

February 24, 1940.

Mr. John T. Doyle,
American Sports Publishing Co.,
115 Fulton Street,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Doyle:

Dr. Naismith's wife and his daughter, Mrs. Maude Arne Dawe, the executrix of his estate, were in to see me this morning to give permission to the National Association of Basketball Coaches for the award of a "Dr. James Naismith Memorial Basketball Trophy", to be presented to the championship team of the N.C.A.A. American basketball tournament. The finals this year are to be played in Kansas City on March 30. The trophy each year is to be presented by the National Association of Basketball Coaches with the sanction of the Naismith family.

Mrs. Dawe, Dr. Naismith's daughter, has a complete set of Dr. Naismith Basketball Guides. This is from the publication of the first rules to the present date. I told Mrs. Naismith and Mrs. Dawe that I would write you and see if the American Sports Publishing Company each year would be kind enough to send Mrs. Dawe a copy of the Guide as it comes off your press. Mrs. Dawe's address is 1006 Forest Avenue, Topeka. Dr. Naismith's wife resides here in Lawrence.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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