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TWINS' JIM KAAT WAS REMOVED FROM GAME AFTER INJURY. Manager Cal Ermer, trainer George Lentz and catcher Jerry Zimmerman talked

Ermer Recalls Bad Hops, Bad Luck

By Staff Writer
BOSTON, Mass. — Twins' president Calvin Griffith shook his head and said, "I guess it wasn't our day."

Manager Cal Ermer moaned: "Did you ever see so many things happen to a club in one game?"

Ermer referred to the Twins' mental mistakes, bad-hop singles, errors and their failure to hit in the clutch. You name it, and it happened to the Twins Saturday in their 6-4 loss to Boston.

"First Jim Kaat pops his elbow on a day when he had it and would have shut the door on Boston," Ermer reviewed.

"We miss a base-loaded chance to kayo Jose Santiago with one more hit in the first inning."

"Rod Carew gets a bad hop on pinch-hitter Dalton Jones" single in the fifth.

"Then Carew slips on Jerry Adair's pop single to center in the same inning. And Carew fields Carl Yastrzemski's grounder back of first but Perry forgets to cover first base and it costs us the 2-1 lead."

Perry explained why he failed to cover first.

"I took one step toward first base, then I saw the ball go by Harmon Killebrew," he said. "But Carew came up with the ball. Then it was too late for me to get to first."

When Yastrzemski hit his 44th homer, three fans paraded onto the field to shake his hand.

The left-hander complained, "One came up to me and said, 'I just want to shake your hand.' I know I'll go to jail, but I don't care. I made more money betting on the Red Sox today than I'll make all year. It's

worth it," Yastrzemski reported.

Yastrzemski, who played at Minneapolis of the American Association in 1960, replayed the last inning when Harmon Killebrew hit a two-run homer for the Twins to the Yastrzemski for the American League homer lead of 44.

"With first base open, we might have walked Killebrew," Carl said, "but that might have jeopardized the game."

"I wanted Gary Bell to pitch to Killebrew, but I knew he'd hit one out."

"Sure, I want to win the Triple Crown, and I've got a pretty good lock on the batting title and runs batted in. But I don't want to sack into the honorarium over Harmon by having Boston pitchers walk him. I want to win it fair and square in a hitting match."

Yaz is averaging .322 for a good lead on Baltimore's Frank Robinson in the batting race. Carl also leads Killebrew 119-113 in runs batted in.

Boston officials expect another at-a-disgaming-unemployed today of about 23,000.

Conacher Given Ultimatum by Leafs
PETERBOROUGH, Ont. — General manager Punch Imlach of the Toronto Maple Leafs gave Brian Conacher a 48-hour ultimatum Saturday to sign a two-year contract or be traded to another team.

Conacher left the National Hockey League news's training camp Sept. 16.

said vice-president Dick O'Connell. "We sold 33,000 tickets today, and another 1,200 in standing room."

The Red Sox have already set an attendance mark of 1,858,076 at home.

Among the spectators yesterday were Vice-President Hubert Humphrey, Commissioner of Baseball William Eckert and enough sports writers and television and radio personnel to man a World Series.

Humphrey visited both teams' clubhouses after the game and congratulated Yastrzemski.

"Two great clubs," said Yaz to the veep, "just like the Democrats and the Republicans."

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grounders and errors of omission began to take a toll in the Boston fifth.

Reggie Smith led with a double to left-center field. Dalton Jones, a left-handed hitter, batted for catcher Russ Gibson and grounded meekly to second base, but the ball made a bad hop. All hands were safe on the infield hit.

Santiago and Andrews struck out. But Jerry Adair popped the first pitch to short right center. Carew slipped and the ball fell for a single. Smith scores for a 1-1 tie. Jones took third base.

Perry pitched Yastrzemski down to the 3-2 count. Carl grounded the ball just past Killebrew at first base. Carew fielded the ball near the outfield grass, but Perry forgot to cover first.

Jones scored for Boston's 2-1 lead, and Yaz got an infield hit.

The Twins came back for a 2-2 tie in the sixth. Allison walked. With two out, Ted Uhlender singled. Pinch-hitter Frank Kostro walked, but Zola Versalles popped out to end the threat.

Scott greeted Kline with and it got worse for the Twins in the seventh inning.

Andrews beat out a tap in front of the mound. Shortstop Versalles dropped a toss from Kline for the force out of Andrews at second on Adair's bouncer.

Left-handed Jim Merritt replaced Kline to face Yaz, who hit his 44th homer for the 6-2 difference.

Santiago, winner of his 12th game in 16 decisions, left in the eighth inning when he walked Allison.

The Twins, however, failed to show any life against reliever Gary Bell until the ninth. To var doubling into the left field corner with two out. Bell tried to sneak a 2-2 fast ball by Killebrew after Harmon had kept fouling off the curves. The base ball sailed out of sight on Harmon's home run swing, but Givva lined out to

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