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at the So hated Boston Red Sox in town, H he New York Yankees finally

rs were to found some motivation.

To be arrest. Ken Griffey's two-run homer and and off reliever Mark Clear capped a ree-run eighth inning Tuesday night and gave th born-arraignmagain Yankees a 5-4 victory over oston, their second straight tenry limit "I was just trying to keep the "On Civil ally alive," said Griffey. "Clear got me out with about the same of pitch in Boston last ng angered and of pitch in Boston last officer. We week. It was just a matter of time fools of before I would start hitting." Griffey, who has hit .400 over

plagued throughout the season

Held to only five hits by Bruce Hurst and trailing, 4-2, after seven innings, the Yankees began their comeback when Dave Collins led off the eighth with a double and scored one out later on a single by Andre Robertson. Griffey then followed with his first Yankee Stadium home run.

Rich Gossage, who relieved waukee.
Tommy John in the seventh, held the Red Sox to one hit over Kansas the final 21/3 innings to register his third victory in five decisions. Clear, who relieved Hurst after Collins' eighth-inning double, was charged with his second loss e last seven games, has been in seven decisions.

In other AL games, it was Mil-

United Press International by surgically repaired knees waukee 6, Baltimore 3; Kansas with one out in the ninth inning and, most recently, a hamstring City 7, Minnesota 4; Toronto 2, New York manager California 0; Texas 5, Seattle 2; and Chicago 7, Oakland 0. Detroit at Cleveland was postponed

> BREWERS 6, ORIOLES 3 — At Baltimore, Robin Yount drove in four runs with a homer and a triple and Bob McClure and Jim Slaton combined on a seven-hitter to spark Mil-

ROYALS 7, TWINS 4 — At Kansas City, Mo., Willie Aikens drove in three runs with three singles to propel the Royals, giving rookie pitcher Bud Black his floored in the process. first major-league victory. and the New York M floored in the process. "I was swinging too l

Toronto snap a three-game los-

ing streak.

WHITE SOX 7, A's 0 — At Oakland, Calif., LaMarr Hoyt fired a three-hitter to become the first 10-game winner in the major leagues. Hoyt, 10-3, broke a three-game losing streak and lowered his ERA to 2.24 with his first complete game of

the season.
In the National League, Jason
Thompson worked out a flaw in his batting stance Tuesday night and the New York Mets were

'I was swinging too hard and BLUE JAYS 2, ANGELS 0— picking my head up," Thomp-At Anaheim, Calif., Dave Reverson said after he blasted a threeing crashed a two-run homer run homer and drove in five

of Rick Rhoden and leading the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 13-3 rout of the Mets.

Thompson's 14th homer of the year capped a fifth-inning outburst off loser Charlie Puleo, 5-4, and reliever Pat Zachry. Thompson hit a two-run double in the eighth.

Rhoden, 3-6, went 2-for-4, including an RBI single. The right hander walked three and struck out two in his first complete game of the year.

Thompson was pleased to see the Pittsburgh hitting attack im-

"It's (the pitching) been carrying us the past two weeks, because we haven't been scoring as many runs," he said. "It's great

New York manager George Bamberger wasn't as pleased as Thompson.

"It was bad," the manager said. "It looked like we were going to win at first. Unfortunately, that changed."

In other games, Chicago stopped Philadelphia, 8-5, St. Louis nipped Montreal, 3-2, in 11 innings, Los Angeles blanked San Diego, 3-0, and San Francisco defeated Cincinnati, 4-3.

CUBS 8, PHILLIES 5 — At Chicago, Leon Durham's tworun single highlighted a fourrun fifth and Jay Johnstone belted a two-run homer to lead the Cubs. The loss was the Phil-

lies' fourth straight.

CARDINALS 3, EXPOS 2 -At St. Louis, Willie McGee's RBI single with one out in the bottom of the 11th lifted the Cardinals. Bruce Sutter, 5-3, pitched the final two innings for the victory.

DODGERS 3, PADRES 0 -At San Diego, Jerry Reuss, 7-5, fired a six-hitter to end his three-game road losing streak, and Ron Cey belted his sixth homer of the season to lead the Dodgers.

GIANTS 4, REDS 3 — At Cincinnati, rookie Bill Laskey combined with three relievers on an eight-hitter and Chili Davis scored two runs and drove in another to lift the Giants.

Two Houston businessmen purchase Rocket franchise

United Press International HOUSTON — Car dealer Charlie Tho-las says his purchase of the Houston Rockwith promoter Sidney Shlenker will not ge the club's attitude toward star forrd Moses Malone.

"There's a contract on the table to him. ecertainly want him, but I think the ball is their court," Thomas said after nouncement Tuesday that he and Thomas said after lenker had agreed to pay between \$11 d \$12 million in cash for the National sketball Association franchise.

The selling owner, The Maloof Comies of Albuquerque, N.M., offered one - last year's NBA rebound leader second leading scorer — a \$1.6 million-

a-year contract at the last minute before Malone became a free agent two weeks ago. Malone's agent, Lee Fentriss of Washington, D.C., is reviewing the contract and its many options. He has not contacted the

Rockets to say whether Malone will accept it. If it is rejected, Fentriss will seek a better contract from another NBA team and if he gets one, the Rockets may match it and retain Malone.

Thomas, 50, is the owner of a Ford dealership and board chairman of Great Southwest Bank. He gave no indication Tuesday that he would do anything other than retain Malone.

Thomas disclosed that he purchased 90 percent of the Rockets while Shlenker, the

owner of Pace Management and a stage play producer, bought the other 10 percent. Shlenker, 45, also is a former president of the Houston Astros.

A future contract with the cable television company for showing Rockets games was a "very big factor" in the purchase, Thomas

"I thought it was a tremendous opportun-

ity," he said. Thomas said he had signed a letter of commitment Tuesday but couldn't be certain of the price until auditors had finished assessing liabilities and assets. He said he expected to pay between \$11 and \$12 mil-

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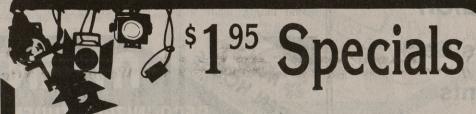


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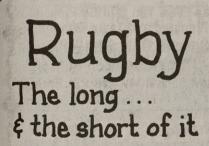
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