

Beaufort, Morehead Drop Out of Tide

Want to Form New Four-Team Baseball Circuit

Newport in Fix; Favor to Continue Tidewater Play, But May Be Forced Out

Due to financial difficulties, the Morehead City and Beaufort semi-pro ball clubs have dropped out of the Tidewater league for the purpose of forming a new four-team league. This new circuit, comprised of Marshallberg, Beaufort, Morehead City, and possibly Newport, may be termed the Carter County league.

The new league will play independent contests until fully organized. Marshallberg meets Beaufort Saturday night at 7:45 p.m. and the following afternoon will play at Morehead City. And, said Morehead City President George Stovall, "If we can't get four teams, we'll play all independent games."

"We regret very much breaking up the league but financial difficulties made it necessary. We can play only against teams that can afford to support themselves."

"What will happen to the Tidewater league remains to be seen. Whether New Bern, Midway Park, and Havelock will continue to play should Newport be forced financially to join the new circuit, is a big question."

Newport in Middle

Tidewater League President Ralph Eudy, informed of the Morehead City-Beaufort action early Tuesday morning, immediately called a league meeting that night, but nothing definitely was decided. Team-in-the-middle Newport will hold a meeting this week and decide which league they will enter.

Bob Montague, Newport representative at the meeting, stated that Newport would like to continue play in the Tidewater league, and they definitely do not want to forfeit their \$50 entrance fee by dropping out of the league, but may be forced out financially due to Beaufort's and Morehead's action.

Newport manager Wayne Benton followed with, "Without Morehead and Beaufort, I don't see how you can have a league. There would be no interest."

Meanwhile A. B. (Buddy) Pierce of Midway Park and Nat Powell of New Bern vehemently favored continuing Tidewater play no matter what happened. Both also did not wish to lose their \$50 forfeit fees by dropping out.

Midway, New Bern Want to Play
Pierce said, "We sure aren't going to drop out." Powell added, "I'm like Pierce, I haven't got the \$50 to throw away." Besides, according to Powell, New Bern had invested \$200-\$250 in the ball club, and said Havelock, not represented at the meeting, had spent \$400-\$500 on new uniforms and equipment. They certainly would disfavor discontinuing the league.

But until Newport commits itself either way, remaining Tidewater clubs will stage exhibition games over the weekend. Havelock plays host to New Bern both Saturday and Sunday. Saturday also finds Newport at Midway Park, and on Sunday Midway will be at Newport.

Adams Twirls 2-Hitter; Jasper Slams Newport

Revenge is sweet. At least visiting Jasper found it so Wednesday afternoon, walloping Newport 12-0 behind the fine seven-inning, two-hit, no-run twirling ace right-hander Tom Adams.

The victory by Coach Herb Holt's nine evened the score with Newport who whipped Jasper 5-1 in the season's opener at Jasper.

In chalking up the easy win, Adams coasted along with seven strikeouts and gave two Annie Oakleys. Both hits, garnered by left-handed swingers, one by catcher Joe Smith and one by pinchhitter Lloyd Culpepper, were singles. The medium-fastballer never was in trouble as his mates built up an 11 run lead in the first three innings.

Big Bob Dickey took the loss for Newport, being tagged for seven runs in the big second when all the breaks seemed to go against him. He didn't allow a hit and passed three.

Lanky reliever Sid Manning, coming in from first base to take over in the second, also had one bad inning—the third, when Jasper scored four times on three hits. Thereafter Manning pitched good ball, blanking the visitors in both run and hit departments until the seventh when hitting star of the day Milt McDaniel singled in second-sacker Charley Amerson with the final tally.

Seven Errors

Seven costly errors, however, proved Newport's downfall. Many times with men on base, hurlers Dickey and Manning would force routine infield grounders and lazy fly balls to the outfield only to have their fielders let them down.

In the second, for example, Jasper garnered seven runs although coming up with but one hit. Four costly errors and three walks did the damage. That man Adams started proceedings by walking and strolled to second on another walk to third baseman Frank McDaniel.

Brother Bill McDaniel, leftfielder, then bounced a hopper to second, but Billy Widgeon kicked it around, and the sacks were clogged. Catcher Joe Bank promptly brought in the first tally by grounding to third. Harold McCabe came up with the ball and fired into Smith for the force play at home, but the ball somehow bounced off the little catcher's mitt.

Register finally made the first out by bouncing out Dickey to Smith and Amerson struck out, but another error—this time by McCabe—put first-sacker Carl Ipock safely on first, another run scoring.

Miscue Merry-Go-Round
Ray McCain continued the miscue-merry-go-round by erring on M. McDaniel's drive to center, and Ipock scored a moment later on a wild pitch by Dickey.

Manning on the hill at this point, with five runs in, walked center-fielder Doug Vernelson, who stole second and scored with M. McDaniel on Adams' bingle to right.

Jasper continued the run parade the following inning, adding four markers on a walk, an error by shortstop Bob Roberson, a Manning wild pitch, a sacrifice by Bank, two singles, and a line drive triple by lefthanded swinging M. McDaniel.

Adams meanwhile was untouch-

able, leaving eight Newport runners stranded in six of the seven innings. The only time Newport seriously threatened was the seventh when pinchhitter E. Culpepper bounced a hard-hit single off Amerson's glove at second, advanced on a walk to Dickey, playing first base, and took third on Tommie Culpepper's bounder to the mound. But with two out, Adams got Manning on a roller to short and the ball game was over.

Diamond Sidelights

Little Tommie Culpepper had a tough day at the plate. In the third, an Adams fastball hit him on the elbow, and in the fifth he was knicked on the back.

Milt McDaniel, the flashy shortstop, had a fine day both on the field and at the plate. He handled three tries flawlessly at short and drove in three runs on two hits. His third inning triple was the only extra-base hit of the game.

Jasper, 12	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Amerson, 2b	4	2	0	1	2	1
Ipock, 1b	4	2	1	8	0	1
M. McDaniel, ss	4	1	2	2	1	0
Vernelson, cf	3	1	0	1	0	0
Adams, p	3	1	1	0	4	0
F. McDaniel, 3b	3	1	0	0	1	0
B. McDaniel, lf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Bank, c	1	1	0	8	0	0
Register, rf	4	2	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	12	5	21	8	2

Newport, 0	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
T. Culpepper, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Manning, 1b-p	4	0	0	3	1	0
McCabe, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Smith, c	3	0	1	1	2	1
Roberson, ss	3	0	0	6	3	2
McCain, lf-cf	2	0	0	1	0	1
Garner, cf	1	0	0	1	0	1
Lilly, cf-lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Widgeon, 2b	2	0	0	3	1	1
Dickey, p-1b	2	0	0	6	1	0
L. Culpepper	1	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	25	0	2	21	8	7

Jasper 074 000 1—12
Newport 000 000 0—0
* Singled for Widgeon in the seventh.

RBI: M. McDaniel 3, Ipock 3, Adams 2, Register, Bank; 2B: M. McDaniel; SB: Vernelson, Amerson, McCain, L. Culpepper; SAC: Bank; LOB: Jasper 7, Newport 8; Hits off Adams 2, Dickey 0, Manning 5 in 5 1/3; BOB: Adams 2, Dickey 3, Manning 4; SO: Adams 7, Dickey 2, Manning 4; WP: Dickey, Manning; hit by pitcher: Adams (T. Culpepper 2), Manning (Bank); PB: Smith; winning pitcher: Adams; losing pitcher: Dickey; umpire: Culpepper; time: 2:14.

Home Grown Talent

Pittsburgh—(AP)—Three of the best rookies to get a trial with the Pittsburgh Pirates are Pittsburgh residents. Outfielder Frank Thomas lives a stone's throw away from Forbes Field. Pitchers Bob Purkey and Stan Milankovich live within the city's limits.

Beltin' Bucs



Wally Westlake, left, and Ralph Kiner, right, are the solid batting hopes of the Pittsburgh roster. Kiner was the National league home run king with 47. Westlake batted .285 and poled 24 round trippers.

Lynch, Willis Lead Sea Dogs to 7-6 Victory Over Atlantic Nine

Led by cleanup man Johnny Lynch's 3-4, Beaufort pounded out nine hits to topple Atlantic 7-6 in a hard-fought seven-inning contest at Beaufort Tuesday afternoon. It was the second win of the series for the Sea Dogs who copped a 7-3 decision over Coach Jack Johnson's nine a month ago.

Don Dudley, in registering the victory, had his curveball working to perfection against the Pirates, striking out 11 and allowing four hits. But wildness in the final two innings kept him in constant hot water, as Atlantic rallied gamely trying to knot the score.

Dandy Don walked two in the fourth without permitting a score, but two more free passes in the fifth cost him two runs, while three more Pirates scored in the seventh with the aid of three additional walks, a wild pitch, an infield error, and a single by third baseman Jack Rose.

Morris Mauld

The Sea Dogs meanwhile found the offerings of lanky Gerry Morris to their liking and tallied in every inning except the third, when they went down in order. Supporting Lynch's fine stickwork was rightfielder Pierson Willis who clubbed two singles in two trips to the plate. He also scored twice.

Beaufort bats sounded especially in the first and fifth innings when they collected four runs on a total of five hits. Lynch's base hit into left chased Billy Eudy, who had walked, in with the first tally, following Jimmy Parkin's bingle thru short. Parkin tallied a moment later when catcher Bill Salter erred on Ed Powell's short roller.

Lynch again started proceedings in the fifth with a clean hit to left and scored on Willis' second straight safely to center. Rightfielder Bobby Martin then drove in the redhead following a past ball by Salter.

Dudley meanwhile was coasting along in fine style, throwing third Pi