

NOW THEY KNOW HOW THE SHORTIES FEEL

Cage Storks Crane - - Basket Up 2 feet

Seattle -(AP)- University of Washington basketball players raised their sights to a basket 12 feet high Tuesday. They concluded it was a pain in the neck. The altitude, that is; not the idea. The idea for the experiment came from Coach Clarence S.(Hec) Edmundson. Hec is a member of the National Basketball Rules committee which meets in Kansas City March 31 to consider rules changes. One of the suggestions to come before the hoop rule makers will be to raise the baskets from the 10 to the 12-foot level. This is to take the premium off tall players who camp under the hemp and make life miserable for pint-sized guards.

So Hec, in the interests of basketball science, decided to hold a casaba clinic, and used his varsity as guinea pigs.

Sure enough, the stratospheric baskets took some of the premium off the tall fellows. The rebound arc under the hoop was materially widened, and the shorties had a better chance to check the storks.

Even the tall fellows came away rubbing their necks after craning back all afternoon and taking aim. Now they know how the little fellows have felt all along.

"It's interesting, but I'm not too sold on it," Edmundson said after the "Clinic."

"The big men are not too effective under the higher basket, but they still hold an advantage over the shorter men. And it seems to be easier to make the long shots.

"I'd like to try an 11-foot basket some time, but because of exams we won't be able to do it this year. Maybe 11-footers would be the answer."

HAPAC REVISES ILLINI RECORD BOOK

Champaign, Ill., March 8 (AP)- The end of Bill Hapac's college iate career found him in possession of virtually every record in the University of Illinois basketball book. Here are some of his achievements:

Big Ten Conference single game record of 34 points.

Illinois record of 582 points for a three-year season (all games).

Illinois record of 244 points for a single season(all games).

Modern Illinois record of 387 points for three years of Big Ten play.

Modern Illinois record of 164 points for a single Big Ten season.

Tied Chuck Carney's 1920 Illinois record of 60 field goals for a Big Ten season.

First Big Ten scoring champion from Illinois since Carney (1922)

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