

Florida State University's cagers made their basketball opener a whopping success here last night with a record-breaking 103-76 thrashing of Jacksonville (Ala.) State in the West Campus arena.

It was the highest point total ever turned in by a Seminole team. The old mark of 99 points was against Florida Southern here last season.

OLER AND WERNKE

With double aces Jimmy Oler and Ham Wernke leading the way, Coach Bud Kennedy's Indians showed uncanny alertness for a 11d-lifter.

Oler pumped in 26 points, 17 of which came in the last half. Wernke connected for 19. Scoring-honors, however, went to Jax's Howard Waldrup, who had 29.

The Seminoles also took advantage of the new free throw rule to record a new school mark in that department, hitting 41 of 54 attempts. The Tribe made 20 of 22 in the first half.

NEVER THREATENED

The visitors from Alabama never seriously threatened, although they made it extremely interesting for three quarters. The Indians went in front 25-19 at the end of the first period and worked it to 48-35 by halftime, with Oler, Wernke, and Tom Burst the pacemakers.

The Tribe cooled down some

in the third quarter, leading 70-57, but in the final go-around turned on the steam. Shortly after, Kennedy turned it over to his reserves who had the distinction of passing the century total.

With 2:30 left and the score 99-72, forward Ed Wurshbach sunk two charity tosses, then followed with a double-decker to wrap it up.

Three other Seminoles reached double figures in addition to Oler and Wernke. Veteran forward Rick Benson, who enjoyed a fine evening on both boards, had 15 points. Burst followed with 13 while steady Dick Artmeyer chipped in with 12. Benson pulled down 16 rebounds.

Guard Bill McCarty supported Waldrup's 29 points with 14. Charlie Miller had nine for Coach Tom Roberson's five. Roberson is a former FSU football assistant under Don Veller.

Monday night, the Seminoles will probably find the going somewhat rougher. They entertain the high-scoring Georgia Teachers out of Statesboro, Ga. FSU scored two close wins last season and hold a 4-3 edge in a series dating to 1948.

JAX STATE

	FG	FT	TP
Yates, f	3	1	1
Craig, f	0	3	3
Richet, f	1	1	1
Oswall, f	1	1	3
Waldrup, c	9	17	29
Pearson, c	0	0	0
Miller, f	3	3	9
McCarthy, g	5	4	14
Mayes, g	2	0	4
Reichuck, g	1	2	4
TOTALS	23	28	76

FSU

	FG	FT	TP
Benson, f	5	3	13
Twomey, f	1	2	4
Alford, f	0	0	0
Arnmeyer, f	4	4	12
Wurshbach, f	2	3	7
Burst, f	2	7	13
Wold, c	0	1	1
Williams, c	1	2	4
Wernke, g	5	9	19
Patton, g	0	0	0
Oler, g	8	10	26
Wailes, g	1	0	2
TOTALS	31	41	103

Free Throws Missed: FSU (13)—Benson 2, Artmeyer 2, Wold, Wernke 2, Oler, Twomey 2, Jax State (17)—Yates, Richet, Waldrup 4, Miller 4, Craig 3, Pearson 2.