

On the bench much of the way, Ron Malmen put on an early and late show that spurred Florida State's increasingly interesting basketball team to a 72-65 victory over Georgia Tech here last night.

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Malmen, a former service star (Eglin Field) out of Orion, Ill., sat on the bench with three fouls for the final six minutes of the first half. He got his fourth foul with 13:37 remaining in the game, went back to the bench for another six-minutes rest.

It was a night for fouls. And the seven that Tech made in the first 8½ minutes of the last half were most significant.

Whack Hyder, the Georgia Tech coach, said he had made a promise to himself. He wouldn't talk about the officiating this season.

Four thousand fans in Tully Gym had made no such promise and they talked about it continuously, with a running chorus of boos.

Tech got a bit the better of the "breaks" in the first half, cashed in on 17 of 18 foul shots, and a bit the worse of it in the late going.

Those seven quick infractions put the 1-and-1 rule into effect for FSU and helped, no little, in keeping the pressure on the Yellow Jackets.

Tech, with 29 fouls for the night, lost four players via disqualification, all in the last seven minutes and six seconds — Ron Scharf at 7:06, Jim Caldwell at 4:37, Charles Kenney at 1:07, John Arnold in the last seconds.

The 6-10 Caldwell, top scorer for Tech with a 19.4 average was laboring under the handicap of a blanket wrapped around him by FSU's 6-7 Gary Schull. Caldwell was permitted just six shots from the field, made one, finished with six points for the evening. Three of his fouls were offensive ones. It was the first time the big Indiana boy had fouled out in 29 games.

"Team defense was the thing," said Coach Bud Kennedy. "We set out to keep the ball away from the big guy, but the little guy almost killed us."

The little guy was 5-11 R. D. Craddock, a senior who despite a compound fracture of his leg — received while playing softball last spring — was averaging better than 14 points per.

Caldwell fattened that average. He got 29 points, 17 in the last half, with an ace of a jump shot and 9 - for - 9 proficiency at the foul line.

Tech collected on a phenomenal 23 - of - 24 via free throws during the evening.

Foul shooting kept Tech in the game for a half. At intermission the Jackets had sunk only seven shots from the field. But the Jackets were in front at the break 31-30.

Tech wasn't in front much.

Florida State took the lead at 5-4, held it until Caldwell hit two free throws to tie things 28 - 28 with 4:40 showing on the clock. A technical foul, called

against the FSU bench, enabled Tech to grab a 29 - 28 advantage. After Schull hit from the corner, Kennedy added two more free throws.

At this point, Tech had FSU a trifle on the run, and trailing 31-30 the Seminoles slowed things down for the final three minutes, waited for a last-second shot. Pete Gonzalez, a marvelous floor leader in this one, fired away with eight seconds showing. He missed, and both sides baited the rebound around. Finally Bill Peacock got clear with the ball, ripped one in just as the horn sounded.

The referee said the shot hadn't left his hands before the horn went off. No good.

But the Seminoles soon took the lead for good, 38 - 37.

Tech's last lead was 37-36. Then the Tribe went on an 8-points romp — including four by Schull — before Tech counted again.

The Jackets came within five points a couple of times—FSU's biggest lead was 10 — but the Seminoles had the scent of triumph and kept building that margin back up.

With 1:14 left Tech was within four points, on a Craddock jumper. After Gonzalez made two foul shots, Craddock hit another for 69 - 65 with 49 seconds showing. But Bobby Lovell slapped in two more foul shots, Gonzalez another for the final margin.

FSU's first - ever basketball triumph over Tech — the Seminoles had lost a pair to Tech in former years at Atlanta — lifted the Seminoles to a 10-6 record. It was their sixth straight home triumph this season, their 15th in the last 16 at Tully Gym.

Tech is now even for the year, 8-8.

With Schull pulling down 11, FSU led in rebounds, 31 to 25. FSU hit 23 of 49 floor shots (47 per cent), Tech 21 of 47 (45 per cent).

"We knew Malmen was capable," said Tech's Hyder, "but we hadn't figured on him being THAT capable. We might

not have been ready in some respects."

Malmen tossed in seven of nine from the field, nine of 10 at the foul line. Jerry Shirley, who had nine rebounds, got 13 points, along with Schull. Lovell contributed 10. For Tech, Kenny trailed Craddock with 15 points.

Tech freshmen, down 38 - 37 at the half, toppled FSU's yearlings 86-70, outscoring them 47 to 32 after intermission. Tech had four players in double figures. FSU was led by Jim Lyttle's 26, Russ Forkey's 19, Darrell Stewart's 15. Rebounding was a key for Tech, with a 47 to 26 edge there.

GEORGIA TECH

	fg	ft	tp
Judy	2-3	1-1	2-4
Scharf	2-3	3-3	1-5
J. Caldwell	1-6	4-5	12-5
Kennedy	3-9	5-5	1-5
Craddock	10-19	9-9	1-6
Arnold	1-5	0-0	3-5
P. Caldwell	0-0	0-0	0-1
Preisly	0-2	1-1	1-2
Field	0-0	0-0	1-0
Team			4
TOTALS	21-47	23-24	26-27

FLORIDA STATE

	fg	ft	reb	pt	tp
Malmen	7-9	9-10	2	4	23
Shirley	4-11	3-6	9	2	13
Schull	5-16	3-8	11	3	13
Lovell	4-6	2-2	1	2	10
Gonzalez	2-5	3-8	1	3	9
Peacock	1-2	2-3	4	3	4
Phillips	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Team			3		
TOTALS	23-49	26-37	31	17	72
Georgia Tech			31	34	65
Florida State			30	47	72

GEORGIA TECH FROSH

	fg	ft	reb	pt	tp
Tomasovich	3-5	0	0	6	
Clark	1-3	0	0	2	
Thorne	7-13	2	16		
Ridenour	1-2	0	2		
Guth	2-4	3	7		
Brisendine	8-11	1	17		
Wagner	5-7	6	16		
Tyler	7-15	1	15		
Akins	2-6	1	5		
TOTALS	36-66	14	86		

FLORIDA STATE FROSH

	fg	ft	tp
Forkey	7-18	5	19
Lyttle	10-15	6	26
Price	2-6	0	4
Stewart	6-12	3	15
Silson	2-10	2	6
Sparks	0-0	0	0
Ross	0-1	0	0
Hammer	0-0	0	0
TOTALS	27-62	16	70
Ga. Tech Frosh		39	47-76
FSU Frosh		38	32-70