

With 9:49 to go in the first half, Charlie Long pumped in a layup that put FSU out front to stay, at 24-22.

It was 48-39 at halftime, and Coach Bud Kennedy started his second team after intermission.

Tampa threatened, continued to threaten after Kennedy ushered his regulars back in. The Spartans pulled within five points. With 6:43 left they were six behind, at 71-65.

Then the Tribe went on a tear the rest of the way.

For FSU, it was a 10th victory against eight losses. Tampa is now 12-9.

Top scorer for the evening was Tampa's John Pelligrini. He racked 23, hitting 10 of 24 floor attempts. But the Spartans, as a whole, were cold from the field, bagging only one-third of their efforts.

FSU hit field goals at a 47.6 per cent clip, a shade below the Seminoles' season average. Dale Ricketts was the leader here, connecting on seven of eight tries.

Ricketts had 15 points, second only to Long's 17 among the Seminoles. Dave Fedor and Ray Swain had 13 apiece. Wally Dale contributed 10.

With Fedor pulling down 17 rebounds, the Seminoles controlled the boards, grabbing 60 to Tampa's 42.

The Seminoles play at Georgia Thursday night, follow with a 6-day rest before meeting Florida here a week from Wednesday.

TAMPA	FG	FT	PF	TP
Engelking	12-4	3-1	5	9
Mullis	18-5	2-2	3	12
Burt	19-6	0-0	3	10
Pelligrini	24-10	4-3	2	23
Sherry	17-8	2-5	2	17
Galestin	0-0	0-0	1	0
Totals	81-27	23-17	16	71
FLA. STATE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Fedor	16-5	5-3	3	13
Long	17-8	3-1	2	17
Swain	13-5	3-3	2	13
Ashworth	6-3	3-2	1	8
Ricketts	8-7	1-1	2	15
Davis	2-0	0-0	0	0
Ek	9-4	0-0	1	8
Dale	6-4	2-2	4	10
Herve	2-2	0-0	2	4
Cough	0-0	2-1	0	1
Miley	1-1	0-0	2	2
Totals	82-30	19-13	19	81