

Florida A&M's Spring Sports Carnival got off to a flying start Saturday, but the weatherman wouldn't cooperate. A torrential downpour forced cancellation of many of the scheduled events.

Although the golf and tennis matches took their licks from the rain, the track

division—the FAMU Relays—was the one to suffer the most.

Only nine of the 21 scheduled events in the track meet were able to be completed and the last of those, the 100-yard dash, was run in a downpour.

Ray Robinson, FAMU's touted freshman sprinter, took top honors in the 100 with a

9.7 on a muddy track and into the teeth of that rain.

Earlier, however, the Rattlers were upset in the 440 relay for the second consecutive year. This time it was strong Southern University which turned a 40.4, only three tenths of a second off the meet record 40.1 held by FAMU.

Three existing relays record did fall, though.

Florida State, clocking 10:24.8 in the distance medley relay, eclipsed the old record of 10:26.0 held by Florida A&M and set in 1965.

Southern's 7:45.0 in the two-mile relay was five tenths of a second better than the 1966 record of 7:50.0 set by Johnson C. Smith. Steve Bennett of Albany State was the other record-breaker as he hurled the javelin 207-1 to break the mark of 203-9¼ set by Sam Dixon of North Carolina A&T in 1966.

FAMU's victory in the 100 was the Rattlers' only first, but they took second in the 440 relay, fourth in the two-mile relay and fourth in the 440 intermediate hurdles as Luke Otten did a 55.3 in that event.

Florida State also had only one first, but the Seminoles' depth told. They were third in the 100 dash, second in the two-mile relay, second and third in the shot put and second, third and fourth in the javelin.

Southern, however, appeared to have the edge in overall team strength and depth, with little Tuskegee Institute also making a surprisingly strong showing.

In baseball, freshman lefthander James Brooks hurled the first shutout of the season for the Rattlers as he blanked Edward Waters 2-0 on just three hits. The hard-throwing southpaw fanned nine batters while walking four.

Centerfielder John Champion went four-for-four at the plate.

FAMU is now 6-0 for the season.



TRACK RESULTS

100-YARD DASH — Robinson (FAMU), Johnson (J. C. Smith), Brown (FSU). 9.7.

440-YARD DASH — Rahming (Fla. Memorial), Wells (Sou. Carolina St.), Hall (Tuskegee), McGuire (Southern). 49.3.

880 RUN — German (Tuskegee), Crockett (J. C. Smith), Robinson (Albany St.), Scott (Albany St.). 1:58.0.

440 INTERMEDIATE HURDLES — Stevenson (Southern), Fuss (FSU), Manley (Fisk), Otten (FAMU). 54.0.

440 RELAY — Southern, FAMU, Johnson C. Smith, Edward Waters. 40.4.

DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY — Florida State, Southern, J. C. Smith, Morehouse. 10:24.8.

TWO MILE RELAY — Souther, FSU, Albany State, FAMU. 7:45.0.

SHOT PUT — Reado (Southern), Crowder (FSU), Snyder (FSU), Johnson (Clark). 51-5.

JAVELIN THROW — Bennett (Albany State), Buck (FSU), Landis (FSU), Jarry (FSU). 207-1.

BASEBALL RESULTS

E. Waters	000 000 0	— 0	3 2
FAMU	111 041 X	— 8	16 0

Richards (L) and McFadden; Brooks (W) and Renfroe.