THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION L. W. St. John, Director February 1, 1939 Dr. F. C. Allen University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas Dear "Phog": I am enclosing copy of the first information which we are sending out in regard to the tournament. If you have any suggestions, I hope you will forward them on to me. I, too, had my doubts about the advisability of March 20-21 for the play-off dates in San Francisco, but I am assured by John Bunn that the winning team from there can be in Chicago on the evening of March 24 by using the Deluxe service from San Francisco. Under the circumstances, I believe there is nothing for us to do except to use those dates. Bunn, and I assume President Owens, seem to feel that to do so would be o.k. You will note that in this letter to the committee men, I am trying to suggest that they stress the idea that this is a N.C.A.A. Championship and doesn't pretend to be the "National Intercollegiate Championship" sponsored by the N.C.A.A. I feel we are getting a fine response generally, in respect to this tournament, throughout the country and am very hopeful of it being a huge success. I deeply appreciate everything you are doing and I heartily concur in your idea that you write the people in your section giving them the straight dope on this tournament. Very sincerely yours, 110°Ce " H. G. Olsen Chairman, N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament Committee HGO:M Enc.