December 30, 1937.

Mr. John W. Bunn,
Director of Basketball,
Stanford University,
California.

Dear John:

Thank you for sending me a page of the stationery of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, which gives the officers and chairman of the various committees.

In regard to the possible meeting of Kansas and Stanford, I would not have brought it up only for the fact that Ralph Miller came into my office and stated that on your way back from California when you were bringing Ralph home you stated that you wanted to meet Kansas in basketball, and he came in and asked me to write you.

I quite agree that both of us are pretty well beseiged for games for the future, and neither of us would be especially free until 1941. Suppose we treat this '41 series in an expectant manner.

It will be entirely agreeable to us, if we can get together on a date, for us to receive the same guarantee as you received back here, namely $364. Let's make it even money - we would not want the 93¢.

With every good wish for a happy and prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

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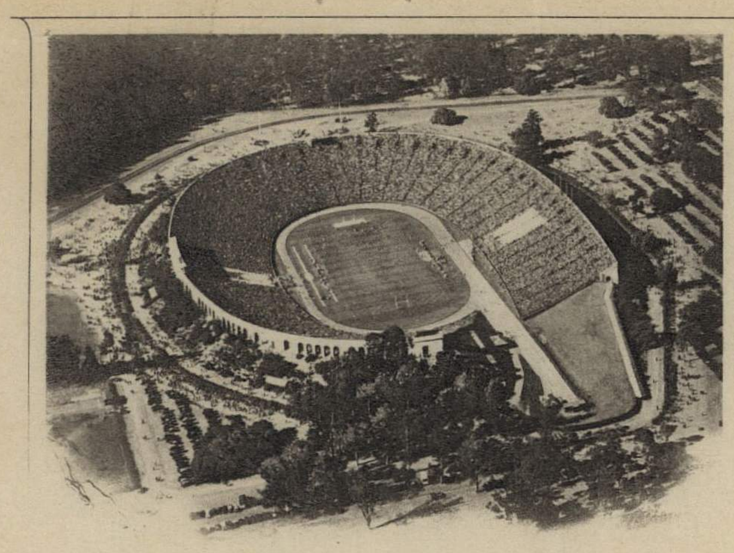

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December 17, 1937

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Varsity Basketball Coach
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

This will acknowledge your inquiry of December 2nd.

First, the committee assignments for the National Association of Basketball Coaches and particularly for the Research Committee were made exactly as I sent them to you. I am enclosing herewith a letterhead of the Association so that you may see the set-up for this year. Evidently the chairman of your committee is not very active or he would have contacted you before this time. I am somewhat concerned about this turn of events.

Second, with respect to your proposed home and home series of basketball games. It would not be possible for us to consider any such arrangement for two years as we have already made our plans for 1939 and 1940. We would, however, be glad to consider games for 1941. I do not believe that we would be interested in a home and home arrangement, but we would be glad to give you a return engagement here for our visit to Kansas in 1932 and under the same arrangements that were made for our game there. There is not much possibility of obtaining a good gate here over the holidays; however, we will be glad to guarantee you the same amount that we received back there, namely $364.93.

Very cordially yours,

J. W. Bunn
Director of Basketball

JWB:s
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STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA

December 17, 1937

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doctor Allen:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 13. I assure you I feel quite honored for the opportunity that has been given me here. The job as dean of men, due to the organization of the University, is quite a considerable task here at Stanford. Eventually, it will be necessary for me to give my full time to this job. In a way I am somewhat reluctant to give up my active coaching activities within a few years. However, I think this new opportunity affrds me a much wider field of endeavor. Consequently, I am grateful for the chance. Thank you again and with best wishes for the Christmas season, I am

Very cordially yours,

John W. Bunn

JWB/d

December 2, 1937.

Mr. John W. Bunn,
Basketball Coach,
Stanford University,
Palo Alto, California.

Dear Johnny:

Since I am not Director of Athletics any longer I feel free to promote basketball under my own power, and for that reason I am wondering if you would be interested in a series of home and home games for the future. I believe both of us could make some money and the boys could be provided with a nice trip.

My idea would be to play three games. Would this strike you favorably? We could play a two-year contract at a reciprocal guarantee with options.

I have never heard from any one on the National basketball coaches' setup, so presume the appointments were not as you suggested. I think we have several interesting research possibilities on the new rules that I am figuring on reducing to more concrete things. I will write you when we get our first preliminary arrangements out of the way.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

December 13, 1937.

Mr. John Bunn,
Dean of Men,
Stanford University,
Palo Alto, California.

Dear John:

Permit me to offer my fulsome congratulations to you upon your selection as dean or adviser of men at Stanford.

This is a rare honor that comes to few men. Not many men are qualified, and of those, few are picked.

So my heartiest congratulations to you.

With every good wish for the Yuletide season.

I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

January 11, 1938

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Vhog:

I am sorry to be so late in answering your inquiry regarding a home-and-home series in 1940 and 1941. Because of our obligations for the next two years, I am rather hesitant to line up the games as suggested at the present time.

I sincerely hope that I can see my way clear to make some arrangements with you in the near future, because I feel it would be a fine thing for basketball to have your team play here in Los Angeles.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Sam Barry
Basketball Coach

January 15, 1938.

Mr. R. D. Watkins,
Basketball Coach,
Nebraska State Teachers College,
Kearney, Nebraska.

Dear Coach Watkins:

I am not sure regarding our basketball schedule for next year. We are planning on taking a trip, and as we are limited in the number of games, I am not sure that it would be possible to play you. However, if there is such a possibility of our staying at home for the games, as we did this year, it will be a pleasure to play you.

For several years we have played a number of small colleges and have done most of our training here. However, I think next year we will get out and play the major portion of games away from home.

I want to thank you very much for your nice letter regarding the new book and also the kind words you have tecsâyeregarding our system.

I trust that you are having success with your team, and I assure you if there is any possible way for us to play you, you may count on a game. It will be necessary for us to wait until I determine our schedule.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

NEBRASKA STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

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1-8-38

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
Basketball Coach Univer. of Kansas.
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Will it be possible for my basketball team to meet yours in a practice game early next season? I realize we cannot play you even a good game but probably it would serve as a good practice game for both.

I am a true believer in your system and would consider it an honor to have my team meet yours a practice game. If you think it is possible for an early game next year then will you please write me about the game and as to a guarantee, time, etc.

I like your new book better than the Bible you wrote.

Hoping that I may hear from you soon, I am,

Sincerely yours,
R. D. Watkins
R.D.Watkins,
Basketball coach.

January 25, 1938.

Coach L. Ochea,
Mexico Y.M.C.A. Basketball Team,
Mexico City, Mexico.

Dear Coach Ochea:

I received your Christmas greeting card with the good-looking senorita with the sombrero hat, and I assure you that I appreciate hearing from you.

I have been thinking somewhat of bringing my basketball team down south next year and making a trip into Mexico during the Christmas holidays. I am wondering if you could arrange a schedule for us for a few games during Christmas week, and what sort of a guarantee do you think the University of Kansas might obtain? I will be happy to hear from you.

With the season's happiest greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

January 25, 1938.

Mr. A. V. Garcia,
Coach of Basketball,
Mexico City, Mexico.

Dear Coach Garcia:

I want you to know that I received your Christmas greeting card, and I appreciated it very much. I trust that you are getting along splendidly down your way, and that you are winning more than your share of games.

I have been planning on taking a trip south next Christmas. I am wondering if you could arrange some games for us if we got down into Mexico. What sort of a guarantee do you think that we could get? I would be happy to hear from you.

Wishing you the best of the season's greetings, and hoping to hear from you soon, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

February 1, 1938.

Mr. J. W. St. Clair,
Director of Health and Physical Education,
Southern Methodist University,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Saint:

Thank you for your good letter of January 22nd.

We would rather play universities than teachers colleges. I would like to play Texas, Texas A. & M., Rice, S.M.U., and those schools rather than the teachers colleges.

Could you tell me about the usual guarantees that are paid for teams the caliber of Kansas, one of the Big Six schools?

When do you and your group make out next year's schedule? We would like to play during the Christmas vacation, before school is out, or just about that time. I will appreciate it if you will just let me know in a general way, and I can talk with you at our Rules meeting in April. I would like to line up something for next year, if possible. When would it suit you best to play at your place? I have not heard from Jimmie Stewart as yet.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

METHODIST SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

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January 22, 1938

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Dr. F. C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Fog":

I have turned your letter over to Mr. Jimmie Stewart, our athletic director, and suggested that I thought it would be a good idea for S. M. U. to play one or two games with Kansas.

All of our courts in this section are of legal size, and I would be glad to help you arrange a trip down this way. Should you care to play a teachers' college, East Texas State Teachers College at Commerce would be glad to play you. They have an excellent floor and a good team. The University of Texas has an excellent gym and floor. The A. & M. floor is also good, and Rice, at Houston, will in all probability have a better floor next year. Let me know what you would like for me to do in the matter, and I will take it up immediately with other schools.

I notice that your team is, as usual, going strong. Best of luck.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. St. Clair

J. W. St. Clair
Director of Health
and Physical Education

JWS*AH

February 7, 1938.

Coach Leoncio Ochoa,
Y.M.C.A. Basketball Team,
Mexico City, Mexico.

Dear Coach Ochoa:

I regret that it will be impossible for us to leave the University during the month of March. Our last game here is with the University of Missouri on March 3. This closes our season and our boys are required to stick fast to their studies after the basketball season, as it has caused them to miss some classes, and they will not be accorded any additional absences.

The only time we would be able to get into Mexico would be during the month of December. If we came prior to Christmas week how would that suit you, or even after Christmas? We would like to make a trip into Mexico next December, and if you could arrange such a possibility I know that our team would enjoy it and we would be a source of good drawing power.

I will thank you if you will write me regarding such a possibility.

Best wishes to you for your success in your International Basketball Tournament.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Y·M·C·A.

BASKET-BALL TEAM

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L.OCHOA — 136 BIS.

February 4-938.

Dr.Forrest C.Allen.
Director of Physical Education.
University of Kansas.
LAWRENCE. KANSAS.

Dear Dr.Allen:

I-received your kind letter of January 25th. and I regret to inform you that Christmas season is a bad time to play Basket-Ball here since we have a lot of parties. But I take this opportunity to make you the following offer.

For the next month of March, I am organizing a great International Basket-Ball week, having invited already some other teams from North America, so as to play against each other a trophy given probably by the President of the Republic.

The schools that have already accepted are: Gustavus Adolphus College. St.Peter. MINNESOTA--State Normal University. Carbondale. ILLINOIS and State Teachers College NACOGDOCHES. TEXAS.

It would sure be a privilege for mi to know that you accep my offer to come that week that would be from the 6th. to the 13th. of March and to play 5 games. Offering you a guarantee of $1.250.00. Mexican Currency with which I am sure you would cover all your expenses while in Mexican territory and you can play some other games on the way from Lawrence to Laredo. I suggest your making the trip in automobiles since that way it would be lot cheaper and the road as you probably know is paved all the way from the border to Mexico City.

I want your reply inmediately via Air mail, and I am sure that it will be great experience for your boys, and for myself I will be honored in having your visit.

Sincerely Yours,

Leoncio Ochoa
Coach

February 14, 1933.

Coach Roberto B. Seldivar,
Chihuahua Chih, Mexico.

Dear Coach Seldivar:

Thank you for your wire of the 12th instant inviting the University of Kansas basketball team to play your team in Chihuahua in March. This will confirm my wire replying that it would be impossible for our team to come on account of eligibility rules.

I wrote Coach Leoncio Ochoa, of Mexico City, that it would be impossible for our boys to leave the University. The only time we would be able to get into Mexico would be during the month of December.

We should like to schedule some games in Mexico to be played during the Christmas holidays. If you could arrange such a possibility I know that our team would enjoy it and we would be a source drawing a good crowd. Would you write me concerning such a possibility?

We appreciate your invitation to play your team in March, and regret that it is impossible for us to get away at this time of the year. I thought my letter to Coach Ochoa made it clear that we could not enter the tournament, and am sorry for the misunderstanding.

I shall be glad to hear from you regarding the Christmas week schedule.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

WESTERN UNION

February 12, 1938

Chihuahua Chih, Mexico

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Newspapers announce that University team will come March 6-13 playing in Mexico City. Would you be interested to come play Chihuahua after above games? Our basketball team considered best in country. Please wire, advising conditions.

ROBERTO B. SELDIVAR.

REPLY:

Impossible to come eligibility rules as stated letter Coach Ochoa.

Forrest C. Allen.

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February 18, 1938.

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

We sincerely regret that you are not able to accept our invitation to come play our team in Chihuahua in March, but hope that you will keep us in mind when you make out your game schedule for next basketball season.

We would be greatly pleased to have you down to play our team in Chihuahua.

Hoping to have a successful arrangement in the future, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Roberto B. Saldivar
Physical Director.

RBS/yfh

February 25, 1938.

Mr. Leonard D. Sachs,
Athletic Director,
Loyola University,
6525 Sheridan Road,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Leonard:

We are also contemplating a trip during the Christmas vacation next year and it may be that we will not be in this vicinity. However, I will see you in Chicago and talk with you concerning your plans. It may be that we can get together.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS
6525 Sheridan Road
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

February 22, 1938

Mr. Forest C. Allen
Basket ball Coach
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Loyola University is interested in scheduling Kansas University for the 1938-39 basket ball season.

We are contemplating a trip into your territory and would like to play your team during the Christmas vacation. Hoping that full arrangements can be made, I remain,

Yours truly,

Leonard D. Sachs

Leonard D. Sachs
Athletic Director

LS:GW

March 21, 1938.

Mr. Frank J. O'Hara, Graduate Manager,
St. Thomas College Athletic Association,
319 Wyoming Avenue,
Scranton, Pa.

Dear Mr. O'Hara:

I beg pardon for my failure to answer your good letter of the 24th ultimo sooner regarding a possible scheduling of games between the University of Kansas and St. Thomas.

We are not planning an easter invasion next year, so I think it would be improbable that we would be able to meet you. However, I wish to thank you for your communication and trust some time in the future we may meet.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

ST. THOMAS COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
319 WYOMING AVENUE
SCRANTON, PA.

February 24, 1938

Director of Athletics
University of Kansas
Lawerence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

I am preparing my 1938-39 basketball schedule. We would like very much to include your team on this schedule. If you are planning a trip through this section I sincerely hope you will give us some consideration. St. Thomas College has Freshman Rule in basketball and has an excellent court, the size of which is 90 by 50.

We will be glad to secure Philadelphia or New York officials t work the game here.

Very truly yours,

Frank J. O'Hara

Frank J. O'Hara
Graduate Mgr.

March 22, 1938.

Coach Larry Mullins,
Loyola University,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Larry:

I am contemplating a southern trip for the basketball team next year, and desire to include the most unusual city in America, New Orleans. I was wondering if we could arrange to play you some time around the time when the football team will be playing the Sugar Bowl game.

I would like for the boys to see the football game and thought we might frame up a basketball encounter to help pay expenses. Last year the Sugar Bowl committee wired me asking if I would be interested in playing a basketball game in New Orleans, but you know we have a joker in our Big Six conference rule which does not permit any of the Big Six teams to play in a town unless the school we play is located in that city. So the committee got Pittsburgh and Kentucky.

Do you think your basketball team next year will be good enough to talk the Sugar Bowl committee into allowing Loyola to play Kansas at one of those games? Why not promote a proposition whereby Tulane and Loyola would play two outside teams, something like the sport writers did when they brought into New York Oklahoma A. & M. and Colorado. I heard from Everett Morris, of the Herald-Tribune, asking if we would play in that tournament, but I wrote him that the Big Six would not allow our boys to play in the city in which the school they were playing was not located.

I will be happy to hear from you. I understand you are going great guns with your football prospects for next year, and here's hoping you have lots of success. My best wishes to your good family.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

March 31, 1938.

Mr. Leoncio Ochoa, Coach,
Y.M.C.A. Basketball Team,
Mexico City, Mexico.

Dear Coach Ochoa:

Thank you for your kind letter of March 23. Congratulations on winning the International Basketball Tournament! I was sorry that the University of Kansas was unable to enter the tournament, but as I explained to you, our conference rules prohibited.

I am interested in your schedule for next winter, but again our conference rules prohibit our scheduling a game with you. We are permitted to play only teams from universities.

Regretting our inability to play your team, and with all good wishes for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Y·M·C·A.

BASKET-BALL TEAM

COACH — **MEXICO.CITY MEXICO.** — **BOX**

L.OCHOA **136 BIS.**

March 23-938.

Dr.Forrest C.Allen.
Director of Physical Education.
University of Kansas.
LAWRENCE. KANSAS.

Dear Dr.Allen:

Our International Basket-Ball week was complete success having won the trophy the team from Winfiel.Kansas.

I am sorry for not having had the privilege of having you among my distinguished visitors and I hope that next time we have a competition it will be possible for you to visit us.

For 1939 season, I am organizing a tour thru the States and I have arranged games with the Teachers College of Nacogdoches.Tex.--with the Southwestern College of Winfield. Kansas--with the University of Kentucky--the State Normal Un. of Carbodale.Ill.--the University of Cincinnati, and the University of Long Island. Would I be so lucky to add to my schedule a game with the Kansas University?

We expect to be in LAWRENCE around the 14th.of JANUARY 1939.

I will appreciate your answering at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Leoncio Ochoa
Coach.

"THE EPIC OF BASKETBALL"

ANNX: Tonight, The Department of Physical Education of the University of Kansas, with the cooperation of the K-Club, brings you the dramatized story of basketball, as told by its inventor, Dr. James Naismith, of the University. Characters in the dramatic scenes will be portrayed by members of the K-Club, the organization of lettermen of the athletic department.

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ANNX: And here is your narrator, Dr. Naismith, inventor of basketball.

NARRATOR: Good evening, friends. We are going to re-create a few scenes from the history of basketball, showing its development from a YMCA sport to a world-wide popular form of recreation. The story of basketball goes back to the fall of 1891. I was an instructor in the YMCA college in Springfield, Mass. (START FADING) At a faculty meeting, Dr. Gulick, the director of the college, is speaking.

GULICK: (Fading in) Gentlemen....It is a serious problem which we face! We're getting nowhere, now that the football season is over. (Murmur of voices) yes, that's true!

VOICE 1: Dr. Gulick.....We've tried our level best! The mob of boys you assigned us is the most unruly group I've ever seen. The whole point of our trouble is.....They've gotten fed up with continual gymnastics during the cold season. It's too long a time between football and baseball periods. And we have no suitable indoor sport.

VOICE 2: Mr. Williams is right, doctor. We've tried indoor football, but it's not practical. It's too rough. And the football boys don't go for the lighter games...Like lacrosse..and soccer! They're losing interest. they've never had much interest

GULICK: (Quiets undertone with gavel) Well...Gentlemen...Bear with it a while longer, please! Meanwhile, I've an idea that might be developed. (Pause) If there's no other business, we'll adjourn the meeting until next week. (Noise) Mr. Naismith..If you have a moment, I'd like to speak with you.

NAI: Why, certainly, sir. (Noise Fades) (No, I'm going uptown

GULICK: Jim.....I'm going to assign that class of boys to you. You've been pretty good at devising new forms of recreation.

NAI: Well, sir.....I don't know how well I'd be able to handle them, but I can try.

GULICK: Why don't you work on that new idea of yours?.....You spoke to me the other day about adapting football and soccer and figuring out a new indoor game.....

NAI: Well.....There's not so very much to it yet, Dr. Gulick....However, I'll try and work it out. (Door opens) I've some work to do in my office....

GULICK: Thanks, Jim! It'll help us a great deal, I know. (Fading) Of course I'll give you any help I can. (Door Slams)

NAI: Well! (The Following should be rather disconnected, in the manner of talking to one's self: A verbal expression of thoughts passing through his mind) Might as well got right down and work it out. Let's see, now... Can't run with the ball, indoors....Hmmmmm.....I've got it! Whoever has the ball must stop and throw it: He can't run.....Might as well let the others run, though. Now...What kind of a ball to us...Football isn't the right shape...Won't bounce evenly...But the ball's got to be good sized... Well then, why not use a soccer ball...That's big enough. It's got to pass some sort of a goal....What kind of goal would be best?.....In soccer and lacrosse, the harder the ball is thrown, the greater the chances of making a goal.....But a goal on the floor would be too easy to defend... I've got it! We could put a box up on the wall at each end of the court. A score would be made when the ball is tossed into the box! Combination of throwing and tossing will put plenty of variety in the game....And it won't be rough.....Now, let's see....How many are there in the class.... Sixteen...Seven....No, eighteen. That'll make nine men on a side. (Start Fading) I guess the best way to start it would be to toss the ball.....Rushing it might hurt somebody....(10-Second Pause....Fade In.)

NAI: (Door opens and Closes) Dr. Gulick. Look these papers over, and see what you think of my new game. It might work out into something useful.

GULICK: WHAT? ...SO SOON? Well, let's see here...(Paper crackles)

NAI: It needs considerable polishing up, I'm afraid. The custodian didn't have any boxes I could use for goals, so I got hold of some peach baskets and nailed them up for goals. They've just finished marking the floor on the gym.....

GULICK: Why, Naismith, you've really figured out a game here. This is just exactly the thing we've been looking for. Zip and action, with no danger to the players from roughness. (Rattles Paper) Let's go into the gymnasium and explain the rules to the boys. (Starts Fading) I want to see how this looks in action.

NAI: Yes sir. I started outlining the rules to some of the fellows in class yesterday.....

(Music Up_____Fade)

NARRATOR: And so the first game of basketball was played on the makeshift court of the Springfield, Massachusetts, YMCA....With peach-baskets for goals. Every time a player made a goal, an official had to poke the ball out of the basket with a long pole, through a hole in the bottom of the

basket. The game spread rapidly to other YMCA's, and soon regional tournaments were scheduled. Within two years, major colleges and universities had started teams, and it wasn't long before there were intercollegiate contests, played on regular schedules.

Down at the Philadelphia YMCA, Director Chadwick said:

CHAD: No, Dr. Gulick, I'm not including this basketball game of Naismith's in our sports calendar. Personally, I can't see why only a few players should be privileged to enjoy a game. We use games here in which more boys can participate.

GULICK: Mr. Chadwick...You probably have had some idea of this...But in case you didn't know it, already some of your YmCA boys are playing basketball... As long as they can't play it here, there's danger that they may be drawn away from the center of 'Y' activities. Because you've refused to let them play here, a group of boys have rented a warehouse, down in the industrial district, and fixed a court. I was down there yesterday. Chadwick, they <u>like</u> the game! In our search for Christian recreation, I believe that any such wholesome, clean sport should....

(<u>Knock At Door</u>)

CHAD: Come in. (<u>Door opens</u>) Oh, it's you, billy. Come on in, and meet Dr. Gulick. He's from the Springfield.....

BILLY: Yes sir.....I met Dr. Gulick yesterday, down at the warehouse....

GULICK: Of course. How're you, Bill....

BILLY: Swell, sir.....Why, Mr. Chadwick....I suppose you've known about our basketball court down in the old warehouse...

CHAD: (Chuckles) Well....I've had my suspicions....

BILLY: We...We've found a way to raise money to pay our rent, if you think it's o.k. The fellows wanted your opinion.

CHAD: What's your idea?

BILLY: Well....There've been quite a lot of people coming down to watch us play in our tournaments. We sort of figured we could raise enough money to pay our rent, buy suits and other equipment, if we'd charge spectators a small adminission. (<u>Fade</u>) Do you suppose it would be all right...?

Music up_____Fade

NARRATOR: And so, basketball became a professional sport....That is, it attracted spectators who were willing to pay to see teams in competition. Basketball became a moneymaker for its sponsors, as well as providing safe, invigorating, and thrilling competition for its participants.

In 1898, I was called to the University of Kansas as coach of sports, and chaplain. Basketball wasn't an inter-collegiate sport at Kansas

when I assumed my duties. (Fade) Soon, however, we had a team and a regular season schedule. One evening, Chancellor Snow and I were watching a game in the gymnasium of old Snow Hall.

NAI: (Slight Crowd Murmer) Dr. Snow...See that young fellow out there...The one with the ball? He's getting ready to toss a shot...Look how beautifully it's arching toward the basket! It's going right in! (Cheer) If I'm not very much mistaken, young Allen's going to be a real star!

Snow: I've never seen anyone with such accurate aim, Dr. Naismith. How many points has he made in this game? (Cheers) Look....He just made another basket!

NAI: That's his 20th point in the game, Chancellor. He's an ace! (Fading) Says he's going to study medicine.

(Pause: 5-10 seconds....Fade In)

SEC: Here's a letter from the President of Baker University, Dr. Naismith. You should look at it right off. (Paper Rattles)

NAI: HMMMM....They need a basketball coach at Baker....Well, we'll have to see what....

(Knock at Door: Door opens)

ALLEN: Are you busy, Dr. Naismith?.....

NAI: Not at all, Phog.....Come in! I was just reading a letter from the Dean down at Baldwin City.....They need someone to run their basketball team. I've been asked to find them someone.

ALLEN: A coach, eh.....Gee! Have....anyone in mind, Dr. Naismith?

NAI: That's the trouble.....Can't think of anyone available, right now, anyway.....

Allen: Say, Dr. Naismith, I'd sure like to take a try at that. You wouldn't recommend me for that post, would you? As I think of it, there are a lot of things about basketball that could be coached...don't you think, Doctor?

NAI: You?? (Laughs sympathetically) Well....I don't know,..Phog...Phog Allen .....Basketball coach! Sounds kind of strange! Of course, I'll agree you're a fine player, Phog....But..Coaching's Different. (Chuckle) Coach Allen..You bloody beggar!...

ALLEN: I think I could do it, Doctor. I know I could! You could tell them that I know how to throw free throws, that we always pass in angles and run in curves. You could at least send me down for a try. I'll show 'em! I know I can do it. I've got some definite ideas about certain fundamentals of playing the game . . . . always passing to the open man . . . and so forth.

NAI: I know, Phog...I know....No young follow has ever tried to coach basketball around here.....But still, I'm almost tempted...By George..I will write them! They ought to be willing to give you a try. They can't get anyone else...

ALLEN: Thanks, Dr. Naismith. You can bet your life I'll give them everything I've got, and I'll bet we will win some ball games!

NAI: (Fading) I'll write them right away, Phog.....We ought to hear soon.

(Music Up_____Fade)

NARRATOR: Phog Allen went to Baker to coach their team to victory in their next basketball season. Any doubt I may have had about his capacities as a coach were dispelled that very year. His scientific approach to the game, his dazzling attacks and defenses bewildered almost every enemy team his Baker boys played. He entered medical school soon after that, however, and devoted his attention to methods of guarding against and relieving athletic injuries. In the Fall of 1919, Phog Allen became athletic director at the University of Kansas. Before the Baksetball season was over, he was also basketball coach. Conference victories and championships came frequently to Kansas after that. (Fade) His teams beat the best from all over the country.

VOICES: (Fade In: Background of Murmuring) We won again...Another championship ....That makes thirteen straight...~~What...Again~~...Kansas Wins another championship. Only lost one this year....That makes four championships in a row...~~What, five~~?.....We've won seventeen straight....Only one more to go....Midwestern champions!....Another championship.....Win again... United States Finals...Olympics?.....Kansas may go to the Olympics.... (Fade) Madison Square Garden.....Best Coaching.....

NARRATOR: In the 1932 Olympics there was an exhibition of the two outstanding basketball teams in the United States. In the 1936 Olympics, the game was incorporated as one of the international sports. In the United States, funds were raised in a national campaign to send basketball's inventor over to the Olympics to witness the growth of his game. After the tournament was completed, the winners were announced to the spectators, with the 21 competing teams on the courts....(Fade) From the Judge's stand, a voice!

VOICE: Ladies and Gentlemen.....The winning team in the international basketball tournament....Is from the United States. (Fade) Second place to Mexico, and third, to the dominion of Canada.....

Narrator: And later, the 21 basketball teams from all parts of the world were gathered together. (Fade) There were several speeches.....

VOICE: (Fade In) And now....Here is the Inventor of Basketball....The man whose inventive genius produced a game which has helped bring the world together in friendly competition. Dr. James Naismith, of the United States of America....(Cheers)

DR. NAISMITH: Friends of Basketball.....I'm extremely sorry that all of you cannot understand me....I fear there are only two teams who know what I shall say. In olympic basketball competition, I see a great and far-reaching factor in the preservation of world peace and good will. Here we have teams from China and Japan playing in friendly competition. Here we have brotherly rivalry between the Englishman and the Arab...We Assemble on the Olympic field to see which one of us is the best...Of course only one of us can claim superiority, but the cementing of good fellowship is far more important than a golden cup! My fond hope is that the friendly attitudes existing between opposing players will grow. (Start Fading) I am still astounded to realize that my game, started to keep a few rowdy gym students in place, has grown to command such an important place in the promotion of good will among the youth of the world.

(Music, starting softly as speech fades, up to Climax!)

ANNX: You have heard the dramatized story of basketball, as told by its inventor, Dr. James Naismith, of the University of Kansas. Characters in the dramatic scenes were portrayed by members of the K-Club, the organization of lettermen of the Athletic department. The following K-Men participated in tonights broadcast:

How About This, Mr. Liston.

BIG Emil Sycamore Liston had better be sitting tight on his national intercollegiate basketball tournament or some one will be taking it away from him.

JOHN BUNN.
Who talks of a championship basketball tournament.

Scanning Bill Leiser's ever entertaining column in the San Francisco Chronicle, I come across this paragraph:

"If plans of Stanford's new dean of men, John Bunn, work out, there will be something new in basketball next winter. There'll be a real national intercollegiate championship team."

and then this paragraph in explanation:

"He (Bunn) is interested in a plan whereby the coast conference championship team and championship teams from other sections should meet under regular collegiate association auspices in a national tournament each season, probably during the spring vacation period which follows closely the termination of normal competition everywhere. It's entirely possible that the first national intercollegiate basketball championship tournament will be conducted next April."

Well, now, isn't that something more than interesting.

Here Baker university's distinguished Mr. Liston has been thinking he held the first national intercollegiate championship tournament right here in Kansas City's 7-million-dollar auditorium last March. with Professor Bunn knowing all about it, too.

In fact, being a member of the nation-wide committee.

Mr. Liston's fine tournament was held under strictly collegiate management from every angle, and it was no one's fault but their own that the so-called bigger teams didn't enter. It was the Liston and the committee idea from the start that the tournament should be one of championship teams and a majority of them were.

Maybe it is Professor Bunn's idea to promote the tournament started last year, or maybe he means to take that one over and build only on the championship teams of the bigger conferences.

EMIL LISTON.
Who already has held one.

Regardless, however, of what Professor Bunn may mean, we'll always insist that Mr. Liston's intercollegiate tourna-

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ment here last year was the daddy of any championship tournament of basketball that may evolve, and therefore the No. Oner.