

FSU Netters Tie For 3rd

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CAPE CORAL — Florida State's tennis team finished in a tie with Wisconsin for third place in the sixth Annual Cape Coral Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament Sunday.

Mississippi State rolled up 25 points to take the team title. Trinity College of San Antonio was second followed by FSU and Wisconsin with 11 each.

Trinity's Dan O'Bryant captured the individual honors.

Fourth-Rated Novitsky Upset In Cape Coral Invitationals

Trinity University Tigers, who started the season with their 200th victory under Clarence Mabry's tutelage, tied unbeaten Mississippi State, the defending champion, at the end of the opening day's singles play in the sixth annual Cape

Coral Intercollegiate Tennis Invitationals at Cape Coral yesterday.

Upset of the day was the defeat of fourth-seeded Jim Novitsky of Murray (Ky.) State by Rollins College's Chick Hawley, a Cincinnati player who won the Ohio state high school championship in 1965.

Hawley won the second-round match, 6-3, 6-3, over Novitsky, a Hamtramck resident who won the Michigan state men's tournament while he was in high school. He led his high school team to four straight state titles.

Van Gelder Upset

Seventh-seeded Ron Van Gelder, of Rollins, whose home is in Amsterdam, Holland, was upset by Florida State's Herb Rapp of Decatur, Ill., 3-6, 8-6, 6-4.

Scotland's John Edmond of Mississippi State, the No. 1 seeded entry, won handily over John Brooks of Northern Illinois, 6-0, 6-2, to advance to the third round.

The lone Fort Myers player, Bob England of Rollins, almost pulled off an upset by battling South Africa's Glenn Grisillo down to the wire in the opening round, 7-5, 5-7, 6-3.

England broke Grisillo's service twice in the final set but was unable to hold his own service in his attempt to defeat the Johannesburg youth who once was a Wimbledon qualifier and reached the finals at Beckingham, England.

Grisillo Defeated

Later, Lu Bullock of Trinity, a 6-foot-5 junior who underwent a knee operation last summer, knocked Grisillo out of the singles division with an 8-6, 6-4 triumph.

Second-seeded Frank Conner of Trinity, who may well wind up meeting Edmond in the final match at 2 p.m. Sunday, ran through South Florida's Jim Rinehart, 6-1, 6-0, after drawing a first-round bye.

Trinity's third-seeded Bob O'Bryant moved into the third round, too, but he ran into much more competition, taking a close 9-7, 6-4 match from Murray State's Mike Whitty.

Mississippi State, which came here with 10 straight dual-match victories, including 9-0 wins over the Big Ten and Big Eight defending champions Michigan State and Oklahoma, and Trinity were knotted at 10-all, three points ahead of Florida State.

Mississippi State Virtually Clinches Cape Coral Team Title

With their No. 1 seeded player, John Edmond, moving easily and gracefully into Sunday's semifinals and finals, defending champion Mississippi State's Bulldogs all but sewed up the team trophy yesterday in the sixth annual Cape Coral Intercollegiate Tennis Invitational at the Cape Coral Country Club.

Mississippi State, with 21 points, was four ahead of Trinity's Tigers, who will have to win all their remaining matches and count on the Bulldogs' losing all theirs to gain a tie in the event.

Wisconsin and Florida State were tied for third with 11 points. Three doubles quarter-finals, plus all the semifinals and finals remain to be played.

Roemer Defeated

Edmond, of Edinburgh, Scotland, had too many shots for fifth-seeded Lamar Roemer of Trinity, a 6-foot-6, 200 pound senior, in the quarter-finals.

While Roemer was experiencing some inconsistency in his service, Edmond was overpowering him with a variety of shots to defeat him, 6-4, 6-2. Roemer, the Trinity captain, is ranked 48th nationally in men's singles.

Earlier yesterday, Edmond ran through the Brazilian Al Procopio of Florida State, 6-2, 6-4.

Edmond faces the prospect of playing four matches today, two in the singles and two in the doubles. He teamed with Pierre Lamarche, a former Canadian junior champion, to defeat Ron Van Gelden and Chick Hawley of Rollins, 6-2, 6-2, to move into the doubles semifinals.

Doubles Battle

The team goes up against Trinity's Dan O'Bryant and Bill Davidson in the 3 p.m. doubles semifinals today.

Edmond will meet Rob

Cadwallader of Mississippi State in the singles semifinals, while O'Bryant is facing teammate, Frank Conner.

Cadwallader was No. 5 singles winner and No. 3 doubles winner in the Southeastern Conference last year. O'Bryant, seeded third in the tournament, is ranked 33rd nationally by the USLTA.

O'Bryant reached the semifinals by downing Wisconsin's Chris Burr, 10-8, 6-3, after Burr whipped Mississippi State's Mack Cameron in a three-hour duel, 6-8, 6-2, 6-3.

Cadwallader won the honor of meeting Edmond by overcoming the powerful overhand blasts of Rollins College's Chick Hawley, 6-0, 6-8, 6-4.

The team scores: Mississippi State 21, Trinity 17, Wisconsin and FSU 11, Rollins 9, Murray State of Kentucky 6, South Florida 4, Northern Illinois 2, Furman 1 and Florida Southern none.

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Danny O'Bryant of Trinity Claims Singles Championship

Confident and relaxed, Trinity University's 6-foot-3 Danny O'Bryant rolled over Mississippi State's Rob Cadwallader of Australia to win the singles championship in the sixth annual Cape Coral Intercollegiate Tennis Invitational at the

the Cape Coral Country Club courts here Sunday.

Mississippi State, the defending champions who are unbeaten in 10 dual matches this season, captured the team trophy with 25 points, five ahead of the Trinity Tigers, who went on to a match against the University of Miami Monday in Miami.

Defending Champions

Hugh Thompson and Gary Hockey, the defending doubles titlists from Mississippi State, repeated, winning by default over teammates Cadwallader and Glenn Grisillo when exhaustion kept Cadwallader from appearing.

Thompson and Hockey earlier defeated Trinity's O'Bryant and Bill Davidson, 7-5, 6-3, to advance to the finals.

O'Bryant's triumph came on the heels of two stunning upsets in the morning semifinals. Cadwallader caught first-seeded John Edmond of Mississippi State off his game to gain a 6-1, 7-9, 6-0 victory, marked by Edmond's scoring only one point in the final set.

At the same time, third-seeded O'Bryant was polishing off his teammate, second-seeded Frank Conner, in a match climaxed by Conner's double-faulting on the match point.

O'Bryant had it all his way in the opening set of the finals to gain the 6-0 verdict, but midway of the second set it appeared that Cadwallader was returning to the form he displayed in earlier matches, particularly in his upset of Edmond.

He finally broke O'Bryant's service to make it 4-all in that set, but in the next game he double-faulted on game point and the match was over quickly.

Pleasant Victory

It was a pleasant victory for O'Bryant, a junior who was graduated from a high school in Sabinal, Tex., a town of about 2,000 population, and accepted a half-tennis, half-basketball scholarship from Trinity, where there was doubt he would even make the tennis team.

But O'Bryant made the varsity squad as a freshman, became Clarence Mabry's No. 4 man then and No. 3 as a sophomore. And this is on a team that started this season with a 12-year record of 199 wins, 15 losses and eight ties.

Although he failed to pick up the singles title, Edmond was presented the Sportsmanship Award offered jointly by World Tennis Magazine and Pepsi-Cola.

Team scores: Mississippi State 25, Trinity 20, Florida State and Wisconsin 11, Rollins 9, Murray State of Kentucky 6, South Florida 4, Northern Illinois 2, Furman 1, Florida Southern none.