

Face guarding is definitely ruled out of the book at the present time, as well as the tip-off at center. The only time now that the ball will be tipped at center is at the beginning of the game, at the beginning of the second half, and after technical fouls. Of course, a held ball will be tossed up six feet in from the side lines, but there is no specification when the ball is held near the end line.

Of course, there will be many interpretations regarding the resilience of the ball because they are using now a vulcanized ball which reacts to the bounce altogether different than the valve leather ball.

There is also further comment on blocking and screening interpretations, but that always produces a mad house and each conference will go along pretty well like they have in the past.

There is one other item of some importance, and that is when the team that is behind in the score in the last few minutes of the game intentionally and deliberately fouls an opponent for the purpose of getting possession of the ball after a free throw, then the referee has authority to award the player fouled two free throws instead of one.

There is also another two-shot penalty, and that is when the dribbler is going in for the basket and he is intentionally fouled even though he is not in the act of shooting but is in a good position to score. Then the referee has the authority to award two free shots. Our Big Six conference has never allowed two shots unless the player is in the act of shooting, but I believe the coaches are pressing for this this year, and that Mr. Quigley, who is the bell-cow of the conference, will follow the interpretation. He has always fought against this rule, even though the eastern teams have all been following it for several years.

Joe, I believe this is most of the stuff. I didn't want to bother Mac with this detail, feeling that it was extraneous material to him, but you being a younger man might want to worry with it.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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