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## FSU Drops Crucial Pair To Miami

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The Florida State Seminoles are not dead, but they're gurgling at the throat and a coroner has been summoned.

And if Miami didn't deliver the coup in a double dip here yesterday, then it was a good imitation.

After dropping the doubleheader by scores of 5-4 and 4-3, the Seminoles need a miracle something akin to walking on water — if they are to achieve their goal — a bid to the District III tournament.

Barring unforseen developm e n t s among the selection committee Monday, the Seminoles have only 11 games left. All of which were booked in the record number 69-game schedule.

That isn't enough to reach the secondary goal of a 50-victory season, either, after the record dipped to 37-17, which does give the Seminoles a dubious honor — the most defeats in a season. It surpassed the record 16 losses of last year when the Seminoles first started playing a record number of games.

The Seminoles do get one last shot at saving a little face when they wind up the three-game series with the Hurricanes tonight. Game time is at 7:30 with Dave Price scheduled for mound duty.

It was the lack of effective pitching, coupled with an equal lack of clutch hitting and misplays that did the Seminoles in twice yesterday.

Miami took two routes to the double win t h a t boosted its

record to 30-16 and kept its flickering hopes alive for one of the three spots reserved for independents at Gastonia, N.C. The Hurricanes came from

behind in the afternoon game and held off the Seminoles in the night session.

Holding to its new-found

formula of striking early and dying, Florida State took a 3-0 advantage in the afternoon, then wound up losing it on a throwing error by pitcher Bill Fuller.

Four of the Seminoles' nine hits came in the first inning when singles by Denny Williams, Herb Sikes, Randy Gailey and Rick Snyder and an error produced the three runs.

From then on it was the strong pitching of Rick Patrylo, now 12-3, bunched hits and opportunity.

opportunity. The Hurricanes jumped on Fuller, who had retired the side on a 13-pitch, three-strikeout show in the first inning, for five hits and three tying runs in the third. A run-producing single by shortstop Bobby Flynn and a two-run single by second baseman Ben Castillo were the telling blows.

The killer, however, came in the fifth when Doug Holka led off with a double and scored the tie-breaking run when Fuller fielded an easy hopper back to the mound, and promptly threw it into the FSU bullpen, clearing the first baseman by a good 10 feet for a three-base error.

On the next pitch Al Volpe lofted a sacrifice fly to right to provide the eventual winning run, which was needed be cause of Gailey's sole homer his sixth of the season — over the right field fence.

The Seminoles had missed a chance in the fourth when they left the bases loaded after a walk and two singles.

However, the Seminoles missed most of their good scoring chances of the day in the second game when they left seven base runners stranded.

They did manage to score a run in the second on John Li-Brandi's single and two more in the sixth on Tim Sherrill's seventh home run.

But, it wasn't enough to offset the Hurricanes, who scored what proved to be the winning run on Dean Fuko's sixth-inning homer.

It gave the Canes a 4-1 lead

at the time after scoring in the first on Will Beckman's double and twice in the third — one run scoring on Holka's single following Flynn's leadoff triple.

The other came when Sherrill, returning the pitched ball to the pitcher, overthrew to permit Holka to race home from third.

But, it was that kind of a day for the Seminoles, one that'll probably go down in history.

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