

Lawrence, Kansas
February 7, 1940

Mr. H. V. Porter,
11 So. LaSalle St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Porter:

Answering your communication of recent date regarding the tentative copy for the 1940 questionnaire, there are only two things that I would suggest for your consideration as additions.

I believe that it would be well under Rule 5, Section 4, to permit a player who has left the game, except for disqualification for four personal fouls or for other disqualifications, to re-enter the game three times instead of twice. This would enable a fatigued individual to be taken out and placed back one more time than the rule now permits. The game has become so strenuous that I believe this would be helpful.

Also, in regard to the strenuousness of the game, there is a definite feeling that the center jump should be brought back in some fashion. Do you not think it would be a good idea to ask a vote on the possibility of restoring the center jump, either as a rotation jump like the batting order in baseball, or some scheme that would be different than the old rule?

Certainly the new rules, with their war-cry basketball of shuttling up and down the floor, are coming in for a lot of criticism. This is not one of my hobbies, as I have only one, and that is elevating the baskets two feet. Just think of the sins that we have got in the way of prohibitions on account of the ten foot basket.

Very sincerely yours,

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Chairman, 5th District, N.C.A.A.