

INDIANS BANG OUT 20 HITS

Tilt Tonight Ends Exhibition Slate

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Scalped by Florida State University's slugging Seminoles 16-6 in a venture into the college competition last night, the Tallahassee Citizens are scheduled to return to "less dangerous" class D circles tonight when they meet the Opelika Owls of the Georgia-Alabama league in Centennial field at 8.

Tonight's tilt is the final one of the spring exhibition schedule for Owner Ray Ryan's club, and the Citizens will be gunning for a victory to square their record at four wins and four losses.

Rookie righthander Amery "Pope" Frezza, promising little "stuff" pitcher, was tabbed by playing-manager Chuck Quimby as the probable starter for the Citizens tonight.

OLD INDIAN MEDICINE

Coach Charlie Armstrong's Seminoles, who have been blasting a swath through southern college baseball circles with their hitting power, applied the same treatment to the Citizens last night that they have handed out to eight of their nine college foes.

Led by pitcher Bob Whitmer and shortstop Augie Pompelia, who slammed four hits apiece—including combined collection of one home run and two triples—the Indians raked the off rings of four Citizen hurlers for 20 blows to waltz in to an easy decision.

Whitmer, who went all the way on the Seminole mound in his first appearance for the Indians, yielded 14 blows to the class D club, but kept them well scattered until the eighth when the Citizens bunched three hits with the only two passes the tall righthander issued to score half of their runs.

ON THE LABEL

It was Whitmer, a key man on Bud Kennedy's NAIB cage squad, who put the Seminoles out in front to stay in the second inning. Catching hold of one of the veteran Indian Jiminez' serves on the fat of the bat, Whitmer poled a two-run homer over the leftfield screen around the 340 foot mark.

That wallop put FSU out in front 3-1, and with another run coming up later in the same frame the Garnet and Gold was off to the races.

The KO punch in the slow, one-sided affair was delivered in the seventh inning when the college crew rolled eight runs across the plate on six base hits, three passes and an error.

Jiminez, the ranking ace of the Citizens staff, was accorded a rude reception by the collegians, who massaged him for nine hits and seven runs before he departed from the premises in the sixth in favor of lanky Lew Ballard.

Ballard, in turn, was derricked in the big seventh in favor of Mike Jiminez. Ray Skop, Detroit boy who is now living here, worked the last two frames for the pro club.

GOOD FASTBALL

Whitmer, displaying a very good fastball, racked up eight strikeouts over the nine-inning route, getting half of them in the last three frames against a host of Citizen reserves though a lot of the heat was gone from the Indian's fireball by that time.

A single by Lee Bailey, a pass, error and infield out gave the Seminoles a "quickie" in the top of the first.

The Citizens managed to match that counter when George Wehmeyer shot a bullet past Whitmer's ear, went to second on a fielder's choice and rode around on John Ewaniak's one-timer to left.

After Whitmer poled his circuit clout with Wayne Benner aboard, the Seminoles got another counter on Glenn Greshman's stinging line double to left and an infield error.

The Citizens came back with a run of their own in the second on successive singles by Bob Heles,

Howard McCormick and Jiminez to trail 4-2.

A pass to Bob Trowbridge and Pompella's first triple, a high pop to right that bounded away from newcomer Ron Lieb, made it 5-2 in the fourth.

ROOF FALLS

Wehmeyer's sharp double to left, an infield out and Skipper Quimby line single to center left the Citizens with a 6-3 deficit going into the sixth, but the roof was about to fall in.

Greshman's second double, Pompella's single and two errors made it 8-3 in the sixth.

Quimby juggled his lineup going into the seventh, leaving only four starters in the trenches, and the Seminoles greeted the replacements with a rollicking reception, pounding those eight big runs across.

A walk to Bobby Tomchak, Nick D'Antonio's triple to right, a fielder's choice and singles by Caparocco and Marsalissi gave the Citizens their last three runs in the seventh.

The Indians final tally came on

Pompella's second triple and Ken Smith's single.

It could have been worse. FSU left 15 runners stranded on the sacks, being retired twice with the bases full and three times with two runners on.

The win was FSU's ninth of the year against one loss. They play Stetson in DeLand this weekend with big Ed Lockard due to open the series.

The loss was the Citizens fourth against three wins.

A crowd of 793, including 415 FSU students, was on hand. It was the largest crowd of the exhibition schedule here.

BOX SCORE

FLORIDA STATE	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Bailey, 2b	7	2	2	4	2	0	
Gresham, rf	5	3	2	1	0	0	
Trowbridge, 3b	6	1	1	1	3	0	
Pompella, ss	7	3	4	3	3	0	
Melton, c	6	1	2	2	0	0	
Smith, 1b	4	1	2	7	0	0	
Mullen, cf	5	1	1	1	0	0	
Benner, lf	6	2	2	1	0	0	
Whitmer, p	5	2	4	0	1	1	

Totals	51	16	20	27	9	1	
TALLAHASSEE	AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Wehmeyer, ss	3	1	2	0	0	0	
Tomchak, cf	4	1	0	2	0	0	
Quimby, 1b	3	0	2	0	0	0	
Ewaniak, lf, 1b	2	0	1	2	0	0	
Howe, 3b	5	1	1	0	4	1	
Lieb, rf	5	0	0	1	0	0	
Heles, 2b	3	1	1	1	2	1	
McCormick, c	2	0	2	3	0	0	
F Jiminez, p	2	0	1	0	0	2	
xTurner, c, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0	
xxByrum, ss	2	1	0	2	2	1	
Skop, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Ballard, p	1	0	1	0	1	1	
Caparocco, 2b	2	0	1	2	2	0	
D'Antonio, lf	2	1	1	0	0	0	
Marsalissi, c	1	0	1	0	1	0	
M Jiminez, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Totals	40	6	14	27	12	6	

x--Run for McCormick in 4th.

xx--Run for Wehmeyer in 5th.

Score by innings:	R	H	E
Florida State	130	102	810-16 20 1
Tallahassee	110	010	300-6 14 6

Runs batted in: Pompella 4, Ewaniak 1, Whitmer 4, Jiminez, Quimby, Trowbridge 1, Benner 1, Bailey 1, Howe 1, Marsalissi, Melton 2. Two-base hits: Gresham 2, Wehmeyer, Smith. Three-base hits: Pompella 2, D'Antonio. Home runs: Whitmer. Stolen bases: Bailey. Double plays: Pompella-Bailey-Smith; Trowbridge-Bailey-Smith. Left on bases: Florida State 15, Tallahassee 16. Bases on balls: E Jiminez 3, Ballard 2, M Jiminez 1, Whitmer 2. Strikeouts: E Jiminez 3, Whitmer 2, Skop 1. Hits off: E Jiminez, 5 for 7 runs in 5 1/2 innings; off Ballard, 3 for 6 runs in 1 inning; off M Jiminez, 2 for 2 runs in 1/2 inning. Hit by pitcher: F Jiminez (Ewaniak). Losing pitcher: F Jiminez. Umpires: Dehaney and Schenck. Time: 2:40.