

FSU's win was over before it was over

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The announcement came in the sixth inning: "By mutual consent the game will be shortened to seven innings." The huddled masses in the stands cheered.

You now know the highlight of Florida State's 20-6 baseball victory Thursday over Grambling, played with 895 watching in a biting chill. The lowlights abounded. Six errors by each team. A total of 17 walks.

Grambling, 0-2, will give it another go here today in a 3:30 p.m. game. The Seminoles are 2-0.

The Tigers actually led in this game for a short period of time. In the first inning they scored an unearned run with a two-base error, a sacrifice and an infield bouncer.

The Seminoles scored four times in the second inning. Paul Sorrento's searing drive off the wall in center was the big hit.

They scored five more in the third inning with four walks and two hits. Freshman Deion Sanders

crashed one high off the screen in right-center for a two-run double. He thought he had his first collegiate homer, but instead shrugged to his teammates and smiled from second base.

The follies continued in the fourth inning with five unearned runs. It also featured some of rare artistry in this game — a perfectly executed hit-and-run single by Barry Blackwell. Jose Marzan, who had three hits and four RBIs, added a two-run single.

When things got ugliest was the six-run Seminole fifth. It included five walks, an error, a balk, three stolen bases (with a 10-run lead), an error, a passed ball and one hit.

The Seminoles got good enough

pitching from right-hander Steve Kovensky, 1-0. He went five innings, struck out six, walked two, and allowed six hits and three earned runs. Former Florida High star Mike Lee went the last two innings, striking out four and giving up three hits, one earned run and one walk.

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	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Parker,2b	4	1	1	0	Sanders,cf	4	3	2	3
Watkins,lf	2	0	0	0	Marzan,1b	4	1	3	4
G.Williams,rf	3	1	1	2	Alicea,ss	3	0	0	0
Polk,1b	3	1	2	0	Fulton,c	5	1	1	0
Hookfin,3b	2	1	0	0	Figueroa,2b	2	3	1	0
Loffin,ss	3	0	1	2	Zoeller,dh	3	2	0	1
Floyd,c	2	0	1	0	Blackwell,3b	4	3	1	0
Montgomery,dh	3	1	0	0	Sorrento,rf	3	4	3	3
Jackson,cf	3	0	0	0	Kidd,lf	0	3	0	3
Vital,ph	1	1	1	0	Mangham,cf	1	0	0	0
Walker,ph	1	0	0	0	McClellan,2b	0	0	0	0
L.Williams,ph	0	0	0	0	Saxner,dh	1	0	0	0
Lamont,ph	1	0	0	0	Taddeo,rf	0	0	0	0
Martin,c	2	0	1	1	Clayborne,rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	6	8	5	Totals	31	20	11	14

Grambling State	100	211	1—	6
Florida State	045	560	x—	20

E—Polk, Sanders, Alicea 2, Hookfin, Floyd, Figueroa, Watkins, Loffin, G.Williams, Clayborne, Fulton. DP—FSU 1. LOB—Grambling 7, FSU 8. 2B—Figueroa, Sanders, Polk, Vital, Martin. 3B—Sorrento. HR—G.Williams (1). SB—Sanders, Alicea, Hookfin, Marzan 2, Sorrento. S—Watkins. SF—Kidd.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Grambling St.						
Shaw (L 0-1)	2 2/3	4	8	8	6	2
Hurks	1 1/3	5	6	0	2	0
Washington	2	2	6	4	6	2
Florida St.						
Kovensky (W 1-0)	5	6	4	3	2	6
Lee	2	3	2	1	1	4

WP—Shaw. PB—Floyd, Fulton. BK—Washington. T—2:45. A—895.