

Mr. Forrest C. Allen #3

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o'clock on Saturday afternoon. We always think we will get through earlier than this, but some of the discussion drags on interminably. I am sure we shall start in again this year with the fine hope and ambition of concluding the Rules Committee meeting by 4:30 or 5:00 o'clock.

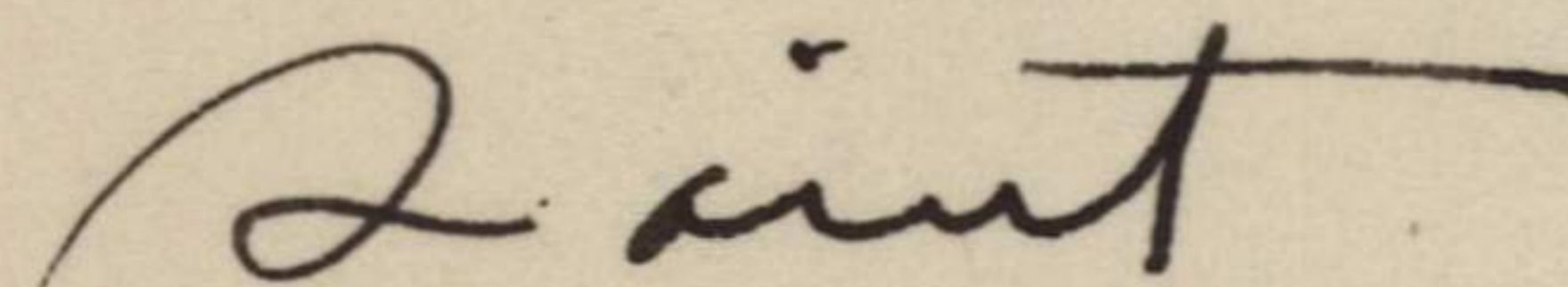
Barber (Wm. McKinley), according to my address book, is to be reached at Hanover 2-5306. This phone number may be wrong. If so, Hepbron or Hepbron's office could give you the correct number. Barber is a good man and speaks with authority for the Eastern Intercollegiate League. He has been President of this League for a number of years and is perhaps the most substantial member from the standpoint of rules consideration in the eastern contingent. If you could have a session or two with Barber, it would probably be very desirable.

Some of the interests of the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations have been agitating the question of a separate set of basketball rules to be formulated and promulgated by the National High School Federation. This to me would be a very undesirable move and we should do what we can in our local states to prevent action along this line. I have the feeling that if, and when, such a move is made, the final result will be a complete "bust up" of the present Joint Committee.

I shall probably be in New York on Thursday, April 9, although I am not likely to make any appearance at this Officials' meeting. I may be able to see you Thursday evening.

Please consider much of what I have said to you as being in confidence.

Sincerely and cordially yours,



L. W. ST. JOHN,
Chairman,
Joint Basketball Committee.

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