-Stars Beat teree Team

Camden City Softball All-Stars team routed the Mills team, winners of 949 softball league schedule T under the lights of stadium Saturday night. All-Stars used two hurlers ocking off the ace team of local softball world. Harry started for the Stars and three innings, after which Jack David of the Na- Guard took over and fin- the game. The Wateree five of their seven runs first three innings. David six-hit ball in the six he worked.

Robinson, the one-arm- ker for the Wateree team, won 14 with no defeats dur- league race, was off form his slants were rapped to all of the lot. The Stars gath- 20 hits as against ten made teree.

Parker, who holds down rstop job for the Stars, led parade with four for five, was Clyde Walton, third of the Stars, who gath- the swat glory. Walton hit within the park in the with two on and in the again circled the bases of a long double and an by the center fielder of the team. Mendal Rays of also rapped out a homer, ing in the third with none

the Stars, Walton had for five; Mims, three for Ray, three for five; Parker, for five, while for the Bennie Robinson had four and C. Taylor three Art Robinson had a for the Wateree outfit in ond inning, but was re- at the plate when he tried his swat into a homer. from center to short to Hancock caught him by lash.

Wateree

	AB	R	H
c	4	1	0
inson, ss	4	2	2
lor, 1b	5	2	3
Taylor, 3b	4	0	1
cf	3	0	1
2b	5	1	1
y, rf	5	0	1
lf	3	1	0
inson, p	4	0	1
	39	7	10

All-Stars

	AB	R	H
2b	5	2	3
Mims, cf	5	2	3
lf	5	0	0
2b	5	1	2
c	5	0	1
	5	2	3
	5	2	3
er, ss	5	2	4
	2	0	1
	1	1	1
	1	0	0
	1	0	0
	45	12	20

for Walton in 9th.
for Cox in 8th.

	R	H	E
221 100 001	7	10	5
232 021 300	12	20	3

batted in, Walton 5, 1, Mims 2, Coward 2, 1, C. Taylor 1. Two base Robinson, David. Three Caulder, A. Robinson. runs, Walton, Ray. Stolen Dabney, Robinson. Sacri- Dabney. Double plays, B. Dabney and C. Taylor. bases, Wateree 9, All- Bases on ball, off Gandy David 1. Strikeouts, by Rob- by Gandy 1; by David 1. Gandy 4 in 3 innings; off in 6 innings. Wild pitch, Passed balls, Hancock 3. pitcher, David. Umpires, and Abrams. Time, 1:45.

demonstrate that the win All-Star-Wateree softball Legion stadium last Sat- ght wasn't any fluke, the took on the Wateree in the aftermath attrac- the Hermitage-Hartsville onday night and won 8

tage nosed out the Harts- ttallers in the first game ning from behind in the frames to cop.

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Blackburn Fired, Reinstated, Quits

Orangeburg Brave Finished Season On A Very Sour Note

The Orangeburg Braves seem to have ended the season in a rhubarb, notwithstanding the fact they emerged as the pennant winners of the Palmetto League. The rhubarb occurred when Paul Dean, business manager of the club, fired Manager Jim Blackburn—the Braves' third manager of the season. Directors of the club learning that Dean had fired Blackburn reinstated the manager. Friday night he turned in his uniform, however.

The following story from the Orangeburg Times and Democrat of last Friday will be of interest to local baseball fans since it contains much "inside information":

"Orangeburg's tangled baseball situation, long simmering under cover, flipped its lid yesterday afternoon when Manager Jim Blackburn resigned. Business Manager Paul Dean failed to notify the board of directors of the move and the board, at a special meeting, voted to reinstate Blackburn.

"Final outcome of the controversy will be revealed today, Friday, at 5:30 p. m., at another special board of directors meeting at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

"Dean issued a special statement to Radio Station WRNO last night to the effect that Blackburn had asked "an unreasonable amount of money" to continue managing the Braves.

"Dean was reported to have said 'nothing doing,' and further reported that Bill Dukes would manage the ball club last night.

"Word of Dean's action reached the board of directors yesterday afternoon, and believing Dean to be in Lake City with the team, members called a special meeting. Directors said an attempt was made to contact Dean, but that he could not be reached.

"The directors voted to reinstate Blackburn at the head of the team, and asked press representatives to withhold the information until after the meeting today.

"After this was agreed to, Dean made his own private statement to WRNO.

"Blackburn left immediately after yesterday's meeting to manage the club in Lake City.

"Director Wallace Austelle said last night that a full investigation would be held today at the meeting, and that the conflicting statements of the two men would be checked.

"On the other side of the fence from Dean's statement that Blackburn demanded 'an unreasonable amount' to manage the club is a long story.

"Blackburn's story begins back in 1947 when he was pitching for the Columbia Reds of the Sally League.

"At that time Dean approached him and inquired as to the possibilities of securing his services for the Orangeburg Braves. Blackburn informed Dean that he intended to stay in organized ball, but said if he ever changed his mind he would come to Orangeburg and play for the team.

"This year after trying unsuccessfully to purchase his contract from Cincinnati, Blackburn went on the voluntarily retired list and was offered good money to pitch for a semi-pro outfit in Canada.

"He was pitching for this team when he was contacted by Dean and reminded of his promise to play for Orangeburg.

"Blackburn fulfilled that promise, he said. He came here at a considerable loss he related, and pitched and managed the Braves into the pennant and playoffs.

"In the original deal, according to Blackburn, was the promise that the Braves would 'take care of him' if he brought home the pennant. He was supposed to pitch, and no mention was made of his managing the ball club.

"He took over the managerial reins from Erve Fagan at Dean's request with no pay raise.

"After the pennant was secured, Blackburn asked for the payment of the money promised him for coming to Orangeburg.

"Finally yesterday he made the offer of accepting half of what had been promised, and Dean refused to make payment.

"He told Blackburn that he had not done a good job, and pitched against easy teams, and had not earned the money he was benig paid, the pitcher said.

"While the Braves were under Blackburn they lost only three games. Blackburn himself compiled a record of six wins and one defeat, and at one stretch in the season pitched in four consecutive key games.

"Last night Dean told The Times and Democrat that Blackburn had asked for an unreasonable amount of money to manage the club.

"'He thought we couldn't get anyone else,' Dean said.

"The money Blackburn referred to was a bonus for signing with us next year, Dean said.

"'We gave him every cent we promised, and he admitted it in my office,' he said. 'I told him that we didn't give bonuses because we were not in professional ball and might not be operating next year.'

"'He asked for an advance on next year's salary and I refused,' Dean stated. 'He told me 'I'm out to get all I can out of baseball' but he is not going to hold this club up,' Dean said.

"'Nothing has been promised Blackburn that he did not receive,' Dean said."

Later Developments

The situation in Orangeburg grew worse on Friday night after the Orangeburg-Lake City game, Jim Blackburn turned in his uniform, drew his check and left. It seems that there has been a general row among the directors and that the whole situation is all fouled up.

Four Camden Hi Boys At Auburn

Ernest Baker, an end on last year's Camden High team, and Foy Thompson, a tackle, are both at Auburn on football scholarships

Don Morrison and Welmar Parker will go to Auburn in about two weeks on basketball scholarships.

Camden High Team Back From Camp

The Camden High School football team returned Thursday from Tuxedo, N. C., where they had been training for the past two weeks, and will immediately begin preparations for the opening game of the season against Dreher High which will be played at Zemp field on Friday night, Sept. 16.

Coach Boyd Stokes and Assistant Coach Dusty Scarborough have been putting the team through some of the paces at training camp and seem pretty well pleased with the prospects.

Zemp field is reported to be in splendid shape for the season. Additional lights have been installed in the lighting system, which will provide improved illumination of the field.

Ouzts Continued To Draw Salary

In the general melee concerning the baseball club in Orangeburg, the fact has come to light, according to the Orangeburg Times and Democrat, that "from the time he left the club until the day the Palmetto season ended, Kenneth Ouzts drew his weekly paycheck from the Orangeburg Braves."

The paper continued that "whether or not Ouzts had a contract with the club stipulating this salary continuance never came out."

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