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Tribe Netters Win 9-0 Opener

Florida State's tennis team opened its dual match season here yesterday, sweeping to a 9-0 victory over Mississippi State.

Richard Legendre, the Seminoles' No. 1 player, fought off Jim Boyce 6-2, 7-5. Ricardo Bernd was the only Florida Stater forced to go three sets as he downed Dave Johnston 6-2, 5-7, 6-3.

In other matches, Reggie Genois defeated Charles Feldsted 6-1, 6-4; Juan Ortiz beat Carlos Ayala 6-2, 7-5; Charles Diggans topped Gopi Krishna 7-5, 6-1 and Steve Diamond tripped Rick Bodin 6-1, 6-1.

In the doubles, Genois and Legendre beat Boyce and Ayala 6-0, 6-2; Diamond and Ortiz clipped Feldsted and Krishna 6-2, 6-3 and Diggans and Mike O'Neal defeated Johnston and Bodin, 6-2, 6-3.

Florida State's next match is Friday in Miami against Miami International. Saturday, the Tribe takes on Miami. The Seminoles' next home contest is March 15 against North Carolina.