

Lex Wood, Paul Bennett, and Steve Guse turned in important singles victories here Friday, and Wood and Bennett teamed in a brilliant doubles victory to give Florida State a 5-4 tennis win over Clemson.

The victory improved the Seminoles' season record to 5-7 and set the stage for their important meeting this morning at 10 a.m. with Dixie rival Georgia Tech at the FSU courts.

Wood put down a stubborn Clemson No. 1 player, Tom Long, in two sets that ran out to 6-2 each. Bennett, the Tribe's erratic number three player, meanwhile dumped the Tigers' Miller Evans, winning two closing sets after dropping their first, 2-6.

Guse, the sophomore from Little Rock, Ark., whipped Clemson's James Ledbetter in style, 6-3 and 6-2.

Stewart Evans of Clemson pulled off a minor surprise, downing FSU's second player,

Don Caton, in three exciting sets. Caton won the opening set 6-2 but couldn't combat Evans' aggressive net play in two finishing sets.

Clemson's Stewart and Evans proved stubborn in their doubles match with the Wood-Bennett combine. FSU's pair won the first set 9-7 before Stewart and Evans conceded.

Each of the Tribe's last four wins have been by the slimmest of margins, 5-4, over Navy twice last weekend, Thursday night over Notre Dame, and Friday. Coach Paul Scarpa's team won't get much of a rest after their Tech battle; Monday they take on Hope College and Amherst, starting at 10 a.m.

SUMMARIES:

Singles—Lex Wood, FSU defeated Tom Long, Cl., 6-2, 6-2. Doug Stewart, Cl. defeated Don Caton, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3. Paul Bennett, FSU defeated Miller Evans, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4. Eddie Crow, Cl. defeated Steve Burt, 6-3, 6-1. Steve Guse, FSU defeated James Ledbetter, 6-3, 6-2. Dick Pregal, Cl. defeated Don Monk, 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles—Wood and Bennett, FSU defeated Stewart and Evans, 9-7, 6-4. Caton and Monk, FSU defeated Crow and Long, 6-3, 6-3. Grapt and Pregal, Cl. defeated Guse and Burt, 6-1, 6-4.

Final Team Score: Florida State 5, Clemson 4.

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SINGLES

FSU - 5 Clemson - 4

		WINNER	SCHOOL	SET	SCORES
Wood Lex	Tom Long	Wood	6-2	6-2	FSU
Caton Don	Doug Stewart	Stewart	2-6	6-1	6-3 Cle
Bennett Paul	Mullin Evans	Bennett	3-6	6-2	6-4 FSU
Steve Burt	Eddie Crow	Crow	6-3	6-1	Cle
Steve Guse	James Hedbelton	Guse	6-3	6-2	FSU
Don Monk	Dick Pregwall	Pregwall	6-2	6-1	Cle

DOUBLES

FLORIDA STATE

		WINNER	SCHOOL	SET	SCORES
Wood - Bennett	Stewart - Evans	Wood & Bennett	9-7	6-4	FSU
Caton - Monk	Crow & Long	Caton & Monk	6-3	6-3	FSU
Guse - Burt	Pregwall - Graft	Graft - Pregwall	6-1	6-4	Cle

REMARKS

MATCHES PLAYED TO DATE:

WON:

LOST: