Seminoles 7-1, thanks to Rose-Hulman

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In the good deed department, the Rose-Hulman College baseball team rates right up there with the Boy Scouts. Just ask Florida State.

On Monday, the Seminoles' record stood at 3-1. But that was before they had the privilege of playing four games in two days against the Engineers of Terre Haute, Ind. FSU is now 7-1.

Yesterday's doubleheader was practically a duplicate of the twinbill the day before. The Seminoles won by a reasonable 7-3, and then by a laughable 13-1. Monday's scores were 17-0 and 6-5. Don't bother adding it up; the final tally was FSU 43, Rose-Hulman 9.

The first game yesterday had all the earmarks of a close pitcher's duel until the Seminoles got down to business, scoring four runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to break a 0-0 tie.

Actually, it was the Engineers' benevolence that broke things open;
With two outs, one run in and the bases loaded, third baseman Greg Jones
hit a twisting, but catchable, fly to
rightfield. Rose-Hulman's Bob Burwell got a late start on the ball, and it
wound up glancing off his glove. All
the runners scored, and Rose-Hulman
Coach Jim Rendell must have been
wondering if this nice, un-Indianalike
weather was worth it.

HOPE SURFACED briefly for the beleaguered Engineers in the top of the fifth, however, when centerfielder Gary Ellis surprised everyone by belting a three-run homer off Seminole starter Brad Long. Long, who had been cruising along with a shutout until then, was apparently so flus-

tered by Ellis' shot that he walked the next hitter, third-baseman Marty Schramm.

Coach Woody Woodward took one step out of the dugout and summoned Kevin Brooks from the bullpen to relieve Long. Brooks, in his third appearance so far, got Burwell to ground out to second and end the uprising.

Brooks was effective over the last two innings, allowing the Engineers just two hits, and recording his first victory of the season. A disappointed Long just missed out on the win, heading to the showers only one-third of an inning short of the minimum five frames needed for a victory.

The Seminoles' offense, meanwhile, iced the game with three runs in the bottom of the fifth. Shortstop Bob Benda's two-run single was the big blow of the inning. In the second

game, the 13-1 affair, righthander Rick Holloway went the distance, allowing just two hits and striking out seven. The Seminoles teed off on Engineers' righty Mike Skinner, assaulting him with five runs in the second, single tallies in the fourth and fifth, and a six-run explosion in the sixth.

Coach Rendell never took Skinner out, and the battered pitcher didn't even wave a white flag, which might shed some light on the condition of the Rose-Hulman pitching staff.

BENDA CONTINUED his hot hit-

ting, knocking in two more runs, and designated hitter Donnie Traylor hit his second homer in two days, a massive shot he golfed over the rightfield wall.

Most of the excitement, though, was provided by Centerfielder Mark Gilbert, who led off the game having gotten on base twelve consecutive times. Going for number 13, he grounded to short and was thrown out

at first by, at most, half a step. The streak broken and the 'pressure' off, Gilbert doubled in each of his next two times at bat, before being lifted in the fifth inning.

After the sweep, assistant coach Mike Martin said that though he knew who his team was playing, he was nevertheless, "very pleased" with the Seminoles' progress up to this point.

One area in which Martin said he would like to see the team improve,

however, is its ability to move runners up on the bases.

"When we get a man on second and no one out," he said, "we expect the hitter to hit to the right side to get the runner to third."

Laxity in such subtleties, though, didn't hurt much against Rose-Hulman. Today, the Seminoles take their six-game winning streak to Macon, where they play Mercer University in an afternoon game.

MISCELLANEOUS: Gilbert went four for five on the day, raising his average to .450 (9 for 20). Second-baseman Craig Patterson's three for three in the second game upped his average to .417 (10 for 24)... Coach Woodward was speechless. Not at the four game sweep. He's got a sore throat and can barely talk...Outfielder Ricky Stuart, son of former major league leaguer Dick Stuart, got his first collegiate base-hit in the second game.

Florida State	Rose-Hulman
ABRHB	
Gilbert cf 121	0 Hill f 4 2 0
Bendass 3 1 1	2 Gehring 2b 3 1 0 0 .
Deloach ss 100	0 Ellis cf 2 1 2 3
Patterson 2b 3 0 0	
Milner dh 2 1 0	
Mobley 1b 2 1 1	
	0 Bell c 3 0 0 0
	0 Brabender 1b3 0 0 0
G. Jones 3b 3 0 1	
	0 Woszczynski p
Schimschak r	f 0000
100	
B. Huff If 111	
Stuart If 100	
Long p 000	
Brooks p 000	
Totals 21 7 5	
Rose-Hulman	000 030 0 - 3
Florida State	000 430 x - 7
	rwell, Bell. HR - El-
lis.LOB - R-H 7, F	SU 4.
	IP H R ER BB SO
Woszczynski (0-1)	6 5 7 3 7 3
Long	4% 4 3 3 4 4
Brooks (1-0)	21/3 2 0 0 0 1
PB — McDonald	

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FSU Sweeps

TALLAHASSEE —
Florida State completed a
four-game sweep with
Rose-Hulman Tuesday
with 7-3 and 13-1 doubleheader victories.

The Seminoles tallied four runs in the fourth and three in the fifth to clinch the first game. Rose-Hulman outfielder Gary Ellis provided the fireworks for the Engineers with he drove across all three runs with a home run with two aboard in the fifth.

In the second game, Seminole righthander Rick Holloway handcuffed the Engineers on just two hits while his teammates pounded out 16 hits, including a fifth-inning solo homer by Ron Traylor.

The Seminoles ran their record to 7-1 with the sweep and play Mercer in acon today.

R.-Hul. 000 030 0 - 3 6 2 FSU 000 430 x - 7 5 1

Woszczynski and Bell; Long, Brooks (5) and McDonald, Ramsey (7). HR-Ellis (RH).

R.-Hul. 010 000 0 - 1 2 3 FSU 050 116 x - 13 16 2

Skinner and Leifgable; Holloway and McDonald, Ramsey (6). HR-Taylor (FSU).