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## 2021 POSTGAME NOTES

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6/6/7 **BAYLOR** (12-2, 7-2 Big 12) **21**, 8/8/8 **OLE MISS** (10-3, 6-2 SEC) **7**

CAESARS SUPERDOME • NEW ORLEANS, LA.

JAN. 1, 2022 • ATTENDANCE: 66,479

### MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- Baylor Captains: Terrel Bernard, Gerry Bohanon, Xavier Newman-Johnson, Jalen Pitre.
- BU is now 14-12 all time in Bowl games.
- Saturday marked Baylor's first win on New Years Day since in 1957 (Sugar Bowl vs. Tennessee).

### TEAM NOTES

- Baylor sets a new school record with 12 wins in a season.
- Baylor notched its fifth win over a ranked opponent this season, a school record.
- The Bears' 10 sacks set a new Sugar Bowl record.
- Baylor picked off three passes and returned them for a total of 112 yards which set a new Sugar Bowl record.
- The BU defense held a 13th team below their season scoring average. Mississippi's seven points were 28.9 below their season average.
- Saturday was the second time this season Baylor shut out an opponent in the first half. (September 11, 2021, Texas Southern)
- The Bears forced a turnover for the 22nd consecutive game.

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- **Al Walcott's** 96-yard interception return for a touchdown was the longest in Sugar Bowl History.
- It was the second-longest interception in program history (99 yards).
- **Abram Smith** rushed for 177 yards on Saturday marking his ninth 100-yard game of the season, which set a new school record.
- Smith set a new single-season rushing record (1,606).
- Smith's 177 yards were the sixth most in Sugar Bowl history.
- **Terrel Bernard** had 17 tackles on the night, tying him for the 4th most in Sugar Bowl history.
- With two sacks, Bernard moved into third place on Baylor's career sacks list (16.5).
- **JT Woods** recorded his career-first multi interception game.
- With his 19th career touchdown reception, **Tyquan Thornton** moved into a tie for eighth place on Baylor's all-time touchdown receptions list.