

Havelock, N. C.

## COACH 'OSSIE' SIMMONS TRAINS HAVELOCK BALL TEAM FOR OPENER

With the May 3 debut date rapidly descending on Havelock's first diamond outfit to enter organized competition, player-manager "Ossie" Simmons has been devoting early stages of pre-season workouts to pepper drills and general conditioning.

The local nine, trying this season for Tidewater league laurels, was formed only a few weeks ago. Now, with a flock of almost 40 aspirants, Simmons is molding a combination that will represent this community in league play.

Although the original group of try-outs for team posts has not been weeded out as yet, the squad will probably be cut before the circuit's opening date, May 3. No announcement has been made as to the number of men the mentor plans to carry.

Team hopefuls, along with several fans, are now in the process of face-lifting the Havelock ball field at the rear of the Cherry Point school. The workmen are striving to have the field in top-playing condition prior to the home stand inaugural. Tidewater league's schedule has not yet been released, therefore no date has been set for the 'Lockers' initial contest on home soil.

Teams of the six-way Tidewater circuit are Morehead City, Havelock, Davis, Beaufort, Straits, and Marshallberg.

Business establishments and nearby towns have contributed 16 uniforms for the locals. The Havelock horsehide tribe will be clad in outfits of gray with blue trimmings. The left front side of the shirt will bear a large red letter H.

R. C. Harrell has been named business manager of the project club while R. C. Carter will be the official scorekeeper. C. A. Lilley is secretary and treasurer.

All league frays of the 30-game schedule will be played on Saturdays and Sundays, according to plans made at a recent loop re-organization meeting at Morehead City.

Officials of the local nine have announced that there will be no set admission for home games. Witnesses will be asked to contribute as they wish in "pass the hat" style. All proceeds after expenditures are deducted will be placed into the fund of the proposed Havelock Athletic association. No players will be paid.