

Angels' bullpen saves 3-2 victory over Blue Jays

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The California Angels enjoy

the climate of a pennant race, especially when their bullpen

prevents any late-inning

Moseby's double. Alfredo Griffin's drag bunt scored Martinez and sent Moseby to third. Garth Iorg's third straight single of the game brought home Moseby and sent Griffin to third.

continued his amazing run production rate this season following intentional walks with a two-run single in the sixth and Willie Aikens belted two home runs for the Royals.

At Cleveland, Andre Thornton singled home two runs to cap a three-run eighth and Rick Sutcliffe pitched a three-hitter to pace the Indians. Despite the loss, the Orioles remained three games behind Milwaukee in the East. Sutcliffe struck out six and walked six to raise his record to 12-6.

Atlanta right now if his first name was George.

A year ago, Washington was the subject of much headshaking among Braves' fans, who questioned how club owner Ted Turner could have shelled out \$3.5 million over five years for such inconsistency.

That's all changed now though. During the Braves' recent climb back to the top of the National League West, it has been Washington leading the charge. The 28-year-old outfielder, one of the few Braves with experience under pennant pressure (with Oakland in the early 1970s), has knocked in 18 runs in his last 15 games and was the star of the Braves' most recent victory Sunday.

Washington singled home two runs with two outs in the ninth inning and also robbed Dave Concepcion of a homerun in sparking the Braves to a 4-1 triumph over the Cincinnati Reds.

"What we lacked before, we got today — somebody to get them out," third baseman Doug DeCinces said Sunday after relievers backed his overall heroics to give the Angels a 3-2 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays. "(Luis) Sanchez got the double play and then (John) Curtis pitched well in the ninth."

DeCinces belted a pair of RBI doubles and saved the game by starting an eighth-inning double play to help California complete a three-game sweep of the Blue Jays.

California remained a game behind first-place Kansas City in the AL West. Both teams have 20 games left, including six against each other.

Newly acquired Tommy John had Toronto shut out on four hits until the first four Blue Jays reached in the eighth to chase him. With the Angels ahead 3-0, Buck Martinez opened with a single and took third on Lloyd

Sanchez came on and got pinch hitter Hosken Powell to ground out. After Jesse Barfield walked to load the bases, Wayne Nordhagen grounded to DeCinces, who began the third Angels' double-play of the game.

Elsewhere in the AL, Kansas City thrashed Minnesota 18-7, Oakland edged Chicago 4-2, New York downed Milwaukee 9-8, Cleveland blanked Baltimore 3-0, Boston whipped Detroit 10-7 and Seattle blanked Texas 1-0.

In the National League, it was Pittsburgh 4, Philadelphia 2; Atlanta 4, Cincinnati 3; New York 4, St. Louis 1; Montreal 11, Chicago 3; and Los Angeles 7, Houston 3.

ROYALS 18, TWINS 7 — At Kansas City, Mo., Amos Otis

A'S 4, WHITE SOX 2 — At Oakland, Calif., Jimmy Sexton's RBI double over the head of left fielder Steve Kemp capped a three-run second that enabled the A's to snap a sixgame losing streak. The loss dropped the White Sox 4½ games behind Kansas City in the West.

YANKEES 9, BREWERS 8 — At New York, Roy Smalley's bases-loaded single in the ninth drove in Ken Griffey with the winning run and capped the Yankees' late-inning comeback. Cecil Cooper, Ted Simmons and Ben Oglivie homered for Milwaukee and Graig Nettles, Lee Mazzilli, Oscar Gamble and Bobby Ramos connected for New York.

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RED SOX 10, TIGERS 7 — At Boston, Dwight Evans and Gary Allenson each knocked in three runs and powered the Red Sox. The triumph enabled Boston to move within four games of the first-place Brewers. Cheet Lemon homered for Detroit.

MARINERS 1, RANGERS 0 — At Arlington, rookie Bob Stoddard allowed four hits in 8½ innings and Dave Revering drove in a run with a first-inning double for Seattle. Stoddard, 1-1, needed relief help from Bill Caudill, who notched his 25th save.

In the NL, Claudell Washington couldn't be more popular in

Season openers successful

Soccer squads triumph

Texas A&M women's soccer coach Jim Butts expected a tough match, but he didn't get it. Instead, Butts and the Aggies defeated Stephen F. Austin 9-0 Saturday in Nacogdoches, scoring the easy victory with two-goal performances from three members of the team. Although Texas A&M narrowly defeated

the Lumberjacks 2-1 in 1981, this year's squad limited Stephen F. Austin to one shot on goal in winning its season opener.

"I expected them to be much more competition, but we just played an outstanding game," Butts said. "We're much better than last year and we're much

better ball-handlers."

Freshman Bettina Bernard scored two goals and had two assists, while Renee Delassus had two goals and one assist. Veteran Sue Niles added two goals.

All-America Carol Smith, Tina Luft and Jody Wise scored one goal apiece, with freshman Mary Smith playing outstanding defense at the center fullback position.

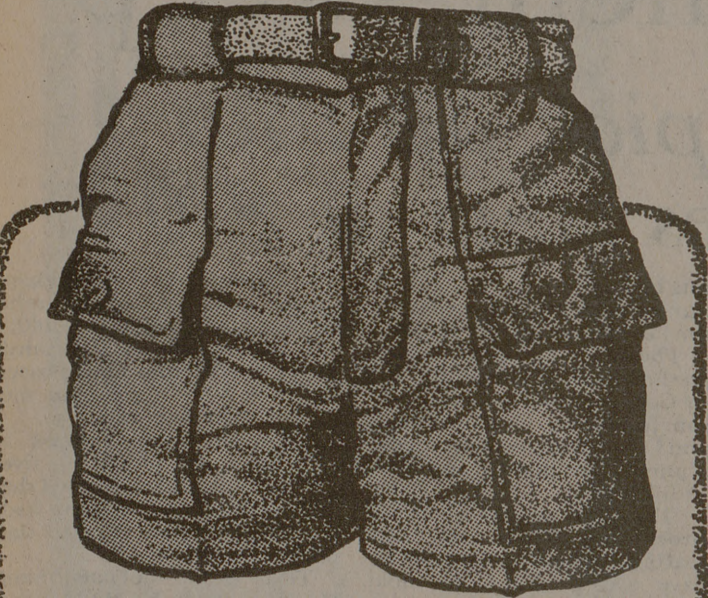
The Aggie men's club defeated Arkansas 4-2 Saturday in Fayetteville, Ark.

The two teams were tied entering the final 15 minutes of the match, but Clynes and Wright scored the last two goals in leading the Texas A&M to a victory in its season opener.

With the teams losing their varsity status for this season, both will play as extramural clubs this year. Both had been clubs before being elevated to varsity status on a one-year trial basis in October.

The Aggie men will play a schedule including matches with the other Southwest Conference schools, and the women's lineup of opponents will include Trinity, Texas, Baylor and Sam Houston State. Butts' squad will travel to New York to play Rochester, St. John Fisher and Ithaca during mid-October.

The men's squad will play Sam Houston State Wednesday at 4 p.m. on the main drill field.



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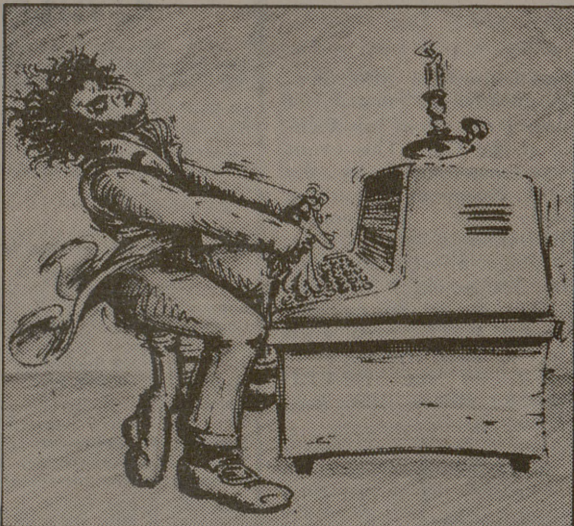


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