

2. Men shooting best in practice both in field goals and free throws, all other factors being equal, should be selected as starters in the games. I recommend keeping records of the men during practice sessions. This can be done very economically and efficiently if a good system is set up. The records of the men should be posted so that they may see their progress. If records are kept, they offer a means of selecting men on an objective rather than on a subjective basis.

3. In setting up offensive and defensive methods of play, the following points should be kept in mind:

a. The defense should cover areas II and V, as the study shows that over three-fourths of the shots are taken from these areas. Men should be taught not to be drawn out to cover the other areas too closely.

b. From the offensive point of view, fewer shots should be taken from areas I, III, IV, and VI. The percentage in shooting from these areas is very low. The offense should be set up to draw the defense out of areas II and V so that good shots may be obtained.

c. In scheduling games where it is necessary to play two games on successive evenings, the harder of the two games should be booked for the second night. The first night's play seems to act as a sort of warm up period for the second performance.