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Celebrating its bid to the National Invitation Tournament, Oklahoma City University's basketball team spoiled Florida State's final home appearance last night.

For this one, their 18th victory in 23 starts, the Chiefs came up with what was perhaps their most balanced team effort of the season. All starters hit in double figures.

OCU got a startling contribution from lightly heralded David Hale, a 6'5 1/2" center. He plunked in 24 points—exactly three times his previous high of eight in this campaign.

Fred Moses poured in 25, tops for the evening. Bud Sahman contributed 22 — almost all of them quite timely.

Though Florida State, winner in seven of its 20 starts, managed to keep things interesting, OCU never trailed after the first five minutes. The Chiefs were ahead at the half, 48-37.

### THIRD AT HOME

This was only FSU's third loss at home this season after grabbing seven of nine in Tully Gym. The Chiefs dropped a 57-52 decision here last year. A couple of weeks ago the Chiefs chased FSU in Oklahoma City, 103-75. FSU scoring ace Hugh Durham, the nation's 19th ranking pointmaker on a 21.8 average, settled for 18 after getting only four in the first half. John Richter, a surprise starter, led the Seminoles with 19 points and 21 rebounds.

The country's most accurate team from the field, OCU kept its shooting average high by sinking 38 of 69 for 55 percent. FSU hit on 30 percent, 35 out of a season-high 105 attempts.

FSU outrebounded OCU, 68 to 58. Hale and Moses paced the Chiefs in recoveries with 15 and 12.

FSU got the jump on a bucket by big, tough center Danny Boltz. It was tit-and-tat until the scoreboard read 10-10. Then OCU took off on an 8-point run as Troy Hill and Ed McCraw hit fielders and Hale bagged a 2-pointer plus a pair from the foul line.

That loosened things. Surprisingly, the first five fouls called were all against the home team.

### WITHIN FIVE

FSU pulled within five points at 20-15 and 22-17. Then, as momentum got hot, the Chiefs tore away to a 14-point advantage at 39-25.

Richter started finding the range for the Seminoles and they narrowed things to 43-37 a couple minutes before intermission. But Moses sank a fielder and Harry Vines added a single from the line to give the visitors a 46-37 halftime lead.

OCU had connected on 34 percent of its efforts from the field, or 18 out of 33. This contrasted with FSU's 16 out of 49 for 32 percent.

FSU starter Jim Liteky departed in the first two minutes of the second half with his fifth personal foul.

With 4:20 gone in the final portion the Chiefs spurred in front by 15 at 58-43 as Moses socked in five points and Hale four during a spree.

Shortly, the Seminoles twice pulled within nine points but on each occasion Sahmonunt flipped in fielders that discouraged them. Then Boltz fouled out with 11:56 to go.

#### STILL ALIVE

But still the Seminoles stayed alive as Durham begin to escape the OCU defensive net, got three field goals in a brief span—one that moved FSU within 74-66 range.

Back and forth they went. It was uncanny but three times as FSU pulled within eight points Sahmanunt connected from the field to again extend OCU's lead to 10. The last of the Indian's timely trio gave OCU an 84-74 margin. And from there the Chiefs stretched things to 91-74 before FSU got another point.

OCU enjoyed its fattest lead, 96-77, with 2:30 remaining.

With three games remaining on the road, the Tribe meets Stetson at Deland Saturday night.

In last night's preliminary, Chipola Junior College finally caught up with FSU's freshmen, 73-63. Tom Garcia's Baby Seminoles had trimmed Chipola

three times earlier in the season:					
	FG	FT	PF	TP	
OKLA. CITY					
Moses	10-20	5-11	3	25	
McCraw	7-11	2-5	4	16	
Hale	8-13	3-8	3	24	
Sahmanunt	8-15	6-8	7	22	
Hill	5-9	0-1	5	10	
Vines	0-1	1-4	0	1	
Hanson	0-0	0-0	2	0	
Kelly	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Totals	38-69	22-31	19	96	
FLORIDA STATE					
Richter	8-23	1-7	3	19	
Liteky	1-3	0-0	5	2	
Boltz	2-10	1-4	5	6	
Williams	4-8	1-2	4	9	
Durham	8-21	2-3	5	18	
Bates	6-27	4-4	2	16	
Savage	2-2	0-0	1	4	
Tinsley	4-11	3-4	2	11	
Totals	34-103	14-24	24	94	
Oklahoma City U			46	32-34	
Florida State			37	47-34	
CHIPOLA JC (73)	FSU FROSH (64)				
Smith (13)	F	Swain (13)			
Chambliss (13)	F	Ashworth (11)			
Dietz (9)	C	Kaney (9)			
Dodson (7)	G	Davis (11)			
Kirkland (11)	G	Feder (13)			
Halftime: FSU 49, Chipola 36					
Chipola Subs—Bodoc 4, Hickman 3					
Scott 2, Whitaker 3, FSU Subs—Cob					
art 4, Bates 2.					