

# Home run gives FSU 5-3 victory

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STATESBORO, Ga. — First baseman Jeff Ledbetter cracked his 18th home run of the season in the top of the seventh inning Tuesday to lead Florida State past Georgia Southern 5-3 in what was supposed to be the first game of a two-night doubleheader.

The second match of the twin bill was suspended after 2½ innings when the field's lights went out with Georgia Southern leading 1-0. The game will be continued at 1 p.m. today.

In the first game, Ledbetter's third home run in three games broke a 3-3 tie after Mike Fuentes had been hit by a pitch. The victory raised the Seminoles' record to 47-9.

FSU pitcher Jay Keeler, 2-1, went the distance, allowing seven hits, walking three and striking out four.

The Seminoles collected 10 hits off Eagle ace Paul Kilimonis and gave him his third loss in 13 decisions. GSU's record fell to 37-18.

Florida State's Mike Cullen collected three hits, including a triple, and drove in one run to offset a solo homer by Georgia Southern's Tom Nieporte.

The victory was the Seminoles' sixth in a row since losing to Virginia Tech in the first game of the Metro Conference tournament.

FLORIDA STATE					GA. SOUTHERN				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Martinez 2b	4	0	0	0	Balconv lf	3	0	0	0
DeLoach dh	4	0	2	0	Laurie ss	4	0	1	0
Fuentes cf	3	1	0	0	Pevey c	4	0	0	0
Ledbetter 1b	4	2	2	2	Baker 3b	3	1	1	0
Yastr'ski rf	4	1	1	0	Lloyd 1b	3	0	1	0
Everett c	3	1	1	1	Nieporte dh	2	2	2	1
Cullen lf	4	0	3	1	Howard cf	3	0	1	1
Tebbetts ss	4	0	0	0	Perso rf	3	0	0	0
Figueredo 3b	3	0	1	1	Tetzoldt 2b	2	0	1	1
					Russell pr	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	5	10	5	Totals	27	3	7	3

Florida State 020 010 2 — 5

Georgia Southern 010 200 0 — 3

E — Tebbetts, Cullen, Pevey, Baker (2), Kilimonis. HR — Ledbetter (18), Nieporte (4). 3B — Cullen

IP H R ER BB SO

Florida State

Keeler (W, 2-1) 7 7 3 3 3 4

Georgia Southern

Kilimonis (L, 10-3) 7 10 5 5 1 6

Balk — Kilimonis. HBP — Fuentes by Kilimonis.