

Tribe splits pair

Surprisingly, FSU ace Larry Jones was dealt his first loss of the season when Howard University ripped Florida State 6-1 Thursday night in the first game of a doubleheader at Seminole Field.

The Seminoles, however, gained a measure of revenge when Jackie Smith shut the door on the visitors in the second game and gave Florida State a 9-1 victory and a split of the twin bill.

Jones, a 15-game winner last season for the Seminoles and unbeaten in four starts this year, was treated rudely in his five and two-thirds innings and got no support from his teammates at the plate.

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FLORIDA STATE, 12-2 following the split, was held in check by lefthander Gene Fleet and could manage only a pair of hits. The Tribe's only run came on a solo homer by shortstop Jeff Hardy to lead off the seventh inning.

Meanwhile, Howard designated hitter Ron Sledge was taking Jones to task, driving in the first run of the game in the fourth inning and blasting a base-loaded double to right field in the fifth.

Jones, who walked seven batters in the stint, was relieved by Dan Owen, who worked two and a third effective innings before yeilding to Mike Bretz, who allowed a run in the ninth.

Smith, a lefthander from Manatee Junior College, turned the tables in the second game for the Seminoles, striking out 13 Howard batters before tightening on the cool night in the eighth inning and giving way to Joe Nichols.

The Seminoles banged out 12 hits in the nightcap, including three each by Hardy and Ben Curry, while Smith was limiting the visitors to only three safeties. Howard catcher Brian Wallace had all three hits.

THE ONLY run off Smith scored in the eighth inning when two walks and a hit batsman loaded the bases after two were out. A fielding error by Hardy allowed the run to score.

Curry, the first baseman from Godby High School who had been in an early-season slump, drove in three runs in the second game, including two on a sixth-inning single.

Howard leaves Tallahassee, after dropping a single game to Florida A&M Wednesday afternoon, with a 4-3 record on the season.

The Seminoles are in action again Saturday when they meet Valdosta State at 1:30 and St. Leo at 7:30 in a day-night doubleheader at Seminole Field.

Howard 6 FSU 1

First Game

Howard	ab r h	Fla. State	ab r h
Herron, 2b	4 0 0	Bifano, 2b	2 0 0
Holland, lf	4 2 1	McArdle, lf	3 0 0
Bailey, rf	4 2 1	Bonilla, 3b	4 0 1
C. Smith, ss	4 1 1	Kennedy, c	1 0 0
Banks, lb	4 1 1	Owen, p	0 0 0
Sledge, dh	3 0 2	Cooper, ph	1 0 0
Wallace, c	2 0 0	Bretz, p	0 0 0
Newman, 3b	2 0 0	Curry, lb	3 0 0
Warren, cf	3 0 0	McGlone, dh	3 0 0
Fleet, p	0 0 0	Hardy, ss	3 1 1
		Lezcano, cf	4 0 0
		West, rf	3 0 0
		Jones, p	0 0 0

TOTAL 30 6 6 TOTAL 27 1 2

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DP—Howard 1, FSU 1, LOB—Howard 8, FSU 7. RBI—Sledge 4, Hardy 2B—Sledge. HR—Hardy (6). SB—Herron, Holland 2.

	IP	H	R	E	R	B	B	S	O
Fleet, W(1-1)	9	2	1	1	7	6			
Jones, L(4-1)	5 2/3	5	5	4	7	7			
Owen	2 1/3	1	0	0	3	2			
Bretz	1	0	1	1	1	3			

PB—Kennedy. WP—Jones 2, Bretz, HBP—by Fleet (Kennedy), BALK—Fleet, U—Rosa, Jackson, T—244.

FSU 9 Howard 1

howard	ab	r	h	Fla. State	ab	r	h
Herron, 2b	3	0	0	Bifano, 2b	1	1	0
Grimes, pr	0	0	0	G. Jones, 2b	0	0	0
Holland, lf	3	0	0	McArdle, lf	5	1	1
Campbell, ph	0	0	0	Bonilla, 3b	5	1	2
Bailey, rf	4	0	0	Kennedy, rf	3	2	1
C. Smith, ss	2	0	0	Hardy, ss	3	2	3
Banks, 1b	4	0	0	Coulter, dh	2	1	1
Sledge, dh	4	0	0	Lezcano, lf	5	1	1
Wallace, c	3	0	3	Curry, 1b	4	0	3
Harris, 3b	3	0	0	Hicks, ph	1	0	0
Warren, cf	2	1	0	McGlone, c	2	0	0
Giddens, p	0	0	0	Griffin, ph	1	0	0
Chestnut, p	0	0	0	T. Smith, p	0	0	0
B. Nichols, p	0	0	0	J. Nichols, p	0	0	0
Dashiell, p	0	0	0				

TOTAL 28 1 3 **TOTAL** 32 9 12

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E—Hardy, Holland, C. Smith, Wallace, Giddens. DP — Howard 2. LOB — Howard 6, FSU 12. RBI — Bonilla, Hardy, Coulter, Lezcano, Curry 3. 2B — Bonilla 2, Hardy 2. 5 — Hardy, McGlone, Harris.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Gidden, L(1-1)	1 ² / ₃	1	2	2	5	0
Chestnut	1 ¹ / ₃	2	1	0	1	2
B. Nichols	¹ / ₃	2	2	2	2	0
Dashiell	4 ² / ₃	7	4	3	1	1
J. Smith, W(2-0)	8	3	1	0	3	13
J. Nichols	1	0	0	0	1	2

PB—McGlone, HBP—by J. Smith 2 (Warren, Herron), by Chestnut (Kennedy), by B. Nichols (Coulter), WP—B. Nichols, Dashiell, U—Jackson, Rosa, T —2:44. Att. — 759.