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No. 2 Florida State Downs Appalachian State 16-5 in Rain-Shortened Game The Seminoles broke a 5-5 tie with 11 runs in the sixth inning.

February 21, 2003

Tallahassee, Fla. - No. 2 Florida State (9-1) scored 11 runs in the sixth inning to defeat Appalachian State (0-3) by a final score of 16-5 in front of 1,980 fans on a cloudy Friday afternoon at Dick Howser Stadium. The game was stopped after six innings of play due to weather. The Seminoles set a new school record in the sixth as 13 consecutive batters reached base.

The Mountaineers struck first with two runs on five singles in the top of the third inning. Graham Thompson and Brian Chapman had the last two hits of the inning and each picked up an RBI.

Stephen Drew put the Seminoles in front in the bottom of the fourth with a three-run, two-out home run to right center. After Daniel Wardell drew a walk and Matt Sauls reached on a bunt base hit, Drew took a 1-0 pitch over the screen. The homer was Drew's first of the year. After a Tony McQuade walk, Eddy Martinez-Esteve blasted his first career home run over the left field wall to make it 5-2.

Appalachian State came back with a run in the fifth and two runs in the sixth to tie the game at five. Chapman had an RBI-single in the fifth with Justin Thomas and Ty Racette each knocking in runs in the sxith.

Tony Richie got the big sixth inning going for the Tribe with a two-run double with one out. Chris Hart also knocked in two with a double down the third base line to make it 9-5. After Derrick Smith's RBI-single, Aaron Cheesman scored on an errant pick-off attempt to push the lead to 11-5. Matt Sauls kept the runs coming as he hit his first career home run, a two-run shot to left. McQuade and Martinez-Esteve knocked in the 14th and 15th runs with doubles and Richie made it 16-5 with an RBI-single.

A total of 16 Seminole batters stepped to the plate in the bottom of the sixth and 11 runs were scored on nine hits. An FSU record 13 consecutive batters reached base safely.

McQuade (3-for-4), Martinez-Esteve (3-for-4), Richie (2-for-4) and Sauls (2-for-4) paced the Seminoles offensively. Drew, Martinez-Esteve and Richie each had three RBI.

Kevin Lynch got the victory in relief of his older brother, Matt. The younger Lynch worked 0.2 scoreless innings and allowed two hits. Matt Lynch went 5.1 innings and gave up five runs (four earned) on nine hits. He struck out four didn't walk a batter.

ASU starter Taylor Craig took the loss after surrendering eight earned runs on seven hits in 5.1 innings. Craig walked six and struck out three.

The two teams will meet at Dick Howser Stadium again Saturday at 2:00 p.m. FSU RHP Mark Sauls (2-0) and ASU RHP Nick Peterson (0-1) are the scheduled starters.

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2003 Florida State Baseball Appalachian State at Florida State

Feb 21, 2003 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

Appalachian State 6 (0-3)

Florida State 16 (9-1)

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Ty Racette cf						2	6	0	0	Stephen Drew ss								2	0
Graham Thompson rf	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	Tony McQuade lf/r	f 4	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Brian Chapman lf	4	0	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	Eddy Martinez-Est	eve 3b 4	3	3	3	1	0	1	2	0
Derek Smith c	4	1	2	0	0	2	4	0	0	Brandon Manasa 3	b 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tim Johnson 1b	4	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	3	Tony Richie c	4	1	2	3	1	0	5	3	1
Joey Robinson dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Jerrod Brown 1b	4	1	1	0	0	0	8	1	3
Justin Thomas 3b	4	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	Chris Hart 2b	3	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0
Ben Marsh ss	3	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	Kevin Richmond p	r 0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clint Johns 2b	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	Bryan Zech ph/2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Talyor Craig p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Aaron Cheesman dh	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Jonathan Reeder p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Daniel Wardell rf	2	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0
Monty Fast p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Derrick Smith ph	/lf 2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
										Matt Sauls cf	4	2	2	2	0	2	2	0	3
										Matt Lynch p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
										Kevin Lynch p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
										Eddie Cannon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	13	6	0	5	18	4	7	Totals	35	16	16	15	7	3	21	10	10
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None out, 1 runner LOB when the game ended.

E - Chapman(1); Marsh(3); Reeder(1); Hart(1). LOB - Mountaineers 7; Seminoles 10. 2B - Racette(1); Smith(1); Johnson 2(2); McQuade(2); Mart.-Estev(3); Richie(4); Hart(1). HR - Drew(1); Mart.-Estev(1); Matt Sauls(1). HBP - Brown; Cheesman. SH - Thompson(1). SB - McQuade(6). CS - Chapman(1).

Appalachia	n State	IP	H	R	ER :	BB	SO	AB	BF	Florida State	IP	н	R	ER	BB	SO	AΒ	BF
Talyor Cra	ig	5.1	8	8	8	6	3	25	31	Matt Lynch	 5.1	9	5	4	0	4	24	 25
Jonathan Re	eeder	0.0	3	5	5	0	0	3	5	Kevin Lynch	 0.2	2	0	0	0	0	4	4
Monty Fast		0.2	5	3	3	1	0	7	8	Eddie Cannon	 1.0	2	1	1	0	1	5	5

Win - K. Lynch (1-0). Loss - Craig (0-1). Save - None.

HB - Reeder 2.

Umpires - Home:Bruce Ravan 1st:Landon Davis 3rd:Joe Correia

Start: 3:32 Time: 3:01 Attendance: 1980

Game: ASU1
Game notes:

FSU establishes new record as 13 consecutive batters reached base in the sixth inning.

FSU has now won six straight games.

Game called in the seventh inning due to weather.

Reeder faced 5 batters in the 6th.

Fast faced 1 batter in the 7th.