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Major Leagues

Ryan injured in Astros' 3-2 victory

United Press International
After the glory he felt last Wednesday upon becoming baseball's all-time strikeout king, Nolan Ryan suddenly felt his season had abruptly ended.

"Boy, the thing just popped like someone shot me," said Ryan Monday night, after the 40-year-old pitcher's 12th strikeout against the Mets in New York, a looping curve to Wally Backman, had left him writhing on the mound in pain with a pulled left hamstring. "I have never really experienced a pull of this sort in the middle of the game."

With his 7 2-3 innings of work, Ryan, 3-1, helped pitch the Astros to a 3-2 victory. But now he is headed back to Houston, where he will be examined to determine the extent of damage.

"It'll be a week to 10 days before we have some idea of what we're looking at," said a concerned Ryan, who began his star-studded career in Shea Stadium with the Mets. "You have to get through the hemorrhaging to see what I'm dealing with."

The tall righthander, who missed most of spring training and was on the 21-day disabled list at the start of the season with an infection, said the hamstring injury was doubly disappointing, coming as it did five days after he surpassed Walter John-

son on the career strikeout list. His 12 K's Monday upped his total to 3,521.

Ray Knight drove in two runs with a home run and a sacrifice fly to support Ryan and Frank LaCorte worked the final 1-3 innings for a save. George Foster and Rusty Staub reached Ryan for RBI singles.

Mets' Manager George Bamberger had concerns of his own with one of his star pitchers, reliever Neil Allen, who Sunday night admitted to having an alcohol problem. But he was confident Allen would get through it.

"I don't think it's a big deal," Bamberger said. "I think he is a little bit embarrassed. I'll bring him back, and when he goes three or four good innings I'll put him back in his job in the bullpen and he'll do good."

In other games, Cincinnati topped Philadelphia, 5-2, and Pittsburgh defeated Los Angeles, 5-1.

In the American League, it was: Cincinnati 5, Philadelphia 2; Kansas City 4, the New York Yankees 1; Toronto 6, Texas 5; and Milwaukee 8, the Chicago White Sox 4.

At Philadelphia, rookie Gary Redus celebrated his return to the lineup from a hamstring injury with two home runs and Ted Power scattered seven hits for his first complete game in the majors, to lead Cincinnati.

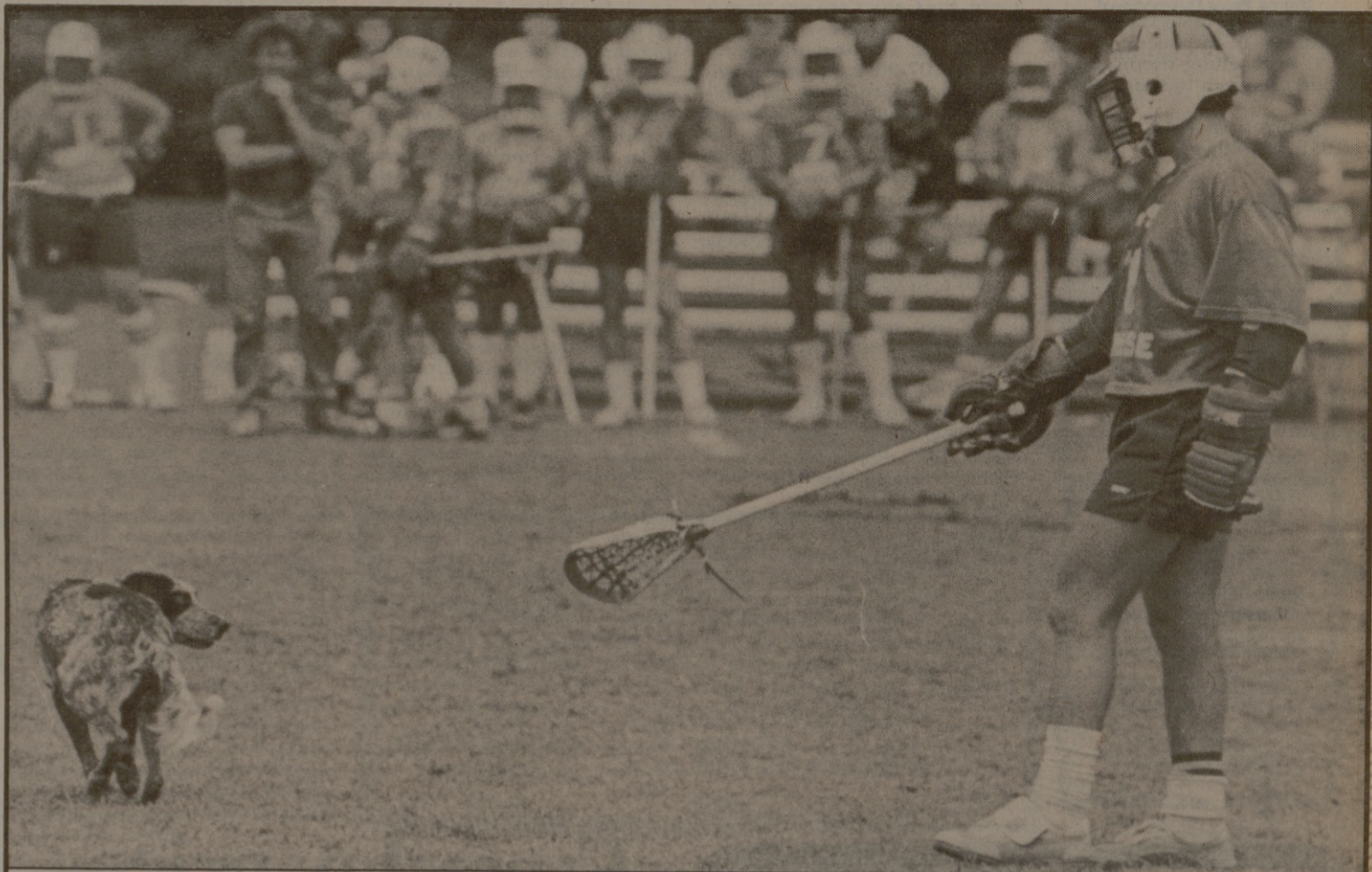
At Los Angeles, Lee Mazzilli and Dave Parker each drove in a pair of runs and Rick Rhoden scattered nine hits to lead the Pirates. Lee Lacy stole two bases to increase his league-leading mark to 15.

At Toronto, Willie Upshaw and Lloyd Moseby each belted two-run homers and Randy Moffitt pitched three innings of perfect relief to lead the Blue Jays to victory. Moffitt has not allowed a hit in his last five appearances. Brewers 8, White Sox 4.

At Chicago, Ben Oglivie drove in three runs and Cecil Cooper and Robin Yount each knocked in two to pace the Brewers to their eighth triumph in their last 12 games. The game was delayed an hour and 22 minutes at the start by rain.

At Kansas City, Amos Otis and Leon Roberts smacked two homers to lead the Royals. Dennis Leonard, 3-2, scattered five hits, struck out two and walked two over seven innings before giving way to Dan Quisenberry, who pitched the final two innings for his fifth save.

Bob Shirley, 1-2, set down the first 11 Royals before Frank White slapped a two-out single to left in the fourth. Amos Otis, who had missed six games with the flu, then drove a Shirley pitch 390 feet over the left field wall for his first homer of the season and a 2-0 lead.



Doggone!

staff photo by Irene Mees

This athletic canine was chased off the field by a Sam Houston State player after interrupting the championship game of the Southwest Lacrosse Association tourney Sunday. Texas Tech beat SHSU for the title.

Oakland rounds up Arizona Wranglers

United Press International
OAKLAND, Calif. — John Ralston was apologetic for running up the score but Doug Shively wasn't having any part of it.

seconds Monday night, Oakland Invaders' quarterback Fred Besana dived 3 yards for a touchdown and an eventual 34-20 victory over Shively's Arizona Wranglers.

Arthur Whittington added a touchdown on a 6-yard run and

Kevin Shea booted field goals of 42 and 35 yards before Besana went over from 3 yards out with 27 seconds remaining to account for the Invaders' points. Besana's touchdown throws covered 30 yards to Gordon Banks and 42 yards to Raymond Chester.

LA Raiders file another suit

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LOS ANGELES — Not content with nearly the \$35 million they won in their antitrust suit against the National Football League, the Los Angeles Raiders are now seeking \$57 million more from the league and 24 of the other 27 teams.

The Raiders have drawn up three suits accusing the NFL of conspiracy and the league's star attorney of perjury in the recent antitrust trial. A technicality kept the suits from being filed

Monday, but they were to be filed today in federal court.

The suit alleged conspiracy to obstruct justice in the trial in which the Raiders and the Los Angeles Coliseum were awarded a total of nearly \$50 million damages stemming from the NFL's actions in blocking the Raiders' move from Oakland for two years.

The suit seeks \$32,395,000 in actual damages and \$25 million in punitive damages. New Eng-

land, New Orleans and Philadelphia franchises were not named in the suit.


Raiders attorney Joseph Alioto charged the league conspired with Coliseum General Manager Jim Hardy during the penalty phase of the trial. The suits claim Hardy was the NFL's "most important witness," and he belittled the Raiders' major claims for damages for money the team lost because of the delayed move.

Ahead, 27-20, and the clock running down to the final

Ralston, the Invaders' head coach and general manager,

Arthur Whittington added a

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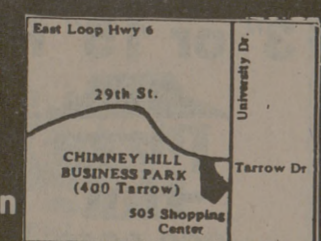
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