

Lady Seminoles fall in Clinton tourney

CLINTON, Miss. — Southern Mississippi routed a weary Florida State women's basketball team 107-65 here Thursday in the first round of the Dr. Pepper Classic.

Southern Mississippi led 47-37 at halftime, and Florida State was never able to catch up.

The game began at 3:30 p.m., but Florida State didn't arrive in Clinton until an hour before the game.

"We played them even early," said Lady Seminoles' Coach Janice Dykehouse. "We came within five points of them in the second half, but they capitalized on four straight turnovers and turned them into baskets and stretched out to a 20-point lead. Then they decided they were going to go for a hundred."

Glenda Stokes and Linda McDonald led FSU in scoring with 18 points each.

The Lady Seminoles are 2-4 and play Troy State at 1:30 p.m. here today in the second round of the tourney.

FLORIDA STATE (65)

Podulka 1 0-0 2, Tinsley 4 0-0 8, Harper 3 0-0 6, Grey 1 2-3 4, McDonald 7 4-4 18, Rivers 4 1-2 9, Stokes 6 6-8 18. Totals 26 13-17 65

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI (107)

Smith 1 0-0 2, Dedeaux 0 0-0 0, Jones 5 0-1 10, Falks 7 0-0 14, Adams 2 0-1 4, Griffin 5 0-0 10, McCoy 11 2-2 24, Givens 6 0-0 12, Smith 4 0-1 4, Fawn 6 1-1 13, Foster 5 0-0 10. Totals 52 3-6 107.

Halftime — Southern Mississippi 107, Florida State 65.