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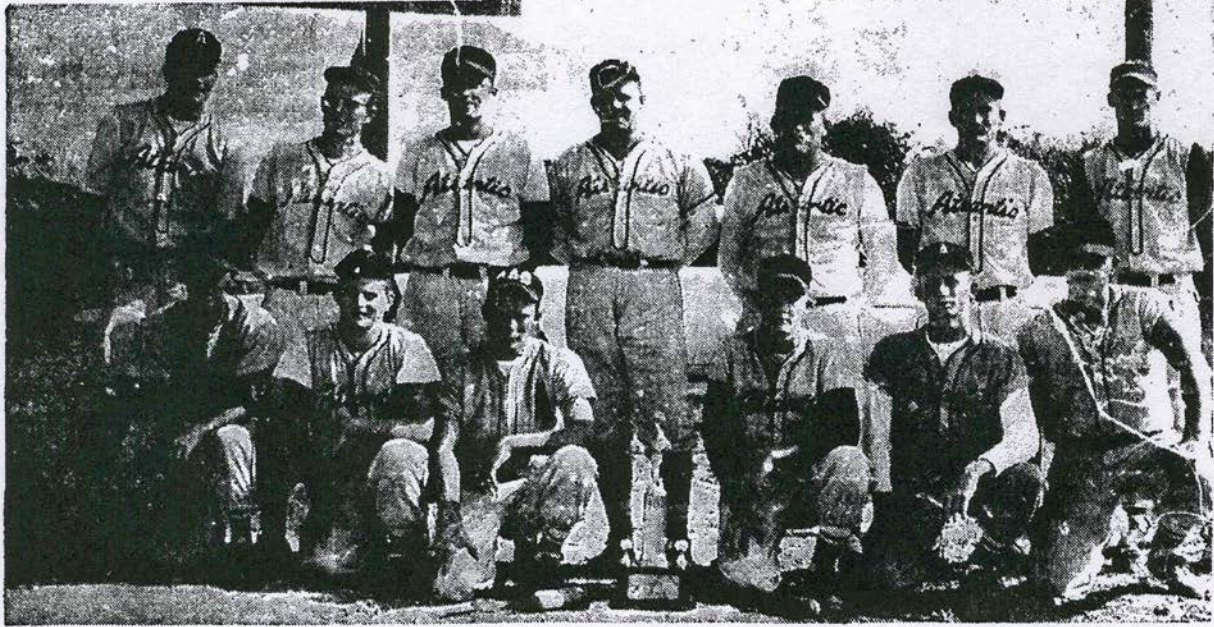


Photo by Bob Seymour

Atlantic will meet the New Bern Bears at Smyrna at 1 p.m. Sunday. The Down East sluggers won the county baseball championship last week. Team members, front row, left to right, Allison Mason, Elmo Gaskill, Butch Saunders, Thomas Salter, Howard Pittman, Roy

Cockerham; second row, left to right, Lionel Gilgo, Buddy Willis, John Hamilton, Carroll Willis, Johnny Willis, Joe Willis and Gary Morris. Rodney Smith and Albert Vaughan were absent.

Bears, Atlantic To Play Sunday

The New Bern Bears and Atlantic will clash at Smyrna Sunday afternoon in a baseball game that should be one of the top contests of the year. The game will begin at 1 p.m.

Bears manager Billy Price says that he has the answer to the Atlantic power in righthander Len West. West is a 6' 4" 185-pounder who can fog a fast ball down the alley like a professional. He has a sharp-breaking curve ball and a good change-up pitch.

Price should be a good judge of pitchers. He won more than 20 games pitching in the Coastal Plains League a few years ago. He broke his arm pitching at Smyrna five years ago.

Atlantic manager Roy Cockerham says that he will be hurting in the pitching department. Thomas "no-hit" Salter is away in college and Butch Saunders has gone to Florida.

Cockerham may start the game for Atlantic. He was the winning pitcher in the all-star game this year and demonstrated a good fast ball and a deceptive curve.

The Atlantic batters will have their work cut out for them. After a two-week lay-off they may have trouble hitting the slants of West. They are confident, though, that they can pull through to another victory.