

the other players run, and require the man with the ball to dispose of it. There were 18 in the class, so the first teams were of nine men each, later cut to seven, and still later to the present five.

Dr. James Naismith came to the university as director of physical education and chapel. He was ~~unheralded~~ unheralded as the inventor of the game. At the time the students were playing the game on outdoor courts. First played the game here in the old Snow Hall where the height was 11' feet with the baskets placed at a height of 10'. One of the first games played against Independence, Mo. was played in a hayloft with lanterns as the lights, ¹/₂ This game was over a ~~livestable~~ livery stable. Dr. Allen's bros. played on this team. Dr. Allen only a young boy then.

In Cornell '96 and 97 the game was played with 50 players on a side.

First team that Dr. Naismith had at Kansas was composed of three Phi Beta Kappas and one Sigma Psi.

Dr. Naismith in attempt to have more height for the game in old Snow decided to raise the roof but seeing that it was impossible decided to lower the floor four feet. When you entered the court you had to use the steps and when the game was in process you took them off the floor.

In the 1932 Olympics there was an exhibition of two of the outstanding basketball teams of U.S. In the '36 Olympics the game was incorporated as one of the international sports. In the United States there was a Dr. Naismith and funds were collected so that Dr. Naismith might be allowed to go over and witness the growth of his game. United States won the championship, Mexico was second. Dr. Naismith said that the Chinese handle the ball better than any of the other countries and that Poland played the best game.