Going back and watching the second half of the Missouri game and the Tech game, it just steams me and really has driven us this offseason."

On where he thinks he ranks among quarterbacks around the SEC and the country... "I think we have a really talented group in the SEC, as good as we've had it in a long time. I'm really excited to see everyone play this year. I have a lot of confidence in myself so I'm just going to try to work really hard."