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University of Florida's baseball team finally scored on Florida State after 33 consecutive innings in which it hadn't.

But that was all the Gators got here last night as the Seminoles won 3-1, for their 21st straight success.

This afternoon Florida State hoped to even an all-time score against Florida.

UF now holds a 23-22 edge in a series that started in 1956. Victory in a 3 p.m. game here today could square things for the Seminoles.

Slick no-walks pitching by George Lott was the notable difference last night as the Seminoles pushed their season record to 30-5.

The senior lefthander, who cut out a 2-0 record last year with just 3 1-3 innings of relief pitching, lifted his '69 won-lost chart to 7-1 as he scattered nine hits, struck out five.

But the 9-hit total off him is deceptive. Lott faced the minimum number of batters in six of the nine innings, didn't have a ball hit out of the infield off him until the fourth. About half the hits he yielded were of the "scratch" variety.

The Seminoles had a 21-game winning streak severed by the Gators in Gainesville late last season, with UF downing them twice in that

ballyard. But when Florida came to Tallahassee for a 3-game set shortly after that, the Seminoles shut out Coach Dave Fuller's crew in each of the three.

Florida broke the scoreless spell at 33 inings when it got its lone run in the seventh last night on Tony Dobie's single, an infield out, and Skip Lujack's blooper to right. Lujack was trying to check his swing on the pitch.

The Gators, already down 3-0 before that run, then loaded the bases on singles by Rod Wright and Joe Ovca with one out. But Mike Easom turned pinch-hitter Jim Gruber's hot

grounder to third into a brilliant double play, stepping on the bag then making the long throw to first for the final out.

Lujack had singles each of his four times up.

The Seminoles, who rapped out 11 hits off two UF hurlers, starter David Kahn and reliefer Jim Courier, loaded the bases in three successive innings — 2nd, 3rd, 4th — and did all their scoring in that span.

Jeff Hogan started it with a leadoff hit to short. After Eason grounded out, sending him to second, Hogan stole third. Then Kahn walked Dick Nichols and Mike English. Jim Gurzynski's fly to deep left brought Hogan home.

Dick Gold's single, followed by walks to Hogan and Eason, precipitated the departure of Kahn, whereupon Courier stilled the threat by striking out Nichols and getting English on a force-out grounder.

But Gurzynski led off the 4th with a double to left. After Lott fanned, Walt Sumner and David Moates singled, filling the bases. Gold walked, forcing in one run, and Hogan's grounder brought in another.

Though the Seminoles tagged Courier for five more hits after that and forged some sort of threat in each following inning, they couldn't get a man home. Courier gave no more walks and got good support afield.

It was, as a matter of fact, an extremely well played game. Only error charged to either side was on catcher Ovca's muff of a pop foul.

Few of the estimated 2500 folks in the park — every seat in the stands was taken and many were standing — left early. Neither did the two or three hundred fans who watched from outside the park, ringing the outfield fences.

The Gators had the makings of a rally with two out in the last inning, when Lujack and pinch-hitter Dale Turlington singled. But Lott got Ovca to rap the ball to Hogan, who threw to Gold for the force at second, ending it.

The loss left Florida with a 20-12 record, and dropped Kahn's pitching record to 3-3.

Sumner, Hogan, Nichols and Lott each had two singles apiece. Gurzynski's double was the lone extra-base blow of the night. The Seminoles left 11 runners stranded, Florida six.

Coach Jack Stallings planned to pitch Gene Ammann (8-1) against the Gators this afternoon. Florida's choice was uncertain.

The Seminoles face Georgia Southern here tomorrow night and Thursday afternoon, followed with Georgia Tech here Friday night and Saturday afternoon.

FLORIDA	ab	r	h	FSU	ab	r	h
McTheney cf	4	0	1	Sumner cf	5	1	2
B'worth 2b	4	0	0	Moates lf	4	0	1
Dobies lf	4	1	1	Gold 2b	3	0	1
Harman rf	4	0	0	Hogan ss	3	1	2
Lujack lb	4	0	4	Eason 3b	2	0	0
Jacobsen pr	0	0	0	Nichols rf	3	0	2
Wright 3b	3	0	1	English c	3	0	0
Turlington ph	1	0	1	Gur'ski lb	3	1	1
Macon pr	0	0	0	Lott p	4	0	2
Ovca c	4	0	1				
Williams ss	2	0	0				
Gruber ph	1	0	0				
Kahn p	1	0	0				
Courier p	2	0	0				

TOTALS	34	1	9	TOTALS	30	3	11
Florida			0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—1				
FSU			0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—1				

E—Ovca. RBI—Gurzynski. G o l d,  
Hogan, Lujack. DP — Florida 1, FSU  
2. LOB — Florida 6, FSU 11. 2b—  
Gurzynski. SB—Hogan, Sumner. S —  
Eason SF — Gurzynski.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kahn (L.3-3)	2	3	3	1	1	5
Courier	5	2	3	2	2	5
Lott (W.7-1)	9	9	1	1	0	5

Balk — Courier U — Reed and  
Huggins T — 2:08 A—2:48 P.