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BAY	7	3	7	0	17
TEX	3	20	0	0	23

Ehlinger injured, but No. 9 Texas survives Baylor 23-17

AUSTIN, Texas -- Shane Buechele came on for injured quarterback Sam Ehlinger early in the first quarter and No. 9 Texas beat Baylor 23-17 when the Bears' final pass sailed through the back of the end zone Saturday.

Baylor quarterback Charlie Brewer drove the Bears from their own 3 to the Texas 17 before he had to rush his final three throws under intense pressure.

The victory makes Texas (6-1, 4-0 Big 12 Conference) bowl eligible.

Texas Freshman running back Keaontay Ingram ran for 110 yards, the Longhorns' first 100-yard rushing effort of the season. Defensive end Charles Omenihu had two sacks and was chasing Brewer on the last three plays.

"We knew this wasn't going to be easy and obviously when your starting QB goes out on the first drive, there could have been some panic, a little shock," Texas coach Tom Herman said.

Buechele finished Texas' opening drive after game officials made Ehlinger leave because his right, throwing hand was bleeding. Ehlinger went to the sideline and then the locker room before school officials announced he had injured his throwing shoulder. He returned to the sideline but didn't play again and changed into street clothes.

After the game, Herman said Ehlinger has a shoulder sprain and would have an MRI to see if there is any ligament damage, but he hoped to have him throwing again in a few days.

Buechele was the full-time starter in 2016, when he set several school freshman passing records, but he hadn't played yet this season. The Longhorns struggled to find any offensive rhythm for most of the game as Buechele passed for 184 yards with one touchdown and one interception.

Texas is bowl eligible in mid-October for the first time since 2009, the last year the Longhorns won the Big 12 and played for a national championship.

Texas had consecutive losing seasons from 2014-16 and didn't get to the postseason in 2015 and 2016. The Longhorns have now qualified for bowl games in both of Herman's seasons.

Brewer passed for 245 yards and a touchdown for the Bears (4-3, 2-2), who were just 1-11 last season.

"We are getting better and we're getting tougher and we're starting to figure this out," Baylor coach Matt Rhule said. "I told them it's OK this hurts, this should hurt, for the first time since I've been here I've saw tears in their eyes and I saw the older guys really hurting."

THE TAKEAWAY

Baylor: The Bears couldn't protect Brewer late. They ended their last three drives with Brewer either sacked or on the run as the pocket collapsed around him. The Bears' defense, the worst against the run in the Big 12, had a solid game after giving up 300 yards on the ground a week earlier.

Texas: The Longhorns may be on edge waiting to see how serious Ehlinger's injury is and if next week's open date will give him time to recover before the next game. Ehlinger accounted for five touchdowns in a breakout victory over Oklahoma. He hasn't thrown an interception in 168 attempts, a school record. He also had played every snap this season until getting hurt.

Scoring Summary -----

	BAY	TEX
first Quarter		
TEX FG 8:57 Cameron Dicker 40 Yd Field Goal		3
14 plays, 52 yards, 6:03	0	
BAY TD 3:08 Denzel Mims 19 Yd pass from Charlie Brewer (Connor Martin Kick) 11 plays, 75 yards, 5:49	7	3
second Quarter		
TEX FG 14:56 Cameron Dicker 35 Yd Field Goal		6
10 plays, 57 yards, 3:12	7	
BAY FG 5:03 Connor Martin 46 Yd Field Goal		6
11 plays, 51 yards, 4:28	10	
TEX TD 4:21 Collin Johnson 44 Yd pass from Shane Buechele (Cameron Dicker Kick) 3 plays, 75 yards, 0:42	10	13
TEX TD 1:12 Lil'Jordan Humphrey 3 Yd Run (Cameron Dicker Kick) 9 plays, 70 yards, 2:28	10	20
TEX FG 0:00 Cameron Dicker 47 Yd Field Goal		23
5 plays, 18 yards, 0:44	10	
third Quarter		
BAY TD 4:33 Jalen Hurd 2 Yd Run (Connor Martin Kick) 6 plays, 56 yards, 2:04	17	23

Team Stats	BAY	TEX
First Downs	19	25
Total Yards	328	389
Total Plays	74	80
Avg Gain Per Play	4.4	4.9
Net Yards Rushing	88	170
Rushes	34	41
Yards Per Rush	2.6	4.1
Net Yards Passing	240	219
Comp-Att	20-40	24-39
Yards Per Pass	6.0	5.6
Times Sacked	3	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	-11	-12
Interceptions	1	1
Punts	7	4
Punt Average	43.3	47.8
Penalties	10	8
Penalty Yards	92	52
Fumbles	1	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	27:42	32:18

Individual Stats

RUSHING

BAY	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
12 Charlie Brewer	13	22	1.7	14	0
7 John Lovett	5	21	4.2	8	0
25 Trestan Ebner	3	16	5.3	11	0
6 JaMycal Hasty	7	16	2.3	8	0
5 Jalen Hurd	6	13	2.2	7	1
TEX	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
26 Keaontay Ingram	19	110	5.8	30	0
5 Tre Watson	13	41	3.2	9	0
7 Shane Buechele	5	11	2.2	12	0
11 Sam Ehlinger	2	5	2.5	7	0
Lil'Jordan Humphrey	2	3	1.5	3	1

PASSING

BAY	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Charlie Brewer	20	39	240	6.2	1	1	106.3
TEX	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
7 Shane Buechele	20	34	184	5.4	1	1	108.1
11 Sam Ehlinger	4	5	35	7.0	0	0	138.8

RECEIVING

BAY	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
15 Denzel Mims	3	80	26.7	45	1
5 Jalen Hurd	5	72	14.4	26	0
17 Pooh Stricklin	2	39	19.5	20	0
14 Chris Platt	5	26	5.2	10	0
21 Josh Fleeke	2	7	3.5	8	0
87 Christoph Henle	1	6	6.0	6	0
84 Marques Jones	1	5	5.0	5	0
6 JaMycal Hasty	1	5	5.0	5	0
TEX	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
9 Collin Johnson	11	132	12.0	44	1
Lil'Jordan Humphrey	7	41	5.9	16	0
17 D'Shawn Jamison	1	17	17.0	17	0
6 Devin Duvernay	1	15	15.0	15	0
47 Andrew Beck	2	11	5.5	8	0
26 Keaontay Ingram	1	2	2.0	2	0
5 Tre Watson	1	1	1.0	1	0