

2018 POSTGAME NOTES

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MCLANE STADIUM • WACO, TEXAS SEPT. 1, 2018 • ATTENDANCE 45,330

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- With the victory on Saturday evening, Baylor is now 77-36-4 all-time in season openers, including a 13-10 mark in the Big 12 era (since 1996).
- Head coach Matt Rhule is 3-3 in season openers in his career.
- Baylor is in its 117th football season and second under Matt Rhule -- the Bears are 589-568-44 all-time and Rhule is 29-34 in his career (2-11 at BU).
- Baylor has scored in a school-record 138-straight games -- the previous school record was 89 games from Dec. 31, 1979 Oct. 23, 1987.
- ACU won the toss and chose to defer. The Bears received to start the game.
- Ira Lewis, Chris Platt, Patrick Lawrence and Jamie Jacobs served as team captains vs. Abilene Christian.

TEAM NOTES

- The last time Baylor scored over 50 points in a game was the 2016 season opener when it defeated Northwestern State 55-7 on Sept. 2, 2016.
- RBs JaMycal Hasty and John Lovett each rushed for multiple TDs, two and three, respectively, the first time Baylor has had two rushers with multiple touchdowns since Oct. 1, 2016 at lowa State (Terence Williams and Seth Russell).
- The last time BU running backs combined for 4+ rushing TDs in a game was when BU had seven rushing TDs in the 2015 Russell Athletic Bowl.
- The last time Baylor had multiple 100-yard rushers was Oct. 29, 2016 at Texas (T. Williams 180, S. Russell 138).
- Baylor's 606 yards marked the 45th time in program history with 600-plus yards of total offense, the first since totaling 634 yards vs. Texas Tech on Nov. 25, 2016.
- The 600+ yards are the first at McLane Stadium since racking up 693 vs. West Virginia on Oct. 17, 2015.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- RB John Lovett collected a career-high 115 yards rushing to lead the Bears in the run game. The 100-yard rushing performance is the first of his career.
- RB Lovett's three rushing TDs makes him the first BU player to achieve that mark since Johnny Jefferson had three in the 2015 Russell Athletic Bowl vs. North Carolina.
- RB JaMycal Hasty's 102 yards tonight puts him over the 1,000 yard career rushing mark. He now sits at 1,039 (937 coming in), good for 37th on the Baylor career rushing list.
- RB Hasty's 169 all-purpose yards (102 rush, 67 receiving) is a career-high for the junior.
- RB Hasty ran for 102 yards, his second-career 100-yard rushing performance.
- RB JaMycal Hasty ran for a career-long 54 yard TD. He finished the day with 2 rushing TDs.
- WR Marques Jones made his second-career start tonight vs. ACU (first career vs. Texas in 2017).
- K/P Connor Martin knocked home a career-long 50 yard field goal, the longest for a Baylor kicker since 2013.
- K/P Connor Martin was 2-for-2 for field goals, bringing his career marks to 22-for-26, .846 percent for career, now ranks 1st on Baylor's highest FG percentage list for a career more than 10% better than the previous record of .731 by Terry Syler (38-of-52).
- WR Jalen Hurd with his first-career touchdown reception as a Bear (7th collegiate receiving TD of his career), a 35-yard reception from QB Jalan McClendon, his first-career touchdown pass as a Bear.
- LB Terrel Bernard collected his first-career interception in the first quarter and returned it for 28 yards, the longest return by a BU player since Clay Johnston's 65-yard return on Oct. 15, 2016 vs. Kansas.
- WR Marques Jones' 20-yard TD reception was the first of his career.
- LB James Lockhart's sack for a loss of three yards is the first sack of his career.
- Transfers OL Christian Beard, WR Jalen Hurd and LB James Lockhart were starters in their Baylor debut.
- \bullet LB $Ross\ Matiscik\ and\ CB\ Raleigh\ Texada\ made\ their\ first\ career\ Baylor\ starts.$
- LB Matiscik tallied a career-high 5 tackles (3 solo), good for third-most on the team in total tackles.
- QB Charlie Brewer made his fifth-career start.
- QB Jalen McClendon posted a team-high 173 yards on 10-13 passing with two passing touchdowns.
- \bullet QB McClendon totaled career-highs in yards, completions, attempts, and touchdowns.
- QB McClendon set a new career-long pass completion, connecting JaMycal Hasty on a 34-yard pass in the first quarter.
- CB Chris Miller tallied a career-high 7 tackles (5 solo).
- LB Chad Kelly with a career-high 6 tackles (5 solo). Tallied his first-career TFL.
- TE Christoph Henle with his first-career reception for seven yards.
- WR Denzel Mims (3 catches) has had two or more catches in 13-straight games.
- WR Mims (1,191 career receiving yards) now ranks 24th on Baylor's career list.
- OL Patrick Lawrence and Blake Blackmar made their 26th and 25th consecutive starts, respectively.
- QB Garret McGuire made his debut on the field for the Bears, making one rush for two yards in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter.
- WR **Josh Fleeks** saw playing time in the backfield in his collegiate debut, posting two carries for 12 yards.
- RB Abram Smith made his debut for the Bears, with the redshirt freshman handling four carries for 11 yards.