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Western Blues to Meet Salter Path

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water League of 1946-52, this admittedly semi-pro competition drew such established major league stars as Bob Porterfield and Roger Craig. This circuit narrowed to the all-Carteret County Salt Water League of 1953-61. Times changed and so did organized baseball and Carteret had no semipro competition of equally high caliber until the Coastal Carolina League of 1971-73.

And that brings us to President Andy McKinney's Seashore League, which enjoyed such success in its first season of 1974 and appears healthier and more attractive than ever this 1975.

MANAGER Wilson Davis's defending champion Eastern Blues and Skipper Rodney Kemp's Carteret Tides share the current lead with 2 victories and 0defeats. Today's Seashore League insists on the strictest of amateurism and residence in - Carteret

Otis Pittman, who pilots

the Salter Path Braves, faces his point of no return on Sunday, His Braves drew the short end of the straw when they were marched against the Eastern Blues and the Tides in their first two starts. They lost to both co-league leaders, but showed the raw potential to

bounce back .-

NOW THE Braves go against the Western Blues Sunday in Bogue and Pittman will change his starting pitcher. Right-hander Neal Smith will move over from shortstop to open. He throws a devastating side-arm curve that comes up to the batter from the region of third base. He also fires a hopping overhand fast ball. Jarvis Guthrie, another right-hander, will be ready in reserve with his overhand curve and baffling change-

Western Blues Manager George Tootle, who pitched his team to a .500 standing last week in stopping the Red Sox, probably will return to the mound Sunday. He also has right-hander Alton Turner in reserve.

"WE'RE GOING to need some luck," says Pittman. "I hope we can get started." Tootle plans a sturdy roadblock in the path of the Braves.

The Eastern Blues will probably go with their pitching ace, Lefty Dallas Arthur, to battle the 1-1 wonlost Red Sox in Newport. Skipper Joe Lawrence's Sea Dogs are about ready to rise in righteous wrath when they fend off the invasion of the Carteret Tides in Beaufort.

SEASHORE STANDINGS

L Eastern Blues 0 Red Sox 1 Carteret Tides 2 0 Salter Path Western Blues Braves 2 Beaufort Sea Dogs

> GAMES SUNDAY AT 2 P.M. Salter Path Braves at Western Blues Eastern Blues at Newport Red Sox-Carteret Tides at Beaufort Sea Dogs