day basketball will far surpass any benefits which might otherwise be gained.

Restore the center jump and rotate the jumpers at center after each goal

just as the batting order of the baseball players is administered. Then

you will contribute to this present dizzy game its much needed remedy for the

present over-fatigue of the players. The elimination of the center jump was

climinated primarily to speed up the game. Other arguments for its elimination

offered by its proponents were (1) it put the officials in the background;

(2) it was difficult to control; (3) there were variations in toss-ups by

the referee; (4) players collided with officials; (5) there would be from

six to eight minutes of actual playing time added to the game -- therefore,

higher scores; (5) the tempo of the entire contest would be accelerated

and thus would add to spectator appeal of gate receipts.

In justice to the minority, there were a few coaches at this meeting who suggested that the elimination of the tip-off might add to the over-fatigue of the players, but this was merely a subjective conjecture and was dismissed I making this rule change, without serious consideration. The officiating, the spectators, the gate receipts, and higher scores were all considered in making this rule change.

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