Atlantic Pirates Over Morehead C

Butch Saunders, fire-balling righthander of the Atlantic Pirates, bested Bobby McIntosh of Morehead City's Eagles in a 1-0 pitchers' battle at Atlantic Friday afternoon. Each pitcher allowed two hits.

Saunders set 17 Eagles down via the strikeout route, and McIntosh got a third strike past 13 Pirates. The Eagle pitcher dug his own grave with his wildness in the bottom of the first inning.

He walked Pirate second baseman Van McIntosh, got shortstop Bobby Styron and Saunders on flies to left field, and walked catcher Howard Pittman.

Gaskill Gets RBI

With men on first and second. third baseman Phillip Morris singled over second to load the sacks. Elmo Gaskill got credit for driving in the first run of the season when he worked McIntosh for a walk. The chunky right fielder moved to first keeping the bases full, but the next man up, center fielder Curtis Lewis, struck out to end the inning.

Saunders had set the Eagles down in the top of the inning with one walk, a hit, and three strikeouts. He struck out two more in the second inning. In the third frame he struck out the first three

batters to face him.

The Pirates were having their lumps in the hitting department, too. After leaving the bases loaded in the first inning, they came back to fill them up in the second on a walk, an error and a hit. This time Pittman came to the plate with three on and two away and struck

Saunders collected three more strikeouts in the fourth inning. A walk and an error were sandwiched between the strikeouts. He added two in each of the last three

Eagles Die on Second

The Eagles failed to push a man around as far as third. While the Pirates had better luck in getting men on base, they had trouble getting hits in the clutch.

Coach Roy Cockerham was pleased with the play of the Pirates in the field. It was this department that was worrying the coach most. He was very disappointed with their hitting, he said. "In practice they had looked good at the plate and weak in the field. In a game it is just the other way around," he remarked.

Atlantic-Butch Saunders, pitcher, Howard Pittman, catcher, Charlie Goodwin, first base, Van McIntosh, second base, Phillip Morris, third base, Bobby Styron, shortstop, Richard Salter and George Golden, left field, Curtis Lewis, center field, and Elmo Gaskill,

right field. Morehead City-Bobby McIntosh, pitcher, Jackie McQueen, catcher, Jimmy Lawrence, first base, Jackie Simpson, second base, Jimmy Swann and Ethan Davis, third base, Walter Morris and Guthrie, shortstop, John McBride, left field, James Guthrie, center field, and John Glancy, right field.