

In the unlimited class there will be no restrictions in height. These unlimited-class games should display races of giants, as they will be played largely by men above 6 ft. 3 in. tall.

The next Olympics will be held in Japan, a nation of men under 6 ft.; the men of the neighboring countries, China and the Philippines, are also of small stature. The only team at the Berlin Olympiad with extremely tall men was the United States.

The players from Canada, Egypt, France, Italy, Switzerland, and Turkey ranged from 5 ft. 10 in. to about 6 ft. 2 in. tall. These taller teams set their estimate of the height limit for the next Olympic games at 190 cm. (approximately 6 ft. 3 in.). Their plan was adopted for the next Olympic basketball competition and does exclude the extremes in height but does not quite meet the requirements of the Japanese and other nations of lesser stature.

The next Olympiad may be able to iron out some of these deeper wrinkles of discontent. However, the governing body of the National Collegiate Association of America has already voted to sponsor only four sports on the regular calendar of the next Olympiad, namely, track and field, rowing, wrestling, and swimming. It is therefore possible that no representative American college team will try out for Olympic basketball of the future and that only independent basketball teams will represent the United States in the next Olympic games.

Always basketball has followed closely in the wake of football, patterning its administration and methods sharply after the trail blazer. So with football having proved that lasting benefits could be derived from inter-sectional contests, basketball administrators have followed suit and are looking with increasing favor upon inter-sectional games.

Growing public interest, evidenced by greater attendance and coupled with larger seating facilities in field houses instead of in the inadequate gymnasiums of a past era, has so increased athletics treasuries that inter-sectional basketball contests are becoming more and more desirable.