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"Just what did realize how good we really are," was the post-game comment from coach Bill Morrison, after his Tech soccer team had triumphed over Trinity 2-1 in Hartford on Saturday. As close as it seemed, the Engineers appeared to be much the superior team in this, the first hard test of what is one of the finest teams in years.

The Techmen started right from the beginning, dominating play with the help of a fairly strong wind. The offense, supported by some good clearing, passes from the backfield line, worked time and time again into the Trinity end for shots. At about the seven-minute-mark of the first period, a Trinity handball gave MIT a penalty shot, but new England Jerry Maskiewicz made up for it, though, when at the 16-minute mark, he took a pass from left inside Iain Glenfinning '72 and beat a defender to the outside on the right wing. From about 30 yards out from the right edge of the penalty area, he put a fine shot to the lower far corner which hit the post and bounced in.

With the changing of sides after the first period, the wind also changed. While Trinity only managed one shot on goal in the first period to MIT's five, the margin was seven to two for Trinity in the second. Most of the seven shots were from well outside the penalty area due to some fine defense, but in the first minute of the period, a lazy causing an inability to clear the ball left Snyder, SOCCER COACH BILL MORRISON. "We beat a good team on Saturday. We just don't realize how good we really are. MIT was definitely the better team out there." The Techmen topped Trinity for the first time since 1961 by a score of 2-1. the Trinity left outside, opened with a loose ball, which he converted to tie the score. With the score at 1-1, one Trinity drive broke open their left outside, who sent a cross to the head of one of the insiders. With the ball headed for the upper left corner, freshman goalie Rich Straff '74 made a great diving one-handed save to hold the game at 1-1 at halftime.

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