

**SAVANNAH, Ga.**—Bustling members of this water city's Jaycees are staging a three-day basketball tournament here, and they've penned this item in the program:

"This is another spoke in the wheel of progress for Savannah and another step toward helping to build a better community in which to live."

Florida State basketball Coach Bud Kennedy says you can change the "Savannah" to "FSU" and he'll go along with that.

#### **LITTLE EXCITED**

The Seminoles, facing what some felt would be a long, cold winter, handsomely ripped past Georgia last night 77-69 in the opening round of the three-day, four-team Savannah Invitational, and now Kennedy's getting excited.

"I guess I had to get here to realize how important this tournament could be for us," cracked Kennedy after watching tonight's FSU opponent, Alabama, chew into Georgia Southern 71-44.

"Look at the record. This makes us 4-5. If we can beat Alabama tonight and Georgia Southern Saturday night, we'll be above .500.

"If we don't . . . well, maybe it'll get cold this winter, after all."

#### **SMOOTH FINISH**

The Seminoles, virtually on the ropes after losing three straight games and two straight senior performers in recent weeks, moved to a 32-25 lead against Georgia, lost the lead for one brief moment in the second half, but finished in style.

Top scorers for FSU were senior forward Charlie Long (18) and junior guard Pete Rogers (19).

The Seminoles, hitting on their version of the "shuffle" offense better than at any other time this season, sacked 48.3 per cent from the field. Georgia, which hit only 22.7 in the first half, finished with 35.1 per cent.

Coach Red Lawson's Bulldogs, now 2-3 on the season, were led by little guard Billy Rado, who sacked 16 of 18 free throws for 22 points.

## QUICK CHANGE

FSU and Alabama so obviously classed the field on the first night that their tipoff time tonight was changed.

FSU, which handed an earlier 72-63 loss to the Tide, will play Alabama in the second game instead of the first.

"We want to save the best for last," blushed a tourney official.

GEORGIA		fg	ft	rb	pf	tp
Adamek	6-2	3-1	6	3	5	
Gill	6-2	5-3	9	2	7	
Mathews	4-3	6-5	2	5	11	
Crenshaw	2-2	1-0	1	1	4	
Morris	7-3	5-3	7	2	9	
Rado	12-3	12-16	6	4	22	
Pitts	6-3	0-0	2	5	6	
Bagby	7-2	3-1	5	2	5	
Ackerman	0-0	1-0	1	0	0	
Cheek	1-0	0-0	0	1	0	
Team			9			
TOTALS		57-20	42-23	50	23	60
FSU		fg	ft	rb	pf	tp
Long	11-6	2-6	7	4	12	
Huge	9-5	6-3	2	4	13	
Ek	1-0	0-0	1	3	0	
Reeves	8-1	2-2	4	2	4	
Shirley	9-2	6-4	4	5	2	
Winter	7-5	0-0	3	5	10	
Dale	4-1	4-3	1	4	5	
Rogers	11-8	5-3	3	3	19	
Team			9			
TOTALS		58-28	31-21	40	30	77
FSU			32	45	77	
Georgia			25	44	69	