

This year, by the play-offs in Kansas City, the deficit was wiped out and a very tidy sum was realized. The western play-off this year was in Kansas City, and you know the result, and you can write on the four teams in that, I am sure. The eastern play-off was at Butler fieldhouse at Indianapolis, with Kentucky State, Springfield Y.M.C.A. College, Duquesne, and Indiana, and of course your play-off reports will give you the information on that.

The winners of the eastern and western received beautiful gold belt buckles and appropriate emblematic cup trophies. For the winners of the National, the first and second teams were presented with beautiful gold Elgin strap watches with the N.C.A.A. insignia, and gold and silver basketballs. The National Basketball Coaches Association presented the National winner with the James Naismith Memorial Trophy, and the N.C.A.A. presented the runner-up with a beautiful N.C.A.A. trophy.

The N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament Committee was comprised of H. G. Olsen, of Ohio State, chairman, John Bunn, of Stanford University, and Forrest C. Allen. Bunn resigned, and C. S. "Hee" Edmundson, of Washington State, was appointed in Bunn's place. I was named as manager of the western play-off and the National finals, and made all arrangements for the set-up. E. C. Quigley was named as supervisor of officials. The following officials were used for the games: Ted O'Sullivan, Kansas City; Abb Curtis, Fort Worth; Dudley S. DeGroot, Rochester, N.Y.; L. B. Vidal, Denver; and R. L. Barton, of Denver, and Gilbert McDonald, of Madison, as alternates.

I believe everybody agreed that it was one of the most successful tournaments that was ever held, and I am told by Jimmy Nixon and Mr. Zachman that the paid attendance at the Municipal Auditorium topped the paid attendance figures of any basketball crowds, not even excluding the National A.A.U. basketball championships that were held in old Convention Hall. If you desire a figure on this Jimmy Nixon will give it to you. Many people were under the impression that the old A.A.U. crowds outranked this attendance at the Municipal Auditorium, but this is not true.

Dan, I will appreciate your writing this at your earliest convenience, and I assure you I do not want to put you to undue pressure just prior to your stepping off, but I would appreciate it at your convenience. This, as you know, is to be the feature article that will be in the front spot of the Basketball Guide for next year.

My kindest regards to your boss - I mean the one you are now working for at the Kansas City Star - and best wishes to your new "boss".

Sincerely yours,

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Varsity Basketball Coach.

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