From the Tallahassee Democrat May 19, 1970, page 14

AUBURN, Ala. — Coach Jack Stallings told Florida State's baseball team it had received the NCAA District 3 bid as the Seminoles' bus carried from to face Auburn's Tigers Monday afternoon.

The Seminoles reaction was as could have been expected, but the true reaction was not seen until they look the field against the Tigers for their 5-0

shutout victory.

FSU, after losing three of its last four games, bounced back to regain the form of the Seminole team at mid-season. The Tribe played near errorless ball, capitalized on Auburn mistakes, and got the big hit when it was needed.

Pitcher Gene Ammann, meanwhile, handcuffed the Tigers on just two hits — both by second baseman Russ Walker. The Seminole righthander walked three, struck out nine, running his record to 11-0 for the season.

The Seminole mark jumped to 39-6-1, equaling FSU's record for most wins in a season. The 1970 Tribe will be trying to put itself in the record book this afternoon in the final of the two-game series here.

Righthander Carl Gromek has been tabbed to start on the mound.

Monday's game was scoreless through the first four innings as Ammann and Earl Nance were engaged in a tight pitcher's duel.

In the fifth, however, the Seminoles got to the big

Auburn lefthander.

With one out, Greg Gromek walked and went to second on Jim Scheller's single to center. John Keith lined a shot to centerfield sending Gromek home, and when Joe Haefner let the ball get by him. Scheller also scored.

Ammann moved Keith to third with an infeld out and Dick Nichols singled the Tribe catcher home with the third run of the inning.

That was all the runs Ammann would really need, but his teammates added single tallies in the eighth and ninth for insurance.

A walk and two singles loaded the bases in the eighth, before a second walk to Gromek forced John Grubb home with the four run.

Ammann singled to open the ninth, and singles by Greg Schnute and Grubb loaded the bases. Ron Cash lifted a sacrifice fly to rightfield

sending Ammann home with

the game's final score.

Ammann never had the pressure of a no-hitter as Walker got his first hit with two out in the first, but that was the only safety for the Tigers until the Auburn second sacker singled again with one away in the ninth.

In the opener of the District 3 playoffs at Gastonia, N. C., a week from Thursday the Seminoles will face East Carolina — the Southern Conference champion — at 3 p.m. Also accepting a bid to the double - elimination playoffs yesterday was Mississippi State's SEC champions. The Bulldogs (30-6) will meet the Atlantic Conference Coast champs at 8 p.m.

Clemson or Maryland will represent the ACC. Maryland can tie Clemson for the title by winning a makeup game against Virginia tomorrow. If Maryland wins, it will meet Clemson in a one-game playoff

for the title.

FLA, ST.	AUBURN				
al.			ab r	h bi	
Nichots 2b	501	Ranco	a tne	5 4	00
Schnute, cf	402	Demp	sey li	1 4	0.0
Grubb rf	5 1 1	Walke			0 2
Cash 3b	401	Merch	ant (	: 4	00
Cocks II	4 0 1	Collin	s If		0 0
Groniek 35	231	Haetn	er cf	3	0.0
Scheller 16	411	Martin			0.0
Keith c	4   1	HAH	Jb -	3	0 0
Ammann p	312	Nance	p ·		0 0
TOTALS	35 5 11		ALS		0 2
F\$U '			300		_ 5
AUBURN			000		_ ō
_E - w	alker.	Haefor	P.F.		
PO-A FSU-22	-8. A2	27-12.	OP -	- FS1	1.1:
A-1: RBI -	<ul> <li>Keith</li> </ul>	Nich	ols.	Gron	iek.
Cash; LOB -	FSU-10	A-5.		<b>-</b>	
58 - 5ch			SF	_ c	ash
		Н			
Ammann (W.	11-01	9 2	0	0 3	
Nance (L.3-4)					6
HBP - By					
Keith: T - 2:				•••	•
•		1 .			