

# Beaufort Trounces Havelock Twice, 15-4, 19-2; Morehead Triumphs, 10-9, 14-4 Over Newport

## Beaufort Has 2 Big 7-Run Innings Saturday; Thrift Misses No-Hitter

Beaufort soundly trounced Havelock twice over the weekend, taking Saturday's tilt at Beaufort, 15-4, and humbling Havelock again on its home field Sunday, 19-2.

In Saturday's game, Richard (Babe) Ricks started for Beaufort, but left after two innings in favor of Bill Gillikin because of an injured ankle. Ray Hassell did the catching.

Fred Taylor started for Havelock but gave way to Jack Gaskins in the second. Ray Robinson relieved Gaskins in the seventh. Chuck Kohlbecker was on the receiving end.

Sunday saw Roger Thrift pitch no-hit ball for Beaufort until the seventh frame and he blanked Havelock for eight innings in the runs column. For Havelock, W. Anderson started and was relieved by Price in the second. Price finished the game for the losers.

Tom Benton and Collier Hill homered for Beaufort. Benton batted 3-for-6, Hill hit 2-for-4, and Tracy Hooper also batted 2-for-4.

In Saturday's tussle, Beaufort banded away for 16 hits off three Havelock hurlers, scoring all their runs in three innings, the first, second, and seventh.

Beaufort meekly broke the ice with a run in the first inning. Ben Hester singled and was sacrificed to second by Hill. Hester then took third on a wild pitch and came in on a single by Benton.

Havelock took a temporary lead with three runs in the top of the second. Glen Bevins tripled, and when Red Sanders of Beaufort erred on Robinson's fly to right, Bevins tallied. A wild pickoff throw by Ricks for Robinson at second enabled the runner to take third. After Gaskins walked and stole second, Kohlbecker singled to bring in both runners and make the score 3-1 in Newport's favor.

For all practical purposes, Beaufort salted the game away in the last half of the second frame by scoring seven runs. Singles by Ray Hassell, Ricks, and Hester brought in one run and put runners on second and third, as Hester took second on the throw-in of his hit.

After Hill stroled, second baseman Jim Hodges erred on Benton's grounder, enabling Ricks and Hester to score. On the play, Benton took second as the ball was thrown in from the outfield, so his put runners on second and third with only one out.

At this point, Gaskins came in to pitch and the Havelock defense was shuffled somewhat. Thrift then got on through an error by Fred Lockety, Havelock's new second baseman, and one run scored while Benton held up at third. Thrift stole second and both men scored when Hooper came up with another hit.

Hooper took second when the leftfielder bobbed his base hit and reached third by stealing it. Hooper tallied the seventh run in the inning on Sanders' two-bagger, and Beaufort loaded the sacks once more before Gaskins could end the inning by fanning Hester. Altogether, 13 men batted for Beaufort in this inning.

Bill Gillikin then took over the pitching chores and there was no scoring until Havelock tallied in the top of the sixth frame. Bevins singled and took second on a base on balls to Robinson. Bevins scored a few minutes later when Hayes fumbled Kohlbecker's grounder to the right of second. This made the score 8-4.

The Havelock team announced the next inning that it was playing the remainder of the game under protest following a disputed play that place at first base when Havelock was up at bat.

Beaufort really ended all hopes that Havelock might have entertained of pulling this one out of the fire by scoring seven additional runs in the seventh frame.

Hayes walked and was sacrificed to second. A single by Hester, a double by Hill, and another safety by Benton accounted for the first three runs in the inning.

Thrift reached first on an error by the third baseman then stole second, and when Sanders came through with a single, two more markers were chalked up for Beaufort, making the score 13-4. Sanders went to third on Ray Hassell's single, and Hassell took second on throw-in.

At this point, Robinson relieved Gaskins for Havelock. Robinson immediately trapped Hassell off second base, but on the play Sanders broke for home. The throw had Sanders beat by at least ten feet but Red charged so hard into home that catcher Kohlbecker dropped the ball, Hassell taking third. Hassell eventually came in on a wild pitch.

Saturday's Game R. H. E.  
Havelock . 030 001 000 - 4 6 7  
Beaufort . 170 000 70x-15 16 4  
Sunday's Game R. H. E.  
Beaufort . 312 312 421-19 17 2  
Havelock . 000 000 002-2 6 6

During World War I, the British conscripted half a million cats for submarine tests and for gas detection in the trenches.



## St. Louis Browns President Believes Fans Will Take The Lights Anytime

By Frank Eck  
NEW YORK — If Richard C. Muckerman had his way every week day game the St. Louis Browns play in Sportsman's Park would be under floodlights.

"St. Louis is a night baseball city," says the St. Louis man who is president of the Browns. "We'll draw 1,200 for a certain day game and the same game would draw about 7,000 at night. It just doesn't make sense, this habit of some clubs shying away from night games."

"The only reason to be in this business is to make money and furnish recreation for the players and fans. It's up to the visiting teams in the American League if they want to leave St. Louis with a red check for day baseball or a black check for night ball. (Visiting teams average about 28 cents on each admission.)

"The Yankees and Tigers have been very uncooperative as far as our night game schedule is concerned."

The New York and Detroit teams play only three night games each in the Browns' home park this season. When a home club seeks to schedule more than two night games it must get permission from the visiting team. The Yanks and the Tigers have permitted the Browns to add only one extra floodlight game.

The Browns have 39 nocturnal games—three more than their tenants, the Cardinals—listed for home this season. That's seven more than last year and two more than in 1948. The Washington Senators and the Philadelphia Athletics have been very cooperative as far as Muckerman is concerned. They play nine and eight are light games in the Brownie park.

American League attendance records bear out Muckerman's big beef. For 32 night games last year the Browns drew 148,449 fans or an average night crowd of 4,500. "And that was with a bad last place club," points out Traveling Secretary Charles W. DeWitt. In 1946 the average crowd for 37 night games was 7,500 fans.

The St. Louis club is the only American League team that has not cashed in on free-riding postwar crowds. Their all-time home attendance record of 712,918 goes back to 1922 when the team finished second to the Yankees in the pennant race. Seven clubs in the circuit set new all-time crowd marks either in 1946 or 1947. But not the Browns.

Muckerman realizes he sold about \$500,000 worth of talent since last season but after all his 1947 club won only 59 games out of 154. He couldn't very well go along with the same personnel.

The Browns' president is in as good a position as anyone in baseball when it comes to money. He has many business interests and they range from making ice, ice cream and beer. "It's the lack of some teams scheduling more night games

with us that bothers me," says Muckerman. "St. Louis people work in the daytime. Even I don't find time to get to many day games; I'm too busy. And if any of my employes go to the ball game in the daytime I'll fire them."

Leo Durocher, Brooklyn's impetuous manager, has gone on record as saying "I need Eddie Stanky about as badly as I need a third eye." That's about how much Muckerman needs money.

Muckerman, now 52, broke into baseball in 1908 when he was 12 years old.

"My first job was as mascot for the Christian Brothers club," says Muckerman. "I still recall our first road trip to St. Charles, Mo. It was a big thrill—traveling 18 miles from home.

"But my biggest thrill came in 1915 as shortstop for the Western Military Academy team at Alton, Ill. We played Principia Christian Science School at old Robinson Park in St. Louis. There I was playing in a big league ball park at the age of 19."

They tore Robinson Park down in 1920 but today Muckerman is the head of an organization with about 600 players under contract and its own ballpark.

Uncle Sam has spent about \$526 million on flood control in the lower Mississippi River valley in the last 20 years.

The krypton lamp developed during the war can pierce a thousand feet of dense fog.

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TIDEWATER LEAGUE

W.	L.
Morehead City	12 6
Marshallberg	12 6
Swansboro	11 6
Havelock	9 8
Newport	8 10
Beaufort	7 11
Harkers Is. Straits	7 11
Jacksonville	6 12

COASTAL PLAIN LEAGUE

W.	L.
Tarboro	44 24
Rocky Mount	41 25
Goldsober	38 27
New Bern	36 31
Kinston	35 33
Greenville	28 40
Wilson	27 41
Roanoke Rapids	20 38

NATIONAL LEAGUE

W.	L.
Boston	36 26
St. Louis	35 26
Pittsburgh	33 28
New York	31 29
Philadelphia	31 33
Brooklyn	27 31
Cincinnati	28 36
Chicago	25 37

AMERICAN LEAGUE

W.	L.
Cleveland	37 23
Philadelphia	40 26
New York	37 25
Boston	31 29
Detroit	29 32
Washington	29 34
St. Louis	23 37
Chicago	18 39

## Piner Is Winning Pitcher Saturday; Gardner Triples, Homers Sunday

Morehead City won both halves of its twin bill with Newport over the weekend, winning at Newport Saturday, 10-9, and taking Sunday's game at Morehead, 14-4.

Odel Morton started for Morehead City in Saturday's game but gave way to Archie Piner in the sixth. Piner was the winner pitcher. Harry Salter gave the signals behind the plate for the winners.

Walter Hill started for Newport and was relieved in turn by Elbert Garner in the first, Melvin Aycock in the second, and Joe Hill in the seventh. Joe Lashley did the catching for Newport.

Leading Morehead City's attack in this game were Jack Gardner with 3-for-5 and Roland Brinson with 3-for-5.

Sunday's contest was a run-away, although Newport gave Morehead City a hard time for awhile.

Newport started things off with a run in the first frame. Gerry Merrill singled and was sacrificed to second. The next batter, Melvin Aycock, also singled, sending Merrill to third.

After Aycock stole second, Joe Hill tried to bunt but missed, and catcher Harry Salter threw to third, trapping Merrill off third. Merrill was safe at the plate, however, when Salter dropped Jack Barrow's throw. On the play, Aycock tried to take third, but was cut down when Webb, backing up the play, retrieved the ball and fired to Barrow at third to cut down Aycock.

Morehead City got back that run in the second. Marshall Beane singled, stole second, took third on a wild pitch, and came in on Webb's hit.

The going got rough for Morehead in the next session when Newport tallied three more runs to make the score 4-1. Earnie Connor got a life when shortstop Gordon Watson erred. Connor took second on Merrill's hit, and both runners advanced on a wild pitch. Harry Lockety then singled, bringing in Connor and sending Merrill's pinch-runner to third.

Aycock's sacrifice squeezed in one run and a hit by Joe Hill brought Lockety in with the third run of the inning a few seconds later.

The last half of the third inning saw Morehead come within one run of tying Newport. Jack Gardner singled and stole second. He reached third on Barrow's single, and then Gardner and Barrow executed a double steal, Gardner stealing home and Barrow pilfering second. Barrow then stole third and came in on a passed ball.

Morehead went ahead of Newport with two more in the next session. Salter walked and took third on Webb's double. Both came in when Gardner tripled off the gymnasium roof in center-field. Gardner tried to steal home again, but this time Newport was on the alert and nabbed him at the plate.

In the fifth inning, Piggie

Smith also hit the gymnasium roof for a triple, but it would have been an easy homer had he not misinterpreted the signals of George Stillway, coaching at third. Catcher Joe Lashley then trapped Smith off third by so wide a margin that Smith decided to break for the plate, and he made it before third baseman June Haskett could return the ball. This made the score 6-4.

Morehead scored seven runs in the seventh inning. Barrow singled and Watson reached first on the first baseman's error, pushing Barrow to third. Barrow tagged up and scored on Roland Brinson's long liner to center, after which Watson stole second.

Beane reached first on pitcher Mann's error, and when Salter bunted, Watson scored. Third baseman Haskett threw wild on the play and Beane also scored while Salter reached second. Salter tallied on Webb's third hit of the day, Webb taking second on the throw-in.

Francis Stoy got a free life on the catcher's error, and Gardner then plastered one of Mann's servings on top of the gymnasium for an inside-the-park home run, scoring Webb and Stoy ahead of him.

Morehead scored once more before the game was over. In the eighth, Brinson reached first on the shortstop's error and came home on Beane's long triple. Beane was caught at the plate attempting to stretch his hit into a home run.

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Newport . 012 104 010 - 9 10 5  
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Newport . 103 000 000 - 4 7 5  
M. City . 012 210 71x-14 15 4

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## Farm Marketing Receipts Show First Quarter Drop

COLLEGE STATION, Rmetgh—Figures recently released by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, show that cash receipts from farm marketings for the first quarter of 1948 were nearly 21 million dollars below the same period last year, according to C. Brice Ratchford, in charge of farm management at State college.

Income from livestock and livestock products was about one million dollars higher, but income from crops was about 22 million dollars lower, Mr. Ratchford said.

"The major portion of the North Carolina farm income," the specialist commented, "is obtained in the fall when tobacco, cotton, and peanuts are sold. The smaller income during the spring should serve as a warning for farmers to keep production costs as low as possible during the summer."

Mr. Ratchford said some of the best ways to cut expenses for the rest of the year are as follows:

Make efficient use of labor and cut cash labor costs wherever possible.

Take care of machinery and cut machinery repair bills and fuel costs.

Cure tobacco as cheaply as possible.

Use grazing to cut feed costs.

Cut family living expenses with a good garden.

Be safe and save doctors' bills.

## Tidewater Results

Saturday, June 26  
Jacksonville 3, Swansboro 1.  
Marshallberg 3, Harkers Island-Straits 1.  
Morehead City 10, Newport 9.  
Beaufort 15, Havelock 4.  
Sunday, June 27  
Swansboro 2, Jacksonville 1.  
Marshallberg 5, Harkers Island-Straits 4.  
Morehead City 14, Newport 4.  
Beaufort 19, Havelock 2.

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