In State Games Tomorrow

Rumors in the county that Beaufort and Camp Lejeune would be declared ineligible to play in the district tourney at Kenansville were termed false yesterday afternoon by L. J. Perry, Chapel Hill, executive secretary of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

Mr. Perry, when contacted by THE NEWS-TIMES, said

Smyrna to Play 12 Ball Games

Smyrna's baseball season starts March 26 with an away game with Atlantic High, Coach Stewart Daniels anounced yesterday. Twelve games are on the card, six home and six away games.

The first home game will be March 30 when Smyrna is host to Morehead City. Other teams scheduled by Smyrna are Swansboro, Beaufort, Pamlico, and Newport.

Games will be played on a home and away basis. The schedule follows:

March 26—Atlantic away.

March 30-Morehead City home.

April 2—Atlantic home

April 6-Morehead City away.

April 8-Swansboro away.

April 13-Beaufort away.

April 15-Swansboro home.

April 20-Beaufort home.

April 23-Pamlico away.

May 7--Newport away.

May 11-Newport home.

May 14-Pamlico home.

♦talk that there was a controversy over Lejeune and Beaufort participating "was all a mistake."

Rumors ricocheting from Beaufort to Morehead City to Lejeune were to the effect that the state oficials got wind of the to-do over the cancelled sectional tourney that was to be played at Newport last week and they were going to declare Beaufort and Lejeune ineligible for the Kenansville tournament "until things got straightened out."

There is evidence to the effect that the issue was brought to the state officials' attention by teams in this area who wanted to play in the district tourney at Kenansville but have been ruled out because of the Seashore Conference decision to let only the two top teams, Beaufort and Lejeune, take part.

Pairings for the first round of the tourney at Kenansville, starting tomorrow and continuing through Saturday, follow:

First round pairings are Bolivia meeting Beaufort; Dover clashing with Kenansville; Wallace battling LaGrange; and Camp Lejeune playing Shallotte.

Tournament officials met with Thell Overmann, district tournament manager and Wallace High coach, yesterday to draw up times and dates for the tilts.

Winner of the district tourney will go to Aberdeen for the state tourney finals March 17 through 20.