

## SECOND ANNUAL N. C. A. A. BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Second N. C. A. A. Basketball Tournament proved to be a fine success from every standpoint. With one or two exceptions the representatives from each of the eight districts were the outstanding teams in their district.

The four teams which played in the Eastern play-off at the Butler Field House, Indianapolis, on March 22 and 23, were Indiana University from District 4, Western State Teachers College of Kentucky from District 3, Duquesne University of Pittsburgh from District 2, and Springfield College, Springfield, Mass., from District 1. In the first round on Friday night, Indiana defeated Springfield College and Duquesne won a close game from Western State Teachers. In the final game on Saturday night, Indiana emerged the victor and thereby established its right to go to the final game in Kansas City.

In the Western play-off at Kansas City on March 22 and 23, Kansas defeated Rice in the first round and Southern California defeated the University of Colorado. In the final of the Western play-off Kansas won a close game from Southern California. This brought Indiana, the winner of the Eastern play-off and Kansas, the winner of the Western play-off, into the final game at Kansas City on March 30th.

Both the Eastern and Western play-offs were successful financially, especially the Western play-off at Kansas City and the final game was one of the finest basketball events ever held in this country. The beautiful Municipal Auditorium was filled to capacity. The memorial service for Dr. Naismith, the originator of the game of basketball, was very impressive. The fine music and drill which was put on by the University of Kansas band between halves made a big hit with the crowd. And, of course, the basketball game between Indiana and Kansas proved to be a fine demonstration of clever basketball, Indiana winning the National Collegiate Basketball Championship. President Owens of the N. C. A. A. presented the trophies and awards to the competing teams at the close of the game.

All in all, the N. C. A. A. Tournament this year proved to be what the Kansas City sports writers had called it "the world series of basketball."

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