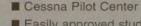


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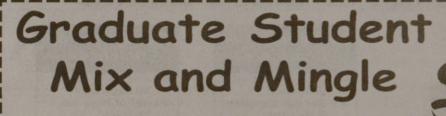
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THE BATTALL

UT defense covers for strugglin 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."

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

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 atten-

tion 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.

"When you don't score 50 points you're get-ting 'conservative," said Brown, who said he's

Aggies coach R.C. Slocum replaced his offen-

leaves the game-day play calling to Davi coach says he's committed to a rushing atta ranks 71st in the country at 135.9 yards per "We're trying to hang on and get be

> offense and not lose games while we're do he said. "We're trying to manage the gam not worry about stats (but) worry about win Simms, who passed for two touch

results. The traditional defensive power

ranks second in the Big 12 in passing at

Meanwhile, the vaunted Longhorns's

There are several causes for what ails le

For starters, the Longhorns played two best defenses in the country the last two we

Second, injuries have plagued the

receivers. Both Roy Williams and Sloan Th

are struggling with strained hamstrings.

to fewer plays on the field.

rush for 1,000 yards.

of the last two games.

sore legs have diminished practice time and

the run behind tailback Cedric Benson. Bu

Benson isn't showing the same form as las

son, when he became the first Texas freshr

he's tired after a summer playing minor

baseball. He's been held under 60 vards in

Brown gets involved in game plann

With the receivers hobbled, Texas has f

Benson has complained of a sore toe, and

against Oklahoma and Kansas State.

attack ranks seventh in the league at 2184 Texas

yards per game.

against Kansas State and set up the gam ning field goal with a long completion Johnson, said he wouldn't mind passing n

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

NEWS IN BRIEF

Jordan files lawsuit to stop "extortion"

CHICAGO (AP) - Michael Jordan filed 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 natu the relationship.

"The complaint says a thing Michael has to Sperling said.

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

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