

McNeal Knuckles Way to 10-Hit Win, Fans Twelve

Wildness Hurts Taylor Who Issues 11 Free Tickets, Wildpitches in Two Runs

Fred Taylor defeated Fred Taylor Saturday afternoon at Wade Bros. park, walking 11, wildpitching twice, and hitting one batter as Newport downed Morehead City 7-4. The loss coupled with Beaufort's 9-6 conquest of Marshallberg pushed Morehead down to just one game ahead of second-place Beaufort in the tight Carteret County semi-pro race.

Although giving up but five hits, righthander Taylor just couldn't find the plate. Only two of the Newport runs were earned legitimately—Joe Donahue smashing a ground single through the box in the fourth inning to plate Wayne Benton who had singled and Joe Barringer who had walked.

Taylor in the same inning wildpitched Ron Hodges in with the first Newport run and in the eighth chased in both Barringer and Donahue with bases loaded walks. The final two Newport runs in the ninth were tallied off reliever Jim Webb on a wild peg by shortstop Tom Benton which sailed past keystone sacker Fenner Boyd, F. C. Stanley and Barringer scurried across when the ball ended up behind the rightfield bleachers.

McNeal Wins

Winner Bob McNeal, conversely, was tagged for 10 bingles. But the southpaw knuckleballer kept the hits scattered, especially with runners on base. He walked five while posting 12 strikeouts with his dipping knuckler and corner-catching curves. Taylor utilized a medium fastball primarily in registering seven strikeouts. His curves, which kept him in constant hot water, were just missing the corners. Webb, in his one inning stint, gave up two runs on one hit, fanned two and walked none.

Cohero with McNeal in Newport's upset win, was Barringer. The youthful shortstop banged out two singles in three times at bat, scored three runs, and handled eight fielding chances flawlessly.

Big men at the plate for the losers were leadoff man Bill Holt, Skinny Ellis and Taylor, each collecting 2-4. Ellis and Taylor both batted in a run, while Holt stole two bases, including a third inning pilfering job of home plate, which gave Morehead City its first run.

Both hurlers got off to fine starts chalking up goose-eggs for two innings. Morehead finally broke the ice in the third. Holt walked, stole second, went to third on Ernie Conner's grounder to short, and promptly stole home while McNeal was winding up.

Stanley Doubles

Newport came back with vengeance in the fourth, scoring three runs on walks to Hodges and Barringer, Wayne Benton's single to right, a wild pitch and Donahue's two-run blast to center. They added two more in the eighth on a long double over the short rightfield wall by Stanley, Barringer's second free pass, a fielder's choice, and another walk to Henry Sermons. At this point, Taylor, having difficulty with the corners and with Umpire Privett's decisions, walked McNeal and Harry Lockey in succession, driving in runs Nos. 4 and 5.

The final two insurance runs in the ninth proved needless as McNeal, given a 3-2 lead in the fourth, proved unbeatable. Taylor, Holt and Haywood Kelly knicked the pudgy lefthander for one run singles in the fifth, and Benton walked, but with the tying runs on the baselines, McNeal fanned Boyd.

Morehead picked up their final two tallies in the eighth—Ellis beating out a trickler halfway to third and scoring on Manager Bill Tuttle's triple to deep left-center. Tuttle, a moment later, came across on Taylor's blast through the box. That was it for Morehead, however—McNeal, with the aid of Stanley's fine peg to W. Benton which nipped stealing Kelly, setting the side down in order in the ninth.

Box score:

Carteret County Results

Saturday
Newport 7, Morehead 4,
Marshallberg 6, Beaufort 9.

Sunday
Morehead City 17, Newport 4,
Beaufort 9, Marshallberg 11.

Extra Base Hits Nullify Bowman's Six-Hit Hill Job

Cahill, Price, Russell Bang Homers; Earp, Williamson, Hawkins Wallops

In an extra base hit contest deluxe, Dick Cahill, Billy Price, and Sonny Russell smashed home runs to lead Beaufort to a 9-6 decision over Marshallberg Saturday under the Beaufort lights.

It was a case of the Whiz Kids tallying early and often and Beaufort scoring late and more often.

The Marshallbergers, fielding an almost complete new team, showed terrific plate punch in the first two innings, banging out seven bingles, including a double and three triples to tally six runs. Once warmed up, however, Len Newsome proved master, scattering a double and a single as he blanked the heavy-hitting Whiz Kids the rest of the way. The young righthander fanned 10 and walked two.

Losing southpaw Bill Bowman allowed three less hits than did Newsome, but had the unfortunate distinction of serving the three home run balls that drove in five of Beaufort's nine tallies.

Cahill, Price Homer

Cahill started the fifth inning with a terrific wallop far over centerfielder Sonny Cliff's head, scoring one runner ahead of him, and Price, a moment later, circled the bases when Chuck McNay missed a shoestring stab of his low, sinking liner down the leftfield line. Then in the seventh, Russell picked out a medium-fast offering and patted it far out over McNay's head into the bushes, good for two more runs.

Lee Handley and Elvin Davis collected the other extra-base hits for Beaufort—Handley getting a leadoff double to left off fireman Jack Rose in the eighth, and Davis golfing a long leadoff triple to right-center in the seventh.

Six foot four inch Mike Earp and veteran cleanup man Leo Hawkins featured the Whiz Kids 9-hit attack with 2-4 each, little Joe Williamson right behind with 2-5. Hawkins drove in one run, while Earp and Williamson chased in two each—Earp collecting a double and a triple, and Williamson garnering a single and a triple. John Hamilton also whacked a long triple to center in the first, and Cliff got a double in the same spot in the eighth.

Marshallberg started off with a bang. After McNay bounced to short, Williamson singled sharply to center, and came around on lefthanded-swinging Earp's long blast over Bay's head into the woods. Earp, in trying to stretch the hit into a home run, was out on a fine relay, Bay to Handley, to catcher Ray Hassell.

Hamilton Triples

Hawkins, however, kept the rally going by singling through the box, and came around with the second run on Hamilton's towering drive over centerfielder George Graybill's head.

The hit-hungry Whiz Kids reached Newsome for four additional runs in the second on three hits and two walks. Walt Sargie and McNay strolled, and both scored on Williamson's triple to deep left-center. Earp followed with a double over Bay's head, driving in Williamson, and came around himself on Hawkins' line drive over first base.

That was it for Marshallberg as Newsome, getting hotter by the inning, handcuffed the opposition the remaining distance. Bowman, however, didn't fare as well—Beaufort jumping on him for two runs in the first, three in the fifth, and two each in the eighth and ninth innings.

In the first, Bowman walked Cahill, Price, and Bay, with both Cahill and Price scoring on shortstop Sargie's wide throw past first base on Russell's hopper. Homers by Cahill and Price featured the 3-run

test. The final two runs came off schoolboy Rose on Handley's double and a walk to Newsome followed by Rose's two base wild peg past third on Cahill's bunt.

Box score:

Marshallberg, G	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
McNay, lf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Williamson, 2b	5	2	2	1	4	0
Earp, 3b	4	1	2	2	0	0
Hawkins, 1b	4	1	2	6	0	1
Hamilton, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Morris, c	4	0	0	7	1	0
Sargie, ss	3	1	0	3	2	1
Cliff, cf	4	0	1	2	0	1
Bowman, p	3	0	1	0	3	0
Rose, D	0	0	0	0	0	1
*Coates	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	9	24	10	4
Beaufort, 9	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Cahill, 2b	3	2	1	0	1	0
Price, ss	3	2	1	1	1	0
Davis, rf	5	1	1	1	0	0
Bay, lf	4	0	1	3	0	0
Russell, 1b	3	1	1	8	0	0
Graybill, cf	4	0	0	7	0	0