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## CLASH AGAIN

## Intra-State Rivals Match Tall Squads

By FRED PETTIJOHN Florida State University's Seminoles and the Florida Southern College Moccasins open a twosame intra-state series in the West Campus gym tonight at 3 p m.

The second game of the set is scheduled for Saturday night in the same site and at the same time.

The current series is a continuation of the court rivalry which started last season when the two quintets broke even in a home-and-home schedule. The Mocs took the inaugural tilt 47-41 on their own floor, and the Seminoles grabbed the finale 55-48.

Mocs Impressive

Tonight Coach Bud Kennedy's Indians, who opened their 21game slate last Tuesday with a 53-21 victory over outclassed Mississippi college, will face a rangy Moc five that has been impressive in its first two games this year.

In their season opener the Mocs dumped MacDill Field's Fliers 57-38, and in their last time out they bowed to Florida's Gators 83-61. Coach Dick Morland's Southern squad, which contains only two state boys and is generously sprinkled with former Indiana, Iowa and New York prep stars, has been paced this year by the sharpshooting of Gene Robbins, sixfoot-two-inch forward from Lynn, Ind.

Robbins clicked for 16 points against MacDill, and collected 18 against the Gators.

Paired with Robbins at forward is Chuck Terry, high-point man on last year's squad with 246 points.

Towering six-foot-five Bill Wittpen will open at center and Jack Deedrick and Joe Zovath will probably open at the guards. Robbins III

Robbins has been ill with a cold this week, causing Morland considerable concern over his ability to go at top speed against the Seminoles.

In a recent article in the Lakeland Ledger Morland was quoted as saying. "Florida State has a new athletic setup this year and it paid dividends with a championship football team. I expect their basketball team to be much stronger, so we need Robbins at his full strength if we are to get home on the winning side."

Kennedy is expected to start the same quintet that opened against Missisippi with last year's scoring ace Bill Kratzert and sharpshooting Bill Weigle at the forwards: big Art Adams, who paced the attack against the Chocs, at center, and the veteran Jim Pavy and hefty Tom McLaughlin at the guards. Whitey Wyman and Lee Benjamin, ball-hawking duo who stood out in the opener. Sheldon Hilaman, Larry Dickson, Bob Pence and Roinie Nettles are expected to see considerable action against the Southern five.

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