

K.C. Makes Bid for Tourney

If a turnout is any criterion, Kansas City will have the N.C.A.A. basketball tournament as an annual affair for last night an official count of 8,551 paid admissions jammed into the Municipal Auditorium for the Western Divisional semifinals. The crowd was the largest ever to see a collegiate basketball game in Kansas City.

A crowd of equal proportions is expected for the divisional finals tonight in which Kansas and Southern California will meet.

Half an hour before game time the outer lobby was so crowded the Rice Institute players had difficulty in reaching the court and the spectators with tickets could hardly get in to use them.

All but about 10 seats "upstairs" were occupied and many were standing on the arena floor.

Few halls in the country will accommodate more spectators and none is more ideally located. A crowd of 5,500 home state fans watched Indiana reach the Eastern finals at Indianapolis last night.

Games tonight should draw equally well and, if Kansas reaches the National finals, which will be presented at the Auditorium March 30, extra bleachers may have to be provided.

Kansas Turns Out

A good part of last night's attendance was made up of Kansas supporters . . . When the Lawrence, Kas., High School band came out with "Alma Mater," the Jayhawk song, nearly half of the audience came to its feet . . .



'What's He Doing?'

Sam Barry, coach of the U.S.C. team, points out to a sub the mistake of a Trojan player.

Kansas was the crowd favorite, however, for even the Missouri players who watched the game were pulling for the Missouri Valley representatives.

Jayhawks Accurate

Kansas had by far the best bucket eyes last night . . . The Jayhawkers connected on 33.9 per cent of their shots . . . Southern California hit on 25.8 per cent, Rice on 26.7 and Colorado on only 16.7 per cent.

Kansas got 21 buckets from 62 tries; Southern California, 15 in 56; Rice, 20 in 75, and Colorado, 11 in 66 . . . Donn Hendricks,

one of Colorado's leading marksmen, hit only 3 in 25 attempts.

A band of Rice supporters had a "Texas" banner stretched across a part of the balcony and came armed with cowbells, but found few occasions to use them . . . Howard Engleman, of Kansas, high scorer for the night, got great hands from the crowd when he left or re-entered the game . . . The Jayhawks, led by Dr. F. C. Allen, coach were nearly swamped by well-wishers after the game . . . Both Kansas and Rice stayed to see the second game.

The crowd contained scores of former Kansas athletes, among them Hook Fisher, Dutch Schaake, Armin Woestemeyer, Rub Thomson, T. C. Bishop, Fred Bosilevac, Art Lawrence, Theno Graves and Vern Wilkin . . . Dick Harp, the former Rosedale athlete, was the K.U. captain for the game . . . Kansas started off in race horse fashion and Bob Allen was particularly jittery. His first three or four shots nearly knocked the backboard down.

Kinney was covering Engleman, but Coach Brannon, of Rice, later shifted Palmer on the K.U. scoring ace . . . Sam Barry, U.S.C. coach, is a wild man on the bench. His facial contortions during a game are masterpieces . . . E. C. Quigley had to reprimand the Trojan student manager for shouting instructions to the team . . . Selman, husky Rice guard, apologized to Don Ebling after charging into the diminutive Kansas forward . . . Bob Doll revealed why he was selected the most valuable player in the recent New York tourney. The big Colorado was a power under both baskets.

K.U. Given Good Chance Tonight

• Southpaws Hold Stage In N.C.A.A. Finals

Starting Line-Ups

No.	Kansas	Pos.	U.S.C.	No.
12	Ebling	F	Vaughn	13
5	Engleman	F	Morrison	8
9	Allen	C	Sears	10
4	Miller	G	McGarvin	7
20	Harp	G	Lippert	9
Officials—Lou Vidal and Ab Curtis.				
No.	Rice	Pos.	Colorado	No.
22	Graddock	F	Doll	5
12	Gomez	F	Hendricks	6
23	Kinney	C	Harvey	3
25	Selman	G	Thurman	7
19	Carswell	G	Hamburg	10
Officials—Dud DeGroot and Ted O'Sullivan.				

By Norb Garrett

A pair of sharpshooting southpaws, Howard Engleman of Kansas and Ralph Vaughn of the University of Southern California, have been cast for the leading roles in the basketball drama tonight in the Municipal Auditorium that will determine the western champion of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

There is more than a minute possibility that a member of the supporting cast will steal the show tonight as Kansas and U.S.C. struggle for the right to represent the West against the Eastern regional winner here one week from tonight. For neither team is a 1-man aggregation by any measurement, and the hero tonight may be Ralph Miller, Dick Harp, Don Ebling, John Kline or Bob Allen of Kansas, or Don Sears, Jack Morrison, Tom McGarvin or Jack Lippert of the Trojans.

U.S.C. Edge on Paper

On paper the husky Californians rate a very mild edge, but the performances of the two