

Lawrence, Kansas  
February 23, 1935

Mr. John R. Tunis,  
Rowayton, Conn.

Dear Mr. Tunis:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of  
your favor of the 25th ultimo.

To begin with I heartily agree with you  
that there are too many yes men in the country already. Therefore,  
in the true spirit of camaraderie, greetings from one anti to another.  
Indeed I am very fond of intellectual honesty, but I fear in your  
recent correspondence that a certain species of intellectual honesty  
was aborted soon after conception.

As Chairman of the Press Committee  
of the National Association of Basket Ball Coaches of the United  
States and as Chairman of the Research Committee of the National Bas-  
ket Ball Rules Body, I expect to give you certain irrefutable facts  
bearing upon my previous statement concerning numbers playing basket  
ball in the United States. When I made the statement that twenty  
million people were playing basket ball I didn't confine the number  
of participants to America. However, I expect to make a definite  
recheck on both national and foreign participants in this sport and  
although it may take several months to obtain this data, you shall  
receive an authenticated compilation of facts and figures in due time.

*trend* *argument* I was struck by the ~~anti~~<sup>lack of</sup> coherence *between*  
the theme of your article and the thought conveyed in your letter,

The underlying trend of your *argument* ~~article~~  
seems to be "playing-games" as against "attendance-games". However,  
you seem to be somewhat confused at times on the differentiation