

# Illinois Tech Cagers Again Lose to De Paul University

## George Mikan Leads the Blue Demon Attack With Twenty-six Points in the 62-45 Win

For the second time in two weeks the power-house De Paul University basketball team defeated the Illinois Institute of Technology cagers.

There was a decrease in the difference between the two scores of two points. In the first game a score of 65-46 gave a difference of 19 points while the second game a 62-45 gave a 17 point difference.

The defeat of the Techawks came mainly through the scoring spree of 6 foot 9 inch George Mikan. This tall center, termed nation-wide as the "Outstanding Basketball Player of 1944," threw in eleven baskets and four free-throws for a total of 26 points.

His superior height completely dominated the Blue Demon back-board. The tallest man IIT could put against him was 6 feet 4 inch A/S Fred Leydig. Not only did the Techawks have to contend with "totem pole" Mikan but his 6 foot 6 inch brother, Edward, and 6 foot 5 inch Jim Phelan.

The game started off with both teams on even footing for about five minutes, at which time the score was 10 to 8, De Paul's favor. Then Mikan started on his scoring spree, accounting for twenty of his team's forty-three points by half time. In this same period the Techawks were only able to hit for fifteen points.

Although keeping up with De Paul for a short time, the Techawks seemed flustered by the sudden barrage by Mikan and were unable to effectively defend their own goal or to attack the De Paul basket.

After the intermission between halves, a reserve Techawk squad led by A/S Charles Buckley took the floor and proceeded to work the ball. With Buckley throwing in eight points in as many minutes, the Illinois Tech team was able to keep up with the Blue Demons. Before the third quarter was ended the regular Techawk squad appeared and proceeded to pour it thru the hoop.

At this stage of the game Coach Meyer of De Paul withdrew Mikan and Kachan, the guns of the Demon attach. Without their pivot giant the DePaul team faltered and then were pushed back.

Fast-breaking the last quarter of the game, the Techawks gained thirteen points on the twenty nine point deficit at the half. Leading the team in scoring for the second game in a row was A/S Ned Grable with ten points. Also in the scoring column was Bob Kasnicka and A/S Norm Hankins with six points apiece.

This was by far the roughest game played by the Illinois Tech team in many years. Two men on DePaul left the game with injuries while Grable and Hankins suffered a swollen leg and bone bruised arm respectively.

The next team the Techawks will meet is the powerful Glenview Naval Air Base team who just recently lost a close 54-50 game to the Great Lakes team. This game is to be played tomorrow evening at the Glenview air station northwest of Chicago.

In last year's encounter with the Glenview team, the Techawks lost their first game of the season. That and their game with George Williams, a defeat, were the only two losses sustained by last year's successful squad.

| ILLINOIS TECH  | DePaul         |
|----------------|----------------|
| Player         | Player         |
| Kilgariff      | Di Benedetto   |
| Browning       | Phelan         |
| Hankins        | Nimiera        |
| Buckley        | Stump          |
| Koci           | Halloran       |
| Slazinski      | Brody          |
| Leydig         | Mikan, G.      |
| Grable         | Mikan, E.      |
| Rosenthal      | Barbaric       |
| O'Geary        | Kachan         |
| Kasnicka       | Blackburn      |
| Evers          | La Rochelle    |
| Fanslow        | Scharis        |
| Faulter        | Dalton         |
| TOTAL 15 15 12 | TOTAL 26 10 17 |

# LandayCoaches Puck Pushers

At last the Illinois Tech hockey team has a coach, so claimed A/S John Hoffman, one of the groups co-captains.

He is Hans Landay of the Armour Research Foundation. His wealth of experience is evidenced by the fact that he has coached and played hockey for many years in the New England states. One of his positions was coach of the Schenectady Junior League. Some of his time is spent in refereeing hockey games.

A meeting with the new coach is to be held tonight at five p.m. in the west dining room of the Student Union.

Practice will begin as soon as suitable arrangements can be made with the University of Chicago authorities for the use of their rink in Stagg Field. The tentative practice times at the U. of C. rink will be on Wednesday afternoon at five, and Saturday and Sunday mornings. Another session will be held each week at the Arena, either on Tuesday or Thursday.

In a previous issue it had been erroneously stated that A/S Robert Sodaro and A/S John Hoffman were the only veterans returning. Omitted was A/S Howard Adamson who is now stationed at George Williams. With him are five other fellows from G. W. who are going to participate in the hockey schedule this season.

Due to the late start of the team, the physical education department's already meager allotment had been budgeted with no place for the hockey team. The only way they could receive any money was to take a cut out of each of the other sports already receiving money. But this would require the entire revision of the winter sports parade.

The only way in which help could be given them was to distribute to the team the hockey equipment already on hand. With this they will carry the colors of IIT on to the hockey rink.

## TECH SHORTS by TOM KILGARIFF

Despite the best of intentions of the Techawks basketball team, Thursday, a certain George Mikan of De Paul swayed them from their purpose by personally ringing up twenty-six points. This giant of a man proved almost impossible to stop. Those who saw the game will readily admit to the abilities of Mikan, but they will also add to it their disapproval of his temperament, something on which even his beloved Chicago sports writers dressed him down. He brought this criticism upon himself by kicking sixteen inch shorter Sol Rosenthal in his lower extremities, by kicking yours truly in the chest, and generally pushing his smaller opponents around.

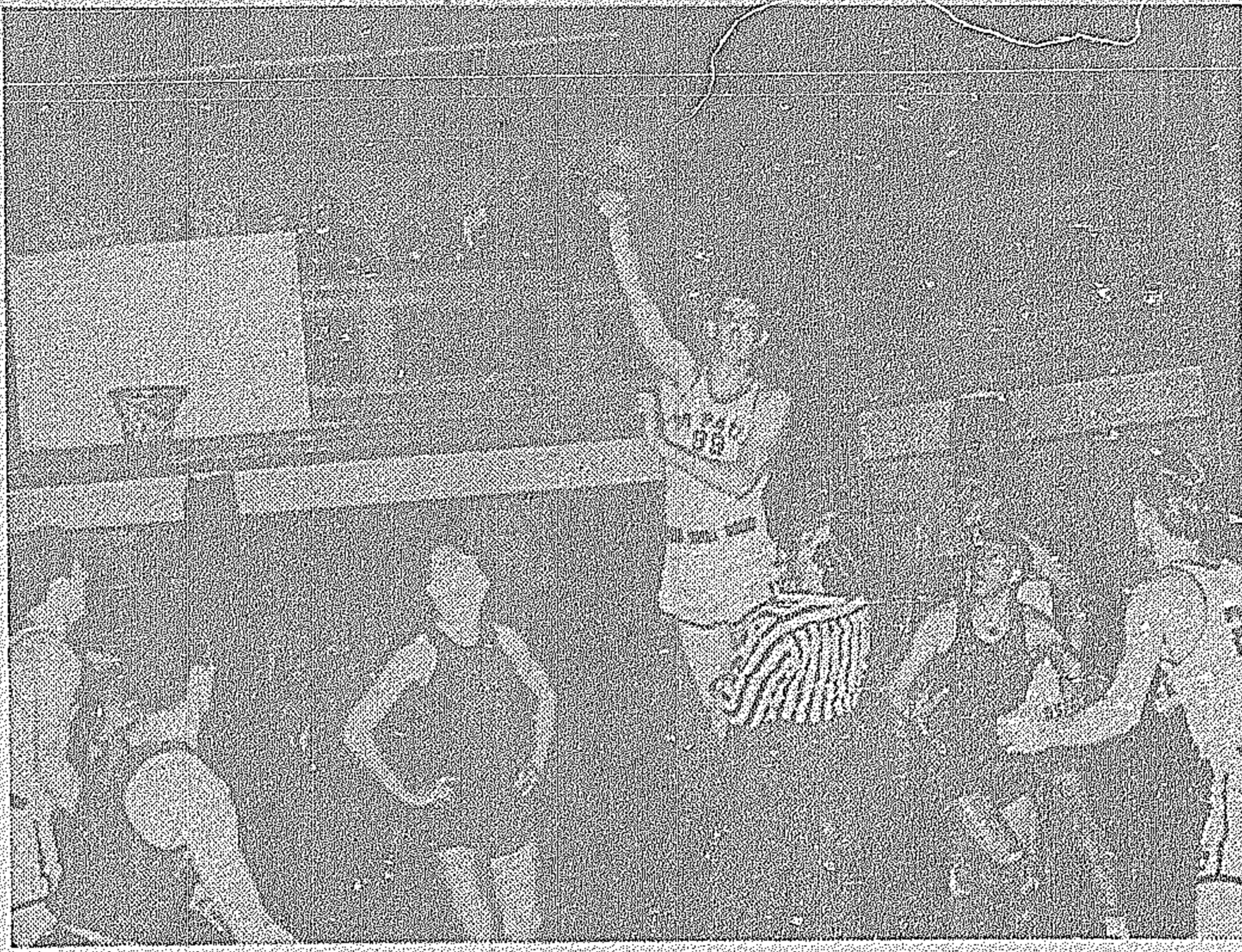
I'm not saying the Techawks are angels; they can play as dirty as anyone, but such things as slugging, blocking, and kicking do not belong on the basketball court.

Tomorrow's game with Glenview should again put to a grueling test the abilities of the IIT basketball team. To quote Coach Ray Meyer of De Paul, "Man for man, Glenview is taller than De Paul." With material limiting the Techawks to a small team, excess height is the greatest disadvantage the team has to overcome. One thing about a game at the Glenview station, the officiating is one of the best of anywhere in the middle west.

One of the school regulations, enforced by Honor I, honorary lettermen's fraternity, is that "no athletic award other than that issued by the department of physical education is to be worn on the campus." There have been many violations of this rule by some of the underclassmen. Starting next week a check-up is to be made by Honor I members. Those violating this regulation will be warned, and if this isn't sufficient to correct this infraction, further steps will be taken. This isn't a rule to suppress the wearing apparel of the students, but instead to enhance IIT's own athletic award.

If the hockey team is any success this season it will be due mainly to the efforts of A/S Jack Hoffman and the new Coach, Hans Landay. It was through the efforts of Hoffman that the hockey team was re-established. At the second meeting of the team, Landay, a member of the Armour Research Foundation, donated his services to the group. He then began to plan practice sessions and meets with other teams. The only bad feature of the entire set-up is the inability to obtain funds from the athletic department.

# IIT - DePaul Game



TALL MAN—A DePaul player reaches high for the ball in the first DePaul-IIT basketball game, played on the DePaul court. The IIT men suffered their first defeat of the season with a score of 65-45.

# Entries for Bowling, Ping-Pong Accepted

Entries are being accepted for the intramural bowling and ping pong tournaments. All applications are to be given to Henry Koci, intramural manager, or dropped in the intramural box in the lobby of the Student Union.

The bowling tournament which was scheduled for last semester will be run-off this term. Teams will consist of seven men, five regulars and two substitutes, with one man acting as captain. Only freshman teams will be inter-departmental, the others being restricted to their various departments. Medals will be awarded to the winning team. Awards will be made to the team rolling high series and the man with high game.

The ping-pong tournament will consist of both doubles and single matches. Koci states that it will be an elimination tournament. Medals will be given to the winners of both events and the number of medals presented will be governed by the number of entries.

The dates of all matches will be published in *Technology News*. They will also be posted on the intramural board in the Student Union.

A similar tournament was held about a year ago, many students participated.

# Wrestling Team Meets Wheaton

The wrestling team, under coach Bernard "Sonny" Weissman, has scheduled their first meet with Wheaton. The match will be Dec. 13 at 5:15 in the gym. Students are welcome to attend if they so desire.

According to Bob Buckius, manager, Michigan, Northwestern and Illinois have expressed their desire to wrestle with Illinois Tech. The reason that they cannot accept now is because of the Big Nine meeting which is going to be held Dec. 9. At this meeting they will decide their meets with other Big Nine conference members. On their open dates Michigan, Northwestern, Illinois and others will probably wrestle with IIT's squad.

Friday afternoon tryouts were held in the gym. The lineup for the Wheaton match will be picked from the following men, according to Weissman.

They are, Bob Martin and A/S Bros Mann, 121, Don Albert and Fred McCarthy, 128, A/S Roy Chur-an and A/S Ted Zaggy, 136, A/S Art Marcussen and Ed Bell, 145, A/S Don Johnson and A/S Charlie Marini, 155, A/S Bob Freund and A/S Jack Capron, 165, and Captain Vick Mieszkowski, 175. Heavyweights include A/S Dick Lander, A/S Al Dimoff and A/S Ray Bojanowski.

# Boxing Team Seeks Experienced Squad

The boxing team is looking forward to having a larger and better squad. If fellows are interested in joining the squad they should see manager A/S Larry Johnson or Captain A/S Charlie Porter.

At present there are eight men on the team. They are A/S Charlie Porter, Dick Harmon, A/S Larry Johnson, A/S Bill Newman, A/S Dick Papps, A/S Chuck Hatstat, Bill Buckness, and Berney Harris. Porter is the only returning man of last year.

Novices who are interested in trying out for the team are welcome, as Porter and others will give them instructions. Navy men who are interested in trying out for the team will be excused from PT classes, except for swimming.

The IIT boxing team of last year was good, and only if more fellows come out this year, can they expect to keep up their standing, both with other colleges and in the Golden Gloves.

# IIT's Varsity Basketball Team Selects Captain

Following a recent election, A/S Tom Kilgariff was selected to captain the 1944-45 Illinois Tech basketball team.

This is Tom's second year as captain, his first being co-captain with Ed "Casey" Puchalski, who has since graduated.

# Rifle Team Now Has 12 Matches

## Additional Men Needed To Supplement Roster

The Illinois Tech Rifle team has scheduled 12 postal matches with various colleges throughout the country. According to Jack Schmidt, who has had experience with the team, this schedule is very heavy and very tough. Besides the 12 matches already scheduled, more colleges are expected to accept invitations for postal matches.

The matches scheduled so far are:

| Week ending   | School                        |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Dec. 10, 1944 | University of Iowa            |
| Dec. 23, 1944 | State College of Washington   |
| Jan. 7, 1945  | University of Idaho           |
| Jan. 13, 1945 | University of Wisconsin       |
|               | New York University           |
|               | University of Nebraska        |
|               | Rice Institute                |
| Jan. 20, 1945 | University of Notre Dame      |
|               | University of Ohio            |
| Jan. 27, 1945 | University of Oklahoma        |
| Feb. 10, 1945 | University of Arizona         |
| Feb. 17, 1945 | Kansas State Agriculture Col. |

From this list of matches, it can be seen that the rifle team really has to be good. However, the team members are practicing every week and they did have some experience last year and they are therefore looking forward to a very successful season. One thing is certain and that is that the IIT rifle team is going to do its best to win these matches and all others too.

The members of the team now include Len Brown, captain; Jack Schmidt, manager; John Burns, Jim Ransom, Jerry Schneider, Bob Loomis, Race Wilt, Mickey Gilden, and Bill Parisoli.

As the team should have men and a few reliable substitutes, more fellows are needed to join the team. Anyone who wishes to try out should contact Jack Schmidt, manager, at anytime or come to the rifle team meetings which are held from 5 to 5:15 in Room 108C.

Especially wanted to try out for the team are men who fired on a team in high school or vets who qualified while in service. Of course, anyone who has fired at all is able to try out and see for himself just how good he is.

If the veterans and other fellows at school here will support the IIT rifle team, there is certain to be a better and more active team. As the team stands now, it is very good, but a few other men are needed.

# Deadline Extended For IM Basketball

The deadline for team entries for the intramural basketball tournament has been extended until this Thursday to enable more teams to enter announced Henry Koci, intramural manager.

He also stated that the tournament will be either a round robin or an elimination match depending upon the number of entries.

The teams will be composed of ten men. Team members will elect a captain and the names of these men, and their class schedules, are to be put in the intramural box in the lobby of the Student Union. The names of two students who will act as referees are to be included on this list. Members of the varsity squad are not permitted to participate in the tournament.

# Schommer Umpires Pro Grid Title Game

Substantiating his ability as an expert on football, "Uncle John" Schommer, Illinois Tech's director of physical education, was selected to umpire the Eastern Division championship professional football game between the New York Giants and the Washington Redskins held yesterday at New York's Yankee Stadium.

The winner of this game will play the Green Bay Packers for the World Championship.

Being an All-American end in his own right, Schommer has always been an authoritative source of football tactics. He is a member of the Monday morning Quarterback Club and is recognized as one of the highest paid officials in the country.