

Valdosta Clips Tribe 14-2

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VALDOSTA, Ga. — Florida State's embarrassed baseball team had nothing better to look forward to than playing at rival Jacksonville this afternoon.

Fresh off a stunning 14-2

defeat at Valdosta yesterday. Coach Jack Stallings has elected Bill Fuller to face the Dolphins, who have run up a 22-2 record.

The Seminoles watched their record dip to 21-7 yesterday

while poor fielding, poor pitching and poor hitting contributed to their downfall.

Valdosta, which moved its record to 9-5-2 rapped five Seminole pitchers for 14 hits and led 8-0 before the Seminoles got off the launching pad.

Meanwhile, the Tribe got only eight scattered hits of Rusty Simpson, who leveled

his record at 2-2 and was in command all the way while striking out eight and not giving up a base on balls.

It was the first time in history that Valdosta had beaten the Seminoles in baseball in the short series that now stands 3-1 in FSU's favor.

But, Valdosta gave an early indication of what was to happen when Frank Sumner,

younger brother of FSU's Walt Sumner who excelled in baseball and football for the Seminoles a few years back, ripped Rick Colzie's first pitch of the game for a single.

The Rebels went on to score two runs in the first then got what proved to be the clincher in the third when catcher Steve Rominger slapped a solo homer to start a two-run inning.

Valdosta added four more in the fourth before the Seminoles broke the ice for their first run on John LiBrandi's run-producing triple.

FSU got its other run in the sixth on a double by Dan Roatche.

The Seminoles committed five errors and the pitchers uncorked three wild pitches during the course of the afternoon.

The Seminoles play two games in Jacksonville before moving on to Georgia Southern for Sunday and Monday games.

Marty Rice is scheduled to follow Fuller to the mound in Jacksonville Saturday afternoon.

FLA STATE	ab h	VALDOSTA	ab h
Lorenson 2b	4:0	Sumner rf	3:11
Nichols 2b	3:0	Tripp 2b	5:3
Williams ph 2b	2:0	Felts c	5:2
Snyder cf	4:12	Courtney 1b	5:2
LiBrandt rf	4:12	Cowart lf	4:33
Doria 1b	3:0	Rominger c	4:11
Sikes 1b	1:0	Bradley 3b	4:1
Rosa ss	3:0	Fields ss	3:0
R Smith ss	1:0	Simpson p	2:02
Roache c	3:0		
Cone c	1:0		
Huff 3b	4:0		
Cotzie p	1:0		
Oppenheim p	0:0		
Gailey ph	1:0		
Frank p	0:0		
Guempel p	1:0		
Scarce p	0:0		
TOTALS	35 28	TOTALS	38 14

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Valdosta 202 442 000—14
E — Nichols 2, Doria, Rosa, Huff, DP
— FSU 1, LOB — FSU & Valdosta 11
2B Courtney, Rosa, Roatche. 3B
& LiBrandi, Courtney, HR Rominger.
— RBI — Courtney 3, Cowart 3, Rominger
Bradley 3, Fields, Simpson 2, LiBrandi,
Roatche, S — Simpson, SF — Cowart,
Fields.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Colzie (L 1-3)	3-1-3	7	8	5	4	2
Oppenheim	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Frank	1-3	4	4	4	2	0
Guemple	3-1-3	1	2	0	2	0
Scarce	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Simpson (W 2-2)	9	8	2	2	0	8

HBP By Colzie (Fields). WP Colzie.
 Frank, Guemple, Simpson. 2. 1. 2:43
 & 400.