

Certainly I would say that any committee member that had his team in the running should automatically disqualify himself and appoint someone else in his place. This is the procedure that the jurists and the legal profession have traditionally adopted and it is the only decent way to behave.

Now, let's talk about this outstanding newspaper man. The one outstanding newspaper man in this vicinity is Clyde E. McBride. He is a writer of clean sport, a college man, and a man with high ideals both as a newspaper man and as a sportsman. Doubtless you will remember that C. E. McBride did not sponsor but he was friendly indeed to the National A.A.U. Tournament which was held under such suspicious circumstances for a number of years. It was his support that really put that tournament over. Then when the National A.A.U. Tournament went to Denver, this National Collegiate Tournament under the straw-bossing of Emil Liston of Baker University, endeavored to promote this tournament in the new auditorium in Convention Hall in Kansas City. The difficulty was that only small teams were obtained. But Liston set up a board over the country including John Bunn of Stanford, Dutch Lonborg of Northwestern, Adolph Rupp of Kentucky, and other men who had basketball reputations over the country. Of course, none of these men brought teams, but they used that personnel to boost the prestige of this so-called National Collegiate group.

Now, Ole, I am in a dilemma and I am turning to you for advice. Of course the location of where to expect to have this tournament would have much to do with the selection of the newspaper man. You have talked to the N.C.A.A. powers that be, and I would like for you to tell me what you have in mind regarding the location of the tournament, east or west.

I will say that I think your set up of assembling the first, second, third and fourth teams, and the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth teams in groups is much better than the original plan of having the first and second play, third and fourth, fifth and sixth, seventh and eighth. That feature would entail too much time away from school and would be subject to much criticism. You, as chairman of the N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament Committee, should have a fairly good idea of where you think the tournament would pay.

I know Kansas City is one of the best basketball centers of the United States, but without Mr. McBride boosting for this tournament there would be no use in trying it in Kansas City. Likewise, Des Moines is a good town if Drake is in the tournament. It doesn't matter whether Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska or anyone else is in the tournament here in Kansas City. The Oklahoma Aggies have good teams and would draw just as well in Kansas City as any other team. Kansas City is a real basketball town, but it would take C. E. McBride on your side to succeed there. And, Ole, the fine thing about Mr. McBride is that he doesn't want a lot of kow-towing to him. He is just the type of fellow that will boost a project if it is on the up and up and he is the type of fellow that doesn't take his cut as so many of these newspaper men do. He is one of the