

Down 10 points in the early going, Florida State's basketball team rallied big behind the versatile performances of Jerry Shirley and Gary Schull to collar Auburn 69-67 here Saturday night.

FSU led 69-63 with 14 seconds left. Two field goals by Auburn in the final five seconds made the count close.

Shirley, the 6-5 junior center, poured in a game-high 22 points, including nine field goals. He also led individual rebounding in the game with 12.

Schull, a 6-7 sophomore, came off the bench with about 10 minutes gone in the game and FSU behind 21-12. From then until halftime, Schull was a real horse and the Seminoles forged in front 36-29 at intermission. Schull finished with nine points, eight rebounds.

FSU went in front, for the first time, 28-27, with 3:54 left in the half, and the Seminoles never again trailed, though Auburn tied it up a couple of times in the final portion.

Both teams found their shuffle offenses pretty well curtailed by aggressive defensive work, but FSU was able to hit better from outside.

The Seminoles pulled a bit of a surprise by playing a man-to-man defense all the way, and playing it effectively. Auburn opened with a zone but soon abandoned it for a man-to-man.

FSU hit 45 per cent of its shots from the field, 27 of 60, versus Auburn's 43.8 per cent, on 25 of 57. Auburn dropped in 17 of 21 free-throw attempts, FSU 15 of 22.

Lee Defore, 6-5, led the Tigers with 18 points, one more than teammates John Blackwell and Joe Newton. The 6-7 Newton fouled out with 6:32 left. Freddie Guy, another 6-7 fellow, pulled down 11 rebounds for the visitors, who trailed 39 to 33 in rebounding.

A near capacity crowd of 4,000 saw Auburn pull to a quick lead. Blackwell sank three successive field goals for 8-2.

The Tigers, who went 18-4 a season ago, soon had their biggest lead, 20-10. Then Schull, who was hobbled a bit by a knee injury in the Florida opener on Tuesday, entered and fortunes soon shifted.

ni—Schull hit two from the field  
U to help cut the Tigers' margin  
i to 23-20. His third fielder put  
d FSU ahead 28-27.

—Captain Pete Rogers put in a  
long jumper. Sophomore Ken  
Leakey hit two free throws,  
then a jumper, and FSU was  
suddenly seven points ahead,  
34-27.

Rogers dribbled in for three  
layups during the evening,  
grabbed eight rebounds, man-  
aged 13 points. Leakey had 12.

Pete Gonzalez dribbled the  
length of the court and hit a  
layup for a 38-29 FSU lead as  
the second half started. It was  
the Seminoles' biggest margin  
of the night.

FSU led 40-33 when Auburn  
went to work. Newton bagged  
five quick points and Defore  
two to knot it up 40-40 with 14:40  
left.

With Shirley popping in a  
couple of fielders, FSU forged  
a 47-42 lead. Soon Leakey took  
a long pass from Schull, got a  
layup, added a free throw for a  
52-44 margin.

Blackwell sparked an Auburn  
comeback, sinking five straight  
points to cut FSU's lead to 58-55.  
Gonzalez then missed a quite  
easy layup, but promptly re-  
deemed himself by racing down-  
court and stealing the ball as  
Auburn tried to work a fast  
break.

Leakey then hit two points for  
a 60-55 margin.

Blackwell and Larry Chap-  
man put in successive fielders

to trim things to 64-63 with 1:40  
to go.

FSU went into a freeze. Leak-  
ey drew a foul shot. He missed  
it, but grabbed the rebound and  
put in a jumper for 66-63 with  
1:03 to go.

That just about did it.

Shirley got two free throws  
and Leakey added another for  
69-63.

With five seconds to go Au-  
burn's Tommy Fibbee was  
fouled as he sank a pointer.  
Tim Pearson grabbed a rebound  
as Fibbee missed his foul shot  
and put in another fielder for  
the final points.

FSU kept floor errors at a  
minimum most of the way, but  
threw away a couple of long  
passes in the closing minutes  
that caused Coach Bud Kennedy  
to moan long after the game  
was over.

Both FSU and Auburn are 1-1  
for the young season. The Semi-  
noles play at Alabama on Mon-  
day.

Austin Robbins, a 6-foot-7  
sophomore center led Chipola  
Junior College to a 90-78 victory  
over Florida State's freshmen.

Robbins tired in the last half  
under pressure from Dick Dan-  
ford and Key Doyle, 6-9 giants  
employed by FSU frosh coach  
Lake Kelly to stop Robbins. The  
big redhead scored 20 points in  
the first half and wound up with  
32.

Chipola jumped into an early  
lead and went ahead 50-44 at  
halftime. An early surge in the  
second half behind the shooting  
of Ron Malmén, who led FSU's  
freshmen again with 27 points,  
narrowed the gap but Robbins  
and forward Jan Shadburn, who  
followed with 15 points, kept the  
Indians ahead.

Malmen left the game with five fouls with 14:05 remaining and Doyle also fouled out, with 10:02 to go.

### The Boxscore

FSU	FG	FT	Reb	PF	TP
Rogers	11-5	5-3	8	3	13
Shirley	19-9	6-4	12	3	22
Schull	6-3	4-1	8	4	9
Pearcock	2-1	1-1	6	0	3
Gonzalez	9-5	0-0	3	0	16
Hugg	3-0	0-0	2	4	6
Leakey	6-1	6-4	2	1	13
Lovell	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Totals	60-27	22-13	39	16	69
AUBURN	FG	FT	Reb	PF	TP
Chapman	6-1	0-0	6	5	8
Blackwell	13-7	3-1	3	2	17
Newton	6-7	3-3	4	5	17
Defore	11-5	8-8	7	2	18
Guy	5-0	6-3	11	4	3
Greene	1-0	0-0	1	1	0
Pearson	1-1	0-0	1	0	3
O'Daniel	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Fibbes	1-1	0-0	0	2	2
Totals	51-25	21-17	33	21	67
FSU			36	33	69
Auburn			29	38	67

CHIPOLA (90)	fg	ft	tp	FSU FROSH (78)	fg	ft	tp
Robbins	11	6	32	Malmen	12	3	27
Henders'n	6	0	12	Rogers	2	1	5
Hill	2	0	4	Doyle	2	3	7
Shadburn	7	1	15	Bloodw'ith	3	0	4
Knop	5	3	13	Murphy	2	0	4
Conner	6	0	12	Danford	5	1	11
Johnson	1	0	2	Nelson	3	2	8
				Canter	3	0	6
				Wallace	1	2	4
Totals	40	10	80	Totals	33	12	78
Halftime: Chipola	30			FSU Frosh			