

Sadler Drives In Bay With Winning Tally in Eleventh

Handley Gets Win Although Pitching But One Inning; Loss Goes to Crocker

By Fred Miller

Relief hurler Benny Oakley threw one fastball. Carl Sadler, swinging a split second too late, drove the ball on a line over first base.

That was the ball game Saturday night as Reggie Bay, who had tripped to deep leftfield, jogged across home plate, giving Beaufort a thrilling 8-7, 11-inning win over Marshallberg.

Though Oakley threw the game-winning single, southpaw Bill Crocker took the tough loss. It was he who served up Bay's long poke a moment earlier with nobody out before being sent to the showers.

Young curveballer Crocker had pitched a good steady game, scattering 11 hits during his tedious three-hour, 10-inning mound stint. He fanned six and walked four.

Handley Hurts

Lee Handley, conversely, pitched to only five batters to gain the win. He relieved Clyde Owens in the 11th, who had, in turn, taken over for starter Jim Piner in the seventh. All three hurlers allowed a total of nine hits — six given up by Piner and three permitted by Owens.

The game was nip and tuck all the way — Beaufort taking a 1-0 lead in the first, adding one in the third, two in the fourth, and one in the sixth, with Marshallberg coming back with one in the second, one in the fourth, and three in the seventh to chase Piner and send the game into extra innings.

For two extra innings Crocker and Owens, dealing in earnest, hung up gooseeggs. Owens matched Crocker's curves and change-ups with five blazing third strike fastballs.

However, in the top of the 10th Marshallberg combined an error by second baseman Dick Cahill with a single by Crocker, Tom Cole's second two-bag bouncer down the leftfield line, and long fly by Sonny Ussery to score twice. It looked like the ball game was over.

Lynch Laces Single

Beaufort, however, didn't see it that way as they came right back in their half of the inning to knot the score at 7-7 with the aid of two errors by shortstop Cole, a miscue by third baseman Red Sauls, and pinchhitter Johnny Lynch's timely single into left.

Manager Charles Hassell then injected Handley to start the 11th. The blond righthander proved the right remedy, getting cleanup man, John Hamilton on a bouncer to second, curving a swinging third strike by Bob Hopkins and forcing Bill Wooten to pop to Sonny Russell.

But Whiz Manager Pate stuck with tired Crocker long enough for Bay's three base blast. Pate was signalled for Oakley, and Sadler singled period.

Big guys in the Beaufort lineup were pitcher Piner who drilled two singles in three trips to the plate, batting in a run, and scoring once, and Cahill, who connected for 2B, including a double and a triple, good for a fun.

Cole partly made up for his three costly miscues by batting in three runs with two doubles. He received ample plate support in the person of catcher Tom Morris, who walloped a double and a single in five times at bat.

Diamond Sidelights

Catcher Ray Hassell had the unusual distinction of participating in an unassisted double play. With the bases loaded in the fourth, when Coates trickled a roller in front of the plate, Hassell pounced on it, tagged the batter, then snatched back in time to tag Morris sliding in hot from third.

Cole, the fancy-dan Whiz kid shortstop, fielded at times remarkably and at times pathetically. Early in the game he deftly bobbed up hard smashes to his right and left, but came up with a one-run, two-base wild throw and two

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9:15 p.m.—American Legion vs. Coast Guard.

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costly bobbles on easy grounders late in the game.

Box score:

Marshallberg, 7	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Cole, ss	5	1	2	2	6	3
Ussery, 2b	4	0	1	0	0	1
Sauls, 3b	5	0	0	4	4	1
Hamilton, cf	5	1	1	1	1	0
Morris, c	5	1	2	3	3	0
Hopkins, 1b	5	0	1	1	0	0
Wooten, lf	5	0	0	1	0	1
Coates, rf	4	2	1	0	0	0
Crocker, p	4	2	1	0	2	0
Oakley, p	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	42	7	9	30	16	6
Beaufort, 8	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Cahill, 2b	5	0	2	2	3	1
Price, ss	6	1	0	0	2	0
Davis, rf	5	0	1	1	0	1
Fodrie, rf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Bay, cf	4	1	1	0	1	0
Graybill, lf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Sadler, 1b	2	0	1	0	0	0
Russell, 1b	5	2	1	10	0	1
Hassell, c	5	2	0	14	1	0
Handley, 3b-p	5	1	1	2	0	0
Lynch, 3b	1	0	1	0	0	0
Piner, p	3	1	2	1	1	0
Owens, p	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	47	8	11	33	8	3
Marshallberg	010	100	300	30	7	8
Beaufort	101	201	600	21	8	8

3B: Bay, Cahill, Handley, Piner, Lynch, Sadler, Cole 3, Hopkins, Ussery; 2B: Cahill, Graybill, Cole 2, Morris; 3B: Cahill, Bay, Ussery; SB: Piner, Coates; DP: Hassell, unassisted; LOB: Beaufort 11, Marshallberg 13; hits off Piner 6 in 6 2/3, Owens 3 in 3 1/3, Handley 0 in 1, Crocker 10 in 10, Oakley 1 in 0; SO: Piner 6, Owens 5, Handley 1, Crocker 6; BOB: Piner 7, Owens 2, Crocker 4; WP: Piner 3; Balk: Crocker; winner: Handley; loser: Crocker; umpires: May, Privett; time: 3:16.