

lowing the victory over St. John's. Even the great victory couldn't make up for the realization that that game was their last one for St. Francis.

There is much more to be said about the terrific fighting spirit and gameness of our basketballers, but these are the things that will best be remem-

bered in the hearts of those who saw the boys fight their way through this season's schedule. The great moments in individual games, the sparkling play, and that last, most wonderful game of all against St. John's will never be forgotten by the fellows who pulled for the team the whole way.

## Jayvee and Freshman Basketball

The present "Little Terriers" had a large pair of shoes to fill, for the Jayvee team of last year compiled the very enviable record of 16 wins and only 4 losses.

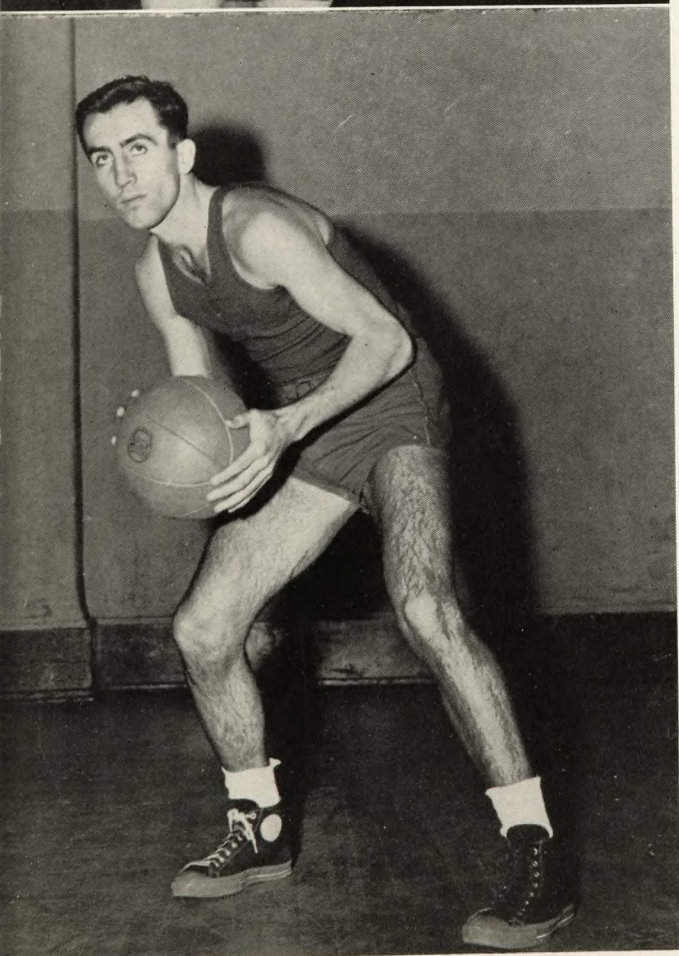
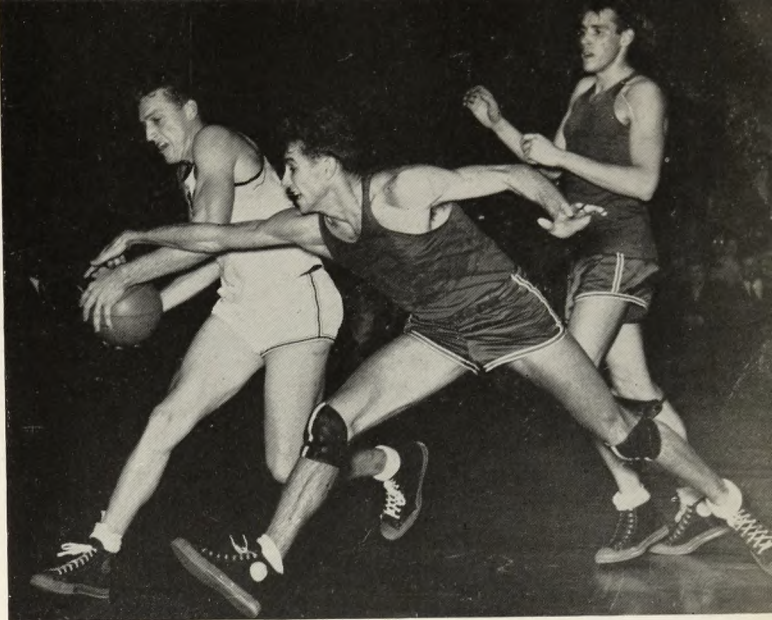
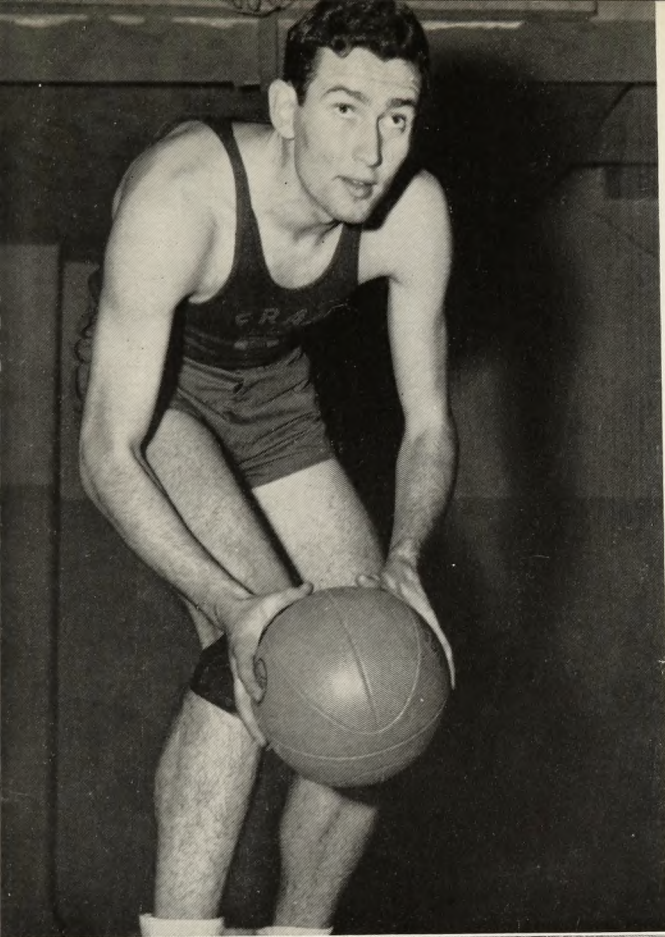
At the start of the '47-'48 season the majority of the aspirants for positions on the "Junior" team were freshmen. After thinking it over, Coach Frank "Bucky" Williams decided to field a team to be classified as a Freshman unit. This team played the first half of the schedule, compiling a won

and lost record of 7-5. Midway through the year, Bucky found that most of his players had become Sophomores, so the season ended with this unit's being known as the Junior Varsity. The Jayvees showed a total of 9 wins out of the 14 games they played, thus giving the Freshmen-Junior Varsity combo a season's record of 16-10.

Named to the post of captain was Tommy Garguilo, rugged center and floor man of the "Little Terriers." Tommy was content to grab all re-







bounds and then proceed to set someone else up to do the scoring. However, his 187 points showed that he could score when he had to.

High-scoring ace of the squad was Ray Reardon, owner of the justly-named hook shot. The former William Bryant H.S. star played in all but one of the contests and dunked in 267 points. This total was gathered by virtue of his 100 field goals and his 67 good attempts from the free-throw line. Ray's point output set an all-time record for individual scoring for a first-year player. Al Henrick, captain of last year's team, held the previous mark, with 228 points.

Let us now look closely at the record of the "Little Terriers." Against other college first-year outfits they showed a total of 10-5. Their chief nemesis was the Freshman team of St. John's University. The Red and Blue dropped two games to their rivals during the season, but so did everyone else. The Redmen yearlings wound up their season undefeated, having 19 straight wins to their credit.

The night that Hofstra upset the varsity, the yearlings did their share to keep the evening from being a total loss, by winning their game 41-36. One of the most sensational games that any St. Francis team participated in during this past year was the one which found the Jayvee pitted against Fordham's Jayvee. The sensational part of this