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Big Bill Tilden's cannonball serve booms through the sport's world as he and Billy Richards face the great Donald Budge and Fred Perry for the South Eastern Professional Tourney, at Miami Beach. 25 hundred tennis wise fans see Perry and Budge drive the master strokers of a decade ago back on their heels. Richards, the greatest net player the game ever knew is slowing down. Budge and Perry with a few years of youth in their favour smash through with too much power for the mighty Tilden. The first set goes to Budge and Perry, and now in the near court they're turning on the fireworks in the second. Don Budge against Big Bill Tilden, the battle of the tennis titans, that's what the audience came to see. But the big question, who was the greatest? will never really be answered for Budge has too many years on Tilden, and the second set goes to the youngsters. In match set Tilden shows his old service stream but the masterful sureness is missing and in straight sets Budge and Perry humble Richards and Tilden who were America's court favourites for so many years.