

## FSU Netters Squeeze By Tech 5 To 4

A pair of Florida State tennis veterans, Don Caton and Don Monk, teamed Saturday to put down a Georgia Tech doubles in their final set and win for FSU its sixth victory of the year, 5-4.

Caton and Monk ran their doubles match into overtime: two other teams were finished and watched as Tech's Bill Mallory and Mike Lighborne went ahead 6-4. Caton and Monk won the second set 6-4, then finished off the Tech duo 6-2 in the closing set.

The win was the Seminoles' fourth by a 5-4 score and ran their record to 6-7. Victories in their matches here Monday with Hope College and Amherst would give Paul Scarpa's team a winning record to take with them on the road. The Tribe plays five straight away from home before the Florida Intercollegiate in Cape Coral.

Tech's highly-regarded team split up the six singles matches with FSU. Lex Wood, Paul Bennett, and Monk took the Seminoles' share of the winning.

The Engineers' Walter Johnson handed Wood, the Seminole all-time great from King's Williams, South Africa, a good scare in their singles match before Wood's masterful patience won the day.

Johnson matched Wood's quickness and placed his shots well to rush to a 6-4 victory in the first set and had Lex down 5-4 in the second before the Davis Cupper rallied to win it, 8-6. He polished off the Tech star 6-1 in their last set.

More thrilling was Caton's match with the Engineers' Paul Speicher. A tall, strong veteran, Speicher fought off Caton's challenge in the first set and won 8-6.

Their second set ran longer — to 34 games.

Caton never let up and matched Speicher game - for - game until the score stood tied at 16-16. Speicher's, still strong after nearly two hours, caught Caton with two booming serves and went ahead 17-16.

Then, with their 34th game standing at Speicher's advantage, the Tech bomber placed a backhand shot behind Caton and it was over.

### SINGLES

Lex Wood, FSU defeated Walter Johnson, 4-6, 8-6, 4-1. Paul Speicher, Tech defeated Don Caton, 8-6, 18-16. Paul Bennett, FSU defeated Bill Mallory, 6-4, 8-4. Mike Lighborne, Tech defeated Steve Guse, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2. John Taylor, Tech defeated Steve Burt, 6-1, 6-3. Don Monk, FSU defeated John Kirk 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

### DOUBLES

Wood and Guse, FSU defeated Johnson and Speicher, 6-4, 4-4. Caton and Monk, FSU defeated Mallory and Lighborne, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2. Taylor and Kirk, Tech defeated Bennett and Burt, 8-6, 6-2.

Final Team Score—Florida State 5, Georgia Tech 4.