

Former Tiffin Coach Would Count Long Distance Goals More Points and Eliminate the Center Jump

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A new scoring method for basketball has been devised by Herman E. Sayger, a former coach of Heidelberg College here, to reward the athlete with the accurate eye for long shots.

The longer the shot, the more the basket counts under Sayger's system which consequently would lessen the value of close-up flings at the hoop.

Sayger would allow three points for baskets scored from beyond the 25-foot line, and only one point for shots made within a 15-foot radius of the goal. Those between the 15-foot and 25-foot lines would count two points.

The little fellow who can score at long range will be given a fairer chance in a game which now, in Sayger's opinion, is ruled by big and rangy performers who pitch the ball in from under the basket with the help of brute force and height.

All this will have a tendency to eliminate stalling and speed up the game, Sayger thinks.

In another effort to cut down tall players and not much else, Sayger

would have the tip-off abolished at the start of play.

Following a toss of a coin, the winners would be given the ball in the center of the floor after which they would place it in play as they choose. After a basket has been scored by one team, the play would be renewed by giving the ball to the other team in the center of the court.

25+ Feet = 3 Points

15 – 24 Feet = 2 Points

Inside 15 Feet = 1 Point