

Fans

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were naturally discordant tones.

Out at Metropolitan Stadium, Chicago Bear halfback Gale Sayers and the Minnesota Vikings had to compete with the Twins for attention among the crowd of 44,868, many of whom brought along their transistor radios.

AS THE Twins fortunes rose and fell, the preoccupied crowd cheered when the Bears broke from their huddle, when Sayers scored a touchdown and when a Viking receiver dropped a pass. They even booed when the Vikings made a first down.

Emotions also were running high at the Bubble. "Good-bye Twins," one patron cried as the Red Sox scored five runs in the bottom of the 6th inning.

When the Twins summoned Pitcher Jim Roland from the bullpen in the seventh inning, a tall, ruddy-faced fan rose from his bar stool and announced solemnly: "He hasn't won a game all year."

A moment later Boston batters confirmed his diagnosis with two quick hits and the fan walked out in a huff.

And when the game ended, another fan announced in a triumphant voice that he had bet an undisclosed amount on the Red Sox.

"THE TWINS haven't played good ball all year. They made too many mistakes," he said.

But most of the fans had a good word for the team.

"Just because they couldn't pull through in the last two games, that's no reason to be disappointed," said Darwin Hand, 49, 620 S. 7th St. "They'll be even better next year."

Another patron noted that Sunday would be a bad day for the Twins to win the pennant anyway.

"There aren't enough bars open," he said. "You couldn't have a proper celebration."

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