

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — The shot that had dark, lean Jackie Maness pacing the pack into today's second round of the Southern Inter-collegiate golf tournament was a 10-foot putt he coaxed in for a par on the 17th green.

"I chipped strong and that good putt saved me," the Alabama ace said. "If I hadn't got that one down I don't know whether I could have got my par on 18."

The 10-footer helped Maness put together a four under par 35-38-88.

Applying the pressure from one stroke back were the defending champion, Dick Whetale of North Texas State's powerful team, and Hugh Royer Jr. of Georgia. Whetale fired a 34-35 and Royer shot a 35-34.

Seven others belted par 36-38-72. Bob Brue of Miami and Don Cole of Georgia had 70s. The 71 shooters were Ronnie Thomas, Wake Forest, Jim Stinebaugh, North Texas, Bob Shave, Florida State, Don Essig, Louisiana State, and Tommy Aaron, Florida.

North Texas opened up a six-stroke lead in defense of the team title they have won five times. The Eagles had a four-man aggregate of 286. Georgia and Florida tied at 282 and Florida State was fourth at 293.

Other FSU scores: Richard Hanscom 35-37-72, David Morris 40-38-78, Mel Fleischer 40-38-78, Wayne Timberman 37-39-76, Dink Wise 43-39-78, Ram Noble 40-35-75.

Other Florida scores: George Stigger 37-35-72, Tony Baker 39-34-73, Al Duhaime 38-36-74, Willie Turner 35-38-73, Pete Trenham 39-41-80.

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Defending champion Dick Whetale faced a rugged 36-hole grind today in his drive to give North Texas State a clean sweep of Southern Inter-collegiate Golf Tournament honors for the second straight year.

Whetale, a wiry 28-year-old senior, led his mates to North Texas' third straight team championship with his 68-71-140 in the first two rounds.

And he held a two-stroke edge in the individual race going into the third round. The fourth round was scheduled for the afternoon.

Bob Brue of Miami (Fla.), who was leading Whetale and the field by a stroke at this stage last year, and Hugh Royer Jr. of Georgia were tied for second at 142. Davis Adams Jr. of Georgia was fourth at 143, a stroke ahead of Southern Amateur Champion Ed Brantly of Memphis State. Brantly and Davis fired second round 70s, Brue shot a 72 and Royer a 78.

Florida was third in team competition with 592. Rollins, Memphis State and Florida State tied for fourth at 601.

Florida State placed three players in the select 40 gaining today's final 36 holes. Junior Bob Shave fired a 74 yesterday to go with an opening-day 71 for a 145 total, only five strokes off the leader's pace.

Ram Noble (75-73-148) and Mel Fleischer (78-75-153) also are in the finals. Other FSU scores included Dink Wise (78-77-155), Dick Hanscom (72-35-157), Dave Morris (75-78-153) and Wayne Timberman (76-79-155).

Other Florida scores: George Stigger 73-72-145, Tommy Aaron 71-74-145, Pete Trenham 80-74-154, Al Duhaime 75-85-160, Tony Baker 73-75-148, Willie Turner 76-78-155.

ATHENS, Ga.—Florida State's Bob Shave shot an even-par 72 in the final round of the Southern Intercollegiate Golf Championship to place fifth here yesterday.

Shave posted a 75 in the morning round and his 72 effort in the afternoon game gave him a 292 total.

Dick Whetzel of North Texas State sank an eight-foot birdie putt to beat Tommy Aaron of Florida in a sudden death playoff for the crown.

Whetzel, who tired noticeably

during the windup, slipped to a 77 in the final round. That enabled Aaron, who had finished earlier with a 72, to squeak into a tie at 297 and force a playoff.

The playoff was one hole. Whetzel was short and Aaron's second shot landed in a trap after Whetzel chipped up about eight feet from the pin. Aaron flubbed his last shot, while Whetzel canned his. Aaron, who was runner-up last year, was runner-up last year.

The Southeastern Conference

Golf championship was held at the University of Georgia. The winner, Dick Whetzel, of North Texas State, won the title by defeating Tommy Aaron of Florida in a sudden death playoff. Whetzel, who finished the tournament with a 292, won the title by defeating Aaron, who finished with a 297. The playoff was one hole. Whetzel was short and Aaron's second shot landed in a trap after Whetzel chipped up about eight feet from the pin. Aaron flubbed his last shot, while Whetzel canned his. Aaron, who was runner-up last year, was runner-up last year.