

Al Beccaccio's brilliant pitching—backed by flawless defensive work of his teammates—frustrated Florida for nine innings as Florida State's baseball team tumbled the Gators 6-2 here Friday.

Beccaccio battled a painful blister on his finger throughout the game, but went the route for Coach Danny Litwhiler's Seminoles, giving up just five hits in the face of Florida's powerful battery.

The 6-2 senior who came south from New Jersey exhibited his batting talent, too, picking up two hits in four attempts — including the day's big one, a triple.

The victory boosted the Tribe to a 21 - 9 record. Florida, which had whipped the Seminoles twice at Gainesville this season, is 27-7 now. The rivals were scheduled to meet here again today in a doubleheaded. First game was to start at 12:30. The second game begins at 3:30.

After holding the Gators scoreless in their half of the first — something FSU was to do until the sixth — the Tribe went to work when second baseman Jim Reed, the first man up, shocked Florida starter Ray Rollyson with a double deep to left field.

Center fielder Mike Augustine

followed with a single, and before the Gators got the ball Reed rushed home for the initial run. Augustine made it to second when the catcher missed the ball, was driven home by third baseman Dave Dahlen's single.

After two outs in the second inning, Beccaccio came to bat, belted a single. Reed's single sent Beccaccio to third on a hit-and-run play, and Augustine followed with another single to bring Beccaccio home.

The Tribe capped off its scoring with a big fourth inning. Left fielder Billy Williamson got a single, Beccaccio blasted his triple, and Williamson ran home.

After two Seminoles were called out at first, Nichols knocked a double, and Beccaccio pranced home. Shortstop Woody Woodward whacked a two-bagger to score Nichols.

UF's first hit came in the sixth, when second baseman Carol Lanoux singled after center fielder Al Lopez had walked. But Beccaccio forced the next three batters into weak hits to end the threat.

The Gators tried to pull themselves out with a big seventh inning. Shortstop Randy McCroft singled, catcher David Porter walked and first baseman Ed Braddy loaded the bases with his single. Ron Cresse, pinch hitting for McMillen, singled, sent McCroft home.

A double play put Cresse and Porter out, but the next two

Florida's Tom Moore, Southeastern Conference batting champ, was hitless in three trips to the plate.

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Rollyson (L 3-1)	4	10	6	6	1	3
McMillan	2	1	0	0	0	1
Elliott	2	0	0	0	0	1
Beccaccio (W 10-1)	9	5	2	2	9	4

WP—Rollyson 2; U—L. Schenck
and W. Schenck; T—2:35; A—1,500.