Smyrna Blue Devils End Season With 10-8 Victory at Havelock

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The Smyrna Blue Devils wound up the 57 baseball season at Havelock by beating the home team 10-8 Tuesday afternoon. Havelock has been selected to represent the western half of the Seashore conference in a play-off game with Dixon. The winner of the play-off will go to the state tournament.

The fact that Havelock was rated higher in league standings did not bother the Blue Devils. They started with a four-run rally in the first inning and led all the way.

The first two Smyrna batters hit safely and Louis Thomas cleared the sacks with a homer. The fired-up Devils added another tally before they finished the inning.

The winners scored three times in the fourth and three more in the fifth to get their 10 runs. William Nelson scored three times and had three for four at the plate. One of his hits was a triple.

Kenny Davis and Phillip Mason poled doubles for the winners. The Blue Devils had a total of eight hits, four of which were for extra bases.

Davis, who went all the way for Smyrna, held Havelock to six hits, one a circuit clout by Lupton in the seventh inning. Shaky support in the field made things rough for him. The Devils committed seven errors.

Three of the errors came in the sixth inning when the Havelock nine rallied for five runs. Davis walked only one batter and struck out six.

The victory gave Smyrna a 3,7 record for the season.