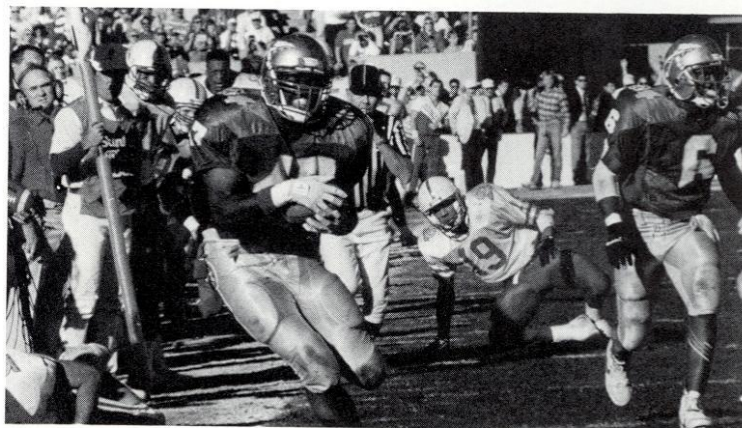


A great set up. Maggie Philgence sets the ball to awaiting teammate Sonia Trevino. *Mark Weidler*



With the New Year's Day Bowl win over Nebraska, the Seminoles made it eight straight bowls without a loss. Ten straight bowl bids, three straight New Year's Day Bowl contests and final Associated Press football rankings of #2, #3 and #3 in the past three years are just some

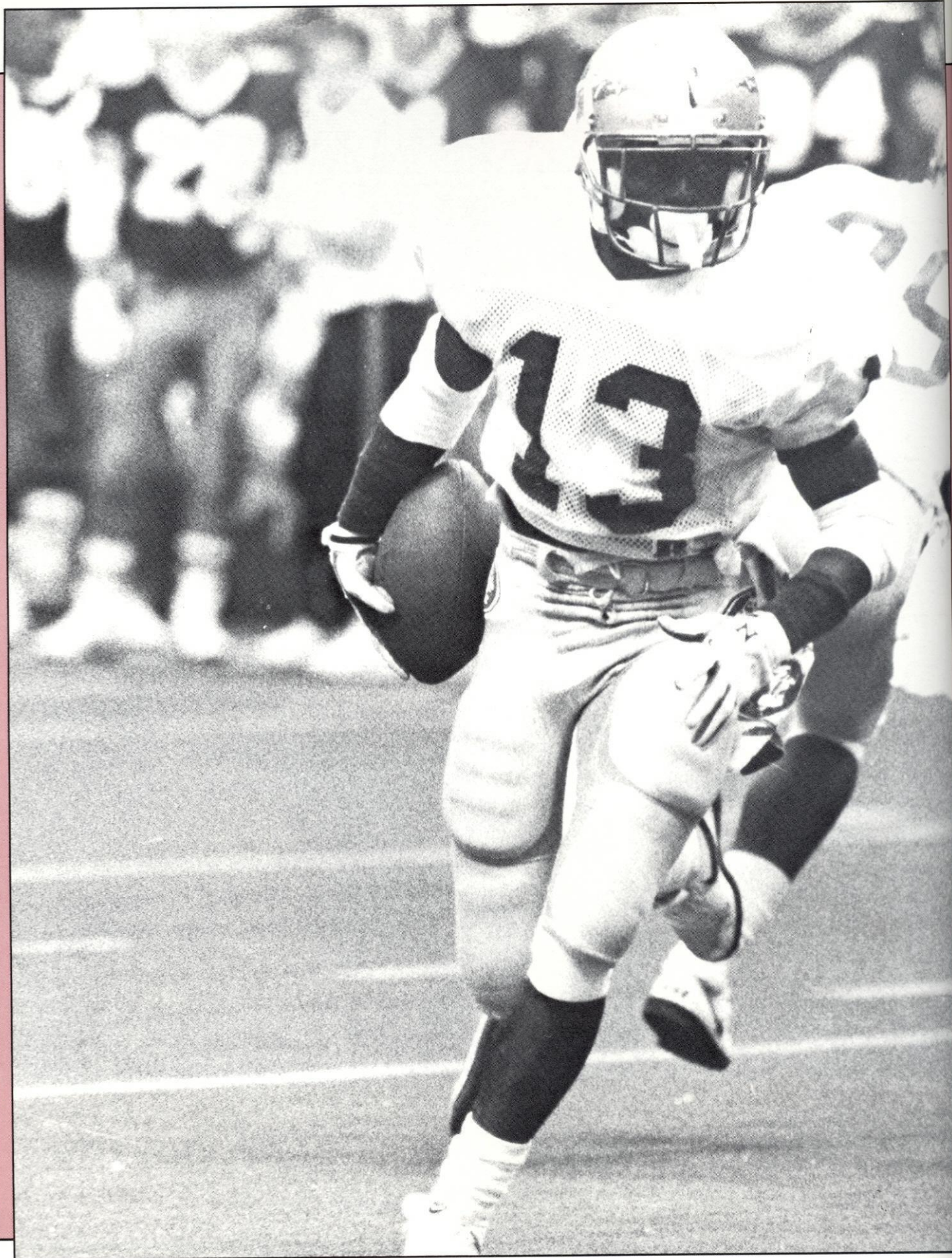


Tip-toe. Keven Grant slips down the sidelines with the INT. Ryals Lee

of the honors for the football program. The basketball program has generated 11 professional draft picks, made one NIT and three NCAA tournament appearances during the eighties. Not to be left out, the baseball program has made four trips to the college world series, including a second place finish in 1986. With such high success in intercollegiate sports, Seminole coaches Bobby Bowden, Pat Kennedy and Mike Martin welcome the new decade with open arms. With a little skill and a lot of luck, look for these programs to thrive to even greater heights in the 1990's.

— *Craig Rothberg*

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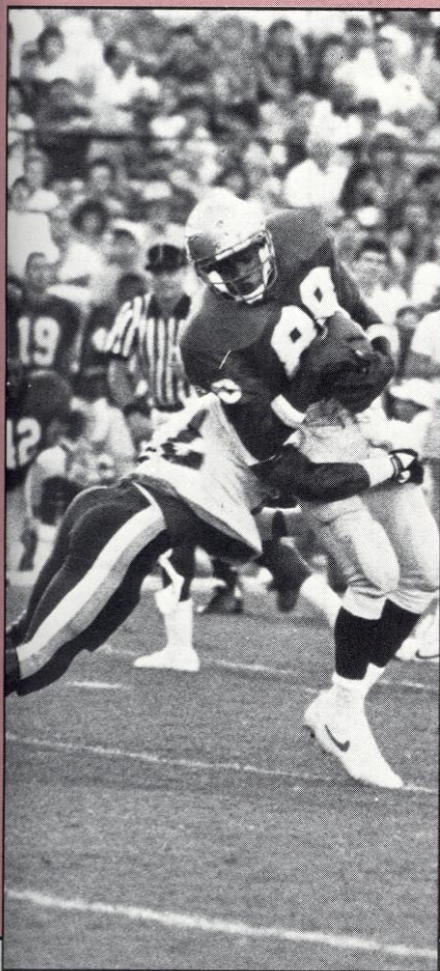


Concealing the ball. Dexter Carter hides the ball on the end around. *Ryals Lee*



"At the end of the year I felt we were as good as anyone in the country. Possible the best football team the University has ever had."
 -Coach Bobby Bowden

Staking Claim



The post season ranking of No. 2 in the United Press International poll and a No. 3 ranking in the Associated Press poll had many Seminoles in an uproar. Even with a shaky start versus Southern Miss and Clemson, the Tribe went into the 19th annual Sunkist Fiesta Bowl with a shot at the national title. The Seminoles went on a ten game mission, defeating four of the nations' toughest defensive teams: Virginia Tech, Auburn, Florida and Miami. The team ended their mission by crushing the Nebraska Cornhuskers at the Fiesta Bowl.

The Seminoles had much to boast about even without the coveted national championship. Quarterback Peter Tom Willis had a record breaking season shattering the team's single season passing record with 3,124 yards. He also set a new Fiesta Bowl record throwing for 422 yards and 5 touchdowns. The Tribe produced three All-Americans in defensive back Ler-

oy Butler, noseguard Odell Haggins and center Michael Tanks. Tight end Dave Roberts topped off the All-America honors by being named a Scholastic All-American.

Word has it that the 1989-90 squad may have been the best ever. That may very well be true, but the Seminoles also have the best recruiting class for the 90-91 season, outreaching top ranked teams such as Miami and Notre Dame. It looks as if the Seminoles will pick up where they left off and continue their mission in pursuit of the national championship.

— Timothy Clancy

Smooth connection. Amp Lee takes the handoff from Peter Tom Willis. *Ryals Lee*

Catch and run. Wideout Bruce LaSane snags a Peter Tom Willis pass just as he's hit by a Memphis State defender. *Ryals Lee*

Opening Day Nightmare

SOUTHERN MISS 30 FLORIDA STATE 24
Jacksonville, FL (Sept. 2, 1989)

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-1. For the second consecutive season, the Seminoles had their national title hopes dashed on opening day.

Southern Mississippi took golden advantage of numerous tribe turnovers on route to a surprising 30-24 victory before 48,746 fans at Jacksonville's Gator Bowl.

The Tribe scored first, and it looked as if they would have things their way. After recovering a Golden Eagle fumble at their own fifteen yard line, Peter Tom Willis engineered a six play, 85 yard drive, putting Florida State on top 7-0. The highlights of the drive were a Ronald Lewis reverse, gaining 21, and a Lawrence Dawsey catch, adding another 21 more through the air. The final eleven yards were tallied on Dexter Carter's bolt around the left end. Dexter Carter said that he did not feel the team was overconfident.

Southern Mississippi looked as if they would tie the contest as they marched right back down field. Heisman hopeful Bret Favre completed a pass to Warnesley, which moved the ball to the tribe's thirteen yard line. From there Kirk Carruthers stripped the ball, and Eric Hayes, playing his first down of the season, recovered the fumble. Once again the Seminoles were able to respond as they quickly moved into scoring position. The 81 play drive was culminated by a Bill Mason 24-yard field goal.

The Golden Eagles were able to return the favor quickly as Favre connected on a 64-yard strike to Tillman, setting up a 22-yard field goal.

The ensuing kickoff proved costly as freshman Shannon Baker fumbled, giving Southern Mississippi the ball on the Seminole's 20-yard line. Five plays later the Golden Eagles took full advantage of this mistake, punching the ball in for the game tying touchdown.

The remainder of the second quarter was a see-saw battle with both teams exchanging punts until the Seminoles made yet another costly mistake. Dexter



Carter shook, baked and then made a mistake, as he fumbled the ball after a 24-yard run. From there Bret Favre went to work against a deflated Florida State secondary as the Golden Eagles took the halftime lead 17-10.

The second half was a shootout as both teams freely moved the ball against the other's defense. The Seminoles were able to tie the contest on a Peter Tom Willis 24-yard strike to Lawrence Dawsey to start the second half. Later the Tribe was able to take a six point lead after recovering a Bret Favre fumble at Southern Mississippi's 17-yard line.

The fourth and final period was dominated by the Golden Eagles as they showed guts and determination in pulling out the victory. Two touchdown drives of 76 and 58-yards made the difference in this contest. With the tribe on top 26-24, and less than six minutes remaining, the Golden Eagles went on a touchdown march that will long be remembered in

Hattiesburg. The winning score came on a Bret Favre pass to Harris from two yards out.

A last ditch effort by the Tribe fell short as the Seminoles started the season 0-1. It was the first time in several years that the Seminoles' special teams did them in. A high point for the tribe was the play of sophomore linebacker Kirk Carruthers. Filling in for an injured Kelvin Smith, Carruthers was the team's leading tackler, wracking up 10 tackles and picking off one pass.

Head coach Bobby Bowden commented after the contest, "The game does not surprise me, but it does disappoint me. We made too many mistakes. We were not sharp enough to win, and we couldn't come up with the big play."

— Craig Rothberg

The golden touch. Bret Favre connects on this touchdown pass that eventually cost the Seminoles a national title. *Ryals Lee*



An Orange Crush

CLEMSON 34 FLORIDA STATE 23
Tallahassee, FL (Sept. 9, 1989)

For an entire year the Clemson Tigers and their fans have lived with the agonizing memory of the "puntrooskie." From the onset of this confrontation, the Tigers used an explosive offense, while capitalizing on two crucial Seminole turnovers, on route to a 34-23 victory in the Tribe's season opener.

The fourth largest crowd in Doak Campbell stadium history watched the home team dig themselves deep into a hole trailing 21-0 early in the second quarter. Several times the Seminoles tried to rally for an incredible comeback, but fell short as the Tigers came up with some crucial plays.

Trailing 14-0, the Seminole offense began to click, quickly moving the ball down to Clemson's 29 yard line. Peter Tom Willis then tried to connect on a little swing pass with Terry Anthony, but the Tiger's Wayne Simmons stepped in front of the pass and raced untouched down the sidelines for a 73-yard interception return.

Later in the contest the Seminoles had narrowed the gap to 21-7 following a consistent touchdown march. The drive was aided by the fumble-rooskie play. Offensive lineman Hayward Haynes had picked up the planned fumble and raced into scoring position. Dexter Carter later scored on a one yard touchdown jaunt.

Clemson's next offensive play broke the backs of the Seminole defense once again. Tailback Terry Allen took the ball off a sweep play and rambled 73 yards, untouched, for the touchdown and a 28-7 lead. "We are not playing as a team. We are playing like individuals, and we are falling apart against a little adversity," Kelvin Smith elaborated on the problems with the

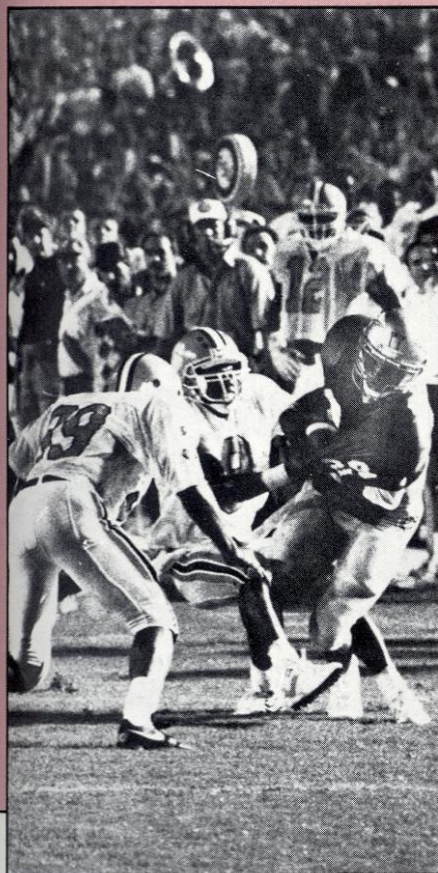
defense. The Tribe was able to get three back however, as Bill Mason connected on a 28 yard field goal to make the half-time score 28-10.

On the opening drive of the second half, the Tribe raced the ball down field. The 13 play, 77 yard drive was capped by Paul Morris' one yard touchdown run. The score left the Tribe trailing by only 12 points with plenty of time remaining.

This time the defense was able to hold its own and returned the ball to the Seminoles after only three plays. Once again the defense was anchored by hard hitting linebacker Kirk Carruthers, who wracked up ten tackles on the evening. Several quick pass plays brought the ball to Clemson's 37 yard line. This time Paul Moore broke free on a twenty yard run, but as he was trying to get some extra yards, he coughed up the ball. The drive was stopped and so were any last hopes Seminole fans had of victory. Strong safety Tyrone Mouzon got a hand in from behind and hit the ball forward, "I felt as if it were coming out and thought, 'Oh Lord.' I was looking at the end zone, and he just made a great defensive play."

Casey Weldon later replaced Peter Tom Willis as quarterback in the fourth quarter and led the Seminoles to their final touchdown. The final Seminole score came on a cross-field pass to Chris Parker after Weldon avoided the Clemson passrush. Chris Gardocki added field goals of 26 and 29 yards, giving the Seminoles the final score of 34-23. The loss marked the first time since 1976 that a Bowden team has started the season at 0-2. It also marked the first time in three years that the Tribe was not marked in the Associated Press Top 20. "This was just a good whippin'. They looked like they came out with a year of frustration behind them," Coach Bowden said. That frustration was what the Seminoles had to deal with in order to salvage the season.

— Craig Rothberg



Grabbing at air. Fab Four member Lawrence Dawsey makes defenders miss with slick moves. Ryals Lee

Getting Back On Track

FLORIDA STATE 31 LOUISIANA STATE 21
Baton Rouge, LA (Sept. 16, 1989)

The King Of The Road," Seminole head coach Bobby Bowden continued his domination at Tiger stadium, as the Tribe picked up victory number one for the season, 31-21. As Coach Bowden said, "It was important to stop the bleeding from the two losses, and we did just that, at Tiger Stadium."

Over 75,000 unusually quiet fans watched this intense battle between two winless teams. The star of this night's performance was senior quarterback Peter Tom Willis. The senior threw for a career high 301 yards, hitting on 25-35 pass attempt for one touchdown.

After building a comfortable 17-6 lead early in the second half, the Seminoles soon found themselves trailing. LSU's most prolific passer in school history, Tommy Hodson, suddenly got hot as the Tigers marched 68 yards in two minutes and fifty-one seconds. The two point conversion was good and the Tribe led only

17-14.

The Seminole's next possession stalled, and the somewhat dormant crowd was suddenly ignited. After holding the Tigers offense in check, the Tribe was in scoring position once again. A 39-yard field goal attempt by Bill Mason missed wide right, giving LSU the momentum. The Tigers then marched 79 yards for the go ahead score with the big play coming on a Hodson to Moss pass for 30 yards. With two minutes gone in fourth quarter, the Seminoles trailed 21-17.

Field general Peter Tom Willis then went to work as the offense showed great composure in retaking the lead. Willis moved the offense by picking apart the Tigers' secondary on passes to Terry Anthony (8 yards), and Ronald Lewis (22 yards), and on short runs by Dexter Carter. The senior tailback had 20 carries for 95 yards on the night. "When we can throw and run with equal success, I don't

think any defense can stop us," stated Carter. The final play came on a Peter Tom Willis seven yard touchdown scamper, giving the Tribe the lead for good, 24-21.

Five minutes later the Seminoles added one more score. The crucial grab on this drive came on a twenty-one yard acrobatic circus catch by Dexter Carter, on third and eleven.

LSU led early on two Browndyke field goals of 32 and 40 yards. The Seminoles went back ahead on a 12 play, 80 yard drive that was helped by Reggie Johnson's seventeen yard catch, and a Paul Moore twelve yard run.

Bill Mason, who was 1-4 on the day in field goal attempts, chipped in a 34 yard attempt to make the halftime score 10-6.

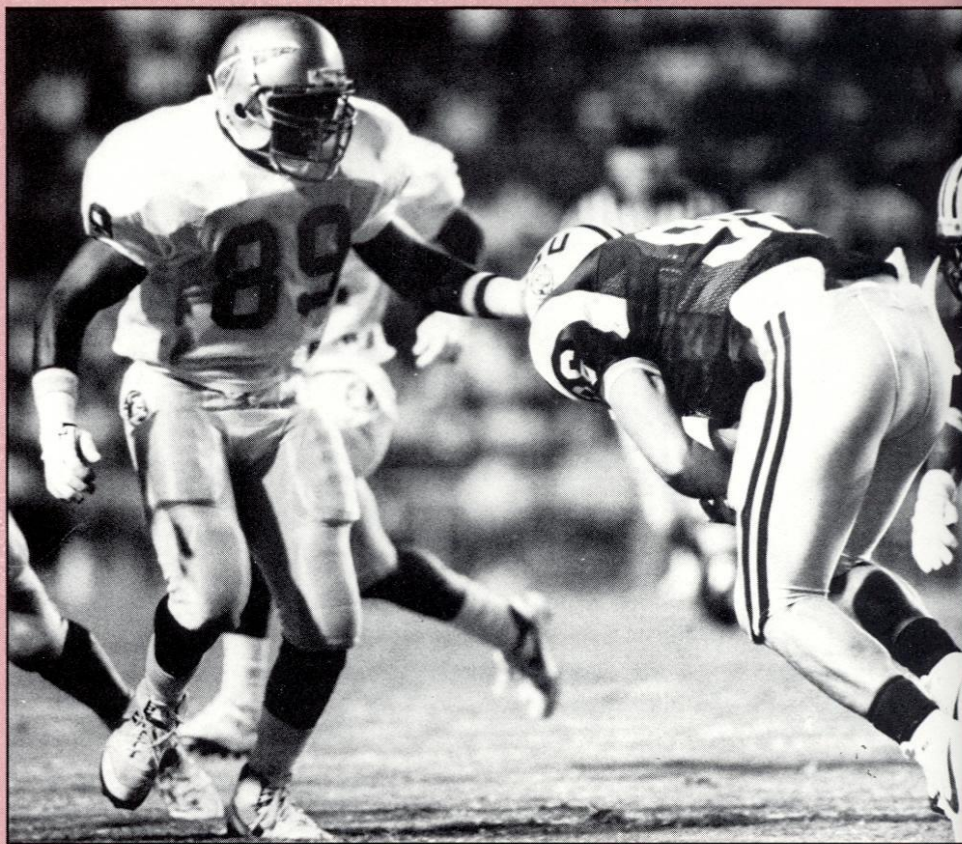
This game was, by far, the finest performance by the Seminoles receiving core. Terry Anthony led the way with seven catches for 101 yards, and one touchdown, as eight different receivers had receptions. Anthony said, "Peter Tom Willis has thrown the ball well all season, and against the Tigers tonight he just had a great night." Bobby Bowden now holds a 5-1 record at the Tiger's Death Valley.

— Craig Rothberg

Bottled up. Howard Dinking gets ready to make the big hit. *Ryals Lee*

"It was important to stop the bleeding from the two losses, and we did just that, at Tiger Stadium."

-Coach Bobby Bowden





Assaulting the Green Wave

FLORIDA STATE 59 TULANE 9
Tallahassee, FL (Sept. 23, 1989)

An explosive State offense erupted for 578 total yards, 485 of which were through the air as the Tribe blitzed Tulane 59-9. It was the sixth largest crowd to see a Doak Cambell Stadium game in Seminole history. Peter Tom Willis led the offensive barrage completing 18-33 passes for a new career high of 324 yards, before leaving the contest early in the third period. His replacement, Casey Weldon, matched him stride for stride, as he completed 3 to 4 passes for three touchdowns and 161 yards. "We needed a big win like this. We needed to score a lot of points and gain some confidence. We still need to improve though," offensive lineman John Brown said.

The Tribe opened the scoring with a 9 play 73 yard drive which resulted in a Richie Andrews 29 yard field goal. Then only three minutes later the Tribe's offense took to the air once again. This time it only took three plays to go 73 yards for the touchdown. A Willis to Anthony completion netted 43 yards, and then a Willis to Dawsey pass for 30 more yards gave the Tribe the game's first touchdown.

Five plays later LeRoy Butler recovered a Green Wave turnover and the Tribe was in business once again. This time the offense mixed the run and pass to perfection as they drove 59 yards in only fifty-three seconds for another touchdown. On Tulane's next possession they tried to come back through the air, but Smith's first pass was picked off by Butler, ending

the first quarter.

Dexter Carter opened the second quarter with a touchdown scamper putting the home team on top 24-nil. Only one play later cornerback Leroy Butler picked off his second interception of the contest. This scoring drive ended in high fashion for freshman tailback Amp Lee. On his first carry from scrimmage as a Seminole, Lee bolted around the right end for his first career touchdown. After building a very comfortable 38-0 third quarter lead, Casey Weldon entered the contest.

The sophomore took little time in lighting up the scoreboard as he hooked up with Amp Lee. The explosive freshman brought in his first Seminole pass reception, and then rambled 88 yards for the touchdown. Lee made a very successful debut scoring on his first ever carry and reception as a Seminole.

"We needed a big win like this. We needed to score a lot of points and gain some confidence."

-John Brown

Weldon also hooked up with Lawrence Dawsey and Dave Roberts on 56 and 17 yard scoring passes respectively. Even after the decisive victory, Bruce LaSane said there was room for improvement. "I still think we can get better, we just need to keep working together."

The Seminole defense was also the big story in this ball game as they came up with the big play time after time. All together they recorded 4 interceptions, 2 fumble recoveries and 4 sacks, besides holding the Green Wave to only nine points. With their second consecutive victory the Tribe evened their record at 2-2 on the year. Coach Bowden commented, "We really needed this win, especially the way we got it. We needed to get back on track, but we have to get better each week. If we don't improve every week, we don't make it."

— Craig Rothberg

Ride 'em cowboy. Freshman tailback Amp Lee electrifies the crowd, pulling defenders with him. Ryals Lee

Squeezing Juice From The 'Cuse

FLORIDA STATE 41 SYRACUSE 10
Syracuse, N.Y. (Oct. 7, 1989)

The Seminole football team moved indoors for the first time this season in the Syracuse Carrier Dome and played sack party on the Orangemen quarterbacks all night long. All in all, the Tribe recorded a total of 10 sacks against the nation's top ranked offensive line, in route to an impressive 41-10 victory. "We knew we could win up here. The defense really poured it on," said Eric Hayes after the contest.

The Tribe moved at will during the contest, rolling up close to 400 total yards of offense despite committing three fumbles and throwing one interception. Senior signal caller Peter Tom Willis completed 15-25 passes for 213-yards and one touch-down.

The Seminoles built a 10-0 first quarter lead behind the leg of Richie Andrews and the running of Dexter Carter. The senior tailback capped off the Tribe's first successful drive with a nine yard scamper into the endzone.

After an Orangemen field goal cut the lead to 10-3, the Tribe was in desperate need of a score as momentum had swung in the direction of the home team. Peter Tom Willis did just that as he peeled apart the Orangemen's secondary on strikes to Terry Anthony and Lawrence Dawsey, netting 40 yards. Following a Dexter Carter run, Willis went back up top and connected with Terry Anthony once again for a 22-yard touchdown.

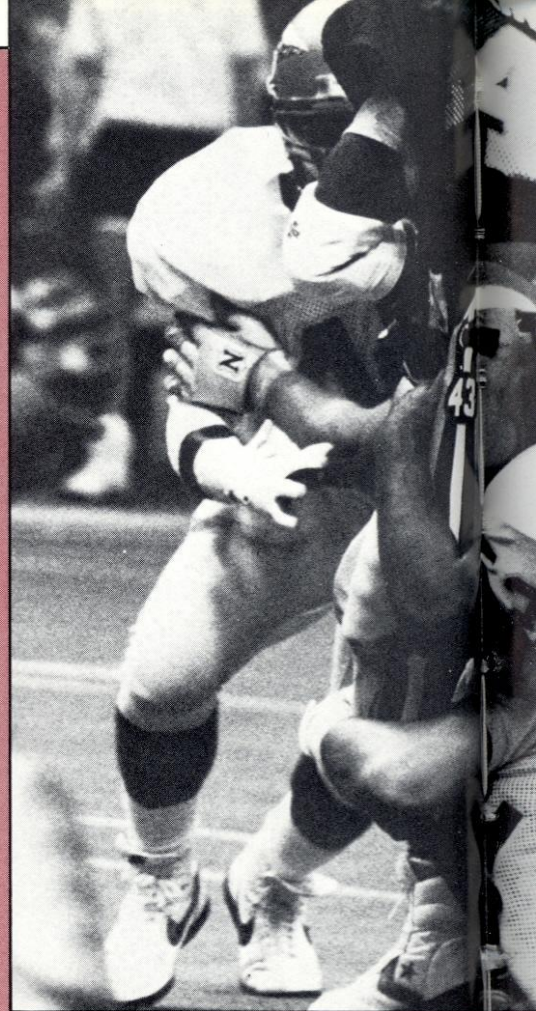
The Seminoles were able to end any hopes of an Orangemen comeback with two crucial third quarter plays. First, freshman Terrell Buckley appeared to have called for a fair catch on a Syracuse punt. Instead, he caught the ball, waited for two seconds, then darted down the sidelines for a 69-yard punt return, making the score 27-3. Less than three minutes later the defense came up with the big play. Quarterback Bill Scharr tried to complete a pass to wide receiver Rob Carpenter, and cornerback LeRoy Butler stepped in the ball's path for the interception. Butler

then raced down the sidelines 89-yards for the interception return for a touch-down. "This was a total team effort. We had a great game plan and executed it to perfection," commented Butler after the contest.

With only 55 seconds remaining in the ball game, Amp Lee added the Seminoles' final score on a 14-yard dash to the end zone.

"This was the difference between Eastern football and the kind we play down South. We have too much speed for them," replied tight end Reggie Johnson. And the Seminoles did just that as the Tribe put an end to the Orangemen's 16 game home winning streak. Along with the victory, head coach Bobby Bowden strengthened his grip on being the most successful road coach.

— Craig Rothberg

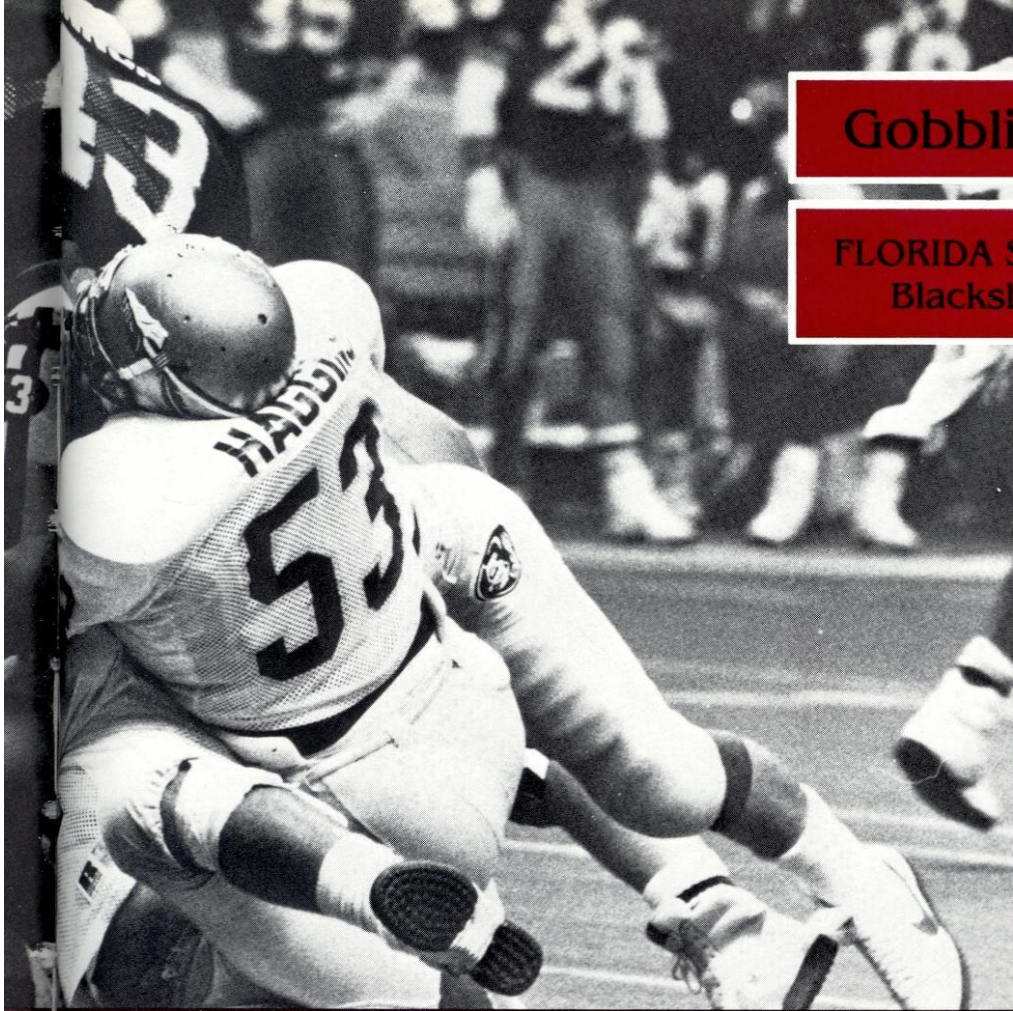


Gang tackle. Odell Haggins leads the Seminole defense as they stuff the Orangemen's running game. *Ryals Lee*

Clear sailing. Cornerback Leroy Butler has clear sailing to the endzone on the INT. *Ryals Lee*

Gobbling Up The Hokies

FLORIDA STATE 41 VIRGINIA TECH 7
Blacksburg, VA (Oct. 14, 1989)



The Seminoles made a mockery of the nation's third best defensive unit, scoring almost at will, in a 41-7 triumph over Virginia Tech in Blacksburg. All together the Tribe rolled up 534 yards against a defense that had limited its opponents to only 193 yards for the first five games. Quarterback Peter Tom Willis set yet another career high passing mark, throwing for 338 yards and three touchdowns.

The defense also shined in this victory as they totally dominated Tech's offense. The Tribe recorded a total of nine sacks, had three interceptions, blocked one punt and tipped another, while limiting the Hokies to 174 total yards.

The scoring began early in the quarter as the Seminoles scored on a Peter Tom Willis 14 yard strike to tailback Dexter Carter, giving the Tribe a 7-0 advantage. "He's a great quarterback, and he has great receivers. It would be difficult to stop them when you are playing well. It's impossible to stop them when you are playing as poorly as we were playing today," Hokies' coach Frank Beamer remarked on the play of Willis.

The Tribe was able to tack on 17 more points in the second quarter to make the halftime lead a comfortable 24-0. Richie Andrews connected on a 23 yard field goal to make the score 10-0, before Willis went to work once again. The senior dissected the Hokies' highly regarded secondary as he added another touchdown through the air to Ronald Lewis for another score. The Seminole's final score of the half came on a one yard bootleg by Willis. By halftime the Hokies' offense had only managed a meager 40 yards of total offense.

Before leaving the contest early in the third quarter, Willis hooked up for one more scoring pass, with freshman tailback Amp Lee. All in all, the Seminoles dominated this contest from start to finish, handing Virginia Tech its worse loss at home since 1974.

— Craig Rothberg

On the way down. The Tribe's defense registers the sack on Tommy Hodson. *Sports Information*



In a carbon copy of last year's Sugar Bowl, the Seminoles built an early lead, and then hung on for a gut wrenching 22-14 victory over Auburn. This top twenty showdown was dominated by the Tribe for three full quarters before the Tigers tried to rally for the comeback. The victory was also the Seminoles' first home victory over a top twenty team since 1980. Auburn linebacker Quintin Riggins had some interesting remarks after the game. "The Seminoles have the momentum and are probably playing better than any team in the country, including top ranked Notre Dame."

The Seminoles were able to build a comfortable 22-3 lead early in the fourth quarter. Edgar Bennett had touchdown runs of one and seven yards, while Bill Mason added field goals of 35, 37 and 39 yards. It was at this time that the Auburn Tigers woke up and started to play football. Less than thirty seconds into the quarter Win Lyle booted a 27 yard field goal cutting the lead to 22-6.

Later, following a Peter Tom Willis interception, the Tigers marched 58 yards in 8 plays for the touchdown. The two point conversion cut the Tribe's lead to



The Tribe Tamed the Tigers

FLORIDA STATE 22 AUBURN 14

Tallahassee, FL (Oct. 21, 1989)

22-14. After the Tiger's touchdown the Seminoles marched right back down field looking to put the contest out of reach. On first and goal from Auburn's one yard line, Amp Lee got the handoff and then fumbled the ball giving the Tigers one last breath of life.

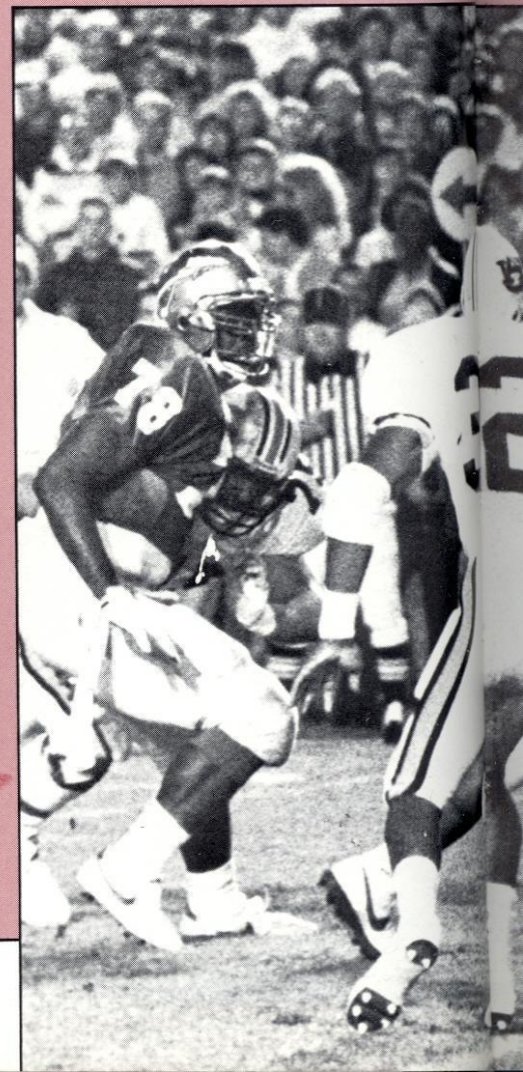
Auburn quarterback Reggie Slack scrambled for gains of 23 and 9 yards, while connecting on passes of 17 and 16 yards. With only seconds remaining, the Tigers were at the Seminoles' 18 yard line, but as time ran out the Tiger's quarterback was tackled short of the goal line preserving the victory. "Before the contest, we knew that Auburn had a powerful offense, but we stuffed their offensive game. I knew going into the game it was going to be a defensive war. I knew we were going to have to stop them," Kelvin Smith said.

The Tigers jumped on top behind a Win Lyle 32 yard field goal before Florida State tied the contest as Bill Mason hit a 35 yard field goal. The Seminoles were able to score on touchdown drives of 63 and 40 yards in the second quarter to build a 19-3 halftime lead.

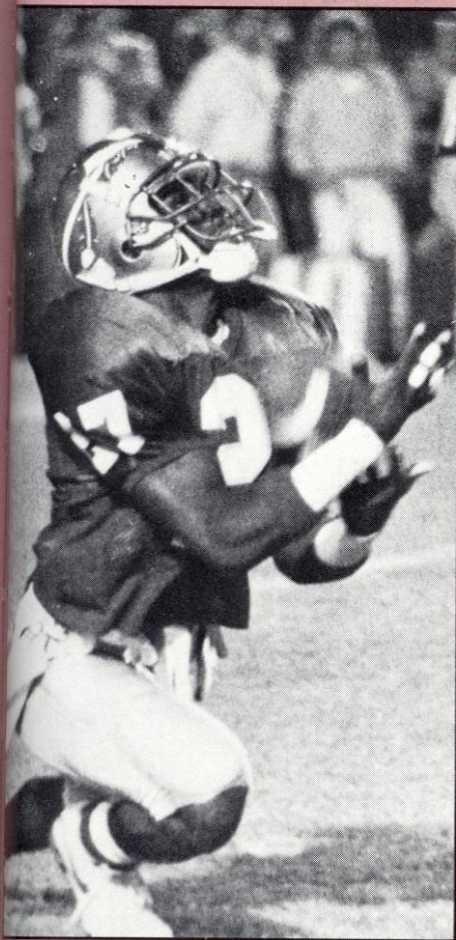
With the victory the Tribe returned to the Associated Press top 10 for the first time since dropping its opening two contests. "We've gone through the rest of our schedule, and now we have to face Ruth and Gehrig," head coach Bobby Bowden commented before the contest. With Ruth out of the way, the Seminoles' next task was a date with the Miami Hurricanes.

— Craig Rothberg

Tip-drill. Odell Haggins tries to pull this loose ball out of the air. *Ryals Lee*



Sack pack. Anthony Moss turns up the heat on Auburn's Reggie Slack. *Ryals Lee*



Hitting Their Stride

FLORIDA STATE 35 SOUTH CAROLINA 10
Tallahassee, FL (Nov. 4, 1989)

Senior quarterback Peter Tom Willis continued to rewrite the school's record books. As he once again threw for a new career high of 362 yards, the Tribe up-ended the Gamecocks 35-10. The largest homecoming crowd in Seminole history watched as Willis became the first quarterback in school history to throw for four three hundred plus yard games in one season. All total, the Seminoles threw for 367 yards and three touchdowns to eleven different receivers. "We have one game left and then a bowl. We have to go out there and win those games. We have to be ready to play every week." replied Dave Roberts after the contest.

The Seminoles' sack pack also turned in another fine performance as they recorded six sacks against a trio of Gamecock quarterbacks. Linebacker Kirk Caruthers and nose guard Odell Haggins led

the defensive charge recording 9 and 8 tackles respectively.

It was Willis who came out red hot as he completed his first eleven passes as the Tribe opened the scoring. Willis went up top to Lawrence Dawsey for a 49 yard gain before connecting with Bruce LaSane over the middle for the touchdown. That was all the scoring in the first quarter as both teams were unable to connect on field goal attempts.

The Seminoles opened the scoring in the second quarter as well, as Willis hit Terry Anthony on an 18 yard acrobatic circus catch for the touchdown. Then, on its next possession, the Seminoles drove 68 yards in six plays for another touchdown. This time the bulk of the yardage came on the ground as Paul Moore carried the ball in from 13 yards out.

The Gamecocks' only touchdown of the contest came on a DeMasi 42 yard pass to Miller. Actually, the pass was poorly thrown, and the Seminole defender had good coverage, but the receiver was able to come back for the ball to make the catch.

The Seminoles scored again in the third quarter as Peter Tom Willis went to work on the Gamecock secondary completing passes of 4, 20, 11 and finally 6 yards to Terry Anthony for the score, making the game score 28-7. The Tribe score came via the ground as Amp Lee rushed for 26 yards, bringing the ball down to the Gamecocks' 12 yard line. From there Paul Moore stormed into the endzone for the score, and the final margin of victory for the Seminoles was 35-10.

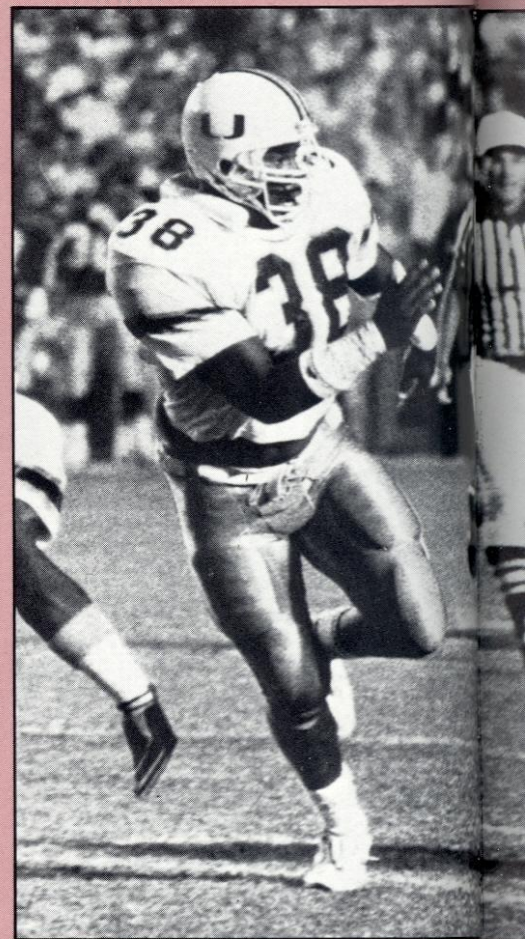
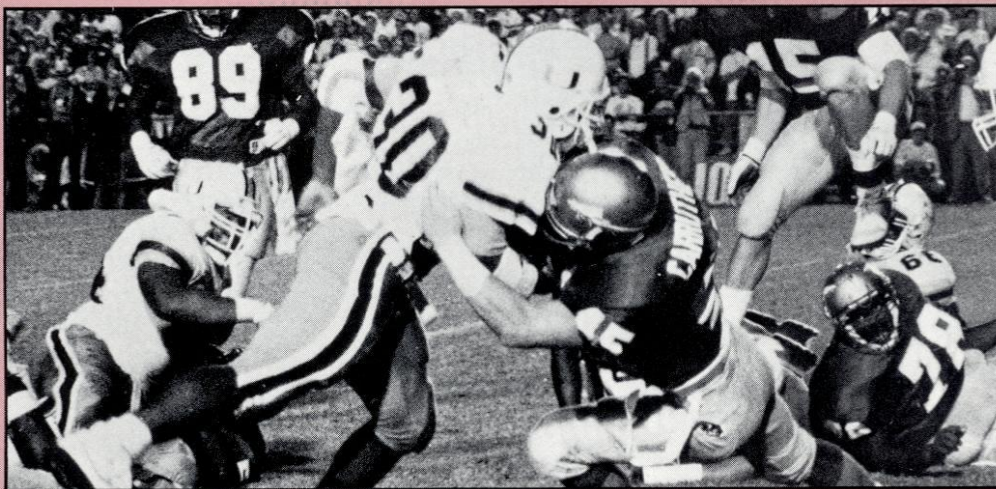
For the sixth straight contest, the Seminoles' defense held an opponent to under two touchdowns in a game as the Seminoles won their seventh straight. The Seminoles will have two weeks off before taking on state rival Florida.

— Craig Rothberg



Fair catch. Freshman Terrell Buckley makes sure he holds on to this ball. *Brett Tannenbaum*

Wrapped up. Linebacker Kirk Carruthers puts an end to the Hurricane scoring drive. *Brett Tannenbaum*



The End Has Come

FLORIDA STATE 24 MIAMI 10

Tallahassee, FL (Oct. 28, 1989)

In a war between state rivals, the eighth ranked Seminoles upset the second ranked Miami Hurricanes 24-10 before an emotional 62,202 fans at Doak Campbell stadium. The win broke the 'Canes four year reign over the Tribe, and more importantly put the Tribe in position for a New Year's Day bowl bid.

The story of this contest was defense. Dexter Carter ran for a season high 142 yards, as the Seminoles ran up 353 total yards against the nation's number one ranked defensive unit. Carter said, "We know what it is like to lose and we do not want to do that anymore, especially not to Miami." For the Tribe, the defense played brilliantly, intercepting Gino Torretta four times, recovering two fumbles and coming up with three crucial goal line stands.

The Seminoles took charge right from the start as LeRoy Butler intercepted Torretta's first pass of the game. One play later Dexter Carter rolled around the left end on a 37 yard touchdown run putting the Tribe on top early 7-0.

The 'Canes were able to retaliate al-

most as quickly though, as they marched 80 yards in 12 plays for the game tying touchdown. The scoring explosion continued as the Seminoles answered with a scoring drive of their own. The Seminoles marched 81 yards in 11 plays, with the final yard coming on an Edgar Bennett run for the score. The drive was aided by two very costly Miami penalties, both giving the Tribe first downs inside the 'Canes twenty yard line.

A Carlos Huerta field goal of 44 yards ended the first quarter outburst and left the score 14-10. That would be all the points Miami would manage that night as Florida State's defense kept coming up with the big play. The crucial play of the game came in the third quarter with the 'Canes on the move. Miami had the ball at the Seminoles' one yard line and looked as if they were going to score. On third and goal, Shannon Crowell took the hand-off and tried to go airborne for the score. The ball slipped free and took an odd bounce off the helmet of Seminole linebacker Kelvin Smith. It was Kirk Carruthers who pounced on the ball at the

one, giving the Tribe the momentum that they would never relinquish.

The games defensive MVP summed up the game. "This win brings us a lot of respect. I think we have proven the first two games were flukes." From the one Willis connected on a 51 yard bomb to Ronald Lewis giving the Seminoles some breathing room. Then the Tribe grinded the yards out, rushing the ball 11 straight times. Amp Lee capped off the 99 yard drive with a one yard run giving Florida State the lead 21-10.

The Seminoles improved to 6-2 on the year, and had now won six straight contests. With the victory, the Seminoles assured themselves of playing in a New Year's Bowl, if they won the rest of their contests. "They are the most dominant team in college football. Don't forget that if they did not exist, we would probably be going for our third straight national championship," said Coach Bowden of the Miami Hurricanes.

— Craig Rothberg



Making his move. Shannon Baker takes the kickoff back up field. *Ryals Lee*



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-Peter Tom Willis

See you. Dexter Carter bolts around the left end for the Seminoles' first touchdown. *Ryals Lee*

Tribe Mauls Memphis State

FLORIDA STATE 57 MEMPHIS STATE 20
Tallahassee, FL (Nov. 18, 1989)

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Quarterback Peter Tom Willis turned in another stellar passing performance, firing a school record with six touchdown strikes and throwing for a career high 482 passing yards as the Seminoles rolled over the Tigers of Memphis State 57-20.

Early on, the game remained close as both teams booted short field goals; Richie Andrews converted from 21 yards out and John Butler nailed a kick of 29 yards. With 7:11 left in the first quarter, the Seminoles regained the lead on a 26 yard touchdown pass from Peter Tom Willis to Lawrence Dawsey. The Dawsey touchdown was set up by a 45 yard bomb from Willis to Bruce Lasane. Memphis State then came within 4 points as Butler drilled another field goal making the score 10-6, but that was as close as the Tigers would get for the remainder of the game. Dexter Carter capped a 56 yard Seminole scoring drive with a 1 yard touchdown plunge to put the home team ahead 17-6.

If there was any doubt as to who would win the game, the Seminoles erased it by erupting for 34 points in the second quarter of play. The Seminoles' three senior receivers all registered touchdown grabs in the period. Ronald Lewis snagged 2 of 5 Willis touchdown tosses, one from 12 yards out and the other a 59 yarder. Terry Anthony also snared a touchdown pass of 12 yards and Bruce Lasane added a 15 yard score. Freshman running back Amp Lee closed out the scoring in the first half, crossing the goal line to complete a 51 yard pass play from Willis. When the offensive explosion was finally over, Bobby Bowden's team coasted into the locker room at the half with a commanding 51-13 lead.

With such a lopsided score at the intermission, the Seminoles substituted freely in the second half. Brad Johnson replaced Peter Tom Willis as the Seminoles' signal caller. Both teams played

sluggishly throughout the second half, with neither team scoring in the third quarter.

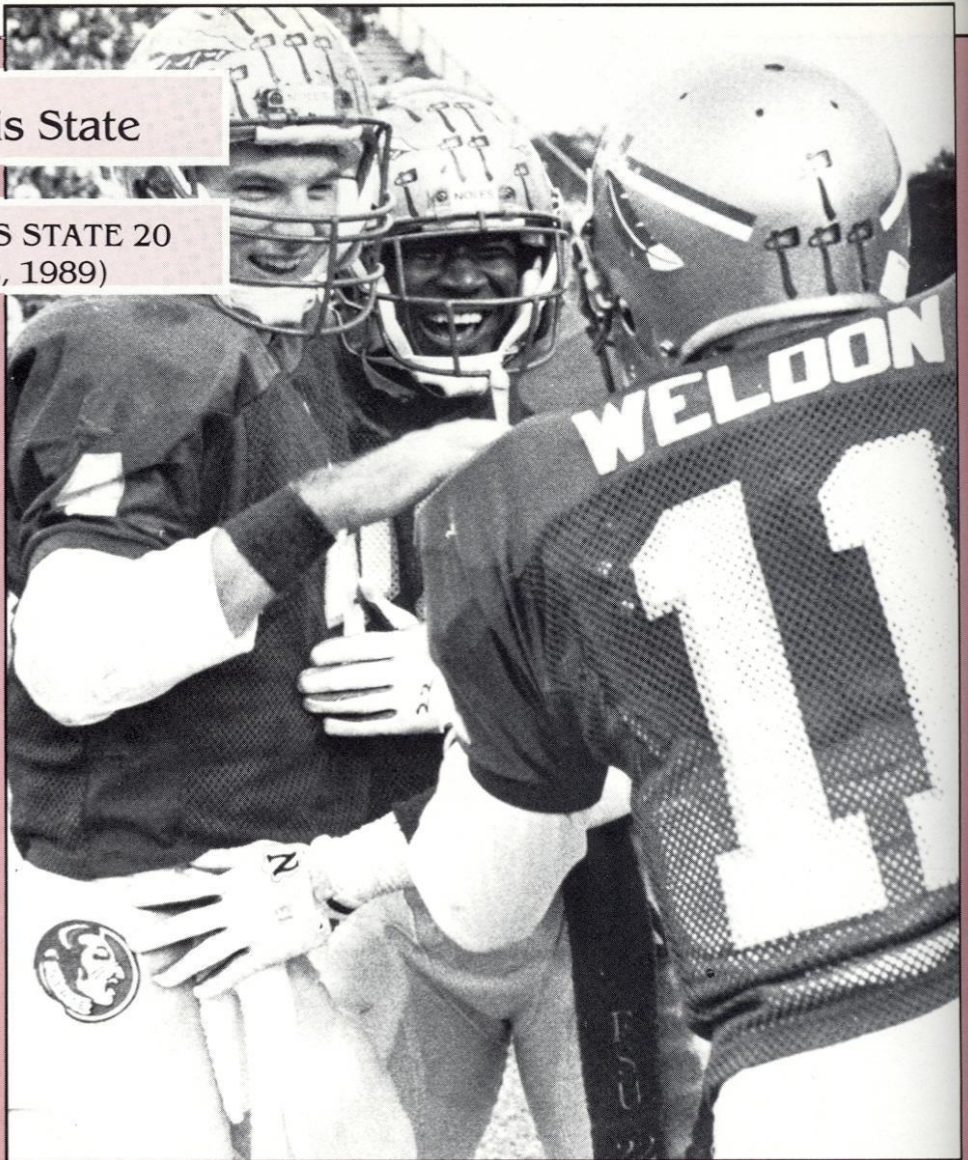
In the final period, Bill Mason connected on field goals of 44 and 21 yards. Memphis State completed the scoring on a 28 yard touchdown reception by John Bush, making the final score 57-20. In spite of the 37 point loss, Tiger coach Chuck Stobart was proud of his players, saying "I thought our guys hung in there in a tough situation and kept trying."

For the day, Peter Tom Willis completed 23 of 31 passes for 482 yards as the Seminoles won their eighth consecutive game. The "Fab 4" combined to haul in 15 passes for 309 yards and 5 touchdowns. After the game, Coach Bobby Bowden said that the Seminoles "didn't really plan to throw that much, but the first couple of running plays didn't gain

much, and the passing game was eating (yardage) up in big chunks." The win improved the Seminoles' record to 8-2 on the season, and marked the final home game of the year. Coach Bowden praised his players after the game for winning despite not playing up to their capabilities: "I have to hand it to our players for doing what we had to. We didn't execute very well. We beat them with pure skill." The victory also marked the final home game ever for 17 Seminole seniors, the most successful senior group in school football history.

— Tom Block

In relief. Brad Johnson gets some action after Peter Tom Willis leaves the game. *Ryals Lee*



Seminoles Gig Gators Again

FLORIDA STATE 24 FLORIDA 17
Gainesville, FL (Dec. 2, 1989)

The Seminoles won their ninth straight game by defeating the University of Florida 24-17.

The Seminoles' third consecutive victory over arch-rival Florida gave them the state championship.

As usual, Peter Tom Willis lit up the sky with his aerial assault. He passed for 319 yards and 3 touchdown passes including a 62-yard strike to wide re-

ceiver Terry Anthony with 3:22 remaining in the first quarter to give the Seminoles a 7-0 lead. Just three minutes later, Florida kicker John David Francis booted a 46-yard field goal to close the gap 7-3.

In their first drive of the second quarter, Florida marched 61 yards on six plays to score. Gator wide receiver, Stacey Simmons, ran three yards on an end-around play for the touchdown to give Florida a 10-7 lead. The Seminoles wasted no time

in evening the score. On their next possession they went 66 yards in 12 plays to set up a 24-yard field goal by Richie Andrews. The successful field goal tied the score 10-10 heading into the second half.

The Seminoles took the lead in the third quarter as the offense produced a touchdown and the defense shut out the Gators. The Seminoles went 63 yards in six plays, highlighted by a 38-yard screen pass to fullback Edgar Bennett. Peter Tom Willis connected with wide receiver Bruce Lasane for 22 yards and the touchdown. The Seminoles led after three quarters by the score of 17-10.

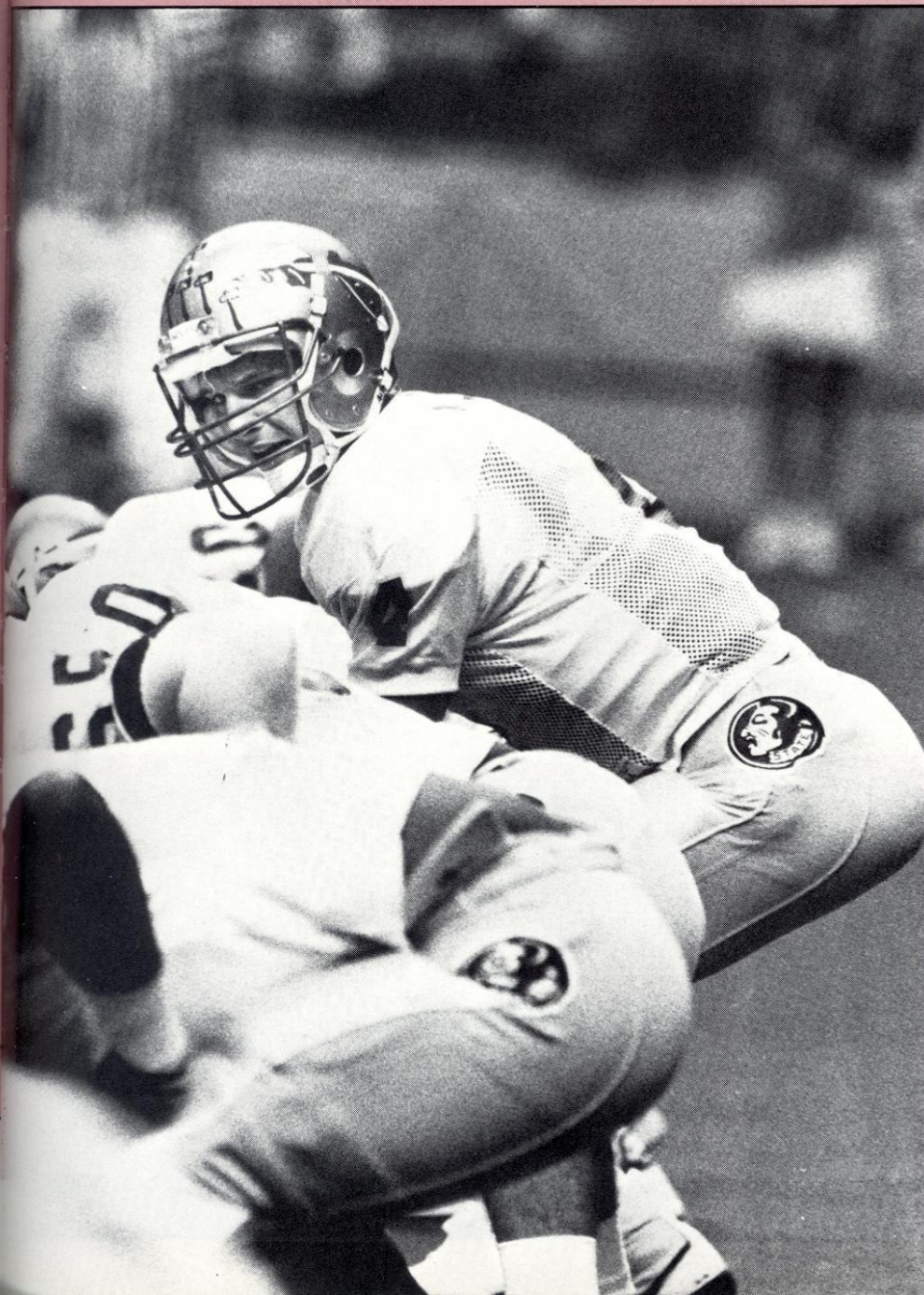
On the Seminoles' final touchdown drive of the game, Dexter Carter led the way with 38 yards rushing and 23 yards receiving. The Seminoles went 80 yards on the drive that put them ahead by two touchdowns with 8 minutes to go. Willis capped the 80-yard drive on a 6-yard pass to tight end Dave Roberts. Seminole head coach Bobby Bowden commented, "PT (Willis) and Dexter Carter made play after play. Those were huge drives in the second half, the kind of drives that can make or break your season."

However, the Gators were not finished. They cut the Tribe's lead to seven as Emmitt Smith plunged for a two-yard touchdown run with 4:08 to go. The score now stood at 24-17 and the Gators would not get any closer. The Seminoles held the ball for three minutes before punting to Florida. The Gators still had 58 seconds to produce a tying score. They could not do it and the Seminoles escaped Florida's field with a well-deserved victory and the sunshine of Tempe on their minds.

When the game was complete, Peter Tom Willis had set single season records for passing yardage (3124), completions (210), most games with 300-plus passing yards (6), and total offense (3004). The Seminoles were 9-2, No. 5 in the Associated Press football poll and headed for the New Year's Day Fiesta Bowl to face sixth ranked Nebraska.

— R. Brett DeHart

Record setter. Quarterback P.T. Willis finished the year as the most successful quarterback in the University's history. *Ryals Lee*



Who Is Really #1?

FLORIDA STATE NEBRASKA

Tempe, AR (Jan. 1, 1990)

Head coach Bobby Bowden just snickered and shook his head as he read the headlines claiming Florida State should crush the sixth ranked Cornhuskers of Nebraska. Nebraska was 10-1 with their only loss coming from the then No. 1 Colorado Buffaloes. The Cornhuskers had a tenacious defense and a high powered offense that the "experts" overlooked. By no means did Coach Bowden expect to walk away from Tempe, Arizona with an easy victory.

There was no Prime Time this year, just a total team concept. Every facet of the Seminole squad had contributed tremendously all year long to climb back amongst the nation's top teams. Tight End Dave Roberts looked back after the two losses to Southern Miss and Clemson, "After losing like we did, we knew we had a job to do. That job was to win nine straight and end up where we are now, in Tempe at the Fiesta Bowl."

The Fiesta Bowl had countless exciting highlights, for Seminole fans that is. The hype of a big trench battle turned into a massacre of the Nebraska Cornhuskers with a 41-17 Seminole victory.

The Tribe started driving early in the first quarter but failed to put any points on the board. Nebraska stopped us on fourth and inches from the one to stop a drive. Neither Bill Mason or Richie Andrews could connect for three points on two other drives. Nebraska had difficulty moving the ball in the first

quarter. On a fourth down and five situation Nebraska head coach Tom Osborne called a Roosky. The Cornhuskers connected for 41 yards to the Seminole 23 yard line. Three plays later Nebraska quarterback Jerry Gdowski hit Morgan Gregory for a 9 yard touchdown pass.

The Seminoles went into the second half unaware of what Peter Tom Willis had up his sleeve. Willis exploded for 3 touchdown passes, the first coming early in the quarter. It took only two passes, a 17 yard completion to Lawrence Dawsey and a 14 yard touchdown strike to Terry Anthony. Nebraska then added three on a 39 yard Drennan field goal. Willis went right back to work as he headed a 68 yard drive that ended with a 5 yard toss to Reggie Johnson to make the score 14-10. The Seminoles never looked back again. Willis lead the Tribe down the field yet another time finding Dexter Carter wide open in the end zone to give the Seminoles a 21-10 lead going into halftime.

The Seminoles' confidence was sky-high coming into the second quarter. On the team's second possession it took only eight plays to cross the goalline with Paul Moore barreling in for six from the one yard line. The point after attempt failed, but the Seminoles were sitting on a comfortable 27-10 lead. The Tribe was not done however, after the Seminole defense held Nebraska once again, the Cornhuskers were forced to punt. Freshmen John Davis blew off the line and blocked the punt putting the Seminoles on the opponent's 9 yard line. Willis connected two plays later hitting Reggie Johnson for a 9 yard touchdown.

Turnovers once again plagued the bewildered Nebraska offense. Shelton Thompson recovered a Nebraska fumble in Seminole territory to stifle any threat of a Nebraska score. It again took Willis only two passes to find the end zone. He hit Ronald Lewis (5 catches for 106 yards) for a 37 yard gain and Terry Anthony made a sensational catch to push the Seminole lead to 41-10. Nebraska could only compile one more scoring drive, the first of the second half, on a 2 yard touchdown run.

The Seminole defense held Nebraska quarterback Jerry Gdowski to 13-23 for 154 yards with one touchdown pass and two interceptions. The defense yielded a total of only 322 yards while the Tribe exploded for 494 total yards. Four hundred and forty-four of those yards came from Fiesta Bowl MVP Peter Tom Willis. All-American Odell Haggins captured the defensive MVP award as the Seminoles boosted its post season record to 9-3-1.

The Seminoles proved that they were the best team in the nation by mauling Nebraska in the 19th annual Sunkist Fiesta Bowl 41-17. Only a shaky early season kept the national title from the hands of the Seminoles, but as Dexter Carter put it "there's no doubt in my mind we're No. 1." Bobby Bowden's squad finished the season with a 10-2 record and a No.2 ranking. It was a phenomenal season that Coach Bowden and his team promise to carry into next season.

— Timothy Clancy

Stuffed. The Seminoles close the door on Nebraska's running game. *Ryals Lee*



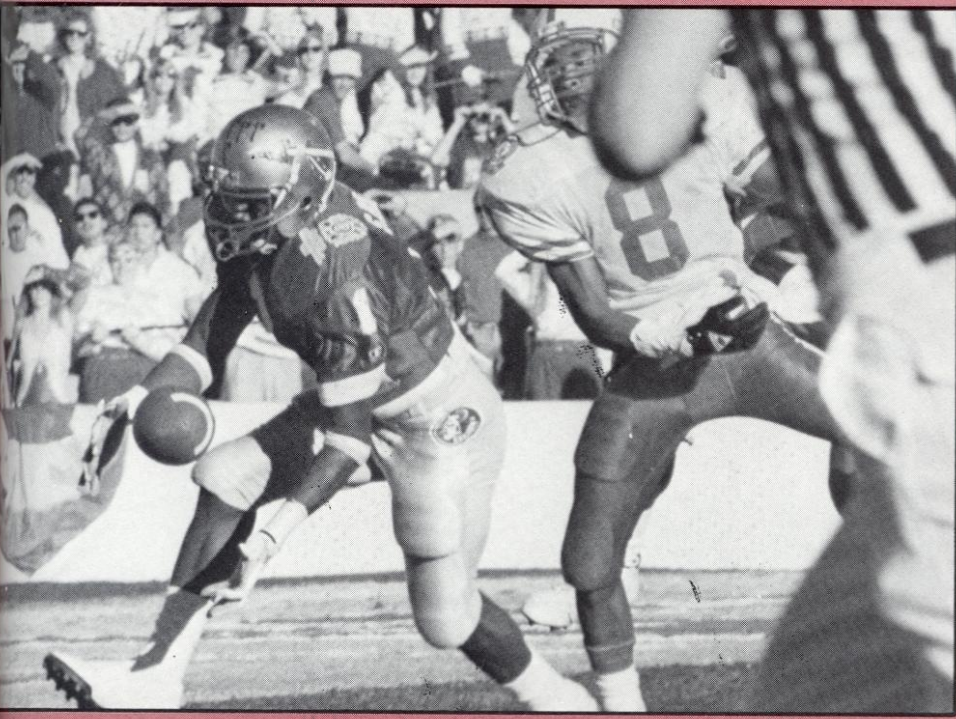
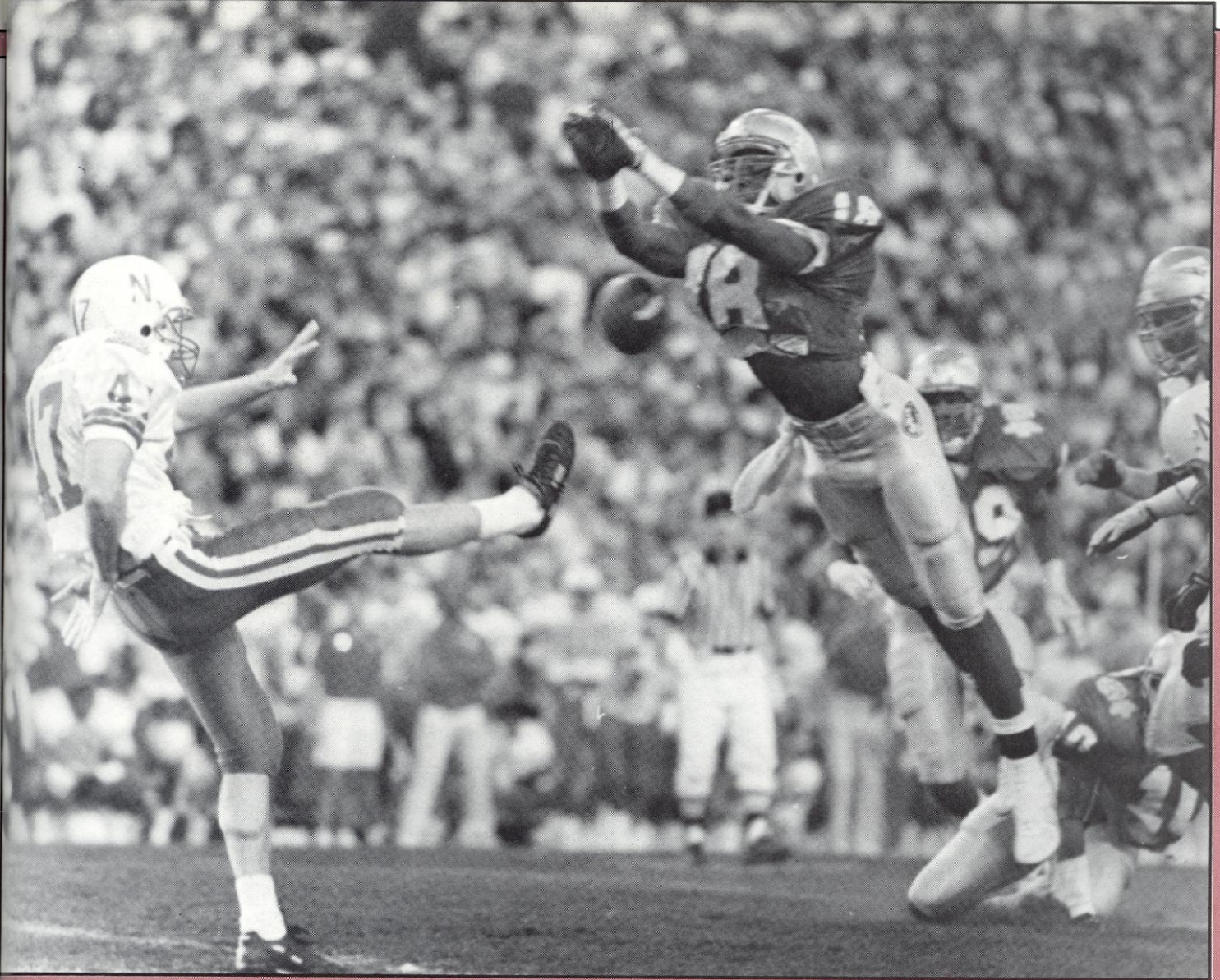
A great set up. Maggie Philgen sets the ball to awaiting team mates Sonia Trevino, Mark Weidner.

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Block party. John Davis blocks the Cornhuskers punt. *Ryals Lee*

Hands of glue. Shannon Baker stretches and re-adjusts for the grab. *Ryals Lee*

"After losing like we did, we knew we had a job to do. That job was to win nine straight and end up where we are now, in Tempe at the Fiesta Bowl."
-Dave Roberts

Now Serving

Only a junior, Maggie Philgence holds the career kill record for the University. *Juan Morales*

The ladies take the action to another Metro-conference for the the tournament. *Juan Morales*



The Lady Seminole volleyball team finished their season with a 30-5 record, and the best winning percentage in school history. Although their tremendous season ended abruptly with a first round NCAA loss to California, it was still a very successful one. The ladies broke eight different school records while receiving 19 individual honors.

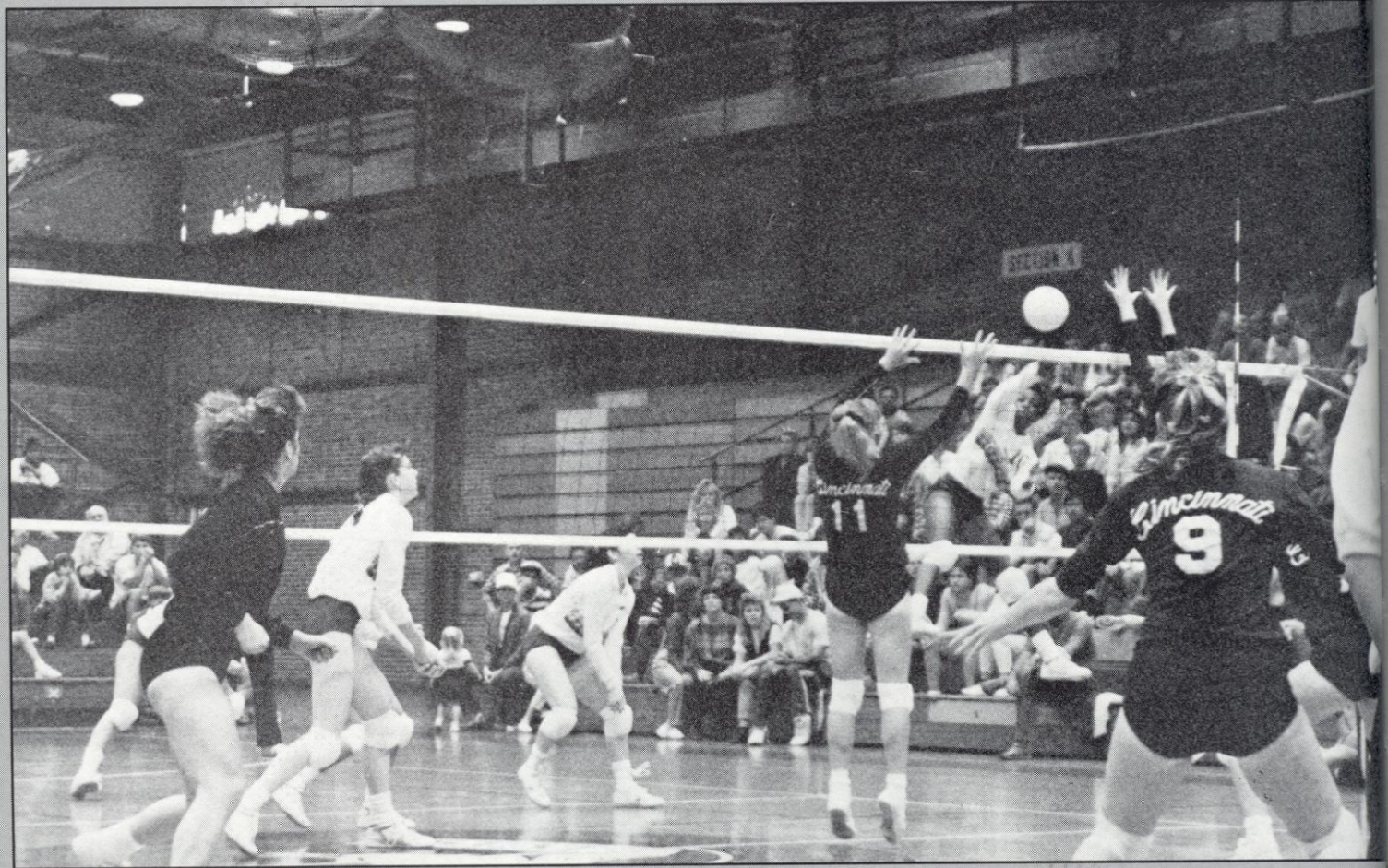
The success did not stop there however. The ladies won their fifth consecutive Metro Tournament championship and made its third straight trip to the NCAA tournament. For their play during the Metro tournament, Sonia Trevino, Maggie Philgence, Gabrielle Reece and Nancy Gaspaderek placed on the All-tournament team. "Gaspo", (Gaspaderek)

as she is better known to teammates, also was named the tournament's MVP.

The awards were not limited to the players alone as Head Coach Cecile Reynaud was honored as well. During the season Reynaud picked up her 400th career coaching victory. She also received Metro-conference coach of the year honors.

"Even with this loss it was a great year and this was a great group of kids to coach," Reynaud commented following the first round loss to California. With a strong nucleus returning next year, Seminole volleyball should only get better.

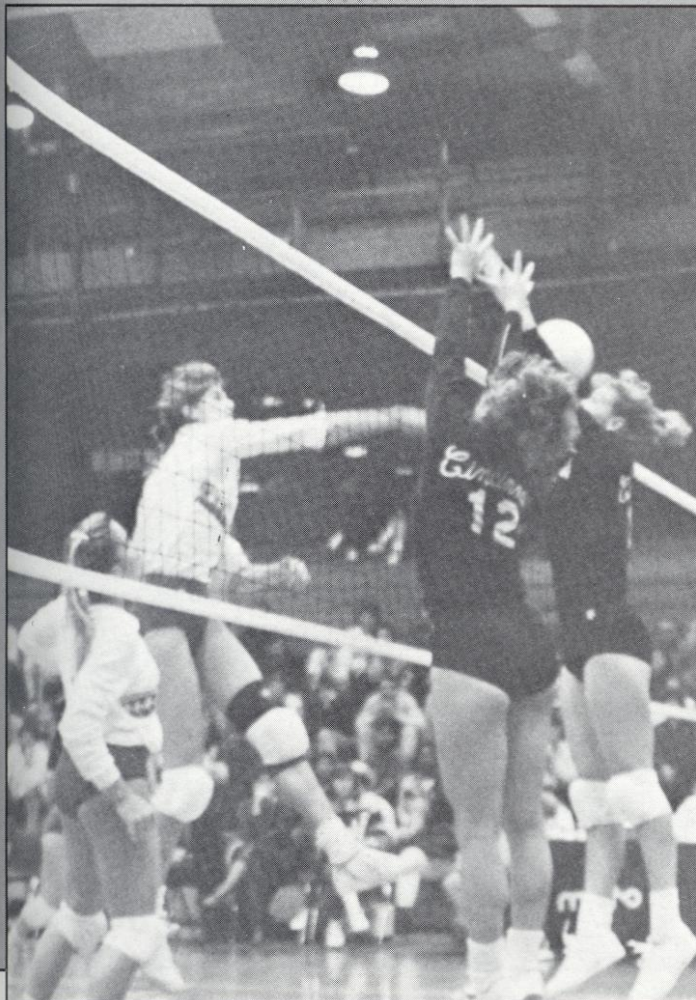
— Craig Rothberg





*"Hard work, dedication, and a very close knit group were the keys to our success this year."
-Nancy Gaspaderek*

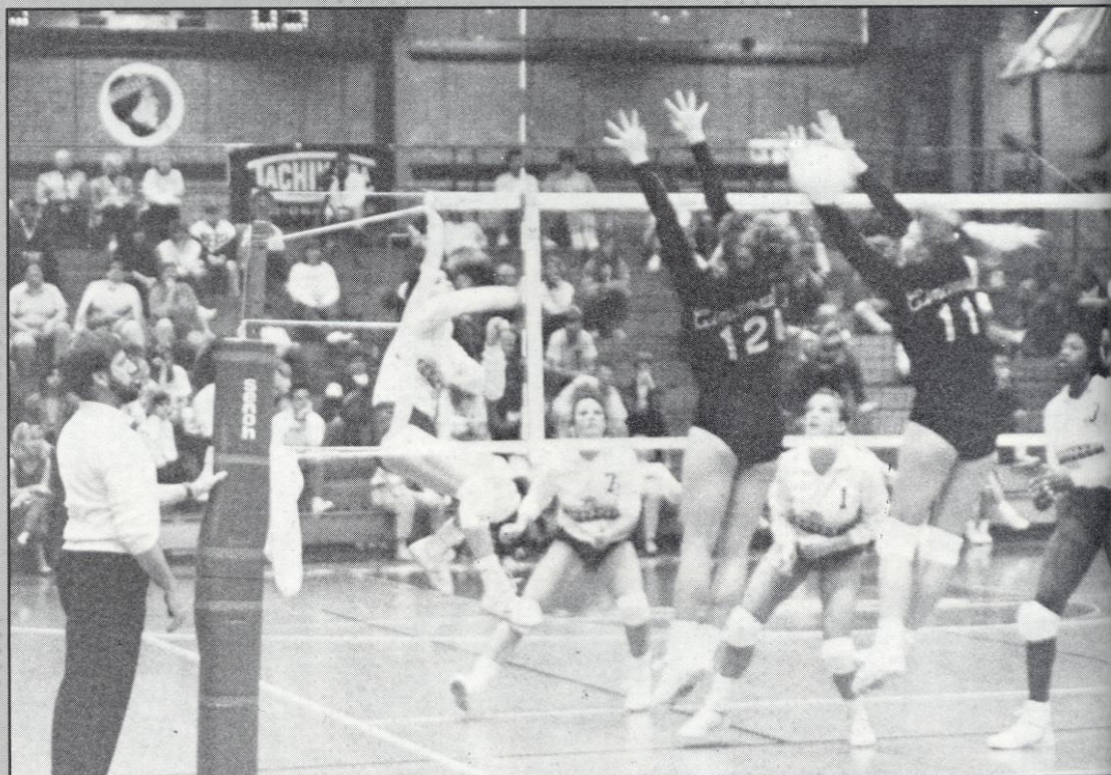
Front Row L-R: Head Coach Cecile Reynaud, Marybeth Sutcliffe, Nancy Gaspaderek, Sonia Trevino, Maria Magoulas, Jennifer Marraffino, Trainer Angela Sehgal. **Back Row L-R:** Graduate Assistant Rex Welch, Bianca Stevens, Vicki Zinkil, Amy Bronson, Maggie Philgence, Gabrielle Reece, Twanna Walker, Debbie Meyer (not pictured: Assistant Coach Shelly Birkholz Sports Information)



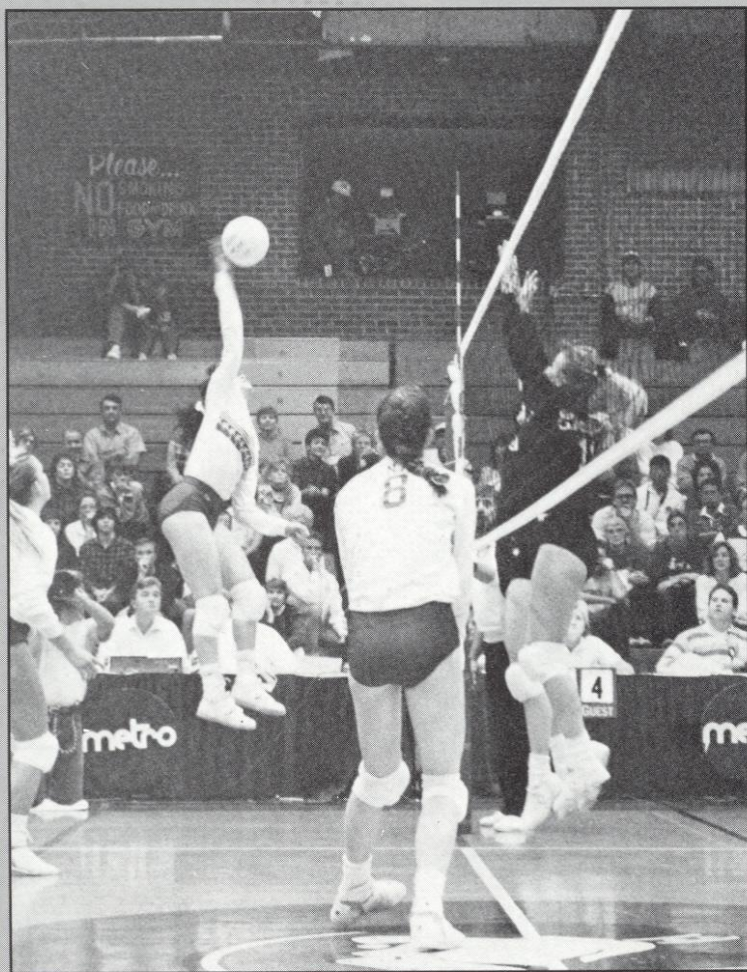
Senior Sonia Trevino waits for the set to an awaiting teammate. *Juan Morales*

Part-time model and middle blocker Gabrielle Reece knocks the one down for the easy points. *Juan Morales*

*"This was a great bunch of kids to coach!"
-Cecile Reynaud*

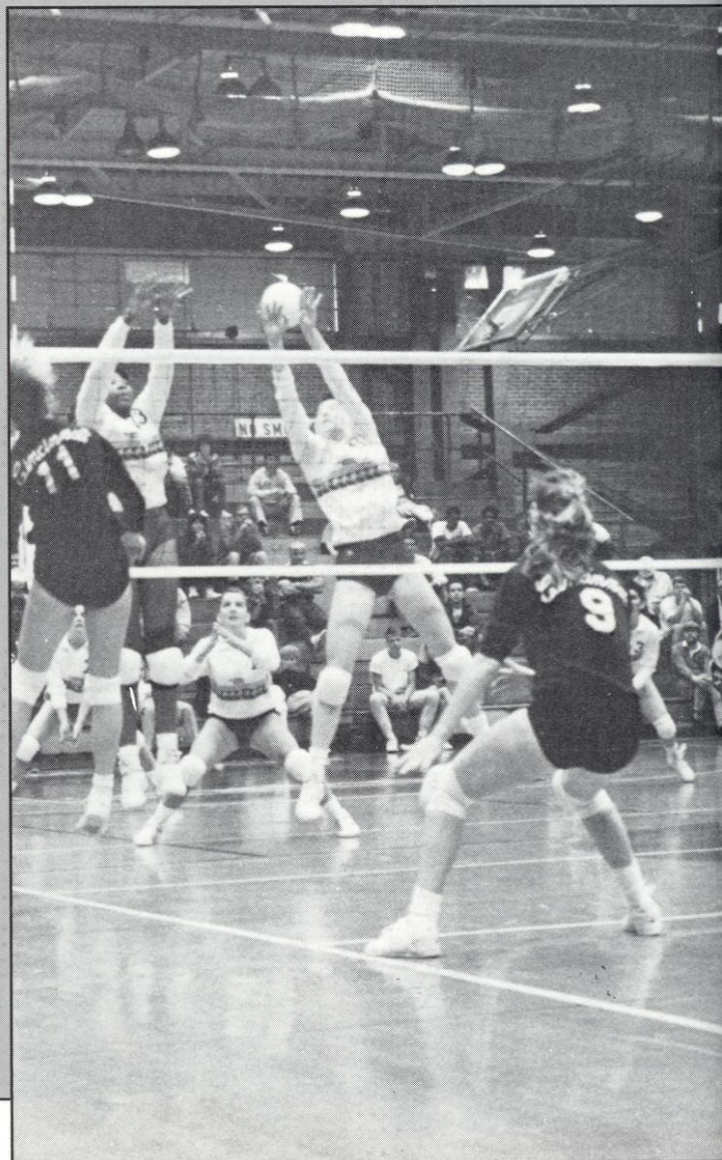


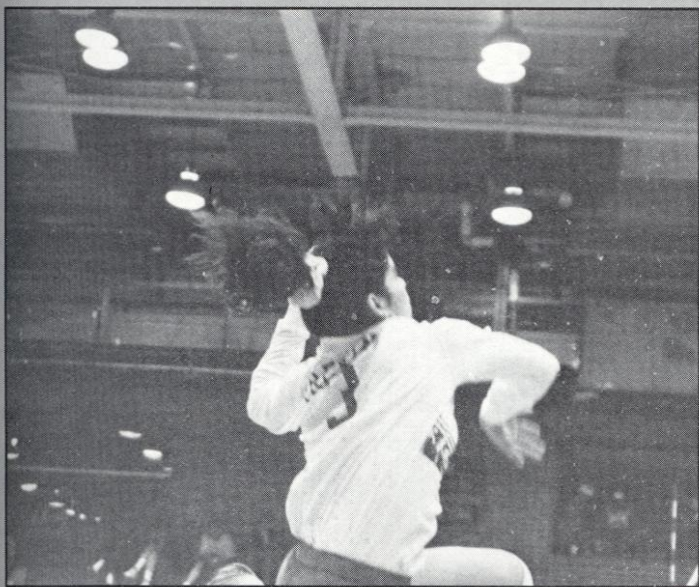
The action is fast and intense as both teams battle by the net. *Juan Morales*



One of four seniors, Sonia Trevino shows her vertical leap in this overhead slam. *Juan Morales*

As a freshman Vickie Zinkel contributed impressive net play to the ladies squad. *Juan Morales*





1989 Volleyball Schedule

GEORGE WASHINGTON LABOR DAY FESTIVAL

Northern Arizona	3-1
Georgetown	3-0
Minnesota	1-3
Duke	3-2
Minnesota	0-3
Florida	3-2

FLORIDA EIGHT CLASIC

Florida International	3-1
at South Florida	3-2
Florida	3-2
Illinois State	3-2
Morehead State	3-0
Illinois State	3-1
Kentucky	3-2
Tennessee	3-0
at Florida A&M	3-0
Southern Mississippi	3-0
Tulane	3-1
at Jacksonville	3-0
at Louisville	3-0
at Cincinnati	3-1
at Purdue	3-0
South Alabama	0-3
Alabama-Birmingham	3-1
at Memphis State	3-2
Louisiana State	3-2
South Carolina	3-2
Virginia Tech	3-0
at Florida	1-3

KENTUCKY WILDCAT CLASSIC

Brigham Young	3-2
Kentucky	3-2

METRO CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

Southern Miss	3-0
Louisville	3-0
Cincinnati	3-0

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

California	1-3
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The Champs. With great play from Maggie Philgence the ladies captured another Metro-crown. *Juan Morales*

The look of determination. Sonia Trevino eyes the ball and her target. *Juan Morales*

Dedication Brings Success

The Seminole swim team practiced an hour and a half in the morning, and two and a half hours in the afternoon every day. In addition, the swimmers worked out with weights three days a week. This tough practice and conditioning program produced some of the nation's best swimmers. Dedication brought great success to the Seminole swim team.

The Seminoles broke seven of ten school records at the Metro Championships in Columbia, South Carolina. Both the women and the men finished second at the Metro. More Seminoles qualified for the NCAA Championships than ever before. "I'm happy with our performance," declared Head Coach Terry Maul.

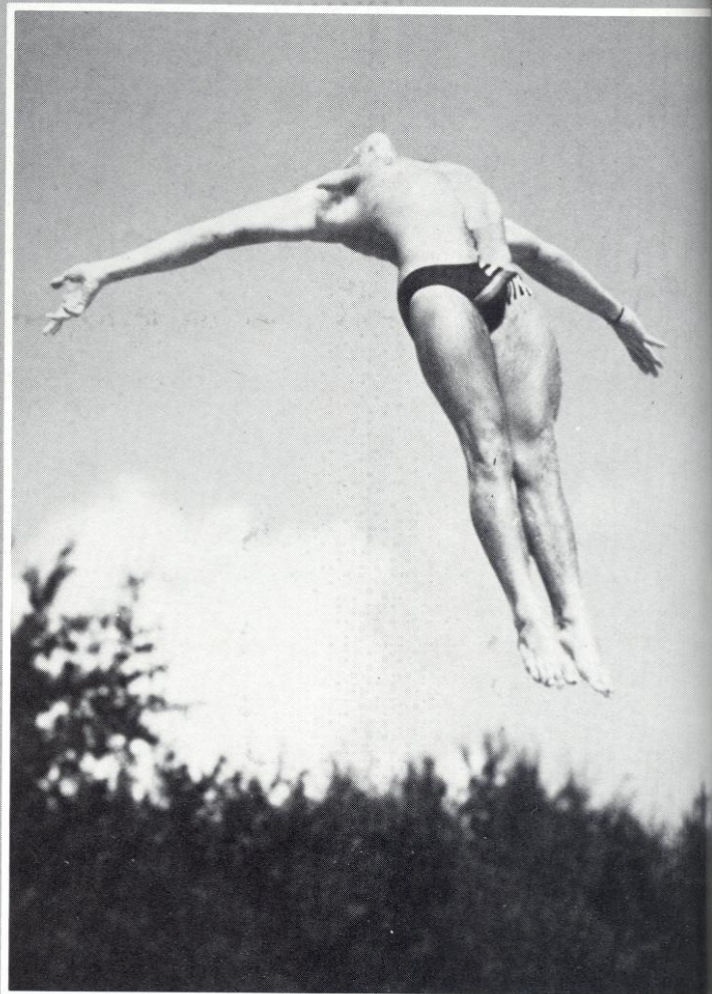
The men qualified for the NCAA Championships in

six events. These events were the 200 and 800-meter free relay and the 200-meter medley relay. Junior Craig Zettle won the 100-meter breaststroke at the Metro and will compete at the NCAA. Junior Mike Roder qualified in the 100 and 200-meter breaststroke.

The women qualified for the NCAA in five events. These events were the 200-meter free and medley relays and the 400-meter medley relay. All-American Kathy Isackson won the 100 and 200-meter butterfly at the Metro and qualified for those events at the NCAA.

The Seminole swim teams had another great year and could possibly finish in the Top 20 with a good showing at the NCAA Championships in March. Their hard work continued to pay off.

— R. Brett DeHart

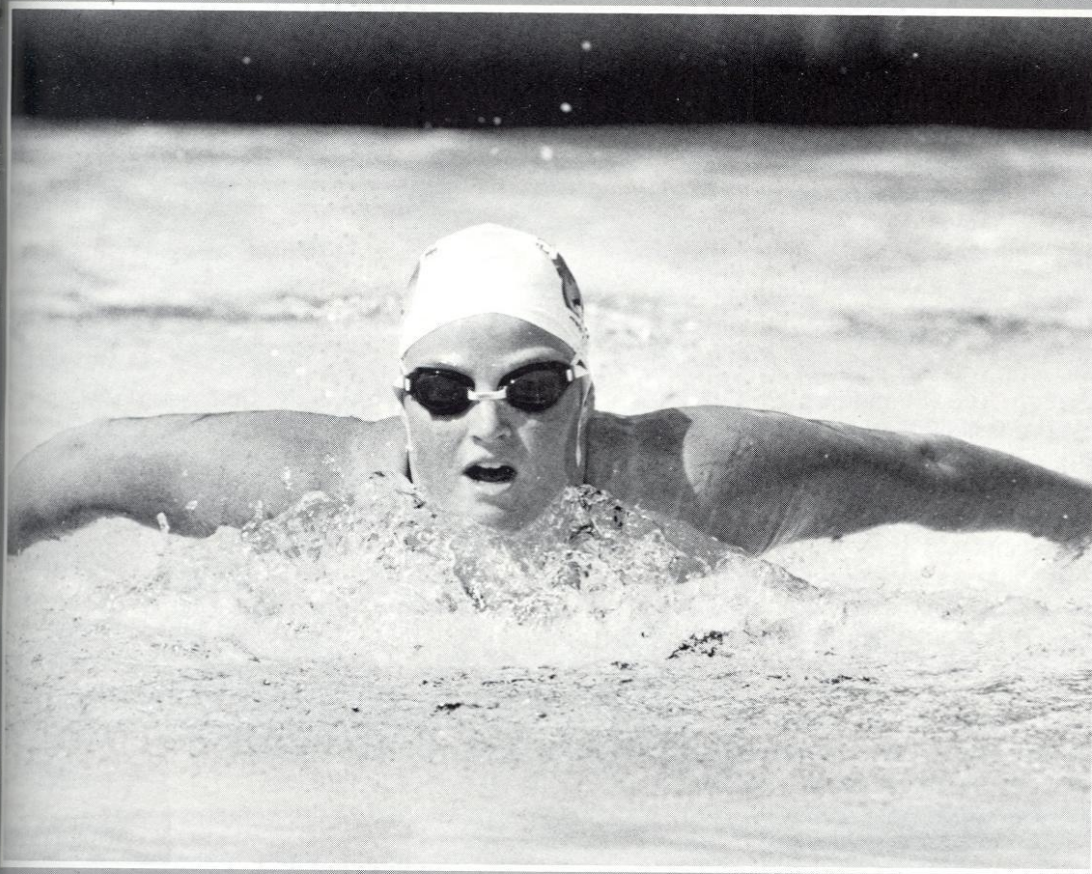


Coming up for air. Sophomore Danielle Van Dyke shows the style that has made her one of the best in the nation. *Sports Information*

Metro's best. Craig Zettle has won the 100-meter breaststroke two years in a row. *Sports Information*

All-American. Kathy Isackson is the Metro's best in the butterfly. *Sports Information*

Flying Seminole. Sophomore Zach McIver has made many waves in his first two seasons in college diving. *Sports Information*



**"I'm happy with our performance."
-Head Coach Terry Maul**

Head first. Junior Susan Pollack shows the form that has brought her success at the Metro Championships. *Sports Information*

Men's Swimming

John Bates.
Sean Carey
Graham Carothers
Jeffrey Feldman
Matt Foster
Martin Gaal
Richard Greenwood
Mike Hermann
Dieter Holtz
Corey Hrynyck
John Kenny
Zach McIver
Matt Muller
Scott Mundell
Dane Nelson
Mike Roder
Charlie Rose
Grant Segal
Vance Tankersley
Jay Wilkerson
Craig Zettle

Women's Swimming

Merrie Brennan
Kristan Chambers
Courtney Clark
Melissa Connolly
Stacia Evans
Suzanne Gunn
Kirsten Harrington
Allison Harvey
Jennifer Hazard
Meghan Henning
Kathy Isackson
Laura Lampert
Belinda Martin
Valerie Moore
Krissy Myers
Susan Pollack
Anne Spaeder
Christine Steinberg
Kathy Turner
Tracy Tuveson
Aurora Valseca
Danielle Van Dyke
Juliet Yenglin

HEAD COACHES:Terry Maul (Florida State '69)

Bill Shults (New Hampshire '76)
DIVING COACH:Gary Cole (Bowling Green '76)

ASSISTANT COACHES:Sid Cassidy (N.C. State '77)

Marian Cassidy (Pittsburgh '88)

STUDENT ASSISTANT COACH:Kris Zuments

Season Ends With No Post-Season Action

The men's basketball season will be remembered as one of the most frustrating in Seminole basketball history. Fourth year Seminole head coach Pat Kennedy termed the year one of the strangest he'd ever been involved with in his years of coaching.

The Seminoles opened the season by losing three of their first four games. Included among those three losses was an 82-69 thumping suffered at the hands of the Florida Gators. After the 1-3 start, however, the Seminoles began to roll, ripping off five straight victories, including wins over intrastate rivals Stetson and South Florida. Shortly after Christmas, the team participated in the ECAC Holiday Tournament, which featured a trio of talented teams: Seton Hall, North

Carolina State, and Rhode Island. Though the Tribe dropped their first round game of the tourney to North Carolina State, they rebounded to defeat the Rams of Rhode Island in the consolation game. That win over Rhode Island was followed by four more consecutive victories, which brought the team's season record to 11-4. During the second long winning streak of the season, the Seminoles enjoyed possibly their finest outing of the year, as they whipped eventual Metro Conference runner-up Southern Mississippi 113-82.

But just as quickly as the Seminoles had exploded to their 11-4 start, things began to rapidly deteriorate over the latter half of the season. The team's two seniors, Tharon Mayes and Irving Thomas were suspended briefly in mid-January, and their absence contributed to a four game

Seminole slide. That losing streak was snapped temporarily as the Tribe reeled off wins over Metro opponents Memphis State and Virginia Tech. But then Tharon Mayes was suspended again, for striking a parking services attendant on the F.S.U. campus. This time Mayes was gone from the team for an extended period of time, seven games in all. Without the talent and court leadership of Mayes, the Seminoles limped through the remainder of the season, winning only two of the final nine regular season contests.

A first round loss in the Metro Conference Tournament to Cincinnati ended any hopes of Seminole post-season play, and put the Seminoles final record for the 1989-90 season at 16-15. The season was indeed dimmed by the suspensions of Thomas and Mayes, and five losses by 4 or less points contributed to the

team's frustrations.

Despite the near .500 record, there were several very impressive individual performances during the season. Irving Thomas scored in double figures in every regular season contest, and Tharon Mayes' 23 points per game scoring average placed him third on the all time single season scoring average list at Florida State. Even more impressive, perhaps, was the amazing return of Michael Polite, who had missed the majority of the 88-89 season with a serious foot ailment. Polite returned to the Seminole lineup and became one of the most consistent performers on the squad, averaging 14 points and 8 rebounds per game over the course of the season.

— Tom Block

Senior Irv Thomas was a consistent scoring threat from inside all year long.
Zulma Crespo





Tharon Mayes was the team's leading scorer, and he proved over the course of the season that he could score from the outside as well as on the fast break. *Zulma Crespo*

Men's Basketball

Kansas State	71-70 L
Alaska Anchorage	75-74 W
Connecticut	63-60 L
Florida	82-79 L
Auburn	82-78 W
New Orleans	66-64 W
South Florida	78-72 W
Samford	100-62 W
Stetson	92-83 W
NC State	90-72 L
Rhode Island	95-76 W
South Alabama	78-75 W
Tulane	92-68 W
Southern Miss	113-82 W
Jacksonville	104-99 W
Cincinnati	82-62 L
Louisville	73-66 L
Miami	101-97 L
South Carolina	56-53 L
Memphis State	78-72 W
Virginia Tech	67-63 W
Southern Miss	84-72 L
Syracuse	90-69 L
Louisville	69-50 L
Cincinnati	72-69 L
Memphis State	81-69 L
Miami	92-73 W
Tulane	69-67 W
Virginia Tech	84-74 L
South Carolina	79-70 W
Cincinnati	65-64 L



Michael Polite returned to the line up after missing a year due to injury. *Juan Morales*

Struggling Team Gains Playing Time

Though the Seminole basketball team struggled through a disappointing season, several young players received extended playing time. Freshmen Chuck Graham, Chad Copeland, and Rodney Dobard all made significant contributions to the Seminole squad. Graham emerged as a scorer, and became the most prolific freshman scorer in the history of Seminole basketball by averaging 10 points per game. Chad Copeland proved more than capable of running the team's offense as he filled in while

Tharon Mayes was suspended.

In the paint, Dobard gave Seminole fans plenty to cheer about as he demonstrated his tremendous shot blocking ability time and time again. Dobard finished the season as the team's leading shot blocker, Copeland averaged more minutes off the bench than any other Seminole substitute, and Graham was selected as a first team member of the Metro Conference All-Rookie team.

In addition to the emergence of the freshmen, transfer Ron Miller also showed that he could shoot the long range shot, as he finished the year by shooting 50% on three

point field goals.

The Seminole basketball team's future indeed looks bright. Graham, Copeland, Dobard, and Miller will all have a year of experience under their belt when the season starts next fall. In addition, prized 6'9" recruit Douglas Edwards will join the squad, along with incoming freshman Andre Reid, a 7 footer from Miami, and Jesse Salters, a 6'5" swing player who led his high school to the state final four in his junior and senior seasons.

— Tom Block

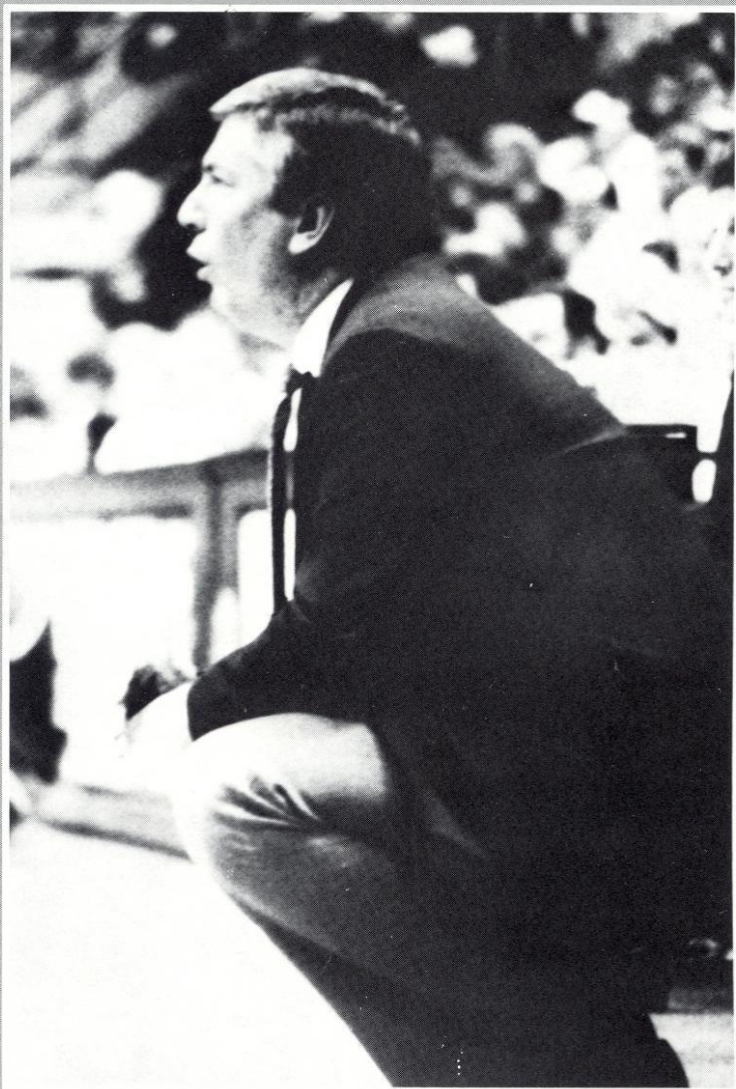
Michael Polite towered over Louisville, slamming home two points for the Seminoles with this monster stuff.
Juan Morales

The Seminole basketball team's future looks bright, indeed.





During a time out, the players huddled close together as the coaching staff diagrammed the next play.
Zulma Crespo



Though the season was a disappointing one, the future appears very bright for Pat Kennedy and his Seminoles.
Zulma Crespo

A Few Points Short

The Lady Seminole basketball team wanted to win twenty games and play in the NCAA Tournament, big goals for a young team that consisted of one senior, six juniors, three sophomores and four freshmen. This Lady Seminole team met those goals and were just a few points short of the big time.

"We won the games we were supposed to win and some games we weren't supposed to win," commented Head Coach Marynell Meadors. "We also came very close to beating some Top 25 teams like LSU, Georgia and South Carolina."

The Lady Seminoles finished the year with a 21-9 record. They had big wins against the University of Florida, Alabama and #22 Southern Mississippi. The Lady Seminoles lost by four to #7 Georgia, by three to #17 South Carolina, by four to #22 Southern Mississippi, and by three to #13 Louisiana State. The Lady Seminoles were just a few points shy of the Top 25.

The squad was led by junior guard Wanda Burns. Burns used her lightning quick speed to lead the team in steals, points, free throw percentage, and made three pointers. Burns, who averaged 18 points per game, was selected to the First Team All-Metro Conference.

Junior guard Chris Davis led the team in blocked and was second in points and free throw percentage. She was named as a member of the Second Team All-Metro. Davis eclipsed the 1,000 point mark in her career in the first round of the Metro Tournament.

The play of the four freshmen enabled this team to achieve its goals. The Metro

Freshman of the Year Chantelle Dishman averaged eleven points and seven rebounds a game as a starting forward. Center Tracy Walker continued to improve with every game as she became a starter half-way through the season. Metro All-Rookie Team member Tia Paschal came off the bench and scored from the outside in the clutch. Paschal was named to the Metro All-Tournament Team. Guard Danielle Ryan came off the bench to back up the team's star point guard, Robin Corn. Ryan's good ball-handling and quick hands made her the perfect replacement.

"The freshmen came through for us in some clutch situations," boasted Coach Meadors. The play of these freshmen helped make the present good.

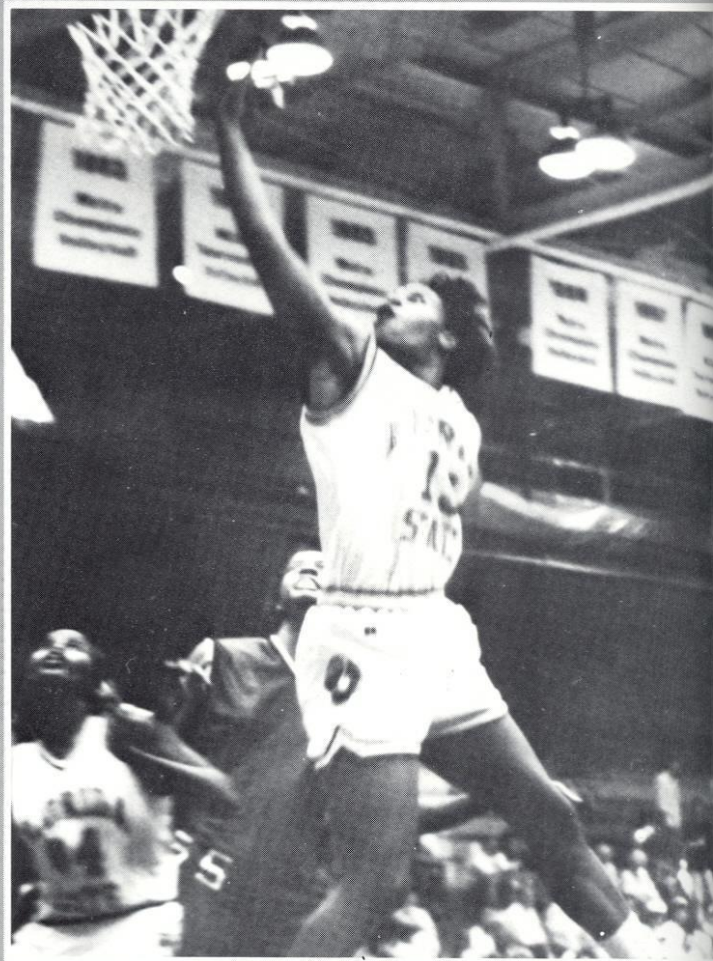
1990 Metro Conference Coach of the Year Marynell Meadors got her 400th career victory in the 89-90 campaign. On December 6, 1989, the Lady Seminoles trailed Alabama at the half. However, a furious second half rally gave the Lady Seminoles the victory and Meadors win number 400. Meadors came to Tallahassee in 1986 after sixteen seasons at Tennessee Tech. In just four years, she guided the Lady Seminoles into the national spotlight.

This season gave the Lady Seminoles the experience they needed. The 21-9 record and a berth to the NCAA Tournament caught the eye of the rest of the nation. The Lady Seminoles now look ahead to next season and set higher goals for the 1990-91 campaign. Next season they probably will NOT end up a few points short, but a few points ahead.

— R. Brett DeHart

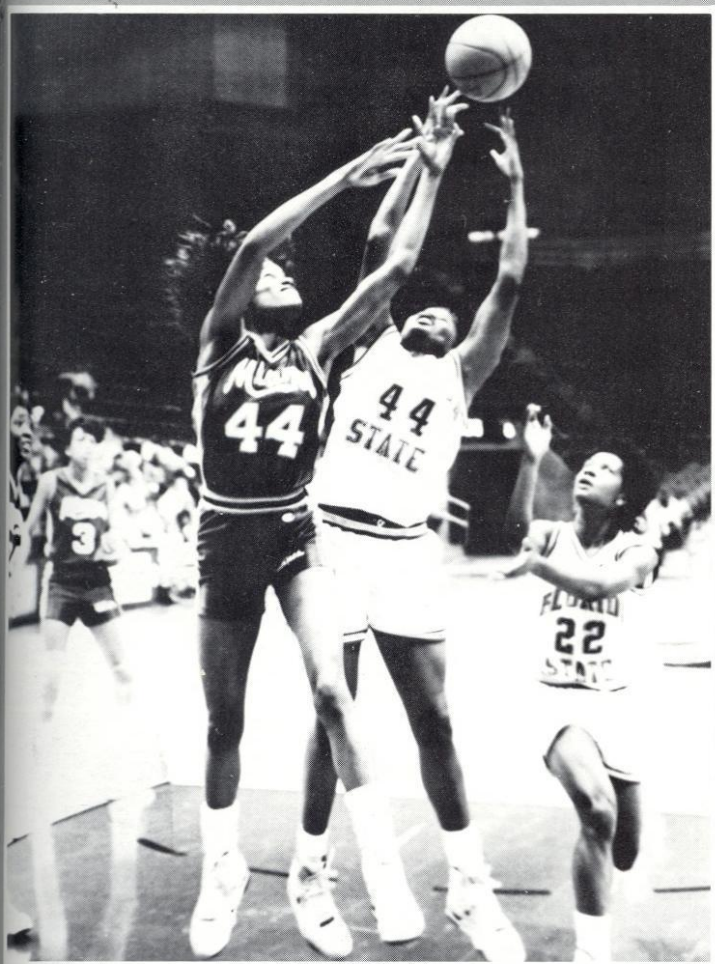
Soaring. Chris Davis lays it up and in for two points! Zulma Crespo

SPEED! Wanda Burns streaks past a helpless defender on her way to an easy lay-up. Zulma Crespo



Double 44. Freshman of the Year Chantelle Dishman shows why she led the team in rebounds. *Zulma Crespo*

Coming at you! Robin Corn's excellent passing skills made her one of the nation's best point guards. *Zulma Crespo*



Lady Seminole Basketball (21-9)

South Alabama	89-82 W
LSU	68-65 L
Mississippi	89-62 W
UNC-Charlotte	63-50 L
Alabama	81-76 W
Stetson	77-70 W
Appalachian State	77-62 W
Georgia Southern	80-49 W
Virginia Tech	68-64 W
Tulane	103-66 W
Florida	63-62 W
Louisville	69-66 W
Cincinnati	61-44 W
Auburn	80-63 L
South Carolina	75-72 L
Southern Mississippi	77-73 L
Memphis State	72-62 W
Virginia Tech	69-52 W
Tulane	100-45 W
Louisville	77-62 W
Cincinnati	57-44 W
FAMU	87-60 W
Miami	95-66 W
Georgia	80-76 L
Southern Miss	97-72 L
Memphis State	98-60 W
South Carolina	75-59 L

Metro Tournament

First round vs. Memphis 83-58 W
 Second Round vs. Southern Miss 90-78 L

NCAA Tournament

First Round vs. Penn State 83-73 L

"We won the games we were supposed to win and some games we weren't supposed to win."

-Head Coach Marynell Meadors

Metro's best. Coach of the Year Marynell Meadors takes a time-out to talk to her players. *Zulma Crespo*

Lady Seminoles Aim High

The Lady Seminole tennis team entered the season with high expectations. And why not? The Lady Seminoles were the defending Metro-conference tournament champions. After finishing last year's season with a 13-7 mark, the women's tennis team upset perennial power South Carolina to earn the first Metro title for the University since 1985.

Heading into the season, the Lady Seminoles had one main goal — to become a top 25 nationally ranked team. "We have the ingredients, it's just (a matter of) finding the right combinations to produce a nationally ranked team," said third year coach Patti Hen-

derson. Buffy Baker was expected to anchor the squad, while senior Keri Preng was to provide leadership for the team.

Other returning, experienced Lady Seminoles included sophomores Nicki Ivy and Laura Sarkilahti. Two talented newcomers joined the women's team as well. Ann Waggoner transferred from Tennessee and former NAIA All-American Lori Webster elected to continue her tennis career at the University.

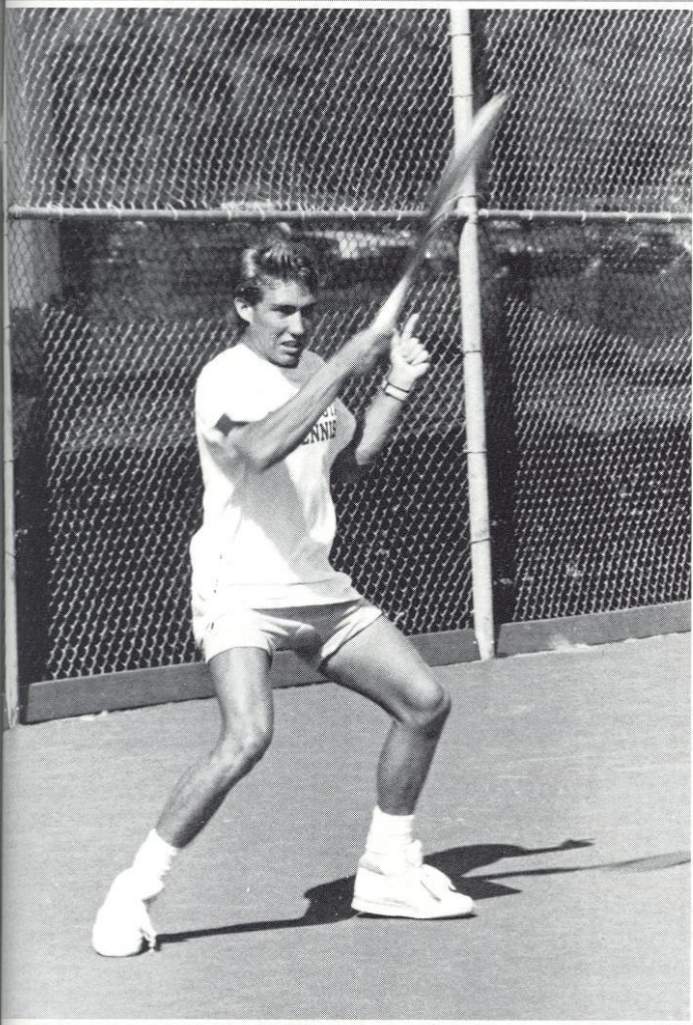
With a good blend of returning players, plus the excellent newcomers to the squad, the Lady Seminoles had a good shot at reaching their preseason goal of becoming a national power.

— Tom Block

The Lady Seminoles had a good shot at reaching their pre-season goal of becoming a national power. *Sports Information*

Ann Waggoner's eyes follow the flight of the ball after a vicious return. *Zulma Crespo*





Eyes on the Crown

Following a 19-12 season in 1988-89, the future looked bright for the University men's tennis team as they geared up for the spring season. Four of the top six players from the previous year returned to the Seminole roster, making the Metro-tournament championship an obtainable goal for a very young team with no seniors on the squad.

The number one position on the team was expected to be held down by either junior Scott Shields, who has been ranked as highly as number 28 nationally in the collegiate rankings, or by Stephen Noteboom, a transfer student and two-time NAIA All-American. Greg Gusky returned to the

Seminole lineup as well, after posting the best record on the team in 1988-89 (27-80). Neil Krefsky and Adam Schwartz, both sophomores, returned to the team with valuable experience after receiving extended playing time during their freshman campaigns.

Entering the campaign, the Seminoles looked to be in good shape for the season, especially if 7th year coach Richard McKee could find the right tandems for doubles play. With hard work and dedication, the men's tennis team appeared ready to try to dethrone South Carolina as the Metro-conference tournament champions.

— Tom Block

Scott Shields prepares for his next shot. *Zulma Crespo*

The Metro-tournament championship was an obtainable goal for a very young team with no seniors on the squad. *Sports Information*

Running Towards the Top

Seminole and Lady Seminole track teams were both very young and looking to surprise the nation. All-American Larry Carr cleared 18 feet and one and a half inches in the pole vault, a new Seminole record. Rodney Lawson qualified for the NCAAs for the third straight year. Lawson, a hurdler and sprinter, is a "true team leader," according to Coach Terry Long. Freshman high jumper Kevin Crist and pole

vaulter Jeff Bray added strength to the Seminole men's chances at a good national finish.

"The men have been very successful this season. We are quite young but enthusiastic. We have competed well," pointed out Coach Terry Long.

The Lady Seminoles made great strides with its young team. At the NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis, all nine Lady Seminole participants placed in the Top 10 in their events. Eight Lady

Seminoles achieved All-American status. The team finished 18th nationally.

"The ladies were extremely competitive," stressed Coach Terry Long.

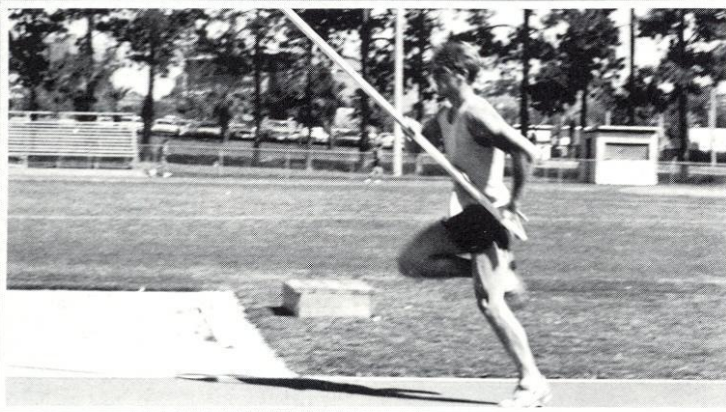
Junior Holly Kelly received All-American status for her 6 foot and three quarter inch jump at the Indoor Championships. Freshman Trinette Johnson received All-American in the long jump. Freshman Patrice Verdun received All-American in the 200 meters. The Two Mile Relay team of Karla Severs, Tracy

Howze, Angela Harris, and Carrie Boyd also received All-American status.

"We want to be the top team in the nation. With hard work, I really think we can do it," declared triple jump All-American and team leader Kim Batten.

Some might say Batten's goals for her team are too high. Considering the success of this young team, the Lady Seminoles could reach that big goal.

— R. Brett DeHart



Speeding down the runway, Larry Carr practices a pole vault. *Juan Morales*

Superstar Kim Batten lines up on the blocks for a 110m sprint. *Juan Morales*



Concentration is what it takes as Larry Carr prepares to clear an 18' vault practice. *Juan Morales*



Dominating the Metro in the javelin throw, Kari Keith prepares for an upcoming meet. *Juan Morales*

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-Coach Terry Long*



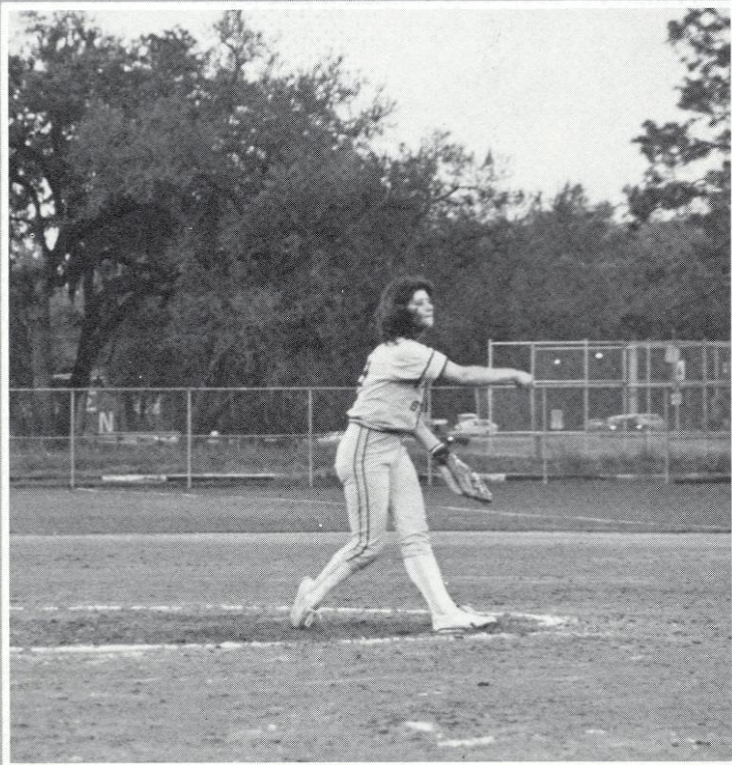
If being a speedster is not enough, Kim Batten is amongst the nations top triple jumpers. *Juan Morales*

*"We want to be the top team in the nation. With hard work, I really think we can do it!"
-Kim Batten*



Hurdler Rodney Lawson stretches and leans as he practices the 110m high hurdles. *Juan Morales*

Kelly Flaczinsky rips a shot through the infield for a base hit. *Juan Morales*



The Noles hold on to an early three run lead behind the pitching of Debbie DeJohn. *Juan Morales*

Good eye! A Lady Nole fakes one for a ball. *Juan Morales*



Softball Team

The Lady Noles Softball team once again began the season with high hopes for an NCAA bid. They had been a national power for four years running, and they had plans on making it five.

With the loss of three seniors from last year's

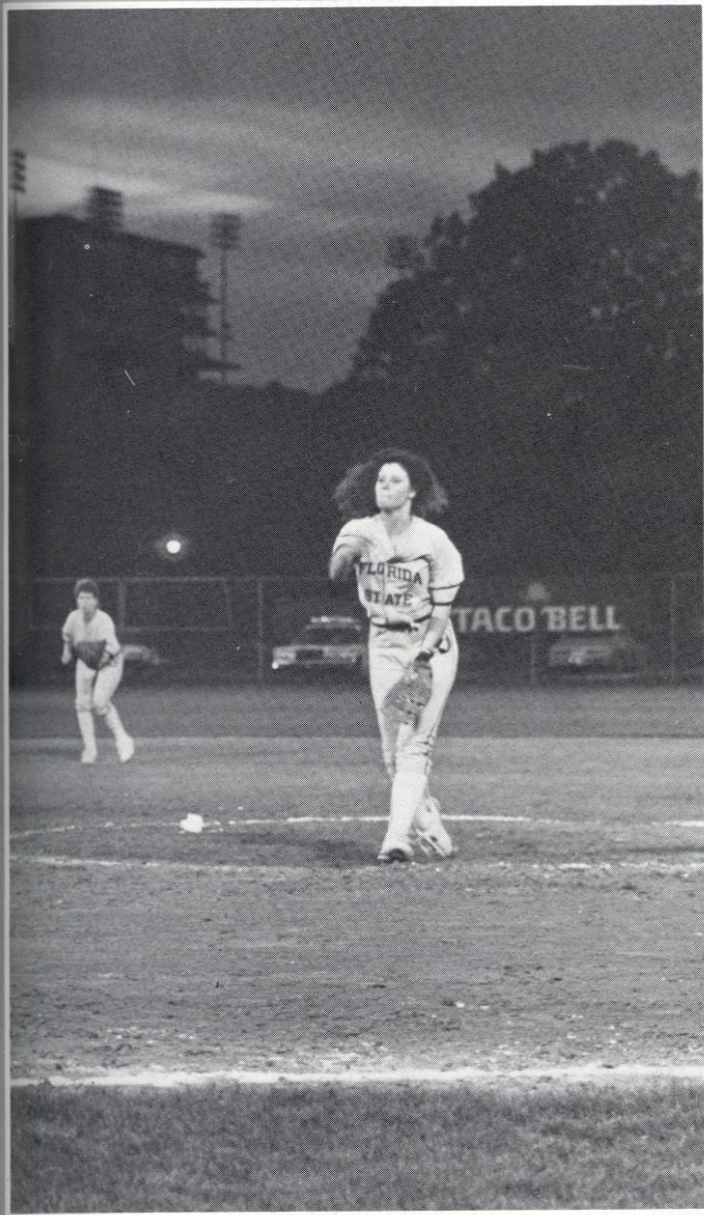
squad, the Lady Noles had their work cut out for them. Sophomore Penny Siquieros added consistency to solidify the Noles line up. Debbie DeJohn's and Chrisy Larsen's pitching put the Noles exactly where they wanted to be, going into the season with a top twenty ranking.

Another season of all around

consistency could lead the Noles to a run at the softball world series championship. Coach Graf felt if the younger half of the squad played to their potential, that the Tribe could go all the way. "We are very solid this year, we have some younger players but I think we'll do just fine."

— Timothy Clancy

Debbie DeJohn fires in strike number three to end the inning.
Juan Morales



Two runners advance as Penny Siquieros blasts a single between short-stop and third. *Juan Morales*

Trike One! Strong pitching once again holds a comfortable lead. *Juan Morales*



Baseball Beat Goes On

Pre-season expectations ran high for the Seminole baseball team following last year's College World Series performance. It was one year ago that a young and inexperienced team finished third nationally after dropping two games to the Wichita State Shockers.

Losing only two seniors from last year's team, starter Clyde Keller, and bullpen catcher Matt Clements, it looked as though this squad might be the first in school history to win a national championship in any sport.

From top to bottom the squad was extremely load-

ed with talent. In fact, Seminole skipper Mike Martin commented, "This team is so deep that the question is not a matter of whether we can win games, but rather can we keep everyone on the team happy with their playing time. That is especially true for the players who are used to starting who might be playing a backup role this season."

The pitching staff was led by Academic All-American Gar Finvold, a hard throwing right-hander. Joining him in the rotation were converted reliever Rickie Kimball, frosh Chris Roberts, and Gary Painter or Roger Bailey on some occasions. Although this year's staff was extremely talented it

will be hard to improve on last year's performance in which they led the country in E.R.A.. Pitching coach Mike McLeod commented, "This year's pitching staff could be as good as last years, but to be better they will have to take us back to Omaha and win it all"

Offensively, the tribe had plenty of speed, power, and experience. Second round draft picks Chris Roberts and Kenny Felder should add some more pop to the line-up. Last year's leading hitter Bob Reboin returned, as well as sluggers Brad Parker, Buddy Cribb, Marc Ronan, and Pedro Grifol.

While expecting to make a run at the title, the Seminoles

improved the competition on their schedule as well. The more beefed up schedule includes dates with Arizona, Arizona State, Wichita State, North Carolina, as well as intra-state rivals Florida and Miami.

With the team's experience, speed, superior coaching, and maybe just a pinch of luck, it looks as though the Seminoles might just bring home that National Title. But, as Rickie Kimball stated, "It won't be a successful season in my mind unless we go to Omaha and win it all."

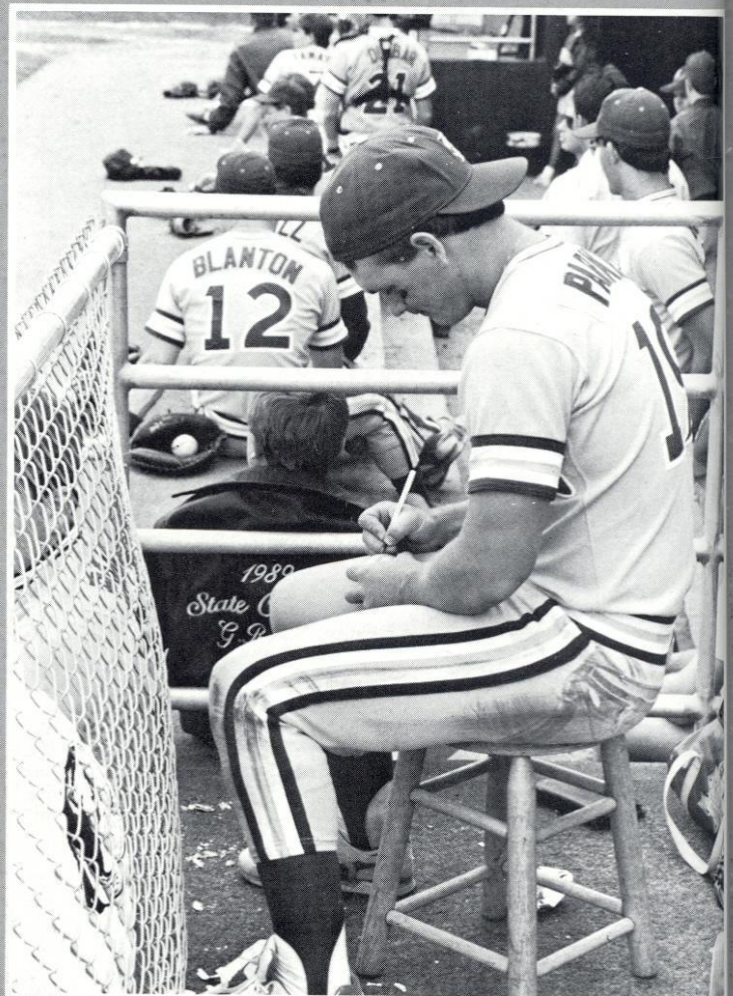
— Craig Rothberg

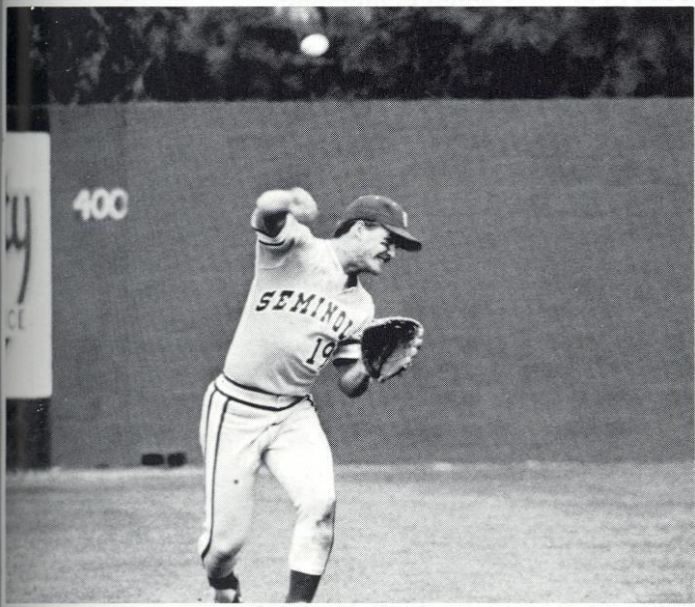


Hard throwing. Starting Pitcher Rickie Kimball turns up the heat on his fastball. *Zulma Crespo*

*"An aggressive, exacting style of baseball typifies the Seminoles 1990 squad which is loaded with senior leadership."
-FSU Sports Information*

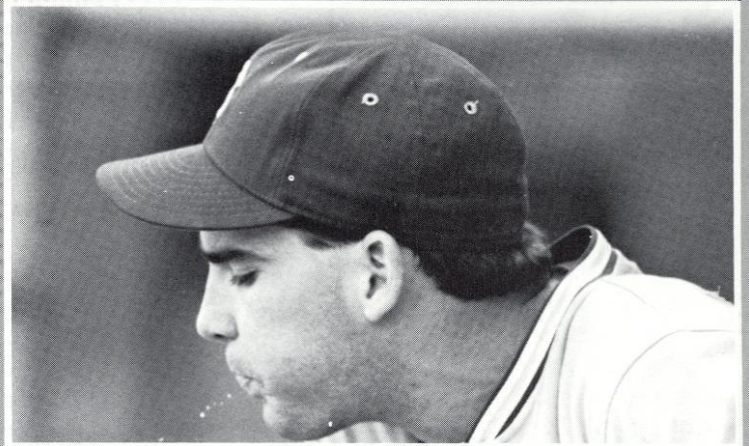
Sign right here. Starting leftfielder Brad Parker takes time to sign an autograph during a game. *Zulma Crespo*





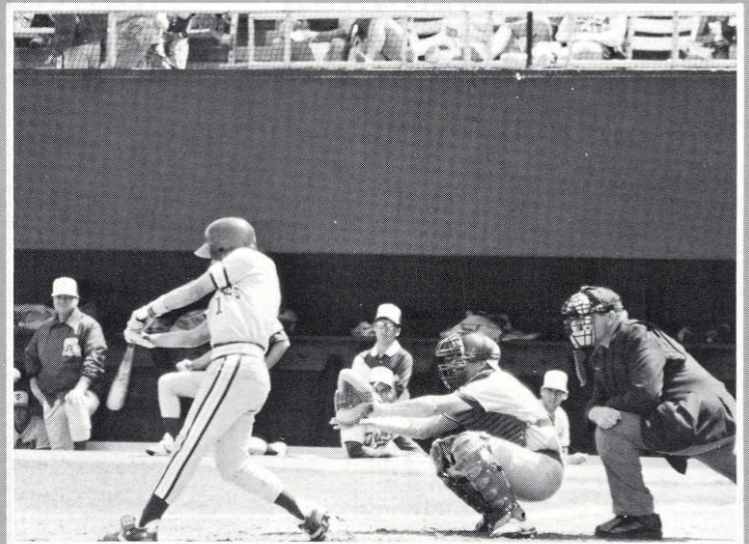
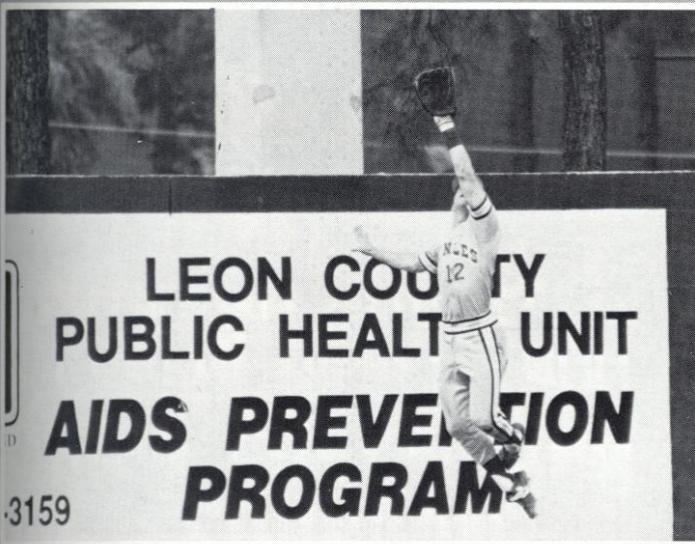
Leftfielder Brad Parker shows the gun he has in left as he throws the ball in from the outfield. *Zulma Crespo*

Chewin' time away. Mike Brady, the Seminoles long reliever enjoys sunflower seeds in the pen. *Zulma Crespo*



Relief. The Seminoles spell save with bullpen ace Brad Gregory. *Zulma Crespo*

Highway robbery. Garrett Blanton gets way up to rob this home run shot. *Zulma Crespo*



Batter up. The Noles feast on an opponents pitch. *Zulma Crespo*

Freshmen Bypass Major League Baseball for FSU

Heading into the season, the Seminole baseball team was loaded with a wealth of returning talent. That fact by itself was enough to bring a smile to the face of Head coach Mike Martin. Then, shortly after returning from a third place finish at the College World Series in Omaha, Nebraska, the smile on Coach Martin's face grew into an ear to ear grin. The reason? Two of the best high school baseball players in the nation decided to attend Florida State University to play college baseball.

When Kenny Felder and Chris Roberts announced that they would head to Tallahassee to display their baseball skills, the Seminole baseball fans rejoiced at the good news. Both Felder and Roberts were second round draft picks in the June '89 major league baseball draft. Usually, athletes of that caliber bypass the collegiate ranks in favor of the big money that awaits them in the major leagues. But in this case, Felder turned down a huge financial offer from the San Diego Padres, who picked him

46th overall, and Roberts passed up on a similar dollar figure offered by the Philadelphia Phillies in order to come to the University.

In their first season, as was expected, both players made significant contributions to the Seminole baseball team. Felder, from Niceville, showed off his strong arm and tremendous power while batting close to .300 for the first two-thirds of the season. Middleburg's Roberts also excelled, becoming a regular hurler in the Seminoles starting pitching rotation. And

when Roberts wasn't on the mound, he was in the Seminole outfield, where he also earned a starting role. The dynamic duo of fantastic freshmen indeed proved to be a big reason for the Seminole's success on the field in 1990.

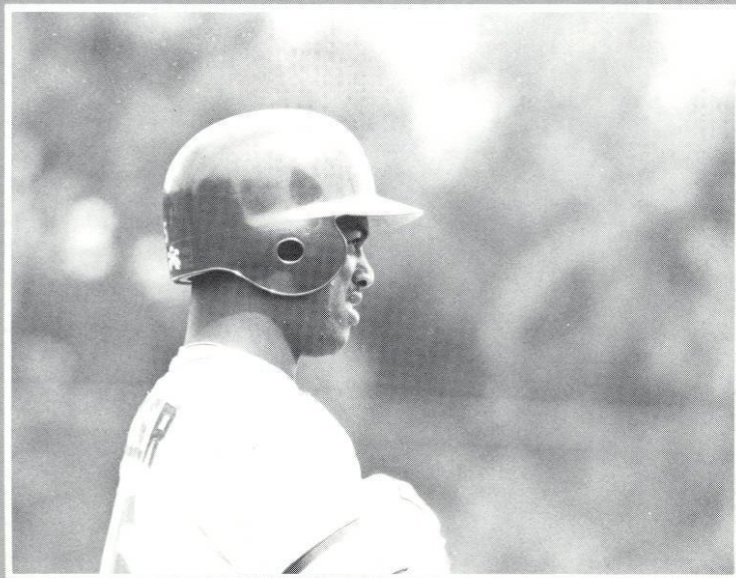
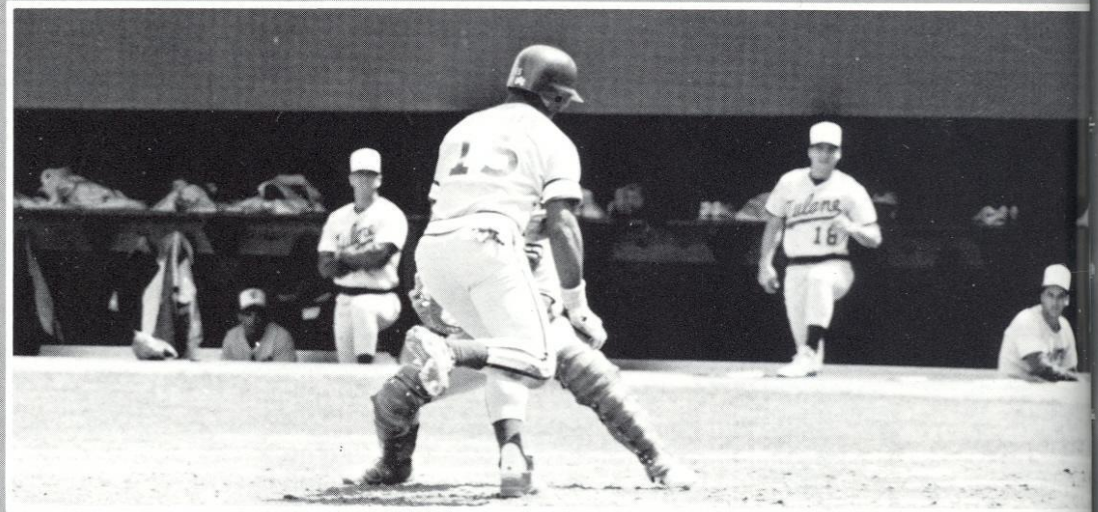
So while major league teams must wait for the arrival of the two stars, the University is more than happy to have Felder and Roberts wearing the garnet and gold of the Seminole baseball team. And Coach Mike Martin is still smiling.

— Tom Bloss

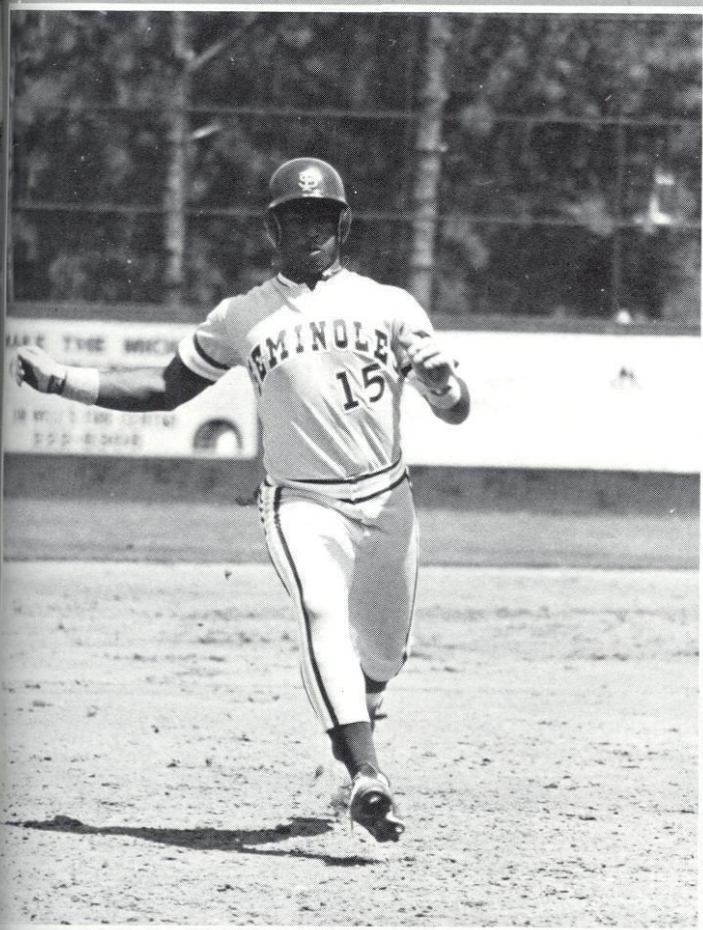
Rumbling down. A part time football and baseball player, Felder runs over the Tulane catcher on this play. *Zulma Crespo*

A man of power. Felder smashed two homers in the same inning of a game. *Zulma Crespo*

A second round draft pick of the Phillies, Roberts split time between pitcher and right field. *Zulma Crespo*



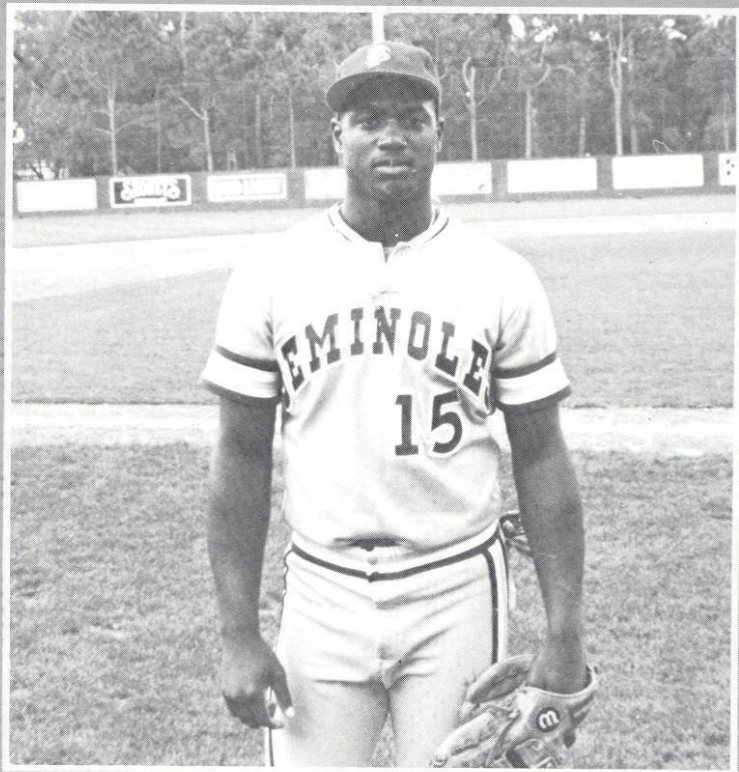
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Power and speed. Felder is also a threat to go when he's on the base paths. *Zulma Crespo*

"With already high expectations, the Tribe grabbed a pair of talented men that could be the final piece of the puzzle."

Homerun trot. Kenny Felder jaunts around the bags after a homerun against Tulane. *Zulma Crespo*



Chris Roberts was a second round pick of the Phillies. *Zulma Crespo*

Felder was drafted by the Padres. *Zulma Crespo*

600 and Counting

Winning baseball games has become second nature to Seminole head coach Mike Martin. Martin completed his eleventh season as the skipper of the Tribe in 1990. Martin has won fifty or more games every year since taking over as head coach in 1980. Every

Martin-coached Seminole team has made it to the NCAA Regionals. Late in the 1990 season, Mike Martin coached his 600th win. He reached this milestone faster than any collegiate coach ever.

Martin's best season came in 1986, when the Seminoles came within one game of win-

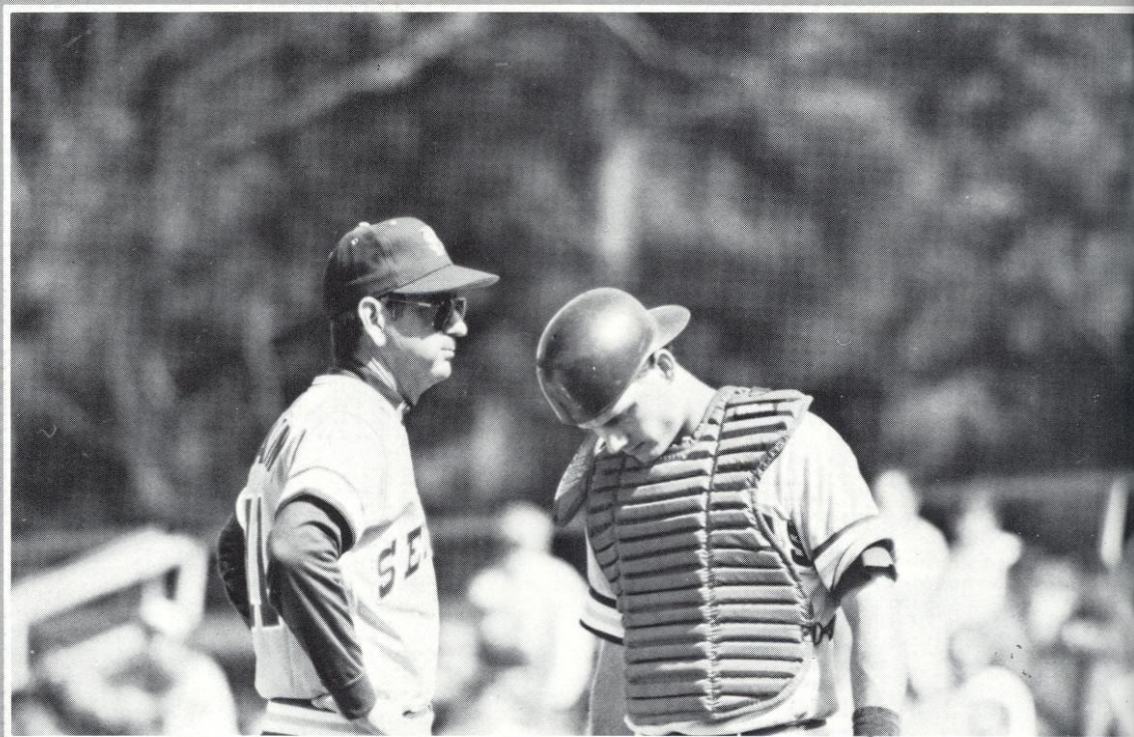
ning the College World Series and finished with a record of 61-13. Mike Martin has made the Tribe a consistent national championship contender and looks to add to his 600-plus career wins.

— R. Brett DeHart

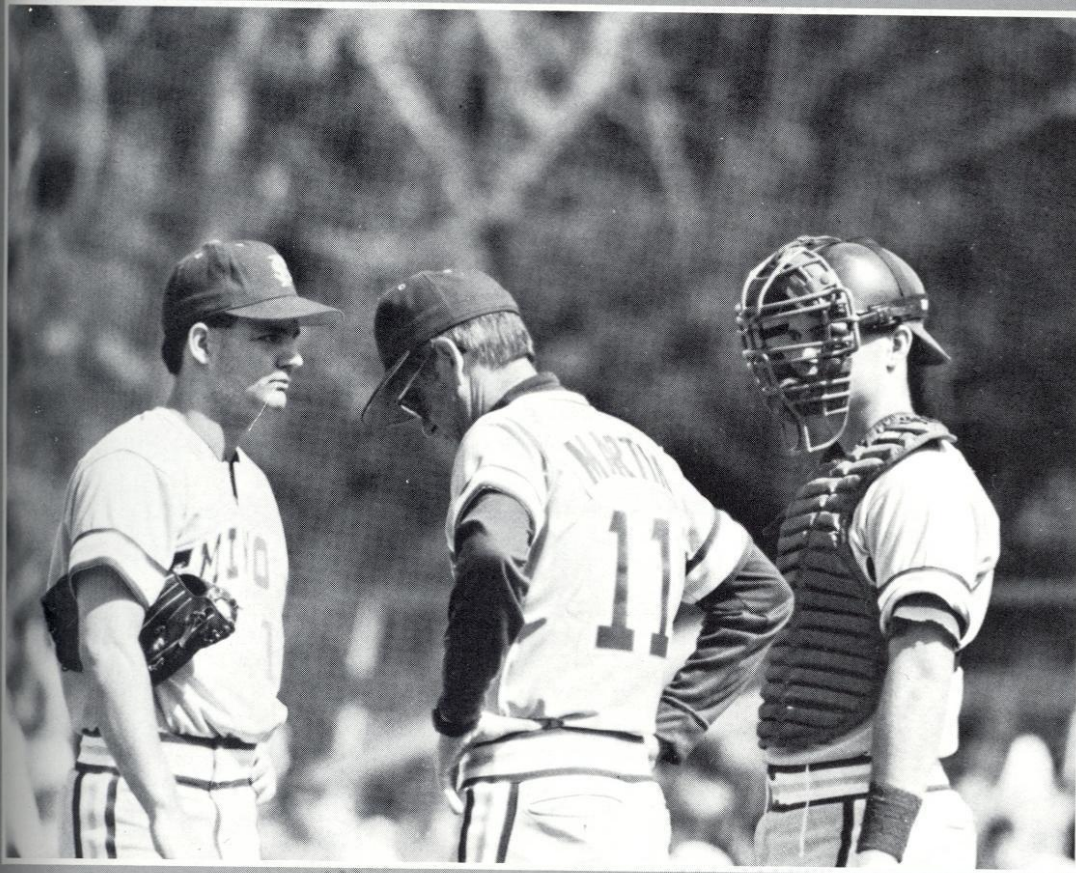
Skipper Mike Martin and Assistant Chip Baker look over things before the Miami game. *Zulma Crespo*

"It's almost hard to believe this one time centerfielder is heading into his second decade at the FSU helm. In the rich history of school baseball, no Seminole team had ever won 50 or more games before Martin took over."

-Sports Information

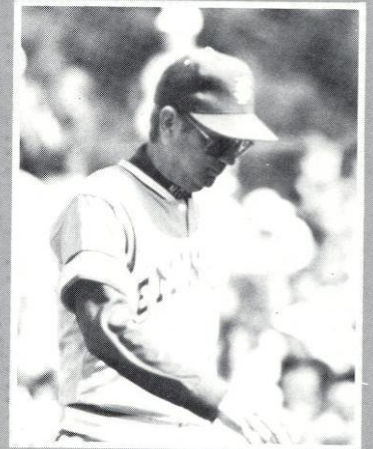
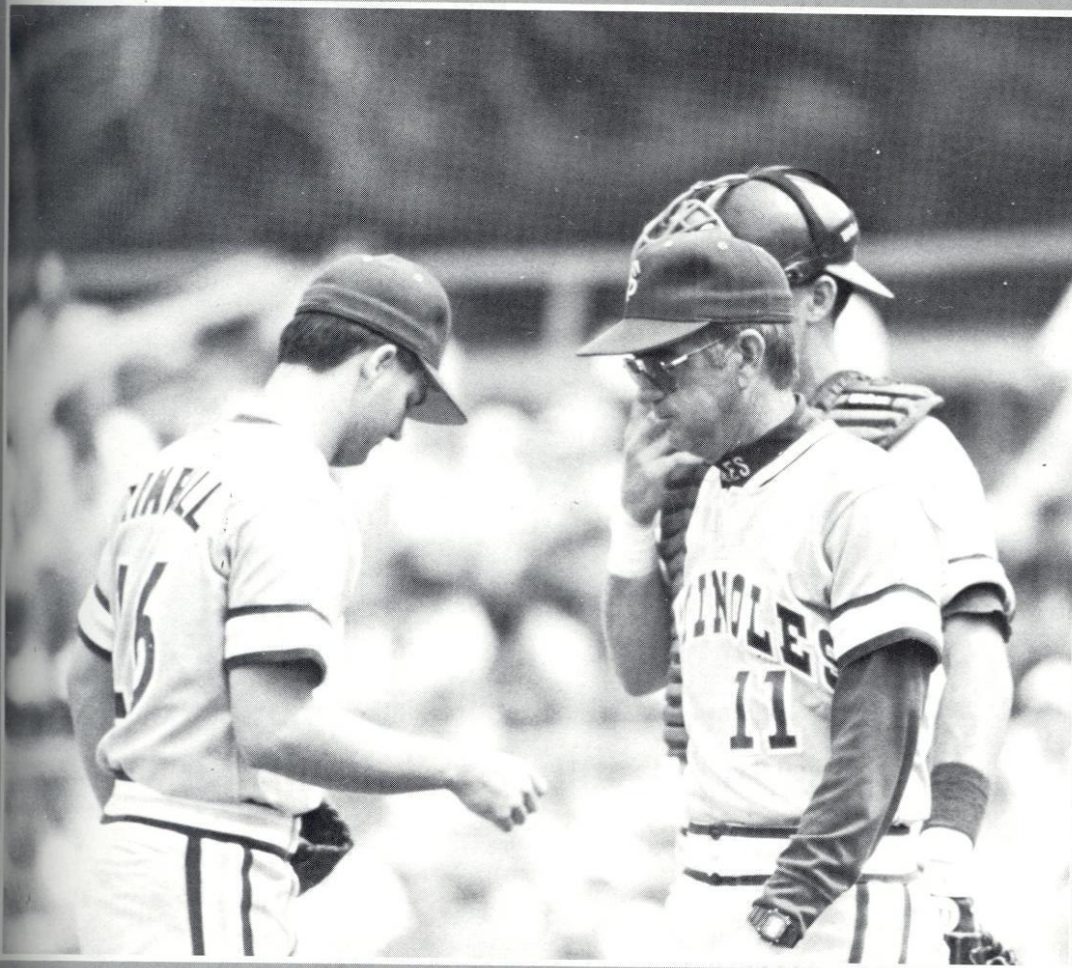


The move. Martin talks with catcher Marc Ronan after making a pitching change. *Zulma Crespo*



Meeting of the minds. Martin talks strategy with Rickie Kimball. Zulma Crespo

*"Under Martin's leadership the Tribe has never failed to reach the 50 win plateau."
-Sports Information*



A true winner. Martin stands alone as the University's all-time winningest coach. Zulma Crespo

After the brief meeting, it's time for a change, as relief is on its way. Zulma Crespo

Striving To Be The Best

The Seminoles' two golf teams had different goals for the 1989-1990 season. The men wanted to use their experience to rank higher in the national standings than last season. The women wanted to gain experience for their young players. Both teams seem to have accomplished their goals.

The men's golf team was ranked eleventh nationally half way through their season. The Seminoles were led by All-American Roger Winchester. He won the Golf Week Pre-National Invitational, the first tournament of the year. Winchester was not only an All-American on the golf course but also in the classroom. Junior Christian Williams and senior John Tighe played extremely well this season, according to head coach Verlyn Giles.

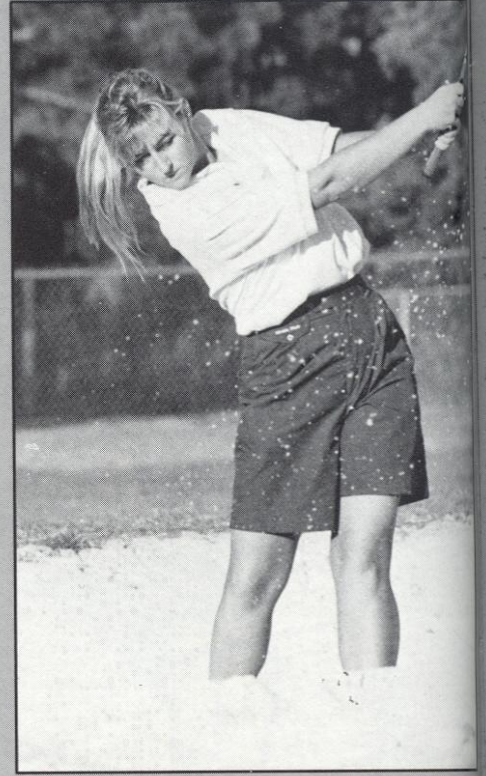
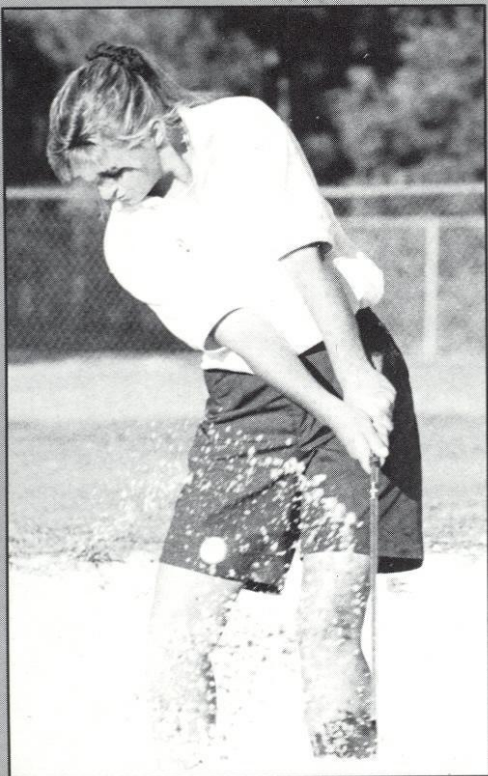
"The men did very well early in the fall and then didn't play that well in the late fall," said Coach Giles. The team was optimistic about its chances to do well in the spring.

The women's team was very young and inexperienced. The team consisted of one senior, four sophomores, and three freshmen. The Seminoles were led by senior Kathy Grant and sophomores Mary-Lee Cobick and Emma Rundle. The team was proud of its major academic accomplishment, the 1989 Athletic Academic Award. Recruiting for next season landed the number two high school player in the United States and a top player from Denmark. "The women's team could be national champions in a couple of years," declared Coach Giles. The future certainly looked bright for this young team.

— R. Brett DeHart

"The women's team could be national Champions in a couple of years!"

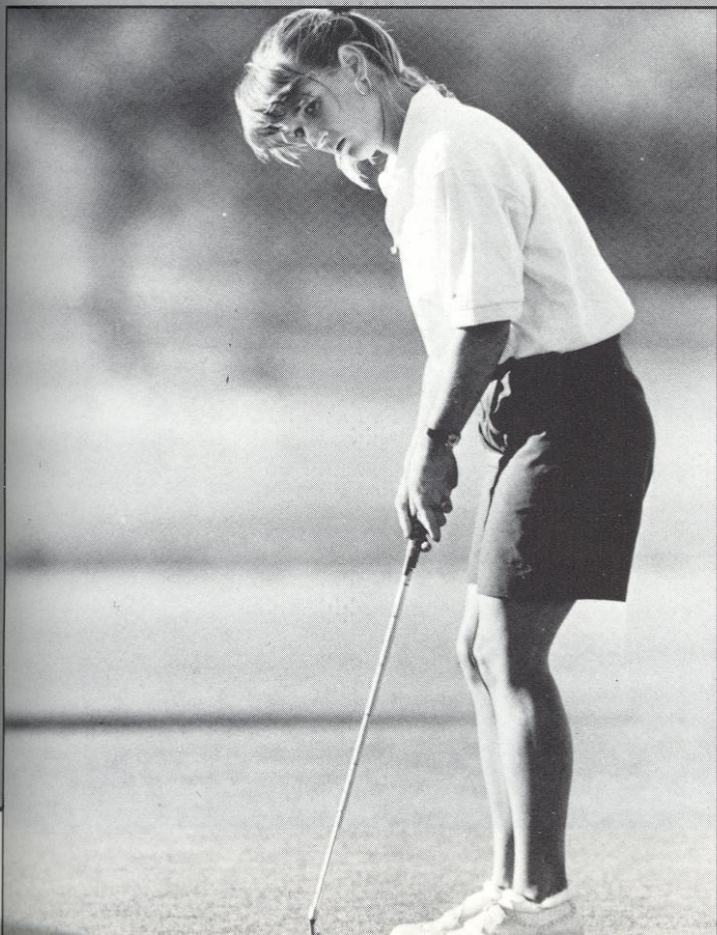
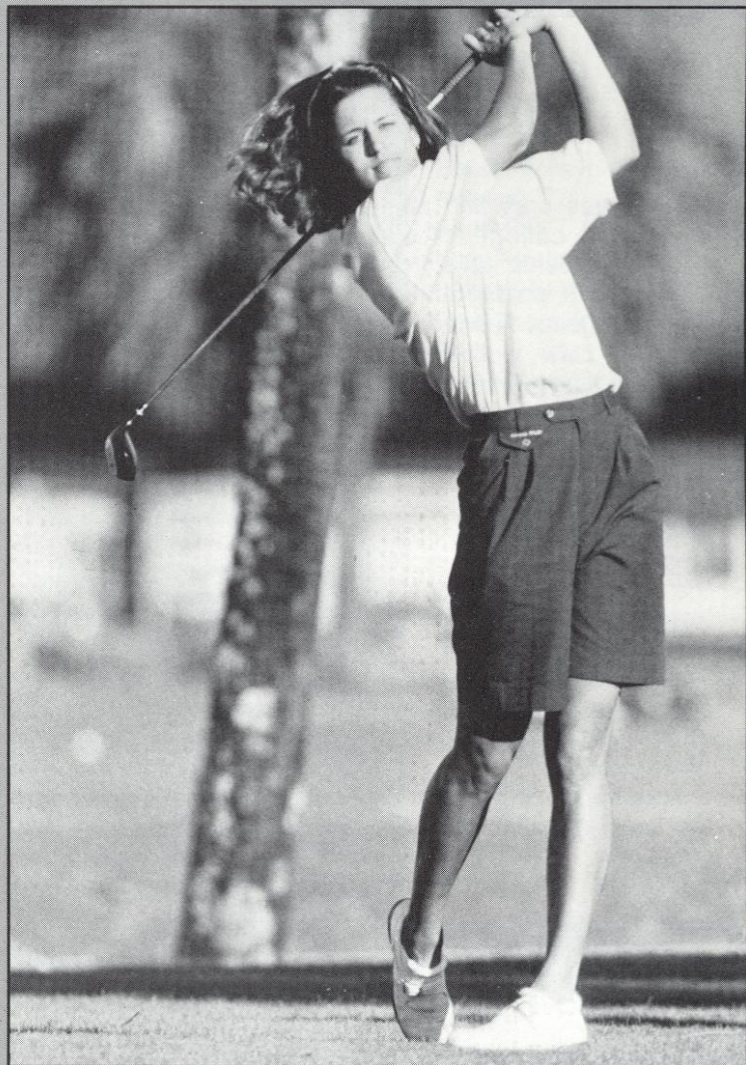
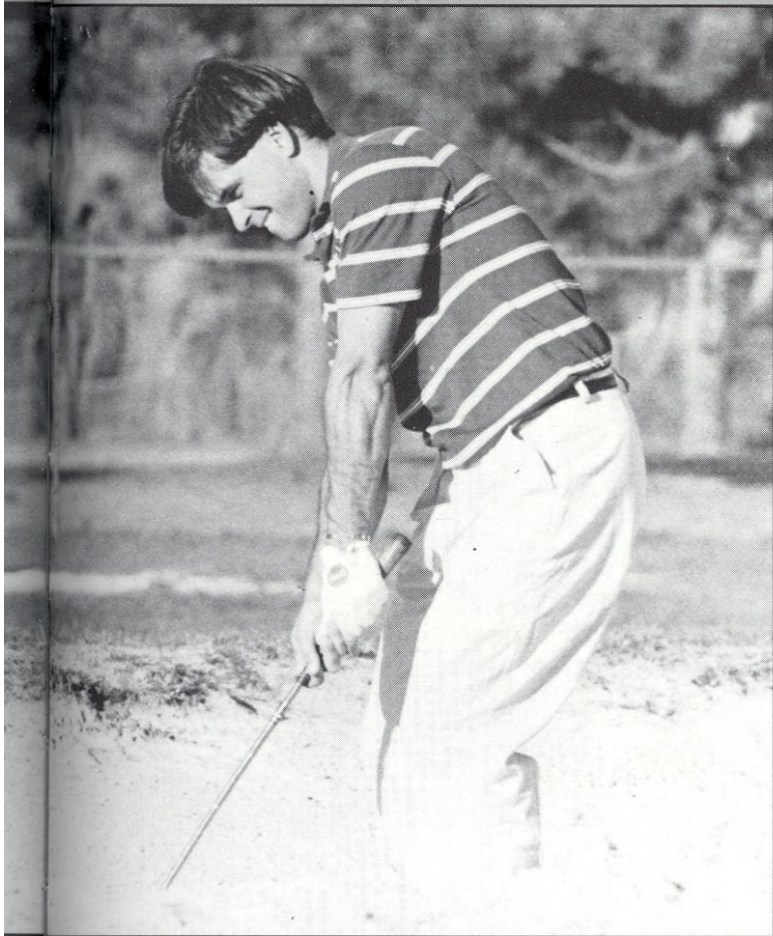
-Coach Giles



Out of the sand. Sophomore Emma Rundle chips out of trouble and onto the green. *Sports Information*

All-American. Senior Roger Winchester plans to play on the PGA tour after college. *Sports Information*

Fore! Sophomore Mary-Lee Cobick shows the swing that will lead the Seminoles in the years to come.



Lone Senior. Kathy Grant leads the Seminoles' young women's team to success.

The 1989-90 Golf Team. **Front Row L-R:** Kathy Garrahan, Kelly Pittman, Emma Rundle, Mary-Lee Cobick, and Kathy Grant. **Back Row L-R:** Lisa Carriell, Andy Purnell, Roger Winchester, Christian Williams, Billy Grant, John Tighe, and Jennifer Ernest.