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MIAMI, Feb. 23—Scoring 49 points in each half, Miami's Hurricanes assured themselves of no worse than a tie for the Florida Intercollegiate Basketball Conference title by defeating Florida State, 98-82, here tonight.

Miami now has an 8-2 record and has ended its FIBC schedule: Florida Southern must conquer-Stetson in Lakeland on Monday in order to share the crown.

For FSU, winner of the FIBC championship the last two years, it was the fifth league schock against four losses.

Hugh Durham, guard star of the seminoles, hit 18 points for the evening missing by two breaking the all-time FSU sophomore scoring record of 468 set by Ham Wernke in 1952-53; FSU has three games remaining however, and Durham has a new record in the bag.

PSU jumped off to a 124 lead tonight but couldn't bold it. By halftime, the Hurricanes led 49 48 Miami stayed from two to 10 points ahead until midway through the final half. Then Marty Burdette all on five successive field goals and when George Tal-

bot, a substitute, collected sixfield goals, the Seminoles slipped, further behind.

Bobby Waits of the Seminoles appeared headed for a good night until he sprained an ankle and had to leave early in the last half. Walts got 13, before departing. Larry Strom contributed 15.

Gene Stage of Miami was high for the game with 22.

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