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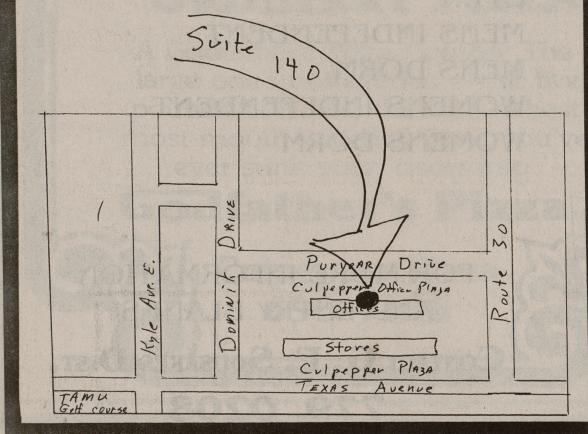
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## Astros take on S.F. tonight

United Press International HOUSTON—With no disrespect to Philadelphia, Montreal, Pitt-sburgh and Cincinnati, the National League playoffs should hang the rules and match the Los Angeles Dodgers and Houston Astros next

Such an outlandish move would only be in order, however, if strength-sapping drama, superior athletic play and mind-boggling managerial maneuvering were qualities being sought for that postseason series. Los Angeles at Houston, Tuesday and Wednesday, had them all and more.

Every imaginable thing happened in that game," Dodgers out-fielder Rick Monday said.

That ranks with the best of them," winning manager Bill Virdon

Virdon's Astros, who entered the two-game series in second place by two games, had just drawn even with the Dodgers for first place in the Western division after a tense, 12-

inning 6-5 win Wednesday night. Irony of ironies, a home run for baseball's poorest home run-hitting team won it. Jose Cruz hit the blast on the first pitch Rick Sutcliffe threw

'This was my most important home run, for me and the team," Cruz said. "I was looking for anything. I was thinking I could hit a high pitch better. But it was low and

Cruz said he was pumped up be-

Bill Virdon

cause his team had rallied from a 5-3 deficit in the 11th. In the bottom of that inning, run-scoring hits by Astros rookies Danny Heep and

Gary Woods tied the game.
"We're scoring a lot of runs," Astros regular Terry Puhl said. "We are hitting the ball as well as we have all year.

Astros third baseman Enos Cabell said the pivotal series for the Astros, which also served to ease the thirdplace Cincinnati Reds to within two and one-half games of the Dodgers, gave the Astros a leg up because the Dodgers face a three-game weekend series in Cincinnati while the Astros host San Francisco.

Dodgers first baseman Steve Garvey said he did not think the disappointing series would have a de-

trimental effect on his team. "Now they've (the Astros) got to

concern themselves with staying up for San Francisco," he said.

Virdon and Tommy Lasorda, the Dodgers' boss, made almost every conceivable move to give their teams the best chance of winning. They played 43 men, and the roster became so slim for the Dodgers that pitcher Bobby Castillo played right field and left field.

Houston had 33 available players due to recent callups of minor leaguers; Los Angeles had 28, a fact which irked Monday.

Castillo was moved from right field to left field during the 11th inning in advance of Enos Cabell coming to the plate with the bases loaded, one out and the score tied 5-5. Lasorda believed if Cabell hit a fly ball it would be to right field, and he wanted regular outfielder Dusty

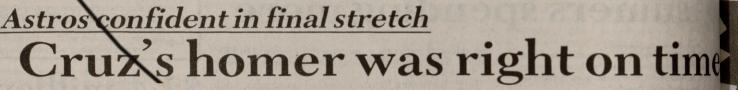
Jose Cruz Cabell did hit the ball when Julio Gonzalez tag base and tried to score the

run, Baker threw him ou With the score tied 3-3 gers mounted rallies in and ninth innings. But bo double plays and the seco

matic.

The bases were loaded out when Manny Motal hopping grounder towa baseman Joe Morgan. jumped to snare it, three stop Craig Reynolds and Reynolds' relay to first b beat Mota.

Cruz led off the ninth w drive toward the base of center field wall, but res tacular sliding catch.



NATHAN R. HINES

Houston Astro left fielder Jose Cruz was looking for a home run when he came to bat in the bottom of the 12th inning of Wendsday night's game against the Los Angeles Dodgers. The Astros and Dodgers were tied 5-5, and he knew a home run would win the game for the Astros, and put them in a tie with L.A. for the Western Division lead.

As soon as he swung at the ball he mew it was headed over the right field fence. That blow, combined with the Astros two dramatic comebacks during the game, "took the wind out of the Dodger's sails, and put it into ours," said ace Astro reiever Joe Sambito after the game.

the World Series, but the Astros are confident they can make it. Third baseman Enos Cabell is probably the nost confident.

There are a lot of games to go before we go to L.A. for the last series of the season," Cabell said, but I think we will have more than a three-game lead before we play. Of course we can't lay back and expect the games to be given to us, we are going to have to play better ball now than we have played all year. We have the ability to win any game we play. I think we proved that by beating the Dodgers the way we did.

One Texas A&M student in the locker room handed pitcher Joe Niekro an A&M cap. "This is to re-The Astros are going to need all mind you that the Aggies are behind the wind they can muster to get in to the Astros," the student said, but he

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put a condition on the gift. "We will his locker shaking his head back you, if you back us.

The Astros swept the two-game series with L.A., by scores of 5-4 and

Astros pitching staff, sat in front of and watch this game.

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### J.R. discharged to

United Press International HOUSTON — Houston Astros pitcher J.R. Richard, hospitalized since suffering a near-fatal stroke late July, was discharged from Houston Methodist Hospital this morning and returned to his home.

'He will continue to undergo treatment as an outpatient for an indefinite period of time," an Astros Richard has made enough post to return home and not be seen \$7 to the hospital. He will be to the same team of doctor rote

attended him in the hospi Richard had been allowed REC the hospital for brief periods, a ride in the car, a meal, or

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