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INTERCOLLEGIATE BASKETBALL

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NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

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January 13, 1940

Mr. Edward J. Hickox
Springfield College
Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hickox:

A copy of your letter under date of December 12 addressed to members of the National Association of Basketball Coaches of the United States has reached me. This, in spite of the fact that I was not extended the courtesy of having it mailed direct, though my name appears on the membership roll of the Association.

I think, Mr. Hickox, you are too seriously concerned about the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball being a "devisive" organization or "one that might well weaken the power and influence of the Basketball Coaches in the United States."

First let us get some things straight. The name "Intercollegiate Basketball" is the official, legally registered trade-marked name given to the official publication of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball, a legally organized, unincorporated body.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball membership is institutional, not individual.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball is not a "devisive" organization.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball has not, through its membership or through representatives of its membership, sought to discourage or to alienate members of the National Association of Basketball Coaches or any other organization or individual members of such organization.

It is inconsequential, but for your information, the code for membership in the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball was set up March 15, 1939; while the code for membership to which you refer in the National Association of Basketball Coaches was revamped in a special executive session, hurriedly called after some disturbances occurred in the afternoon meeting of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, more than two weeks later, at Chicago.

January 13, 1940

The National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament has been national in scope since 1938 when representative teams from 19 states competed. In 1939 teams from 21 states competed. The 1940 tournament is to be conducted under the same general plans. If a tournament intercollegiate in character and national in scope, in which representative teams have an opportunity to qualify if they so choose, and where provision is made for them to qualify, is not national, then the National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament is "so-called" national.

It is open to members of this Association without payment of a tournament entrance fee, and to non-members of this Association upon payment of a \$25 tournament fee. (Non-members wishing to qualify must meet the same academic standards as members.) In either case, teams must qualify according to plans set up by the district committee. There are 32 districts.

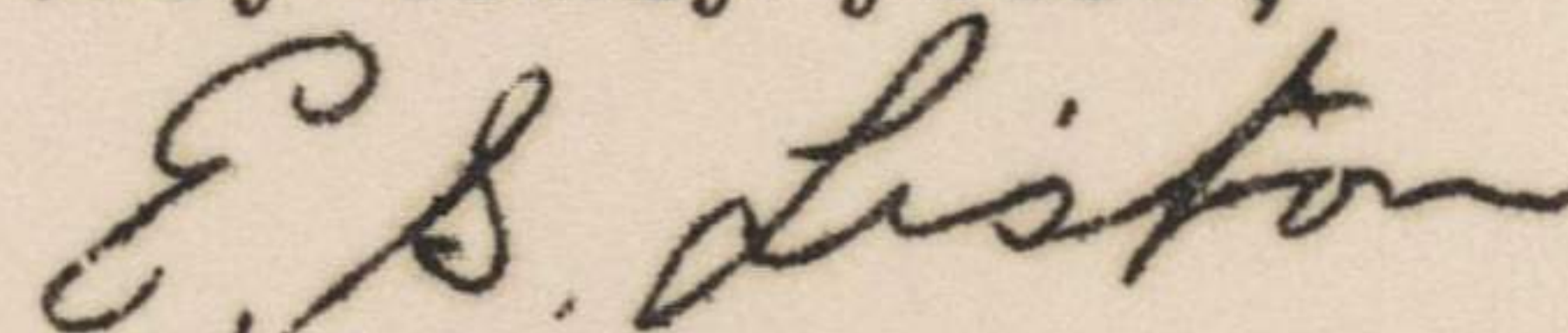
It is not unlikely that the programs of two national organizations interested in basketball would engage in overlapping activities. I am sure that the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball is not envious of the accomplishments of the National Association of Basketball Coaches. In fact, many of us are cooperating in the work of the National Association of Basketball Coaches and in its program. If the main controversy is that of determining the national champion, my suggestion is that the teams qualifying for the N. C. A. A. play-offs or those that can qualify, compete in the National Intercollegiate Championship Tournament or allow those teams that qualify for play in the National Intercollegiate Championship Tournament, or those that can qualify, participate in the N. C. A. A. playoffs. This would settle once and for all the controversy. Until that is done, there will be a National Intercollegiate Champion (Open Championship), and an N.C.A.A. Champion (Closed Championship).

At each meeting of the National Association of Basketball Coaches it has been my privilege to attend, there has been much effort put forth to enroll members. It has been my pleasure to help secure members, but let us be open-minded and be careful lest we alienate some of the workers in the National Association of Basketball Coaches and consequently retard the growth of that organization in attempting to discourage the development of another.

Then in the spirit of cooperation, for, Mr. Hickox, "in unity there is strength," wouldn't it be better to go along in these respective fields, working in the interests of the game without fear that one association will do what the other has not yet been able to do? Let the best interests of basketball be foremost and not those of any individual or group.

I beg to remain

Very truly yours,



E. S. Liston
Director of Athletics
Baker University
Acting Executive Secretary
National Association of Intercollegiate
Basketball

February 12, 1940.

Mr. E. J. Hickox,
Springfield College,
Springfield, Mass.

Dear E. J.:

Bully for you, mister! You not only took one pot shot at this young man from Baldwin City, Kansas, who is coaching Baker University and commuting back and forth to Kansas City to boost his National Interscholastic (?) basketball something, but you fired sixteen "Big Berthas" at him all at the same time.

You are aggressive and you say what you mean, but a lot of these fellows are afraid to speak out. I would rather worship at the shrine of a man who is not afraid to speak his convictions. Thank you very much.

We are going to have a great tournament and a great meeting in Kansas City, and we will be looking for you and Mrs. Hickox out our way. Why can't you get a group of eastern coaches to come along with you and form a caravan?

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

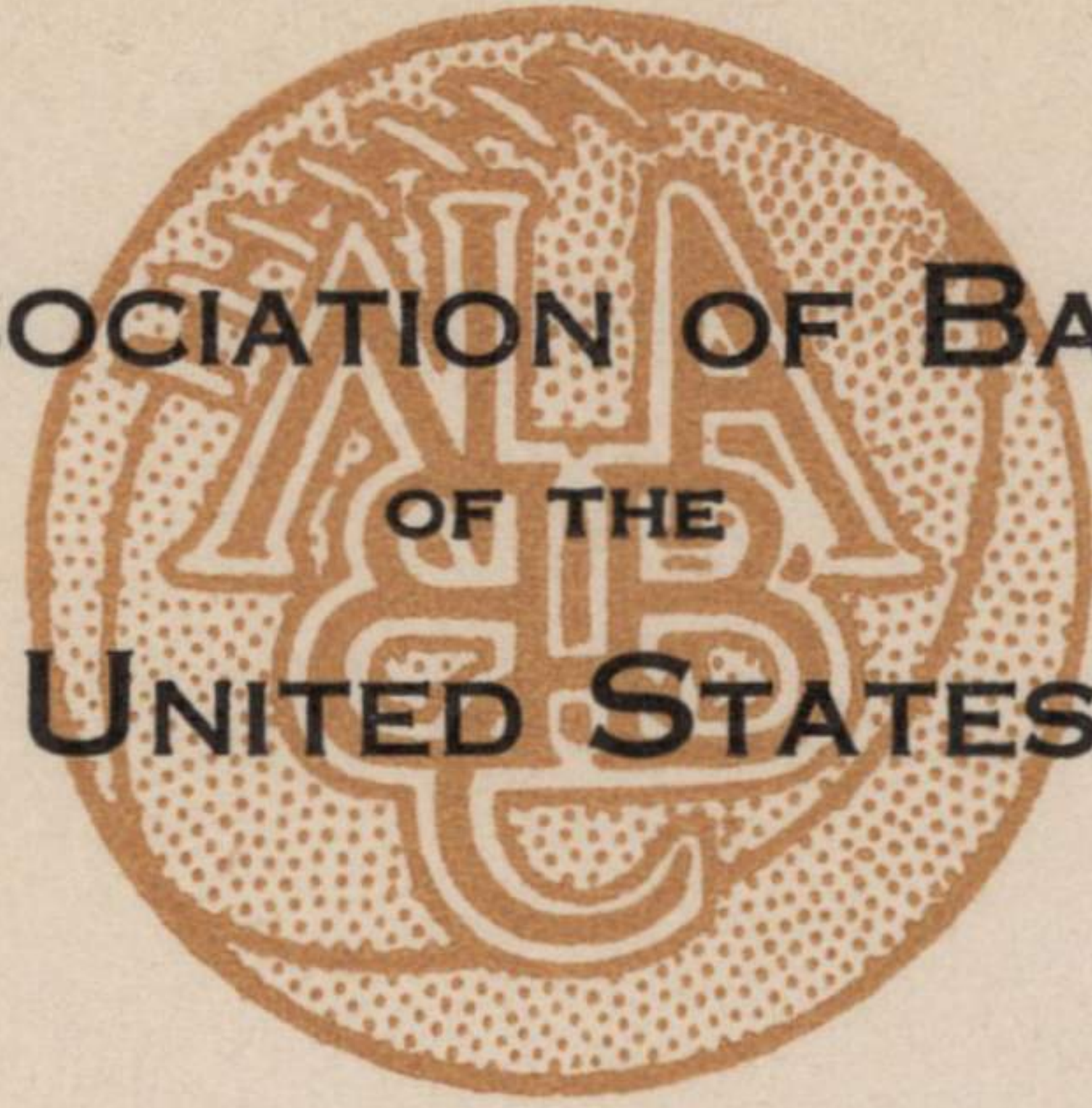
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Dear Thy:

This should have been
in your hands a month ago
I thought to write a letter to
go along with it to you - Appreciation
of your work on Committee etc -
Later for that

Best of luck

ed

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EDWARD J. HICKOX, SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE
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December 12, 1939

Dear Coach:

There has come to my desk a circular called "Intercollegiate Basketball" issued at Baldwin, Kansas and described as the "Official Publication of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball."

This embryonic Association plans its first Convention for 1940 and seems to be organized around the so-called National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament conducted by E. S. Liston at Kansas City.

I note that the five objectives stated for this proposed organization differ very little from those of our own Association.

I note further that the fundamental institutional membership requirement is based on a four-year curriculum of academic work.

You will remember that at the 1939 Convention our Association made active membership possible to "coaches from institutions which offer a four-year baccalaureate degree" thus eliminating the former requirements of membership in the N.C.A.A.

I am frankly puzzled then as to the necessity or desirability of a second organization of this sort.

The N.A.B.B.C. has been actively striving to meet the needs and wishes of the coaches. It has a fine service record over a period of years. It has a membership of approximately 250, including most of the well known personages among the basketball coaching fraternity.

The seven coaches who are members of the National Rules Committee are also all members of the N.A.B.B.C.

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The vote of our Association is unquestionably the greatest single influence with the Rules Committee in their consideration of possible changes.

Our Association has had a responsible and influential part in the promotion of international basketball relationships.

We have been designated by the N.C.A.A. as the organization through which its National Championships in Basketball shall be promoted and by which these Championships shall be staged.

In 1939 the N.A.B.B.C. did conduct through its committee the first actual U.S. Basketball Championships among colleges where provision was made for representation from all sections of the United States.

Our Organization is a democratic one with opportunity for interested coaches to present ideas and to promote them. The Administrative Personnel is constantly changing so that these new ideas and new influences do affect our Association to make for growth and progress.

With these things in mind, I am disturbed that members of our Organization should wish to ally themselves with what might well become a divisive movement. If the N.A.B.B.C. is doing the job I think it is, there is no need for a new organization covering the same ground - instead there will tend to be competition destructive to the strength and influence of both.

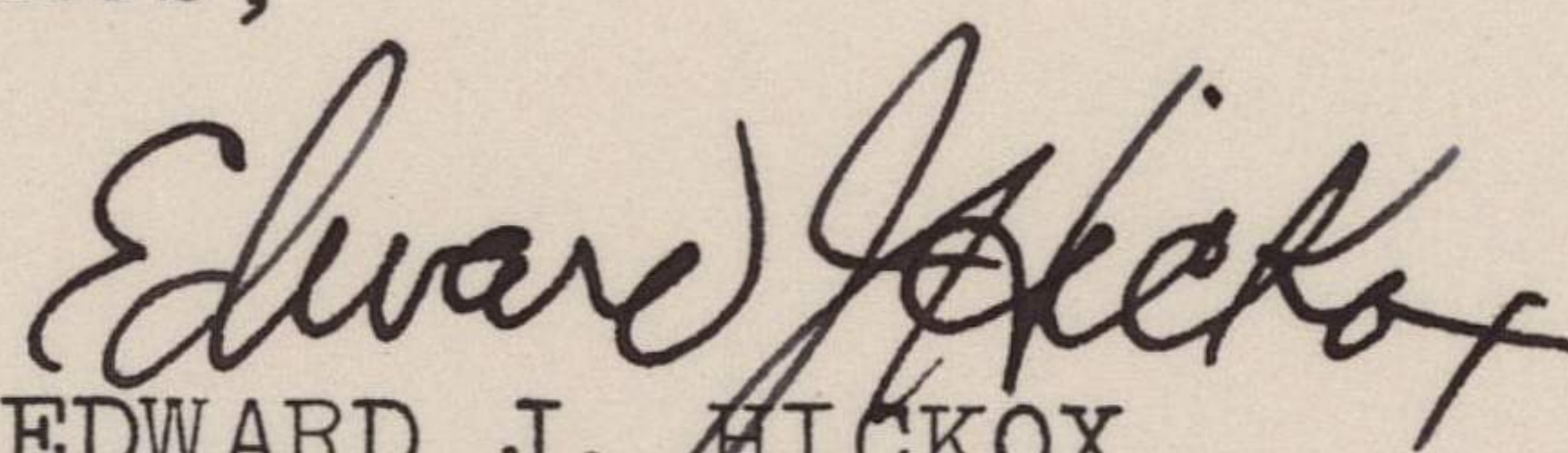
The logical position for our membership is to accomplish through our established and influential organization whatever ends they seek and to discourage formation of any competing organization. If we continue to promote the N.A.B.B.C. and withhold support from this competing organization which is still in the embryonic stage, we strengthen the real power of the coaches to bring about what we wish for the best interests of the game. Our nation was founded on the principle - "In Unity there is Strength."

I appeal to you, therefore, to give your best interest and efforts to the N.A.B.B.C., and to consider carefully before giving encouragement or aid to a movement that might well weaken the power and influence of the Basketball Coaches in the United States.

Our Editor would be very glad to receive any comments or expression of ideas, also suggestions for the improvement of our own Association and our Bulletins.

May I wish for you a Happy Holiday Season, and a team success that will make you think each weekend is Christmas.

Best of good wishes,


EDWARD J. HICKOX
Secretary-Treasurer
National Association of
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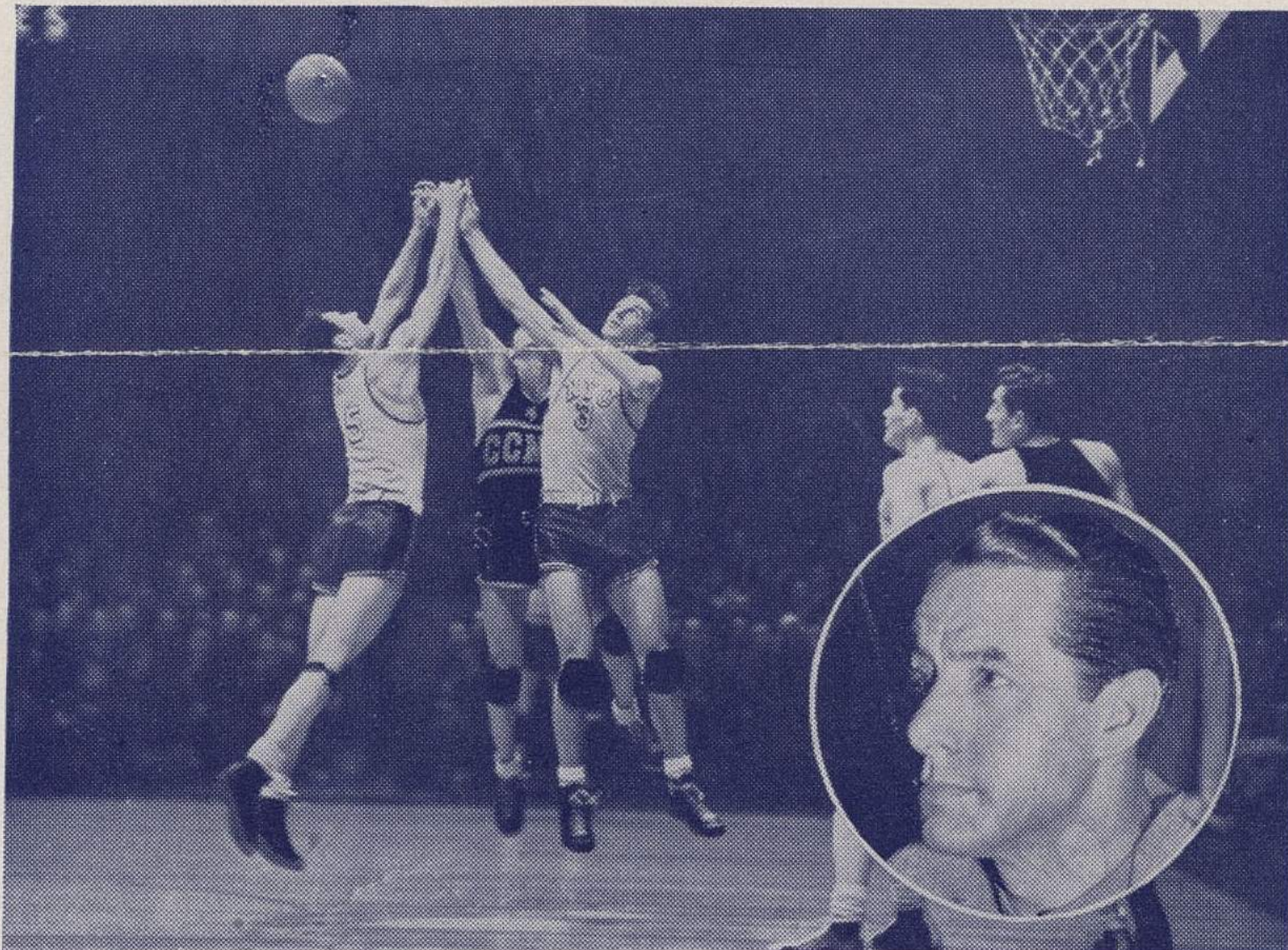
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Lawrence, Kansas,
November 18, 1939.

Mr. H. G. Olsen,
Ohio State University,
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear "Ole":

I am enclosing a copy of a publication which I have just received from Liston. It is the only copy I have and I would like to have it returned eventually. I would kindly ask, however, that you send this on to Major Griffith, and request him to return it to me.

You will notice many discrepancies in this bulletin. In the first place, there is the matter of the "James A. Hainith Trophy". This is really the "Maude Hainith Trophy". Dr. Hainith is still living. I also wish to call your attention to the district chairmen: Forrest Cox, from Colorado; Henry Iba, from Oklahoma Aggies; Dee Erickson, from Washburn College; Ed Hokey, from Creighton; Ray Hanson, from Western Illinois State Teachers College; Roy Clifford, from Western Reserve; A. F. Rupp, from the University of Kentucky; Clair Bee, of Long Island -- all of these fellows are members of the National Collegiate.

It seems to me that the officials of the N.C.A.A. should take this up with the proper parties and should fully inform them that these names are being used. Their names should be removed if they are listed here without the individuals' consent. You will recall at our last meeting of the N.C.A.A. this was to be done, and I thought you had done it, Ole. I think especially Cox, who is a member of the Rules Body, ought to know about this.

All of this is promotion, of course. They have copied our name as much as possible, and the public is really being

fooled as to the real status of this organization.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Chairman, 5th District, N.C.A.A.

cc - Major John L. Griffith.

Lawrence, Kansas
November 18, 1939.

Mr. B. T. Grover, President,
National Association of Basketball Coaches,
Ohio University,
Athens, Ohio.

Dear "Butch":

I just wanted you to see what is
going on in our community of the United States
of America.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH
Enc.

Chairman, 5th District, N.C.A.A.

November 23, 1939

Mr. Butch Grover
President, The National Association
of Basketball Coaches
Ohio University
Athens, Ohio

Dear Butch:

Enclosed correspondence was received this morning, and I believe represents a problem for our association to consider.

Just what effect this new group will have on basketball in general is hard to say. To say nothing of what the motive involved might be.

I am bringing this to your attention because I am sure we must be prepared to protect our own interest and possibly investigate this new association. Although I am sending this to you as a problem nevertheless I shall appreciate whatever information you have on this group because as you note my membership has been sought in this connection.

We hope that you will have a successful basketball year. Please know I am anxious to do my part in the northwest on behalf of the association.

Sincerely,

Marshall Diebold
Director of Athletics

MD:JH

Enclosure

CARLETON COLLEGE
NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

MARSHALL DIEBOLD
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November 23, 1939

Dr. Forest C. Allen
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

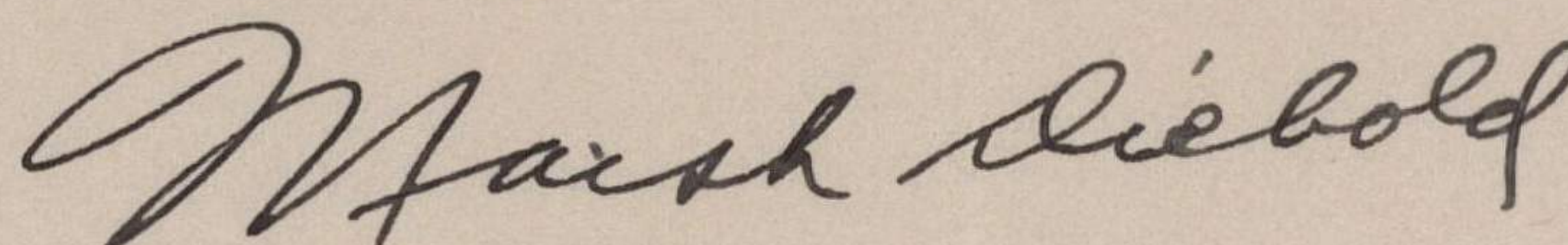
Dear Dr. Allen:

Enclosed is a copy of my letter to Butch. It is self-explanatory. As you probably already know this new organization is called "The National Association of Inter-Collegiate Basketball" with Ed Liston of Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas serving in capacity of acting executive secretary.

I hope my alarm is unwarranted although as mentioned in my letter to Butch, I think we should protect our splendid association of basketball coaches.

We hope you are preparing for another successful basketball season. Let us hear from you at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Marshall Diebold
Director of Athletics

MD:JH

Enclosure

November 27, 1939.

Mr. Marshall Diebold,
Director of Athletics,
Carleton College,
Northfield, Minn.

Dear Mr. Diebold:

Your letter of November 23rd has been received during Dr. Allen's absence from the office. He is conducting a basketball rules interpretation meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, and expects to return the latter part of this week. I am sure he will write you within a very short time.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. F. C. Allen.

December 5, 1939

Mr. John Bunn,
Stanford Univ.,
Palo Alto, California.

Dear Johnny:

I am enclosing one of the announcements of the "National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball".

Among other discrepancies, you will notice mention of the "James A. Naismith Memorial Trophy", which Dr. Naismith really gave as a memorial to his wife, Maude Naismith. This was not a memorial to Dr. Naismith at all.

You will also notice names of persons listed with the district chairmen who are also members of the National Basketball Committee of the United States and Canada.

I believe this is an organization which our committee should not overlook.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, 5th District, N.C.A.A.

FCA:m

December 5, 1939

Coach Forrest Cox,
Colorado University,
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear "Frosty":

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You will also notice names of persons listed with the district chairmen who are also members of the National Basketball Committee of the United States and Canada. I notice that your name is listed as representing Colorado. You will remember we discussed this in New York at our Rules meeting and I am wondering if they printed your name here without your knowledge or authorization.

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Sincerely yours,

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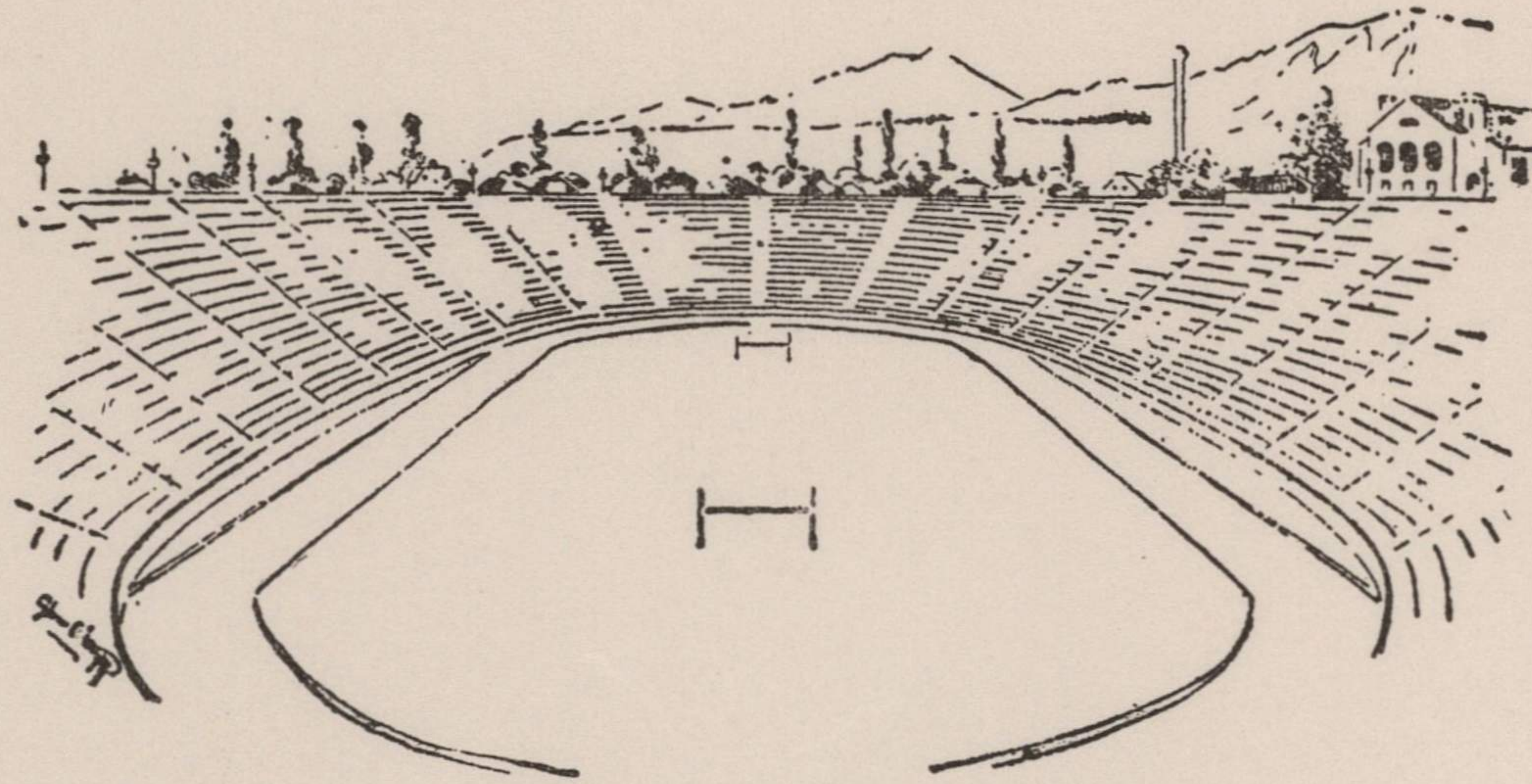
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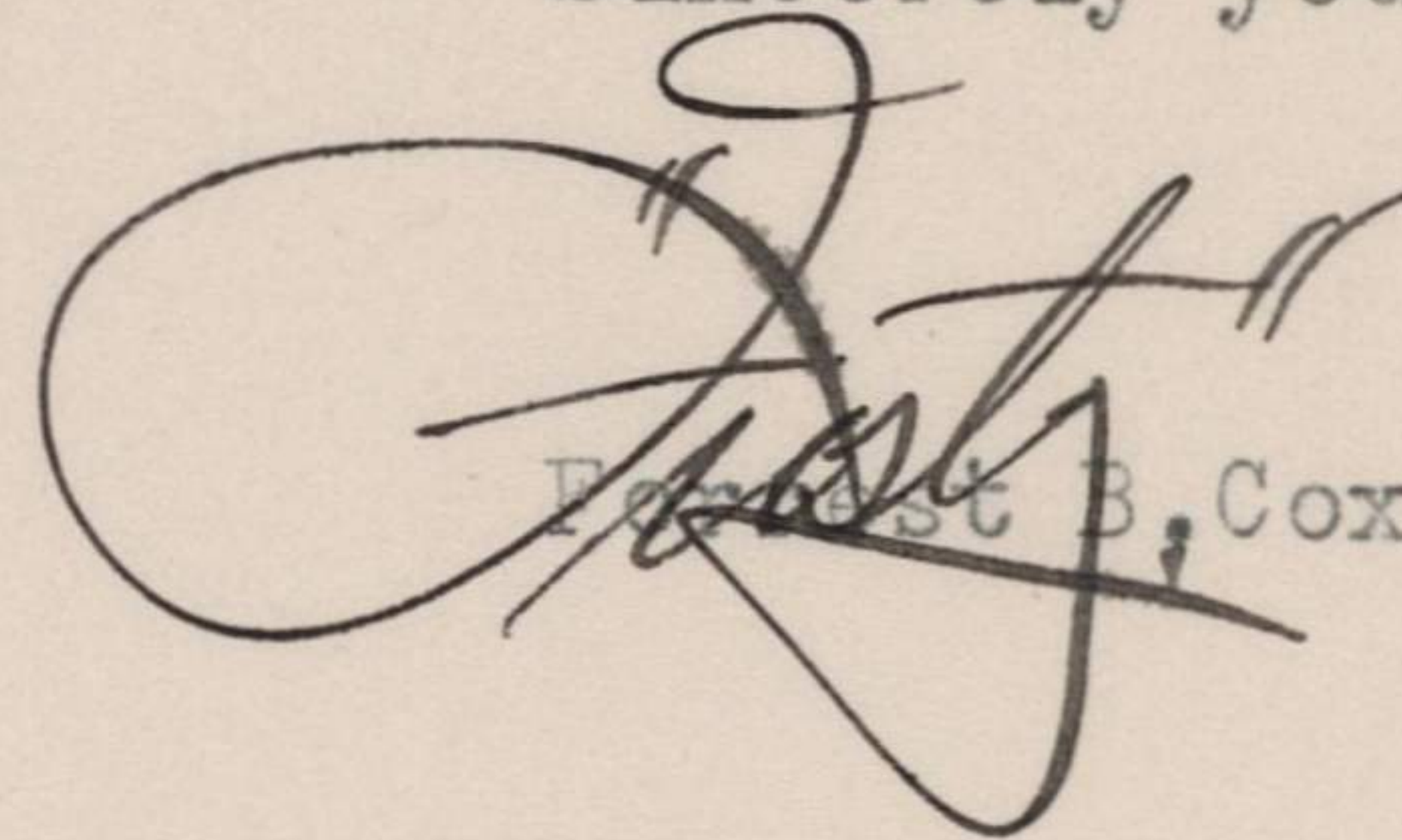
Dear Dr. Allen:

I have your letter of December 5th in which you enclosed an announcement of the (National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball).

I spoke to Mr. Liston last spring about appointing another chairman for this district. I also told him it was doubtful that we could ever attend his tournament because of reasons with which he was familiar. I have asked Mr. Liston to be released of the chairmanship. I had a letter from Harold G. Olson a few days ago in which he mentioned the same thing as you have.

With best wishes for a successful season, I am

Sincerely yours,



Forrest B. Cox

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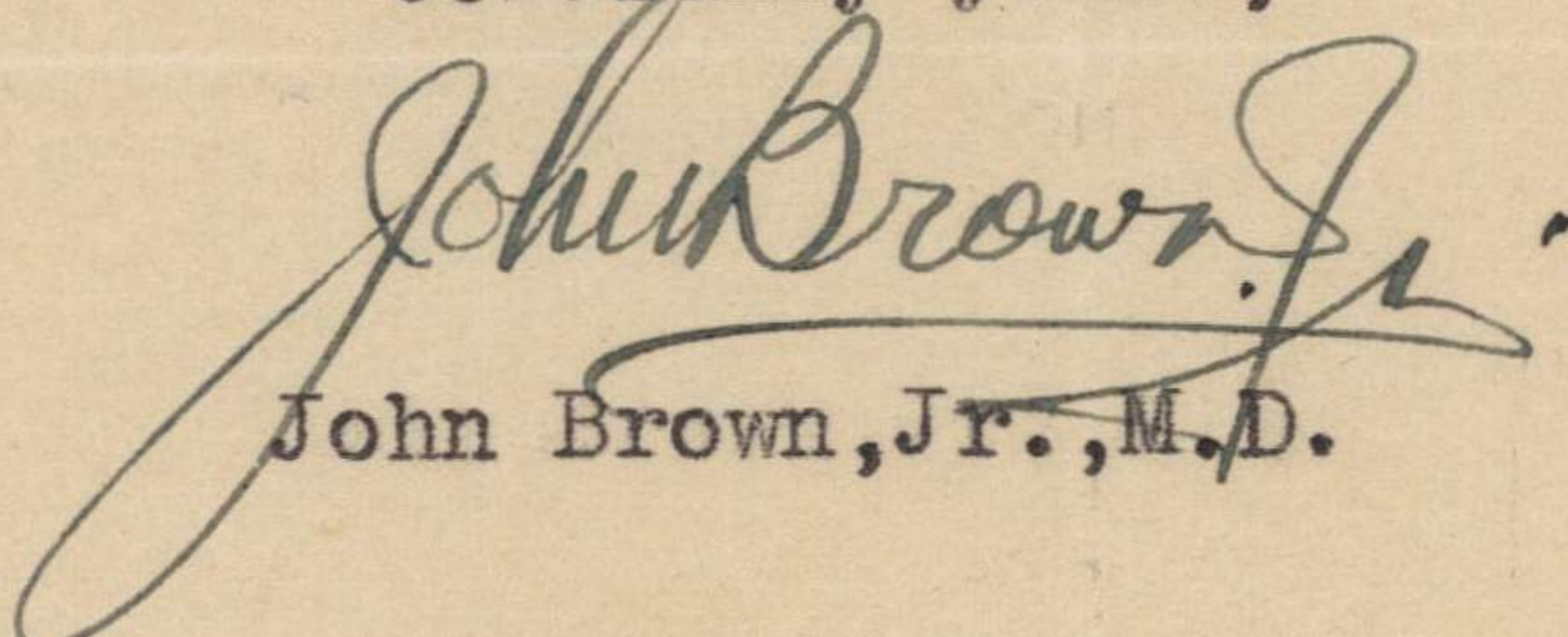
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Dear Dr. Allen:

I have yours of December 5th and want to thank you for the information concerning the newly organized National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball. This organization seems to have had a good start and we will cooperate in any way possible.

Cordially yours,


John Brown, Jr., M.D.

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E. S. LISTON — *Acting Executive Secretary* — Baldwin, Kans.

INCEPTION AND PURPOSE . . .

The National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball had its actual beginning March 15, 1939, in Kansas City, Missouri. It was the unanimous opinion of a group of representatives from thirty-five different colleges and universities from twenty-one different states that such an organization, with its chief objectives, activities for the best interest of intercollegiate basketball was advisable, in fact needed. Plans were immediately set up to perfect such an organization.

This action was not taken hastily; practically two years had been devoted to study and informal discussions by groups who met at the time of the National Intercollegiate Tournament in Kansas City and elsewhere. While the National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament was perhaps the chief factor in arousing interest in the formation of the Association, tentative plans call for a far greater program. The committee on objectives lists the following:

- A. Working toward a more uniform players' eligibility code.
- B. A professional publication devoted to basketball.
- C. Schools and clinics to bring about more uniform officiating.
- D. More uniform game equipment such as: balls, baskets, and backstops.
- E. A central office through which aid may be given in arranging intersectional games and trips.

THE FIRST CONVENTION *which has been termed, Organization Convention, will be held in Kansas City, March 9, 10, 11, 1940.*

The Association has a democratic foundation. It has adopted as a fundamental membership requirement that a college or university (except colored) must be one of standard rank, having four years academic work fully accredited by standardizing agencies and recognized graduate universities.

The Association is under the control of a Board of Management, made up of the chairmen of the thirty-two districts. This personnel consists of athletic directors; basketball coaches; graduate managers, representing state universities; state colleges; normal universities; and privately endowed universities and colleges.

No athletic code of eligibility is required for membership; this being left to the governing bodies of athletics within the member college or university.

The membership fee is \$10.00 a year, payable before December 1, 1939. Members have full privilege of participating in the activities of the Association, as well as entrance in the qualifying tournaments; or in the final Championship Tournament, subject to the plans of the District Committee, without the payment of entry fees.

A \$25.00 entry fee is required for non-members of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball to enter qualifying tournaments or the Championship Tournament. Non-member entries must meet the academic requirements for membership and be approved by the District Committee. Members are allowed one vote on matters coming before the Organization Convention. More than one delegate (certified) representing each member of the Association, may attend convention meetings.

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Members of the Association whose dues are unpaid by December 1, are subject to the \$25.00 entry fee for qualifying tournaments or Championship Tournament in addition to the \$10.00 membership fee.

THIRTY-TWO TEAMS ONLY MAY COMPETE IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

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Thirty-two teams only may compete in the Championship Tournament.

50% of the net income from the Championship Tournament is pro-rated to the teams entered. Pro-ration will be on the mileage basis.

50% of the net income from the Championship Tournament goes into a reserve fund.

Hotels and meals are furnished teams who enter this tournament. This includes meals for twenty-four hours after they are eliminated.

JAMES A. NAISMITH MEMORIAL TROPHY

The James A. Naismith memorial trophy is presented to the Championship Team (Permanent Trophy). Diamond studded, gold basketballs are given to members of the Championship Team. Trophies (Permanent) are given to teams winning second, third, and fourth places. Gold basketballs are given to members of the team winning second place. Silver basketballs are given to the members of teams winning third and fourth places.

TENTATIVE PLANS FOR THE ORGANIZATION CONVENTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 9—8:30 P. M.
Committee Meetings

SUNDAY, MARCH 10—10 A. M.
Joint Meeting—Board of Management and Committees

2:30 P. M.
General Meeting of the Association open to members

6:30 P. M.
Banquet open to members and guests

MONDAY, MARCH 11—10 A. M.
General meeting of the Association open to members

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

1. NAME

The name of the association is the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball.

2. OBJECTIVES

The primary objective of the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball shall be that of sponsoring the National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament and such elimination tournaments as are necessary to qualify teams to play in it. Additional objectives and a program for the best interest of intercollegiate basketball, nationally, will be submitted at the National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, March 9, 10, and 11, 1940, by an Objective Committee to be appointed from the Board of Management and other members of this association. The following suggestions have been made and will likely be presented for consideration by this committee:

- A. Working toward a more uniform players' eligibility code.
- B. A publication devoted to basketball.
- C. Schools and clinics to bring about more uniform officiating.
- D. More uniform game equipment such as balls, baskets, and back-stops.
- E. A central office through which aid may be given in arranging inter-sectional games and trips.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Any college or university, excluding colored, in the United States, offering standard, four-year, fully accredited, academic work is eligible for membership upon payment of \$10.00 yearly dues payable before December 1.

4. BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

The Board of Management shall consist of the Chairman of the thirty-two districts who will be appointed for the year 1939-1940. After the year 1939-1940, the District Chairman will be elected by the members of the association in a district. The District Chairman will head a committee chosen by him from the membership of the Association in his district. This committee will have charge of plans to qualify a team to represent that district in the Championship tournament in Kansas City. It will act as a membership committee and will have general administration responsibility of the Association within the district; the arranging of clinics, pre-season tournaments, and other activities arranged for the best interests of intercollegiate basketball.

5. TOURNAMENT

Any member of this association is eligible to make application for qualification to play in the National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship Tournament, subject to the approval of the district committee, without payment of additional fees. Non-members, that meet the qualifications for membership, will be allowed to enter the qualifying plans upon payment of a \$25.00 tournament fee.

6. MEMBERSHIP DUES, TOURNAMENT FEES, AND TOURNAMENT INCOME

Membership dues shall be used to defray expense of administration and to build a reserve fund for additional administration expenditures. Fees collected from non-members for entering qualifying tournaments to play in the Championship Tournament will be included in the tournament income.

Income from qualifying tournaments:

90% of net to be distributed by the committee in charge of the qualifying tournament. It is expected that the greater amount will go to the team qualifying for play in the Championship Tournament.

10% of net to be sent to managing director of the Championship Tournament, which amount will be included in Championship Tournament income.

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7. VOTING AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

Each member is permitted one vote on matters coming before the convention for decision.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committees to report at National Convention, these committees to be appointed from members:

- A. Convention Committee
- B. Committee on Permanent Organization
- C. Aims and Object
- D. Constitution and By-Laws
- E. Membership Committee
- F. Tournament Committee
- G. Miscellaneous

**DISTRICT PLAN FOR THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE BASKETBALL
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICTS**

DISTRICT NUMBER	DISTRICT INCLUDES	DISTRICT CHAIRMAN	QUALIFY NUMBER
1.	WASHINGTON IDAHO	LEO NICHOLSON, Athletic Director, Ellensburg College of Education, Ellensburg, Washington.	27
2.	OREGON	JEAN EBERHART, Athletic Director, Southern Oregon Normal School, Ashland, Oregon.	26
3.	CALIFORNIA	JAMES NEEDLES, Basketball Coach, Loyola University, Los Angeles, California.	25
4.	UTAH NEVADA	FLOYD MILLET, Basketball Coach, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.	24
5.	MONTANA WYOMING	JOHN BREEDEN, Basketball Coach, Montana State, Bozeman, Montana.	23
6.	COLORADO	FORREST COX, Basketball Coach, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.	21
7.	ARIZONA NEW MEXICO	S. M. CLARK, Athletic Director, New Mexico Normal University, Las Vegas, New Mexico.	13
8.	TEXAS	AL BAGGETT, Athletic Director, West Texas State, Canyon, Texas.	1
9.	OKLAHOMA	HENRY P. IBA, Athletic Director, Oklahoma A. & M. College, Stillwater, Okla.	6
10.	KANSAS	D. ERICKSON, Basketball Coach, Washburn College, Topeka, Kansas.	3
11.	NEBRASKA	ED HICKEY, Basketball Coach, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska.	9
12.	SOUTH DAKOTA NORTH DAKOTA	LESTER BELDING, Athletic Director, Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, South Dakota.	10
13.	MINNESOTA	J. W. HUTTON, Athletic Director, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota.	11
14.	WISCONSIN	LOUIS E. MEANS, Athletic Director, Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin.	12
15.	IOWA	R. G. ROGERS, Basketball Coach, Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.	4
16.	MISSOURI	E. F. KIMBRELL, Athletic Director, Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.	2
17.	ARKANSAS	W. B. WOODSON, Athletic Director, State Teachers College, Conway, Arkansas.	22
18.	LOUISIANA	H. LEE PRATHER, Athletic Director, Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, Louisiana.	19
19.	MISSISSIPPI	A. D. DICKSON, Athletic Director, Mississippi Delta State Teachers College, Cleveland, Mississippi.	18
20.	ILLINOIS	RAY HANSON, Athletic Director, Western Illinois State Teachers College, Macomb, Illinois.	5 8
21.	INDIANA	ROY E. TILLOTSON, Athletic Director, Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana.	17
22.	OHIO	ROY CLIFFORD, Basketball Coach, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.	16
23.	MICHIGAN	NEWMAN ERTOLL, Basketball Coach, Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan.	7
24.	KENTUCKY TENNESSEE	A. F. RUPP, Basketball Coach, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.	28
25.	GEORGIA ALABAMA FLORIDA	JOE DOUGHERTY, Basketball Coach, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.	20
26.	NORTH CAROLINA SOUTH CAROLINA	VIRGIL YOW, Athletic Director, High Point College, High Point, North Carolina.	15
27.	VIRGINIA	GORDON C. WHITE, Athletic Director, Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia.	14
28.	WEST VIRGINIA	A. F. ROHRBOUGH, Athletic Director, Glenville State Teachers College, Glenville, West Virginia.	29
29.	MARYLAND DELAWARE WASH., D. C.	CHARLES E. MILLER, Basketball Coach, Baltimore University, Baltimore, Maryland.	30
30.	PENNSYLVANIA	CHARLES R. DAVIES, Basketball Coach, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa.	31
31.	NEW YORK NEW JERSEY	CLAIR F. BEE, Athletic Director, Long Island University, Brooklyn, N. Y.	32
32.	MAINE NEW HAMPSHIRE VERMONT RHODE ISLAND CONNECTICUT MASSACHUSETTS	MEL A. COLLARD, Basketball Coach, Boston University, Boston, Mass.	

NOTE— THE NUMBERS TO THE RIGHT INDICATE THE ORDER IN WHICH DISTRICTS MAY BE ALLOWED TO QUALIFY TWO TEAMS FOR THE NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT. EACH DISTRICT IS ALLOWED TO QUALIFY ONE TEAM BEFORE ANY DISTRICT HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO QUALIFY TWO.

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December 12, 1939

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Kansas University,
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

Thank you very much for your letter enclosing the circular of the proposed new organization. I am getting out a letter to be circulated among our own membership urging that we make our own organization function efficiently enough so that a second organization would seem to be unnecessary. I can't very well say that this looks to me like an attempt to promote the Kansas City Tournament by means of organizational activities which have practically no other meaning than furtherance of the Tournament itself.

We were quite shocked at the sudden death of Dr. Naismith, but I can imagine a man of his vigorous personality would much prefer a quick release to dragging illness. He has certainly been fortunate in his later life to be able to see the fruits of his endeavors and to enjoy these and the appreciation which came with them from so many directions. Basketball has certainly been a great boon to many people.

In a few days I will be sending you a copy of a letter which will be circulated among our membership.

Best of Luck to you,

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD J. HICKOX
Secretary-Treasurer
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Dear Phog:

Forrest Cox
Colorado University
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Thank you for your letter of December 5 with enclosures. Some of the names of representatives do not inspire a great amount of confidence in this organization and I agree with you that it will bear watching.

J. H. Crocker
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Every basketball man was keenly sorry to learn of Dr. Naismith's passing. There have been many fine tributes to him during the past ten days, even in regions where one might suspect that he was almost unknown. It is one of the tragedies of humanity that a great man must die in order to draw from his fellow men the expressions of esteem which he merits.

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I had hoped that we could start a movement this year to honor Dr. Naismith in a fitting manner on the 50th anniversary of the game. We can still do something to honor his memory, but it is too late to arrange a program in which he could have the satisfaction of participating.

Curtis Parker
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Sincerely yours,

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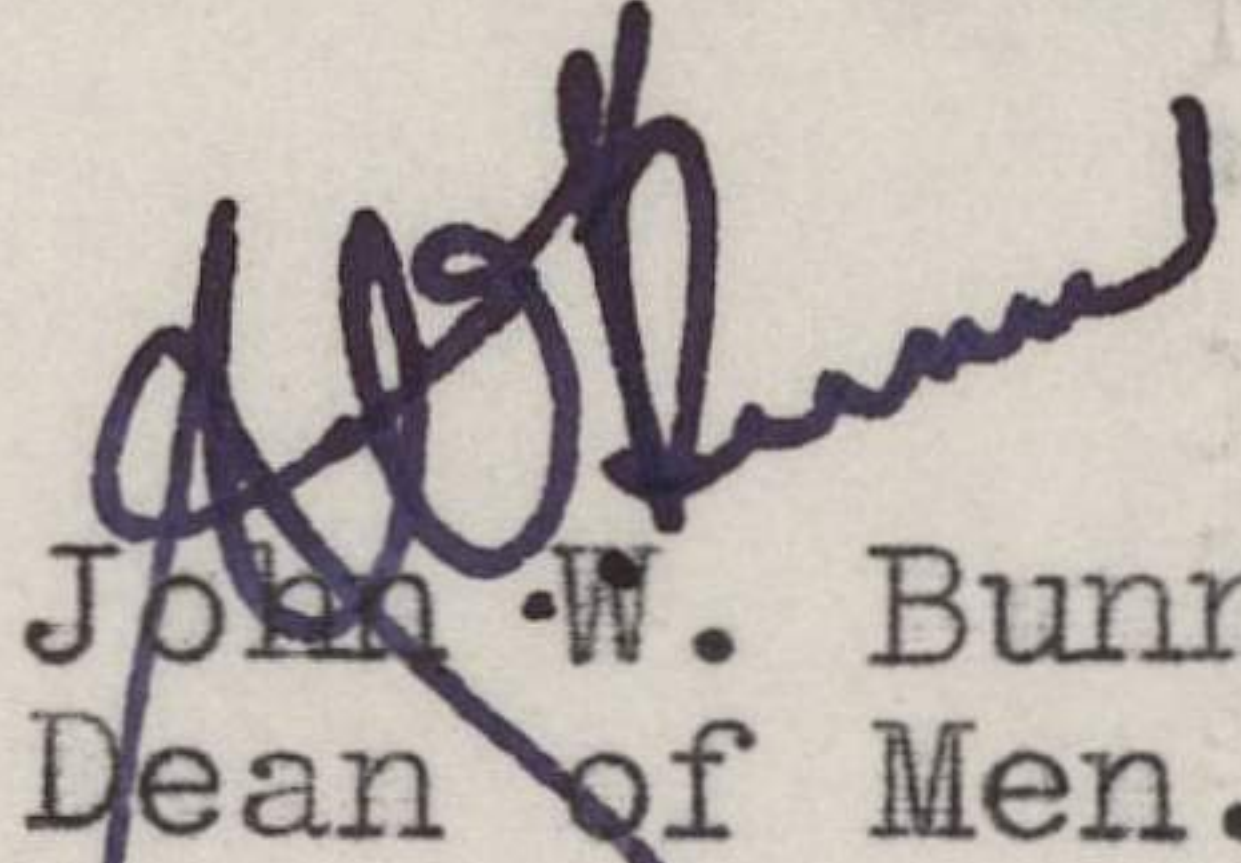
Dr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Doctor Allen:

Thank you for your letter of December 5 with the inclosed information concerning the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball.

I am very much surprised that the schools which are members of the N.C.A.A. permit their basketball coaches to continue their association with Liston's group. I am calling this matter to the attention of Bill Owens with the hope that he, as President of the N.C.A.A., will communicate with member institutions concerning this organization. If you have any other suggestions please write me at the earliest possible moment.

Cordially yours,


John W. Bunn,
Dean of Men.

P.S. Dud DeGroot and I had lunch together at Rotary yesterday. He was most appreciative of the many courtesies which you and Mrs. Allen gave him while he was in Lawrence. He reports that his brother, Bert, is most enthusiastic about his work and that he has the highest regard for your leadership in the Department.

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Professor William B. Owens
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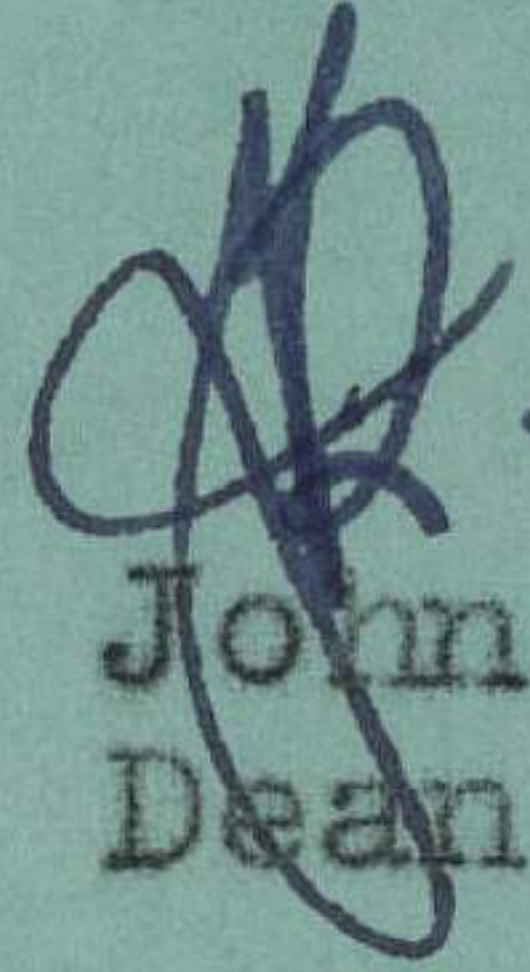
Dear Bill:

The attached circular, with a letter from Dr. Allen, should be of considerable importance to the N.C.A.A .

This organization, the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball, is in direct competition with the N.C.A.A . The schools participating are largely those which are not eligible to join the N.C.A.A. because they are not willing to abide by our rules. It therefore seems incongruous to me that N.C.A.A. members should be represented on their committee. You will notice that a number of the N.C.A.A. schools are represented in this organization by their basketball coaches.

I am wondering if you do not want to bring this matter to the attention of the particular schools concerned. Liston is most antagonistic and critical of the whole set-up of the N.C.A.A. and therefore, to my mind, represents a group which should in no way receive the support of our organization.

Cordially yours,



John W. Bunn,
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Cc to Dr. Allen

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Mr. F. C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I appreciate having your letter of December 5th and the accompanying folder. In my opinion this is the first headache of the many which are certain to develop from the holding of a National Intercollegiate Basketball Championship. I doubt whether you agree with me on the general principle of having a national intercollegiate champion but I believe you will agree that if such a championship is to be held, it should be kept rigidly under the authority of a properly constituted committee authorized by the colleges themselves. If the matter is permitted to get into the hands of any unofficial group which may have the nerve and commercial backing to undertake control, the whole project is headed toward failure. I do not think for one minute that the various athletic boards of control in the colleges will sanction an organization which is entirely independent of any regularly approved collegiate organization.

Unless I misunderstand the origin and intention of this new association, there is no reason why any individual might not form a similar one through getting a few coaches or student managers interested. I anticipate all kinds of attempts on the part of commercial clubs and promotional groups to sponsor and control the elimination tournaments which are designed to lead up to the national championship. It seems to me that the National Collegiate Athletic Association can not afford to let these activities get out of their control. I base this opinion on the experiences of the high schools in connection with sectional and national meets. The high school organizations have had to work for years to counteract the damage which was done by permitting some of these contests to get out of control of the regularly constituted school groups. It is only during the last couple of years that the damage has been largely counteracted and this has been possible only through the complete elimination of meets and tournaments of a national character. Under other circumstances and with proper control, they might have been made to serve a good purpose.

In the case of this collegiate development, I am directly interested only through my interest in controlled school athletics and through my connection with the basketball rules committee. I am firmly convinced that groups such as this new association, if allowed to go without proper control,

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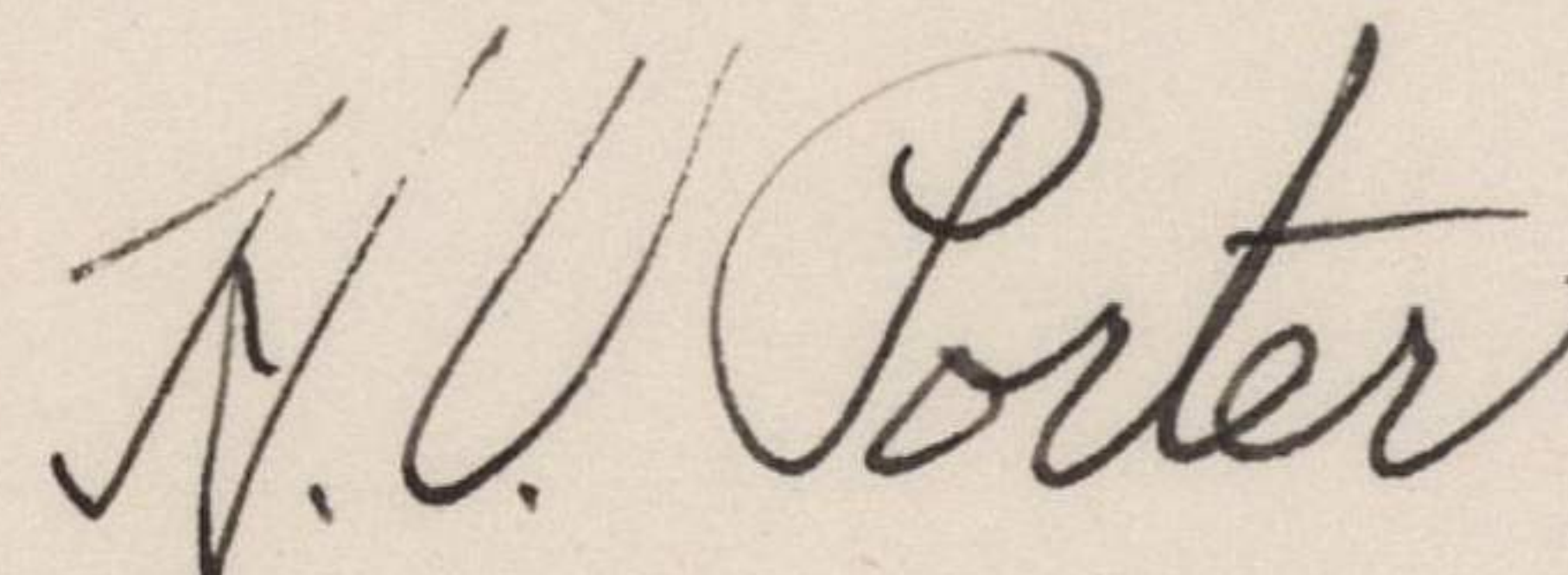
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will ultimately have a tendency to encroach on the work of official bodies such as the National Rules Committee. If and when that time comes, the pleasant harmonious relationship between the present constituent bodies of the National Committee is certain to be jeopardized. The National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations has considered the National Collegiate Athletic Association as the proper organization to control matters pertaining to intercollegiate basketball and it is with that organization that they have affiliated in connection with matters pertaining to rule and game administration. As far as I am concerned, I would greatly regret seeing the strength of the N.C.A.A. weakened and it seems to me that the development of bodies of this nature are certain to cause loss of proper controls by the National Collegiate.

Probably the proper step in this connection would be to present this matter to the officers of the N.C.A.A. This might be done by you as a representative of that organization or it might be done by me as secretary of the rules committee. At any rate, let me have your reaction to these comments.

Yours truly,



Secretary

HVP/j