the kickoff and the scoring play was a six yard pass from Huff to Mike Davidson. Askin made it 27-9.

The Hokies came back with a 38 yard drive after Barber ran the kickoff back 55 yards. The scoring play was a two yard pass from Strock to Mike Burnop, but the key plays in the drive were a 17 yard pass from Strock to Donnie Reel and some good inside running by Paul Adams (who refers to himself as "The Black Ghost") and Barber. Tech went for two and failed, leaving the score at 27-15 with more than 20 minutes left to play. Tech had the opportunities to win the football game, but the Hokies gave away too much when they had too little to give. The Hokies spent a good part of the day inside the FSU 20 and they were there on four occasions only to draw blanks.

In the first quarter, Tech had the ball on the FSU four when Strock fumbled on fourth down. In the third, with 3:57 left, Tech had a drive going until Strock pitched out while going down to Barber. It was a bad pitch and FSU ended up with the ball. With 6:17 left in the game, Tech was inside the Seminole 17 when Strock threw incomplete to Barber. With only 2:18 left, FSU intercepted a Strock pass on the five.

Coffey took the defeat hard saying, "this team deserves better." But he also reasoned, and those who saw the game will agree, "that we're not far from becoming a football team."

Mitchell, who is as quick as you'll ever see, led all ground gainers with 138 yards in 27 trips. Barber got 53 for Tech and Adams, who was spectacular on a couple of runs, got 51. There were several occasions when both Tech runningbacks, Adams and Don Testerman, were freshmen. Six freshmen played for Tech.

There was some concern from the FSU bench when Huff got rapped hard and had to leave the game. Tech rushed the passer well, even to the extent of being flagged for two roughing the passer penalties.

"Huff drew a blank when he got hurt," said FSU coach Larry Jones. "He had trouble remembering the plays so we had to eliminate some of them. I considered pulling him once or twice."

That would have suited the Tech defenders perfectly because most of the time, Huff picked them and their zone coverage apart.

"Huff is a great quarterback," said Coffey. "But I'm well pleased with mine (Strock). The difference is that Huff has been with a successful team. Nothing beats success."

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