

FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

Date 4/6/80 Site Tallahassee, Fla.

<u>Jacksonville</u>	000	100	000	-	1	6	2
<u>FLA. ST.</u>	010	200	20X	-	5	12	0

Battery: J.V. - Jackson, Akasmit (7) and Soares and Kociolek (7)

FLA. ST. - Hatcher and Emerick

2B: FLA. ST. - Emerick, Yastzremski

3B: J.V. - Scheetz

HR: None

Leading Hitters: J.V. - Scheetz 2-4, FLA. ST. - Martinez
2-3/1 RBI, Emerick 3-4/1 RBI, Figueredo 2-3.

W.P.: Hatcher (5-2) L.P.: Jackson (2-2)

Records: 24-5 17-17

Game Notes: FLA. ST. scored what proved to be the
winning run on four consecutive singles in the
fourth inning. Seminole starter Rick Hatcher went
all the way for his first ever complete game.
There were a total of seven double plays in the
game (J.V. 4, FSU 3). The win was the sixth
in a row for the Seminoles.

Improving Seminoles bounce JU

By BOB COHN
Democrat sportswriter

Florida State baseball Coach Mike Martin says the Seminoles are right on schedule.

Hitting into four double plays and playing without Jim Weaver, who was benched for reporting late to Seminole Field, FSU still did enough things right to beat Jacksonville 5-1 Sunday afternoon.

The victory gave Florida State a sweep of the three-game series and of all six games with the Dolphins this season. The Seminoles also have won six straight to make their record 24-5.

"I see this club getting there," Martin said. "Every day, this club is getting better. It's what I wanted to do. Hit our peak in mid-April and carry it into the Metro tournament."

The Seminoles played crisply and efficiently while

getting a complete game from pitcher Rick Hatcher. They turned three double plays themselves, committed no errors, manipulated the bat properly and generally gave the appearance of a team coming together.

"I'm not really concerned with the stats so much as I am with the little things," Martin said. "Like Figgy (third baseman Rick Figueroa) in the seventh hitting behind the runner. The ball goes into rightfield, the guy misses the ball and we score."

That resulted in the Seminoles' fourth run, window-dressing that it was. Figueroa's opposite-field single with Mike Yastrzemski on second was bobbled by Darryl Philhower, allowing Yaz to score and Figgy to get to third.

Lionel Martinez, who like Figueroa had two hits, then singled for another insurance run.

To Martin, the runs weren't as important as the way in

which they were manufactured. "Things like that stick in your mind," he said.

The pitching of Hatcher stuck in the side of the Dolphins (17-17). Striking out just two, Hatcher scattered six hits to register his fifth victory of the season and first complete game since his junior college days two years ago.

The junior righthander is part of an FSU staff that has blossomed with the recent performances of starters Ed Schneider and Ken Fischer and reliever Ken Smith.

Hatcher was a relief pitcher, but traded his bullpen spot with Smith for a home in the starting rotation. Smith is overjoyed — he's notched a save and a win since moving — and Hatcher also is happy.

"Now I know when I'm going to pitch," said Hatcher, a

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former quarterback at the University of Nebraska, who transferred to FSU from George Wallace Community College last year.

"It's not a day-to-day thing. I don't like waiting around. Starting, I know I'm going to pitch."

Hatcher last worked in relief, losing to Tulane two weeks ago. He said the rest helped him go nine innings, only the second time an FSU pitcher has done it this year. Dick Wiggins pitched a complete game against the Dolphins in Jacksonville last month.

"My arm felt strong. I'd been doing a lot of running," Hatcher said. "I felt stronger at the end."

Not overpowering, Hatcher said he relied mainly on a fastball and change-up to keep the Dolphins off balance.

Tom Bradley, the JU coach and a former major league pitcher with the White Sox, Angels and Giants, appreciated Hatcher's performance.

"He throws strikes and gets on top of the hitters," Bradley said. "He mixes up his pitches and doesn't get in trouble with the walks. That's the name of the game."

The Seminoles registered 12 hits off JU loser Larry Jackson. He's normally a relief pitcher but has been pressed into service as a starter be-

cause of arm problems on the Dolphins' staff.

Not part of the FSU offense was Weaver, the hero of Saturday's first game with two stolen bases in the eighth inning and the game-winning homer in the tenth. He thought Sunday's game was scheduled to start at 2 p.m. — it began at 1 — and was late arriving. Martin benched him.

"It was very unfortunate that I had to make that decision," Martin said. "But we're a team and we expect a lot out of each other. It was something that I had to do."

Weaver, batting .380, with 11 homers and 40 runs batted in, still participated, warming up replacement Ken Huff in left field and leading the cheers from the dugout.

"I was pleased with his attitude," Martin said. "He was in the ballgame the whole time. That, to me, stands out. It's what we've got to have to be successful."

With Weaver out, and sluggers Jeff Ledbetter and Mike Fuentes struggling, the slack was picked up by Figueroa, Martinez, Craig Ramsey (two hits) and catcher Jack Emerick, who had three hits, including a double.

Emerick scored FSU's first run in the second when leftfielder Mike Hamberg bobbled Ramsey's single.

Then he broke a 1-1 tie in the fifth with a single that scored Fuentes.

Huff in the fifth provided an insurance run with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly. Though Yaz hit into his second double-play of the game, Hatcher had things under control the rest of the way.

The Seminoles travel to Valdosta State to play the Blazers tonight at 7:30 in the rescheduled game of last week's rainout.

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AB	R	H	B	I	AB	R	H	B	I
Albano 2b	3	0	0	0	Martinez 2b	3	0	2	1
Dowdy dh	4	0	1	0	DeLoach ss	4	0	0	0
Scheetz 3b	4	1	2	0	Fuentes cf	3	1	1	0
Pilgrnli 1b	3	0	1	0	Ledetter 1b	3	1	1	0
Hamberg lf	4	0	0	1	Emerick c	4	1	3	1
Belger ss	3	0	1	0	Ramsey dh	4	0	2	0
Philhower rf	3	0	0	0	Huff lf	2	0	0	1
Soares c	2	0	0	0	Ystrzmski rf	4	1	1	0
Maler ph	1	0	0	0	Figueredo 3b	3	1	2	0
Kociolek c	0	0	0	0					
Reis cf	3	0	1	0					
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E — Hamberg, Philhower. LOB — Jacksonville 4, Florida State 6. DP — Jacksonville 4, Florida State 3. 2B — Emerick, Yastrzmski. 3B — Scheetz. SB — Belger, Scheetz, Emerick, DeLoach. SF — Hamberg, Huff.

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Jacksonville							
Jackson (L, 2-2)	6	12	5	4	3	1	
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Florida State							
Hatcher (W, 5-2)	9	6	1	1	2	2	

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