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Rollins Spills FSU Nine, 9-3

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Catcher Don Finnigan's three-run homer in the second inning sparked a 12-hit assault which boosted the vengeful Rollins Tars to a 9-3 victory over Florida State at Harper-Shepherd Field yesterday.

The win, Rollins' ninth in 15 outings, enabled the Tars to split a two-game series with the Seminoles, who won Tuesday's opener, 7-2. It also restored Rollins' hopes for a berth in this year's NCAA championships at Omaha.

Veteran southpaw Art Brophy went the distance for Rollins. checking the visitors on seven singles while allowing two earned runs. Brophy, who absorbed his first setback in two years of collegiate pitching in the recent Dixie Baseball Classic, struck out nine batters and walked six in chalking up his fourth win in five starts.

EARLY SPLURGE

Coach Joe Justice's boys didn't waste any time putting the game on ice as they rocked FSU starter Jim Atwood for an early 7-0 lead. The Tars scored twice in the first inning and knocked Atwood off the mound with a fiverun splurge in the second.

Finnigan slammed a 3-2 pitch over the left field fence to give Rollins a 5-0 lead in the second and, from that point, last year's NCAA runnersup coasted.

Rollins' big sticks were Finnigan, with two hits and four RBIs; Jim Doran, who drilled three singles in four trips to the plate, and Nick Vancho, who doubled and singled for two RBIs.

The Tars play host to Centre (Ky.) College today. Game time

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