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UT defense covers for struggling offense, keeps title hopes alive

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas began the season expecting to score touchdowns at will. So far, the Longhorns haven't lived up to the hype.

Seventh-ranked Texas (6-1, 2-1 Big 12) stills clings to national championship hopes after a stellar defensive effort in last week's tough road win at Kansas State.

But the dark cloud hanging over Austin is an offense ranked a dismal 84th in the nation going into Saturday's home game against No. 17 Iowa State (6-2, 3-1).

The Longhorns have struggled lately against good defenses. The offense has just six TDs and three field goals in the last three weeks.

At 354 yards of offense per game, only Baylor and Kansas rank below Texas in the Big 12.

That's a long way from the Texas offenses in recent years and a big drop-off from the best effort this season, a 567-yard, 52-point outburst against North Carolina in the second game.

"It really hasn't been that bad," said offensive lineman Robbie Doane, who points out Texas is still in the top 10. "There's no reason to panic."

Too late.

Local radio sports talk shows have been bombarded with complaints of conservative play calling. An Internet site dedicated to getting offensive coordinator Greg Davis fired boasts more than 25,000 hits in the last two weeks.

All of which sets coach Mack Brown's teeth to grinding.

"When you don't score 50 points you're getting 'conservative,'" said Brown, who said he's not going to fire Davis and disputes that he's gone conservative in his fifth season in Austin.

"What we've learned here is we pay no attention to the news reports or the fans," Brown said.

But the fans see what's happening to their team and the offensive turnaround at rival Texas A&M. Aggies coach R.C. Slocum replaced his offen-

sive coordinator after a bad start with spartan results. The traditional defensive powerhouse ranks second in the Big 12 in passing at 364 yards per game.

Meanwhile, the vaunted Longhorns' passing attack ranks seventh in the league at 218.4 yards per game.

There are several causes for what ails Texas. For starters, the Longhorns played two of their best defenses in the country the last two weeks against Oklahoma and Kansas State.

Second, injuries have plagued the wide receivers. Both Roy Williams and Sloan Thomas are struggling with strained hamstrings. The sore legs have diminished practice time and led to fewer plays on the field.

With the receivers hobbled, Texas has fallen behind tailback Cedric Benson. But Benson isn't showing the same form as last season, when he became the first Texas freshman rusher for 1,000 yards.

Benson has complained of a sore toe, and he's tired after a summer playing minor league baseball. He's been held under 60 yards in each of the last two games.

Brown gets involved in game planning, leaving the game-day play calling to Davis. The coach says he's committed to a rushing attack that ranks 71st in the country at 135.9 yards per game.

"We're trying to hang on and get better offense and not lose games while we're doing it," he said. "We're trying to manage the game and not worry about stats (but) worry about winning."

Simms, who passed for two touchdowns against Kansas State and set up the game-winning field goal with a long completion to B.J. Johnson, said he wouldn't mind passing more.

"I would love for us to drop back and throw down field a lot," Simms said. "If we have to throw it every down, we can throw it every down."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Jordan files lawsuit to stop "extortion"

CHICAGO (AP) — Michael Jordan filed a lawsuit Wednesday against a woman he contends is trying to extort \$5 million from him to keep quiet about their relationship more than 10 years ago.

Jordan acknowledged in the lawsuit filed in Cook County Circuit Court that he paid the woman \$250,000 "under threat of publicly exposing that relationship."

The lawsuit asks the court to stop the woman from further attempts to get money from Jordan.

Jordan's lawyer, Frederick Sperling, refused to answer questions about the nature of the relationship.


"The complaint says everything Michael has to say," Sperling said.

Jordan and his wife, Juanita, have been married more than 12 years. Juanita Jordan filed for divorce last January, but Jordans withdrew the divorce case a month later.

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