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TOO MUCH CLASS SINKS RANGY SEMINOLE FIVE

Arnold Tops Scorers

VICTORY WAS INEVITABLE

By CHARLES LOVE

Memphis State beat back a second-quarter Florida State rally last night and went on to win its third straight basketball game, 87-73, at the Memphis State gym.

Actually, there was little need for the Tigers to be in trouble at all. They were that much better than Florida State. But in that second quarter, in trouble they were.

Tigers Start Early

Taking a 22-14 first quarter lead, Memphis State seemed to be on its merry way. Then Florida State, which must have realized by this time that it was beaten, decided not to accept the loss without a fight.

The Seminoles chipped away at that Tiger lead, and with three quick baskets midway in the quarter, tied the score at 25-25. Then, as some 2,000 fans tried to figure out just how the Floridians were doing it, the Seminoles went ahead, 27-25, on Tom Burst's jump shot. Baskets by Dick Kinder and Jack Butcher put Memphis State back in front, 29-27, and a flurry at the end of the quarter game the Tigers at 41-32 halftime lead.

The Tiger victory was inevitable—they had a just a little too much poise for the tall, but often awkward Floridans.

Class Tells

That class told more and more as the game went on, and most of the time Memphis State Coach Dr. Eugene Lambert was substituting freely. Forrest Arnold, who played less than three quarters, stayed around long enough, however, to win scoring honors with 20 points — one more than Tiger guard Jack Butcher.

Tops for Florida State was Jerry Westhafer who made 15.

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Special to The Democrat MEMPHIS, Tenn,-The Flor-State University basketball team: theaded into Arkansas today s where Wednesday night it concludes the current three-game road trip facing Arkansas State College in Jonesboro. The Tribe; will be attempting to salvage a from the trip, having win dropped an 82-79 decision to. Rollins in Winter Park Saturday! night and going down 87-53 here last night before a well-oiled Memphis State combine.

Last night's loss, eighth of the campaign for FSU against five. wins, was a case of too much! precision on the part of the Memphis aggregation. The Tennesseeans played a fast-break, driving brand of ball, which coupled with some fine shooting; from outside and the ability to drive in for laying from precision-drilled patterns, spelled

the difference.

Memphis State came up with two sharpshooters in guard Jack Butcher, a 5-9 performer, and forward Forest Arnold. Butcher rung the wickets for 19 points, while Arnold took the game's scoring honors with 20.

COLD HAM --- ---

The PSU cause was considerably hurt by its star guard Ham Wernke __not __contributing his usual 20 plus points per game. Wernke, currently holder of the nation's No. 15 position among the country's scoring leaders, was stone cold here last night. He scored but eight points, making only two field goals, and fouled out-early, getting the heave-hol with 7:17 remaining in the third period.

Florida State also lost the serval

Florida State also lost the services of forward Jerry Westhafer! who led the Indian scoring with. 15 points. Westhafer fouled out with 0:49 remaining in the fourth neat.

Memphis State grabbed an carly lead at 4-2 and with Arnold 1 and Butcher pumping 'em in, had a 22-14 edge after one stanza.

FSU fought back to knot the count at 25-25 and then took a 27-25 lead with 6:03 left in the second. The lead was short-lived; however, for Memphis railled with a vengence and behind some fancy shooting by Butcher, Arnold and Dick Kinder, ran the count to 41-33 at halftime.

The Tribe was unable to get the margin reduced in the third as a hot streak by Memphis State increased the gap, and the Tennessee team had a 73-55 lead

after three periods.

With Wernke and Westhafer out of the game, PSU lacked its scoring punch and could not nar-it row the deficit in the final n stanza.