



Shown above is the 1953 Ecusta baseball team of the Western North Carolina Industrial League. Seated, left to right, Roy Reeves, Carl Chastain, George Tesnow, Howard Tiger, Troy Drake, Don

Blank, David Robinson. Standing left to right, Jim Stevens, Earl Johnson, Joe Plick, Mickey Walker, Ronald Rogers, Grover Frisbee and Fritz Merrell. Jack Ammons was not in above picture.

SPORTS

**ECUSTA WAS
SLOW TO START
BUT FINISHED
STRONG**

The Ecusta baseball team finished the 1953 season at a speed which left the fans holding their hats.

Getting off to a slow start in all departments, the team soon became known as the "cellar-dwellers" to the W.N.C. baseball fans. By the time July rolled around, this title seemed to have become most humiliating to the Ecusta Club, as they aroused themselves from their position and proceeded to win 10 games out of 14 played, to wind up in third place.

Of the six games dropped by the league leading Berkeley team, Ecusta took the champs four times.

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L
Berkeley	30	6
Beacon	16	18
Ecusta	15	21
Enka	9	25