

Henderson may tie Cobb

DENVER (AP) — Rickey Henderson scored twice and moved within one run of tying Ty Cobb's career record, leading the San Diego Padres over the Colorado Rockies 8-7 Tuesday night.

Henderson boosted his runs total to 2,244. He also had two hits, pulling him within five of No. 3,000.

Henderson drove in three runs, D'Angelo Jimenez had two RBIs and Damian Jackson had two hits and scored twice for the Padres.

Brian Tollberg (8-4) went 7 1-3 innings, allowing five runs and 12 hits.

Trevor Hoffman relieved to start the ninth, and Larry Walker led off with his 37th home run and Todd Helton followed with his 45th homer. Hoffman held on for his 40th save.

Mike Hampton (14-12) failed to get his 100th career win, giving up eight runs and 10 hits in six innings.

Walker also doubled in raising his NL-leading average to .354.

The Rockies took a 1-0 lead when Gary Bennett hit his first homer for the Rockies.

Damian Jackson's misplayed foul ball led to a five-run third for San Diego. Alex Arias walked to open the inning and, one pitch after Helton let a pop drop in front of him, Jackson doubled.

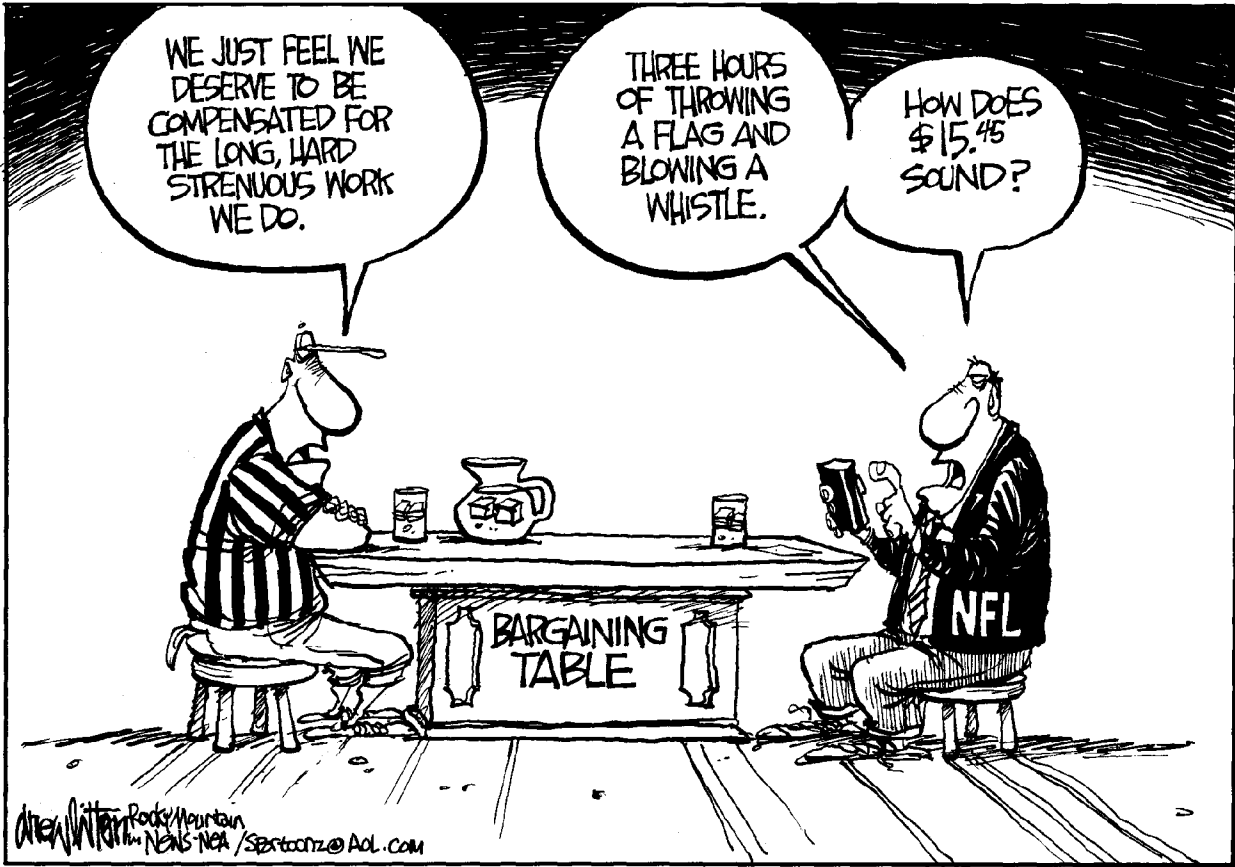
Henderson hit a two-run double, Jimenez walked and Phil Nevin hit an RBI double. An error by second baseman Brent Butler on Bubba Trammell's ground ball let two runs score.

Jeff Cirillo's two-out single scored Butler in the Colorado third.

The Padres took an 8-2 lead in the fourth. Henderson drove in a run with an infield hit and Jimenez followed with a two-run double.

Colorado closed to within 8-5 on Hampton's RBI double in the bottom of the fourth and Cirillo's sacrifice fly and an RBI double by Juan Uribe in the fifth.

Notes: Tollberg hadn't won since Aug. 27 after three straight no-decisions. San Diego RHP Kevin Jarvis will miss a start after a strained left hip flexor forced him to leave in the fourth inning of Monday's game. 1B Ryan Klesko was given one more day off with a sore back, but will be in the lineup on Wednesday. Hampton is hitting .299 after a 1-for-2 night with a double and his 16th RBI. Colorado OF Todd Hollandsworth took fly balls before the game. He has been out with a right shin contusion since May 19. The Rockies failed to score in the first inning after scoring in nine consecutive innings over two games.



Manager may face unemployment

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Kansas City Royals owner David Glass, who has said repeatedly team manager Tony Muser will return for next season, now appears to be wavering on the subject.

With the Royals 4-11 in September and entering Tuesday night's game against the Detroit Tigers losing four straight and the last seven of eight, Muser's job may no longer be secure for next year.

"No decision has been made," Glass said Tuesday at Kauffman Stadium on whether Muser will be brought back. "We all need to perform. I will say I think Tony has done a good job.

"I also think this year has been a disaster. I've never been as frustrated. I've never been as disappointed in a season. We started poorly. The team hasn't gotten better as the year went along, but worse. We're behind other

teams we should beat consistently."

Glass said he would meet with general manager Allard Baird, who is scheduled to return Wednesday from a scouting trip to Japan, to discuss not only Muser's future, but other personnel changes on the club.

Muser, who has a contract for next year, said Glass's comments did not catch him off guard.

"Mr. Glass is not a happy camper

Pitcher successful vs. Royals

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—If Jose Lima could pitch against the Kansas City Royals every start, he might again be a 20-game winner.

Bobby Higginson hit a three-run homer and Lima again beat Kansas City as the Detroit Tigers downed the Royals 6-4 Tuesday night.

The Tigers won their fourth in a row. The Royals, who rallied for three runs in the ninth inning, lost their fifth straight game.

Lima (5-8) had lost his previous five starts and seven of his past eight. Three of his victories since being acquired from Houston on June 23 have come against Kansas City.

Lima's only two wins since July 31 have been at the Royals' expense.

Jordan's plan is to outsmart youths

WASHINGTON (AP)—Michael Jordan might not be able to outrun or outdunk Allen Iverson and Kobe Bryant upon his return to the NBA. So he has another plan.

"He told me: 'Mr. P., don't worry. I'll outsmart them,'" Washington Wizards owner Abe Pollin said. "That's Michael. He'll do whatever it takes to be a winner."

Winning won't be easy with the Wizards, and Jordan all but admitted as much in his statement Tuesday confirming his plans to play for the next two years. There was no mention of winning another championship, just the hope that he might help a young, rebuilding team get to the playoffs.

"I am returning as a player to the game I love," said Jordan, 38 and

three years removed from what seemed to be a storybook ending to an unparalleled career. "I am especially excited about the Washington Wizards, and I'm convinced we have the foundation on which to build a playoff-contention team.

"The opportunity to teach our young players and help them elevate their game to a higher level, and to thank the fans in Washington for their loyalty and support, strongly influenced my decision," he said in a statement issued through his management agency.

Jordan said he would donate his first-year's salary — \$1 million — to victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. He'll continue to rake in money from other sources, however, and even his comeback announce-

ment was delayed one day by negotiations over the licensing rights to a video game featuring his likeness.

NBA rules also required Jordan to sell his ownership stake in the Wizards, and he had to relinquish his front office position of president of basketball operations.

The five-time league MVP retired for a second time in 1999 after leading the Chicago Bulls to their sixth title of the decade. He never completely ruled out a second comeback, hedging his bets with the statement that he was "99.9 percent" certain he would never play again.

"I am happy to welcome Michael Jordan, the player, back to the NBA, although, as commissioner, I am sorry to lose him in the board room," NBA commissioner David Stern said.

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	89	61	.593	—
Boston	75	74	.503	13 1/2
Toronto	74	77	.490	15 1/2
Baltimore	60	90	.400	29
Tampa Bay	54	96	.360	35
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	87	65	.572	—
Minnesota	80	71	.530	6 1/2
Chicago	78	73	.517	8 1/2
Detroit	62	89	.411	24 1/2
Kansas City	58	93	.384	28 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	108	44	.711	—
y-Oakland	93	58	.616	14 1/2
Anaheim	74	77	.490	33 1/2
Texas	70	82	.461	38
x-clinched division				
y-clinched wild card spot				
Tuesday's Games				
Baltimore 12, Boston 7				
Cleveland 11, Toronto 7				
Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Yankees 0				

Seattle 13, Texas 2				
Detroit 6, Kansas City 4				
Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 2				
Oakland 9, Anaheim 3				
Today's Game				
Detroit at Kansas City, 6:05 p.m.				
Thursday's Games				
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox, 12:05 p.m.				
Anaheim at Oakland, 1:35 p.m.				
Baltimore at Boston, 5:05 p.m.				
Toronto at Tampa Bay, 5:15 p.m.				
Detroit at Kansas City, 6:05 p.m.				
National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	81	70	.536	—
Philadelphia	80	71	.530	1
New York	77	74	.510	4
Florida	70	81	.464	11
Montreal	64	87	.424	17
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	90	61	.596	—
St. Louis	86	66	.566	4 1/2
Chicago	81	70	.536	9
Milwaukee	65	86	.431	25
Cincinnati	62	89	.411	28
Pittsburgh	58	94	.382	32 1/2

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	84	67	.556	—
San Francisco	83	69	.546	1 1/2
Los Angeles	81	71	.533	3 1/2
San Diego	75	76	.497	9
Colorado	67	84	.444	17
Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets 2, Montreal 0				
Atlanta 5, Florida 2, 11 innings				
Pittsburgh 13, Chicago Cubs 1				
Cincinnati 8, Philadelphia 1				
St. Louis 3, Houston 2				
San Diego 8, Colorado 7				
Milwaukee 9, Arizona 4				
Los Angeles 9, San Francisco 5				
Today's Games				
N.Y. Mets at Montreal, 5:05 p.m.				
Atlanta at Florida 5:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 5:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 5:05 p.m.				
St. Louis at Houston, 6:05 p.m.				
San Diego at Colorado, 7:05 p.m.				
Milwaukee at Arizona, 7:35 p.m.				
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 8:10 p.m.				
Thursday's Games				
San Diego at Colorado, 1:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets at Montreal, 3:35 p.m.				

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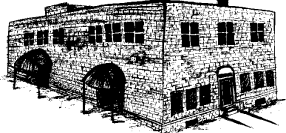
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