

## RULES INTERPRETATIONS CAUSE TROUBLE

Variations in rules interpretations which cause confusion have come to light recently bringing with them the usual difficulties.

Rule 8 Section 8 (b) Note: Two rulings are found in the situation in which a player with the ball advancing from the back court stops with his pivot foot on the center line and the other foot in the back court.

1. The High School Federation permits the player to move the loose foot into and out of the front court without making a violation.
2. Most section rule that if the loose foot is placed in the front line that it cannot be returned to the back court without a violation being assessed.

Rule 5 Section 3 (last sentence): After a foul called for a double or technical freethrow a substitute enters the game. As soon as the freethrow trial is made, and before the ball is tossed at center, the substitute is withdrawn and the original player returns.

1. Some sections rule that since time was out the freethrow does not constitute a resumption of play, therefore the last change in players cannot be made.
2. Other sections rule that the freethrow under such conditions is a resumption of play and that the change is legal.

Oswald Tower, Editor of the Rules, gives the opinion: "An attempted Freethrow, successful or not, constitutes a resumption of play because it is an attempt to score a goal. The fact that time is out during all or part of this operation has no bearing. Therefore a player may be withdrawn from the game prior to a freethrow and returned to the game immediately after the freethrow".

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## BIG TOURNAMENT FOR NEXT OLYMPICS

Announcement that basketball will on the program for the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin has given the sport a world wide boost. The latest word from Dr. Karl Diem of Germany, who is in charge of the events, states that twenty-four countries have already signified their intentions of sending teams.

Those definitely heard from are Argentine, Belgium, Estonia, Latvia, France, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, United States, China, Greece, Cuba, Japan, Poland, Roumania, Portugal, Spain, Brazil, Phillipines, Bulgaria,, Mexico, and Canada.

The American Olympic Committee soon will announce its plans for selection of the team to represent this country. Details of the tournament will be included in a sport booklet now being prepared by the German Olympic Committee.