

Confronted by talent-laden Mississippi State, the nation's No. 3 tennis team and SEC champion, FSU netters extended the Bulldogs for five and one-half hours Thursday afternoon before bowing, 7-2.

Four of the six singles contests were decided in lengthy three-set duels. Herb Rapp, the No. 2 Seminole who scored FSU's only singles point, battled Herb Cadwalder in a four-hour marathon before the Bulldog yielded, 15-13, 3-6, 10-8.

Top FSU racquetman Dave Danielson carried John Edmonds, the No. 3 SEC titleholder of 1967, to three sets before losing, 3-6, 6-3, 7-5.

Roberto Marcher and John DeZeeuw registered the lone FSU doubles point by upsetting Hugh Thompson and Hockey, the SEC doubles champions of 1967, whose record had been unblemished for more than a year.

The Seminoles continue road competition today versus Big Ten champion Michigan State and conclude the travel slate Saturday against Oklahoma.

Tennis, Florida State vs. Mississippi State, March 28, 1968 -- at State College, Miss.

MISS. STATE 7, FLORIDA STATE 2

SINGLES

1. John Edmond, MSU, def. Dave Danielson, 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.
2. Herb Rapp, FSU, def. Rob a Cadwallader, 15-13, 3-6, 10-8.
3. Pierre Lamarche, MSU, def. Al Procopio, 6-3, 6-2.
4. Hugh Thomson, MSU, def. John DeZeeuw, 6-4, 6-1.
5. Mack Cameron, MSU, def. Bobby Marcho, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.
6. Glen Grisillo, MSU, def. Scott Bristol, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

DOUBLES

1. Edmond-Lamarche, MSU, def. Danielson-Procopio, 6-3, 6-4.
2. DeZeeuw-Marcho, FSU, def. Gary Hockey-Thomson, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.
3. Cameron-Grisillo, MSU, def. Rapp-Bristol, 7-5, 7-5.

(Miss. State record is now 6-0, Florida State 4-3)

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