

Auditorium whereby we could not fail. I had a minimal charge of \$300 placed on the hall which was ridiculously low. If we made money, of course rental would increase with the size of the income. We arranged then to take 20% net of the gate from the play-off of the district to go to the N. C. A. A. Although the N. C. A. A. was not guaranteeing any of the expenses, we were arranging to take 20% of the earnings. And in the Big Six play-off at Wichita we held out \$564 as 20% of this earning. In the Fifth District play-off between Oklahoma Aggies and Kansas at Oklahoma City we held out \$398 or 20%. That made \$862 which we had intentionally with-held so that this could be applied toward decreasing the \$2500 deficit.

I am showing you, Major Griffith, that every account of ours was bent toward insuring the return of the money to the N. C. A. A., and further than that we desired to show to our competing coaches who entered the tournament that we desired also to make a profit for their schools by their activities. Just off the record, I wish to tell you that for several years we played Oklahoma A. and M. and that they have never been able to pay the full guarantee until along late in August, due to the fact that they always borrow money to balance their budget each year. This is true of almost every one of the schools in our district with the exception of Nebraska. Just as you stated in your editorials and your comments that there are about 640 colleges in America playing football, but only about 80 are making any money out of athletics. My motive has been to sweeten the pot enough for these teams to keep them interested and make them feel that through their activity not only are they enjoying the pleasure of competition, but that they are getting a small remuneration which will help just a little toward reducing a budget that does not balance. Certainly our National Administration faces about the same problem that almost all of our athletic administrations experience, that of a badly impaired budget.

I remember distinctly John Bunn, Ole and I several years ago discussed that if and when we made money that we should recommend to the N. C. A. A. directors that we give 20% of the earnings to the N. C. A. A. It was at that time that Ole thought that this basketball money could be earmarked "basketball" and that it could be used for expenses to send an American college team to the Olympic game.

It was always my idea and I also thought that it was the thought of our committee that these findings should be transmitted to the N. C. A. A. executive committee and some action taken. The fact that this was not done by your directors naturally left us in a very bad position because we could not go to our coaches with any definite information. Frankly, there was great dissatisfaction from the coaches because they said "We want to know what we are going to get." And I wasn't in a position to tell them; this created misunderstanding.

Major Griffith, these coaches are not chizzlers. It is much easier for these fellows to close their season and quit worrying about basketball than for them to keep the team in training and face the criticism of certain faculty members who say that the season is already too long and through this