

But as soon as basketball was placed on the Olympics program, even though they stated that there was no chance for it, then they jumped on the "gravy wagon" and held on to it until it was drained of every bit of self-respect as well as any financial income.

It is a long story. The University of Kansas and Utah Agricultural College played in Kansas City for the benefit of Olympic basketball, and our income was over \$10,000. The only money that the AAU got and spent was the money they received from the college basketball game, while the proceeds from their national AAU tournament went directly to pay office expenses in New York.

I talked with the manager of the McPherson Oilers, one of the groups that played in Madison Square Garden. He was one of the men who made the trip. He stated to me that the boys on both the Universal Picture Company of Hollywood, first place winners in America, and the McPherson Oilers second place winners, that the Olympic basketball competitors actually had to put up their jewelry and borrow money to make out the trip to Berlin. It was a sorry mess.

The colleges who had been primarily responsible in raising the money have now refused to have any basketball in the Olympics for the future. There are only four sports that the colleges are supporting in the next Olympics, and they are asking that our coaches handle these teams. Those four sports are swimming, rowing, wrestling and track and field.

If I can be of any service or give you any information that will help you I will be very happy to do so. I do not know the name of the individual who cares to stand out and make a fight against this corrupt group because that very individual has nothing to gain. It would all be paper power.

These boys who want to play independent basketball don't care enough about sticking with an individual long enough to whip the other outfit. They will play where it is most convenient to them.

I have in mind the name of one man who has talked about a movement on foot in the United States to form a national independent basketball organization, the same as the CABA in Canada, but this individual's standing is not the kind that I would care to recommend.