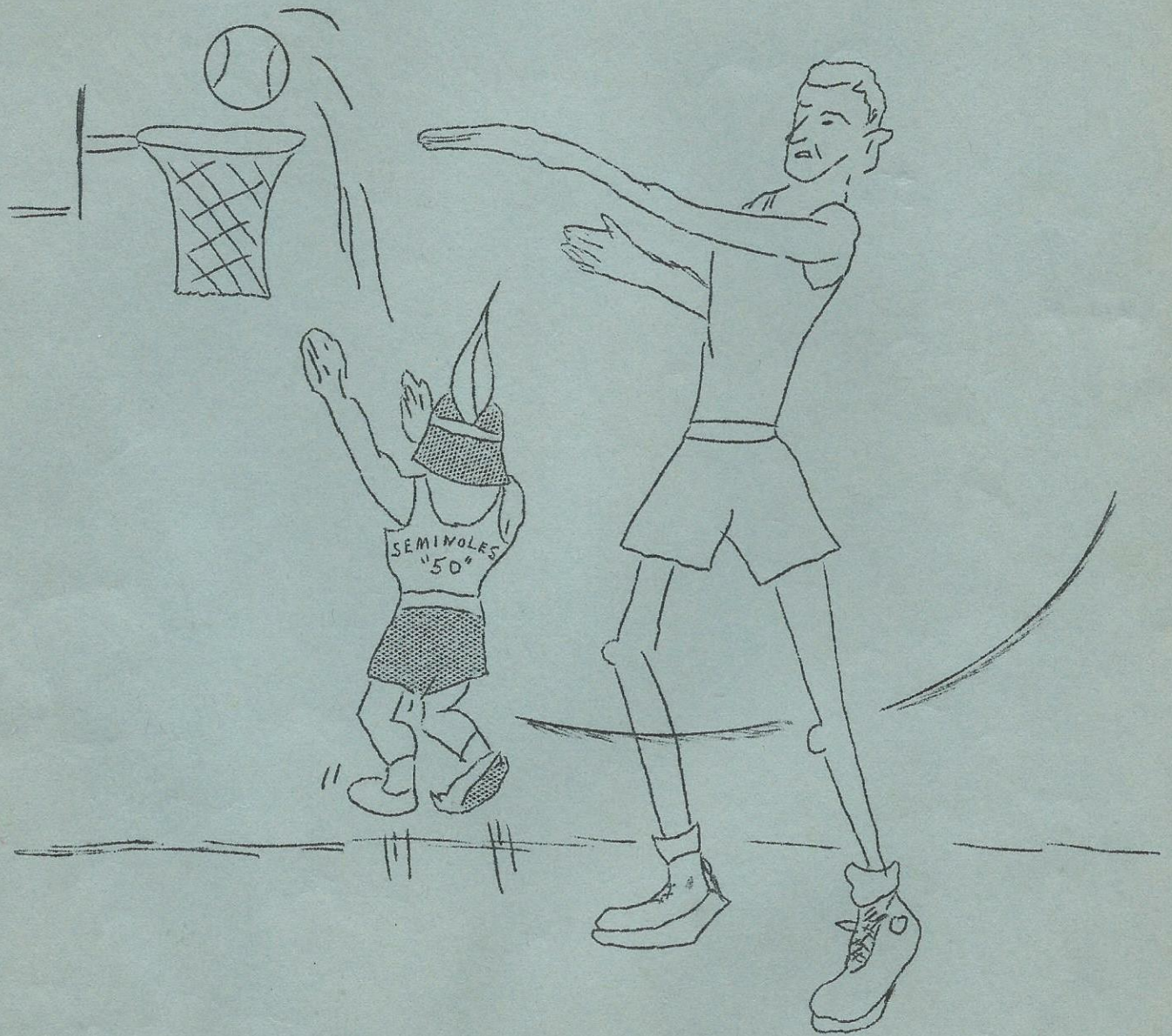


# 1949-1950 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL



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## BRIEF HISTORY OF THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Florida State University at Tallahassee is an integral part of the Capital City of Florida. Located in the northwest part of the state, Tallahassee has a population of approximately 26,000.

The University was first established in 1857 as a "Seminary West of the Suwanee" as authorized by the 1851 Legislature. The school opened on the grounds of the former "Florida Institute". Changed to "Florida State College" in 1903, the college remained co-educational until the Buckman Bill of 1905. Then it became the "Florida Female College" and was replaced in 1909 by the "Florida State College for Women". By act of the 1947 Legislature the institution again became c-educational as Florida State University on May 15, 1947.

Growth and progress have always distinguished Florida State University. The institution has grown from a seminary consisting of three buildings and an enrollment of 150 to a university with a physical plant of 33 permanent buildings and a student body of 6,000. A faculty and staff of about 1,000 comprise the teaching and administrative personnel. A "master campus plan" recently developed under the direction of President Doak S. Campbell will coordinate expansion for the next 50 years.

Primary emphases are placed on a highly qualified faculty and staff, scholarship, personal interest in the individual students, a carefully planned curriculum and an efficient and beautiful physical plant. At all times the general objective of service to the people of Florida and the South is the major guiding principle upon which the program of the University is based.

Florida State University has ten major divisions -- College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education, School of Home Economics, School of Music, School of Library Training and Service, School of Journalism, School of Business, School of Social Welfare, School of Public Administration, and Graduate School. Courses leading to masters degrees are provided in 34 areas, and for the doctorate in Music, Home Economics, English, Spanish, and Education. Extension service is offered in all fields in cooperation with the General Extension Division located at Gainesville.

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UNIVERSITY COLORS --- Garnet and Gold  
NICKNAME --- Seminoles  
FAVORITE YELL --- Scalp 'Em Seminoles!!!

THE ATHLETIC STAFF

DR. DOAK S. CAMPBELL, University  
President.

RODERICK K. SHAW, University Business  
Manager.

DR. J. BROWARD CULPEPPER, Dean of  
Student Welfare.

DR. HOWARD G. DANFORD, Athletic  
Director and Director of Men's  
Physical Education Department.

J K "BUD" KENNEDY, Head Basketball  
Coach.

JIM PAVY, Graduate Assistant Bas-  
ketball Coach.

DON A VELLER, Head Football Coach.

CHARLIE ARMSTRONG, Asst. Football  
Coach and Head Baseball Coach.

BOB HARBISON, Asst. Football Coach  
and Head Golf Coach.

ALDO SEBBEN, Graduate Assistant  
Football and Baseball Coach.

ED WILLIAMSON, Director of Intra-  
mural Athletics.

DONALD LOUCKS, Head Tennis Coach.

DR. HARTLEY S. PRICE, Head Gym-  
nastics Coach.

N B "BIM" STULTS, Head Swimming  
Coach.

DR. KENNETH MILLER, Head Track  
Coach.

BILL ODENEAL, Head Volleyball  
Coach.

EDDIE KWEST, Team Trainer, All  
Sports.

DR. TOM BROOKS, Team Physician,  
All Sports.

BILL LANG AND RANDY BRADY, Foot-  
ball Student Managers.

E. P. "NED" WEST, Director of  
Sports Publicity.

GEORGE HAYGOOD, Assistant Athletic  
Business Manager.

MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC COMMITTEE: Dr. Howard G.  
Danford, (Chairman), Dr. J. Broward Culpepper, Roderick K. Shaw,  
John Newton Baker, Dr. Coyle E. Moore, Dr. Harold F. Richards, Dr.  
Samuel R. Neel, Jr., Dr. Katherine W. Montgomery and Miss Mary Kate  
Miller. Student members are J. T. Carey and Miss Bobbie Cowdery.

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FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY 1949-1950 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Mon & Tue  
Dec 5 & 6 \*Mississippi College at Tallahassee.

Sat, Dec 10 Troy State Teachers at Tallahassee.

Thu, Dec 15 College of Charleston at Tallahassee.

Mon, Dec 19 Central College at Fayette, Mo.

Tue, Dec 20 Drury College at Springfield, Mo.

Wed, Dec 21 Southwest Missouri State at Springfield, Mo.

Thu, Jan 12 \*University of Tampa at Tampa.

Fri & Sat  
Jan 13 & 14 \*Florida Southern College at Lakeland.

Tue, Jan 17 \*Mercer University at Tallahassee.

Fri, Jan 20 \*Howard College at Birmingham, Ala.

Sat, Jan 21 Birmingham-Southern College at Birmingham, Ala.

Thu, Jan 26 \*Millsaps College at Tallahassee.

Sat, Jan 28 \*Stetson University at Tallahassee.

Wed, Feb 1 \*Mercer University at Macon, Ga.

Sat, Feb 4 \*Howard College at Tallahassee.

Fri, Feb 10 David Lipscomb College (Nashville) at Tallahassee

Sat, Feb 11 \*University of Tampa at Tallahassee.

Wed, Feb 15 Troy State Teachers at Troy, Ala.

Fri & Sat  
Feb 17 & 18 University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn.

Thu, Feb 23 \*Stetson University at Deland.

Feb 27, 28, Mar 1, Dixie Conference Tournament at Tampa, Fla.

NOTE: Asterisks indicate Dixie Conference game.

RESULTS OF THE 1948-1949 SEASON

FSU	53	*Mississippi College	21
FSU	46	*Florida Southern College	38
FSU	53	*Florida Southern College	45
FSU	68	Troy State Teachers	64
FSU	50	*Lambuth College	57
FSU	52	Union College	56
FSU	47	Southwestern Memphis	54
FSU	49	*Stetson University	40
FSU	40	*Stetson University	36
FSU	56	*University of Tampa	68
FSU	56	*Mercer University	65
FSU	63	Troy State Teachers	45
FSU	52	*Oglethorpe University	64
FSU	59	*Mercer University	62
FSU	60	*University of Tampa	58
FSU	46	*Mississippi College	57
FSU	49	*Millsaps College	46
FSU	47	*Oglethorpe University	46
FSU	35	University of the South	43
FSU	47	University of the South	39
FSU	44	Birmingham-Southern	50
<u>DIXIE CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT</u>			
FSU	52	Mercer University	46
FSU	47	University of Tampa	56
FSU	49	Lambuth College	65

*Jackson, Miss.*

Season record: won 12, lost 12. Finished fourth in Dixie Conference.

\*Note: Asterisk indicates Dixie Conference opponent.

FLORIDA STATE'S 1949-1950 BASKETBALL SQUAD

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>WT.</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>LETTERS</u>	<u>HOMETOWN</u>
<u>Lee Benjamin</u>	G	160	5-7	22	Sr.	1	Miami, Fla.
<u>Jim Clark</u>	C	165	6	29	Fr.	0	Valdosta, Ga.
<u>Bob Cummings</u>	C	185	6-3	22	Sr.	0	Norman, Ind.
<u>Larry Dickson</u>	F	155	6-2	23	Jr.	2	Tampa, Fla.
<u>George Edmiston</u>	C	190	6-5	19	Jr.	0	St. Augustine, Fla.
<u>Bill Falsone</u>	F	180	6-2	23	So.	0	Tampa, Fla.
Lou Fisher	---NOTE: FISHER HAS LEFT SCHOOL SINCE THIS BROCHURE STARTED SO IGNORE HIS NAME THROUGHOUT THE BOOK.						
<u>Wally Hamrick</u>	F	155	5-9	19	Jr.	0	Webster, Fla.
<u>Ted Hewitt</u>	G	173	5-10	23	Jr.	0	Detroit, Mich.
<u>Bill Holland</u>	F	140	5-11	23	So.	0	Indianapolis, Ind
<u>Dick Kendall</u>	F	185	6-2	23	Jr.	1	Shelbyville, Ind
<u>Bob Kersey</u>	F	155	6	19	Fr.	0	Ft Lauderdale, Fla
<u>Jim Landry</u>	G	175	5-8	20	Fr.	0	Madison, Ind
<u>Stan LeCain</u>	F	160	6-3	18	Fr.	0	Ft Lauderdale, Fla
<u>Taylor Littleton</u>	F	157	6-1	19	So.	0	Birmingham, Ala
<u>Kim McKay</u>	G	135	5-5	18	Fr.	0	Shelbyville, Ind
<u>Tom McLaughlin</u>	C	195	6-3	21	Jr.	1	Madison, Ind
<u>Dan Mady</u>	F	170	5-10	23	Fr.	0	Mishawaka, Ind
<u>Ronald Nettles</u>	G	155	5-10	22	Jr.	2	Tallahassee, Fla
<u>Dwight Osha</u>	C	205	6-2	19	So.	0	Linton, Ind.
<u>Bob Pence</u>	F	165	6-2	22	So.	1	Shelbyville, Ind
<u>Dick Trobaugh</u>	F	160	5-10	23	Jr.	0	Greensburg, Ind
<u>Bill Weigel</u>	G	172	6-2	23	Sr.	1	Batesville, Ind
<u>Orlando Wyman</u>	G	153	5-9	24	Jr.	2	Mayfield, Ky.

NOTE: Names of varsity squad members are underlined above.

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LAST YEAR'S SCORING RECORD OF RETURNING PLAYERS

	<u>FG</u>	<u>FT</u>	<u>TP</u>
Lee Benjamin	90	28	208
Bill Weigel	70	53	193
Tom McLaughlin	80	28	188
Dick Kendall	37	34	108
Bob Pence	22	15	59
Whitey Wyman	17	17	51
Larry Dickson	8	4	20
Ted Hewitt	4	7	15
Ronald Nettles	5	3	13

SCORES OF GAMES PLAYED TO DATE THIS SEASON

FSU 43	Miss. College	24	FSU 52	Drury College	59
FSU 51	Miss. College	45	FSU 34	SW Missouri St.	79
FSU 61	Troy State	27	FSU 60	U. of Tampa	80
FSU 72	Coll. Charleston	37	FSU 65	Fla. Southern	71
FSU 50	Central College	62	FSU 48	Fla. Southern	59
			FSU 57	Mercer Univ.	45

Over-all record to date -- won 5, lost 6.

Dixie Conference record to date -- won 3, lost 3.

The Seminoles so far are undefeated at home and without a win on the road.

## COMMENTS AT RANDOM ABOUT THE 1950 TEAM

Coach Bud Kennedy had 8 lettermen around which to build the 1949-1950 Florida State University basketball team. At first glance this would indicate a lot more strength than the personnel really merits. Actually the team will probably be only slightly stronger than last winter, with the added strength coming largely as result of experience.

As this year's schedule is considered tougher than last, the FSU cagers can look forward to many rough evenings.

For various reasons including illness this brochure is late going to press. For that reason we can look at a few games already played by this year's basketball team and perhaps comment a little on them.

As this is being written the Seminoles are having their troubles. They have played their last six ball games on the road and lost all of them. They opened the season by winning four straight so the record now stands at 4-6.

In spite of the six consecutive losses, close followers of the squad are not too dismayed. Only in one or two of the games have the Seminoles looked bad, and in several cases they looked better losing than they did in many winning efforts last winter. In every game they have been a threat until the final whistle and in at least 4 of the six games lost could just as easily have won if the breaks had fallen their way. The FSU cagers were very impressive in their four opening wins and should be at their peak again about Dixie Conference tournament time the last of February.



## THE BASKETBALL COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH J. K. "BUD" KENNEDY. Bud got off to a good start for a basketball coach by being born at Lawrence, Kansas -- right in the heart of "basketball country." He attended college at the University of Kansas, Baker University and Kansas State Teachers College, starring in football and basketball at the latter school.

Bud didn't didn't begin his coaching career immediately after leaving school, choosing instead to serve in the field of recreation for many years first. He was Assistant Director of Recreation at Kansas City and at Madison, Wisconsin.

Bud got back to his real love -- coaching basketball -- during the 29 months he served in the United States Navy. He coached Navy service teams with considerable success all during World War II.

Coach Kennedy came to Florida State on January 2, 1948, as Athletic Business Manager. He took over the basketball coaching reins last winter, breaking even in a tough 24-game schedule with a team made up largely of Sophomores and Freshmen. Kennedy's teams always have the respect of their opponents because they are well coached and dangerous at all times.

ASSISTANT COACH JIM PAVY. Jim is a graduate student who played three years of basketball at FSU before getting his degree. Always a heady player, Jim has been a great help to Coach Kennedy. He is particularly adept at working with newcomers on the squad. Jim also had his beginning in recognized "basketball country," coming to Florida State from Versailles, Indiana.

THUMBNAIL SKETCHES OF THE BASKETBALL SQUAD  
(Players are listed in alphabetical order)

LEE BENJAMIN of Miami, Florida. Guard. Senior. Letterman. Lee, who is playing his second and final year for the Seminoles, is one of the outstanding players on the squad. He set the pace in scoring last winter and is well up with the leaders again this year. Lee was named on the Florida Intercollegiate All-State team last year.

JIM CLARK of Valdosta, Ga. Center. Freshman. B squad player. A good competitor and tough under the basket, Jim is in plans for the future at FSU.

BOB CUMMINGS of Norman, Indiana. Center and Forward. Senior. A squad member. Bob has a back injury suffered in World War II which cuts down on his effectiveness. So far he has proven to be a capable reserve.

LARRY DICKSON of Tampa, Fla. Center. Junior. Letterman. Larry is playing for the third straight year as a member of the FSU basketball varsity. He is fast driving in for layups and is famous with other squad members for his fantastically successful "impossible" shots.

GEORGE EDMISTON of St Augustine, Fla. Forward. Junior. A squad newcomer who transferred to FSU from Centre College. Bill played 4 years at Ketterlinus High of St Augustine and two at Centre before coming to Florida State. One of the tallest boys on the squad he is a good rebound man.

BILL FALSONE of Tampa, Fla. Forward. Sophomore. B squad player. Bill is tall, fast and a good shot. With a little more polish he'll be playing varsity ball.

LOU FISHER of Sellersburg, Ind. Guard. Sophomore. A squad newcomer. Lou is a good ball handler and one of the best set shot artists on the varsity. Like most of the other boys he is a physical education major and wants to coach basketball when he graduates.

WALLY HAMRICK of Webster, Fla. Forward. Junior. B squad player. Wally is fast and aggressive but lacks experience. This is his first season on the squad.

TED HEWITT of Detroit, Mich. Guard. Junior. A and B squad player. Ted has played largely with the B squad this winter, but has also seen some varsity action. An all around athlete, his main weapon is great speed and ability to get up in the air after rebounds. He is an outstanding competitor.

BILL HOLLAND of Indianapolis, Indiana. Forward. Sophomore. B squad player. Another one of the newcomers on the 1949-1950 squad, Bill lacks experience. He is ambitious, however, as is indicated on his individual record card where he listed his ambition "to retire."

DICK KENDALL of Shelbyville, Indiana. Guard and Forward. Junior. Letterman. Dick is one of those "hot and cold" players. When he is having a good night he usually leads the team in scoring. When he's off he might as well "stood in bed." Fortunately, however, he seems to come through when needed which makes him a very valuable member of the team.

BOB KERSEY of Fort Lauderdale, Forward. Freshman. B squad player. A sharpshooting six-footer, Bob is one of the most promising of the Freshmen on the squad.

JIM LANDRY of Madison, Indiana. Guard. Freshman. A and B squad. Jim is another promising Freshman who has seen some varsity action this year. He is a particularly fine ball handler.

STAN LECAIN of Fort Lauderdale. Center and Forward. Freshman. B squad player. Stan lists as his ambition to "eat three meals a day" which would indicate he's always hungry. Like all boys who come to us from Fort Lauderdale, he's also a promising basketball player.

TAYLOR LITTLETON of Birmingham, Alabama. Forward. Sophomore. A and B squad player. Littleton, a newcomer to the squad this year, is one of the high scorers on the B squad team. He has a great future at FSU.

KIM MCKAY of Shelbyville, Ind. Guard. Freshman. B squad player. Kim is an outstanding ball handler and a fair shot. He is handicapped by size, being at 5'5" the shortest man on the squad.

TOM MCLAUGHLIN of Madison, Indiana. Center. Junior. Letterman. Tom is considered by many as the team's outstanding player. He is an excellent shot, a fine defensive player. His greatest value, however, is at play-making. His fakes and passes open the way for many Florida State scores. So far this season Tom is the team's leading scorer, having tallied 116 points in 11 games. He was honored last year by being rated honorable mention on the Florida Intercollegiate All-State basketball team. Tom is majoring in Business Administration and hopes to be an Advertising Manager some day.