

**AUBURN, Ala.—Florida State rallied for three runs in the fifth inning and added four more in the sixth to overcome a five-run deficit and defeat Auburn 9-7 here Tuesday afternoon.**

The victory was the second in as many days for FSU over the Tigers and the fourth of the season. The Seminoles are now 6-2 on the season. Auburn is 2-4 overall, and 2-0 in Southeastern Conference competition.

Allen Thomas came on in relief for FSU in the fourth inning and got credit for the win. The Tigers had just chased starter Marty Howell with a six-run outburst in the fourth.

For the second straight day, leadoff man Jim Reed scored his first time up. He led off with a double to the left field fence, took third on a ground out to shortstop and scored on a ground out to second.

Wayne Fowler opened Auburn's big fourth inning by walking to lead things off. He went to second when Howell's pick-off throw went into the Auburn dugout. Vic Svetlay singled to drive in Fowler.

Jim Bachus was safe on a fielder's choice which nailed Svetlay at second. Dink Haire hit a line shot back to the pitcher who threw to second in an attempt to get Bachus.

However, shortstop Woody Woodward missed the bag and then threw the relay into the Tiger dugout, sending Bachus to third and Haire to second.

First baseman Larry Dempsey doubled on the first pitch to drive in two runs. After Jimmy Martin walked, pitcher Gayden White blasted Howell's first pitch over the leftfield fence to give Auburn three more runs.

Howell gave up a walk, a single to Fowler and retired one man before Coach Danny Lityhiler replaced him with Thomas. Thomas fanned the first man he faced and went the rest of the way, yielding three hits and one run.

FSU put together two doubles, two singles and a walk for four runs in the sixth to go back ahead, 8-6. The Tigers added a tally in the seventh to pull within a run. However, the Seminoles added an insurance run in the eighth and made the lead stand up for the win.

