Diplomats Down Bullets

Franklin & Marshall wins five of the seven contested bouts to knock off Gettysburg

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GETTYSBURG, Pa. - Franklin & Marshall's wrestlers won five of the seven contested bouts to take a 34-20 win at Gettysburg College Friday evening. The Diplomats (6-4) seized control of the scoreboard early jumping out to a 17-0 lead over the first three weight classes. The Bullets fell to 2-10-1 with their eighth consecutive dual meet loss.

Following <u>Jake Bucha's</u> forfeit win at 125 pounds, the Diplomats quickly picked up six more teams points on <u>Austin Reed's</u> (Red Hill, PA / Upper Perkiomen) first period pin of Richard Massola. Reed moved to 5-1 with his first pin of the season. Al Gianforti (Canandaigua, NY / Canandaigua Academy) then recorded a first period technical fall over Peter Menchaca to make it 17-0.

The Bullets responded to the Diplomats run on the scoreboard with their two contested wins. Matt Shank got Gettysburg within a pair of pins, 17-5, running up 16 unanswered points on Steven Gregory at 149 pounds.

Gettysburg got three more points out of Andrew Goldstein, who fended off <u>Andrew Smith</u> in the tightest bout of the evening. Trailing 5-3, late, Smith fired off three shots in the final 30 seconds, but was unable to earn a takedown. Goldstein's win was the ninth in as many bouts for the Bullets' sophomore. Gettysburg picked up forfeits at 184 and 285 to round out their 20 points.

Justin Herbert (New Milford, PA / Blue Ridge) and James Schulz (Wyckoff, NJ / Ramapo) ensured the forfeits would not factor into the outcome. Herbert recorded a 72 second pin at 165 to move to 13-5 on the year. It was his third win by fall this season. Schulz repeatedly cut James Stevenson loose in recording four consecutive takedowns, and five total in the second period, to pick up a technical fall at 174. 197-pounder, Shawn Logue (Pearl River, NY / Pearl River) went to 6-4 on the year with his first pin

Franklin & Marshall returns to action tomorrow at Princeton.

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL 34, GETTYSBURG 20

125-Jake Bucha (F) won by forfeit

133-Austin Reed (F) pinned Richard Massola, 2:18

141-Al Gianforti (F) tech fall, Peter Menchaca, 16-1, 2:21

149- Matt Shank (G) tech. fall, Steven Gregory 16-0, 6:39

157- Andrew Goldstein (G) dec. Andrew Smith, 5-3

165-Justin Herbert (F) pinned James Stevenson, 1:12

174-James Schulz (F) tech. fall Aaron Balk, 26-10, 6:43

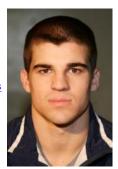
184-Dean Staley (G) won by forfeit

197- Shawn Logue (F) pinned Jonathan Leinberger, 4:48

285- Michael Pattanite (G) won by forfeit

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Justin Herbert picked up his third pin of the season as F&M defeated Gettysburg Friday night.