Tennis game of the century

Yale professor finally loses

By Steve Kirsch

"It will reverberate through- out the halls of academe..." So proclaimed one of the world's foremost sports economists into the central banks of the world. I was so impressed if governments didn't fall on this article. People have been talking to Tobin, I use the word "talking" advisedly - and now that I've read the valuations occur... Just really, one of the big things of our time.

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solow said, "nobody from the Times was here." (The Times carried the story on page 31, April 30.

Solow attributes Samuelson's win to superior conditioning. He saw the turning point in the game as being after the third point, when according to Solow, "they both began to tire. But Samuelson - hearty, durable, rugged Samuelson - hired a little coach. That's the way it was. It was just a test of strength, of determination... It made your heart glad to see that kind of tennis being played.

Samuelson admitted, "Well, I took unfair advantage of him because I play every day and he probably neglected my coach and he didn't. And that's the secret of my success.

But Samuelson didn't think the turning point in the game came with one minute left in the first quarter, and MIT then broke the game wide open with five scores six-goal effort of O'Connor, and Indians had last year when they returned home for the season despite lack of curfews and freedom-restricting regulations.

Gaillard once quipped that a player, who slept alone the night before a game, was more likely to be reprimanded than one who had a little pre-game company. While USF's Jesuit administration criticizes the lack of curfews and freedom-restricting regulations.

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Solow, referee for the final, referred to the game's turning point when O'Connor scored during an MIT defensive lapse to pull within three goals early in the third period, but MacNeil took a pass from co-captain Roger Remsen '77 and pumped one past McNally just three seconds after O'Connor's goal to break the Indians' backs.

In a day of so many excellent performances, two stood out: the six-goal effort of O'Connor, and the 20-save, five-goal performance of MIT goalie Jeff Singer '77, who had his best day in the net season all season.

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So sports is dying in schools and colleges, right? Less motivate athletes are performing more poorly, right? Wrong! Intramural programs from the smallest high school to large universities like Louisville, or Northwestern are blossoming and growing enormously.

And varsity programs are doing well, especially at small schools that do not have to worry about football television contracts and $5 royalty payments. The trend today is toward the intelligent athlete, one well-equipped enough to make his own personal decisions, yet mature enough to respect the team concept of many sports. And it is interesting to note that the growing high school sports include track and cross-country after the more individual-oriented inter-school programs.

The rise of women's sports, the Globe article says, has helped place diminishing emphasis on the "big man on campus, football jock heroes. No longer is it true that the boys are only players and the girls the cheerleaders; thus, the dynamics of the competition represents some sort of status symbol for a high school girl.

And coaches have had to change as well. The media, for example, just does not work an athlete with a high - pressure level of big-time college sports. The "letter" "sweaters" attitude is perceived as artificial and self-defeating by most coaches, and even several personal or team framwork, winning every game may be fun, but there is definite pressure to be derived from a wide range of season since dropping.

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