WEEK EIGHT RICE at UTSA

Late TD lifts UTSA past Rice 31-27 in Conference USA

SAN ANTONIO -- Lowell Narcisse found Zakhari Franklin behind his coverage for an 8-yard touchdown pass with just over five minutes left to lift Texas-San Antonio to a 31-27 win over Rice in a Conference USA clash on Saturday night.

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UTSA now has beaten Rice five straight times and holds a 5-3 record all-time over the Owls.

Rashad Wisdom picked off a Wiley Green pass and returned it 34 yards to give UTSA the lead to start the second half, 13-10, but Tom Stewart came on in relief of Green and hit Brad Rozner with a 19-yard touchdown strike to put the Owls back in front, 17-13.

Aston Walter scored from a yard out, extending the Owls lead to 24-16 but UTSA tied the game before the end of the third quarter on a six-yard run by Sincere McCormick and a two-point conversion pass from Narcisse to Sheldon Jones.

Chris Barnes gave Rice $(0-7,\ 0-3)$ the lead one more time, connecting on a 37-yard field goal with 9:02 left, but the Roadrunners drove 79 yard in nine plays to take the lead for good.

Franklin and McCormick, both freshmen, played vital roles. Franklin had four catches for 26 yards and two touchdowns. McCormick carried 14 times for 94 yards and a score. Narcisse was 19 of 29 passing for 212 yards and two touchdowns with an interception.

Green was 11 of 18 passing for 135 yards and a touchdown before taking a seat. Stewart was 9 of 11 for 88 yards and a score.

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| RICE | 3 | 7 | 14 | | 3 | 27 | |
| UTSA | 7 | 0 | 17 | | 7 | 31 | |
| Scoring Summary | | | | | | | |
| FIRST QUARTER | | | | | RIC | Œ | UTSA |
| RICE FG 6:03 Chris | | 31 Yd | Field G | oal | | | |
| 13 plays, 71 yards | s, 7:23 | -1:- 0 | Vd | £ | 3 | Manai | 0 |
| UTSA TD 0:59 Zakha Duplessis Kick) | all flam | CIIII 9 | ru pass | TIOI | r rowerr | . Naic. | isse (Hunter |
| 13 plays, 60 yards | s, 5:04 | | | | 3 | | 7 |
| SECOND QUARTER | | | _ | _ | RIC | | UTSA |
| RICE TD 0:16 Augus | st Pitre | III 2 | Yd pass | from | n Wiley | Green | (Chris |
| Barnes Kick) 7 plays, 78 yards | 3:49 | | | | 10 |) | 7 |
| THIRD QUARTER | , 0.13 | | | | RIC | | UTSA |
| UTSA TD 14:50 Rash | | om 34 Y | d Inter | cepti | on Retu | ırn (Tv | vo-Point Pass |
| Conversion Failed | | | | | 1.0 | 1 | 1.4 |
| 1 play, 0 yards, 0:10 10 14 RICE TD 12:33 Brad Rozner 19 Yd pass from Tom Stewart (Chris Barnes | | | | | | | |
| Kick) | | | - | | | | |
| 4 plays, 75 yards | | :- 24 | wa mi - | 1.1.0- | 17 | 7 | 13 |
| UTSA FG 8:58 Hunte 11 plays, 58 yards | | 5515 J4 | iu rie | iiu GC | 17 | 7 | 16 |
| RICE TD 3:09 Aston | | 1 Yd R | un (Chr | is Ba | | | |
| 2 plays, 22 yards, 0:47 24 16 | | | | | | | |
| UTSA TD 0:49 Since Sheldon Jones for | | | | | rell Nar | cisse | Pass to |
| 6 plays, 75 yards | | ic conv | ersion) | | 24 | ļ. | 24 |
| FOURTH QUARTER | | | | | RIC | CE | UTSA |
| RICE FG 9:02 Chris | | 37 Yd | Field G | oal | 0.5 | | 0.4 |
| 13 plays, 56 yards UTSA TD 5:06 Zakha | o, 0:47 ari Frant | clin ¤ | Vd nace | from | 27 Towell | | 24 isse (Hunter |
| Duplessis Kick) | YTT LIGHT | | ıu pass | TIOI | ' TOMETI | . Marci | rane (nuncer |
| 9 plays, 79 yards | , 3:56 | | | | 27 | 7 | 31 |
| | | | | | | _ | |
| Team Stats | | | RICE | | UTS | A | |
| First Downs Passes for Firs | L | | 21 | | 19 | | |
| Rushes for Firs | | | 12 8 | | 11 7 | | |
| Penalties for F. | | | 1 | | í | | |
| Third Down Effic | | | 9-14 | | 6-1 | 1 | |
| Fourth Down Effic | | | 0-1 | | 0-1 | | |
| Total Yards | • | | 369 | | 361 | | |
| Total Plays | | | 64 | | 59 | | |
| Avg Gain Per Pl | | | 5.8 | | 6.1 | | |
| Net Yards Rushi | ng | | 146 | | 149 | | |
| Rushes | | | 35 | | 30 | | |
| Yards Per Rush | na | | 4.2 223 | | 5.0 212 | | |
| Net Yards Passi: Comp-Att | 119 | | 20-29 | | 19- | | |
| Yards Per Pass | | | 7.7 | | 7.3 | | |
| Times Sacked | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Yds Lost To Sac | ks | | -14 | | -2 | | |
| Interceptions | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Punts | | | 2 | | 3 | | |
| Punt Average | | | 58.0 | | 42. | 7 | |
| Penalties | | | 4 | | 6 | | |
| Penalty Yards Fumbles | | | 31 3 | | 61 0 | | |
| Fumbles Lost | | | 3 | | 0 | | |
| Time of Poss | | | 34:44 | | 25: | 16 | |
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| Individual Stats | | | | | | | |
| RUSHING | | | | | | | |
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| Aston Walter JoVoni Johnson | 18 2 | 109 25 | 6.1 12.5 | | 1 0 | 35 26 | |
| Charlie Booker | 4 | 6 | 1.5 | | 0 | 12 | |
| Tom Stewart | 9 | 6 | 0.7 | | 0 | 20 | |
| Team | 1 1 | 0 | 0.0 | | 0 0 | 0 | |
| Wiley Green UTSA | Rush | | | | TD | LON | ıG |
| Sincere McCormick | 14 | 94 | 6.7 | | 1 | 32 | |
| Brenden Brady | 7 | 34 | 4.9 | | 0 | 13 | |
| Lowell Narcisse Team | 7 1 | 32 - 2 | 4.6 -2.0 | | 0 0 | 14 0 | |
| Dadrian Taylor | 1 | -2 -9 | -2.0 -9.0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| PASSING | - | | | | | Ü | |
| RICE | Comp | Att | Yds | Y/A | TD | Int | QBRat |
| Wiley Green Tom Stewart | 11 9 | 18 11 | 135 88 | 7.5 8.0 | 1 1 | 1 0 | 13.9 63.0 |
| UTSA | Comp | Att | Yds | Y/A | TD | Int | QBRat |
| Lowell Narcisse | 19 | 29 | 212 | 7.3 | 2 | 1 | 65.3 |
| RECEIVING | P | v | 7 | | mp. | T 0220 | |
| RICE Brad Rozner | Rec 9 | Yds 138 | Avg 15.3 | | TD 1 | LONG 55 | |
| Austin Trammell | 9 | 75 | 8.3 | | 0 | 19 | |
| August Pitre III | 2 | 10 | 5.0 | | 1 | 8 | |
| UTSA | Rec | Yds | Avg | | TD | LONG | |
| Carlos Strickland Sincere McCormick | | 86 39 | 14.3 19.5 | | 0 | 26 33 | |
| Tariq Woolen | 2 | 33 | 16.5 | | 0 | 19 | |
| Zakhari Franklin | 4 | 26 | 6.5 | | 2 | 10 | |
| Sheldon Jones | 2 | 15 | 7.5 | | 0 | 13 | |
| Gavin Sharp Brenden Brady | 1 1 | 9 3 | 9.0 3.0 | | 0 | 9 3 | |
| Dywan Griffin | 1 | 1 | 1.0 | | 0 | 1 | |
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