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## Advocacy Service

The Dalhousie Student Union is extending the deadline concerning applications for the position of advocate. The deadline for applications is October 21 at 5:00 pm. Application forms are available in the DSU office. Completed application forms may be placed in the advocacy services' mail box located in the Student Union office.

## Stengel — A book worth reading



Overtime  
 MARK ALBERSTAT

AS BASEBALL SEASON draws to a close and baseball fans talk about the George Bells and the Ernie Whitts, the fans who do not fade with the end of the season may be interested in reading *Stengel: His Life and Times* (Published by Dell for \$11.50) by Robert W. Creamer.

Stengel, as most baseball fans know, was not only a great player, he was also a great manager and often, more importantly, one of the greatest representatives the game could ever have.

Creamer obviously made this book a labour of love and a labour so intense that it nearly jumps off the page at the reader. Creamer may be remembered by some as the author of *Babe*, another fine sports biography.

The book's first chapter is a small biography of Casey Stengel, however it is so skilfully written that it forces the reader to plow through the rest of the book, which starts with his school days and finally ends with Stengel's death in 1975 on Sept. 29, the day after that year's baseball season ended.

I should point out that Stengel spent most of his time with the New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers. Now a lot of people reading this may not like the Bronx Bombers or the Dodgers or may in fact hate them, however this book tells the story of the Yankees through their glory years when it was more than respectable to be a fan of either team.

The book is also not just about Stengel, it is about baseball itself, the things we all love about the game and much of the history which Stengel lived through and most definitely affected.

The only problem with the book is that in parts its detail is too extensive and pages can easily be skipped without missing much of the story through these instances are few and far between.

In most book reviews I give a quote here or there from the book. As you can well see, I have chosen not to this time for the simple reason that the no one passage or section stands out as supreme but the whole book is excellently written and told.

On a scale of one to ten, *Stengel* is a nine.

## Montreal university bracing for major overhaul

MONTREAL (CUP)— The sports department at one Montreal university is bracing for a major overhaul to give women a larger role in athletics, following a report by a committee investigating a series of improprieties in its Athletics Department.

More than 80 per cent of Concordia University's athletics budget went to men's teams while women's teams and intramural sports were left to fight over the rest. Also, the men's basketball team is now on a one year probation for indirectly paying its players.

The revelations were a popular series in Concordia's student newspaper *The Link* in 1983. *The Link* won this year's *Rolling Stone* investigative journalism award for the stories.

A university commission investigating *The Link's* charges took more than a year to submit its final report. Some of the recommendations are:

a) The position of director must alternate between a male and female. The report cites a "clear need for affirmative action in the department."

b) Priority should be given to the hiring of female personnel in all areas of women's programmes. Currently, women hold no major positions in the department. Even the director of Women's Athletics is a man.

c) At least 50 per cent of the budget should go to fitness and recreation (intramurals).

d) The name of the department should be changed to "Department of Fitness, Recreation and Athletics" from Physical Education and Athletics.

The Concordia council on student life approved most of the recommendations except for the budget equally between varsity and intramural sports.

Concordia Athletics Director Ed Enos argued against the proposal, saying varsity sports is much more expensive to run because of travel costs.

CCSL did agree, however, to narrow the disparity between the two areas.

At McGill the disparity in funding between intramural and varsity sports is not much better. Intramurals get only 23 per cent of what varsity sports get even

though 5,000 students are involved in intramurals and only 500 in varsity sports. Ten of the 25 competitive intramural leagues are for women.

Jan Meyers, director of McGill's intramural program, said they would offer more women's sports if there was an interest. "We're willing to try almost anything," she said, "but most women seem to be more interested in the instructional programs like aerobics."

Women are not encouraged to participate in sports by the time they reach the CEGEP level, she said. Also while sport is mandatory in high school, sport at CEGEPs is unstructured. "The chances women will pick it up again in university is slim," she said. "In that respect women from Ontario, and other provinces where sports go up to grade 13, have an advantage."

McGill has never had a major review of its sport programme according to Varsity Sports Director Harry Zaren, at least not in the eight years he's been there. He also said he has never heard of, or seen any recommendations in the spirit of Concordia's.



## Tiger sports this week

Date	Sport	vs	Where When
Oct. 19	Field Hockey	UNB	Home 1 pm
Oct. 19	Soccer	Acadia	Home 3 pm
Oct. 20	Soccer	St. F.X.	Away 1 pm