

Pitcher hits two home runs in same game

DENVER (AP) — Mike Hampton became the first Colorado pitcher to hit two home runs in one game, leading the Rockies to a 9-4 victory over the Houston Astros on Tuesday night.

Hampton's second homer, a two-run shot, highlighted a six-run sixth inning that gave the Rockies an 8-4 lead.

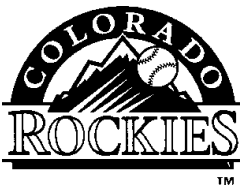
Hampton (8-2) also had a 412-foot solo homer in the fifth. He has four homers this season.

In 372 at-bats heading into this season, Hampton had no homers, although he sported a respectable .231 batting average.

He is the first pitcher to homer twice in a game since Los Angeles' Darren Dreifort did it last Aug. 8 against the Chicago Cubs.

Hampton gave up two-run homers to Craig Biggio and Moises Alou and trailed 4-2 before the Rockies' sixth-inning outburst.

He went 7 2-3 innings, allowing nine hits and four runs with three walks and four strikeouts.



Royals record falls to worst in team history

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Ray Durham and Magglio Ordonez each homered Tuesday night, leading the Chicago White Sox to their fifth straight victory, 6-2 over the Kansas City Royals.

Kip Wells pitched 6 1-3 innings, allowing four hits, for the White Sox, who have won 10 of 11. The Royals lost their fourth straight and dropped to 20-37, matching their worst record ever after 57 games. The Royals, who have scored a total of seven runs in their last four games, have lost nine of 11.

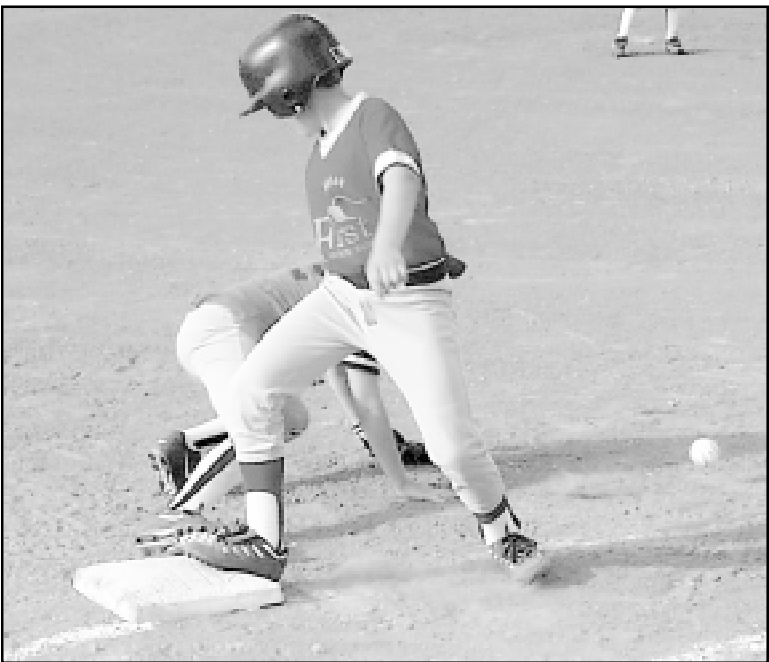
Wells (2-2) held the reeling Royals to one run on four hits, with two walks and four strikeouts.

The Royals loaded the bases with one out in the seventh, but reliever Sean Lowe struck out Luis Alicea, and reliever Bobby Howry retired pinch-hitter Dave McCarty on a shallow fly. Howry went on to get his second save, allowing one run in 2 1-3 innings.

Royals shortstop Rey Sanchez was 0-for-4 as his hitting streak stopped at 21 games, the longest current streak in the majors and the sixth-longest in team history.



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