

ECUSTA PLAYERS STAR IN WNC ALL-STAR TILT AS PATTONITES WIN

Four of Ecusta's five representatives, on the Patton team of the WNC All-Star aggregation, saw service in the annual classic held at the McCormick Field in Asheville Sunday afternoon, July 31st.

Our Ecusta men played an important part in the Patton team's victory of 7 to 6 over the Shaneymen.

David Sams and Roy Head were the top hitters for the winners. David got three hits for five times at bat he hit a single, a double and a triple, batted in the tying run, scored the winning run and batted in three runs during the game.

Roy Head collected three hits for four times at bat, one hit being a double and Roy batted in two runs.

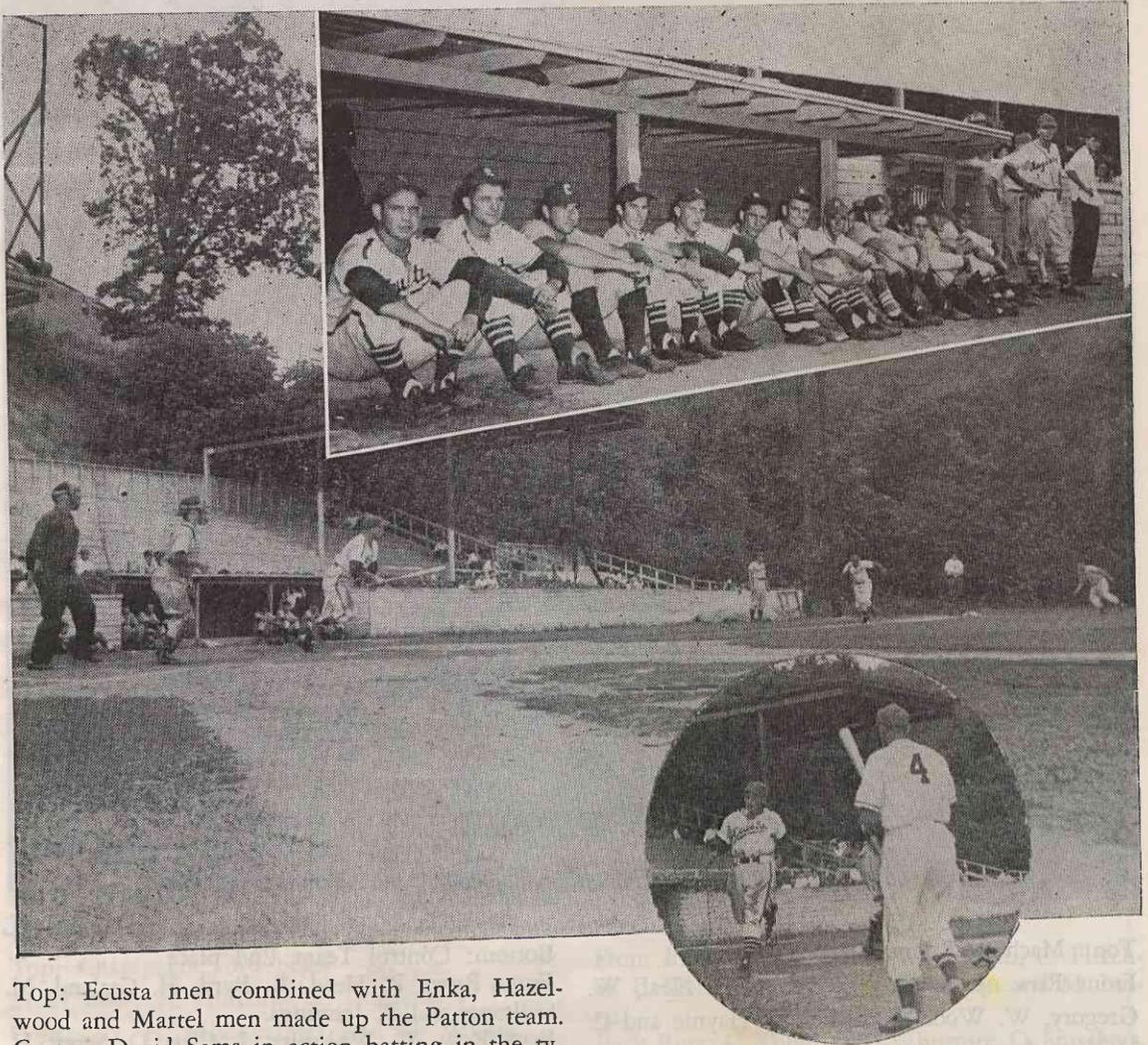
Rusty Carland and Jack Alexander each had one

hit for two times at bat.

Shaney's team jumped to a 5 to 0 lead in the first four-innings, helped along by the air-tight pitching of Clearwater southpaw Bill Burleson and a couple of Pattonite misplays.

However, in the fifth the Pattons picked up a run when Pitcher Paul Israel reached first on a fielders choice and galloped home on David Sam's double onto the right field bank. Then in the sixth, four Shaneymen errors intermingled with two walks and four base blows off Clint Morris and James Pardue turned the tide in favor of the Pattonites.

Shaney's team tied up the game in the eighth on a single and two errors, only to lose the tie and the ball game in the last of the eighth, when Sams drove a triple into left field and scored on Troutman's single.



Top: Ecusta men combined with Enka, Hazelwood and Martel men made up the Patton team.
Center: David Sams in action batting in the tying run of the game, for his team.
Bottom: Sams scoring the winning run of the game on Troutman's single.