On October 22 an "open house" was held in the new K.H.S.A.A. building, located at 763 Rose Street, Lexington, to which school administrators, coaches, officials, and press-radio-television representatives were invited.
New Building Represents Dream Come True

The new K. H. S. A. A. Building which was inspected by school men, officials, and the public on October 22 represents a dream come true for Board of Control members and the Association staff. Over a long period of time, while the annual receipts of the Association were considerably in excess of the annual disbursements, the funds were allowed to accumulate, it being thought that the reserve would finally be enough to pay for building one of the finest association headquarters buildings in America. The Board of Control has done just that.

Members of the Building Committee, who were charged by the Board of Control with the responsibility of planning the building and supervising its construction, were Chairman James L. Cobb (former Director whose term on the Board expired on June 30, 1955), Director W. B. Jones, Director Jack Dawson, and Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford. The full membership of the Board decided upon the style of the building, approved the final plans and specifications, and let the contract with the builder. Other school men who were on the Board when the decision to construct the building was made were Carlos Oakley (former President, whose term expired on June 30, 1955), Russell Williamson (former Vice-President, now President of the K. H. S. A. A.), Roy G. Eversole (former Director, currently Vice-President of the Association), Director Louis Litchfield, and Director W. H. Crowds.

Mr. Cobb gave his final report as chairman of the Building Committee at a Board of Control meeting held on the morning of October 22. The Board of Control accepted the report and discharged the committee after commending its members for their work. Mr. Cobb reported that the new headquarters building had been constructed at a cost of $72,000.00. The Board had paid $18,000.00 for the lot on which the building is located. Approximately $4,000.00 had been spent for new equipment after deducting for some of the old equipment which was traded in.

The building is one story and of modern design. It has a full basement. On the main floor are the Board of Control meeting room, a foyer or lobby, a general office, offices for the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner, and a workroom. There are five rooms in the basement, including a small kitchen and the boiler room. One of the larger rooms is finished. The other rooms will be used mostly for storage. The building has a hot water heating system and air conditioning.

All school men, officials, and other interested persons, who have not found it possible to inspect the new building as yet, are urged to pay a visit to the Association headquarters at the first opportunity.
Early Season Basketball Questions—Installment 1

Editor's Note: These rulings do not set aside or modify any rule. They are interpretations on some of the early season situations which have been presented.

1. Play: What aids may be given the Official in administering the 5-second held ball limitation?

Ruling: The second and third paragraphs of the comments on held ball on page 30 of the Rules Book and Plays 225 and 230 in the Case Book should be used as a guide. For practical administration the following specific statements might be helpful.

a. If a player in control is closely guarded in the front court in the floor area within about 15 feet of the center division line, he is expected to pass the ball or dribble out of this area within 5 seconds.

b. If he is successful in getting out of this general area, the count is off since it is assumed that in such circumstances he has eluded his guard or that the opponent has retreated into a type of zone defense. If he then dribbles back into the restricted 15-foot area, a new 5-second count may begin.

c. Dribbling along the sideline is no different from dribbling farther in the court unless the dribbler is penned in a corner or in such a way that the opponent cannot reach the ball without going out of bounds. In such a situation the 5-second time limit applies.

Comment: This time limit has been adopted in the hope that the threat will be sufficient to eliminate any necessity for enforcement. Most coaches and players will realize that it is a poor gamble for a team to depend on one player to "run out the clock." If, despite the rule, a dribbler attempts this, it gives the defense a slightly better chance to get action without the necessity of committing a foul.

2. Play: With respect to the roughly outlined areas which apply to the 5-second time limit on dribbling in the front court, is it safe to assume that they also apply to a player who is holding the ball instead of dribbling?

Ruling: Yes.

3. Play: What irregularities have been discovered in the current basketball publications?

Ruling: BASKETBALL CASE BOOK: In second line of Play 381 “but” should be substituted for “out.” BASKETBALL MEETING FOLDER: In Play 1 on page 5, omit last sentence of ruling. See Play 330 in the Case Book for correct procedure. In Play 18 on Page 9, reverse A1 and B1 in second line. In Key on page 11, change second answer to Question 7 from “yes” to “no.” In the formulae on point values on page 12, omit “plus .48” in third item and change total point value for a 2-throw foul to .72.

4. Play: During dead ball, A1 and B1 flagrantly foul each other. Is this a double foul? How many free throws are awarded? How is ball put in play after the last throw?

Ruling: It takes two personal fouls to make a double foul. Since the outlined fouls occur during dead ball, they are technical. It is not a double foul but a false double foul. Each foul carries its own penalty, i.e., two free throws for each. After the last throw, the ball is put in play by center jump.

5. Play: If two free throws are awarded for a technical foul, is player always disqualified?

Ruling: Yes. The only time two free throws are awarded for a technical foul is when the foul is flagrant. If a foul is flagrant, player must be disqualified in accordance with second paragraph of penalty under 10-6.

Comment: Whether the Official considers a foul as being flagrant is dependent on severity and related circumstances. An act such as slugging is always flagrant. Use of abusive language is also flagrant. An act such as intentionally pushing an opponent might be considered flagrant or it might not, depending on severity and conditions. In the case of a personal foul in which a player intentionally pushes an opponent, two free throws are always awarded because of the intentional feature but the player might not

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From the Commissioner’s Office

REPORTS NOW DUE

1. 1955 Football Participation List
2. School’s Report on Football Officials
3. Official’s Report on Schools (Football)

State Tournament Reservations

The 1956 State High School Basketball Tournament will be held in Lexington on March 14-17. On October 24 each principal of a K.H.S.A.A. member school and all city and county superintendents were mailed announcements concerning reservations for lodging during tournament time. In this announcement it was stated that the period of November 1-15 has been designated as the First Priority Period in the matter of making reservations for rooms.

A Housing Committee, set up by the Lexington Chamber of Commerce, will assist with lodging reservations, giving first consideration to school representatives who live in distant parts of the state and to those whose reservations begin on Wednesday night, March 14. Requests for lodging reservations should be addressed to: Lexington Chamber of Commerce, Tournament Reservations, 152 East High Street, Lexington, Kentucky.

The second Priority Period will be from November 15 to December 1, and will apply to others who plan to attend the tournament. School officials should advise their patrons concerning this period through articles in their local or county newspapers.

National Federation Basketball Test

Part II of the National Federation basketball examination will be given all over Kentucky on Monday, December 5, to officials who wish to work for the “approved” and “certified” ratings. Officials registered with the K.H.S.A.A. for the first time this year, and who have not been registered previously in any other state associations, are not eligible to take the test. Those interested should advise the State Office immediately in order that necessary arrangements can be made with the school administrators who will supervise the taking of the exam. Officials living in Kentucky need not suggest the name of an examiner, since it is probable that one examiner for each county will be named. The “approved” rating does not carry forward from year to year, but must be earned each year. After an official has received the “certified” rating, he keeps this rating by attending clinics without having to continue to take the exam each year.

Approved and Certified Officials

Nineteen football officials have qualified for the “Certified” rating this fall, and seven for the “Approved” rating. These officials are:


Protection Fund News

Two hundred ten member schools of the K.H.S.A.A. had insured their athletes with the Protection Fund at the time this issue of the magazine went to press. One hundred thirty-two claims, totaling $2,562.09, have been paid since July 1.

Employment Bureaus

Sixteen employment bureaus for officials, one in each basketball region, have been established. Each registered official should file at once with the bureau head of each region his schedule of games and a list of dates on which the officials will be available to call games. The names of the bureau heads, with their business and residence phone numbers, are as follows:

Region 1. Rex Alexander, Murray State College, Murray; Business No. 740, Ext. 15; Res. No. 1292 W.
Region 2. Amos Teague, 332 McLeod, Madisonville; Res. No. 1441 R.
Region 3. Roy Settle, 1000 E. 20th St., Owensboro; Business No. MU 3-3575; Res. No. MU 3-2136.
Region 4. Bob Forsythe, Browder; Busi-
THE KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE FOR NOVEMBER, 1955

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF REGISTERED FOOTBALL OFFICIALS
(List Compiled November 1)

If one telephone number is given for an official listed, it is the home phone unless otherwise designated. If two numbers are given, the first number is that of the home phone.

Austria, John W., 123 3rd St., Dayton, Jr. 14590, H. 19004 Cores, Frank, Box 452, Williamson, W. Va.


Rogers, J. B., 840 12th Ave., Huntington, W. Va.

Spaulding, Stan, Route 2, Lake White Road, Waverly, Ohio

Sweeney, James F., 3320 Trinity Road, Louisville, Ta 6401

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF REGISTERED BASKETBALL OFFICIALS
(List Compiled November 1)

If one telephone number is given for an official listed, it is the home phone unless otherwise designated. If two numbers are given, the first number is that of the home phone.

Aeuff, Charles E., 209 Southland, Louisville, Em 61072, C 0271

Alkins, Charlie, White Mills, Cecilia 5662 (Bus. No.)

Anderson, Elmer D., Director of Pupil Personnel, Morgan County Schools, West Liberty

Arnold, Marvin E., 226 St. E., Madisonville, 2329

Augenstein, Keith, 3212 Placid Place, Owensboro, Mu 3081, Mu 32401, Ext. 261

Baker, Dee C., Lackey, Wayland 3864

Ball, R. L., Box 577, Owensboro, Mu 32431 (Bus. No.)

Bandy, Jack, Box 6, Harlan, 1586 J

Bankemper, Thomas F., 723 Robert St., Newport, Ju 17374

Bennett, Gene, Box 218, Wheelersburg, Ohio, Selote 970 L

Black, Ralph Ames, College Arches, Berea, 741, 741

Blackburn, Viley O., 114 Richardson Dr., Somerset, 1113, 993 or 1621

Boling, J. L., 10165 E. 4th, Owensboro

Bolin, Herman, Oil Springs

Bone, Billy M., 3817 Craig, Louisville, Fr 5993

Booth, Leonard, College Heights Station, P. O. Box 191, Bowling Green

Bowling, Roy, Route 1, Box 3, London

Boyd, Thomas, Betsy Layne

Brewer, Randall L., Route 4, Box 282, London

Briscoe, Hubert, Route 3, Shelbyville, 1464, 263

Brooks, James A., Box 126, Betsy Layne, Pikeville 1465 (Bus. No.)

Bruce, W. D., Route 3, Central City, 623 M. 93

Buchanan, Bobby M., Route 6, Paducah

Buckles, Harold E., White Mills, Cecilia 5662 (Bus. No.)

Bulls, Nathaniel, Liberty, 2471, 2561

Bunnell, Kenneth L., Munfordville

Calvert, James, 411 E. 8th, Newport, Ju 1957

Campbell, John D., Garrett Road, 2480, 2541

Carr, Scott B., 412 16th St., Bowling Green, Vi 33917

Cassedy, Charles W., 1127 Kentucky, Bowling Green, Vi 3588

Cates, Vernon E., Lowes, Lewis Exchange (Bus. No.)

Chadwell, Lester, Loyall, 1075, 35

Chandler, Tommy, Route 2, Dixon

Clark, Gordon, Route 4, Box 334, Frankfort, 30773

Cole, Lynn M., 329 So. 4th St., Paducah, Fr 3514

Conley, Tom W., Route 29, Paintsville, 445

Conn, Hershel, Dan

Cook, Harold D., Livermore

Copyage, Eugene, Route 1, Walton, Fleetwood 7423, Fleetwood 73071

Cotter, Larry J., 805 Walnut St., Dawson Springs, 5642

Cox, C. Glenn, 336 S. Morgan, Morganfield, 106, 66 or 67

Craft, James T., 134 N. Main, Madisonville, 2179, 548

Crenshaw, Cey, Morning Dr., Route 2, Benton, 7651, Calvert 2600, Ext. 29

Crowe, Emmett H., 7450 Joseph St., Cincinnati 31, Ohio

Current, Ellis R., 670 Springridge Dr., Lexington, 29089, 28460

Davenport, William T., 315 Village Dr., Elizabethtown, 5451, 5160 or 3155

DeCoursey, Edgar, Wayland, 3274, 2801

Decker, William K., Centre College, Danville, 9160, 1906, Ext. 26

Devers, Marvin G., Box 150, Midway, 4741

Doehringer, D. E., 131 South Harrr, Madisonville, 510 J, 1208

Driskell, Earl Jr., 1002 Cecil Ave., Louisville, Ar 6774, Cn 7621

Dowdow, Doro, Smallhouse Rd., Bowling Green, 3263, 5871

Doyle, Donald, 203 Chandler, Campbellsville, 190 J, 335

Dunaway, Paul R., Middleboro, 1471, 2206

Duncan, Earl L., 241 Taylorville Road, Jeffersontown, Ta 0177

Dunn, Sterling Ray, 2123 Madison, Paducah, 32914, 21314

Eades, Jimmy, South Carrollton

Eddings, Forrest, 418 Kinkead, Paducah, 32957

Edwards, Hubert, Columbia, 4952, 4951

Evans, James W., Auxier
The 1955-1956 Basketball Rules

Comment by the Editorial Committee of the National Basketball Committee

FROM THE COACHING STANDPOINT, there are three changes which are significant, i.e., the elimination of the 2-throw penalty for a foul in the last three minutes, the expanding of the 5-second held ball rule to include the dribble under outlined circumstances, and the widening of the free throw lane for college and A.A.U. courts. Most of the other changes are in the nature of code organization improvements or of simplifying procedures in administering the game. In common with all change from traditional procedures, these have ramifications which are certain to raise questions whenever rules matters are discussed. The following comments are an attempt to anticipate such problems and to outline the proper solution.

JUMP BALL

The provision for delayed whistle for a jump ball violation has been abolished. A jump ball violation now kills the ball at the instant it is committed or if the ball is already dead, the violation causes it to remain dead.  

(a) On a jump ball, non-jumper B1 is in the restraining circle too soon but the ball is tapped. Ruling: B's violation caused the ball to remain dead. Award the ball to Team A at out of bounds point nearest the violation.

(b) Jumper B1 is not in legal jumping position, or he taps the ball before it reaches its highest point. Ruling: Same as in (a), except that B's tap on the way up may have been due to a bad toss, in which case the ball should be tossed again.

(c) Jump violation occurs on jump ball in Team A's free throw circle. The ball is tapped into A's basket. Ruling: No goal because the violation caused the ball to remain dead; ball awarded to offended team at the out of bounds point nearest the violation. On a regulation court, this would be at the end line.

AWARD OF BALL AFTER VIOLATION

The penalty following Rule 9, Section 9, formerly contained an exception which specified that the ball must be put in play on the sideline when the ball went in the basket after violations listed in Sections 2 to 9. This exception has been deleted and the ball is awarded out of bounds at the nearest point. For instance, if A runs with the ball, then throws the ball into the basket, no goal is scored and the ball goes to B at the out of bounds point nearest the violation. In some cases, the nearest point will be at the end. The ball must be thrown in at the indicated point and the thrower-in does not have the right to pass the ball to another out of bounds player, or to move along the line, as after a goal.

The foregoing does not affect free throw violations covered in 9-1. For these, the ball is awarded out of bounds on the sideline as in the past.

STARTING THE CLOCK

For a jump ball, the clock is started when the ball is legally tapped. This change conserves a few seconds of playing time in the course of a game and might be important in close games in which a second or two may be vital. Officials should check timers prior to each game to make sure that they understand this new provision.

There may be a jump ball violation just prior to the tap or an illegal tap. If the clock is started in the belief that play has begun legally, the official should signal time-out. If an out of bounds penalty is imposed, the clock should be restarted on the throw-in when the ball touches a player in the court. If, instead of a throw-in, the officials order a re-jump, the clock should be started when the ball is legally tapped.

FLAGRANT TECHNICAL FOULS

A flagrant technical foul now calls for the awarding of two free throws, plus disqualification.

A1 and B1 flagrantly foul each other during dead ball. The fouls are technical because they occur during dead ball. Two free throws are awarded to each team and the offenders are disqualified. Any player of the respective teams may attempt the free throws. This is not a double foul situation because by definition, the term double foul applies only to personal fouls, that is, personal contact while the ball is alive.

PUTTING THE BALL IN PLAY AT START OF GAME AND PERIODS

Rule 6, Section 2, states that the ball shall be put in play at the beginning of each quarter (or half) and each extra period by a center jump between two opponents. Un-
The Flying Dutchman

The annual basketball clinics continue to bring out more interesting facts each year. There is always something new happening. After The Dutchman completed his 1900-mile circuit of Kentucky this year for his fourteenth annual session of clinics, he feels that it may now correctly be assumed that everything has happened in the way on conducting the rules meetings that can happen.

Over the years, clinics have been held in gymnasiums where basketball practice was going on simultaneously with the rules session, carpenters were at work in another place sawing and hammering, and shop classes were in operation with buzz saws going, but it remained for “Moose” Zachem to come up with the “gem of them all” when, in the midst of an explanation of stalling by the dribbler, the personable chap cut in on the school’s loud speaker system to announce, “There will be a meeting of the Rainbow Girls tonight and all of you are invited.” The school men over Kentucky are to be highly complimented for the cooperation which they have all given to make the clinics more successful each year. They have all been superb.

The Game Guy project, which was started in 1949, got a “shot in the arm” this year when Bob Kirchdorfer, who was the first winner of the Game Guy Plaque in that year, accompanied The Dutchman on his sashay through Northern and Eastern Kentucky. Bob, who is paralyzed from his hips down with polio, won the hearts of everybody as he spoke to them, asking that they interest themselves in young men with physical handicaps and recommend them for The Flying Dutchman Award.

It was Joe Gilly, Harlan’s popular coach of all sports, who made the first nomination for the Game Guy Award of 1956 when he recommended that a Lionheart Lapel Button be sent to one of his star athletes, Tony Halburnt. Tony had the misfortune of losing some of the fingers of one hand in an accident this summer, but he refuses to be beaten by his handicap. Everybody is cheering the courageous youngster who is currently playing football and is expected to reach new heights on the hardwood this winter. Tony’s Lionheart Lapel Button will be presented to him in an appropriate ceremony in the mountain city. Let’s follow Bob Kirchdorfer’s suggestion that you find out who these game guys are, where they live and notify The Flying Dutchman, Armory Building, Louisville, Kentucky, so that each may receive his lapel button award and be eligible for the Game Guy Plaque, which will be presented at the annual K.H.S.A.A. dinner during K.E.A.

Be sure to take a look at the picture of the race horse with the Corn Cob Pipe around its neck which is the attractive paper weight which will be sent to people rendering unselfish service to others. Already these Kentucky Thoroughbreds have gone to Charlie Forsythe, Commissioner, and Dave Arnold, Assistant Commissioner, of the Michigan High School Athletic Association; L. V. Phillips, Commissioner, and Bob Hinshaw, Assistant Commissioner, of the Indiana High School Athletic Association. Three more are on their way this month to Ernie Chattin, of Ashland, who has devoted years of his life to unselfish service to young people; Stanley Arnzen, who has gone far beyond the call of duty to make things pleasant in the annual basketball clinics at Newport; and to James A. Pursifull, Principal of Bell County High School, who set an outstanding example of developing friendly relations between communities at this year’s basketball session at Bell County High School.

Jimmy Pursifull did something which the officials and coaches proclaimed “tops.” He had sandwiches of all kinds, cakes, coffee, and soft drinks on hand as a compliment from Bell County to everybody in attendance. The manner in which everybody took part in this social occasion was ample evidence of their appreciation of his unselfish service.
We picked up a lot of information as we drove through the mountains and valleys of Kentucky. Elvis Hall, veteran official who roams the area surrounding Owensboro, Hartford and Henderson, will shortly pack his bag for a trip to Venezuela, where he will umpire in the winter baseball league. Glen McDowell, for many years an outstanding official in the mountain area surrounding Pikeville, is back in the coaching business at John's Creek High School. Bob McLeod, the popular young Somerset pediatrician, did double duty at Somerset as he supervised the basketball clinic and a Polio Clinic for children at the same time.

Dr. Bob McLeod is one of Kentucky's most efficient and unusual officials. He officiates strictly because he loves the game of basketball and wants to keep contact with the young men who play it. Every youngster on the street calls a friendly greeting, "Hello, Doctor Bob!" as he passes. At the clinic the football players were having a field day kidding him about a stiff knee caused by an operation on some tendons. The more they kid Bob, the better he likes it and they like him. A most unusual fellow!

All officials should adopt Bob's happy philosophy that officiating is a hobby. While it is true that it may at times be a profitable one, the men who get the most from the activity are those who do it to remain young with the boys who play. While all of us feel that officials must be properly compensated for their time and effort, everybody, including the officials, must realize that the greatest returns come from serving the boys, rather than from cashing the checks. While we were in Mayfield, the news broke that Kelly Thompson, long associated with Western Kentucky State College, had been named the President of the Hilltop institution. The news was enthusiastically received because Kelly richly deserves the post and a nicer guy could not have been selected for the high honor. Kelly has always been a friend of high school athletics and has never missed a night clinic in the fourteen years The Dutchman has been making the rounds. He has our best wishes.

One thing was obvious over the state, that being there is either a shortage of officials in an area or there is an over abundance. New officials must be encouraged and developed. Possibly the best example of the right attitude to be instilled in young officials was manifested by Billy Riggs, of Morganfield, who set forth to properly train...
Current Swimming Rules

Editorial Note: For a number of years, the swimming rules have remained almost the same from year to year. For the 1955-56 season, a rule which has been widely discussed for several years has been changed. Director C. E. Forsythe (Michigan), who is the National Federation representative on the Swimming Rules Committee, has summarized the rules action authorized at the last meeting of the National Committee. Questions concerning details may be directed to Mr. Forsythe.

SWIMMING RULES FOR 1955-56
By Director C. E. Forsythe (Michigan)

At the 1955 meeting of the National Swimming Rules Committee, there were several significant actions. Decisions were influenced by recommendations or surveys made by the Interscholastic Swimming Coaches' Association or by a member of members of the National Committee. In the case of action which involves high school swimming, all State Offices were contacted prior to the meeting so that sentiment concerning the proposed change was available. The following action may be of general interest.

ELIMINATION OF HAND TOUCH IN FREESTYLE EVENTS—There was considerable discussion of the modification of this Rule which would eliminate the hand touch in freestyle events. It had been proposed at several meetings but had not been adopted by the Committee. This year it was decided that a poll should be conducted among the members of the Interscholastic Swimming Coaches' Association to determine whether there was sufficient sentiment to warrant the change in this Rule for interscholastic swimming. Such a poll was conducted and there were 73 affirmative votes and 25 in the negative. As a result of this expression of opinion, Chairman Royer of the N.C.A.A. Swimming Committee again contacted members of the Committee itself on the proposed change and the vote was 6 favoring the elimination of the hand touch, 1 abstention, and 3 opposed to the change. As a result of the majority opinion of the members of the Committee, the Chairman has declared that the hand touch is to be eliminated from interscholastic swimming freestyle events beginning with the 1955-56 season.

BREASTSTROKE (Rule X)—The Committee approved the retention of the present 100 yard butterfly breaststroke for interscholastic swimming.

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY—The interscholastic individual medley shall be 150 yards with the first leg butterfly or breaststroke to be used interchangeably or any combination thereof; the second leg is to be backstroke; and the last leg, any stroke other than butterfly, breaststroke or backstroke.

MEDLEY RELAY—The interscholastic medley relay race is to become a 200 yard four-stroke relay. Four swimmers on each team—with each to swim one-fourth of the distance continuously; first: backstroke; second: breaststroke as prescribed in Rule 9, Section 1, Page 139, of the 1955 Guide; third: optional-butterfly or butterfly breaststroke; fourth: a stroke other than backstroke, butterfly, butterfly breaststroke, or breaststroke.

SCORING IN MEDLEY RELAY—The scoring in the interscholastic medley relay at dual meets is to be the same as for the freestyle relay composed of four men (7-0). Championships—six finalists: 14, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2; five finalists: 12, 8, 6, 4, 2; four finalists: 10, 6, 4, 2.


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Held Ball

Changes in the definition of Held Ball...
The definition is amplified in the COMMENTS ON THE RULES under the caption HELD BALL. If the comments are studied, there should be no difficulty in administering the change. The fact that this additional restriction has been placed on player control of the ball will probably discourage this type of control. The risk of losing the ball will deter players from using such tactics, just as infractions of the three-seconds and ten-seconds rules seldom occur. The change gives the trailing team a slightly better chance to combat a "freeze."

EARLY SEASON BASKETBALL QUESTIONS
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be disqualified. However, if it is a situation in which a player intentionally pushes an opponent in the back when he is driving in for a try, it is usually considered a flagrant act and the player is disqualified.

6. Play: Why was the double free throw for a foul in the last three minutes eliminated?

Ruling: This was a compromise between those who have contended that the old penalty of one free throw for each common foul is severe enough and those who have contended that the penalty for a foul must be so severe that a player cannot afford to gamble on committing a foul. The bonus penalty is about 50% more severe than the 1-throw penalty. The double-throw penalty as used last year during the last three minutes is about 400% more severe than the 1-throw penalty. It was almost 300% more severe than the bonus penalty. Developments during the season will determine whether the bonus penalty is severe enough to cause players to use every reasonable means to avoid committing a foul.

7. Play: Rule 6-2 states that each period begins with a jump ball. Does this mean that if there is a violation of the jump rules prior to the first jump, you ignore the violation?

Ruling: No. The new definition of the meaning of "a rule" (4-16A) makes it clear that any rules statement is made on the assumption that it is not complicated by a foul or a violation unless so stated or implied. The statement in 6-2 is, therefore, correct.

But if a foul or violation occurs, the specific rule concerning such foul or violation is to be used. In the case of a jump ball violation, the violation penalty should be enforced and the period will then start with the throw-in. If a technical foul precedes the jump ball, the specific rule 8-5 is the one which is followed. This rule makes an exception for a foul which precedes a jump ball. It might be claimed that there is lack of consistency in handling the violation and the foul. The Rules Committee will probably consider this matter at the next meeting. It is possible that the exception in 8-5 should be eliminated. This would be a step in the direction of avoiding exceptions wherever possible. The occurrence is so rare that it would not make much difference in actual practice.

8. Play: Can basket interference ever occur at a player's own basket?

Ruling: No. Basket interference is a technical term which includes those acts which are covered in Rule 9-10 ad 11. Illegal touching of a free throw when it is in flight toward the basket or when it is on the ring are free throw violations with the usual free throw violation penalty. They are not included in the acts as outlined in Sections 10 and 11.

9. Play: Is it possible to commit a "goal tending" violation during a free throw?

Ruling: Not if the technical meaning of "goal tending" is used. "Goal tending" applies to the acts outlined in Rule 9-11. They do not apply to a free throw.

10. Play: If a court is marked to show both the narrow and the wide free throw lanes, is it legal to use different colors for these markings?

Ruling: Yes. The rules do not specify any color for floor markings. There may be some advantage in having different colors if both types of lane are marked.

11. Play: If the 12-foot wide lane is being used, may players step into the lane as soon as the ball leaves the free thrower's hand?

Ruling: No. The Professional League has a modified rule of this type but in all other groups, it is necessary for players to avoid touching the floor in the lane before the ball has touched the basket or backboard.

12. Play: Is the front face and each edge of a backboard treated the same as the floor inbounds?

Ruling: In most respects, it is the same.
13. Play: On jump ball between A1 and B1, A2 is in the cylinder simultaneously with the tapping of the ball. Is this a violation?

Ruling: No. To be a violation, the entry must be "before" the tap.

14. Play: On jump ball, A2 is in the cylinder too soon. Players do not hear the whistle and play continues with the timer erroneously starting the clock and allowing it to run. Should the Officials order the clock set back?

Ruling: Usually the lesser of several evils is to assume that no correction can be made. However, in certain cases where, with only a few seconds remaining, the error is especially significant, the Official has authority to arbitrarily state that a given number of seconds remain to be played. He will do this only in extreme cases where it is obvious that the outcome of the game may be determined by the error.

15. Play: What experimental projects are being sponsored?

Ruling: Several large high school groups are experimenting with the wide free throw lane. Data is being collected concerning basketball nets so that the most advantageous net length and distance from the ring to the nearest knotted loops can be determined. Because of the potential danger in the lower part of the rectangular backboard, a study is being made to determine whether the lower part of such backboard should be eliminated. Various types of time limit on control in the front court are being tried. A further expansion of the 5-second limit on a dribble in the front court is being observed. This would apply the 5-second limit to any situation which appears to involve an attempt to consume time and regardless of where it occurs in the front court.

16. Play: Is a properly constructed rubber-covered basketball legal? Also, what is the meaning of "properly constructed"?

Ruling: For the current season, a rubber-covered basketball can be used only when both teams agree to its use. Beginning with the season of 1956-57, such ball will have the same standing as a leather-covered basketball as far as high school and Y.M.C.A. are concerned. To avoid the difficulties which might come from attempts to use a poorly constructed beach ball, the high school organization conducts a testing and approval plan so that only those balls which have the proper reaction are included in the term "properly constructed." A list of the trade names and numbers of such balls may be secured from the National Federation or the State High School Association office.

17. Play: Are the scenes and rulings in the new film "Better Basketball" approved?

Ruling: Yes. This film was supervised by representatives of the National Federation, the National Basketball Committee and the National Basketball Coaches' Association. All rulings are in accordance with the official rules.

18. Play: Since a jump ball does not start until the ball is legally tapped, do violations such as being in the cylinder too soon occur during dead ball (before the jump) or during live ball (during or after the jump)?

Ruling: They occur during dead ball and prior to the jump. The use of the term "during the jump" as used in 9-6 must be interpreted to mean "during activity connected with the jump ball." This also has a bearing on violations which occur just prior to the starting of a period. In previous years, the violation occurred after the ball became alive and the period started. Now they occur before the live ball and this raises questions about whether a period may start with a throw-in. See Play 7 above for comment.

19. Play: If A1 and B1 flagrantly foul each other during dead ball so that 2 throws are awarded for each foul and the players disqualified, who may throw the free throws?

Ruling: Any other player or entering substitute. There might be a different free thrower for each throw. The last throw is followed by jump ball at center as after any false double foul. Official will ordinarily take ball to the free throw line nearest spot of the foul for the first pair of throws.

20. Play: If the above false double foul occurs just prior to the starting of a 2nd extra period, is the extra period played?

Ruling: If one team scores 2 points on the free throws and the other team does not, it results in a team scoring 2 points "after the first extra period has ended" (5-7) and the game is ended. Otherwise, the 2nd extra period is played.
Here and There

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL: C. W. Whitten celebrated his 84th birthday last August at his home at 121 Kingston Street, South, in St. Petersburg, Florida.

P. F. Neverman, formerly Secretary of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association, is enjoying his retirement at his home in Marinette, Wisconsin. He maintains his usual interest in all matters pertaining to school athletic activities.

Secretary LaFayette Golden (Florida) is back on the job for a short time each week, after having been confined to a hospital with a heart ailment. Headquarters are now in the newly constructed office building which is owned by the Florida Association.

Mitchel (Mitch) Ferguson, who served as President of the Florida Association for a number of years, is now connected with the State Department of Public Instruction with headquarters at Tallahassee.

Principal John Sexton of Northeast High School in St. Petersburg, Florida, will assist with the filming of the new baseball picture. He helped supervise the picture "Football-by-the-Code" which was made in St. Petersburg several years ago.

PUBLICATION DEVELOPMENTS: The North Dakota Association is the latest to make the transition to a monthly printed magazine. The first "Activities Bulletin" was issued in September. It is attractively printed in a 2-color cover and a 3-column make-up. The first issue was 8 printed pages in a size of 8½ by 11.

The West Virginia "Interscholastic" made its appearance in September. It replaces the West Virginia "Athlete." The new publication is attractively made up with a 2-column make-up and 20 printed pages. One way in which this magazine differs from most of the other State Association publications is in the fact that the make-up for page 1 is such as to be a substitute for a cover. The masthead is attractive and incorporates a new artistic design for the State Association seal.

BASEBALL ACTIVITY: The National Federation Baseball Committee met in Chicago on October 17 and 18. The rules for the season of 1956 were made up and plans were made for baseball activity to be conducted during the year. These activities include the making of a new baseball film under the direction of the Official Sports Film Service. A. A. Schabinger and William Runyon will jointly direct the film. Mr. Runyon will become associated with the Official Sports Film Service, beginning January 1. The filming will be done in the vicinity of St. Petersburg, Florida during the latter part of April. The film will be ready for preview in time for the annual Federation meeting in June.

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Girls' and Women's Sports News
by Betty Langley

Dot Harkins acted as Secretary in the absence of Loyce Meadows at our sectional meeting of the Fall Conference of the K.A.H. P.E.R., held at Kenlake Hotel on October 7-9. Plans were made for a student-sponsor meeting of all G.S.A.'s in the state, to be held in the Western College gym, Bowling Green, November 5.

By the time this issue of the ATHLETE comes from the press, the Bowling Green meeting will have been held. It was hoped that a large representation from throughout the state would be present in order that district representatives could be appointed. Each of the eleven districts of the state has one faculty and one student representative. If invitations failed to reach any Girls Sports Associations, those interested in receiving more information concerning the state organization should send cards of inquiry to Betty Langley, College High School, Bowling Green.

At the present time we have fourteen paid members in our newly formed Kentucky Federation of High School Girls Sports Associations. Following is a list of sponsors and member schools:

Miss Betty Langley (President), College High School, Bowling Green; Miss Loyce Meadows (Secretary), Highlands High School, Ft. Thomas; Miss Robye Anderson (Treasurer), Bowling Green High School; Mrs. Howard F. Harkins, Greenville High School; Mrs. Dew Dron Rowlett, Murray High School; Miss Dorothy Honiker, Lafayette High School, Lexington; Miss Charlotte McGire, Lloyd High School, Erlanger; Bellevue High School; Mr. James T. Vest, Walton-Verona High School, Walton; Mrs. George Sadler, Hiseville High School; Mrs. Emilie Gregg, Atherton High School, Louisville; Miss Hazel Kinslow, Male and Girls High School, Louisville; Mr. Charles Irwin, South Christian High School, Herndon; Miss Jean S. Jewell, Daviess County High School, Owensboro.

Membership dues are $2.00 per year. Dues should be sent to Miss Robye Anderson, Treasurer, at the Bowling Green High School.
HERE AND THERE

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similar to that which has been in effect for the past several years has been outlined and will be followed provided it is approved by the Professional Baseball organization. Professional Baseball has subsidized this program to encourage giving baseball attention similar to that which has been accorded football and basketball.

The new baseball publications will be printed during December and early January in time for use at meetings which precede the opening of the baseball season.

JANUARY MEETINGS: Several important meetings are being held at Nashville, Tennessee during the period from January 4 to January 7. The National Federation Executive Committee will meet Wednesday morning and afternoon January 4. State Executives who are interested in non-athletic activities will have a conference on Wednesday night, January 4. The National Federation Baseball Committee will meet Thursday morning and afternoon and Friday morning and afternoon, January 5 and 6. The State Executive Officers will meet on Friday night and Saturday morning, January 6 and 7. The Program Committee for the non-athletic activities is made up of M. F. Sprunger (Illinois), Chairman; A. Oden Hawes (Oregon); and J. F. Jiacoletti (Wyoming). The Program Committee for the Executive Officers Session is made up of Secretary Foster Bridges (Tennessee); Commissioner T. A. Sanford (Kentucky); and the National Federation Executive Secretary.

FOOTBALL ACTIVITY: Several important safety projects are being sponsored. One of these includes a detailed study of different types of mouthguards and face protectors. Data are being collected concerning the advantages and disadvantages of each type of protector. Another study involves a survey of all serious injuries. In past years, data have been collected to determine the exact cause of those injuries which resulted in death. The new survey has been expanded to include an injury which involves a long period of medical care. Through this survey, it will be possible to determine the exact type of play during which the injury occurs and possible related causes.

All of the above data will be made available for an equipment conference which is being held in Chicago on Monday, December 19. At this conference, representatives from manufacturers of athletic equipment will be in attendance. The Federation will be represented by the chairmen of those committees which are directly interested in safety factors and by others from nearby State Associations. The conference is designed to provide full information as to recent activities to make the game safer and to permit the adoption of minimum standards for items such as face protectors, shoe cleats and other apparatus. Following the equipment conference, full report will be made at the meeting of the National Federation Football Committee at Nashville, Tennessee on January 5.

THE FLYING DUTCHMAN

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himself by spending two days in August in the School for Officials in Lexington, and then showed up for the training clinics at both Owensboro and Henderson. Young officials wanting to break into officiating would do well to follow Billy's example, get as much training as possible, and officiate at every opportunity, whether for pay or experience.

More than 2500 officials, coaches, players and spectators jammed into the fourteen sessions which were held. To this group at Hazard we should add twenty-five young ladies who lead the cheers in the mountain area. Their presence was gratifying because cheerleaders can do much toward developing and maintaining the proper attitude of sportsmanship among the spectators. Everybody in attendance was in accord in acclaiming the motion picture film on officiating, which was shown, to be one of the finest additions ever made to the annual rules sessions.

As we conclude this month's column, let us add a reminder to send your nominations for the Guy Game Award. Corn Cob Pipe Award and Abou Ben Adhem Award to The Flying Dutchman immediately when you locate individuals or communities whom you think qualify for the honor.

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