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Royals' slugger helps team to 10-5 victory

City Royals the lead, he wondered if he had helped give it away.

Sweeney hit two homers and drove n five runs as the Royals beat the Minnesota Twins 10-5 Sunday, but he needed help from Corey Bailey to remain the hero.

The Royals took a 4-1 lead in the seventh on Sweeney's two-run homer play left Bailey with runners on second Twins had runners on first and third, to a 4-2 lead.

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Soon af- with no outs in the bottom of the sevter Mike Sweeney gave the Kansas enth, when Sweeney, the Royals' first Bailey said. baseman, fielded A.J. Pierzynski's grounder off pitcher Bailey.

Sweeney threw home, starting a botched rundown that allowed Jacque Jones to score.

Bailey, covering home, dropped third baseman Luis Alicea's throw, allowing Jones to score on the error. The and Mark Quinn's RBI single. But the and third, and the Royals hanging on

"That was a pretty intense situation,"

Bailey struck out the next three batters - Luis Rivas, Bobby Kielty and Doug Mientkiewicz.

"If he doesn't get the job done, this game could've have been the oppo-Royals manager Tony Muser site," said.

Muser was able to forgive Sweeney, who added a three-run homer off Hector Carrasco in the Royals' four-run eighth.

Sweeney said he went home because he didn't think he could turn the double play.

Muser said he would have liked to see Sweeney take the out and give up a run, but chalked it up to inexperience. Sweeney is in his second season as the Royals first baseman.

"Let's just say we scored enough runs to put a blanket over a poor fundamental game," Muser said. Sweeney and Quinn each went 4-

for-5 to help the Royals avoid a three-

Twins. Going into the game, Sweeney had just 15 hits in 81 at-bats, and Quinn was 17-for-90, since the All-Star break.

with 20 hits, which also matched the most given up by the Twins.

"Those guys came out with their whipping sticks," the Twins' Torii Hunter said.

Royals starter Paul Byrd (4-4) allowed two runs and seven hits in sixplus innings. Joe Mays (12-9) gave up a career high.

game sweep by the ALCentral-leading 11 hits and four runs over 62-3 innings, allowing a Kansas City baserunner in each inning.

Notes: The Metrodome's air condi-The Royals tied their season high tioning was not working Sunday. The temperature inside, normally 71 degrees, rose from 75 at gametime to 85 late in the game. It was 96 outside. Following the game, the Twins showed a video replay of the Hall of Fame induction speeches by Kirby Puckett and Dave Winfield. Quinn's four hits tied

Pirates pitcher is up to the challenge

didn't feel confident with runners on Jeff Cirillo. first and third and no outs, a one-run lead and Todd Helton at the plate.

Fetters was up to the challenge, however, striking out last year's NL batting champion and retiring the next two hitters to save the Pittsburgh Pirates' 5-4 win over the Colorado Rockies on Sunday.

"I'm thinking what everybody else is thinking, 'Oh my god, are you kidding me?"' Fetters said after giving up

DENVER (AP) — Mike Fetters a triple to Larry Walker and a walk to first baseman Kevin Young, who threw

"Todd Helton, a guy I hate facing, is up there and one swing of the bat and the game is over. I'm thinking to myself just get the ball on the ground, keep twice. it down and hopefully somebody will hit it at somebody."

Fetters, acquired on Tuesday from Los Angeles, did better than that. He struck out Helton on a pitch up and away.

Alex Ochoa then hit a grounder to

Walker out at home.

Fetters then struck out Juan Uribe for his second save.

Jack Wilson doubled and scored

Adam Hyzdu homered for Pittsburgh.

Reliever Mike Lincoln (1-0) worked 11-3 hitless innings as the Pirates held on to win the final two games of the three-game series.

Larry Walker hit his 300th career burgh's lead to 2-0 in the second.

home run. Walker's 201st homer with Colorado moved him into a secondplace tie with Dante Bichette on team's career list — two behind Vinny Castilla.

Colorado lost for the 33rd time in its last 43 games.

The Pirates took a 1-0 lead in the first inning against Brian Bohanon (5-7) when Wilson led off with a double and scored on Jason Kendall's single. Hyzdu's fifth homer extended Pitts-

Golfer has back-to-back bogeys but wins

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP)-Tom Pernice Jr. won his second career PGA Tour title, steadying himself after back-to-back bogeys on the back nine to win The International.

Pernice, the second- and thirdround leader, added just a point to his total in the final round, finishing with 34 points for a 1-point victory.

Chris Riley birdied three holes on the back nine to finish at 33, under the modified Stableford scoring system that awards players with 5 points for eagle, 2 points for birdie, 0 for par, minus-1 for bogey and minus-3 for double bogey or worse

JERICHO, N.Y. (AP) — Bobby Wadkins became the 10th player to win in his Senior PGA Tour debut, closing with a birdie for a 4-under 68 and a one-stroke victory in the Long Island Classic.

Wadkins, who turned 50 on July 26, is very familiar with the last

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brother Lanny in 2000.

He became the youngest player to win on the senior tour, one day younger than Gil Morgan was when he won the 13 aces at speeds up to 113 mph, Ve-1996 Ralphs Senior Classic. Larry Nelson and Allen Doyle shot 69s to tie for second.

TRACKAND FIELD

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) -Maurice Greene shook off false starts by three of his opponents and won his third consecutive world title, in 9.82 seconds-the third-fastest time in history. He also owns the two fastest times - his world record of 9.79 and 9.80, both set in 1999.

In winning, Greene led a 1-2-3 U.S. finish, with Tim Montgomery second at 9.85 and Bernard Williams third with a career-best 9.94. He also became the second to win three straight the fourth-longest at No. 1 since the 100 titles, joining Carl Lewis, the win- rankings began in 1975. ner in 1983, 1987 and 1991.

hammer throw with a meet record 273 feet, 7 inches; Yanina Korolchik of Belarus won the women's shot put with a national record of 67-7 1/2.

TENNIS

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) - Firing nus Williams overpowered Monica Seles 6-2, 6-3 to win the Acura Classic for the second straight year.

Williams extended her domination of Seles to 6-0 in their first meeting since Williams won their semifinal in the Sydney Olympics en route to the gold medal. She beat Seles in three sets last year at La Costa Resort.

Despite the victory, Williams will drop a spot to No. 4 in the world when the WTA Tour rankings are released Monday. Lindsay Davenport, who lost to Williams in the semifinals, moves from fourth to third. Martina Hingis will stay on top for her 201st week —

Anna Kournikova and Hingis lost In other finals, Olympic champion the doubles final, falling 6-4, 1-6, 6-4 player to accomplish the feat, Szymon Ziolkowski of Poland took the to Cara Black and Elena Likhovtseva.

MONTREAL (AP) — Andrei Pavel of Romania upset two-time U.S. Open champion Patrick Rafter of Australia 7-6 (3), 2-6, 6-3 to win the Tennis Masters Series-Canada.

Pavel broke Rafter just once, for a 5-3 lead in the final set, and closed out the match with an ace to take the \$400,000 first prize, the biggest payday of his 11-year career.

AUTO RACING

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jeff Gordon won the Brickyard 400, becoming the first three-time winner in race history and solidifying his lead in the Winston Cup championship chase

A full house of 320,000 packed into the Indianapolis Motor Speedway — many of them cheering for former Indiana resident Gordon.

Gordon, who started 27th, beat Sterling Marlin to the finish line by 0.094 seconds — about 10 carlengths.Gordon extended his series lead to 160 points over Dale Jarrett and 179 over Ricky Rudd.

Championship golf comes to Kansas

Devlin walked the fairways of Flint Hills National on Saturday, a to Flint Hills. cigar in hand and a broad smile on his face.

On the course in which he has invested many hours, millions of dollars and a lot of love, he found great satisfaction in the caliber of Amateur Championship.

Meredith Duncan, of Shreveport, La., won the 37-hole championship over Chile's Nicole Perrot, who battled back from being five holes down.

"It's a remarkable course. I like it," Duncan said following her victory.

With rave reviews for the course, officials proclaimed the first-ever USGA event at Flint Hills a rousing success. Not bad for a course in its infancy.

Many spectators seeing the course for the first time remarked that they "never thought a place like this would be in Kansas."

Devlin opened the par-71 course late in the summer of 1997 on 240 acres in Butler County. The goal was to create a world-class course that preserved the natural beauty of the Kansas Flint Hills.

He invited fellow Kansan and Wichita native Judy Bell to the U.S. Golf Association and long- said.

ANDOVER (AP) — Tom time amateur golf advocate then lobbied the USGA to bring the event

An army of 1,500 volunteers helped conduct the event, which used more than 4 tons of ice and 5.000 bottles of water to keep players and spectators from wilting.

"Four years ago, only Judy Bell play during the U.S. Women's had heard of Flint Hills," said Cora Jane Blanchard, chairwoman of the USGA's women's executive committee. "Now, thanks to television, everyone knows about Flint Hills."

Blanchard said the golf was "remarkable," not just because of the competition, but also because of the excessive heat that players competed in all week. Temperatures had hovered at or above 100 since play began Monday.

ESPN televised three days of play, culminating with 30 extra minutes on Saturday to cover Duncan's playoff victory.

Bell, who has played in or watched every U.S. Women's Amateur since 1957, said Saturday's final ranked with Tiger Woods' victory over Steve Scott in 1996 — a match that also went to a playoff.

"This was finest match I've ever seen," said Bell, who reveled in her recommendation of the course to the USGA paying off.

"I'm a Wichita girl, I'm a Kansan course. The former president of the and I couldn't be more proud," she

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