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CLINTON, Miss., May 12—The Mississippi College Choctaws came from behind in the ninth inning here today to grab an 8-7 triumph over Florida State University and hand the Seminoles their first setback of the season in the Dixie Conference.

The defeat left Coach Charlie Armstrong's club with a season mark of 12 wins and five losses.

Florida State had rallied for four runs in the seventh to take a 7-6 lead, but Big Bob Whitmer couldn't hold the margin in the final frames as the Choctaws pushed over the winning run with only one out.

FOUR HOMERS

The Seminoles outlit the Choctaws 13-10 with Ronnie Nettles pacing the attack with three blows.

There were four home runs hit in the high-scoring battle. Lee Bailey, Bob Trowbridge and Bill Mullens connected for the distance for FSU and Rodger Zachery pumped out a four-master for the Choctaws. The box score:

FSU	ab	r	h	MISS COL	ab	r	h
Bailey, 2b	5	2	2	Ballard, lf	4	2	1
Gresham, rf	4	1	2	Myers, 2b	5	0	0
Trowbridge, 3b	4	1	1	B Pittman, lb	3	1	0
Mellon, lb	5	1	1	Zachery, rf	5	1	2
Mullen, cf	4	1	2	Lee, ss	5	0	1
Pompella, ss	5	0	1	J Pittman, 3b	4	2	1
Nettles, c	4	0	3	Falk, c	4	1	1
Herold, lf	4	0	0	Lowe, cf	4	1	3
Whitmer, p	4	1	1	Byrd, p	2	0	0
x-Mills, lf	1	0	0	Hahn, p	1	0	1

Totals 40 7 13 Totals 37 8 10

Score by innings: R H E

Florida State 100 002 400 7 13 4

Mississippi Col 121 002 002 8 10 3

RBI: Bailey, Gresham, Trowbridge,

Mullens 3, Pompella, Zachery 3, B Pitt-

man, J Pittman, Falk, Lowe, 3B: Lowe,

HR: Bailey, Trowbridge, Mullen, Zach-

ery, SB: Byrd, Left: Fla State 10,

Miss College 6, BB: off Whitmer 2,

Byrd 3, SO: by Whitmer 5, Byrd 4,

Hahn 1, H: off Byrd 10 in 11½ innings

for 5 runs, Kahn 3 in 1½ innings for

2 runs, HBP: by Whitmer (Ballard),

WP: Hahn, PB: Nettles, Winner: Hahn,

T: 2:05.