



The basketball squad lines up for a picture: Don Thole, Vic Rinke, Brian Bohnsack, Steve Danielson, Howard Lind, and Ron Grossinger

are in the *first row*. Coach Lysaker, Allen Dahl, Harold Knoll, Frank Magdziarz, Richard Knoll, and Gilbert Statz are in the *rear*.

Hard-Fought Battles And Harder Luck

Harold Knoll smothers a shot during the Ely J. C. game, with Howard Lind coming in for the rebound.



Completing the season with a record of twelve wins and thirteen losses, the Trojan cagers looked back on a schedule of hard fighting and close margins. The squad was sparked by six lettermen from last year. The team got off to a slow start in mid November by dropping their first two games to Austin Junior College, 80-72, and to Bethany in Mankato, 90-66. They made up for these losses, however, by taking first in the Thanksgiving tourney, beating Brandon and Northland to carry home the trophy. In thier first Minnesota junior college conference game, Tech defeated Vermilion Junior College, 88-78.

The Trojans lost a heart-breaker to Fergus Falls, 83-75, on December 5. After leading the Spartans by ten points until the fourth quarter, they were squeezed by the opponents, who went on to win.

Dec. 6 found them playing host to Metropolitan Junior College of Minneapolis, who ranked fourth in the national junior college tallies. Tech played vital ball, though they lost, 117-91. The cagers then met Mesabi Jan. 19, leading throughout the game until the last three minutes, when the Vikings tied the score with a free throw and went on to win.