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Morning ice cancels class

Freezing rain reminds southern Illinois of season

Barton Lorimer  Daily Egyptian

Students who wake up for early morning classes Thursday found an e-mail from the Department of Public Safety that the university had been closed, but forecasts don’t call for the next couple of days to be any clearer.

For the second time in two weeks, university officials closed campus due to icy conditions on sidewalks and roads. University spokesman Red Sievers said he was notified of the class cancellation shortly after 6 a.m. He said administrators were concerned about the safety of people on campus.

Forecast for the weekend features similar conditions with freezing rain becoming rain before temperatures return to the 40s by Monday afternoon.

Sievers said university administrators would not decide to cancel Friday’s classes until later in the day.

Several people filed complaints with university administration last week about having to travel icy conditions, which caused injuries.

“At the latest from last time, it’s hard to deal with,” said Phil Gatton, director of SIUC plant and service operations.

Gatton said his crews began preparing for Thursday’s ice storms the night before by applying salt to sidewalks, which sometimes makes it difficult for ice to stick. He said the university has been trying to obtain more rock salt since crews used 300 tons of rock salt last week. Additional salt has come from a supplier in Waterloo and Jackson County, but Gatton said it still does not have the target amount of 200 tons on hand.

Jim Kramper, a spokesman for the National Weather Service office in St. Louis, said ice storms are not unusual during this time of year, but that it has been several years since the region has experienced an active winter. The last active winter, he said, could have been in the 1980s.

“People have short-term memories and forget this is the time of year for this,” Kramper said. Kramper said the unusual part about this winter season, which ends March 21, is the inconsistency between warm and cold temperatures, and variation of snow and rain showers.

The inconsistency could be one of the reasons for Thursday’s ice storm, he said.

Jackson County Mass Transit District released a statement Thursday afternoon that said it would not operate buses today, but plans to resume service on Monday. The Saluki Express is operated by SIUC, which means it will operate in accordance with the university.

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Bush to cut funds for family planning

Planned Parenthood would be forced to hike charges

Barton Lorimer  Daily Egyptian

President Bush’s proposed budget for fiscal year 2009 shows no love for family planning.

Paula Gianino, president of Planned Parenthood for the St. Louis region, said the budget slices $570 million from family planning services patients younger than age 25.

“Never again in your entire life will you have such easy, affordable access to improve your health, maintaining your health or changing to a healthy lifestyle,” she said.

Gianino said the proposed budget does not increase funding for Title X, which includes a federal family planning program.

Bush said the increase in funding for the Title X program, which is funded by Title X, but did not know what effect Bush’s budget would have on the program.

Griffin said the Murphysboro clinic receives Title X funding through the state.

“Certainly, it’s a program constantly under-funded,” she said.

Most of the contraptions available at the clinic faced significant price surges last December when the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 expired. The act had been keeping contraceptives, such as Norplant, priced at about $13.50 instead of their current cost of $40. Baggott said the increasing costs of contraception is still an issue that has expanded since December.

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skioe.com Question:
What do you think about the university taking for recreational use the fields that they already own and use for Frosh & Soph games?
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I don’t think that they should do that. It is not a good way to use the field.

This is not an official poll of the student body. This poll is simply a group of students asking for your opinion.

A. Yes, the university needs the money and the field is not being used.
B. No, because I believe it’s the wrong choice.
C. No, I like the Frosh & Soph games.
D. No, I think everyone is missing the point.

Do this poll campus should have been closed Wednesday after the ice storm?

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B. Yes, because I lose money.
C. No, I like the Frosh & Soph games.
D. No, I think everyone is missing the point.
Debate team touches gold

SIUC places first at Point Loma Tournament

Tim McGovern
DAILY EGYPTIAN

With the speaking ability of an Aristotle, the critical mind of a Plato, and the mythological golden touch of Midas at the close of each tournament, the debate team has earned a reputation as one of the best in the nation.

SIUC’s debate team, made of a pair of two-person teams and coach Todd Graham, has won a multitude of trophies this semester. Most recently, the debate team placed first of 20 teams at the Point Loma Tournament in California.

“In my opinion,” Graham said, “it is the most prestigious tournament in the country.”

Debaters come from a multi-faceted crop of majors: political science, mathematics and philosophy to name a few.

“My most common is probably political science, followed by philosophy...and then right now we have a couple of business majors, which is totally helpful,” Graham said, as business majors tend to be more savvy regarding areas such as the economy.

Graham, however, admits that no particular major necessarily guarantees success as a debater, though philosophy and mathematics majors typically excel, as they tend to have high critical thinking skills. Graham said the ability to think is more important than polished speech because speaking ability can be improved but critical thinking must be imbedded.

Kyle Drenin, a senior from Blue Springs, Mo., studying economics and a novice debater, said the most difficult debates are the ones you know little about. He admits he is unenthusiastic about researching, but has yet to be stumped during a debate.

“I’m just one of those people who doesn’t like reading the news...keeping up with the news is the hardest part,” he said. “But if it is important to mold yourself and change with each debate, but there has never been a time when I had nothing to say.”

Being an ardent reader of the news is part of the work debaters do, which consists of hours of daily reading and a seven-hour practice held each Tuesday. A typical debate will last one hour, including a 15-minute preparation—no time is allotted for preparation between debates.

“I’d like them to know more than me,” Graham said proudly. The five-time national champions look to continue their quest for perfection in Portland this weekend.

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Naval missile hits satellite

Robert Burns

WASHINGTON — A missile launched from the U.S. Navy sank a commercial satellite on Thursday, creating a shower of debris that threatened to cripple other craft in orbit, officials said.

The launch of the Navy missile amounted to an unprecedented use of components of the Pentagon’s missile defense system, designed to shoot down hostile ballistic missiles in flight — not kill satellites.

The operation was so extraneous, with such intense international publicity and political ramifications, that Defense Secretary Robert Gates — not a military commander — made the decision to pull the trigger.

Gates had arrived in Hawaii a few hours before the missile was launched. He was told to begin a round-the-world trip, not to monitor the missile operation. His press secretary, Geoff Morrell, told reporters traveling with Gates that the Defense Department was being monitored at 1:40 P.M. EST while en route from Honolulu.

The launch of the missile, which cost at least $30 million,none of the other nations met.

US Navy News Photo — MCCLAIN THOMAS

A single modified tactical Standard Missile-3 (SM-3) launches from the U.S. Navy AEGIS cruiser USS Lake Erie, successfully impacting a non-functioning National Reconnaissance Office satellite approximately 427 kilometers over the Pacific Ocean, as it traveled in space at more than 17,000 mph. President Bush decided to bring down the satellite because of the likelihood that the satellite could release hazardous steel and titanium, possibly in populated areas.

McCain says article ‘not true’

Libby Quaid

TOLEDO, Ohio — John McCain emphatically denied a romantic relationship with a female telecommunications lobbyist on Thursday and said a report by The New York Times suggesting favoritism for her client was “not true.”

“I’m very disappointed in the article. It’s not true,” the likely Republican presidential nomination said as his wife, Cindy, stood beside him during a conference call to address the matter.

“I’ve served this nation honorably for over 20 years, and I don’t believe anyone could say that he abuses his chief of staff. He’s a friend of mine. He’s always done the right thing for the country.”

McCain said his wife, Cindy, would not speak to the media.

The couple smiled throughout the conference call on the topic.

In an internal memo, the New York Times suggested favoritism for his chief of staff led to the increase in his national security advisor and communications director. The Times also suggested that his wife had a romantic relationship with the lobbyist.

McCain said he was unaware of any such conversations and denied that his aide ever tried to talk to him about his relationship with Cindy.

“I have never discussed it with John Weaver. As far as I know, there was no relationship,” McCain said.

McCain emphasized that his campaign has been “vetted.”

“We think the story speaks for itself,” Times executive editor Bill Keller said in a written statement. “On the timing, our policy is publish stories when they are ready.”

McCain’s remaining rival for the Republican nomination, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, called McCain “a good decent honorable man” and said he accepted McCain’s response.

“[McCain’s] campaign now on the same stage or platform with John McCain for 14 months. I only know him to be a man of integrity,” Huckabee said in a statement. “Today he denied any of that was true. I respect that.”

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The newspaper quoted an anonymous source that said the couple had “an affair” with a woman who worked for the campaign.

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“He’s a man of integrity,” Cindy McCain said.

The couple smiled throughout the questioning at a Toledo hotel.

Nevada

6.0 earthquake strikes northeastern Nevada

reports of damage

WELLS, Nev. (AP) — A strong shock shook rural northeastern Nevada early Thursday, leaving at least one building to collapse, authorities said.

At least two people were injured, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

The magnitude-6.0 quake was felt across eastern Nevada and Utah as far away as Southern California, according to an early warning system of rapidly shrinking areas.

Residents reported shaking and light damage to buildings but no injuries.

“Definitely a lot of people felt this, and they were sleeping, they were awoke,” said homeowner Lloyd Carmichael from Bedwell.

Church County Undersheriff Richie Gonzales said there were reports of some damage near the Nevada-Utah border. At least one building collapsed, he said, and a flying J truck was on its side.

“Not much of an earthquake,” Ryan said.

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Expensive and Eco-Friendly Shoes

Dear Hollywood:
Heath’s final film

There are few things that shook the world of Hollywood recently like the death of young actor Heath Ledger. Ruled an accidental overdose from prescription medication, Ledger’s death was a complete shock, especially for anyone who was a fan of the 28-year-old actor. His passing brought in to question the future of two films he was working on: “The Dark Knight” and “The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus.”

The latest installment of the new Batman series was in production at the time of Ledger’s death, leaving advertising focused on Ledger’s portrayal of villain the Joker the only change needing to be made out of respect for the actor. However, “The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus” was left painfully incomplete.

Nonetheless, the Tony Gilliam directed film will be completed, thanks to some great decision making by Hollywood. Three other actors, Colin Farrell, Jude Law and Johnny Depp, are set to step in to play Ledger’s character Tony at various stages within the film. According to MSNBC, the film tells the story of Dr. Parnassus, played by Christopher Plummer, who travels through different dimensions to save his daughter from the clutches of the devil. The devil’s character accompanies the doctor and his troops during the rescue.

According to MSNBC, it is unconfirmed how Farrell, Law and Depp will take over the part, but assumed that each one will play Tony in a different dimension.

Way to go, Hollywood. There’s no way to see this decision as anything but positive. Ledger was a wonderful actor whose final work deserves to be seen by the public.

His work in teen movies such as “10 Things I Hate About You,” as well as acting in groundbreaking films such as “Brokeback Mountain” and “Monster’s Ball” proved Ledger was one of the best upcoming actors of our time. Missing out on his final work because of his death would be unfair to fans who have fallen in love with him in past years.

Kudos to Law, Farrell and Depp for stepping in to his place and understanding the importance of the work of a brilliant actor who died far too soon. While the task is undoubtedly difficult, we face believe in you.

And thanks, Hollywood, for understanding the value of an actor who died too young.
Two massive product recalls—one involving beef, the other a life-saving drug—demonstrate that the regulatory framework Americans depend on for protection from unsafe food and dangerous drugs is badly broken.

On Sunday, a California meat packer issued the largest beef recall in U.S. history. It covered 143 million pounds of meat, including 37 million pounds that had been used for school lunches.

The recall occurred after the Humane Society of the United States, a private organization, uncovered dangerous practices at West Coast Hallmark Meat Co., a slaughterhouse. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, which is supposed to prevent diseased animals from getting into the food supply, had an inspector at the plant but he never detected the practices. Workers at the plant were using forklifts and cattle prods to force so-called downer cows, which cannot walk and are at increased risk of disease, onto the killing floor.

Last week, meanwhile, federal officials acknowledged that they failed to inspect a Chinese plant that produced the active ingredient for a crucial blood-thinning drug called heparin. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is supposed to inspect foreign plants before permitting them to ship drugs or chemicals into the country. But FDA officials said this week that they mistook the plant for another with a similar name that already had been inspected. Chinese regulators also failed to inspect the plant.

The first reported victims were eight Missouri children experiencing kidney failure. Last November, while getting dialysis at a pediatric hospital, they had life-threatening allergic reactions.

Within weeks, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had reports of more than 350 illnesses from 12 states, most of them adults. Four people died. The culprit turned out to be contaminated heparin, a drug used in surgery and dialysis to prevent blood from clotting.

The FDA is so short-staffed and underfunded, the Government Accountability Office reported last month, that it would need 40 years to inspect every Chinese plant now shipping drugs into this country.

The drug safety agency conducts no unannounced plant visits overseas. Even when it does visit, inspectors have no independent translators. Obviously, the agency’s lack of language skills played a role in this tragedy. But so did the FDA’s faulty databases; the agency has conflicting information about the number of foreign plants shipping into the United States in two databases on the same mantain.

Because much of the inspection budget comes from user fees paid by drug companies, the FDA does far more inspections in countries with well-developed regulatory systems such as Switzerland and Germany than it does in China. The head of the Chinese Drug safety office was executed last year after the country was caught by scandals tied to counterfeit, unsafe or worthless drugs marketed there.

Waves of similar problems in this country a century ago prompted the formation of an oversight system that was, for many years, the envy of the world. But in recent decades, Congress and successive presidential administrations have repeatedly added the FDA, the USDA and the Consumer Product Safety Commission, which has been forced to recall food and drug products, numbers of unsafe toys over the past year. A new regulatory philosophy that depends on industry self-policing has come into fashion, with tragic results.

Government agencies that are consistently starved of resources are incapable of doing the job we expect them to do: ensuring that the drugs we take are effective and the food we eat is safe. Trusting our safety to the current, weakened system is like trying to hit targets with a shot in the dark.

This editorial appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on Wednesday.

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Peer-to-peer sex education draws fire

Michael Smerconish

The current privatization mania sweeping the nation has shown us that when the public×201D s funds and turning them over to corpora×201D is as close to culture capital×201D as it can get.

Unfortunately, all too often these corporations×201D definitions of public service are pretty much confined to earning big bonuses for their executives and windfall profits for their stockholders.

Calls to privatize urban mass transit systems must be seen as just part of an overall agenda that won×2019 t be satisfied until it gobbles up every public asset and turns over to private players who see these assets as just the latest revenue×201D magnets. That includes electric and water utilities, community hospitals, public schools, highways and so on. This is the same agenda that makes up the public×2019 s deficit and privatization

A prime example of what happens when urban mass transit is turned over to private operators is Santiago, the sprawling capital of Chile with a metro×201D area population of more than 6 million.

A few years ago, the Chilean government×201D s National Transportation Corporation (STAFF) was forced to turn over the running of Transantiago, the capital×201D s once×efficient bus system, to a private corporation.

The private company quickly cut back bus service to poorer neighborhoods in Santiago, where, they said, profits were not as lucrative. The corporate planners also reduced the number of buses in service and decreased the number of bus stops. Rides that took 40 minutes soon took two hours. Many commuters were forced to walk and some, of course, simply gave up on the system.

Santiago×2019 s smoothly functioning state×201D run Metro subway system found itself deluged by former bus riders, stretching its capacity.

In a further display of capitalist logic, Santiago×2019 s transportation officials began to negatively speculate on the financial prospects of Transantiago, creating huge losses for the firm.

As a result, the cash×201D flush state×201D run Metro was forced to make $300 million in loans to the privatized bus service – begging Peter to pay Paul.

In other words, Chilean taxpayers were forced to bail out a poorly run private enterprise that was formed from proceeds stolen from the state×201D s coffers.

And how did Transantiago react to its poor service and resulting disruption of the livelihood of its customers? It ignored the complaints and threatened to raise fares if it did not get a new infusion of public funds. Commuters reacted by handing together and using Transantiago for tens of thousands of dollars each.

The same dismal picture is repeated in virtually every other city that succumbed to the privatization×201D s mania.

Buenos Aires×2019 s privatized Metro system is overcrowded and poorly serviced. Plans by the European Union to expand its 7×service in France, Greece, Spain, Portugal and Belgium have resulted in strikes by workers who see what is coming. Still worse, the European Union, the cash×201D flush West, did not see that.

British Rail privatized in 1997 and the results have been poorer service and horrendous safety problems. Outsourcing safety inspections is currently resulted in a 1999 two×train crash outside London×2019 s Paddington Station that killed 31 passengers.

All of these are signs that more cities may try to switch commuters from greenhouse×201D causing cars and SUVs to greener mass transit systems, but now is the time for the current×201D s deregulation and privatization. If anything, U.S. commuters need the same centralized planning and tighter government oversight.

It is hoped the lessons of Santiago, Buenos Aires and London will convince U.S. transit policy planners that the public commons and privatization are mutually exclusive terms.

Americans are better served by transit systems where employees are treated fairly and receive living wages and benefits. Americans also devote more public funds to urban mass transit systems as a first, significant step in the battle to fight global warming.

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Salukis compete in networking

Security Dawgs participate in third year of competition

Christian Holt

Rather than just learning the theories in classrooms, some information system technology students experienced their craft firsthand. The Security Dawgs, a team of eight students interested in networking, competed in a two-day tournament against five colleges from Illinois and Indiana.

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The Salukis host SIU-Edwardsville after dropping their last two matches after a 3-0 start. Nothwehr said she expects the Salukis to perform well.

“I think we are definitely a better team than last year,” Nothwehr said. “I want to see some people step it up and be aggressive for our team and hopefully we come out with a big win.”

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Nevada is also on a hot streak as they have won four games in their last five contests. Highly touted senior guard Marcelus Kemp has led the streak. Kemp is averaging 20.4 points per game this season but has been even more efficient the last four games. The Western Athletic Conference Player of the Week scored 114 points over the last four contests.

Three other Wolf Pack players average double-digit points with JaVale McGee posting 13.2 points per game while Brandon Fields and Armon Johnson chip in 12.7 and 11.7 points per game respectively. Senior forward Matt Shaw, who is coming off a 23-point performance, said the Salukis have to take the momentum from the 67-47 victory over Northern Iowa Wednesday into Saturday’s game.

“Any time you get a convincing win like this where we played extremely well defensively and efficiently on offense it’s definitely going to help the confidence,” Shaw said. “It’s no secret we have been playing better as of late.”

The Salukis will have to break another Wolf Pack streak to be successful. Nevada is 4-0 in BracketBuster games and has also won its last four games against Missouri Valley Conference opponents.

This will be the first season the Wolf Pack goes on the road for a BracketBuster game, but for one Nevada member the SIU Arena will feel like home. Wolf Pack assistant coach Doug Novsek played for the Salukis from 1983 to 1987. Novsek was team captain for two seasons and holds the school record for three-point percentage in a career at 47.3 percent. Other key Valley BracketBuster matchups include Drake at Butler, Wright State at Illinois State and Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Bradley.

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Duke lacrosse players sue school, city

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RALEIGH, N.C. — More than three dozen current and former Duke lacrosse players claim in a lawsuit they suffered sexual and emotional distress during the fiscal year over the now-discredited rape case against three of their teammates.

Attorneys planned to file a federal lawsuit Thursday in North Carolina that accuses Duke University, the City of Durham and several school and police officials of fraud, abuse and breaches of duty for supporting the prosecution of the case.

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Men's Basketball

Beat Nevada or BUST

Salukis 4-1 all-time in BracketBuster matchups

Jeff Engelhardt

When ESPN began its annual BracketBuster weekend it was meant to separate the pretenders from the contenders — and that's exactly what is going to happen when the Salukis take the floor Saturday:

SIU will play its sixth BracketBuster contest against Nevada 3:30 p.m. Saturday in the SIU Arena. SIU is 4-1 all-time in BracketBuster contests.

A loss for either team would virtually end any chance of an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament, but a win would strengthen either club's resume for postseason play. While both teams are powerhouses in their respective conferences, they both have had their fair share of struggles.

The Wolf Pack (17-9) have won their conference four consecutive seasons but sit in third place with a 9-4 conference record, while the Salukis (15-12) are also in third with a 10-6 conference record.

Coach Chris Lowery said he isn't interested in the past struggles and wants to focus on continuing the recent success.

"Right now it's game to game with these kids and just trying to get them better right now," Lowery said. "I'm not going to dwell on stuff that happened in the past because they will and we want them to move forward."

The Salukis have seemed to turn a corner as they are on a season best three-game winning streak. The improvement in 3-point shooting is a reason the Salukis have progressed gradually over the last three contests, hitting nine, 11 and 12 3-pointers as a team during that span.

Senior forward Randal Falker and freshman forward Carlton Fay struggle for a rebound during Wednesday's game against Northern Iowa at the SIU Arena. Falker ended the game with six rebounds assisting the Salukis in their 67-47 win over the Panthers.

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Women's Basketball

Salukis look to take down Purple Aces

Gibson returns to lineup for SIU

Matt Hartwig

Perhaps a familiar face can spark the SIU women's basketball team.

Junior forward Jasmine Gibson will return to action at 7 p.m. tonight at the SIU Arena when the Salukis take on Evansville.

SIU has been without the services of Gibson since Jan. 5 and has struggled in Missouri Valley Conference play.

The Salukis (8-15, 4-9 MVC) have dropped their last two games and will now take on the second-best team in the MVC.

Coach Dana Eikenberg said she is concerned with Evansville's 3-pointers.

"We got to do a better job of contesting them in transition (defense) and limiting threes and trying to curtail how many points in the paint they get," Eikenberg said.

The Purple Aces (16-9, 10-3) had their 10-game win streak snapped byCreighton Sunday and are in a tight race with Illinois State for the MVC regular season title.

They beat SIU 77-67 at home Jan. 26 and will attempt to complete the season sweep tonight. Evansville is a half game out of first place and features senior guard Rebekah Parker, a candidate for the Lower's Senior Class Award. Parker averages 14.5 points per game, tied for third best in the conference.

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Tennis

SIU preps for weekend matches

Luis C. Medina

After splitting a pair of matchups against Eastern Kentucky and Southeastern Louisiana, the SIU men's tennis team attempts to get on the right side of .500 on Saturday.

SIU travels to Indianapolis to face the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Jaguars. The Salukis should come into the match with confidence, having defeated IUPUI last year in Carbondale by a 6-1 score and defeating their most recent opponent, Eastern Kentucky.

"The guys really stepped up today," said head coach Dann Nelson about the win over EKU. "We are beginning to find out how hard our new guys will work for the team goal.

The 2007 match-up, the Salukis won two of three doubles matches and five of six singles matches, including sophomore Lucas Waked, who was victorious in both singles and doubles action. SIU will look to duplicate that success.

IUPUI is coming off its own weekend split, defeating Youngstown State 6-1, but falling to Bradley University, 5-2. The Jaguars recently moved senior Gabriel Garcia back to the No. 1 singles spot, a move that paid immediate dividends. Garcia went 2-0 in singles matches en route to winning Summit League Men's Tennis Athlete of the Week.

The SIU women's tennis team looks to rebound after its most recent defeat at the hands of Belmont University. Even though SIU dropped four of its six singles matches to Belmont, the Salukis were victorious in doubles action, sweeping the Bruins.

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