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MOBILE, Ala.—Connecting on a fancy 50 per cent of their shots, Florida State's relaxed Seminoles unleashed a 58-point barrage in the last 20 minutes to stun Georgia's weary Bulldogs, 92-80, here last night.

The solid victory brought to an end a series of narrow Seminole setbacks on the road. And it earned Florida State its second straight third-place finish in the Senior Bowl basketball tournament.

CITADEL WINS

Host Spring Hill bowed to The Citadel, 67-55, failing in a bid for its third consecutive Senior Bowl crown in the championship game.

Georgia, which ironically leads the Southeastern Conference by virtue of a December triumph over Florida, had the misfortune of running into the Seminoles on their hottest evening of the season.

In eight previous games, FSU had mustered no better than 89 points in a single outing. And the 58-point Seminole outburst

more than they scraped up in 40 minutes against tourney champion Citadel only 24 hours earlier.

The Citadel won the first-round joust with FSU, 59-57, in the last four seconds.

NOW STAND 3-6

The one-sided decision over Georgia—the Seminoles led by 20 points with four minutes left—moves FSU's season record to 3-6. Four of the losses were by a collective margin of 11 points. Suffering its third loss in three nights of a tough Gator Bowl-Senior Bowl grind, Red Lawson's Bulldogs are now 4-5. And Georgia was saddled with its sixteenth setback in nine games with FSU.

The Seminoles unwrapped a new package. Coach Bud Kennedy pulled a surprise by starting Jim Savage in place of Burt Decker at forward and senior Tom Garcia for Hugh Durham at guard.

The juggling had a steadying influence. Little Garcia (5-8) performed brilliantly, scoring 19 points. Only once this season, against LSU, had Garcia played much. He bagged 15 points that time.

OFF THE BEACH

Junior Decker and Durham sat on the beach for 10 minutes, came off to collect 22 and 17 points, respectively. Reliable Jim Liteky collared 16 points to give FSU four double-figure scorers and their finest team effort in nine games.

It began on a sour note. Georgia built up a 7-0 lead before goals by Mike Garcia and Savage tied it at 7-7. It was deadlocked three more times before Decker and Durham layup for a 34-32 FSU halftime lead.

From then on the Seminoles had full command, except for one Georgia flurry near the end. Durham hit 15 of 20 free throws (only one field goal) while Decker, Garcia, and Liteky poured two-pointers in from the outside.

FSU pulled away to 83-63 with four minutes left before Georgia warmed up to close the gap.

SLICK FAKING

Georgia ace Ray Allen sat most of the game on the bench. Four times in the first half Durham faked Allen out of position before drawing fouls from a frustrated Allen. Bulldog center Bill Ensley took up some slack with 21 points.

The Seminoles made 16 of 32 field goal attempts in the second half, finished with an over-

this they added a whopping total of 36 free throws as Georgia committed 30 personals.

FSU returns to action at home Monday night against Loyola of New Orleans.

FLORIDA STATE	G	F	P	T
Strom	4	0-1	5	8
Savage	1	2-3	0	4
Boltz	8	0-0	5	8
Liteky	3	5-9	2	16
Garcia	6	7-9	2	19
Decker	8	6-6	2	22
Durham	1	15-20	0	17
Casteel	2	0-0	3	4
Williams	1	0-0	0	2
Westhafer	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	28	36-48	19	92
GEORGIA	G	F	P	T
Cabanis	3	2-12	8	16
Poss	0	0-0	4	0
Ensley	8	5-8	7	21
Allen	5	0-1	4	10
Edmondson	1	1-1	5	3
Hartsfield	5	0-1	1	10
DeFoor	0	2-2	3	2
Chaney	4	1-2	1	9
Krafchick	1	0-0	3	2
Tidwell	3	1-1	2	7
Totals	30	20-28	30	80
Florida State		34	58	32
Georgia		32	48	30