



1961 Game To Remember:

Coach England loved defense and in April 1961 he would see it in its truest form as his Lancaster Gales ventured to Franklin County to take on Jack Rhyan's St. Charles team in a Saturday double header.

Two gladiators of the mound, Lancaster's Bill Westenhouser and St. Charles' Henne, went to battle in the first game and what a game it was. After nine innings not a run had been scored. In the tenth, each team scored one and the game went on. Six more scoreless innings went by and then came the top of the 17th. Carl Thomas was at 2nd, two outs, and the Gales Norm Neeley smashed a single to left field to score Thomas in the top of the 17th. The final score was 2-1.

Bill Westenhouser totaled 25 strikeouts and did not issue a walk, as he pitched the entire 17 innings. The defense was very strong, only committing one error in game that saw 112 at bats and 13 hits. Lancaster recorded 7 hits with Thomas, Neeley, and Walker each having one. McKenna and Harrison had two hits apiece in this "Game to Remember."