

Mr. Forrest C. Allen #2

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You would be welcome, I am sure, at the meeting of the Representatives from the Chartered Boards of Officials. These officials take themselves entirely too seriously and go into the matter of recommendation on rules revision at great length--and I may say needlessly. The most boring and time consuming part of our basketball meetings in the past few years has been from these Representatives of the Chartered Boards, who bring before the Rules Committee a lot of petty and trivial stuff. You will probably be bored to death if you do attend the Thursday meeting. I was there once and said "never again".

The most important meeting of the entire session is, or should be, the Rules Revision Committee meeting on Friday, to begin at 10:00 A. M. Only members of the Rules Revision Committee are slated to take an active part in this work. The hope of getting something done intelligently and expeditiously rests in this Committee doing a good job and in the Joint Committee respecting fully the work done by the Revision Committee. Hepbron serves as Chairman of this Committee. He has on there from the A.A.U. on the Rules Committee, Immenhausen and Hunt. I am suggesting to George that if either of these men are not there or could be replaced you be put in place of one of these men. In case this is not done, I suggest that you be present at the Rules Revision Committee meeting. While you would have no official standing under those circumstances, you would have opportunity to speak and to exert an influence on what is done by the Committee, which opportunity I feel certain you would use with discretion.

May I say here without giving any offense that I hope you and Dr. Meanwell may work with full harmony and a fine degree of cooperation on this entire Rules Committee business. When I see you, I will enlarge upon this statement somewhat, but I do not believe I will be misunderstood at this moment.

If the work of the Rules Revision Committee is well done, the Joint Rules Committee meeting on Saturday becomes much easier. It has been the history of the last three or four meetings that the Joint Committee session has concluded about 6:00