Special To The Democrat ATHENS, Ga. — Sophomore Ron Weber of Houston fired a 5-under-par 67 here yesterday to boost University of Houston to its first Southern Intercollegiate golf crown.

The Cougars, who have won the past three NCAA team champtouships, finished the 36-hole team affair with a 578 total Rollins, team leader after the first round, and Georgia tied for second at 583, Florida reigned in with 588 and Florida, State 666, FSU Wayne Timberman was ' , the only Seminole to qualify for itoday's 36-hole windup for the individual title. Timberman had a 75 yesterday to go with an opening 73. He is seven strokes behind Couger Weber's leading 141 total.

Weber holds a one-stroke lead over Georgia's Bob Moser, Another stroke back at 143 is Bryant Harvard, Auburn quarterback.

For the final two rounds today, the field of 140 was cut to the 44 players who shot 150 or under.

Other FSU scores included Bob Shave (76175 -- 151), Frank Malara (82-71-153), Mel Fleischer (78-76-154), Dick Dunlap (80-80-160), and Downing Gray (77-78-155),