TUSCALOOSA-Alabama's basketball team swapped leads with Florida State in nip-and-tuck early going before moving in front late in the second quarter and staying ahead for a 62-53 victory Monday night.

The Crimson Tide had a 36-1 31 margin at the half and repulsed several Florida State rallies. Last one came with two minutes to go in the game, when the Seminoles pulled within seven points. Tide guard Bami Howland's pair of charity. tosses cooled the rally.

Florida State, 1-2 now, plays Rice in Houston tomorrow night. The Seminoles will meet Texas Christian in Fort Worth Thursday night before returning to Tallahassee.

Alabama hit on 49.7 per cent

of its shots from the floor. Florida State could get only 31.8 per cent.

The Seminoles rang 61.1 per cent from the foul line. Alabama 58.1. The Tide had a 54-43 margin in rebounds.

Top scorers for the Seminoles were sophomores Bill Peacock and Gary Schull and senior Pete Rogers. Peacock had 14, Schull and Rogers 12 each.

Alabama also had three men in double figures, with 6-5 center Bob Andrews hitting for 17 to take game - scoring honors.

Another key to the Alabama victory was sophomore guard Ken Moses, who hit three straight field goals at one point in the third quarter to quash a Seminole surge. Moses, substituting for injured regular James Booth, had 16 points for the night.

Alabama is 3-0 now.

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