

Defensive player forbidden to touch ball on downward flight -

The National Basket Ball Rules Committee at their last meeting proved itself to be a "model" rules Committee - see Webster - "a model is a small imitation of the real thing. The Rules Body temporized.

They did not meet issues squarely. The Rules Committee did nothing about the extremely tall player on the offense. But they humored a pressure group ^{which} ~~that~~ protested against the giant goal tender on defense. Symptomatically they dabbled awkwardly in the same direction of their mistakes the previous year. Why discriminate against the defense while permitting full freedom to the offense as the ^{same} ~~rule~~ ^{in principle} ~~rule~~ ^{rule} both baskets. extremely tall player under ~~the~~ ^{an} ~~rule~~ ^{rule}

The newly enacted goal tending rule will be only about ten percent efficient. I predict that Hank Iba and other crafty coaches with goal tending giants will still place their goal tenders ^{in front and} under the defensive basket. Had the Rules Committee members done any research ^{previous to their} ~~hasty~~ ^{hasty} ~~action~~ ^{action}