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LAKE LAND—Florida State University's Seminoles, who narrowly avoided tying the school record for consecutive basketball defeats when they trimmed Tampa Tuesday night, tied the mark for total defeats in a single season here last night when they bowed to Southern College's Mocs, 54-51.

Both of the defeat records were established by the 1947-48 team which lost 13 straight games to set the mark for consecutive losses and total defeats.

NUMBER 13

Last night's loss was number 13 for Coach Bud Kennedy's crew, against that lone win chalked up against Tampa.

FSU, battling to make it two wins in a row, rallied in the fourth period last night and cut into the Moc lead, but they had to come from too far back to close the gap.

The score was tied seven times, but the Mocs led at each quarter pole, with a 16-15 margin in the first quarter, 28-26 at the half, and 41-32 at the end of the third stanza. It was that third period flurry that sent Southern home ahead.

Al Huff with 21 and Fred Lapper with 15 topped the Mocs, while Duane Gordon and Tom McLaughlin paced FSU with 11 apiece.

The box score:

SOUTHERN				FLA. STATE			
	fg	ft	tp		fg	ft	tp
Lapper, f	5	6	16	Fischer, f	1	2	4
Pellegrino, f	1	0	2	Gordon, f	4	3	11
Buck, f	0	1	1	Pence, f	1	0	2
Eberly, f	0	0	0	Miller, f	0	0	0
Huff, c	9	3	21	Albertson, f	1	0	2
Zuber, g	2	2	6	Benson, c	2	0	4
Senger, g	3	1	7	Quinn, c	3	2	8
Forrest, g	0	1	1	McLaughlin, g	3	1	11
				Whitmer, g	3	1	7
				Westhaver, g	1	0	2
				Rich-			
				ardson, g	0	0	0

Totals	20	14	54	Totals	21	9	51
Florida Southern	16	12	13	13	54		
Florida State	15	11	6	19	51		

Free throws missed—Lapper, 3; Eberly, 3; Forrest, 2; Huff, 2; Zuber, Pellegrino; Whitmer, 2; McLaughlin, 2; Westhaver, Quinn, Gordon, Benson.