

NEW ORLEANS — Guided by season-long team leaders Dave Fedor and Ray Swain, Florida State choked off a late Loyola of New Orleans rally for a 72-68 season-ending basketball triumph here last night.

The four-point road victory enabled Coach Bud Kennedy's Seminoles to close an impressive campaign with FSU's finest record — 14-10 — since the 1955-56 Tribe won 16 of 26 games.

HIGH ACCURACY

Hitting 51.8 per cent of their shots against Loyola, the Seminoles also recorded the highest season field goal shooting percentage of any team in FSU history. In 24 games, FSU made a red-hot 45.8 per cent of its shots from the field.

The Seminoles last night built up a 33-26 halftime lead, then held off a one-man crusade by Loyola's little Darryl Tschirn in the final 20 minutes. Tschirn scored 18 points after intermission and finished with a game-high total of 26.

Swain, junior center from Jacksonville, paced the Seminoles with 24 points. Fedor had 17 points, guard Jack Davis 11, and sophomore forward Charlie Long 10.

Trailing by 30-29 early in the second half, Loyola got life on Tschirn's blistering shooting to pull within a point at 50-49. But

Swain retaliated with a basket.

LONG JUMPER

With five minutes left, Tschirn canned a long jumper to bring the Wolfpack within a point, at 59-58. That's when Fedor took charge. In the next 60 seconds, Dandy Dave popped in five straight points to give the Tribe an insurmountable 64-58 edge.

Swain scored the next seven points for FSU and guard Tim Edney added the Seminoles' final point of the season on a free throw with four seconds left.

FSU made good on 20 of 56 fielders and 14 of 20 free throws. Loyola hit 30 of 67 field goal attempts (44.8 per cent) and eight of 10 free throws.

Realizing that Loyola is one of the nation's leading teams from the charity line, the Seminoles gave the Wolfpack plenty of room. The strategy paid off as officials charged FSU with only seven fouls — one of the lowest FSU foul totals ever.

After a 4-6 record in early January, the current Seminoles showed marked improvement, winning 10 of their last 14 games. FSU's record at home was 2-1 and the record was 6-8 in 15 road starts.

Fedor closed his second varsity season only 17 points short of the 1,000-point total. The 6-6 forward this season had 486 points for an even 19-point average and 336 rebounds for a 14.0 average on the boards.

FLA. STATE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Fedor	7-13	2-3	1	17
Long	5-11	0-0	3	10
Swain	10-18	4-6	0	24
Davis	4-8	3-3	2	11
Ashworth	2-3	0-0	0	4
Coogie	0-1	1-3	0	3
Edney	1-2	1-3	1	3
TOTALS	29-56	14-29	7	72
LOYOLA	FG	FT	PF	TP
Flynn	5-16	2-3	0	12
Nalty	3-7	0-0	3	6
Jemsek	1-4	1-2	0	3
Weber	5-11	0-0	5	10
Henneberger	0-1	0-0	1	0
Tschira	11-18	4-4	4	26
Chavanne	3-6	1-1	2	11
Donneraski	0-4	0-0	1	0
TOTALS	30-67	8-10	16	68
Florida State	33-50	72		
Loyola	26-42	68		
Attendance: 1,000.				