

$$\frac{737 - (737 \times 6.1) \times 20}{40} = 7 \text{ points}$$

737 = number of jump balls from floor

6.1 = Percentage lost due to fumbles and bad passes

20 = Number showing average shooting percentage of
(field goals)

40 = Number of games

Further results from the tabulations showed that the average number of interceptions per game is 5, or 2.5 per team.

Twenty per cent of the number of field goals attempted are successful on the average.

The average percentage of free throw shooting is 45.3

Conclusions

From the study of these facts ascertained through careful recording and tabulation I have reached the following conclusions:

1. It is obvious that the center tip is of too great an advantage to the teams with tall centers. Height alone should not add eight points of superiority to any team. When I first started to work on this subject, the center tip was in vogue. At that time I recommended its elimination by one of two methods. The first was the method now used and the second was that the jump at center be retained, but that there be rotation of jumping between centers, forwards, and guards. In my estimation, the complete elimination of the center jump has speeded up the game to such an extent that it has proved too strenuous for high school players and has made the college game one of constant substitution. By using the rotation jumping the play would return to the 1936-37 game but the competition would be rendered more even.