

Florida State's baseball team still has a long row to hoe, but nobody would argue that the Seminoles haven't gotten off to one whale of a start.

Knocking out 13 hits and getting sharp pitching for the second straight game, FSU yesterday completed a sweep of its opening two-game set with old nemesis Auburn by taking the Tigers 2-1.

The Seminoles had nudged the Tigers 2-1 in Saturday's 1963 opener at Seminole Field. What made the sweep even sweeter was the fact that Auburn had whipped FSU four straight times last year, although the Seminoles went on to the College World Series.

FSU will get back to business Thursday when Clemson comes in for single game Thursday and Friday at 3:30 and a double-header Saturday. The Saturday twin bill may include Navy vs. Clemson at 12:30 if the Midship-

men can make it, otherwise FSU and Clemson will play two.

Star of yesterday's game — played before another good crowd, 1500, in fine baseball weather — was FSU First Baseman Gary Nichols, a stockily-built sophomore from Williamsville, N. Y. Nichols rapped a single, double and a two-run homer in four trips to lead the 13-hit barrage against two Auburn hurlers. Three other Seminoles had at least two hits apiece: Second Baseman Jim Reed, Centerfielder Mike Augustine and Rightfielder Clyde McBryde.

The victory went to Starter Allen Thomas of Cairo, Ga., who yielded three hits and two runs before being injured in the fifth in a mishap on the basepaths. Thomas was struck on the mouth by a thrown ball as he tried to dive back to first base after singling. Extent of the injury is not yet known.

Thomas was ably relieved by Frank Echols, a senior from Tallahassee who went the rest of the route giving up only two hits.

Only Auburn player with more than one hit was Third Baseman Wayne Fowler, who whacked a double and a homer in three trips.

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	AB	R	H			AB	R	H	
Martin, 2b	4	0	0		Reed, 2b	4	2	2	
Bibb, ss	4	0	0		Augustin, cf	5	0	2	
Barfield, lf	4	0	0		McBryde, rf	2	0	2	
Fowler, 3b	3	2	2		Woodward, ss	4	0	1	
Svetlay, c	3	0	0		Wilmsen, lf	4	1	1	
Turbrvil, c	0	0	0		Nichols, lb	4	3	3	
Rackus, cf	4	1	1		Teagle, c	2	1	0	
Dempsey, lb	2	0	1		Suarez, c	0	0	0	
Haire, rf	2	0	1		Chmielewski, 3b	4	0	1	
Seaman, rf	1	0	0		Thomas, p	2	0	1	
Nichols, p	2	0	0		Echols, p	2	0	0	
White, p	2	0	0		c-Loftin	0	0	0	
a-Kent	1	0	0		d-Hancock	0	1	0	
b-Gilbert	0	0	0						
c-Woodal	1	0	0						

Totals 33 3 5 Totals 33 8 13

a—Bounced out for Haire in 6th.

b—Ran for Svetlay in 8th.

c—Ran for Teagle in 8th.

d—Ran for Loftin in 8th.

e—Filed out for Barfield in 9th.

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E—Woodward 2, Gary Nichols;

RBI — Fowler, Gary Nichols, 2,

Dempsey, Haire, Reed, Augustine

2, McBryde, Chmielewski, Thom-

as. PO—A—Auburn 24-9; FSU 27-14.

DP—Woodward, Reed and Nichols.

LOB—Auburn 9, FSU 6. 2B—Fowl-

er, Reed, Woodward, Gary Nichols.

3B—Haire. HR—Fowler, Gary Nich-

ols. SB—Loftin, Reed.

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Thomas 5 3 2 2 1 1

Geo. Nichols 4 6 4 4 3 1

White 3 7 4 4 2 2

Echols 4 2 1 1 3 2

HBP — Barfield (by Thomas);

Svetlay (by Echols). U—Schenck

and Shaw.