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Dear Mac:

Confirming my conversation of this morning I am writing you some data which I think will make very interesting reading in regard to the N.C.A.A. basketball tournament and the way the N.C.A.A. handles their finances. I am also enclosing some tear sheets from the National Collegiate Athletic Association booklet in which they give the proceedings of the 36th Annual Convention held at Detroit, Michigan, on December 28-31, 1941. I would send you the entire book but it would have to go second class, and I am interested in having you get this at the earliest possible moment.

You will notice on page 154, Appendix III, Financial Reports of Tournaments and Treasurer's Report. Under this large caption is the financial report of the 1941 basketball play-offs and final game, both the Eastern and Western and the Final play-off. After listing all expenses there is a summary on page 156, and the net receipts are listed as \$9,043.92. Then under distribution of net receipts as above (\$9043.92), the N.C.A.A. takes 10% of that amount which gives them \$904.40, leaving a balance of \$8,139.52. Now, they divide this amount. Fifty per cent of this \$8139.52 goes to the N.C.A.A. That gives the N.C.A.A. a total of \$4974.16 from the net proceeds, but to the teams were allocated either 2/18 or 3/18. All of these teams, you will notice, with the exception of Wisconsin and Washington State, got 2/18 because they played in only two games; while Wisconsin and Washington played in the finals which made three games for them.

This year in the Western play-off Kansas, Rice and Colorado played two games, and in the Eastern play-off Illinois, Penn State and Kentucky played two. Two games a piece for these six teams made twelve games, and three games a piece for Stanford and Dartmouth made six games. That makes a total of 18 games. Therefore, the teams that went to the finals got 3/18 of this 50% of the melon after it had had 10% sliced from it. While the N.C.A.A. derived \$4074.16, the team that went on to win the N.C.A.A. title, like Wisconsin last year, got \$678.28.