

[SPORTS] In Our Opinion

By CLINT FULLER

Hats off and hearty congratulations to the Phantoms of Youngsville on another successful season. Disappointed though they may be over last night's loss to Red Springs which brought the long season to an end, the Phantoms have nothing to concern themselves over except praise.

Defending the state championship this year after four of the five starters graduated was not an easy task but their 21-7 overall record shows they did a pretty good job of it. Such powers as Meadow, Franklinton, Vance County, Red Springs and others made the job a little more difficult.

They have represented the county well and Franklin fans are proud of them. And as they say about this time of year... wait until next year.

This column needs some information on the baseball season from all squads except Louisburg. Coach Tommy Twitty has done his good deed for the day. He brought in a schedule and a roster. Hope some other coaches will follow his example. Most of the players, we feel sure, would like to be covered.

It would be a great help to baseball overall if the College gets its diamond lighted and if Bunn does the same. Lights on the Louisburg High School field are inadequate for night time baseball. More spectators could view the games at night and more interest means a stronger and better program.

Louisburg has an ambidextrous ball player, which brings on some interesting observations. John Davis, a pitcher-third baseman, throws equally well righthanded and lefthanded. He also bats with equal ability both ways. Twitty lists him on the roster as "Throws - R-L and Bats - R-L." Now when he pitches does he toss righthandedly to the lefthanded batters and lefthandedly to the righthanded hitters? How about pitching lefthandedly one day and while resting the southpaw soup-bone, tosses righthandedly the next day. Any rules against this?

All eyes will be glued to the TV set tonight as Carolina goes against Purdue for the dubious honor of meeting UCLA Saturday afternoon. This is assuming that the Uclans get by Drake tonight which is about as certain as death and taxes. Not so certain is that the Tarheels minus Grubar and with a pouting Scott can take the Bollermakers. To do so, the Heels must play a super game. We hope they will.

Youngsville Comes To End Of Basketball Road

The defending State Class A Champion Youngsville Phantoms came to the end of the basketball road last night. The trip, which started last November 15 with a win over Gold Sand was halted by the Red Devils of Red Springs in opening round play in the

State Tournament. The highly favored Red Devils won easily, 73-54.

The Phantoms after 28 basketball games, hold a respectable 21-7 record for the year.

The young Youngsville squad - only one senior on

the squad - was outmanned by the undefeated cagers from Red Springs. Both teams suffered a touch of state tourney jitters and failed to score for the first couple of minutes of play. Youngsville broke the ice with 6:27 left in the first

quarter to grab a 2-0 lead. Red Springs came back for a 2-2 tie shortly thereafter. The contest was tied again at 14-all after the Phantoms overcame a cold streak in which they found themselves behind 11-4. It was tied again at 16-all with 5:24 left but four seconds later the Red Devils edged ahead 17-16 and the countdown for Youngsville's annihilation had started.

What hope remained for the Phantoms to overcome the 34-21 halftime deficit, vanished in a cloud of smoke from the torrid shooting of the Red Devils as the second half got underway. Red Springs hit five straight field goals and before the dust settled held a 45-29 lead.

Phil Wiggins and Morris Catlett led the Phantom scoring. Wiggins hit for 14 points and Catlett scored 13. C. G. Arrington, Red Spring's season leader, scored 16 to lead the winners.

In the second opening

night contest Vance County took Tyron, 66-53 behind outstanding efforts by the Ellington cousins, Wayne and Bill, who scored 45 of the Cougar's 66 points between them. Vance will meet Red Springs Friday night at 7 p.m. in the Holiday Gym on the Raleigh Broughton High School campus.

RED SPRINGS

Player	FG	TFTM	T
Arrington	7	2-5	16
Bullard	4	0-1	8
Carter	6	1-2	13
Fowlre	6	0-0	12
J. Black	4	0-1	8
Terry	2	1-2	5
Ellis	4	1-2	9
Henderson	0	0-1	0

YOUNGVILLE

Player	FG	FM	T
Roberts	2	8-11	12
M. Catlett	5	3-6	13
Wiggins	7	0-2	14
Bailey	0	0-1	0
Mitchell	2	4-4	8
Woodlief	2	1-3	5
Hart	1	0-0	2
R. Catlett	0	0-0	0
Red Springs	11	20	21
Youngsville	8	16	23

Addresses Granville NCEA

C. Ray Pruette, Professor of Chemistry and Physics at Louisburg College spoke to the Granville County Unit of the North Carolina Education Association at the organization's annual dinner meeting Tuesday night. The meeting was held in the Oxford Orphanage Dining Room in Oxford.

Pruette spoke on the subject, "We Teach Because" and was introduced by E. Howard Stallings, Assistant Superintendent of Granville County Schools and a former principal at Louisburg High School.

Attending the session were members of the Granville N.C.E.A., school officials, members of the Granville Board of County Commissioners and retired teachers of the Granville system.

People who plan for their future usually succeed better than those who do not, but there is no law which requires you to make such plans.

Prep Baseball Season Opens Tuesday

The Louisburg Bulldogs will travel to Youngsville to meet the Phantoms and Bunn will be at Franklinton Tuesday afternoon to open the 1969 prep baseball season. The four county squads are members of the Franklin County Baseball League along with Oxford Orphanage and Wakelon. Vance County is also a member for scheduling purposes but games with the Cougars will not count in conference standings. Edward

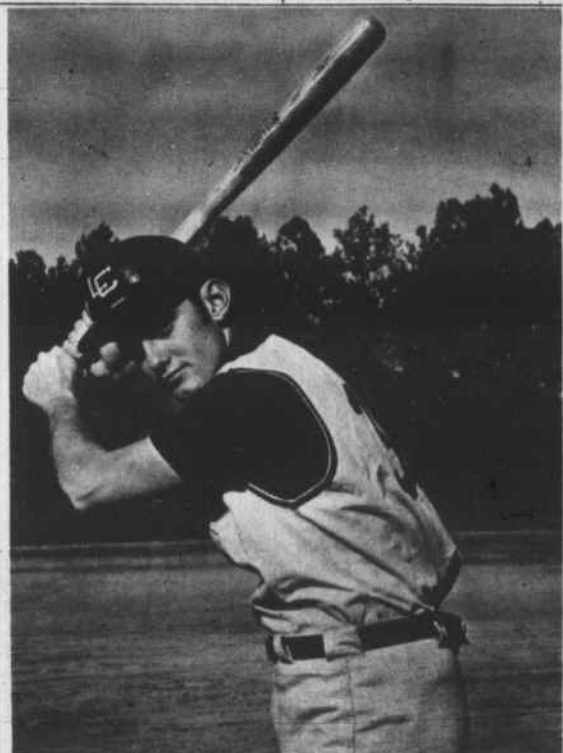
Best will field a team and play members of the conference, but the Eagles are not members this year.

Little pre-season information has been released by the coaches but according to reliable reports, there is some hope that at least some league games can be played at night under the Louisburg College lights or at the soon-to-be-lighted Bunn athletic field.

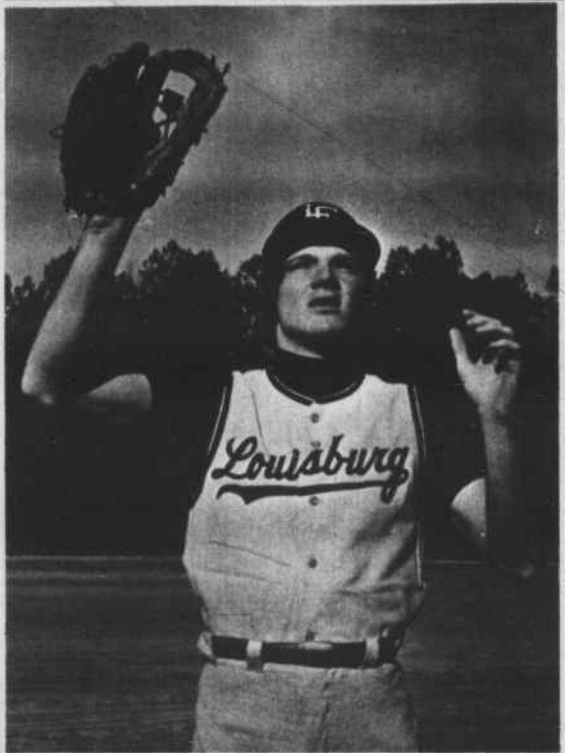
Coach Tommy Twitty of the Bulldogs shows 21 candidates for positions on this

year's squad with five seniors. He is loaded with sophomores (9) and has four eleventh-graders and three freshmen.

Games, will be played mostly on Tuesday and Friday afternoons with some being scheduled for Wednesday afternoons. Further announcements are expected when and if any games are scheduled for night play.



DANNY WEST - Hurricane sophomore outfielder, pictured above, is the 'Canes leading hitter back from last year. Boasting a .344 average, West blasted his first homer of the season Monday.



TOM COX - Hurricane first baseman, pictured above, is from Rocky Mount. He slammed a 380-foot home run against Southwood Monday as the 'Canes opened the season.

Canes Host State Friday

The Louisburg College Hurricanes open their home schedule Friday of this week when they meet N. C. State at 2:45. The 'Canes are 1-1 on the season, having split a pair of games with Southwood Monday. Next week the 'Canes really get down to business, meeting the strong Western Maryland and Williams College teams all at home.

Western Maryland will be here Monday and Tuesday, and Williams Friday and Saturday.

Coach Russ Frazier plans to do some experimenting in these games in an attempt to find the strongest lineup for the Cavalier-Tar Hell Conference race.

Righthander John Lewis will open against State, and Frazier plans to use at least three other pitchers in the game. All the 'Canes home games will be broadcast this year by WYRN.

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PUBLIC HEARING ON TAXING TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The House And Senate Finance Committees Will Hold A Joint Public Hearing On Taxing Tobacco Products On Tuesday, March 25, 1969, At 2:00 P. M. In The Auditorium Of The State Legislative Building In Raleigh, North Carolina.

As You Know, The Farm Bureau's Position Is "We Oppose The Excise Taxing Of Any Manufactured Tobacco Products At The State, County, Or Municipal Level."

You Are Urged To Make Plans Immediately To Attend This Public Hearing And, While In Raleigh, Contact Your Individual Representatives And Senators And Urge Them To Oppose Any Tax On Tobacco Products.

It Is Very Important To Have A Tremendously Large Turn-Out At This Hearing. We Must Have An All-Out Statewide Effort In Opposition To Taxing Tobacco Products.

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