

Keosauqua, Iowa,
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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
Director of Physical Education,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am writing to you for information in regard to a new basketball floor that our school board is planning to lay this summer. I have a copy of your book Better Basketball and have enjoyed reading it many times and I noticed in it that you recommend a 2 inch white maple tongue and groove lumber for a floor.

Would you recommend this 2 inch maple in the short lengths of about four feet or would you recommend it in the longer lengths? Also would you recommend that it be laid over the old floor with the 2 x 4's laid flat or to take up the old floor and put the new one over the concrete base that our present floor rests on. I would also like to know what kind of a finish to use in finishing it and from what company you would recommend to obtain these products.

Our floor is about 70 feet in length and about 35 feet in width with seating capacity on just one side and along the other side the outside wall.

I have never had the chance to read your "My Basketball Bible" as yet but hope to read it sometime soon.

Thanking you for this information that I am asking, I am

Very respectfully yours,

Albert H. Crocker

Albert H. Crocker,
High School Basketball Coach.