WEEK TEN NEBRASKA at PURDUE

Injury-plagued Purdue scores late, beat Nebraska 31-27

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. -- David Bell scored the go-ahead touchdown from nine yards out with 1:08 to play, and Purdue beat Nebraska 31-27 on Saturday.

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The Boilermakers (3-6, 2-4 Big Ten) took the lead for good after starting quarterback Jack Plummer left the game with a right ankle injury — the latest player to be sidelined on a team plagued by injuries.

Head coach Jeff Brohm said Purdue will likely be without Plummer for the remainder of the season after he needed help off the field following a run-play injury with 7:55 remaining. Plummer finished 25-of-34 passing with 242 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions, and he rushed 61 yards on 12 carries.

The Boilermakers lost quarterback Elijah Sindelar (broken left collarbone) and All-American receiver Rondale Moore (left hamstring) four games ago and have lost three games since, making Saturday's win that much better.

"It was a big win for our team today," Brohm said. "It has been rough at times this year. If you want to win, it's not supposed to be a whole lot of fun. We've made mistakes this year. We've been hard on our guys and quite demanding a bit. But you have to back off and allow these guys to play and make mistakes."

Four plays after Plummer's injury, King Doerue scored on a 7-yard touchdown run to give Purdue a 24-20 lead with 6:50 to go in back-and-forth fourth quarter. Doerue finished with 71 yards rushing on 15 carries and had 31 yards on five receptions, including a 3-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter.

Adrian Martinez was 22 of 39 for 247 yards passing and an interception for the Cornhuskers (4-5, 2-4), who have lost four of their last five games and two straight to the Boilermakers. Martinez rushed for 58 yards on 12 carries and scored twice.

THE TAKEAWAY

Nebraska: Martinez returned after missing the last two games following a left knee injury against Northwestern on Oct. 5. The Cornhuskers are trying to get on track down the stretch in the regular season. They need two wins to be eligible for a bowl game.

Purdue: The Boilermakers hope the win will be enough to get them on a roll in the final games. They must win their last three games to be bowl-eligible for the second straight year.

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PUR	0	14	3		L 4	31	
Scoring Summary						_	
FIRST QUARTER NEB TD 8:32 Dedri	ck Mills	1 Yd R	un (Bai	rret Pi	NE Lckerin		PUR
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SECOND QUARTER PUR TD 7:04 King	Doerue 3	Yd pas	s from	Jack I	NE Plummen		PUR . Dellinge
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PUR TD 0:14 Payne		16 Yd p	ass fro	om Jacl			
Kick) 12 plays, 96 yard	s. 3:53				10)	14
THIRD QUARTER		ing 21	vd Eio	ld Coa	NE	В	PUR
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PUR FG 1:14 J.D. 7 plays, 42 yards		r 44 Yd	Field	Goal	13	3	17
FOURTH QUARTER		2 17	-1 -D	(D 1	NE	В	PUR
NEB TD 12:30 Adri 11 plays, 75 yard	s, 3:44				20) -	17
PUR TD 6:50 King 13 plays, 78 yard		Yd Run	(J.D.	Delli	nger Ki 20		24
NEB TD 4:21 Adria	n Martin	ez 4 Yd	Run (1	Barret	Picker	ing Ki	ick)
9 plays, 71 yards PUR TD 1:08 David		Yd Run	(J.D. 1	Delling	27 ger Kid		24
12 plays, 82 yard					27		31
Team Stats			NEB		PUR	l .	
First Downs			21		24		
Passes for Firs Rushes for Firs			11 6		15 8		
Penalties for F	irst		4		1		
Third Down Effic Fourth Down Effi			6-16 1-3		8-1 0-0		
Total Yards	0101101		375		449		
Total Plays Avg Gain Per Pl	av		74 5.1		77 5.8	ł	
Net Yards Rushi			128		145		
Rushes Yards Per Rush			35 3.7		36 4.0	1	
Net Yards Passi	ng		247		304		
Comp-Att			22-39		31-		
Yards Per Pass Times Sacked			6.3 3		7.4 1		
Yds Lost To Sac	ks		-22		- 5		
Interceptions Punts			1 4		2 5		
Punt Average			0.0		0.0)	
Penalties Penalty Yards			3 30		10 89		
Fumbles			2		1		
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Individual Stats RUSHING							
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JD Spielman Dedrick Mills	3 6	23 18	7.7		0 1	14 6	ļ
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Aidan O'Connell	1	1	1.0)	0	1	
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PURDUE Jack Plummer	Comp 25	Att 34	Yds 242	Y/A 7.1	TD 2	Int 2	QBRat 61.3
Aidan O'Connell	6	7	62	8.9	0	0	90.9
RECEIVING NEBRASKA	Rec	Yds	Avg		TD	LONG	
JD Spielman Kanawai Noa	6 4	123 47	20.5 11.8		0	42 34	
Wan'Dale Robinson	7	46	6.6		0	12	
Kade Warner Dedrick Mills	1 3	18 14	18.0 4.7		0	18 8	
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Brycen Hopkins	8	97	12.1		0	26	
Milton Wright Zander Horvath	4 3	69 49	17.3 16.3		0	26 25	
King Doerue Payne Durham	5 2	31 23	6.2 11.5		1 1	9 16	
David Bell	7	23	3.3		0	13	
Jackson Anthrop Amad Anderson Jr.	1 1	7 5	7.0 5.0		0	7 5	