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Early in the year Coach Ralph Martin, with the help of his faithful assistant, Coach Russell Polk, transformed a motley group of teen-aged boys into a well-honed baseball team.

Bulldog baseball started off with a bang as they "ran rush hour" over their first set of opponets. This was definitely a winning year for the dogs. In their first game they whipped Garrett for an 8 to 4 win. Later in the season the dogs defeated Summerville, the school's archival, in a 6 to 4 thrashing.

The team had a record of 10-0 at Spring Break. This strong record made the rest of the state wake up and take note of this little-heard-of team that was tightening its grip on the lower state conference championship and setting its eyes on the

state championship.

"We got off to a 10-0 start and I think that made not only us, but other people realize we were capable of winning the region," said assistant coach Russell Polk. Polk's words were proven beyond a reasonable doubt the night of the game against Summerville. The Dogs were subdued by the "Green Wave," but by their next game they were surfing their way through the conference, defeating the Stratford Knights in 3-2.

With this winning record, the team was the first to win the Region Championship since 1975. Their hard work also got them into the play-offs and gave them the home-field advantage in the post season games.

— Spencer Bodison



Kneeling: Shondell Smalls, H.B. Stanfield, Doug Robinson, Darryl Singleton, David Powell, Jason Stieglitz, Jason Herndon, Shawn Fishburne, Albert Washington, Elton Brown. **Standing:** William Moore, Darryle Fishburne, Ter-

rence Manigo, Wallace Campbell, Larry Lightys, Perry Smalls, Coach Ralph Martin, Anthony Womble, Leroy Blaine, Jody McClaine, Chris Gibson.

