

May 11, 1942.

Chancellor Deane W. Malott,
University of Kansas.

Dear Chancellor Malott:

It has been quite some time since I received the carbon copy of George Edward's letter to Gwinn Henry regarding the N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament. I have taken some time to reply because I did not want to stoop to the inelegant, but I am afraid my contemporary did.

I realize that you are a very busy man and that I have written an exhaustive reply, but I would like you to first read George Edwards' letter and then read my reply to him. I want you to know the correct historical background of a group of people who are distorting the game and taking all the money. I believe that your sense of fairness will enable you to see the unfair attitude of the N.C.A.A. Executive Committee in taking all the money and leaving the colleges nothing but an opportunity to travel and miss school while the N.C.A.A. sits as a selfish paternal body and reaps the income.

And the discrimination is so evident against the sport of basketball that I am sure intelligent college administrations will not long continue to allow this unfair discrimination.

I have not pulled any punches in my letter and I have told George Edwards exactly what I thought was a true and correct version of the situation. The very fact that he was the custodian of nearly ten thousand tickets each night for these games, and then for him to endeavor to hold a team that had twenty men to twenty-eight tickets shows pretty well the pseudo-generous character of this magnanimous gentleman.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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