Wilson, BYU beats No. 24 USC 30-27 in overtime

PROVO, Utah -- Dayan Ghanwoloku intercepted a tipped pass in over-time after Jake Oldroyd kicked a 43-yard field to give BYU the lead, and the Cougars beat No. 24 Southern California 30-27 on Saturday, their second straight OT victory over a traditional power program.

Zach Wilson threw for 280 yards and a touchdown and ran for anoth-er score for BYU (2-1), which won at Tennessee last week. Ty'Son Williams added 99 yards on 19 carries. Kedon Slovis threw for 281 yards and two touchdowns for USC (2-1), but was picked off three times, including on the final play of the game. After a week in which USC athletic director Lynn Swann stepped down, coach Clay Helton absorbed a loss that will certainly raise the heat on him going into a crucial stretch of schedule.

The Trojans play No. 11 Utah at home Friday, and then follow with road games against No. 23 Washington and No. 7 Notre Dame.

Ghanwoloku, a defensive back who moonlights as a running back, scored the first touchdown for BYU on a 1-yard run in the first quarter.

The Trojans went up 24-17 on a 30-yard TD catch by Michael Pit-tman, Jr. early in the fourth quarter. USC went 92 yards in 13 plays after stopping Ghanwoloku for a 1-yard gain on 4th-and-2 from the Trojan 9.

Wilson gave the Cougars a 27-24 lead with 5:41 left in the quarter on a 16-yard run that was set up when the quarterback evaded a sack to hit Gunner Romney with a 35-yard pass.

Chase McGrath tied it up on a 52-yard field goal for USC with 1:43 left in regulation.

THE TAKEAWAY

USC: Slovis and the Trojan offense had plenty of issues after dom-inating Stanford last week. USC threw a single pass in the third quarter and Slovis had a pair of costly interceptions in the first quarter. The Trojans netted just a field goal on their final three drives in regulation. They have a four-game losing streak in the state of Utah.

BYU: An inability to finish long drives was a problem for the Cou-gars for a third straight game.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

USC will likely fall out of the AP Top 25 when the poll comes out Sunday.

Final	1	2	3	4	OT	T
USC	7	10	0	10	0	27
BYU	10	7	0	10	3	30

Scoring Summary ---------------

FIRST QUARTER	USC	BYU
USC TD 10:39 Michael Pittman Jr. 8 Yd pass from Kedon Slovis (Chase McGrath Kick)		
10 plays, 74 yards, 4:21	7	0
BYU TD 6:10 Dayan Ghanwoloku 1 Yd Run (Jake Oldroyd Kick)		
4 plays, 28 yards, 1:10	7	7
BYU FG 3:01 Jake Oldroyd 23 Yd Field Goal		
5 plays, 21 yards, 1:52	7	10

SECOND QUARTER	USC	BYU
USC FG 14:44 Chase McGrath 27 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 78 yards, 3:17	10	10
BYU TD 10:19 Dax Milne 30 Yd pass from Zach Wilson (Jake Oldroyd Kick)		
9 plays, 74 yards, 4:25	10	17
USC TD 5:03 Vavae Malepeai 5 Yd Run (Chase McGrath Kick)		
11 plays, 76 yards, 5:16	17	17

FOURTH QUARTER	USC	BYU
USC TD 10:45 Michael Pittman Jr. 30 Yd pass from Kedon Slovis (Chase McGrath Kick)		
13 plays, 92 yards, 5:27	24	17
BYU FG 8:13 Jake Oldroyd 32 Yd Field Goal		
7 plays, 61 yards, 2:32	24	20
BYU TD 5:41 Zach Wilson 16 Yd Run (Jake Oldroyd Kick)		
3 plays, 52 yards, 0:57	24	27
USC FG 1:43 Chase McGrath 52 Yd Field Goal		
11 plays, 44 yards, 3:58	27	27

OVERTIME	USC	BYU
BYU FG Jake Oldroyd 43 Yd Field Goal		
4 plays, -1 yard	27	30

Team Stats	USC	BYU
First Downs	22	21
Passes for First	13	13
Rushes for First	9	8
Penalties for First	0	0
Third Down Efficiency	6-17	7-16
Fourth Down Efficiency	2-2	0-1
Total Yards	452	430
Total Plays	79	74
Avg Gain Per Play	5.7	5.8
Net Yards Rushing	171	131
Rushes	45	40
Yards Per Rush	3.8	3.3
Net Yards Passing	281	299
Comp-Att	24-34	21-34
Yards Per Pass	8.3	8.8
Times Sacked	2	3
Yds Lost To Sacks	-13	-23
Interceptions	3	0
Punts	4	4
Punt Average	38.5	48.3
Penalties	5	5
Penalty Yards	44	39
Fumbles	3	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	32:32	27:28

Individual Stats

RUSHING

USC	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Vavae Malepeai	23	96	4.2	1	16
Markese Stepp	9	53	5.9	0	15
Stephen Carr	9	22	2.4	0	7
Kedon Slovis	4	0	0.0	0	5

BYU	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Ty'Son Williams	19	99	5.2	0	26
Emmanuel Esukpa	6	14	2.3	0	6
Zach Wilson	9	10	1.1	1	16
Lopini Katoa	1	5	5.0	0	5
Dayan Ghanwoloku	2	2	1.0	1	1
Aleva Hifo	2	2	1.0	0	1
Jaren Hall	1	-1	-1.0	0	0

PASSING

USC	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Kedon Slovis	24/34	281	8.3	2	3		

BYU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Zach Wilson	20/33	280	8.5	1	0		
Jaren Hall	1/1	19	19.0	0	0		

RECEIVING

USC	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Michael Pittman Jr.	9	95	10.6	2	30
Tyler Vaughns	7	65	9.3	0	15
Erik Krommenhoek	1	60	60.0	0	60
Stephen Carr	3	29	9.7	0	15
Vavae Malepeai	3	28	9.3	0	11
Amon-Ra St. Brown	1	4	4.0	0	4

BYU	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Gunner Romney	3	54	18.0	0	35
Micah Simon	3	48	16.0	0	30
Dax Milne	2	36	18.0	1	30
Moroni Laulu-Pututau	2	36	18.0	0	22
Aleva Hifo	3	30	10.0	0	17
Talon Shumway	1	25	25.0	0	25
Zach Wilson	1	19	19.0	0	19
Ty'Son Williams	1	18	18.0	0	18
Matt Bushman	1	17	17.0	0	17
Tyler Allgeier	1	8	8.0	0	8
Emmanuel Esukpa	1	6	6.0	0	6
Lopini Katoa	2	2	1.0	0	5