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Dear "Fhog":

I am glad to know you are finding a lot of interest in connection with the National Collegiate Tournament. I am having the same experience and it is my hope that everything will work out in fine style this season.

By the way, I want to get out to all the committee men at the earliest possible moment, the general instructions as to the set-up for the conduct of the tournament this year and I hope you will forward to me immediately any suggestions you have with respect to such an announcement. There are a number of factors involved:

1. There was the recommendation which the Coaches Association made as to the distribution of the income from the N.C.A.A. Tournament. How closely should we follow this suggestion?
2. In the matter of the conduct of play-offs within each district, if any are held, what, in your judgment, is the basis on which we should conduct those play-offs?
3. When it comes to the Western play-off and the Eastern play-off, last year we guaranteed expenses for fifteen men on each competing team. Is it still your idea that a guarantee for a party of twelve would be sufficient?

These are some of the questions that occur to me at the present time and I hope I may get your suggestions as to what should be included in this announcement to the selection committees in the eight districts.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of the announcement which we sent to committee members last year.

I will be hoping to hear from you soon.

Very sincerely yours,

*HGO*  
H. G. Olsen  
Chairman, N.C.A.A. Basketball  
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