

FSU women capture 13 tennis matches

COLUMBUS, Miss. — Florida State's women's tennis team won 13 of 14 matches here Thursday to grab a share of the lead after the first day of action in the Southern Intercollegiate Tournament.

Sherry Shores, Leslie Abisch and Laurie Mueller each won two matches in the singles competition and all three Lady Seminole doubles teams won twice to give FSU 13 points for the first day of play.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill matched Florida State's effort, and both teams have six entries still alive with two days remaining in the tournament. Louisiana State is third with 11 points, followed by South Florida and Tennessee with eight each.

Shores defeated Kay Epping of Mississippi University for Women 6-4, 7-6 in the first round, then beat Sue Csipkay of Southern Illinois 6-2, 6-2.

Abisch slipped past Karen Weis of Murray State 6-4, 7-5 before topping Kathy McMurry of Mississippi 6-4, 6-3 and Mueller breezed past Jeanie Swain of Mississippi State 6-1, 6-2 and Catherine Hogan of USF 6-3, 6-2.

Penne Nieporte was the only Lady Seminole to lose. After beating Julie Knight of Vanderbilt 6-2, 6-0, she lost to Peta Kelly of Tennessee-Knoxville 6-4, 7-5.

Lady Seminoles slip to second

COLUMBUS, Miss. — Florida State's women's team managed just one point in yesterday's play and slipped from first place in the Southern Intercollegiate Tennis Championships here yesterday.

Penne Nieporte and Laurie Mueller teamed to win in the third round of doubles play, topping Karen Weiss and Bitay Ritt of Murray State. The Lady Seminole duo was eliminated in the next round, falling to Leigh Myers and Judy Hanaran of South Florida.

The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill leads the tournament with 15 points, while Florida State, Louisiana State and South Florida all have 14 each. In singles play, FSU's Sherry Shores, Leslie Abisch and Laurie Mueller all lost in the third round.