

Weaver's grand slam lifts FSU past Mercer

Special to the Democrat

MACON, Ga. — Jim Weaver belted a third-inning grand slam to boost Florida State's baseball team to a 7-4 victory over Mercer University here Monday afternoon.

Weaver's two-out blast, his 10th home run of the season, gave the Seminoles a 5-0 lead and they went on to their 21st victory in 26 games.

Mercer dropped to 11-6.

Florida State took a 1-0 lead in the first inning when shortstop Don DeLoach doubled, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on an infield grounder by Jeff Ledbetter.

In the FSU third, after two outs, DeLoach and Mike Fuentes

singled and Ledbetter walked before Weaver's home run.

In the fifth inning, Fuentes clubbed a two-run homer to drive in Florida State's sixth and seventh runs.

The centerfielder's sixth home run came off Mercer pitcher Bill Stone, who was on in relief of starter Jim Heatherington.

Florida State junior lefthander Ken Fischer pitched six innings to pick up the victory, his third of the season without a loss.

Ken Smith, a senior right-hander, came on and shut out the Bears over the final three innings, recording five strikeouts without giving up a hit or a walk.

FSU next game is at Valdosta State Wednesday afternoon.

FLORIDA STATE					MERCER				
AB	R	H	B	I	AB	R	H	B	I
Martinez 2b	5	0	1	0	Ross lf	4	0	1	0
DeLoach ss	5	3	3	0	Millerd cf	1	0	0	1
Fuentes cf	3	2	2	2	Shouse 3b	4	0	0	0
Ledbetter 1b	3	1	1	1	Ryan dh	3	1	0	0
Weaver lf	3	1	2	4	Jedneski 1b	4	1	0	0
Ystrzmski rf	4	0	0	0	Campbell c	3	0	0	0
Cullen dh	1	0	0	0	Smith rf	4	1	2	2
Ramsey dh	2	0	0	0	Ryle 2b	4	1	0	1
Emerick c	4	0	0	0	Sommers ss	4	0	1	0
Figueredo 3b	4	0	0	0					
Totals	34	7	9	7	Totals	31	4	4	4

Cullen awarded first on catcher's interference.

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E — Fischer, Figueredo, DeLoach, Martinez, Campbell. LOB — Florida State 4, Mercer 5. 2B — DeLoach 2. HR — Weaver (10), Fuentes (6). SB — Fuentes. S — Millerd 2, Shouse.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida State						
Fischer (W, 3-0)	6	4	4	2	3	0
Smith	3	0	0	0	0	5
Mercer						
Heatherington (L, 1-2)	4 1/3	6	6	6	2	3
Stone	3	3	1	1	1	0
Perry	1 2/3	1	0	0	0	2

WP — Heatherington, Fischer. Save — Smith (1). T — 2:22. A — 306.