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Seminoles Top Mocs 55-48 to End Long Losing String

STOP LOSSES AT THIRTEEN

Williams, Kratzert Pace Scoring Drive

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Florida State University's long losing streak which started Jan 10 and began to look as if it might run on forever, was stopped with startling suddenness last night when the spirited Seminoles walloped Southern college's Moc quintet 55-48 before 750 hopeful fans in the West Campus gym.

The triumph cracked a string of 13 consecutive losses and was the Garnet and Gold's third win of the season. Spring Hill and Troy. Ala, had previously falle, before the fighti, g Indian quintet.

Early Lead

PSU banged away to an early lead and was never headed as Ralph Chaudron, tricky playmaker for the Seminole five, fed the ball into big, shifty Bill Kratzert for 11 fast points in the first 15 minutes of play.

Kratzert and Ernest Williams, both ex-Leon High performers, led the scoring parade last night with 13 and 12 points respectively and kept FSU on top 34-27 at the half. The Florida State hoopsters, displaying probably the best exhibition of ballhandling they have shown all season, whipped the ball through, over and around Southern in the first 10 minutes holding a 14-point lead at the end of that time.

Hilaman Spurts

Hanging in the game grimly and trying to get within fighting distance of the flying Seminoles, the Mocs turned loose a one-man point barrage in the form of rangy pivot-man O'Brien, who garnered

high point honors for both teams with 18 counters.

Riding on the airength of the apparently unstoppable O'Brien, the Mocs drew within five points of State late in the game but Sheldon Hilaman tossed in five fast counters to put the final skids under the downstate five.

Box score:

FSU	fe	ft	10	Fla Sou	12	ft	111
Williams	- 5	3	13	Ward	1	16	2
Dickson	- 1	0	2	Wilcox	- 0	- 1	- 1
Hilamon	- 3	3	9	Plomis	2	2	- 5
Pavy	1	0	2	Collins.	3	- 0:	.6
O'Stekn				O'Brien	- 7	- 4	18
McCrary	1	3	3	D Kumm	-1	2	4
Kratzert	5	2	12	Zovath	2	2	- 6
Maxwell	0	.0	0	H Kumm	- 1	. 3	3
Chaudron	1	-3	5	Anderson	0	0	0
Wyman	0	0	4	Spittel	1	0	2
Totals	21	13	55	Totals	18	12	48
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