Morehead City and Beaufort Sweep Weekend Tilts

Morehead Tops Newport Twice Webb and Price Star On Hill

Morehead City protected its two-game margin over second place Beaufort with two hard earned victories over Newport last weekend, and can now clinch the Carteret League title by taking two out of three games to be played with hapless Marshallberg next Saturday and Sunday.

Morehead came from behind to score a 5-2 win in Saturday's tilt at Newport, but it took a sensational relief job by shortstop Charlie Price to give Morehead a 5-4 decision at Wade Bros. park Sunday. Starting hurler Tom Woody had pitched a no-hitter through the first six innings, but in the seventh frame he couldn't get anybody out of there except himself. An error, three singles, two walks and a hit batsman gave Newport four runs and left the bases loaded with none one. The youthful Price then came in from his shortstop position to protect a 5-4 lead, and he did just that with the help of an atrocious decision by the plate umpire. Donhue, first batter to face Price, went down swinging on a pitch that was in the dirt. Wayne Benton, Newport first sacker, then was called out on a 3-2 pitch that broke down around his ankles. Benton rightfully blew up, but of course it didn't do him any good. Price then struck out the dangerous Stanley and the Newport team was finished.

Priceless Pitching

They did manage a single to open the eighth, but Price turned Lockey's attempted sacrifice into a double play—again getting a break from the umpire who missed the call at first by a step and a half.

Price then retired the last four men in order, striking out three of them. In all Price struck out six men in his three innings on the mound, and didn't walk any one.

It was a brilliant job, and a highly necessary one. Ol' Pappy Diem, after being rocked for five runs in the first two innings was untouchable on the Newport mound. He allowed only one hit over the last six innings, none in the last five, and had Newport managed to grab the lead in that wild seventh it was extremely doubtful that Pappy would have lost it.

Pappy Pelted Pronto

Morehead, however, landed on Pappy before he was really warm, scoring twice in the first inning and three times in the second. With one down in the first Connor's grounder was fumbled by Barrington. Woody Kelly then blasted a drive to center that caroomed off the roof for a two-bagger, scoring Connor. Benton's sharp single to right scored Kelly and it was 2-0 at the end of one. Mitch Burge started the Morehead second with a line drive that center fielder Lockey played into a double. Woody popped out but Holt singled to right, Burge stopping at third. With Connor at the plate Diem started to throw to first, then hesitated for a balk. That scored Burge and moved Holt to second whence he scored on Connor's single. Kelly then slammed his second straight double, a smack that hit the base of the right field wall. The blow scored Connor with the fifth and final Newport run as Diem suddenly found his stuff. From that point until the finish, in six and two-third innings, Diem allowed just one hit.

Morehead hurler Tom Woody, meanwhile, was mowing down the Newport batters with the greatest of ease. Only one man reached base off him in the first four innings—Barrington coaxing a walk in the second. Woody walked two in the fifth, but struck out Widgon to end the threat. With two gone in the sixth center fielder Connor saved Woody's no-hitter when he went up against the center field wall to make a one-hand grab of Wayne Benton's smash. But that belt augered ill for Woody, and sure enough, he fell apart completely in the seventh.

Woody Walks Out

Stanley opened up with a bouncer that second baseman Tom Benton messed up. Barrington then broke the no-hit spell with a wicked liner that hit the right field wall. It went for a single, moving Stanley to second. Lockey then stepped in and belted another one off the wall. This too went only for a single as the runners held up to make certain the ball would not be caught. Woody then lost his control. He hit Diem on his bald noggin to force in one run, and then walked pinch-hitter Justice to force in another marker. Widgon popped a Texas leaguer into short left and it was 5-3, with still no one out. When Woody forced in a fourth run by walking Kenny, he was yanked in favor of Price. Price, who had been playing at short, had very little time to warm up, but he looked like a 1941 Hugh Casey as soon as he started to fire them in.

Unearned Victory

Three unearned runs in the top of the sixth gave Morehead its Saturday win over Newport. Morehead had tallied in the opening inning on doubles by Holt and Tom Benton, but Newport came right back to take a 2-1 lead. Justice singled, and came all the way around on Wayne Benton's double. Benton then raced home on Stanley's single. Morehead hurler Webb struck out Barrington and Lockey to end the first, and pitched shutout ball the rest of the way.

Morehead tied it in the fourth when Newport pitcher Donhue walked Benton and Tuttle and gave up a single to Price. Then came the big sixth and the ball game.

Kelly opened with a single but was tossed out trying to stretch it into a two-bagger. Benton popped out, but Tuttle walked and Woody singled. Price grounded to third and Justice fumbled the ball and then threw wildly to first. That brought in Tuttle with the tie-breaking run, and Burge's two-run single iced it.

Notes

Holt and Burge paced Morehead's attack Saturday with two hits each, while Justice picked up three of Newport's eight hits off southpaw Webb . . . Short stop Charlie Price had been hitting like a pitcher all day Sunday, so it was poetic justice that he be called on to hurl. Price had gone down swinging three straight times for Diem . . . Tom Benton went two for five oyer the weekend, and maintained his team leading batting average of .382 . . . Woody Kelly is number two for Morehead with a lusty .370 average . . . Kelly is as smooth a fielding first baseman as we have seen, and that goes for the majors . . . Four of Price's six strike-outs Sunday were on bad pitches. One was a called strike, but the batters swung on the others. But for the over-anxiousness of Newport batters Price would have had a rough time . . . Morehead plays a single game at Marshallberg Saturday and will play a double-header against the same team at Wade Bros. park next Sunday beginning at 1:30.

Saturday Game

Morehead City	100	103	000—5	7	2
Newport	200	000	000—2	7	2

Webb and Burge; Donhue and Stanley.

Sunday Game

Newport	000	000	400—4	4	2
Morehead	230	000	00x—5	7	1

Diem and Stanley; Woody, Price (7), and Burge.

Sid Gordon of Boston tied a National League record when he hit four homers with the bases loaded during the 1950 season.

SCHEDULE
Morehead Recreation
Tuesday
9-12 Field Day, Beaufort and Morehead Boys and Girls at Morehead U.S.O. Bldg.
Wednesday
9 a..m. Midget baseball practice, R.A.'s., Eagles, Methodists, and all gnomes under three ft.
10 a.m. Swimming.
11 a.m. Intermediate baseball practice.
1 p.m. Girls' basketball.
2 p.m. Football and volleyball.
Thursday
9 a.m. Midget baseball practice.
10 a.m. Intermediate baseball.
1 p.m. Swimming.
2:30 p.m. Basketball.
Friday
9 a.m. Hike.

Play-offs and Protests Concern Softball Heads

Two protested games and play-off plans will be discussed Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. when local softball managers and/or representatives meet at the Civic Center.

The two games under protest have a vital bearing on the tight race for first place as they involve both the first place American Legion and the second place Morehead City Marines.

The Beaufort Odd Fellows have protested the Marines' victory of July 23; while the Marines have lodged a protest against the Legion's victory of July 16. Should the latter protest be decided in favor of the plaintiff it would put the Marines in first place by one game.

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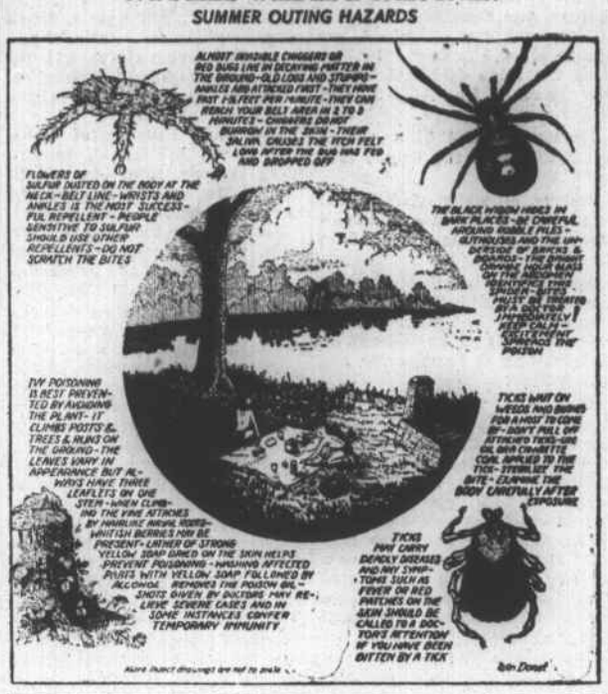
SUMMER OUTING HAZARDS



Legion and M. C. Marines Continue Tight Battle

Marines 5-3 Victors As Cody Throws 5-Hitter At Morehead Jaycees

The Morehead City Marines remained on the heels of the front running American Legion by edging the Morehead Jaycees 5-3 in a Wade Bros. park softball tilt Thursday night. Bill Cody held the Jaycees to five hits, four of them coming in the fifth inning when the losers scored all their runs. Jaycee hurler Cy Adams also allowed but five hits, but two bases on balls proved fatal.

Marines Score Early

The Marines jumped into a 3-0 lead in the first inning. Sullivan opened up with an infield single and Arnold walked. Ellis lined out to left but Moody's sharp single to center scored Sullivan and moved Arnold to third. Dyer then brought in Arnold with a fly ball to center with Moody going to second on the throw to the plate. Lindsey made it 3-0 with a bingle to right that scored Moody, and the Jaycees never caught up.

After going down in order in the second the Marines got to Adams for two more runs in the third. Arnold singled to start it, and Ellis walked. Both men advanced on a passed ball, and scored when Moody's roller to second was kicked by Dunn. It was scored a hit and an error.

Jaycees Break Through

Adams managed to check the Marines the rest of the route, but his mates couldn't manage more than three tallies off Cody, all of them scoring in the fifth. P. Cordova slapped a hit off the pitcher's shins to open the frame, the second hit off Cody. Klux grounded out, but Norwood beat out a bunt to place men on first and third. Cy Adams laced a single to right scoring Cordova and Geer's single scored Norwood. The final run crossed when Dunn's grounder was fumbled by shortstop Moody.

Cody settled down to get McInnis with the tying runs aboard and closed out the game by retiring

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Williamson Pitches 5-1 Win as Legion Knocks Odd Fellows 3½ Out

Catcher Lou Brogan blasted a tremendous home run and two singles Thursday as the American Legion softballers defeated the Beaufort Odd Fellows 5-1 at Wade Bros. park. The win maintained the Legion's first place margin of one game over the Morehead City Marines and tumbled the Odd Fellows right out of the race—three and a half games off the pace.

The Legion battery of Jack Williamson and Brogan was too much for the Odd Fellows. Williamson was untouchable on the mound after allowing a run in the first inning, and between them the battery scored all five of their team's runs.

The Beaufort team scored their lone run in the top of the first. With one down Fodrie beat out a bouncer to short and then came all the way around when Langdale slammed a double down the left field foul line. The throw to the plate might have nailed Fodrie had not Williamson elected to cut the ball off—a move which did him no good at all as Langdale went into third anyway. That brief flurry completed the Beaufort offensive for the night. Williamson bore down to get Mundy on a pop and strike out Chappel, and from that point through the sixth he allowed but one hit. Lovelace mopped up in the seventh.

Pitcher Slugs Homer

Williamson got that run back and one more in the bottom half of the first when he followed Brogan's single with a line drive home run that scooted down the left center alley between Owens and Chappel.

In the top of the second the Odd Fellows loaded the bases on three walks, but Langdale, who had whacked Williamson for a double in the first, went down swinging.

Odd Fellow hurler Roberson then killed a Legion threat in the bottom half of the frame when he forced Coats and Cantelli to pop out with men on second and third.

The Legion sewed matters up in the third with another two-run frame. Brogan again started it with a single to left that was kicked by Owens, allowing Brogan to advance to second. Roberson then decided to walk Williamson and did so by bouncing four straight pitches along the ground. Lewis followed with a Texas leaguer to right, scoring Brogan and Kuhn's ground out scored Williamson.

Brogan Belts Building

The final run of the contest was the most notable. With one down in the bottom of the fifth Brogan cracked a long high drive to left center that bounced against the building wall on two hops. Brogan was across the plate with a perfect night long before the ball was returned to the infield.

Line Score:

Legion	202	010	x—5	6	0
Odd Fellows	100	000	0—1	3	1

Roberson and Austin; Williamson, Lovelace (7), and Brogan.

Notes

In the top of the fifth, with only your NEWS-TIMES reporter and one not too bright canine in the stands, Williamson proceeded to literally smoke them through at the Odd Fellow batters. Williamson, who in his quiet way appears to be the most affected softball pitcher in the county, went a little too far in proving how nonchalant he could be out on the mound. When players start smoking cigarettes on the playing field it is time to draw a halt. Next week we expect to see Williamson with the softball in one hand and an opium pipe in the other . . . We are quite amazed

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Salter Path Tops Mill Creek 8-1

With Hal Deibert tossing a neat four-hitter, Salter Path scored its seventh straight Salt Water league victory Sunday, downing Mill Creek 8-1 at Newport.

Deibert struck out 12 and walked but one. Odell Morton, throwing for Mill Creek, also struck out 12 and for six innings gave Deibert a real battle. Mill Creek scored its lone tally in the sixth and trailed only 2-1 going into the seventh—then Morton lost his touch. Salter Path rushed across four markers in the seventh and added two more in the ninth. The Salt Pathers pounded out 15 hits off Morton, with George Newman leading the way with three for four. Ralph Smith, Hank Frost, and Abrom Willis all belted two hits for the winners.

No Mill Creek batter could solve Deibert for more than one hit, with Lilly, Culpepper, Morton, and Currier getting one each.

Mill Creek caused quite a stir when they sent Wayne Benton up to pinch hit in the ninth. Salter Path agreed to let Benton bat, but were pretty acrimonious about it, apparently because Benton is supposed to be a member of some other team. In the light of the score at the time it was much ado about nothing, and appeared even more so after Benton went down on strikes.

Salter Path is idle this Sunday, but will meet Beaufort two weeks hence.

Line score:

Salter Path	100	100	402—8	15	1
Mill Creek	000	001	000—1	4	1

Beaufort Still Has Outside Shot At Carteret Flag

Wallop Marshallberg 15-1 And 11-1, But still Trail Morehead City by Two

Second place Beaufort retained a mathematical chance to catch high flying Morehead last weekend by twice drubbing a motely Marshallberg crew in Carteret County league play.

Beaufort slugged Marshallberg 15-1 at Beaufort Saturday night and then eased off to score a tight 11-1 win at Smyrna on Sunday.

Saturday's game was a travesty as Beaufort scored nine times in the first frame and added five more in the second. Marshallberg's starting pitcher (I use the term with great reluctance) was a stumpy lad named Ritenour who looked like the Senator's Conrado Marrero and possessed the control of Fort Worth's Rex Barney. Ritenour showed up with a little mustache and a big curve which he threw with monotonous regularity at 13 batters in the first inning, somehow retiring two of them. He walked four, hit two, uncorked three wild pitches and was tagged for five hits and all nine runs before being shunted to center field.

Rocking Ritenour

Cahill started the first with a single to left and Ritenour followed with a walk to Price. George Graybill then walloped a line drive to center. Marshallberg centerfielder Thomas started in, the ball started out, and never the twain did meet. The ball sailed into the woods and Graybill had a home run of sorts. Bay and Russell rapped singles, Bay's hit coming on a vicious pop fly that shortstop Butler refused to have anything to do with. Ritenour conked Handley to load the bases and then finally got someone out—Hassell grounding to short with all runners moving up. Fodrie walked to reload the bases and Ritenour came up with a dilly of play. First he uncorked a wild pitch to allow one run to cross and, after receiving the catcher's relay, threw wildly past third to permit still another Beaufort run to amble over. Pitcher Smith singled for the seventh run of the inning, but Ritenour, somewhat of a masochist, stayed on. Cahill walked, Price struck out for the second out, and Ritenour let go with another wild one, with Fodrie and Smith advancing. Graybill was walked and Ritenour hit Bay with a pitch to force in the ninth run. Ritenour finally decided that the third out had better be himself, and switched positions with centerfielder Thomas. Thomas proceeded to fire one pitch and struck out Russell. That final out was legally recorded in Ritenour's name, as he had gotten two strikes on Russell before calling a merciful halt.

Thomas Tagged Too

That ended the ball game to all intents and purposes, but Beaufort picked up five more in the second inning on three hits. Thomas, determined not to be shown up by Ritenour, walked three and let loose three wild pitches to help Beaufort along. The big hit of the inning was Cahill's bases loaded single that scored two.

Beaufort's final tally was picked up in the fourth when Thomas walked Russell with the bases loaded.

Dave Smith and Clyde Owens divided the pitching duties for Beaufort and allowed Marshallberg only two hits. Their lone run was illegal, but no one seemed to notice it except your NEWS-TIMES reporter. Kuhn, who had struck out into a double play to end the fourth inning strode out of the dugout to lead off in the fifth. Apparently the fact that Butler had been picked off after he had swung and missed a third strike confused Kuhn, but it wasn't exactly a vital issue. At any rate Kuhn walked, becoming the first man in the Carteret League to strike out and walk in one time at bat. He came all the way around on a wild pitch, and an infield out. That was the only time Marshallberg ruffled Smith or Owens, and their only two hits, by Williamson and Coats were cheapies. Williamson beat out a bouncer to short in the first and Coats dropped a pop fly between Price and Bay in the second. We'd rather not go into Sunday's game.

Notes

Marshallberg's Jack Williamson proved that he can really fly on the basepaths on three occasions, once with disastrous effect. In the first he beat out a slow bouncer, and did the same thing in the fifth although the umpire called him out. That fifth inning grounder was hit at the second baseman at a pretty fast clip, yet Williamson beat the throw by a full step. The prize bit of base running, though, occurred in the third. Bubba Hill had opened with a walk and had moved to second on an infield out. Williamson then whacked a long drive to center that Graybill caught up with and then dropped. Hill had returned to second, but started out for third as soon as Graybill erred. Williamson was really moving and he and Hill arrived at third at the same time. Shortstop Price tagged Williamson for one out and when the contrite Hill came off the bag to apologize to Williamson, Price put the tag on him for the third out. Hill claimed he thought there were three outs, and by the time he was through horsing around there definitely were . . . Graybill literally lost one in the

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STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	GBL
Morehead City	16	5	....
Beaufort	14	7	2
Newport	8	13	8
Marshallberg	4	17	12

SCHEDULE
Saturday
Morehead City at Marshallberg.
Newport at Beaufort.
Sunday
Marshallberg at Morehead City (2).
Beaufort at Newport (2).

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