May 11, 1940.

Mr. Sam Shirley,
Faculty Representative of Athletics,
University of Missouri,
Columbia, Missouri.

Dear Sam:

I am sending you a check for $185.93, which is one-third of $557.00, the N.C.A.A. 20% share of the net profits of the Big Six Conference basketball play-off held at Wichita, Kansas, on March 11 and 12. This amount, added to the $743.73 which was mailed you from Wichita, makes a net total for the University of Missouri of $929.76. The expenses for your trip were sent you by Mr. Huey.

In the division of these funds the University of Oklahoma was sent $743.72 and $185.94, which totals the same as the amount sent to the University of Missouri.

I am very happy to say that the financial success of the Western play-off and the National N.C.A.A. play-off caused me to appeal to the N.C.A.A. Olympic and Tournament Committee, asking them to refund the 20% "take" to the three schools involved. Our only desire at the beginning was to see that the N.C.A.A. tournament was a financial success.

I trust that the handling of this tournament caused you no embarrassment. I assure you I endeavored to keep the competition in an academic environment and I was pleased at the high grade of competition and sportsmanship shown throughout in all the play-offs and tournaments.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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