

FOLLOWING RELATIVE CALM FOR THE PAST TWO SEASONS, Florida and Florida State basketball teams returned to their old ways of furious, frantic climaxes here last night.

When the din of a Tally Gym audience of 4,000 had subsided, Florida had a hard-earned 74-67 victory that included two final points that came minutes after official time had run out. And the visiting Gators of Norman Sloan didn't even have to shoot for those two points.

ROUGH FINISH

Here's the way things developed in a stormy second half.

Florida, holding a 41-35 half-time lead, pulled ahead by nine points early after intermission. But the Seminoles came back to tie the game for the eighth time, 63-63, on sophomore Charlie Long's layup with 3:41 left.

Then Fedor, FSU's fine junior forward, pumped in a long left-hand jump shot with 3:04 left and the Seminoles had a 65-63 edge.

Then Bobby Shiver, Florida's high-scoring senior forward, slipped through for a driving layup as he was fouled by Ray Swain. Shiver made the free throw and Florida had a 66-65 lead, with 2:47 to play.

The Gators went into a freeze and FSU had to foul them to get the ball. Four Gator free throws made it 70-65 before FSU's Bill Cotton canned two free throws to cut it to 70-67 with six seconds left.

TECHNICAL CALL

As the final buzzer sounded, Shiver hit a twisting hook shot and picked up a foul by Swain. Immediately after, a technical foul was called on FSU when assistant coach Hugh Durham leaped from the bench to protest the call.

Shiver had two free throws coming with no time left. Many in the spirited crowd rushed onto the floor and refused to heed pleas by FSU Coach Bud Kennedy to clear the court. Officials awarded Shiver the two free throws without the 6-2 Gator leader having to shoot.

That final act made Shiver the game's high scorer with 22 points, eight in the final three minutes. He edged Fedor, who scored 21 points to mark his 31st straight game in double figures for the Seminoles.

Florida also got double-figure scoring from guard Lou Merchant (15), a first-half spark; forward George Jung (13) and center Cliff Luyk (13). Cotton had 15 and Long 11 for the Seminoles.

"I thought the crowd was great," said Sloan. "I was thrilled to have them get as excited as they did. The crowd wasn't like that when I was here before."

Sloan, in his first year at Florida, had brought his Citadel team into Tallahassee last year. It was the fourth straight victory for a Sloan-coached team over FSU.

"FSU has a fine ball club," Sloan continued. "That's what makes basketball great . . . a fine game like that . . . it's too bad both teams couldn't have won."

after playing a game like that. I can see how they (the Seminoles) beat Kentucky at Lexington."

The Seminoles, forced to shoot from outside most of the time by a Florida zone defense, led by 15-10 after the first seven minutes. But Shiver and Merchant propelled the Gators into their six-point halftime lead.

Long, sophomore Faurest Coogle, and Fedor sparked the last-half FSU drive that caught and passed the Gators at 65-63. In the second half, Fedor had 10 points, Coogle 8, and Long 7.

FSU outlit the Gators from the field, making good on 26 of 67 attempts for 38.8 per cent. Florida had 24 field goals in 65 attempts for 36.9 per cent.

A DIFFERENCE

The Gators won it from the free-throw line and under the boards. They hit 26 of 34 free throws while FSU was making 15 of 23. With Jung hogging 16 rebounds, the Gators had a 55-43 edge in rebounds.

It was Florida's second straight triumph after three losses this season and gives them a 6-1 hold on the series with FSU. The Seminoles, who face Florida in a return game at Gainesville in February, are now 3-3.

FSU meets South Carolina and Clemson on a two-game road trip opening Saturday night at Columbia, S. C.

Florida's freshmen made it a clean sweep for the Gators by handing the FSU frosh their first loss, 78-59, in the preliminary game. Both teams now have 3-1 records.

Guard Paul Morton paced the Baby Gators with 22 points. Guard Bobby Lovell bagged 12 field goals and a game-high 25 points for Fred Powers' Baby Seminoles.

FLORIDA	FG	FT	PF	TP
Shiver	7-17	8-9	2	21
Jung	2-4	7-8	3	11
Lusk	4-8	5-8	3	13
Moran	0-0	2-4	4	2
Merchant	6-19	3-3	2	15
Poh	2-8	1-1	1	5
Morrison	1-7	0-0	1	2
Metzger	1-2	0-0	1	2

Totals	24-65	26-34	10	74
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FLA. STATE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Fedor	9-18	3-4	3	21
Coogle	3-8	3-5	3	9
Swain	3-11	2-4	4	8
Coston	5-17	5-7	1	15
Davis	1-3	1-1	4	3
Long	5-7	1-2	4	11
Ricketts	0-2	0-0	0	0
Ashworth	0-2	0-0	0	0

Totals	26-67	15-23	23	67
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Florida	41-31	74
Florida State	35-32	67

Attendance: 4,100.

FLA. FROSH	FG	FT	PF	TP
Reedy	1-4	4-5	3	6
Stokks	2-11	1-3	3	11
Clark	4-6	10-14	0	18
Morton	10-13	2-7	1	22
Patterson	0-11	1-3	2	13
Arnold	0-0	1-2	4	1
Wilson	0-0	0-0	2	0
Anderson	1-1	0-0	0	2
Bolden	1-4	1-2	1	3
Bierens	0-0	0-0	0	0
Mohler	1-2	0-0	0	2

Totals	18-52	26-41	16	78
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FSU FROSH	FG	FT	PF	TP
Lynch	4-11	0-0	2	8
Woodrow	2-4	1-1	5	5
H. Clark	1-7	0-0	3	2
Lovell	12-20	1-3	3	25
Buller	1-3	3-7	3	7
Bynum	1-2	1-1	2	3
Boyer	0-0	0-0	1	0
Parkerfield	0-0	1-1	0	1
Ballard	1-2	2-3	1	4
Kubinski	1-2	0-0	3	2
Blanchi	0-0	0-0	0	0
Corby	0-0	2-2	0	2
Broughton	0-0	0-1	0	0

Totals	23-55	13-20	25	59
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