

Newport Beats Beaufort in Twin Bill To Clinch League Playoff Position

Newport clinched a spot in the playoffs of the County Baseball League by virtue of twin victories over Beaufort at the losers diamond Sunday.

Newport won the first contest 9-4, and came back to romp off with the nightcap, 12-3.

Adcox Wins Opener

Mel Adcox went the route for Newport in the opener. The losing hurler was Herb Mason, who was relieved by Frank Garner and Monk Pittman.

In the nightcap Pittman was the starter and loser for Beaufort, being relieved by Bradley McIntosh. Winner was Lloyd Culpepper who went the distance.

In another contest Smyrna-Harkers Island defeated Salter Path 8-7, in an exhibition contest at the victor's diamond.

Wilson Davis was the winner, after relieving Don Coates and Jamie Lewis. Jerry Pittman was

the loser, after Bobby Bass had been the starter for Salter Path. Others to see action on the hill for the losers were Craig Smith and Lloyd Frost.

Last Inning Rally Wins

Smyrna-HI put together five walks, an infield hit, two Salter Path miscues and a pair of sacrifices to score six times in the last inning and overcome a five-run deficit, winning the game 8-7.

In the first Newport-Beaufort the visitors jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top of the first and were never headed, scoring six more times in the top of the third. Beaufort scored a pair of tallies in the bottom of the third frame.

The nightcap saw Beaufort hold a 1-0 lead at the end of the first frame, but that was the only time that they were ahead in either contest. Newport came back with two runs in the second and five more in the third and went romping on to a 12-3 victory.

Haskett Leading Hitter

Leading hitters for the winners were Eugene Haskett, 5-8, Nick Culpepper, 4-7, Lloyd Culpepper, 4-8, and E. Garner and T. Culpepper, 3-8 each.

For Beaufort the leading hitters were Bob Schwark, 4-10, Frank Langdale, 2-5, and L. Woodard, 3-9.

The final standings for the county loop shows Atlantic in first slot, Smyrna-Harkers Island in second, Salter Path in third, Newport in fourth and Beaufort in the cellar spot.