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Dear Doctor Allen:

Pardon my delay in answering your recent letter concerning the advisability of the charge to the Coaches Association for the final N.C.A.A. championship game and also the matter of an award from the National Coaches Association to the winner of the final game at Kansas City.

This delay, however, has been due to the necessity of having to write to our board of directors and officers and to await their answers. I am glad, however, to be able to give you the vote of our board and officers.

They are just about unanimously in favor of the charge of \$1.00 per ticket to be made to the coaches and to be paid by them rather than taking the amount from our treasury. They have all expressed themselves as being willing to pay and feel that the tournament committee has been most considerate in giving the coaches group a reduced price of \$1.00 for the final game. I would suggest that the Olympic Committee operate on this basis and expect \$150 or \$200 to come in in this way.

On the second matter of the award they are much in favor of such an award being made by the Coaches Association, if you are able to swing the deal with the Naismith Family to make it a Naismith Memorial, with the cost of the trophy to be paid for by the Coaches Association. I was in Columbus this last Wednesday and had a long talk, with Harold Olsen and we agreed that the purchase and everything incident to the getting of this award should be left entirely in your hands. I am sure that John Bunn would agree to such a plan as well as the Coaches Association. Olsen and I thought possibly \$50 to \$75 might do the job. However, this also should be left up to you. Feel free to go along on a price somewhat within range of these figures.