

FSU rally stops S. Fla.

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TAMPA — Florida State University came up with four runs in the ninth inning here Saturday, and then held off the University of South Florida for an 8-3 baseball victory.

The Seminoles, now 26-4, had watched a 4-0 lead cut to 4-3 when USF rallied for three runs in the bottom of the eighth inning. But the Seminoles, ranked seventh nationally, got a two-run single from right-fielder Ken Schimchak to spark a four-run ninth inning that put the game away.

Rick Holloway, who started at pitcher for the Seminoles, got off to a rough start. He walked the first two

batters he faced, and then Seminoles' coach Woody Woodward went to his bullpen for Ken Fischer.

Fischer did not give up a hit until USF's Andy Marston singled in the sixth inning.

Florida State's first run was scored when Mark Gilbert reached first on an error. He was later driven home by Craig Patterson, giving the Seminoles a 1-0 lead.

FSU scored two more runs in the fourth inning, when Blane McDonald walked, and Doug Casey doubled to put runners on second and third. Bruce Huff then laid down a bunt single that scored both McDonald and Casey. That made the score 3-0.

The Seminoles stretched their lead to 4-0 in the eighth inning, when David Mobley scored on an error.

South Florida then mounted its biggest threat of the day with a three-run uprising in the bottom of the eighth. FSU, however, scored four runs of its own in the top of the ninth, while USF went scoreless in the bottom half of the inning.

Florida State will play at St. Leo today in a doubleheader. Joe Nichols will pitch the first game for the Seminoles, while Ray Fox is scheduled to start on the mound in the second game.

USF fell to 12-11-1 with the loss to FSU.

South Florida					Florida State				
AB	R	H	B	I	AB	R	H	B	I
Perna lf	3	0	0	0	Gilbert cf	4	1	0	0
Lowery 3b	3	1	0	0	Benda ss	5	1	1	1
Marston rf	4	1	2	0	Patterson 2b	5	0	3	1
Putnam pr	0	0	0	0	Mobley 1b	5	2	2	0
Hiltner 2b	3	1	0	0	Milner dh	5	1	0	0
Mohler cf	5	0	0	0	McDonald c	3	1	2	0
May ph	2	0	0	1	Schimchak rf	5	0	1	2
Groover 1b	2	0	0	0	Casey 3b	5	1	2	0
Harrington cf	1	0	0	1	Huff lf	4	1	2	1
Purdy c	4	0	1	1	Holloway p	0	0	0	0
Simon ss	3	0	0	0	Fischer p	0	0	0	0
Burlett ss	1	0	0	0	Brooks p	0	0	0	0
Krsnich p	0	0	0	0	Fox p	0	0	0	0
Fossas p	0	0	0	0	TOTALS	40	8	13	5
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LOB-FSU 10, USF 11. SB-Gilbert, Milner, Huff. Dbl-Casey, Marston. E-Schimchak, Casey, Perna, Marston, Hiltner, Simon, Fossas. S-Gilbert.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Holloway	0	0	0	0	2	0
Fischer (W, 2-0)	7	1	1	1	5	6
Brooks	1/3	0	2	2	3	0
Foy	1/2	2	0	0	0	0
Krsnich (L, 2-2)	8	10	4	2	15	3
Fossas	1	3	4	2	3	0

WP-Holloway (2), Fischer, Krsnich. HBP — by Brooks (Harrington). A. — 325.