

January 6, 1939.

Mr. J. E. Hammers,
Columbus, Kansas.

Dear Jim:

I just called Dr. Naismith and he states that the National Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament in Kansas City starts on March 13 and runs through the 18, and then he goes to Denver for the A. A. U. Tournament, and then to the girls' tournament in Wichita. So it looks like we would have to come to Columbus before that date - sometime between March 6th and 11th.

I have asked Dr. Naismith to tentatively some of these dates until we can hear from you.

After basketball season is over I am besieged with a great number of calls, and if you have any idea as to your date it might be well if we could at least tentatively agree upon it soon.

Dr. Naismith is leaving this morning to drive his son, Jim, and his family back to Dallas. He is on leave of absence, you know, and there is great demand to have him over the United States for basketball games and lectures.

I am glad that you like my book, "Better Basketball", and I trust that you will have a highly successful season.

With all good wishes to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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