Guillen's errors key in Dodger win

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PITTSBURGH - Los Angeles aided Pittsburgh's comeback with two gift runs on a dropped popup, but Pirates rookie Jose Guillen gave back the lead in the ninth with an errant throw and the Dodgers kept the NL West lead by winning 6-4 last night.

Raul Mondesi's two-run double keved a four-run first against rookie Jose Silva and his single finished off a go-ahead two-run ninth in the Dodgers' fifth victory in six games and 10th in 14 games. The Pirates had won seven of nine.

The Dodgers outhit the Pirates 13-6 while beating them for the eighth time in 10 games.

With the score 4-4, Eric Young singled off Ricardo Rincon (4-7) to start the ninth and Brett Butler sacrificed. Mike Piazza was intentionally walked before Rich Loiselle gave up Eric Karros' bloop single to right, just over the glove of second baseman Tony Womack.

Guillen, the right fielder who had just come on during a double switch, threw before locating the cutoff man and the ball sailed into the Allensworth and Martin scored.

Dodgers' dugout, scoring Young. Mondesi followed with his seventh hit in 10 at-bats in the Smith to re-load the bases, and reliever Darseries, scoring Piazza.

Dodgers starter Chan Ho Park, winner of eight of his previous nine starts, seemed to have plenty of runs to work with after the big first inning, retiring 15 consecutive batters following Al Martin's homer in the first.

But the Pirates, who have had a succession of improbable comebacks this season, pulled off another by scoring three runs in the seventh after catcher Piazza dropped an apparent inning-ending popup.

Jermaine Allensworth singled for the Pirates' first hit since the first inning and Martin walked. Park, working on a two-hitter, struck out Dale Sveum and Turner Ward popped up, but Joe Randa singled to load the

Park almost got out of the inning when Jason Kendall skied a popup behind home Star break. ... The Pirates hit only two balls

But Piazza seemed to lose the ball in the lights, and it skidded off his glove and nearly into the Dodgers' dugout as he and first baseman Karros collided in front of home plate.

Park left after walking pinch-hitter Mark ren Hall walked pinch-hitter Eddie Williams to force in the tying run.

Scott Radinsky finally got out of the inning by getting Womack to hit a force-play grounder.

The Pirates had a chance to go ahead in the

Martin doubled with one out and Ward walked, but Darren Dreifort (5-1) came on to strike out Randa looking for the third out.

In the Dodgers' first, Young and Piazza singled ahead of consecutive doubles by Karros and Mondesi and Todd Zeile's RBI single before Silva could get the second out. Piazza went 3-for-4 and is 5-for-7 in the series.

Silva followed with six shutout innings. Notes:

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Park has not lost in 10 starts since the Allout of the infield as Park retired 15 in a row.

Allensworth is 4-for-6 against Park. ... Silva's only other major league start came in the Pirates' 6-5, 13-inning loss to San Francisco in a July 27 doubleheader. He gave up 10 hits and five runs in 4 1-3 innings in that start.

Phillies win with Grace

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Mike Grace won in his first major league appearance since May 1996, pitching seven strong innings last night to lead the Philadelphia Phillies run double. over the San Diego Padres 4-2.

Grace, who allowed two runs and six hits, was on the disabled list for the second half of the 1996 season with shoulder trouble, then strained right triceps duriring spring training. He had not appeared in the majors since June 2, 1996, and had not won since beating Los Angeles on June 2, 1996.

Grace struck out three and the first inning when Ken Caminiti hit an RBI single and Wally Joyner added a sacrifice fly.

Tony Barron drove in two runs for the Phillies, 24-19 since the All-Star break. Caminiti went 3-for-4 for San Diego, which has lost eight of 10 and 17 of 28.

Ricky Bottalico pitched the ninth for his 25th save in 30 chances.

Sterling Hitchcock (9-8) allowed three runs and six hits in six

Philadelphia surged ahead in the bottom of the first when Mike Lieberthal hit an RBI double and Tony Barron followed with a two-

Midre Cummings added a sacrifice fly in the seventh following Kevin Stocker's double.

San Diego had loaded the bases with two outs in the top of the inning, but Grace retired Steve Finley on a popup to end the threat and secure the win for the Phils.

Notes:

Ruben Amaro has 57 pinch-hitting appearances, five short of the walked three, allowing both runs in club record set by Curt Ford in 1989. ... Scott Rolen missed his fourth straight game after bruising his left arm when hit by a Hideo Nomo pitch on Saturday. According to Phillies manager Terry Francona, Rolen could return to the lineup Wednesday against the Padres. ... Bruce Bochy is one short of tying John McNamara for second place on the career victory list among San Diego managers at 223. Dick Wiliams is in first with



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