

Blue Devils Pound Out 13-6 Victory over Morehead City

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The Smyrna Blue Devils gained a tie for second place in county standings Wednesday afternoon at Morehead City. They defeated the Eagles, 13-6, to even their series at one win each. Both teams have 1-3 records in county play.

The game opened with a bang as the first two Smyrna batters got on base and Kenny Davis poled one over the right field wall for a three-run homer. James Guthrie duplicated the feat for the Eagles in the bottom of the first with no one on base.

The most exciting play of the day came when Eagle John Glancy belted a pitch into left field. The ball rolled into the incenerator with Blue Devil Woody Hancock right after it. Blue Devil was a good name for the left fielder as he scrambled around the ashes after the ball.

Glancy was given three bases on the play even though he could have made it home. The officials ruled the incenerator was "an obstruction!"

Louis Thomas made his second mound appearance in two days for the Blue Devils. Ken Davis, who started the game, complained of a sore arm after the first inning and Thomas was called in from center field. Davis moved to first base and Ronnie Arthur went to center field.

Eagles Drop 10-7 Decision To Pamlico County Nine

The injury-ridden Morehead City Eagles dropped a 10-7 decision to Pamlico County Tuesday afternoon at Morehead City.

John Glancy, filling in for the injured Jackie McQueen, played a fine game behind the plate despite the fact it was his first game at that position all season. He was first string catcher last year and moved to the mound this season.

Jimmy Lawrence moved to the hill, leaving his first base position to Bobby McIntosh.

Visitors Lead

The visitors took a 5-4 lead in the fourth inning, but the Eagles came back to tie the score in the sixth. Glancy singled, McIntosh hit a ground rule double, and Glancy scored on a sacrifice fly.

McIntosh's double was a tremendous fly over the right field wall. The ground rule states that all balls hit over the fence to the right of a certain telephone pole

are doubles. All to the left of the pole are home runs.

This was probably the hardest hit double in many a day. The ball cleared the fence by an easy 10 feet and knocked a hole in the side of a building across the street. From home plate you can see a dark round spot in the building where the tarpaper was knocked loose.

In the top of the seventh the winners loaded the bases with one man out. A hard hit ball to third looked like the double play to get Lawrence out of the inning, but Jimmy Swann booted the ball and let two runs score without getting anyone out.

The error let down the fence for the Pamlico County nine and they scored three more runs before they were put out.

The Eagles scored a pair of runs in the bottom of the seventh but it was a case of too little too late.