

Eagles Begin Grid Sessions For Season Opener Sept. 10

Marine Officer Catches 6-Foot Sailfish Friday

Lieut. Col. N. W. Pratt, information service officer at Cherry Point Marine Air Base, caught a 6-foot 4-inch sailfish Friday aboard the Blue Water, skippered by Capt. Hubert Fulcher.

The prize, third one to be caught off Morehead City this season, was landed after a 45-minute struggle about five miles offshore, said Captain Fulcher.

Colonel Pratt landed his fish with a 60-pound test line, using a strip mullet for bait. Another sailfish was sighted off the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, said Colonel Pratt, but there weren't any other strikes.

Five others were in Colonel Pratt's party. They were George Smith of Havelock, Capt. W. S. Wray, USN; Lieut. Col. A. N. Bisgard, Maj. J. W. Eldridge, and Maj. Royce Watson, all of Cherry Point.

Eight spanish mackerel were also caught by the party.

The fish was the first one caught aboard the Blue Water this season.

Lions Fashion 31-6 Win over All-Stars

The champion Detroit Lions trounced the College All-Stars, 31-6, Friday to notch their second straight win over the collegians and the fourth consecutive pro-grid victory at Chicago's Soldier Field.

Favored by more than seven points, the Lions lived up to advance notice by taking a 17-0 first quarter lead, and adding touchdowns in the third and fourth periods.

The All-Stars went to the Lions 10-yard line in the second quarter, but were unable to score. Johnny Lattner of Notre Dame scored for the collegians, after a fumble was recovered on the Lions' four-yard line, before the third period was two minutes old.

West Routs East, 41-0, In All-Star Grid Tilt

Depth and power paid off for the West as it rolled to a 41-0 victory over the East Friday in the sixth annual East-West All-Star football classic at Greensboro Stadium.

Leading 7-0 at the close of the first half, the West opened up, scoring twice in the third period and three times in the last quarter to notch the triumph.

Johnny Thomason, Charlotte Central's hard-driving fullback, romped 23 yards, scoring the first half touchdown.

Coach Clark Issues Call Yesterday for Candidates

The former Morehead City football stadium at the rear of the high school is again resounding to the thud of leather on pigskin and the grunts and whacks that accompany the use of the tackling dummy.

Grid Coach Norman Clark made his debut in Morehead City grid circles by issuing the first call to practice yesterday morning at 9 o'clock.

Twenty-five boys answered the call to begin practice for the first game which is four weeks away, Sept. 10, against Swansboro.

Two Sessions Daily Practice sessions will be held twice daily, morning and late afternoon.

During the first couple of weeks sessions will be limited to conditioning drills, calisthenics, and passing and kicking drills. Basic fundamentals will be given to those aspirants coming out for the first time.

Coach Clark will have a nucleus of 28 experienced men around which to mold this year's squad. Only four mainstays are missing from last year's Seashore Conference champs, which compiled a 7-3 over-all record.

Those who have graduated are Dan Wheaton, guard; Jimmy Highsmith, tackle; Horace Willis, center and defensive line backer; and End Walt Thomas.

Brad McIntosh and Jimmy Willis were Horace Willis's understudies last year and will provide material for the vacant center position.

Backfield Returns Coach Clark is blessed with several capable replacements for Highsmith, Wheaton, and Thomas. The backfield remains intact with Kemp "Baby" Wickizer, left half; Danny O'Neal, right half; Bobby Willis, quarterback; and Jerry Conner, fullback.

Clark will stick to the split "T" used by the Eagles last year, featuring the running of Wickizer, but he will be without the aid of Assistant Coach A. L. Awtrey, who has moved to South Carolina.

Uniforms will be issued next week and later intra-squad scrimmages are planned. There will be specific stress on individual duties and plays during the final weeks of practice.

The Eagles have nine games carded for this season, with five home games. There are two open dates.

The schedule follows:

Schedule	Home	Away
Sept. 10—Swansboro	(H)	
Sept. 17—Open		
Sept. 24—Farmville	(A)	
Oct. 1—Jones Central	(H)	
Oct. 8—Beaufort	(H)	
Oct. 15—Camp Lejeune	(H)	
Oct. 22—Washington	(A)	
Oct. 29—Open		
Nov. 5—Wallace	(A)	
Nov. 12—Pamlico Central	(A)	
Nov. 19—Perquimans County	(H)	

The STANDINGS

Junior League

Team	W	L
Giants	7	1
Red Sox	4	3
Cardinals	2	5
Indians	1	5

For the first time in the track's history, Hialeah's 17 big stake races last winter were won by 17 different horses.

Atlantic Bumps Smyrna-HI 9-2 to Gain Loop Finals

Atlantic forged its way into the finals of the County League playoffs, thumping Smyrna-Harkers Island 9-2 Sunday at Smyrna.

Gary Morris, giving up only five hits, was credited with the win. Red Davis was charged with the loss.

Wilson Davis homered in left field in the third inning with nobody on for the first round tripper of the season for Smyrna-HI. Smyrna-HI fashioned the first run of the game in the second inning after both teams went scoreless in the first. Atlantic came back with three in the top of the third to go into the lead.

Davis's homer accounted for Smyrna-HI's other tally. Atlantic added single runs in the fourth and fifth, and exploded for four runs in the sixth.

Davis was spanked for nine hits, including triples by Don and Joe Willis, and doubles by Buddy Willis and Jack Rose. Rose paced Atlantic with two for three.

Crawford Pigott doubled for Smyrna-HI. J. D. Lewis paced the losers with two for three.

Score by innings: R. H. E. Atlantic . . . 003 114 0-5 9 9 Smyrna-HI . . . 011 000 0-2 3 3

Atlantic, Beaufort Will Meet Sunday In League Finals

Atlantic and Beaufort will vie for the County Baseball League championship Sunday in the first game of a three out of five series.

Beaufort will go to Atlantic for a doubleheader, beginning at 1:30 p.m. The following Sunday, Aug. 29, Atlantic will come to Beaufort for a doubleheader.

If the fifth game is needed, the final game will be at Atlantic. This game will be nine innings. The others will be seven-inning affairs.

Atlantic gained the finals, downing Smyrna-Harkers Island 4-1 and 9-2. Beaufort got a final berth defeating Salter Path 9-2 and 9-0.

Atlantic is defending champion, beating Newport in the finals last year.

The SCOREBOARD

County League Playoffs

Atlantic	9
Smyrna-Harkers Island	2
Beaufort	9
Salter Path	0
Independent	
Brownies	11
New Bern	2

Beaufort Gets Forfeit Win over Salter Path

By Shelly Smoyer

Beaufort took a 9-0 forfeit victory over Salter Path Sunday to gain the County Baseball League playoff finals which begin Aug. 22.

Beaufort was awarded the game on a forfeit when Salter Path quit in the top of the eighth with the score tied 13-13. Salter Path left the field at the command of Manager Ty Frost after a lengthy rhu-barb over an umpire's decision.

Salter Path had the bases loaded and two out with Harold Diebert at the plate carrying two strikes.

Willis Steals Home Wade Willis, on third, received the signal to steal home and took off with Jim Parkins' delivery. The plate umpire called Willis safe, but as Willis was coming in, Diebert switched from the normal batting stance to bunt position as the ball crossed the plate.

The base umpire went up to the plate umpire and wanted to know what the pitch was called. The plate umpire said it was a strike, called Diebert out, and nullified the run.

Diebert and Frost stoutly maintained that no attempt was made to hit the ball, only a shift occurred. The plate umpire said that Diebert shifted his feet and pushed out his bat at the ball.

After arguing about 10 minutes, Frost called his players together, saying, "Let's go home, I can't take any more of this. If I stay here any longer I'll kill somebody or somebody'll kill me."

Frost and the umpires had engaged in minor rhu-barbs all during the game, with the climax coming on the umpire's final decision.

Lloyd Mangrum Praises Baltusrol Golf Course

By FRANK ECK AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor

Lloyd Mangrum, who probably has played more golf in the past four years than any other pro, says he would like to see more of Baltusrol.

The 39-year-old Texan who represents the Tam o' Shanter course in Chicago says this year's Open was played over the best course any Open ever saw.

"It was the best course on which we ever played an Open," says the thin man who beat Vic Ghezzi and Byron Nelson by a stroke in the 36-hole playoff for the 1946 crown at Canterbury in Cleveland.

"Sure, the fairways were narrower," says the man with the mustache. "But they should be that way. After all, we pros expect to be penalized when we make poor shots."

"Baltusrol had a championship course. I'd like to play it some more. They ought to hold the championship here every year. I'd be for that."

"It wasn't tricked up like some of those other places. The greens weren't shaved and the bunkers weren't furrowed like at Oakmont (near Pittsburgh) last year."

Mangrum played some fine golf with scores of 72, 71, 72, 71—286. It just wasn't good enough to beat Ed Furgol's 284. Mangrum finished in a tie for third place with Dick Mayer, 29-year-old blond from Stamford, Conn., and St. Petersburg, Fla.

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The record low attendance for a championship fight was in 1938 when Al Gainer fought John Henry Lewis in a light heavyweight title bout. Only 2,276 paid to see the match.

Qualifying Starts Aug. 25 For News-Times Golf Tourney

Giants Shutout Red Sox, 12-0

The Giants shutout the Red Sox, 12-0, Thursday in a Junior League game at the Morehead City ball park.

The tilt was highlighted by Jim Swann's round tripper for the Giants. Jack Burns was the winning pitcher with Jimmy Lawrence absorbing the loss.

Friday the Giants trekked to Camp Morehead and came home with a 9-7 triumph.

With the score tied 7-7 in the last of the sixth, Jack Burns connected for a round tripper, with Jerry Burns on base, to give the Giants the victory.

Jack Burns was given credit for the win. He relieved Eddie Lawrence at the start of the sixth, and went on to win the game in true major league fashion.

Al Rosen, slugging star of the Cleveland Indians, is the Ohio distributor of a canned soft drink.

Perry Names Tourney Sites

Durham (AP)—L. J. (Hap) Perry, executive secretary of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, has announced that the 1955 basketball championships will be played at Wilmington, Sanford and Greensboro.

The Class AAA tournament will be played in a new 4,500-seat gymnasium under construction at Wilmington, Feb. 24-26. The Class AA tournament is slated for Sanford March 10-12 and the Class A tournament tentatively will be staged in Greensboro March 17-19, Perry announced.

The three cities are strong centers of high school basketball. Wilmington's team last year was a finalist in the Class AAA tournament while Sanford played in the Class AA tournament, losing in the opening round. Greensboro is a hub for high school basketball in the western part of the state.

The Sanford High School gym seats 1,200. Perry said it is possible that the Class A tournament may be moved to another city.

Winston-Salem was the site of last year's AAA tourney. Kinston hosted the Class AA meet and Aberdeen the Class A tournament. Last year was the first that the tournaments were held separately.



Die-Hards Fade Away -- in Shorts!

By JERRY SCHUMACHER

Have you ever heard a fellow when bragging about women? "No Sir" he says, "I love 'em and leave 'em. I'll never be a sucker and get hitched." Thirty days later some chick leads him to the altar.

Well, the same thing sort of happened to me. The first time I saw a man (?) wearing English walking shorts I whooped, and went on record to say that, "No one will ever see me in a pair! No Sir, them's for limber wristed boys, but not for me."

So what happens? Pretty soon some friend of mine shows up with a pair and this guy, being anything but a sissy, I am sort of easy on my criticizing, and then a little later several other guys, real he-men too, come out with them.

But, I am still the "die-hard." My Glamour Gal tried every vile she knew, and believe me, she knows plenty, to get me to just try a pair on. Nope, not me. I had all kinds of excuses; my knees are too knobby, the mosquitoes would eat me alive, etc., etc.

Well anyway, dear reader, you guessed it. I now have a pair. Between Sonny Gear and Mac McCuis-ton it happened this way.

Was at the golf course and brother it was hot. Sonny had his shorts on and I was roasting, so Mack said, "Jerry, don't be so stubborn. Here, try on a pair."

Thought to stop them with, "You don't have my size, also I don't have any money." Well, they found my size alright, and Mack sold them to me on credit, and also the fact that there wasn't a mirror at the golf shop, I tried a pair on.

Comfort is an inadequate word. They are so bloom-in' comfortable, I wouldn't blame a guy for going to bed with them on. So, dear reader, I am hooked, and if you see me up town wearing walking shorts, please spare me and don't whistle too loudly.

Wish I had the chap that invented "outdoor" motors here. I would like to have his neck where my hammy hands could do the most good. I've got a stern motor that I want to sell.

Sure enough, here comes a chap from New York with cash money, "yankee money" too. So, he likes my motor, but he wants to try it out on his boat. Well, you know what happened.

After struggling to get the monster on the boat, then wrestling the boat overboard, came the great moment. Grabbed the starting rope and gave a mighty heave and nothing happened. Four blisters and one-hour later we gave up.

So, I still have my blankety-blank "outdoor" motor, and my friend still has his folding money in his pants pocket. Some wit said "Hey Jerry, how tight do you have to wind that thing to get it to run across the sloop?" Funny thing is, it's a fine motor too!

I don't believe that I ever bought anything in my whole life that I sold at a profit; sort of like a friend of mine named Jim Paddock from Marathon, Fla., who needed a pickup truck of a certain kind.

Every car lot that he went to had the same story. "They are very scarce and much in demand now. Sorry, we don't have one." Forty-two used car lots later he finds one and pays top dollar for it.

Two months later he gets in a "tight" and has to raise some ready cash. He goes back to the same car lot and this is what they told him.

"Sorry buddy, that type of pick-up is a drug on the market. You're going to have to take a shel-lackin' if you want to sell now."

Pawn brokers are from the same mold. The article, when you are buying it, is "priceless and very rare." When selling it, "it's a drug on the market, Chum."

How to Get Big Ones Bill Robertson of the Kure Fishing Pier between Carolina Beach and Fort Fisher, North Carolina, believes he is on the track to solving the live shrimp bait problem with special tanks. Fishermen on his pier using live shrimp have been catching extra big flounders, but Bill says the business is still very much in the experimental stage and it'll probably be a year before he knows for sure. Meanwhile August pier fishing is extra good all along the North Carolina coast, with heavy runs of spots featured.

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