

Mercer Lone FSU Golfer to Qualify

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ATHENS, Ga.—Capt Hank Mercer was the lone member of Florida State University's once-beaten golf squad to qualify for the championship flight in match play for the Southern inter-collegiate golf championship yesterday.

Mercer fired a one-over-par 73 despite a pair of double bogies.

It took a 77 to qualify to title play.

FSU's four-man team carded an aggregate score of 329.

ATHENS, Ga. (AP)—Slender P J Boatwright, an unheralded stroke-master who snipped four off par yesterday, led the way into match play today for the Southern intercollegiate golf championship.

The lanky, 21-year-old junior of Wofford college, Spartanburg, S C, carded a 68 over the 6,554-yard Athens Country club course, three better than second place Hal Spears of Georgia.

Spears, lowest scoring Southeastern conference entry, won the SEC individual championship. The University of Miami won the tournament four-man team title with a low aggregate score of 297. The SEC team title went to Georgia Tech with a 302.

Boatwright played excellent golf all the way, carding four birdies and an eagle. He went one over par on two holes.

The Carolinian was paired with Jack Key of Auburn for the first round of match play. Key made the 32-man championship flight with a 75. Three days of match play—36 holes each—are scheduled.

Al Besselink of the University of Miami, long-driving tournament defending champion, automatically was qualified for the championship flight, but scored a two-over 74 to do it the hard way.

Last year's runner-up, L M Crannell of North Texas State, blew to an eight-over-par 80 and failed to make the top flight.

Other team scores: Duke, 301; Georgia, 304; North Texas State, 306; Auburn, 308; Kentucky, 310; Oklahoma A & M, 311; Florida, 314; Vanderbilt, 317; Mississippi, 318; South Carolina, 321; Western Kentucky, 321; Emory, 327; LSU, 328, and Florida State, 329.

Florida State Voted NCAA Membership

CHICAGO. (AP)—Florida State University of Tallahassee and Hampton Institute of Hampton, Va. have been voted memberships in the National Collegiate Athletic association.

Kenneth L. Wilson, secretary-treasurer of the NCAA, who announced their additions today, said the new members bring the active membership total to 270 universities and colleges.