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Lawrence, Kansas
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Professor Wm. B. Owens,
President, National Collegiate A. A.,
Law School,
Stanford University,
California.

Dear President Owens:

During our conversation on March 30th at the Hotel Continental you mention that there might be a possibility of the Research Committee doing some research on the strenuousness of the game of basketball. This was predicated upon the possible fact that the N.C.A.A. have enough money to do research work.

I am sending you a mimeographed copy of some work that we did this past winter on high school players in the district, regional and state Class A tournament. This unfinished study was made only as a starter to pave the way for a more complete and more thorough study on this subject.

As chairman of the Research Committee of the National Basketball Rules Committee, we are appointing H. V. Porter to head up a study along this line for the High School Federation, Mr. Crocker and Mr. Davies of Canada, and for the N.C.A.A., "Doc" Edmundson and Everett Dean of the Pacific Coast Conference, J. W. St. Clair of the Southwest, Dick Romney, of Utah State, for the Rocky Mountain Conference, H. G. Olsen for the Big Ten, Dr. C. H. McCloy of the University of Iowa, Dr. Cureton assisted by Mr. Hickox of Springfield, Mass., Dr. H. C. Carlson of the University of Pittsburgh, Drs. Nash and Lloyd of New York University, Dr. Cornwell of the University of North Carolina, Staff Cassell of American University, and B. T. Grover, of Ohio University, past-president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

This committee should bring to light a great many of the important controversial points regarding the strenuousness of the game of basketball.