

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the National Basketball Committee of the United States and Canada.

The Chairman of the Committee on Research and Visual Investigation wishes to report that never before has there been as much serious, studied investigation into the troublesome aspects of basket ball by both coaches and committee members as there has been this past year.

Herewith submitted are the findings of two exhibition games between the University of Kansas and Kansas State College.

The suggested changes in rules that were used in these clinic games were -

First - The basket will be 12 ft. above the floor instead of 10 ft. (This is supposed to equalize the height of the players, making the tall players shoot instead of tipping the ball in the goal. It also requires more arch on the shots.)

Second - The placing of the baskets six feet inside of the playing field instead of two feet. (This would cut down the number of out-of-bound balls, and provide room back of the basket for play of the ball.)

Third - Permit an offended team to throw for the basket in the half of the court where the foul was committed.

Fourth - Have all jump balls taken to one of three spots on the playing floor - the two foul-shooting marks and the center spot. Around two-foot circles at these points draw six foot circles to hold other players away from the jumpers until the ball is tapped.

Fifth - Change the scoring of field goals to three points, the free throw remaining at one.

I am attaching a copy of the cards distributed to the spectators at these games, on which they might express their opinions regarding the changes.

A compilation of the cards returned showed on the 12 ft. baskets 574 expressed opposition and 224 voiced their approval. On the 11 ft. baskets, 354 voted no and 184 yes. On the held balls and jump balls being thrown up in the restraining circles 500 voted yes and 430 no. On throwing free throws for personal fouls in the half of court in which foul is made, 526 were favorable and 296 opposed. On having goals moved in 6 ft. from end line instead of 2 ft., 614 voted yes and 202 no.