

Haywood Legion Drops 9-8 Verdict To Lincolnton

Lincolnton's 9-8 win over the Haywood Legion Juniors here last Saturday came chiefly through judicious use of the hunt as an offensive weapon and deadly accuracy in picking off base runners.

The Haywood boys exhibited their customary pluck power in blasting out a dozen safe hits off three Lincolnton hurlers.

But the Lincolnton lads managed to get more runs out of less hitting.

Aside from the three hits they put together in the top of the ninth, and two in the first, they got no more than one safety in any inning. But in three frames they scored a run each with no more than a single to show for their batting efforts.

Their ability to keep Haywood runners close to the bags, or pick them off, was one of the big deciding factors in the ball game.

They clinched the ball game, for instance, in the bottom of the ninth when the tying run was on base.

Ray Morgan, who made it on a fielder's choice, was only a couple of feet off first when Harkey whipped the ball to first baseman Bob Heafner who tagged him for the third out.

Double plays twice killed potential Haywood runs also.

It was another body double play for the local boys who had come from behind after spotting the visitors a four-run lead in the first frame and kept ahead of them all the way up to the top of the ninth.

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Charlie Poindexter walked the first two men who faced him, then gave up a single to Bob Lee and a double to James Laney in consecutive order.

Laney raced home with the fourth run on Catcher Craig Gates' outfield fly before Poindexter put the fire out.

Haywood came right back in the bottom of the second, pounding Starter Ken Beam for four hits and working him for a walk to score five runs.

Poindexter got of the first frame, was the big gun, slamming a triple that scored Dave Robinson with the first run of the rally.

Jimmy Kuykendall, playing left field, followed with a single that scored Poindexter.

Then Morgan singled and Rightfielder, Pete Howard doubled in that order, tying up the ball game.

Abbott made it safe to first on an infield error, and Dave Bristol did the same, as Howard came home on another Lincolnton bobble.

Lincolnton knotted the count in the fourth however, when Norman Young raced home on Bob Heafner's sacrifice.

Robinson put Haywood back in front in the fifth with his booming homer to center field, but again Lincolnton tied it up in the next inning.

Haywood went ahead again in the eighth as Howard came home on Abbott's single.

Then it was the same story again. Joe O'Connor, who had walked, came in with the tying run on Lee's single.

Haywood went to the front in the eighth for the last time. Howard walked, stole second, went to third on Abbott's single, but was nabbed at the plate.

Abbott, meanwhile, had reached base on a single, stole second, then came in as Bristol reached first on a fielder's choice and Kirkpatrick walked.

Little, who had relieved Beam in the second, left Kirkpatrick stranded, however, as he got his

third out by a strikeout.

Then Lincolnton won the ball game on a walk, a sacrifice, and three hits.

Harkey, pinch-hitting for Little, worked Poindexter for a pass, then advanced to second on Dave Rudisill's sacrifice.

He came home with the tying run on O'Connor's double.

O'Connor raced in with the winning tally seconds later as Laney rapped out a single.

Gates singled right after that, but died on base as Kuykendall grabbed Norman Young's long fly to left field.

Kuykendall slammed a single in the bottom of the ninth after Poindexter fanned at the start of Haywood's final chance, but he was forced at second as Morgan grounded to third base.

Howard was up in the final effort to salvage the game when Harkey's lightning throw to first, catching Morgan, ended the proceedings.

Kuykendall, whose pitching the day before had become one of the most brilliant spots in the state-wide Legion season, played a starring role at bat in Saturday's game.

He slammed four singles in five times at bat, would have had a perfect day but for a brilliant catch by Lee who snagged his long fly on his fourth time up.

Poindexter, who pitched a steady game the rest of the way after his shaky start, shared batting honors with Kuykendall. He got a triple and two singles in five times at bat.

Second Baseman Dave Bristol went hitless in five trips, but rounded out his 15th errorless Legion game, keeping his season's fielding average at 1.000.

Lincolnton 400 101 102-9 9 2
Haywood 050 011 010-8 12 3
Beam, Little (2), Harkey (9), and gates, Poindexter and Morgan, HR — Robinson, 3B — Poindexter, Young 2B—Howard, Laney, O'Connor. Double plays—G. Rudisill-Laney; D. Rudisill-Heafner, SO—Poindexter 2, Beam 1, Little 2, Harkey 1, BB—Beam 1, Little 4, Poindexter 5. Winner — Harkey. Loser—Poindexter. Umpires—Shaney and Sorrells.

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TAMING 'EM FOR TIGERS - By Alan Maver



FRED HUTCHINSON, DETROIT'S VETERAN RIGHTHANDER, HAS BEEN HAVING ROUTE-GOING TROUBLE BUT HAS BEEN TURNING IN HIS SHARE OF IMPORTANT WINS — HE WAS NO. 1 TIGER HURLER IN THE PERCENTAGE RATINGS FOR 1949 THOUGH HE HURLED ONLY 9 COMPLETE GAMES!

OVER THE PLATE — ON THE FENCE!

FRED RECENTLY TURNED IN ONE OF THOSE RARE MODERN PITCHING FEATS — A 9-INNING WIN WITHOUT ONE WALK — IF HE WAS ONLY THAT STINGY WITH HITS!

Haywood Legion Licks Rutherford In Area Race

Haywood County's Legion Juniors got back into the Area IV title race Friday afternoon by licking Rutherford County, 6-1, behind the five-hit pitching of Jimmy Kuykendall, Hazelwood southpaw.

Kuykendall fanned 13 men in racking up his eighth victory in the nine Legion games he's pitched this season.

Charlie Poindexter led Haywood's nine-hit attack with two safeties in four trips.

The win gave the local Juniors an even break in their first two games of the western area schedule. They had dropped a 13-12 decision to Gastonia July 4.

The local boys had to come from behind to take their third straight decision this season over Rutherford County—which also was Kuykendall's third straight over the same club.

Two runs in the bottom of the seventh provided the necessary margin, and four more in the next frame put up the insurance.

Haywood had defeated Rutherford in both their previous games in the first round campaign last month.

Rutherford 010 000 000-1 5 1
Haywood 000 000 24x-6 9 2
Hanes, Elliott (8), and Jackson; Kuykendall and Morgan.

Gastonia Wins 2d Area IV Game

Gastonia's American Legion Juniors came from behind in the seventh Friday night to start rolling to an 11-4 victory over Lincolnton's Legionnaires at the Gastonia park.

The win kept the defending state and regional champions' Area IV playoff slate clean for two games. They had won their previous western area engagement on July 4, edging Haywood County, 13-12.

Right-hander Jerry Hane, the boy who had played fireman in stopping Haywood's late rally earlier in the week, did the same in Friday night's contest.

Hane relieved Southpaw Roger Kendrick in the top of the seventh, when Lincolnton held a 4-3 lead, and kept the challengers in check the rest of the route.

The Gastonia boys clinched it in the bottom of the eighth by duplicating their previous four-run outburst.

The winners collected 14 hits, while Kendrick and Hane pitched their limited Lincolnton to an even half-dozen.

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Hazelwood Licks Sylva In WNC Industrial Test

The Hazelwood diamond dusters turned in four double plays and blasted 14 hits off Sylva pitching here yesterday as they won an 11-7 WNC Industrial League verdict.

The victory was a costly one, however, as the local lost Milburn Balance, promising young hurler, for the rest of the season.

Balance fractured his arm in the ninth as he threw a pitch.

The ball sailed into the Sylva dugout and Balance collapsed on the mound. Second Baseman Eimer Dudley finished the game in his place.

Shortstop Dee Stevenson of Canton proved the sparkplug of the ball game and its outstanding player as he figured heavily in three of the twin-killings and scored one run.

Dudley and Rightfielder Bob Pitts were the big guns in the Hazelwood offensive as they slammed out three hits each in five times at bat. Pitts drove in three runs and Dudley one.

Hazelwood meets Beacon Mills here at 5 P. M. Wednesday in an exhibition contest.

Scribe Picks 10 Greatest Sluggers

By FRANK ECK
AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor

NEW YORK—Tom Meany, who remembers when a five-cent trolley ride would get him to Ebbets Field, which accounts for his tremendous amount of baseball lore, has written another baseball book, "Baseball's Greatest Hitters." (A. S. Barnes, \$3) is typical of Meany, well done with anecdotes of good taste on the best—pardon, greatest—hitters known.

Rather than dote on some of the humorous angles covered by Meany let's look at his 20 hitters.

At a hurried glance one might think Tom attempted to list the 20 in order. He has Ty Cobb, Eddie Collins and Joe DiMaggio just that way for his first three chapters. But that couldn't possibly be his rating because chapter 20 is about Ted Williams. Meany lists the hitters alphabetically. Between the four maulers mentioned are Jimmy Foxx, Lou Gehrig, Harry Heilmann, Rogers Hornsby, Shoeless Joe Jackson, Ralph Kiner, Nap Lajoie, Stan Musial, Mel Ott, Babe Ruth, Al Simmons, George Sisler, Tris Speaker, Bill Terry, Honus Wagner and Paul Waner.

Meany spent some time talking to baseball's best minds before settling on his list of 20. "There were many borderline cases," as Branch Rickey would say, and does.

However, it is apparent to the naked eye that Meany disregarded any Hall of Fame list in reaching his analysis. Of the great hitters he picks, only nine are in Cooperstown's shrine. They are Cobb, Collins, Gehrig, Hornsby, Lajoie, Sisler, Speaker, Ruth and Wagner.

DiMaggio, Kiner, Musial and Williams, all being very much active, will be in the Hall of Fame at a later date. Right now they are ineligible.

That takes care of 13 names. The others—Foxx, Heilmann, Jackson, Ott, Simmons, Terry and P. Wagner—are not in the Hall of Fame. They have drawn, with the exception of Ott, only scattered votes from the baseball writers eligible to vote each winter.

Of course, some of the seven omitted have two strikes against them, like Shoeless Joe Jackson of Black Sox fame, and Terry.

	AB	R	H
Hamilton, ss	4	1	1
Sherrill, 2b	4	1	2
Dillard, 3b	5	1	1
Powell, c	4	2	2
Phillips, lf	3	0	2
Norton, cf	4	0	2
Deyermund, rf	4	1	0
Bentos, 1b	3	0	0
Mathis, p	1	1	1
Cunningham, lf	1	1	1
	36	7	10

	AB	R	H
Hazelwood:			
Troutman, ss	3	1	2
Stevenson, ss	4	1	0
Dudley, 2b, p	5	2	3
Young, lf	5	2	2
Pitts, rf	5	1	3
Wyatt, 3b	5	1	2
Spence, c	3	2	2
Burrell, 1b	2	1	0
Balance, p	4	0	0
R. Kuykendall, cf	1	0	0
Joel Burrell, 2b	0	0	0
	37	11	14

RBI—Phillips, Norton, Dudley, Pitts 3, Wyatt, Troutman 2.

Double plays—Balance - Stevenson - Dudley; Dillard - Deyermund; Dudley - Stevenson - Burrell; Benton - Dillard - Deyermund; Stevenson - Burrell.

Sylva: 300 101 002-7 10 4
Hazelwood: 300 610 001-11 14 3
Mathis, Benton 4, and Powell, Balance, Dudley (9), and Spence.

Sportsmen To See Films On Casting Monday

Members of the Haywood County Wildlife Club will see two movies on bait-casting and fly-casting when they meet at the Haywood County Court House Monday night.

President Tom Campbell, Jr., will call the session to order at 7:30 p.m.

Lee Davis will show the films, which will be on bait-casting for bass, and fly- and bait-casting for rainbow trout.

Campbell invited everyone interested in fishing to attend the meeting.

FOUR CAPTAINS STATE COLLEGE, Pa.—(AP)—

Four sport team captains hold down positions on the 1950 Penn State baseball team. The four are Dick Herzog, baseball; Joe Tocci, basketball; Harry Little, soccer, and Owen Dougherty, football. The first three are infielders. Dougherty is an outfielder.

BROWNS GAIN FANS CLEVELAND—(AP)—

"Meet the Browns," the promotional film of the Cleveland Browns football team, is being booked around the world.

Bounty System For Game Pests Controversial

AP Newsfeatures
How'd you like to start a real lively discussion next time the boys start talking game management?

Just say something about how the conservation program might be a sight better off if we forgot all about paying bounties for predators.

Then run like everything.

For years and years county and local governments right along with the state have paid out good money for bounties. And about the only one to benefit to any extent is the professional bounty hunter.

When a state's game managers once fight free of the system, they often are legislated back as Wisconsin was in 1943 and Michigan two years ago.

In the first place, our knowledge of what constitutes a dangerous predator is not exact. And our ideas have been changing rapidly in recent years. Lately there are men of good sense who hold that a normal balance of predators is necessary to accomplish the sanitary culling of the dull witted and unfit among game species.

Predators may be cyclic anyway, following the cycles of their favorite prey.

This is the theory: If all the bounty money were spent on providing additional food and cover for game, what would happen? Well, when the food and cover became fully adequate for the game density on lands involved, there wouldn't be any great need for predator control except on a spot basis.

Of course, adequate cover and plentiful food are essential to such a program. Game that is forced into the open to obtain nourishment is easy prey and encourages predators. If we just stopped paying bounties and didn't spend money for habitat improvement and didn't encourage sportsmen to watch danger areas, the creatures of prey would wax and flourish and the game population might go to pot for sure in those areas.

But if we could build a long-range spending program of these funds, and encourage such off-season sports as crow and fox hunting a changeover to a system with at least some promise of development would be possible.

Which of course calls to mind the old saying, that if you took the bounty predators and put them on the protected list with a short and highly restricted season, everybody and his brother would be out to hunt them for fun.

Legion Club Hits Road This Week

The Haywood County American Legion Juniors, in third place in the western area playoff standings after their narrow loss to Lincolnton here Saturday, meet the team at 8 p.m. today at the Lincolnton park.

This will be the first of the road games that will close out the local boys' regular second-round schedule.

The 9-8 loss to the easterners left the Haywood youngsters with a record of two defeats and one victory in the current series.

Undeclared Gastonia still holds the field, with two victories. Lincolnton is second with two wins and one loss, and Rutherford County brings up the rear with two losses.

The Haywood club, still holding a mathematical chance at getting into the area title series, will meet Gastonia Wednesday night at Gastonia, then clash with Rutherford at Rutherford Saturday night.

They can make the final series if they win the rest of their games or if Lincolnton loses two and loses only one.

Southpaw Jimmy Kuykendall, who turned in one of the Legion season's most brilliant pitching performances last Friday afternoon in licking Rutherford, may be called on to pull an iron-man stint this week, possibly starting against Lincolnton and Gastonia in the space of three days.

The Haywood sluggers, who collected 31 hits in their three area playoff games so far, will face Lincolnton's ace, Southpaw Tom Harkey, who was credited with the win over them last Saturday. Harkey pitched only the first inning, but came in as a pinch-hitter when Lincolnton was trailing in the ninth by one run.

OLD TIMER EAST LANSING, Mich.—(AP)—

Herb Schroeter, 30-year-old sophomore pitcher on the Michigan State baseball team, is nicknamed "Dad" by his younger "twelve plus" team-mates.

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Haywood Legion Area Playoff Schedule

Monday, 8 p.m.—Lincolnton at Lincolnton.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Gastonia at Gastonia.
July 15, 8 p.m.—Rutherford at Forest City.

WON NIT WITH DONS EAST LANSING, Mich.—(AP)— Pete Newell, Michigan State's newly-appointed basketball coach, directed the University of San Francisco's 1948-49 cage team that captured the National Invitation Tournament title in New York City's Madison Square Garden.

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