

Florida State took the wraps off some latent power, and a parade of pitchers held off Michigan State.

The Seminoles defeated Danny Litwiler's Spartans 11-8 in opening day action of the FSU Invitational tourney here yesterday.

In a morning game, Wake Forest got two runs in the first inning to defeat Atlantic Coast rival Duke 3-0.

For the Seminoles, it was the end of a long dry spell. Fred Hatfield's crew gorged itself on 11 base hits. However, it was a game to the wire.

Michigan State sluggers unloaded for four runs in the first inning, forcing FSU into a comeback effort.

John Biedenbach and Bob Spear opened up on FSU starter Eddie Howell with a double and a triple, both well tagged. A throwing error by third baseman Gary Lawrence, a base on balls and a sacrifice fly by catcher Gary Lytle combined for the Spartan runs.

The Seminoles were dormant until the third when pitcher Ken Creeky, who had relieved Howell in the first, drew a base on balls. Second-sacker Dick Fernandez lashed a double to right center. Then Moses Hopkins unloaded one which cleared the right field scoreboard.

Florida State went ahead in

the fourth when catcher Randy Brown led off with a base on balls and leftfielder Roy McWhorter lifted one over the right center field fence.

MSU came back in the next inning on Biedenbach's homer to tie the score.

After being shutout in the fifth, the Seminoles came up with four runs in the sixth to take the lead for keeps. A single by Brown, an error, a single by Fernandez, a walk and a big double by Bob Wilcox told the story.

Michigan State remained dangerous, however. Nick Cafaro relieved Creeky in the seventh

