

# Beaufort Rolls 7—The Hard Way



Ramblin' Ray Hassell, Seadog halfback, is surrounded by a trio of Norlina tacklers after picking up nine yards on this first quarter play. The sophomore back's ball carrying was an instrumental weapon in the big Seadog win.



Butch Hassell ran into a stone wall of Norlina defenders on the last play of the game but somehow managed to cross the goal line with the TD that gave Beaufort a 7-0 win and the eastern championship of the state.

**Three Drafted**  
Three Morehead City men have been ordered by the Carteret County draft board to report for induction into the Army Thursday. The three are King Brown, Lester F. Lewis and Robert L. Grantham. According to the clerk of the draft board, Mrs. Ruby D. Holland, the three will be forwarded to Raleigh for their induction.

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Ray Hassell was stopped one-half yard short of the goal line on a fourth down play in the waning seconds of the game but the picture shows the fraction of the yard by which the Seadogs made the first down to pave the way for the winning touchdown on the next play. The yard stripe in the picture is the Norlina goal line.

## REDDY MIX by DAVE LINDSAY



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## Raiders Rack Navy Supply Team 65-39

Coach Wilson Davis's Fry Raider basketball team, defending champions of the New Bern City League, opened their 1959-60 season Saturday afternoon with a win as they downed the Navy Supply 65-39 in a game played at Cherry Point.

The Raiders' leading scorer of last year, Jim Fodrie, paced the Black and Orange scoring attack as he canned 28 points. Walker Gillikin, a new addition to the squad this year, scored 12, followed by Dallas Arthur with 10, Craig Horne with 8, Pierson Willis with 4, and Crawford Pigott and Everett Golden with 2 apiece.

World War I veterans and their wives will attend a free dinner at 7:30 tonight at the Blue Ribbon restaurant.

## Members of the Morehead City high school football team as well as members of the four midget football teams of the Morehead City Midget League will be honored at a football banquet Monday night at the recreation center.

The banquet is being co-sponsored by the Jaycees and Touchdown clubs. Planning the dinner are Cliff Lynch, Dr. Russell Outlaw, Tommy Bennett and Tommy Ballou of the Jaycees and Dom Fernia and Nick Galantis of the Touchdown Club.

Raymond Duke of Sportsman's Pier will furnish the meals for the varsity players and their guests and Mania and Sealtest Dairies will furnish ice cream and milk.

Tickets for the banquet, which is open to everyone, may be obtained at \$1.75 each from members of the Jaycees, any varsity player or any midget team member. The proceeds will go to the midget foot-

ball program to purchase equipment.

Highlighting the evening's program will be the presentation of trophies to the varsity players. One player in each of the following categories will be honored with a trophy: best backfield player, best lineman, best sportsman and the most improved.

Certificates will also be awarded to the midget players and special awards will be given to members of the Morehead City Midget League All-Stars.

Head coach Norman Clark and assistant coach David Lee will be honored guests and films will be shown following the dinner.

Officials in charge of the fête hope to make this year's football banquet the best ever.

In the event that the banquet has to be postponed for any reason, notice of such postponement will appear in Friday's paper.



## Viewing Sports

by Larry McComb

### Beaufort to Host Title Game

Three down and one to go. This is it. Friday night is the night that has been a long time in coming to Beaufort high school. This Friday, on the Beaufort campus the Seadogs will take the field against Andrews high school and the ensuing gridiron battle will be for the most coveted of all prizes—the state football championship. There are a lot of people around who would have given you pretty heavy odds that this is a situation in which a Beaufort team would never find themselves. It's a known fact that the school can play basketball on even terms with almost any school in the state but to turn out a powerhouse in football is something that supposedly just wasn't in the books for Beaufort.

The Seadogs made it to the finals though and they made it the hard way. With their backs against the wall, they came back against Norlina to score with five seconds left in the game. It broke a scoreless deadlock and put them into the finals against Andrews.

There will be other Beaufort football games in the years to come but there will never be another game to match the Norlina contest for sheer thrills and display of raw-bone courage and determination. The Seadogs were played off their feet by the classy Blue Waves through three quarters of the game. Throughout the first half and part of the last, they could not get an offensive attack going and their defense was having troubles of its own trying to contain Norlina. But when it got down to the alternative that they either scored a touchdown or lost the game, the Seadogs made their choice and went out and got their touchdown.

And how they got it! With only seven minutes left in the game they got possession of the ball and found themselves exactly 98 yards away from the Norlina goal line. By that time in the game, they had failed to gain that much in three-quarters of play and now they had only seven minutes in which to do it. But, as it turned out, seven minutes was all that it took, as Butch Hassell crossed the Norlina goal 23 plays later and still had five seconds to spare.

The drive more than made up for the mistakes they made previously in the game and there wasn't a man on the team who wasn't doing his job 100 per cent, as the Seadogs marched to the most important touchdown of the year.

### Boots and Bingles

Throughout the season and particularly in the playoffs the Seadogs have been given great support by Carteret football fans. The Big Green has gained a lot of admirers with their spectacular play and the result has been that many people have been travelling 100 miles or more to watch them play. As one fan was heard to comment while Beaufort was making their scoring drive against Norlina, "Beaufort had as many fans on the field as Norlina had in the stands."

Probably the biggest tribute to their spectator appeal is the number of Morehead City fans that have been attending the playoff games. But Friday night even this was topped when nine members of the Morehead City high school band made the trip to Greenville and marched on the field with the Seadog band to fill some vacancies caused by vacationing Beaufort band members. It was quite a sight to see those few red uniformed performers intermingled among the green uniforms of the Beaufort band. With good will like this between the two schools, both the towns and the schools cannot help but benefit.

During the football season the Seadogs have gained another reputation as well as their reputation as a winner. When they won the coin toss prior to the game Friday night, it marked the tenth time in twelve games that they have done so. One of the two times that they failed to win the traditional coin flipping was the game in which they suffered their only loss.

That's 30 for now.

## Football Banquet Will Honor Eagle Gridders

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# Five Seconds Left When Hassell Scores

By GUION DUDLEY

The amazing and unbelievable Beaufort Seadogs advanced to the state championship finals Friday night with a thrilling do-or-die 7-0 win over a pesky Norlina eleven in a thrill-packed game played on the East Carolina College gridiron.

Beaufort, outplayed by the Blue Wave throughout most of the entire contest, showed the large crowd on hand just what makes a championship team as they took the ball and marched 98 yards for the only touchdown of the night late in the fourth quarter.

For the third straight time in the playoffs the Seadogs won the toss and elected to receive. After picking up a first down on the running of Ernest (Power) House, Eddie Taylor and Butch Hassell, the hard charging line of the Blue Wave held and forced the Seadogs to punt.

Norlina took the punt and, led by the break-away running of Bobby Jones, advanced the ball through the Beaufort line for two straight first downs before being halted. Jones, who was a real threat every time he got the ball, almost made the difference in the ball game for Norlina, as three times he broke into the clear only to be brought down from behind by the Beaufort defense.

The first quarter ended with Norlina in possession of the ball near midfield. The Blue Wave completely dominated play in the second quarter as they held the ball for 23 plays from scrimmage, compared to six plays for the Seadogs.

On the first play of the quarter Bobby Jones reeled off the first of his long gains as he exploded over the center of the Beaufort line and scampered 40 yards before being brought down.

Late in the same quarter Jones almost got away again but was brought down after picking up 16 yards.

Three times during the quarter the Blue Waves gambled on fourth down situations and each time it paid off as they picked up the necessary yardage to maintain possession. The Seadogs managed to stop them once late in the period when again they elected to gamble on fourth down.

With less than a minute before halftime, Beaufort immediately took to the air in an attempt to score but the first down pass to Butch Hassell was intercepted by Mac Pearce. Norlina then threw two incomplete passes before the halftime whistle blew.

With the score tied at 0-0 after two quarters, the announcement came over the public address system that Norlina was leading Beaufort in yardage 103.5 to 46.5. This meant that the Big Green had their work cut out for them in the final 24 minutes of play. With the big yardage lead compiled by the Blue Waves, it became apparent that Beaufort would have to score to win the game.

The Seadogs kicked off to Norlina to open the third quarter and for a while it appeared as if the Blue Wave was going to take up right where it left off a few minutes before. After a one-yard plunge by Frank Ferkinson, Bobby Jones reeled off 16 yards to give Norlina a first down on the Beaufort 39-yard line. Four running plays then failed to go for the Blue Wave and Beaufort took over on their own 30.

The Seadogs then put on their first sustained drive of the night as they marched the ball all the way from their 30 to the Norlina 25-yard line. Ray Hassell and Ernest House did the bulk of the ball carrying on the drive, with Butch Hassell using the quarterback sneak as an effective supplement.

After holding the ball for 16 plays, the Beaufort drive bogged down and the Seadogs were forced to surrender possession to Norlina on the Blue Wave 25-yard line.

Seconds after Norlina got the ball, the third quarter ended with the two teams still deadlocked at 0-0 and Norlina still posting an advantage in yardage gained. Bobby Jones opened the fourth quarter by adding another 16 yards to the Blue Wave's total that put the ball on the Beaufort 46-yard line.

On the next play the officials

called a personal foul on the Seadogs to move the ball deep into Beaufort territory. Three running plays then moved Norlina within six yards of the goal and defeat seemed to be staring Beaufort in the face.

On the next play, with their backs against the wall, Beaufort hit and took the ball away from Jones with Ray Hassell and David Jones teaming up to get the pigskin. Jones was hit first by Ray and David moved in to take the ball out of his hands and Beaufort had a first and ten on their own two-yard line with a touchdown 98 yards away and seven minutes remaining on the clock.

Not to be denied, though, the Seadogs took the ball and 23 plays and six minutes and 55 seconds later, they had a touchdown and the eastern Class A championship.

Ray Hassell started off the drive with a five-yard run. This was followed by a six-yard plunge by Ernest (Power) House and a five-yard sneak play by Butch Hassell. Eddie Taylor added four and then it was Butch again over the middle for two.

After Taylor got five more yards, a Butch Hassell to Ray Hassell aerial was good for seven. House bucked for three and Ray Hassell was stopped for no gain. House made up for this on the next play as he bowled over the Norlina line for 11 yards and the first down.

The big fullback then got another three yards and a pass attempt to Ray Hassell fell incomplete. House was called on again and he came through with four yards.

Taylor added six on a wide sweep and then it was House bucking for two again and Butch sneaking for one to pick up the first down. After House had picked up four yards and Eddie Taylor two, Ray Hassell swept the end for a pickup of nine big yards to move the ball inside the Norlina 15-yard line.

Eddie Taylor was then stopped for no gain but House made up for it by getting nine yards on two carries to move the ball down to the six-yard line. Here the Seadogs were faced with a fourth down situation and five and a half yards to go for a first down and six yards to go for a touchdown.

Butch called on Ray Hassell for the all-important play and Ray carried the ball down to the one-foot line to give the Seadogs the necessary yardage for the first down. Butch Hassell then scored the most important touchdown of the year on the next play as he took the ball over on a quarterback sneak.

When Butch went into the end zone, the big clock at the end of the field showed that there were exactly five seconds left in the game. Ray Hassell added the extra point seconds before the large Beaufort crowd swarmed onto the field to mob the victorious Seadogs.

### SUMMARY

	BHS	NHS
First downs	15	10
Yards gained rushing	207	164
Yards lost rushing	9	26
Passes attempted	4	7
Passes completed	1	3
Yards gained passing	7	30
Total yards gained	214	194
Punts	3	1
Passes intercepted	0	1
Fumbles	2	2
Fumbles lost	1	2
Yards lost penalties	50	0

### Fabulous Fishermen Will Announce Winners Dec. 8

Trophies and prizes for the Fabulous Fishermen contest will be awarded Tuesday night, Dec. 8, at a dinner meeting at Capt. Bill's restaurant in Morehead City.

The meeting will start at 7 and members and their wives are invited, announces Bob Simpson, Fabulous Fishermen executive secretary.

## Eagles Meet Rams Tonight In Opener

The Morehead City high school Eagles open another basketball campaign tonight when the Eagles take on the Havelock Rams in a game to be played in the 12th St. gym, Morehead City.

Head coach Gannon Talbert lost four of his five starters from last year and will have back only John Phillips from the quintet that compiled a record of seven wins and twelve losses.

Despite the fact that his squad will lack game experience, Talbert expects to get a lot of mileage out of his squad which is composed mostly of underclassmen.

Talbert is still undecided as to his starting lineup, but the veteran mentor said yesterday that he could floor a team that will average about 6-1 or 6-2.

Among prospects for this year's squad who have been doing well in practice are footballers Harold Wheaton, Chuck Sledge and David O'Neal. Wheaton and Sledge are sophomores and O'Neal is a freshman. Jimmy Smithwick, another sophomore, was tabbed as promising by Talbert.

Two juniors, who started occasionally and saw limited action last year are Dan Wade and Tom Thompson. The pair are expected to see a lot of action in the back court for the Eagles this year, along with newcomers James Nolan, George Styron, Jim Thompson, and Butch Henderson. Noven Mason and Jimmie Terrill, both juniors, round out the guard corps.

Commenting on the team yesterday, Talbert said that in the years that he has been at the helm of the Eagle eagles he has never seen the spirit and determination and eagerness to learn that this year's squad possesses.

"Like I said, we'll be green on experience but I feel that on a given night we will be capable of giving any team on our schedule a good game," said Talbert.

The Eagles were scheduled to meet Swansboro in a home contest Friday night but due to the state championship football game being played that night in Beaufort, the tilt has been moved up to Thursday night. A girls' contest will precede the varsity contest and will get under way at 7:30.

**Golfers to Meet Here**  
The Morehead City Country Club will be host to the Coastal Women's Golf Association Tuesday, Dec. 15, according to Mrs. C. C. McCuiston. The club entertained at open house Sunday afternoon.

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