

TIGRESSES PREPARE FOR ACTION

YOU CAN RATE YOUR PLAYERS

PENNY-CUP TEST

A splendid rating device is the reaction-time test which has been rightly named the "Penny - Cup Test". It has been proved that it shows a very high correlation between reaction time and basketball ability. A coach thus can predict a very high percentage of his first-team players.

The contestant, facing the end boundary line, starts with this toes on a starting point which is placed directly under the basket. Three tin cups are placed 25 feet from the starting point toward the centre of the floor about 10 feet apart. The first cup is called the blue, the second one is the red and the third the white.

At the signal "Go", the contestant turns towards the cups. As he turns around, a red, white or blue ball is tossed into the air. The contestant, who has been given a penny, then runs and places it in the proper cup as designated by the color of the ball. Time is taken from the signal until the penny is placed in the proper cup. The penny must stay in the cup and the cup may not be lifted from the floor. Fifteen trials is his rating. The balls are always tossed in the air in the same order, which is as follows: B, R, W, R, B, W, W, R, B, R, W, B, R, W, B.

The best average time that has been made on the test is 31.3 seconds. The slowest time is 51.5 seconds. This is for university players. The best time for a single trial has been 1.6 seconds.

A PERCEPTION TEST

Purpose: The purpose of a perception test is to discover the amount of perceptive ability in the candidates. On the floor the coach measures this ability through ease with which the player sees, feels, analyzes and reacts to different playing conditions.

Subjects. This test can be given to members of the varsity squad a few days before the start of practice.

Procedure: Comparatively simple diagrammed basketball plays are put before the player for 10 seconds each. At the close of the 10-second period the plays are taken away and a blank diagram substituted. The player is to reproduce the simple plays on the blank diagram exactly as they were on the diagram as to relative position, distances and correct execution of play.

Summary: The results of the experiment show the players with the best grades in the test are generally the best men on the floor in this same department. The connection here shows the possibility of measuring basketball ability to a certain degree in other than the usual way.

It is found that no two players see the diagrams exactly alike. At least they do not register their impressions alike on their diagrams. This brings out the point that different players see, hear and interpret the same things, such as explanations and diagrams, in different ways. Coaches and teachers must be aware of this fact in order to do effective work.

DAL'S VARSITY BALLHANDLERS!



Left to right: Anne Thompson, Gwen MacDonald, Mary Chipman, Jean Anthony, Anne Stacey, Shirley Wright, Carrie A. Matheson, Jean MacPherson, Liz Montgomery, Carolyn Flemming, Anne Rayworth (Manager). (Photo by Thomas)

The Intermediates Are In There Too!



Left to right: Janet Sinclair, Shelagh Kenne, Marjorie Lane, Frankie Boston, Judith Bennett, Maureen Connolly, Jackie Galloway, Ruth Murphy, Carolyn Potter, Sue Pettrie, Judy Wilson. (Photo by Thomas)

DAL GAL MAKES GOOD



Anne Stacey

Congratulations are due to Anne Stacey, Arts '56, one of Dal's outstanding athletes. Anne received the No. 8 position in the recent rankings sent out by the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association. She was the only Maritimer to receive a ranking this year and this is the first time Anne has received a Canadian Senior ranking. In 1952 our talented Tigress was rated fifth in the Canadian Junior ranks, and in 1953 she was rated sixth in the Junior. Anne was rated first in Nova Scotia Junior ranks in 1952 and in this same year she also held top spot in the Nova Scotia Senior. 1954 brought another first in the Nova Scotia senior rankings and last year Anne again retained her high rating. In addition to her shining singles' record, Anne has captured championships in ladies and mixed doubles. This is indeed a worthy record of achievement; nice going Anne.

OPPORTUNITIES

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A representative of our Company will be at the University on Thursday, January 26, in order to interview interested members of the graduating class. Details from the Registrar's Office.

SIMPSONS - SEARS

WHAT'S UP IN 1956

A SWITCH IN THE NEW YEAR

With the arrival of 1956 comes a switch in the female athletic realm. Last term basketball and badminton were the chief interfaculty sports which made DGAC night activities, while ground hockey and volleyball were the teams in intercollegiate competition. During the coming weeks the two basketball teams will be in the limelight as basketball leagues go into full swing and volleyball will be the big interfaculty sport.

VOLLEYBALL

A schedule of teams will be drawn up and the volleyers will compete regularly on DGAC night. This is an opportunity for those who are not experienced players to learn the sport, but the experts will be welcomed as well.

BADMINTON

The other interfaculty sport which should hold a more prominent place this term is badminton. The triangle tourney which was discussed and planned last year, didn't actually see action but it should be carried into operation this term. Any girl who has a desire to wield a racket should enter her name in the schedule and participate on DGAC night.

SPOTLIGHT ON HOOPSTERS

The two basketball teams must now go into a period of gruelling practise to prepare themselves for participation in three leagues. The city league gets underway first with five teams competing, Tartans, Martlets, Dal Intermediates and Seniors, and Dal Grads. The schedule for this league has not been posted as yet, but it is hoped that the games will begin next week. The two other leagues which Dal will participate in are the Nova Scotia Provincial and Intercollegiate. Teams from several parts of the province including the city will compete in the Provincial tourney and the Varsity team will travel to Acadia, Mt. Allison and U.N.B., to play their intercollegiate league games. The Dal Intermediates will play intercollegiate games in the form of a Round Robin tournament at Mt. Allison. This makes a full timetable for the ball-playing Tigresses, but if the girls shape up as well as expected Dal should make a good showing during the coming tournaments.

SWIMMING

Swimming practises and recreation periods held last term at the YMCA were supported by quite a number of students and they will be continued this year.



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