

CLEMSON, S. C. — Behind by 10 points with 4:39 to play, Florida State's scrambling Seminoles staged a tremendous comeback to slip past Clemson's Tigers, 65-64, here last night.

A Clemson crowd of 4,000 could hardly believe it as FSU outscored the Atlantic Coast Conference Tigers, 12-1, during a furious stretch drive.

The dramatic victory balanced FSU's record at 4-4 and left Clemson with a 2-6 season standing. FSU had walloped the Tigers, 74-57, at Tallahassee eight days ago.

Alert floor work with the pressure on paved the Seminole comeback. Three pass interceptions resulted in six of the Tribe's final 12 points.

Ray Swain, the fast-improving junior center, scored the winning basket on a layup with 25 seconds left. Swain finished with 21 points, marking the fourth time in eight games he has led FSU scorers. Dave Fedor finished with 14 points—four in the stretch bid—and soph guard Dale Ricketts chipped in 13 vital points.

Choppy Patterson, Clemson's fine little All-ACC guard, paced the losers with 21 points. Guard Ed Krajack had 19 points.

The score was tied six times before Clemson took a 12-20 lead with 15:07 left in the first half. Until the final 25 seconds, the Tigers never were behind again, taking a 37-33 advantage at intermission.

With 4:39 left, Clemson had stacked up a 63-53 lead and apparently has salted away a victory. But the remaining time belonged to the Seminoles.

Fedor drove in for a layup, was fouled, and made it a three-point play with 3:38 left. Ricketts' two foul shots cut Clemson's margin to 63-58 with 3:15 remaining. Fedor intercepted a stray Tiger pass and whipped a long pass to Swain, who layed it up for two.

Ricketts' jump shot from the corner pulled FSU within one point (63-62) with 1:16 left. Patterson sank a free throw for a 64-62 Clemson lead with 1:04 left.

With 50 seconds left, Fedor canned a free throw. Then Ricketts swiped the ball and fed it to Swain, who hustled under the goal for the game-winning basket.

Clemson called time out and decided to go for one shot in the last 25 seconds. Patterson took

it, with six seconds left, but the ball bounced off the rim. The buzzer sounded before the Tigers could get off another shot.

Both teams employed zone defenses to keep the scoring at a slow pace. Clemson attempted to fast break on the Seminoles, but an alert FSU defense never let the Tigers run.

FSU was outshot from the field, 28-26, but won it from the charity line. The Seminoles made 13 of 17 free throws while Clemson converted eight of 11. FSU was charged with only nine personal fouls, its lowest total in that department in several seasons.

FSU Coach Bud Kennedy, thrilled over the Seminole comeback effort, dismissed the squad until the day after Christmas. The Seminoles' next start will be against Georgia's Bulldogs in the opening round of the Gator Bowl tournament in Jacksonville December 23.

FLA. STATE	G	F	P	T
Fedor	3-15	4-4	2	14
Coogler	2-4	0-1	0	4
Swain	8-18	3-4	1	21
Cotton	2-5	1-1	0	5
Ricketts	4-9	5-6	4	13
Davis	1-3	0-1	0	2
Long	3-9	0-0	1	8
Ashworth	0-0	0-0	1	0
TOTALS	26-63	13-17	9	65
CLEMSON	G	F	P	T
Benson	3-4	1-1	4	7
Mahaffey	3-11	0-1	4	8
Maxwell	5-10	0-2	4	10
Patterson	9-23	3-3	0	21
Krajack	8-13	3-3	1	19
Warren	0-0	1-1	0	1
Benzlak	0-0	0-0	0	0
TOTALS	28-60	8-11	13	64
Florida State 33-32-65.				
Clemson 37-27-61.				
Attendance: 4,000.				