

# Sports

## San Diego smashes Astros 10-2

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — Carmelo Martinez, Randy Ready and Chris Brown each homered, leading the San Diego Padres to a 10-2 victory over the Houston Astros Sunday. Ready had four RBI with his homer and a two-run double.

Benito Santiago went 3-for-4 for the Padres and scored twice, extending his hitting streak to 17 games and helping San Diego sweep the three-game series with the Astros. Houston fell 6½ games behind San Francisco in the National League West, with Cincinnati six behind.

Martinez hit a three-run shot and Ready had a two-run homer in San Diego's five-run fifth. Brown added a two-run homer in the eighth. Jimmy Jones, 8-6, allowed six hits in pitching his second complete game of the year for San Diego. He struck out three and walked four.

The Padres held a 3-2 lead before striking for the five runs in the fifth off Houston starter Jim Deshaies, 10-6. Jones reached second on a fielding error by center fielder Gerald Young, and Tony Gwynn followed with a bunt single. Martinez connected one out later for his 12th homer of the season, and first since July 26.

The rally continued as Santiago singled and Ready hit his seventh homer, knocking Deshaies out of the game and giving San Diego an 8-2 lead. Ready walked before Brown hit his 12th homer of the season in the eighth.

Deshaies, who gave up nine hits, was charged with seven earned runs, giving him a total of 21 over 22½ innings that he has pitched in five starts since returning from the disabled list with tendinitis in his left shoulder.

## A&M volleyballers go 2-3 in tourney

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The Texas A&M Lady Aggies won two games out of five this weekend in Fullerton, Ca. at the Titan-Mizuno Invitational.

The Lady Aggies fell to 3-7 for the season.

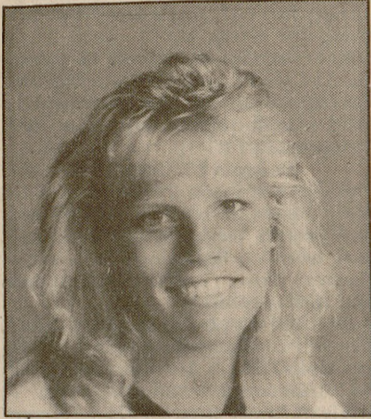
Friday, A&M opened the tournament with a victory over Santa Clara 15-7, 12-15, 15-4. They fell to No. 16 Long Beach State 15-3, 15-9 and Eastern Washington 16-14, 15-7 in games later in the day.

Saturday's action also began on a high note for the Lady Aggies, as they defeated Idaho 15-7, 15-13. A&M's final game of the tournament saw Southwest Texas State come from behind to win 7-15, 15-11, 15-10.

Cheri Steensma led the Lady Aggie effort with a .413 attack percentage and 53 kills in the tournament.

A&M Coach Al Givens said Friday's results could have been much better if the team had been as cohesive as the next day.

Givens said, "Our effort against Idaho and Southwest Texas State was by far the best of the tournament."



"It's still a matter of us beating ourselves rather than our opponents beating us."

"If we do the little things right, the rest will take care of itself."

"The next four or five matches are critical for us and will set the tempo for the rest of the season. We need to regroup and prepare for Sam Houston State Wednesday."

Wednesday's game with the Lady Bearkats is at 7:30 p.m. at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

## Parrish leads Rangers to 8-2 win over Angels

**ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP)** — Larry Parrish tied a club record with his 30th home run of the season and drove in three runs as the Texas Rangers beat the California Angels 8-2 Sunday.

Parrish followed a one-out single by Scott Fletcher with a drive over the right-field fence off starter Jerry Reuss, 4-3, equaling the 30 homers hit by Jeff Burroughs in 1973 and Pete Incaviglia last season.

Wally Joyner hit two home runs off left-hander Paul Kilgus for the Angels' runs. Joyner homered with one out in the first, and hit his 29th home run in the third.

Kilgus was removed after the third inning when he complained of tightness in his pitching shoulder. Jeff Russell, 5-4, blanked the Angels for 3½ innings for the victory with relief help from Mitch Williams, who earned his sixth save.

The Rangers scored in the third, when Dave Meier singled off third baseman Doug DeCinces' glove, moved to second on an infield grounder, and scored on Fletcher's single.

Texas added two runs in the eighth on Ruben Sierra's sacrifice fly and Parrish's RBI single.

## Oilers overcome early mistakes to stun highly-touted Rams 20-16

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Houston quarterback Warren Moon threw fourth-quarter touchdown passes of 3 yards to Jamie Williams and 59 yards to Ernest Givins Sunday, rallying the Oilers to a 20-16 victory over the Los Angeles Rams.

Moon hit Givins with a short pass over the middle, and the second-year wide receiver cut back to his left and sprinted into the end zone with 2:59 left in the game, giving Houston its first lead.

The Oilers were right back in Los Angeles territory moments later, when Eric Dickerson fumbled and Houston's Jeff Donaldson recovered. That set up a 19-yard field

goal by Tony Zendejas with 1:01 left to play.

Keith Bostick intercepted his second pass of the game with 28 seconds remaining to kill Los Angeles' final drive.

The Oilers, contained by the Rams' defense most of the game, scored their first touchdown with 7:28 left when Moon hit Williams with a 3-yard pass.

The Rams capitalized on Houston's first-half mistakes for a 13-3 lead on field goals of 28 and 44 yards by Mike Lansford and Kevin Greene's 25-yard interception return.

Greene charged at Moon with

raised hands and batted Moon's pass attempt to Rozier into the air. He juggled the ball on the run and ran into the end zone untouched.

Greene also sacked Moon for a 15-yard loss and tackled Rozier for a 4-yard loss in the first half.

Lansford, who had a four field goal performance against New Orleans last season, added a 47-yarder in the third period.

The Oilers heard boos in the second quarter and finally got on the scoreboard with a 44-yard Zendejas field goal with 1:02 remaining in the half.

But the Houston offense started to click in the fourth quarter.

## Lomax leads Cards in late surge to defeat Pokes in opening game

**ST. LOUIS (AP)** — For Neil Lomax, a St. Louis Cardinals quarterback who's had more downs than ups in recent years, the comeback victory was almost worth the wait.

"This is the best feeling I've experienced in the last two years," Lomax said after steering St. Louis from behind in the final two minutes Sunday to a 24-13 victory over the Dallas Cowboys. "It's a beauty to beat Dallas the way we did."

Lomax, who in 1984 passed for 4,614 yards and 28 touchdowns, pierced Dallas' once-proud defense for two scores in a span of 65 seconds just before the finish.

"I told Neil, 'Let's do it, let's go long,'" said Roy Green, who hauled in a 16-yarder from the quarterback with 1:58 to go and a 22-yarder with 53 seconds left. "I got a little excited. It felt good, it really did."

Fullback Earl Ferrell's 15-yard scoring run put the icing on the cake for St. Louis with 19 seconds to go after Bob Clasby recovered a Cowboy fumble caused by Curtis Greer, who had three quarterback sacks.

"I was just trying to kill the clock,"

said Ferrell, whose touchdown was his first in two years. "They (Cowboys) were the ones calling the timeouts. I was just trying to make the last play last."

Lomax's two scoring passes and Ferrell's run rallied the Cardinals from a 13-3 deficit, with the go-ahead score coming after Dallas just missed an important first down in trying to use up the clock.

"We gave it away... we just didn't do the job. When we had to score the points, we couldn't do it," said Cowboys Coach Tom Landry. "It's always disappointing to lose, but there's not much you can do about it when the game's over."

St. Louis Coach Gene Stallings, a former Dallas assistant, revelled in his first victory over Landry and the Cowboys in three tries.

"They worried me all the time (during his tenure as Dallas defensive coach)," Stallings said of Lomax and Green, the leaders of the Cardinals' comeback. "Now I'm glad I've got them. We made some plays today, and now we're a little more confident."

It was St. Louis' first victory in a home opener since they defeated the Atlanta Falcons 23-20 in 1975. Dallas had won 21 of its 22 previous season openers.

Quarterback Danny White, who completed 20 of 32 passes for 256 yards, found Gordon Banks on a 20-yarder to put the Cowboys ahead 13-3 with 13:18 remaining.

But the Cardinals, after squandering an opportunity, went 50 yards in four plays to draw close. Lomax spotted Green to complete the 16-yarder that made it 13-10 with 1:58 left.

St. Louis then moved 61 yards to go ahead 17-13. Lomax found Stump Mitchell for a 25-yard gain that set up Green's go-ahead reception made tumbling into the corner of the Cowboys' end zone.

The Cardinals scored first on Jim Gallery's 23-yard field goal after Lomax hit Green for a 44-yard gain on the game's first play. The Cowboys, however, controlled play from that point until the concluding minutes.



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