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FSU WOMEN'S TENNIS UPSET BY ALABAMA 3-4

Gallovits, Denny, and Balbuena win for the Seminoles.

TALLAHASSEE, FL. – The 21st ranked Florida State women's tennis team lost a heart breaker to No. 71 Alabama in the second match of the season. The Seminole's record falls to 1-1 for the year.

After dropping the doubles point, Florida State tried to gain the momentum back in singles. Alida Gallovits won in straight sets at the No. 1 position for the Seminoles and remains undefeated for the season. Christina Denny at No. 2 also picked up her second win for the year in straight sets. Jessica Balbuena was winning in the third set at the No. 3 position when her opponent defaulted. Despite heroic efforts, the Seminoles fell one match short of pulling off the win and avoiding the upset.

The Seminoles will now prepare to host the No. 3 ranked University of Florida on Friday February 9th at 4PM.

Box Score #21 Florida State 3 #71 Alabama 4

SINGLES

No. 1 Alida Gallovits (FSU) d. Emma Brerard (Alabama) 7-6, 6-4

No. 2 Christina Denny (FSU) d. Selia Mathew (Alabama) 6-1, 6-2

No. 3 Jessica Balbuena (FSU) d. Jenny Ketchum (Alabama) 6-3, 4-6, 3-2 ret.

No. 4 Weyli Chang (Alabama) d. Marina Raic (FSU) 6-0, 6-4

No. 5 Dominique Glinzler (Alabama) d. Nanette Duxin (FSU) 7-6, 6-1

No. 6 Becca Baum (Alabama) d. Christy Travis (FSU) 7-5, 6-1

DOUBLES

No. 1 Gerard/Glinzler (Alabama) d. Gallovits/Duxin 9-8

No. 2 Leung/Ketchum (Alabama) d. Balbuena/Denny (FSU) 9-7

No. 3 Chang/Mathew (Alabama) d. Raic/Carratala (FSU) 9-7