

## SOUVENIR PROGRAM

BOSTON RED SOX vs. BAINBRIDGE COMMODORES

Thursday, 27 September, 1945 at Tome Stadium, Bainbridge



### BOSTON RED SOX

Front row: Newsome, Lake, Bucher, Steiner, Metkovitch, La Forest, Walters, Holm and Ryba. Middle row: Green, Baker, Fox, Woodall, Camilli, Garbark, Cronin, Barrett, Daly, Woods and Orlando. Top row: V. Johnson, McBride, Hausmann, R. Johnson, Lazor, O'Neill, Tobin, Culberson, Heflin and Ferris.



### COMMODORES

Top row, left to right—Ray Lucas, Mgr.; Bill Conroy, C.; Howie Moss, 3B.; Bill Curlee, P.; Dick Sisler, R.F.; Ken Raffensberger, P.; Mayo Farrell, Trainer. Middle row—Andy Nelson, C. Joseph Leedale, Pharmacist Mate; George Simons, P.; Babe Paul, Inf.; Bernie Creger, S.S.; Bill Krueger, 2B.; Stan Spence, 1B.; Earl Naylor, P. Front row—Benny Culp, C.; Sid West, P.; Eddie Miksis, 2B.; Thurman Tucker, C.F.; Ford Garrison, L.F.; Dave Engman, Coach.

**U. S. NAVAL TRAINING CENTER**  
**BAINBRIDGE, MARYLAND**  
 Welfare and Recreation Department



## CURTAIN DESCENDS ON COMMODORE BASEBALL SEASON

The season will end this week for one of the strongest baseball teams in the country—the Bainbridge Commodores of 1945.

By virtue of their very successful showing over the last six months, Manager Ray Lucas' men qualify as the highest rated service team in the United States. In competition with other nines composed of men in the service, the Commodores won 36 of 51 games. These victories include triumphs over such adversaries as the powerful Curtis Bay Coast Guard Cutters, in which series Bainbridge won ten contests while dropping only four. Camp Lee, Camp Shelton, Norfolk N.A.S., Norfolk N.T.S., Camp Bradford and Aberdeen were some of the other Army and Navy teams against whom the Commodores' enviable record was rung up.

Nor has Bainbridge shone only against other service outfits. In opposition with major league clubs, decisions have come the Commodores' way in six games, and have been unfavorable only three times, with two ties. Perhaps the highlight of Bainbridge's season was the 6-3 defeat of the rampaging Detroit Tigers, or the 9-6 setback of the St. Louis Cardinals, World Champs of 1944, or maybe the twin pasting of the Washington Senators, 18-7 and 4-1.

But now the season is ending for the Commodores, and the crack of the bat and the sound of ball hitting glove will be missing from Tome Field. Though the season ends, and though these stars will probably never all perform on the same team again, there still stands for all to see the sterling achievements of the Bainbridge Commodores of 1945.

### BAINBRIDGE 1945 SEASON RECORD

Bainbridge		Bainbridge		Bainbridge	
6 New York (NL) .....	6	2 Curtis Bay .....	6	3 Norfolk N.A.S. ....	7
8 New York (NL) .....	4	17 War College (Wash.) ..	1	1 Camp Shelton .....	0
2 New York (NL) .....	9	10 Aberdeen .....	5	3 Curtis Bay .....	4
0 Philadelphia (NL) .....	3	15 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	4	4 Camp Lee .....	3
1 Baltimore (IL) .....	3	0 Norfolk N.A.S. ....	1	3 Pittsburgh (NL) .....	3
7 Baltimore (IL) .....	1	11 Norfolk N.A.S. ....	2	3 Aberdeen .....	2
18 Washington (AL) .....	7	10 Fort Belvoir .....	7	10 Camp Bradford .....	1
4 Washington (AL) .....	1	8 Martin Bombers .....	0	7 Camp Bradford .....	0
1 Buffalo (IL) .....	4	1 Martin Bombers .....	0	2 Camp Shelton .....	1
15 Lancaster (ISL) .....	4	10 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	4	11 Camp Shelton .....	5
11 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	8	4 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	2	10 Curtis Bay .....	9
13 Camp Shelton .....	14	9 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	5	8 Curtis Bay .....	5
1 Camp Shelton .....	6	8 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	2	2 Philadelphia (AL) .....	3
10 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	8	9 St. Louis (NL) .....	6	10 Aberdeen .....	3
4 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	6	14 Bureau Supplies and Accounts .....	5	13 Fort Belvoir .....	1
6 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	7	8 Camp Shelton .....	1	3 Camp Bradford .....	2
4 Brooklyn (NL) .....	2	15 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	16	6 Camp Bradford .....	5
8 Martin Bombers .....	1	6 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	7	4 Aberdeen .....	2
11 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	7	10 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	2	4 Aberdeen .....	6
19 Fort Belvoir .....	1	4 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	3	6 Heurich Brewers .....	1
6 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	11	6 Norfolk N.A.S. ....	3	6 Camp Shelton .....	1
5 Norfolk N.T.S. ....	0	6 Detroit (AL) .....	3	5 " " .....	4
2 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	17	0 Curtis Bay C.G. ....	2	2 " " .....	3
		11 Norfolk N.A.S. ....	1	... Boston (AL) .....	...

BAINBRIDGE RECORD (BEFORE FINAL GAME) — Won 48, Lost 20, Tied 2. Pct. .706  
 BAINBRIDGE FINAL SEASON'S RECORD — Won ....., Lost ....., Tied ....., Pct. ....



## SCORE CARD

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**Final Score: BAINBRIDGE..... VISITORS.....**

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BOSTON RED SOX

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
1	Byron La Forest	Third Base
2	George Metkovich	First Base
3	Joe Tobin	Infielder
4	Joe Cronin	Manager
5	Jim Bucher	Infielder
6	Lamar Newsome	Second Base
7	Ed Lake	Short Stop

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
10	George Woods	Pitcher
11	Leon Culberson	Outfielder
12	Ervin Fox	Outfielder
14	John Lazor	Outfielder
16	Jim Steiner	Infielder
19	Randy Heflin	Pitcher
22	Larry Woodall	Coach

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
23	Bill Holm	Catcher
25	Tom McBride	Infielder
30	Del Baker	Coach
32	Tom Daly	Coach
33	Dave Ferriss	Pitcher
34	Vic Johnson	Pitcher

## COMMODORES

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
2	Dave Engman	Coach
3	Eddie Miksis	Second Base
5	Babe Paul	Infielder
6	Bennie Culp	Catcher
7	Thurman Tucker	Outfielder
8	Ken Raffensberger	Pitcher

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
10	Stanley Spence	First Base
12	Earl Naylor	Pitcher
13	Howie Moss	Third Base
14	Bill Conroy	Catcher
15	Ray Lucas	Manager
16	Ford Garrison	Outfielder

No.	PLAYER	POSITION
19	Sidney West	Pitcher
21	Bernie Creger	Short Stop
20	Dick Sisler	Outfielder
24	Bill Curlee	Pitcher
25	George Simons	Pitcher
34	Andy Nelson	Catcher







COMMODORE WM. W. BEHRENS  
Center Commander

## FACTS AND FIGURES ON THE 1945 COMMODORES

The excellent season's record compiled by the Bainbridge baseball team as a unit is reflected in the individual performances of the players. No less than six of the Commodore nine pelted the ball for better than 300 averages, despite pitching of high caliber from opposing teams.

Throughout most of the season the race for the squad batting championship was a two-way dog-fight between right fielder Dick Sisler and Ford Garrison, his neighbor in the left gardens. Both stick-men held the lead for alternate long stretches, but the final outcome of the competition is still in doubt. Conflicts for other batting departments such as runs batted in, home run and total hit columns are also being waged, as the tables below indicate.



CAPTAIN S. C. NORTON  
Assistant Center Commander

Iron-armed Ken Raffensberger was the pride of the small but efficient Commodore mound corps. The untiring left-hander won just about half of the nine's victories, with capable hurling being provided by Earl Naylor and Sid West also.

The batting and pitching records for the Commodores, compiled as of 18 September, follow:

	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SO	BB	SB	SH	PCT.
Sisler	285	53	107	25	9	10	69	25	24	2	0	.375
Garrison	167	46	62	9	4	2	31	6	4	11	1	.371
Spence	224	72	75	16	6	16	63	16	56	3	2	.334
Moss	256	45	85	19	4	10	64	18	21	6	0	.332
Miksis	236	49	73	7	4	2	36	19	21	11	0	.309
Creger	133	19	41	4	1	0	13	7	10	3	2	.308
Conroy	108	12	29	3	0	1	18	14	17	1	0	.269
Tucker	183	34	48	8	3	2	20	10	28	11	2	.262
Naylor	81	15	19	4	1	2	15	11	15	1	3	.235
Culp	112	19	26	4	0	0	4	17	16	1	3	.232
Paul	42	14	9	1	0	1	6	4	14	0	0	.214
West	49	6	10	3	0	0	5	8	1	0	4	.204
Raffensberger	80	2	14	1	0	0	3	1	22	1	7	.175

### PITCHING RECORDS

	W	L	PCT.	IP	H	SO	BB
Raffensberger	20	3	.870	201	164	115	23
Naylor	9	4	.692	128 1/3	132	45	46
West	10	6	.625	134 2/3	128	64	55
Curlee	0	1	.000	3 2/3	4	2	2

### HAIL AND FAREWELL

With the Bainbridge baseball season coming to a close this week, the athletic interests of the Center swing to football. Head Coach Lt. Paul Pierce, now busy working with his squad in final practice sessions, will trot out his pupils for their first game on Sunday, 7 October, when the Atlantic City N.A.S. eleven will be met at Tome Field.

The schedule to date for the Bainbridge 1945 football season follows:

OCT.	DAY	TIME	OPPONENT	PLACE
7	— Sun —	1430	— ATLANTIC CITY N.A.S.	BAINBRIDGE
14	— Sun —	1430	— ABERDEEN	BAINBRIDGE
21	— Sun —	1430	— CAMP LEE	BAINBRIDGE
28	— Sun —	1430	— CAMP DETRICK	BAINBRIDGE
NOV.				
4	— Sun —	1430	— FORT MONROE	BAINBRIDGE
11	— Sun —		— Little Creek Amphibs	Little Creek, Va.
18	— Sun —		— OPEN	
25	— Sun —		— OPEN	
DEC.				
2	— Sun —		— CAMP LEE	Camp Lee, Va.