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Dear Doc:

You may not remember me, I was a Kappa Sig at K.U. and went to school with Noble, Rogers, Engleman and a few other famous K Sig basketballers.

The purpose of this letter is to settle an argument. Why is it that Easterners are so narrow minded. We just received the issue of Life with the write-up of the St. Johns team. Those on this ship from the east say St. Johns is the best team and has been since basketball started. Also they claim to have the best coach. I offered to bet \$50 that the Kansas teams and the Kansas coach have such a far better record that St. Johns wouldn't even show.

If it isn't too much trouble would you, if you have the information available, send me all the national statistics that will show Kansas' record as against St. Johns, or better still any national statistics.

Which is the recognized national championship. The National Invitation tournement, or the National AAU that is played in KC? How about Kansas' record in playing Eastern teams?

I maintain that in say the ten years before the war Kansas' overall record will stand up against any of them, and that the E ast as a section plays inferoir ball. It makes my blood boil to have some half-baked Jersey or Brooklyn zoot-suiter blast any one except the East. I want proof to show them up before every officer on this ship.

Don't let me down Doc. and when you give the best coach, for heavens sakes don't be modest. I would appreciate an airmail return and am enclosing a stamp. Thanks a million.

Windest Personnal regards

Jr. Lt. (jg)

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