

# Tides and Red Sox Gird For Second Go at Title

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LET'S FACE it, John Turnage gives the Carteret Tides the edge Sunday at 2 p.m. when they hope to win the Seashore League baseball championship by sweeping their second straight playoff final from the Newport Red Sox in Swinson Park.

Turnage turned the Tides to victory last Sunday in their 10-8 opening win over the Sox. He hardly pitched his best game of the season in providing the decisive margin. Yet his hurling and all-around play proved quite adequate, thank you.

JOHN SCATTERED 13 hits against a tough, tough ball

club. He struck out 8. And then, with no outs in the ninth, after 2 hours and 20 minutes of pressure pitching, he just plain ran out of steam.

Alex Fox's titanic homer finished Turnage on the mound after he had yielded successive doubles to Richard Collins and Ronald Greene. John still had one last dramatic gesture to give his performance an appropriate curtain call.

CHUCK LEWIS, Carteret's slugging first-baseman, came onto the hurling mound to retire pinch-hitter Wally Waldroff, Cecil Hardesty and then George Mettrick.

The Mettrick out signaled Turnage's final tour de force. George dribbled a slow roller down first-base way, where John had gone to make his last stand.

IT TURNED out to be a sitting last stand, however. Turnage barely beat out Mettrick in the race to cover first. John won when he settled gracefully in a comfortably-seated posture on the hassock.

This race between Turnage and Mettrick could hardly have provided a more stylish climax to one whale of a ball game. But, after all, what could be more fitting than some style to John's dying-swan finale? After all, both Turnage and Mettrick represent style-personified at Belk's in Morehead City.

STYLE, CLASS — call it what you will — distinguished

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## MAN ARRESTED

Alfred Landon Taylor, 34, Broad Creek, was arrested last night on the Loop Road at Broad Creek and charged with assault on a female, public drunkenness and assault on Deputy Sheriff Bill Bigley. His bond was set at \$250 for appearance in district court, Beaufort, on Sept. 15.

