## Holloway sharp as FSU wins

## Special to the Democrat

For a fleeting moment Sunday afternoon, Florida State found a third starter for its pitching rotation — a guy who could pick up the slack in Woody Woodward's floundering piitching staff and give the Seminoles a much-needed lift as they head down the stretch.

For six innings in Florida State's 13-5 rout of Valdosta State, Rick Holloway was the pitcher everyone knew he could be. And it was behind the junior righthander and a 16-hit attack that the Seminoles picked up their 30th straight home victory and win number 37 on the year.

"Rick is beginning to look like the pitcher we all know he can be," said an obviously pleased Woodward. "If he throws like he did the first six innings he's gonna be har, to beat. And we're going to need a strong third starter when tournament time gets here."

Coming into the game with a 2-1 record but troubled by severe control problems all season, Holloway retired the first 12 batters he faced and

gave up just four hits through six innings. More importantly, he didn't walk a batter as his teammates staked him to a 7-0 lead after the first two innings and increased it to 9-0 after six.

The Seminoles play in Gainseville against the University of Florida tonight at 7:30. Brooks Carey will open a two-game series which ends Tuesday with a 3:30 p.m. game. Carey will be looking for his 11th pitching win of the year in a game that will be broadcast back to Tallahassee by WGLF-FM beginning at 7:30 p.m.

"We've played extremely well since coming home from Vegas," said Woodward. "We've got to continue to do so when we go to Gainesville. We played awfully good baseball against Valdosta and they've got an excellent ballclub."

The Blazers couldn't get untracked against Holloway until the seventh inning. They did manage to load the bases on three singles in the sixth, but Holloway worked out of the jam. When the end came for Holloway

When the end came for Holloway in the seventh, it came quickly and the ax fell hard. Rightfielder Bruce Folwer led off the inning with a home run to right to break up the shutout bid. First baseman Ken Smith then lined another homer off the scoreboard in left. After shortstop Bart Shuman singled, designated hitter Keith Griffin drilled the third homer of the inning to deep left.

Releiver Joe Nichols was quicklysummoned to put out the blaze and did so without any further trouble.

The Tribe's meeting tonight with the Gators will be the third of the season. The Seminoles took both ends of a two-game series in Tallahassee last week.

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