

Thump Three Hurlers To Take Playoff Lead

Beaufort thumped three Salter Path hurlers for 15 safeties Sunday in gaining a 9-2 decision over the second place Swells, taking a one-game lead in the semi-finals of the County Baseball League playoffs.

Walt Thomas started on the hill and worked five innings, giving up six hits and four runs. Harold Diebert

pitched the sixth, but had to give up a run to Bobby Bass in the eighth. Diebert pitched to one man in the ninth then Bass finished the game.

Diebert was nicked for seven hits and five runs. Bass allowed two hits.

Thomas was charged with the loss while Clyde Owens, who hurled six-hit ball, gained the triumph.

At the end of five innings Beaufort had amassed four runs, scoring one each in the first, second, third, and fifth. In the top of the sixth Jim Holland singled to lead off and scored when Wade Willis dropped Jerry Pittman's toss at the plate.

Salter Path, which had gone hitless until the fourth, suddenly came to life and exploded for two runs in the bottom of the sixth.

Henry Frost doubled and scored on Harold Bass's single. Bass went to second on the throw-in and was promptly sent home when Willis singled.

Pittman walked and Lloyd Frost singled to load the bases, but Owens rallied to fan Gehrman, Guthrie and Diebert. George Lewis had previously bounced out from Sadler to Woodard.

Owens then proceeded to shut out Salter Path for the next three frames, allowing just three men to reach first.

In the meantime Beaufort scored once in the seventh and pushed across three more in the eighth, wrapping up the victory.

Jim Parkins opened Beaufort's eighth with a walk and went to second on Bob Schwark's single. Hurling to Elvin Davis, Diebert threw a wild pitch that advanced the runners, who scored when Davis singled.

Sadler hit into an around-the-horn double play, but Diebert walked Bill Gillikin. Peterson singled and Pittman's error allowed Gillikin to score with Owens reaching first on a fielder's choice.

Holland walked to fill the sacks, and that was all for Diebert. Bass came in and got Woodard to ground out from second to first.

Beaufort loaded the bases again in the ninth, but was unable to score.

Davis, three for four, paced Beaufort's attack, followed by Gillikin, three for five and Woodard, three for six. Harold Bass, two for four, led Salter Path.

Sunday Beaufort will be at home against Salter Path for the final two games, starting at 1:30 p.m.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
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