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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
National Association of
Basketball Coaches

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