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No. 18 Florida State Improves to 2-0 with 8-1 Victory over VMI FSU held VMI hitless through eight innings while Gibbs Chapman drove in four runs.

February 2, 2004

Tallahassee, Fla. – No. 18 Florida State (2-0) defeated VMI (0-2) by a final of 8-1 at Dick Howser Stadium Monday afternoon. The Seminoles held the Keydets hitless until the ninth inning and didn't allow a base runner until the fourth inning. Right-hander Eddie Cannon (1-0) earned the win while recording three strikeouts in a predetermined four-inning start. Mark Sauls followed with three no-hit innings and Brian Schultz added a perfect eighth.

FSU took the early lead with two runs in the bottom of the first. Shane Robinson led off the inning with a single through the left side and moved to third on a single from Stephen Drew and an Eddy Martinez-Esteve walk. Robinson later scored on a sacrifice fly to right from Derrick Smith and Drew scored the final run of the inning on Gibbs Chapman's bunt single.

The Seminole increased the lead to 3-0 in the second after Zech scored on Drew's fielder's choice grounder to first base. Zech led off the inning with a walk and moved to second when Matt Sauls drew a walk as well and then advanced to third on Robinson's flyout to right.

In the bottom of the fourth, Florida State added four more runs highlighted by Chapman's three-run triple down the right line.

Aaron Cheesman scored in the seventh inning on a sacrifice fly from Matt Sauls to give Florida State an 8-0 advantage.

The Keydets were held hitless until the ninth inning when center fielder Brandon Massenburg singled off Tyler Chambliss. Massenburg later scored on a single by Allan Wimmer to make the final score 8-1.

Cannon, in his second career start, retired his first nine batters and only allowed one base runner.

Chapman (2-for-4), Robinson (2-for-5), and Zech (2-for-3) led the Seminoles offensively with multi-hit games. Making his first career start, Chapman knocked in four runs.

J.J. Hollenbeck took the loss for VMI after working three innings and giving up three runs on three hits with four walks and one strikeout.

Florida State travels to Tempe next weekend for a three-game series with the 10th-ranked Arizona State Sun Devils. The series will be the season opener for ASU. Game times are set for Friday at 9:00 p.m., Saturday at 3:00 p.m. and Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (all times EST).

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2004 Florida State Baseball VMI at #18 Florida State

Feb 02, 2004 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

VMI 1 (0-2)

Florida State 8 (2-0)

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Brandon Massenburg cf	3	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	Shane Robinson cf					0	0	2	0	0
Elliott Erbe rf	3	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	Stephen Drew ss	3	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	0
Jonathan Hadra ph	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Eddy Martinez-Esteve rf	3	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	2
Kelly Sweppenhiser 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	Derrick Smith dh	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Allan Wimmer 1f	3	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	Raul Rodriguez ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Jon Wade 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	Daniel Wardell 1b	2	1	0	0	2	0	5	1	0
Matt Cage ph	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Ryne Malone 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Jacoby Fields dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Gibbs Chapman 3b	4	0	2	4	0	0	0	1	0
Zach Kennedy ph/dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	Dennis Anderson 3b	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.T. Good 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	Aaron Cheesman c	4	1	0	0	0	0	7	0	3
Brent Upham ph/2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Danny Diaz c	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Mike Maleski c	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	Bryan Zech 2b	3	1	2	0	1	0	1	2	1
Sean Seawell ph/c	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	Brandon Manasa 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
Matt Smith ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	Matt Sauls lf	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	0
J.J. Hollenbeck p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Eddie Cannon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jimmy Thoms p	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	Mark Sauls p	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Richard Litwin p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Brian Schultz p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tristen Covington p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Tyler Chambliss p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	28	1	2	1	4	9	24	7	5	Totals	32	8	9	6	10	4	27	11	12
Score by Innings					н	_													
VMI																			
Florida State 210 4	100	10X	-	8	9	2													

E - Wade; Good; Drew; Matt Sauls. DP - Seminoles 1. LOB - Keydets 5; Seminoles 12. 2B - Smith. 3B - Chapman. HBP - Massenburg. SF - Smith; Matt Sauls. SB - Matt Sauls.

VMI	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF	Florida State	ΙP	H	R	ER	BB	so	AB	BF
J.J. Hollenbeck	3.0	3	3	3	4	1	12	17	Eddie Cannon	4.0	0	0	0	0	3	11	12
Jimmy Thoms	2.0	3	4	4	5	1	8	13	Mark Sauls	3.0	0	0	0	2	4	10	12
Richard Litwin	2.0	2	1	0	1	1	8	10	Brian Schultz	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3
Tristen Covington	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	4	4	Tyler Chambliss	1.0	2	1	1	2	0	4	6

Win - Cannon (1-0). Loss - Hollenbeck (0-1). Save - None.

WP - Litwin; Mark Sauls 2; Chambliss. HBP - by Cannon (Massenburg). BK - Thoms 2. PB - Maleski.

Umpires - HP: Bruce Ravan 1B: Landon Davis 3B: Al Davis

Start: 1:12 Time: 2:50 Attendance: 649

Game notes: ID-249589 Game: VMI2