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National Basketball Championship Features Old/New

Some new faces, mixed among several perennial participants, are in the 1976 National Collegiate Basketball Championship.

Pairings for the NCAA's 38th annual tournament include four teams appearing for the first time ever, along with six others joining the elite 32-team field for at least the 10th time in history.

Virginia, Hofstra, Western Michigan and Boise State all enter the Championship for their premier performance.

Defending 1975 champion UCLA heads the list of teams making at least their 10th appearance in the tournament with its 17th bid. Notre Dame is in its 13th Championship, Connecticut 12th, Marquette 11th, and Princeton and North Carolina 10th.

In addition, Cincinnati enters its ninth Championship, Indiana and St. John's their eighth, and DePaul, Michigan and Western Kentucky their 7th.

Bill Sims, executive sports editor of the *Kansas City Star*, drew the Championship pairings March 4 at national headquarters.

"Blind Draw"

Sites for automatic qualifiers from 17 conferences were determined earlier this year by the Division I Basketball Committee. Automatic qualifiers from the Eastern College Athletic Conference's (ECAC) four regional tournaments, and the 11 at-large selections then were paired with the automatic 17 through a "blind draw" process.

"Contrary to what many people believe, within each region pairings for the Championship are based totally on chance," said Stanley H. Watts, director of athletics at Brigham Young University, and Committee chairman. "No seeding is involved whatsoever, and at-large teams are selected on the basis of win-loss record and strength of schedule."

Strongest competition in the Championship appears to be in the Midwest Regional, with seven of the eight teams ranked nationally, including No. 1 Indiana.

The Hoosiers, title winners in 1940 and 1953, own an impressive 27-0 record. The Big-10 conference champion finished third nationally in 1973.

St. John's (23-5), runnerup in the ECAC's Metropolitan New York-New Jersey regional faces Indiana in First-Round action. St. John's best finish in the Championship was runnerup in 1952.

Mid-American Conference champion Western Michigan (24-2) tangles with Virginia Tech (21-6) in other action at the University of Notre Dame.

Southeast Conference winner Alabama (22-4) will meet North Carolina (25-3) in other Midwest First-Round competition. North Carolina produced a title in 1957 and finished third in 1972.

Ohio Valley Conference finalist Western Kentucky (20-8) and Marquette (25-1) also play at the University of Dayton. Marquette was second in 1974, and makes its sixth straight appearance.

East Has Surprises

Virginia (18-11), was a surprise entry representing the Atlantic Coast Conference in the East Regional. The Cavaliers defeated nationally-ranked North Carolina, North Carolina State and Maryland to capture the ACC Championship. Virginia meets DePaul (19-8) at Charlotte, North Carolina.

Southern Conference winner, Virginia Military Institute (20-9) is paired against Tennessee (21-5), runnerup in the Southeast Conference.

Undefeated Rutgers (28-0), ECAC Metropolitan New York-New Jersey champion, and Ivy



DRAWING FOR PAIRINGS—Bill Sims (right), executive sports editor of the *Kansas City Star*, draws pairings for the 1976 National Collegiate Basketball Championship out of a silver cup held by Division I Basketball Committee Chairman Stan Watts, director of athletics at Brigham Young University.

League winner Princeton (22-4) open First-Round competition at Providence University. And Hofstra (18-11), surprise champion in the East Coast Conference, is paired against Connecticut (18-9), ECAC New England regional winner.

Notre Dame (22-5) is bracketed with Metropolitan-6 champion Cincinnati (25-5) at the University of Kansas. Notre Dame makes its third consecutive title bid.

Cincinnati has two titles, a second and two thirds in eight

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Basketball TV Rights Awarded To NBC for Three More Years

Exclusive rights to the 1977, 1978 and 1979 National Collegiate Basketball Championship have been awarded to the National Broadcasting Company.

NCAA Division I Basketball Committee Chairman Stan Watts, Brigham Young University director of athletics, and NBC Sports Vice-President Carl Lindemann Jr., made the joint announcement recently on behalf of both parties.

Rights fees under the new agreement were not announced at the network's request.

The new contract, which follows a two-year agreement between NBC and the NCAA covering the 1975 and 1976 tournaments, will offer expanded network coverage of this prestigious event, in addition to another prime time date.

For the first time, the regional semi-finals, heretofore not televised by NBC, will be aired nationally in prime time (Thursday March 17, 1977). The format will present a unique lineup of four games to be colorcast on a divided national network.

Another innovation will feature two doubleheader telecasts of first round competition, one twin bill on Saturday (March 12) and the other on Sunday (March 13). The two doubleheaders will replace the one-day tripleheader prevailing in the current agreement.

Regionals Televised

The remaining format is unchanged. NBC will televise the four regional Championships Saturday, March 19, with three of the four games being released in a tripleheader format in each market area, and the national semi-finals Saturday afternoon and the Championship finals Monday evening from the Omni

in Atlanta, March 26 and 28, 1977.

According to Lindemann, the addition of the twin doubleheaders in the opening round, plus the four regionals in prime time, is evidence enough that the NCAA Basketball Championship is now, more than ever, blue chip sports fare for the national TV audience.

"Our commitment to make available to our growing numbers of viewers live telecasts of the top sports events is boosted tremendously by the acquisition of the rights to present three more years of NCAA Championship Basketball," said Lindemann. "Without question, the NCAA tournament has a burgeoning appeal for the national audience, and we are very happy to be doing it for another three years."

A pair of attractive features accompanied the announcement by the NCAA and NBC. Prior to the Basketball Championship coverage, NBC will provide a half-hour special on the event during prime time.

NBC will also televise one other NCAA championship event during each of the three years, according to terms in the agreement.

This will bring national television exposures to eight NCAA championships.

Committee Pleased

"The Basketball Committee looks forward to continuing its relationship with NBC Sports," said Watts. "NBC has done an excellent job exposing college basketball to millions of people in the past, and their new commitment to televise regular season games has given the sport an additional boost."

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Members of the Division I Basketball Committee take a breather from the tough assignment of selecting teams for the 1976 National Collegiate Basketball Championship. Standing (L to R): Wayne Duke, Big-10 Conference, and Larry Albus, St. Louis University. Seated (L to R): Ernie Casale, Temple University, Stan Watts, Brigham Young University, and Ken Karr, San Diego State University. Willis Casey, North Carolina State University, was not present for this picture.

The Editor's View

Classification Committee Faces Mission

The NCAA Council has appointed a new Classification Committee, as noted elsewhere in this issue, which now will embark upon seas which in 1975 proved to be stormy with emotion.

The Committee will be following the directives of the 1976 Convention, which adopted a resolution setting forth specific procedures by which it must operate.

Chairman of the new body will be Louis A. Myers, University of Arizona, a former member of the Council and currently chairman of the Eligibility Committee. Edgar A. Sherman, who as chairman of the Reorganization Committee has led the Association through its difficult restructuring, was named as consultant to the ten-person group.

The Classification Committee first will consider whether any further division or reorganization is desirable. It also will suggest criteria under which Division I might be divided in the sport of football. If the Council, to which the recommendations will go in April, decides negatively about further di-

vision, then the need for criteria will be moot.

If the Council's reaction is favorable to both points, then the Committee will go back to work and begin a division of Division I, based on the criteria. Any member may request a hearing before the Committee, any member may appeal its decision to the Council.

By October, if the Committee has received a green light, the final revised membership list would be ready for Council approval and distribution to the membership in November.

The Convention delegates then will have the opportunity to approve or reject all or parts of the report.

Some disagreement is inevitable over each step—the division of Division I, the criteria, the actual classification of various members. Yet good men have been appointed to lead the deliberations and the process has been fully and carefully laid out. Hopefully the results will be thorough and deliberate debate and a decision in the best interests of the entire Association.

Gambling Survey

The Officers have approved a recommendation from the Special Committee to Combat Legalized Gambling to survey the membership to determine its opinion as to the legalization of gambling on college sports.

There are many reasons why the legalization of gambling on team sports seriously would deteriorate the integrity of athletics, but the increased pressures placed on student-athletes by gamblers, fans and yes, even the athlete's fellow students, easily could become intolerable.

Legalized gambling no doubt would substantially increase the number of individuals who gamble on college athletic events, and it also would permit a student-athlete to bet on a game and a sport in which he is a participant.

One would be naive to believe there is no gambling on college athletic events today, but the vast majority of the individuals who do bet are not in a position permitting them to place pressures on student-athletes and coaches, nor is it believed the majority of fans attending today's game have a financial interest in its outcome.

Intercollegiate athletic programs are a part of a university educational process, and gambling on team sports should be discouraged by any institution of higher learning.

Members' Response Critical

The members' response to this survey will be critical in determining the policies to be pursued by the NCAA in this important national issue.

The College Game

While college athletics is its own best witness as to its color and excellence, and the place it enjoys in the minds and hearts of the American sports public, it recently has received additional endorsement of the most tangible and rewarding nature.

In December, ABC-TV agreed to pay the members of the NCAA \$18 million for television rights to college football during each of the next two seasons. The price was an increase of \$2 million per year over the two previous autumns, and came at a time when the nation's economy was struggling and the television industry was experiencing difficulties with its advertising sales. No doubt dramatic increases in the 1975 college football ratings helped boost the price.

Now NBC-TV has added its endorsement of college athletics. That network has just purchased rights to the Division I Basketball Championship for the next three years. By the end of the three-year period the rights fee of \$2.5 million for the 1976 Championship will have doubled.

While everyone knows inflation has sapped the dollar, still these increases are dramatic—and that for basketball borders on the extraordinary.

For example, in 1972, just four Tournaments preceding this year's title in Philadelphia, \$681,500 was paid for the Championship culminating in Los Angeles. In 1973 and 1974, the prices were \$1.1 million and \$1,175,000. The fee moved to \$2.4 million last year.

In football, the rights were \$7,800,000 as recently as 1967, hit \$10 million in 1968, but were only \$13,490,000 in 1973.

Presumably these figures represent pragmatic evaluations by television network and advertising executives. Thus, the evaluations, in turn, represent an impressive endorsement of the programs and athletes of the Association's member institutions.

Oh yes, just for the record, the men who brought home those rights fees were Stan Watts, Stan Marshall and Seaver Peters in basketball, and Peters, Dick Koenig, Chuck Neinas and Don Canham in football.

Columnary Craft

Reprinted below is an excerpt from the writing of a news columnist commenting pertinently about college athletics. It is selected because the NCAA News feels it makes a point and discusses a topic which will interest NEWS readers.

98% Honest Ain't So Bad

By FRANK LUKSA

The Dallas Times Herald

There are 704 institutions operating under the jurisdiction of the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Which means, from the cynical point of view, there are 704 schools eligible for NCAA probation.

So how many, as of this moment, are laboring under the lash of television bans, forfeiture of post-season playing rights or other NCAA inflicted penalties?

Before obtaining the actual number, I made a personal guess of between 20 and 25. Probation stories, to this memory, seemed to come in bunches. They are the predictable "annuals" of our sports pages. They are our staples alongside the NFL being sued by everybody except the DAR, pro basketball clubs spending themselves broke, major league baseball hippety-hopping a franchise across state lines and, in between, everyone threatening to strike.

Estimates Conflict

Next I asked Chickenfry Galt for his estimate. Galt is the *Times Herald's* expert on college matters when he drops by the office from Oaklawn Park. Galt guessed six.

My figure was too high and Galt's too low. Since we were wrong in different directions, it proved nothing except to indicate which of us has more faith in college athletic morals of the day.

The actual number of schools working off NCAA infractions is 12. Only four—Michigan State, Mississippi State, Long Beach State and SMU—are serving time for football-related crimes.

Long Beach State also is up on a basketball rap, along with Illinois, Seton Hall, Canisius, Clemson, Centenary and Louisiana Tech. Southwest Louisiana is in the slammer in all sports. For reasons that have nothing to do with a high-powered program, Wisconsin at Milwaukee completes the current list of unclean.

All apparently soon will have company. A very heavy blade is poised over the Minnesota thump-thump program. Texas A&M's neck, from evidence coming to light recently, is on the same block in the same sport.

Less Than 2% Caught

Still, catching 12 schools from a total of 704—the majority of which participate in more than one major sport, thus multiplying the opportunity to cheat—hardly indicts college athletics as a nest of shylocks. Those in the stocks today represent a fraction less than two per cent of the membership. That leaves 98.1 per cent who are clean. Or, if you prefer, nimble enough not to be nabbed.

How the NCAA bags as many culprits as it does is an impressive feat considering its manpower. Its full-time investigative force consists of nine operatives, six in the field. That is a ratio of one investigator for every 77 schools.

No one should reasonably expect 100 per cent honesty under the present system. Not when major coaching jobs pay so well. Not when keeping them depends on recruitment and subsequent performance of teen-agers. Not when zealous alumni dump money into athletics so they can preen in the reflected glory of victory. Not when only a winner pulls crowds, which mean revenue to strapped budgets.

There is another point to mull, and here I quarrel with the NCAA. Not that it punishes too severely, or meets uneven justice. But that it inevitably punishes more innocents than guilty when the hammer comes down.

Innocent Suffer

For example, why should the Selmon brothers and 60 odd other players at Oklahoma suffer seasons without bowl games and TV exposure of their ability because of an infraction involving Kerry Jackson? Why should any athlete or coach who's walked the straight and narrow be penalized for a transgression of a teammate or colleague?

It's a long-standing suggestion but the idea of Pan American's Abe Lemons in Blackie Sherrod's column recently sounds like a positive step. Kick the guilty players out of school.

I'd say go a step beyond. Make him ineligible ever to play at another NCAA school.

Coaches who cheat? Immediate dismissal; ineligible to be hired by another NCAA school for X number of years, depending on the severity of the offense.

Alums who cheat? Nothing much can be done about them except some form of public humiliation. Make them ineligible to attend booster club meetings.

Throw all the rascals out and let the innocents play on. Any group these days that's 98 per cent honest deserves our unqualified support.

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Fields Set for Division II and III Basketball Championships

Selection process was recently completed for the 1976 National Collegiate Division II and Division III Basketball Championships.

The Division II Basketball Committee selected 32 teams, while the Division III Committee chose a 28-team field.

Division II will conduct eight, four-team regionals, and Division III will sponsor seven, four-team regionals.

Automatic qualifiers from six conferences are among the Division II field, and Division III automatically qualifies 10 conferences, with two selections coming from the Middle Atlantic State Collegiate Athletic Conference.

Teams and pairings for both divisions were selected on the basis of eligibility of student-athletes for postseason competition and won-loss record considering strength of schedule.

Tournament structure for Division II forms the Great Lakes Region, New England Region, South Region, South Central Region, West Region, North Central Region, South Atlantic Region, and East Region.

Division II regional play will be conducted between March 10-13. Quarterfinal action March 15 will match-up regional winners from New England vs. Great Lakes, East vs. South At-

lantic, North Central vs. West, and South vs. South Central.

Semi-final and Championship competition will take place March 18 & 19 at Evansville, Indiana.

Division II Pairings

The following is a list of regional sites and pairings for Division II:

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL—March 12-13 at Fairfield University (University of Bridgeport-host). Bridgeport (22-4) vs. Bentley (16-11), and Assumption (15-11) vs. Quinnipiac (19-7).

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL—March 10-11 at University of Evansville. Evansville (19-8) vs. Wright State (19-7), and Eastern Illinois (19-7) vs. St. Joseph's (17-9).

EAST REGIONAL—March 10-11 at Villanova University (Philadelphia Textile-host). Philadelphia Textile (24-2) vs. Buffalo State (19-6), and Hartwick (21-3) vs. Cheyney State (22-4).

SOUTH ATLANTIC REGIONAL—March 11-12 at Old Dominion University. Old Dominion (16-10) vs. Madison (18-7), and Morgan State (21-5) vs. Baltimore (19-9).

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL—March 10-11 at University of North Dakota. North Dakota (20-6) vs. Nebraska-Omaha (16-11), and Wisconsin-Green Bay (20-7)

vs. Mankato State (17-9).

WEST REGIONAL—March 10-11 at University of Puget Sound. Puget Sound (22-7) vs. California Polytechnic-Pomona (15-12), and California-Davis (18-8) vs. Bakersfield State (22-4).

SOUTH REGIONAL—March 11-12 at University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. Tennessee-Chattanooga (19-8) vs. Rollins (18-5), and Florida Tech (20-3) vs. Valdosta State (14-12).

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL—March 11-12 at Nicholls State University. Nicholls State (20-3) vs. Lincoln (Mo.) (19-7), and Grambling (21-8) vs. Missouri-Rolla (18-7).

Division II Basketball Committee members are Andrew Laska, director of athletics, Assumption College; Thomas J. Niland Jr., director of athletics, LeMoyne College; Richard F. Scharf, director of athletics, St. Joseph's College (Ind.); Howard Davis, director of athletics, Tuskegee Institute; Floyd A. Walker, director of athletics, Central Missouri State University; and Thomas J. Martin, director of athletics, Roanoke College.

Old Dominion won the Division II Basketball Championship in 1975 with a 76-74 win over New Orleans.

Division III tournament structure forms the Northeast Region, East Region, Great Lakes Region,

South Region, Middle Atlantic Region, South Atlantic Region, and Midwest Region.

Regional play for Division III is between March 11-13. Regional winners will advance to the Quarterfinals March 16 and pair the East vs. Northeast, South Atlantic vs. Middle Atlantic, South vs. Great Lakes. The Midwest Regional winner will receive an automatic bye into the Semi-Finals March 19 at Albright College, Reading, Pennsylvania. Albright will also host the Division III Championship March 20.

Division III Pairings

The following is a list of regional sites and pairings for Division III:

NORTHEAST REGIONAL—March 11-12 at Rhode Island College. Rhode Island (15-8) vs. Boston State (21-4), and Suffolk (19-4) vs. Southeastern Massachusetts (16-7).

EAST REGIONAL—March 11-12 at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. R.P.I. (17-7) vs. Plattsburgh State (12-11), and City College of New York (15-13) vs. Rochester Institute of Technology (18-7).

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL—March 12-13 at Ashland College. Ashland (17-4) vs. Hiram (16-4), and Oberlin (15-10) vs. Wittenberg (21-4).

SOUTH REGIONAL—March

12-13 at Transylvania University. Transylvania (18-7) vs. LeMoyne-Owen (17-8), and Miles (19-6) vs. Sewanee (17-8).

MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGIONAL—March 12-13 at University of Scranton. Scranton (22-5) vs. Grove City (16-4), and Widener (21-6) vs. Mansfield State (16-7).

SOUTH ATLANTIC REGIONAL—March 12-13 at Monmouth College. Monmouth (21-4) vs. Lynchburg (22-6), and Shepherd (28-2) vs. Glassboro State (18-8).

MIDWEST REGIONAL—March 12-13 at Augustana College (Ill.). Augustana (18-6) vs. Cornell College (15-7), and Coe (22-0) vs. Simpson (16-8).

Members of the Division III Basketball Committee are Herbert B. Thompson, director of athletics, Fisk University; Russ Granger, director of athletics, Clark University; James A. Reddy, director of athletics, Bridgewater College; Russ DeVette, head basketball coach, Hope College; Leon Eastlack, head basketball coach, Colorado College; and Paul M. Maaske, director of athletics, Cornell College.

LeMoyne-Owen defeated Glassboro State 57-54 in 1975, the first year for the National Collegiate Division III Basketball Championship.

Classification Committee Appointed, Assignment Detailed by Council

Appointment of a ten-member permanent Classification Committee has been completed by the NCAA Council.

The new body is to weigh the

merits of continuing the reorganization of the Association begun in August of 1973, and if so authorized by the Council, to set recommended divisions in the sport of football.

The Council named Louis A. Myers, University of Arizona, as chairman.

Other members are: William J. Flynn, Boston College; Wiles Hallock, Pacific-8 Conference; Philip R. Shriver, Miami University (Ohio); Marino H. Casem, Alcorn State University; Richard G. Koppenhaver, North Central Conference; Lyle Smith, Boise State University; William D. McHenry, Washington and Lee University; Edsel K. Schweizer, Luther College; and Robert M. Whitelaw, Eastern College Athletic Conference.

Edgar A. Sherman, Muskingum College, and chairman of the Reorganization Committee, was appointed by the Council to serve as consultant to the Classification Committee.

Specifically, under provisions of Proposal No. 225-4, as adopted

by the 1976 NCAA Convention, the Council asked the Committee to study the concept of dividing the present Division I in the sport of football, and to report its conclusions to the Council at its April meeting.

Second, the Committee was requested to develop appropriate criteria upon which institutional memberships in such divided divisions would be based for approval by the Council in April.

Another element of the resolution instructs the Committee to hold a hearing at the request of any member institution or conference, and provides that any member may appeal a decision of the Committee to the Council.

If those steps generate positive Council reactions, the Committee then could begin the reclassification of member institutions as outlined in No. 225.

To accomplish reorganization, the Council will develop necessary enabling or authorizing legislation for consideration by the membership at the 71st annual Convention in January.



LOUIS A. MYERS

Classification Committee Chairman

National Collegiate Basketball Championship

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previous Championships. The Bearcats defeated Notre Dame, 95-87 in overtime, in the Midwest Region third place game last year.

Missouri (24-4) earned the Big-8 Championship bid, its only other appearance was in 1944. The Tigers are paired against Pacific-8 entry Washington (22-5) in the other half of the Kansas bracket. Washington's last appearance in the Championship was a third place finish in 1953.

Wichita State (18-9) won the Missouri Valley crown, and will take on Big-10 runnerup Michigan (21-6) at North Texas State University. Michigan finished second in 1965 and third in 1964.

Completing the Midwest slate will be Texas Tech (24-5), Southwest Conference champion, and Syracuse (20-8), winner of the ECAC Upstate New York regional. The Orangemen are making their fourth straight appearance, finishing fourth in 1975.

Defending champion UCLA (23-4) spotlights the West Regional, hoping for its 11th crown in 13 years. Coach John Wooden retired last year after 10 National titles, and has been replaced by Gene Bartow. The Pacific-8 champion will face Pacific Coast Athletic Conference winner San Diego State (16-12) at the University of Oregon.

Las Vegas Strong

Nevada-Las Vegas (28-1) is another strong challenger in the West, and will battle Big Sky champion Boise State (18-10).

West Coast Conference winner Pepperdine (21-5) is making its first title drive since 1962, and will take on Metro-6 runnerup Memphis State (21-8). The Tigers finished second in 1973.

Pepperdine and Memphis State are paired at Arizona State University, along with Western Athletic Conference winner Arizona (22-8) making its only other bid in 1952, and ECAC Southern re-

gional winner Georgetown (21-6). The Hoyas were second in 1943 and lost in First-Round action last year.

"The Committee feels this is one of the strongest championships we've had in recent years," said Watts. "Selection process was difficult, considering the many excellent teams there were around the country this year, including some of the teams not chosen for the tournament."

Regional action is scheduled March 18 at Greensboro, North Carolina (East); Louisville, Kentucky (Midwest); Louisiana State University (Midwest); and UCLA (West).

Temple University will host the National Semi-finals and Championship, March 27 and 29 at The Spectrum in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The East plays the Midwest and the Midwest faces the West champion in the National Semi-finals.



More than 1,000 orders for 1976 Football Ticket Merchandisers (above) were received from members in the first two days they were available.

Football Ticket Merchandiser Receiving Good Response

Immediate response to the 1976 Football Ticket Merchandiser (shown above) on the part of NCAA members has been very encouraging, according to Donald B. Canham, University of Michigan, and chairman, Promotions Committee.

In the first two days following notice of the display board's availability, orders for more than 1,000 merchandisers had been received from athletic departments of member institutions.

The countertop Ticket Merchandiser, a project funded by the Promotion Committee, became available to member institutions at cost because the Committee is convinced these mer-

chandisers can help sell season tickets.

The "Take-One" pocket is used for ticket applications or other promotional materials.

Each merchandiser can be customized to fit particular member's request. Two-color printing is available to utilize school colors and space is provided for block letters, logos or mascot and the 1976 schedule.

Minimum order requirement is 50 displays. Pricing, which includes shipping is as follows: 50 merchandisers-.90 cents each; 51 or more merchandisers-.85 cents each.

Orders are processed immediately from the national office.

Northeast Regional Baseball Tourney "Closed Shop"

Determination of a representative from the Northeast Region for the 1976 National Collegiate Baseball Championship will be conducted in a "closed shop."

NCAA District One and District Two form the Northeast Region, and will place one representative at the College World Series, June 11-18 in Omaha, Nebraska.

During the first 28 years of the National Championship, one team represented each of the NCAA's eight districts. Last year, the Division I Baseball Committee voted to change the format for team selection, and now determines representatives via the regional playoff system.

Tournament procedures for the

Northeast Regional does not allow any team from Districts One and Two to participate in any other regional tournament, likewise any team outside Districts One and Two cannot compete in the Northeast Regional.

Six Opposed to Four

Conduct for the Northeast Regional provides for a six-team, double-elimination tournament, opposed to four-team tournaments in the NCAA's other seven regions. Proper procedures for pairings and bracketing of the tournament are found in the 1976 NCAA Baseball Handbook.

Automatic Qualifiers

Composition of the Northeast Regional playoff will include five automatic qualifiers and one at-

large representative selected by the Baseball Committee.

Automatic qualifiers include the regular-season champion of the Eastern Intercollegiate Baseball League (EIBL); the playoff champion from the East Coast Conference (ECC); and the champions of three, four-team, double-elimination tournaments sponsored by the ECAC and designated as Southern, Mid-Atlantic and New England.

Selection of a sixth participant is by the Baseball Committee and will come from District One and Two teams which are not members of the ECAC. If the Committee decides no qualified team is among this group, the Northeast Regional will become

a five-team playoff.

Teams for the three tournaments to determine automatic qualifiers will be determined by the ECAC. However, runners-up in the East Coast Conference and EIBL will be considered for selection in one of the tournaments.

The ECAC is under no obligation to observe policies and procedures contained in the NCAA Baseball Handbook for the three tournaments, but the Baseball Committee has urged the ECAC to select only those teams with outstanding records to insure continued quality in participants for the NCAA Championship.

Best East Team Assured

Dates and sites for the ECAC

tournament will be determined by the ECAC. The Northeast Regional will commence no later than the Friday before Memorial Day each year; however, it can be held earlier by mutual agreement.

"This plan assures the best team will be representing the East at Omaha each year," said Chalmers M. Port, baseball coach at The Citadel, and chairman, Division I Baseball Committee.

The new playoff system also expands the National Championship to 34 teams, instead of 32 as in the past.

Automatic qualifiers come from 18 conferences and playoffs, and 16 at-large representatives will be selected by the Baseball Committee.

Elsewhere in Education

HEW Concerned with OCR Regulations

Due to mounting complaints being filed under the jurisdiction of the Office for Civil Rights, HEW Secretary F. David Mathews recently indicated he is attempting to improve regulations developed by his department.

Mathews expressed his views on the problem and other matters, February 25 in his first Washington news conference since becoming Secretary in August, 1975.

Numerous considerations for improving HEW's regulations are being investigated, according to Mathews, but meanwhile stated a policy has been adopted issuing some of the regulations "sequentially" or in segments.

Specifically, regulations cover-

ing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act concerning student records are under the policy. Mathews claimed he had approved part of these regulations and that the segment would be published soon in the *Federal Register*.

U. S. Supreme Court Hears Church-State Case

Oral arguments were recently heard by the U.S. Supreme Court concerning a case challenging Maryland's program of grants to private colleges on grounds that colleges with religious affiliations received aid in violation of the First Amendment.

The case involves John C. Roemer, III, et. al., vs. Board of Public Works of the State of Maryland, et. al., which is appealing a three-judge Federal

panel's 2-1 ruling upholding the Maryland law.

The state statute establishing the program was enacted in 1971, but revised in 1972. "The 1972 legislature corrected the defects in the original Act by prohibiting sectarian use of the funds," the lower court noted. The program is administered by the Maryland Council on Higher Education. "The religious programs at each school are separable from the secular programs, and the latter are the only beneficiaries of state aid," the court said. "Of considerable importance in mitigating the effect of religious divisiveness is that the program is designed to aid higher education generally, not church-affiliated colleges specifically. Only five of the 18 eligible institutions which have received funds are church-affiliated."

Illinois Judged Best of Cheer Squad Top 20

Cheerleaders from the University of Illinois were recently honored as National Champions in the 10th Annual "Top Twenty Collegiate Cheer Squad Survey," judged by the International Cheerleading Foundation, Inc., an affiliated member of the NCAA.

Championship honors were presented to the Illinois cheerleaders, after they ranked 14th in the 1974-75 survey, according to Randy Neil, IFC Executive director.

Neil indicated showmanship, versatility and crowd rapport were key factors for Illinois winning this year's survey.

Representatives from the IFC graded cheerleading applicants, strictly from Division I institutions. Besides the grading, each applicant was required to submit a squad notebook to the IFC.

"The notebooks contained photos, specific questions we ask each squad and other things which deal with the overall spirit the team tries to achieve," said Jocelyn Wolber, IFC director of public relations. "Grading practical application includes things like gymnastics, partner stunts and spirit spectacle."

Illinois replaced Auburn University, 1974-75 winner, as the

top collegiate cheerleading squad in the nation.

"We felt the spirit at Illinois was excellent, and has really come back after the problems they experienced a few years ago," added Wolber.

Behind Illinois, the following institutions rounded out the "Top Twenty" for 1975-76: Notre Dame, Southern California, Auburn, UCLA, Pennsylvania State, Kansas, Louisiana State, Texas, Wake Forest, Florida, Ohio State, Oregon, Indiana State, Tulane, Kansas State, Michigan State, Navy, South Carolina, and North Carolina.

Reorganization Proposal Retains Vote for Allied Membership

Voting privileges for the Association's allied membership will remain unchanged if a recommendation to the NCAA Council is endorsed by that body at its April meeting.

tions receive one full vote at each Convention, plus the fractional vote derived from the conference's vote.

The Committee supported retention of Constitution 4-3-(b), adopted by the January, 1975, Convention to restrict allied voting.

That section specifies only those allied members meeting the following criteria are permitted to vote on issues before the Association: "(i) The allied member must be both a competitive and legislative body. (ii) It must be composed of at least six members in a single division. (iii) Conference competition must be conducted in at least four sports with at least one in each season. A season-end tournament or round-robin regular-season play will satisfy this requirement."

Supporters of voting privileges stressed the amendments differentiate between a one-spot conference and conferences with playing, legislative, enforcement and other functions.

"The Committee felt keeping the language as it was adopted by the 1975 Convention leaves no question regarding the difference between voting and non-voting allied members," said Chairman Edgar A. Sherman, Muskingum College director of athletics.

"If the Association were just beginning, perhaps conferences might not be afforded votes, but inasmuch as they had been voting for many years, the Committee felt those votes should be retained."



EDGAR A. SHERMAN

Reorganization Committee Chairman

The NCAA Reorganization Committee has voted that those allied conferences which qualify under Constitution 4-3-(b) should continue to vote at NCAA Conventions.

Those voting privileges had been questioned on the basis that active members received a voting advantage if belonging to an allied conference.

Conference member institu-

Publication Order Forms Mailed to Membership

In the mail this month to college and university athletic department personnel is the NCAA Publishing Service's once-a-year guides and rules books order form.

At most schools, forms will be

received by directors of athletics, sports information directors, physical education directors, intramural directors and librarians, and those in positions which receive the form are encouraged to share them with other staff members.

If all institutional orders are combined into one order, the result can become a substantial savings. The \$2 books are available for \$1.85 each if at least 10 of the same title are ordered, and the discount is 30 cents per book (to \$1.70 each) if 50 or more are ordered.

The \$1 rules books drop to .85 cents each if 100 or more of the same title are ordered.



Members of University of Illinois cheerleading squad perform gymnastics routine at football game last fall.

Dedication, Brigham Young and Stan Watts



STANLEY H. WATTS
Brigham Young University

Collegiate athletics almost lost Stanley H. Watts in 1972.

But to look at the chairman of the NCAA's Division I Basketball Committee today, you would never know a serious bout with cancer almost claimed the life of the personable athletic director at Brigham Young University.

Athletics and Stan Watts became close companions a long time ago, and the veteran player, coach and administrator attacked his illness with the vibrance he has had since beginning life, August 30, 1911 in Murray, Utah.

Watts became a member of the Division I Basketball Committee September 1, 1973, and was re-elected to a second three-year term at the 70th annual Convention. He succeeded Davidson College's Tom Scott as committee chairman in September, a post he will occupy until Sept. 1, 1979.

After graduating from Murray High School in 1928, Watts became an all-around athlete at

Weber State, and earned letters in several sports at BYU. He graduated from Brigham Young in 1938 with a B.S. Degree.

His association with Brigham Young was interrupted for nearly a decade, as he served as a coach at Millard High (1938-41), basketball coach and athletic director at Dixie College (1941-45), and three-sport coach at Jordan High (1945-47).

Watts joined the BYU coaching staff in 1947 as head baseball and track coach, and assistant in football and basketball.

In 1949, he replaced Floyd Millet as head basketball coach and served in that position before retiring in 1972. During 23 years as head coach at Brigham Young, Watts-coached teams captured eight Western Athletic Conference crowns and two National Invitational Tournament titles, one in 1951 and again in 1966.

Overall his career record as a basketball coach was 431 wins and 260 losses.

In addition to his coaching duties, Watts also had served as athletic chairman. He was named director of athletics in 1970.

Former NABC President

A former president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches (1969-70), Watts has served on the NCAA Basketball Rules Committee, and is author of a book, *Developing an Offensive Attack in Basketball*.

For a man who has covered a lot of ground over the years, Watts continues his dedication, not only serving BYU, but also the NCAA.

"I've always felt the Division I Basketball Committee was one of the most prestigious and most fun to be associated with," said Watts. "But to be appointed its chairman is an exciting and tremendous honor for me, something I didn't expect."

Preparation for an event like the National Collegiate Basketball Championship includes everything from selecting teams to

making sure the popcorn vendors know their places.

"Everyone on the Committee is extremely cooperative," said Watts. "It's a wonderful group to be associated with and I'm looking forward to chairing the Committee the next three years."

"Mr. BYU"

What does athletics in general mean to the man people in Provo, Utah refer to as "Mr. BYU?"

"Athletics has been my whole life," he said. "There are a lot of things you can learn, out there on the field or court, you could never learn in a classroom or in a book."

"Athletics teaches our young people more about life than any other activity on campus," Watts added. "No other single force brings the university, alumni, students, and faculty together better than athletics."

Watts is active in Mormon Church and he and his wife, Emily, are the parents of four children.

Qualifying Standards Set for Tennis Championships

Qualifying standards for NCAA tennis championships have been established for the first time in history and will be in effect for the 1976 National Collegiate Tennis Championships.

Acting on request from the Executive Committee, the NCAA Tennis Committee recommended guidelines governing qualifying procedures for the three divisional tennis championships. The NCAA officers, acting for the Executive Committee, have approved the recommendations.

The Tennis Committee delegated a selection committee comprised of the Division I Subcommittee, and one representative from the districts not represented on the Subcommittee to select the competitors for the National Championships.

This committee will select the top 20 teams for the Division I tournament, May 26-31 at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Participation Limited

Each team will be allowed to enter four singles players and two doubles teams (80 singles players and 40 doubles teams). The top team from each of the NCAA's eight districts will be extended an invitation to participate in the Championships. How-

ever, if the top team in a district declines, it is not necessary for another team from the district to be chosen.

An additional 20 institutions will be chosen by the selection committee to enter two singles players each and one doubles team (40 singles players and 20 doubles teams).

Another eight institutions shall be selected by the committee to enter one singles player each and four institutions will be selected to enter one doubles team each.

A total of 128 singles participants will be chosen, and 64 doubles teams selected for the Division I Championships.

Division II and III

The 1976 National Collegiate Division II Tennis Championships will be limited to 96 singles players and 48 doubles teams, and the Division III Championships will have a maximum of 64 singles players and 32 doubles teams.

The respective games committees for the Championships will be responsible for maintaining the maximum entries for each tournament.

Northwest State University, Maryville, Missouri will host the Division II Championships, and

Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi is the site for the Division III tournament. Both Championships are set for May 19-23.

On May 11, the Division I Selection Committee will make the Division I selections during a national conference call, and participants will be notified May 12.

Applications

Entry applications for Division I will be mailed April 1 and all entries must be submitted no later than April 26. These applications must be filled out by any interested institution and returned even though a team or individual might not be selected.

In Divisions II and III, entries will be mailed by the host institutions March 20 and final entry deadlines are April 19. If necessary, the field will be cut for the Championships May 4 and the participants will be informed by the Committee May 5.

District representatives for each tournament will notify institutions if a team or individuals have been selected.

Qualification for the 1977 National Collegiate Division II and Division III Championships have been set, and will be limited to 64 singles players and 32 doubles teams. The respective subcom-

mittees for Divisions II and III shall apply the Division I qualifying procedures, with appropriate adjustments in numbers, for selections of singles players and doubles teams.

Insures Quality

"Selection will insure only the top players and teams from each division will vie for the divisional championships," said Rolla L. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, and chairman of the NCAA Tennis Committee.

Members of the selection committee from the NCAA Division I Subcommittee are Albert G. Molloy Jr., University of Pennsylvania (District Two); Glenn A. Bassett, UCLA (District Eight); Gene A. Templeton, San Diego State University (District Eight); and Dan Magill, University of Georgia (District Three).

Other members representing districts not represented on the Division I Subcommittee include: Jack Barnaby, Harvard University (District One); Stan Drobac, Michigan State University (District Four); Jerry Keen, University of Oklahoma (District Five); John Gardner, Southern Methodist University (District Six); and Harry James, University of Utah (District Seven).



ROLLA L. ANDERSON
Tennis Committee Chairman

In 1975

Football Telecasts and Revenue Spread Wide

Coverage on varying formats of television programming was shared by 97 NCAA institutions during 1975 college football, according to the NCAA Television Committee's recent report.

Included in this total were appearances by 51 institutions on the American Broadcasting Company's (ABC-TV) NCAA Football Television Series.

Remaining figures indicated 46 institutions appeared on "exception" telecasts and other types of programs. The 97 institutions experiencing televised coverage in 1975 brought the two-year total to 138 different institutions.

In its second year last fall, the 1974-1975 NCAA Television Plan was adopted in October, 1973, by a 300-10 referendum vote by the Association's membership.

Under terms of the contract with ABC-TV, the participating NCAA members received \$15,350,000 to share.

The 1975 schedule was chosen solely by ABC-TV, with no in-

fluence by the Television Committee or member institutions.

The Network also determined rights fees of \$487,857 paid for a national game and \$355,000 for a regional appearance.

Fees from these figures were subject to a six cent assessment by the NCAA and income was used to cover television administration expenses, promotion of college sports, construction costs of the national headquarters building, and funding the Post-graduate Scholarship Program.

ABC's 10th Year

Under general arrangements with ABC-TV, the network carried NCAA's "Game of the Week" for its 10th consecutive year. Executive producer of the Series was ABC Sports President Roone Arledge, producer was Chuck Howard, Andy Sidaris directed and Keith Jackson was lead announcer.

Reorganization of the NCAA in 1973, converted the College Division into Division II and Division III.

In 1975, each division staged its third National Championship in football.

ABC-TV offered national coverage for the National Collegiate Division II Championship played December 13 between Western Kentucky University and Northern Michigan University at the Camellia Bowl in Sacramento, California.

Regular season telecasts also included the Mississippi Valley State and Grambling game in Division II.

The National Collegiate Division III Championship was telecast December 6 and featured Wittenberg University and Ithaca College. It was presented in addition to the two Division II semifinal contests staged on the same date.

Televising of these two Championships marked the third consecutive year ABC-TV presented the games under this format. A rights fee of \$500,000 was realized for the Division II and Division III telecasts. Additionally, \$150,000

was paid for rights to televise five NCAA Championship events during 1975.

National Series telecasts were experienced by 20 institutions during the 1975 football season. Regional telecasts netted revenue for 41 institutions, 10 of which also made national appearances.

"Exception" Telecast

Division II and III exception telecasts were enjoyed by 17 institutions. "Exception" telecasts are generally of two types—those permitted because of special circumstances surrounding a particular game (e.g., a sell-out) or those permitted because of the special circumstances surrounding the participating institutions (e.g., they are members of Divisions II or III or they are Division I institutions which have never appeared on the ABC-TV Series).

Other categories of exception telecasts authorized in 1975 were: 400-mile telecasts; special night telecasts; special major telecasts;



SEAVER PETERS
Television Committee Chairman

educational television stations; and closed circuit telecasts.

"The Committee feels the plan's present form constitutes a well-balanced approach to tele-

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INTERPRETATIONS

Note: Publication of an interpretation in this column constitutes official notice to the membership. New O.I.s printed herein may be reviewed by the annual Convention at the request of any member. Questions concerning these or other O.I.s should be directed to Warren S. Brown, assistant executive director, in the Association's executive office. The following interpretations are reprinted for the information of the membership.

GED Scores

Situation: A prospective student-athlete does not graduate from high school, but subsequently completes the General Education Development (GED) Test and obtains a state high school equivalency diploma. (226)

Question: By what means may he establish eligibility for practice, participation and athletically related financial aid under the provisions of Bylaw 4-6-(b) [2,000 rule]?

Answer: The prospective student-athlete's high school grade point average may be determined through use of an Association-approved table which converts the average of his five GED scores to high school grade point average. Only scores from a GED Test taken by the student-athlete after one calendar year has elapsed from the date his high school class normally graduates shall be utilized. [B4-6-(b)-(1)]

Tryout Rule—Participation with Student-Athlete

Situation: A prospective student-athlete visits an institution's campus.

Question: Is it permissible for enrolled student-athletes at the institution to work out with the prospect in physical activities during the visit?

Answer: No. [B1-3]

Lacrosse Championship Selected for TV

Coverage of the 1976 National Collegiate Lacrosse Championship was recently chosen as the American Broadcasting Company's (ABC-TV) fifth NCAA Championship event to be televised in 1976.

The 1976 National Collegiate Swimming, Wrestling, Volleyball and Outdoor Track and Field Championships have already been selected to become part of ABC's Wide World of Sports.

Under agreement of the NCAA Football Television Plan for 1976, ABC televises five Championship events.

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, will host the Lacrosse Championship March 29. Brown is also site of the Swimming Championships March 24-27.

NBC Awarded Basketball Rights —

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"We are also pleased the Basketball Championship has opened the door for another National Collegiate Championship to receive television exposure."

NBC Sports has had rights to the NCAA Basketball Championship since 1969. Both the number of games telecast and total audience levels have increased annually since that first year.

Last year's Championship

game between Kentucky and UCLA was seen by 42,000,000 people, largest audience ever to watch a televised basketball game.

In 1969, the first year of national coverage of this event, 24,000,000 viewers tuned into NBC.

Audience estimates were compiled by NBC Research based on Nielson Television Index Data.

TV Revenue Widespread

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vising an attractive Series, maximizing appearances by the different teams and protecting to the highest degree possible the attendance and revenues of the football-playing membership," said Seaver Peters, Dartmouth University director of athletics, and Committee chairman.

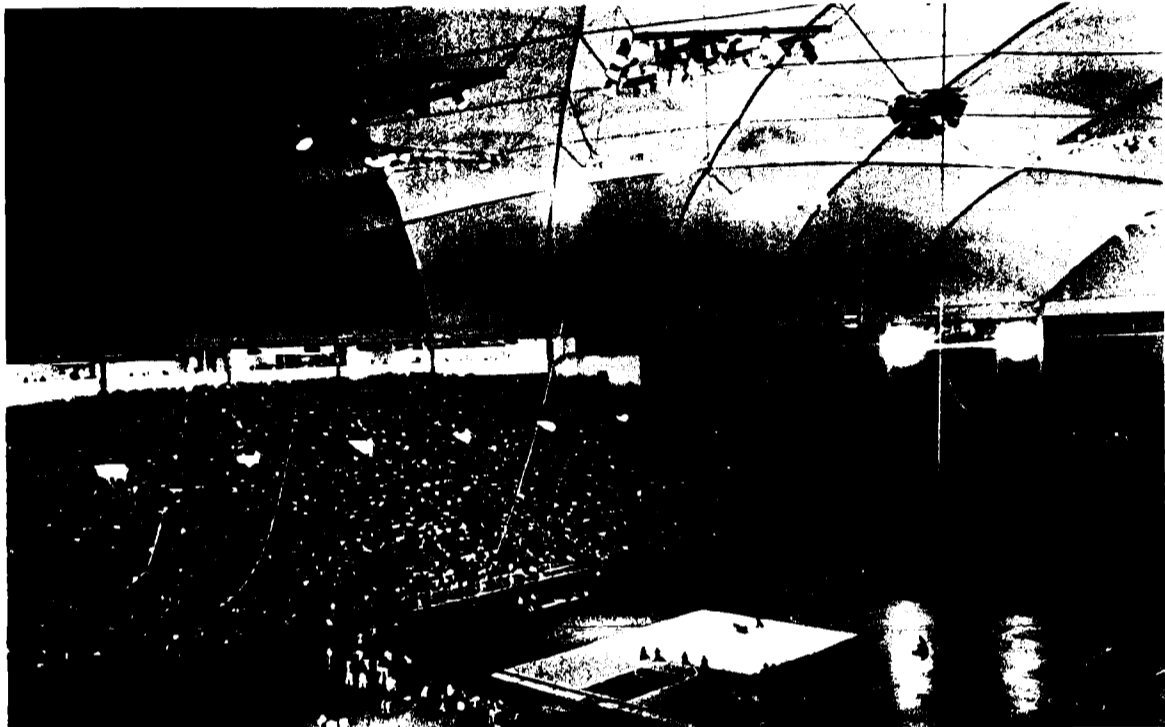
"We also felt ABC's selection of games and the general quality of the college game led to an exciting, entertaining Series in 1975," Peters noted. "In addition, the network enjoyed a good relationship with the institutions from whose campuses telecasts were presented."

College football in 1975 enjoyed new attendance records

and higher ratings on ABC-TV. These successes apparently provided incentive for ABC to bid increased television rights in agreements reached for the 1976 and 1977 seasons in late November, 1975.

Under the new agreement, ABC-TV will pay \$18,000,000 for each football season. Also included will be the telecasting of two regular-season games for both Division II and Division III.

"The Committee wishes to salute the entire ABC-TV organization for its artistic success in presenting the excitement of college football in 1975 and looks forward to working with them during the next two seasons," concluded Peters.



NORTHERN IOWA'S GIANT CREAMPUFF—Wrestling crowds are usually big in Iowa, but this one was exceptional when the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls hosted the University of Iowa in dual action February 2. Powerful Iowa won the meet 31-8, but the main attraction for 10,214 spectators was opening night at the UNI-Dome, a multi-purpose coliseum with a completely air-supported, teflon-coated, fiberglass roof. Costing around \$7.1 million, the unique facility has a seating capacity of 16,400 for Panther football, basketball, wrestling, gymnastics, track, and tennis, in addition to other University and community-oriented activities. UNI will host the 1976 National Collegiate Division II Gymnastics Championships March 25-27.

Championship Corner...

William Roetzheim, director of athletics at University of Illinois, Chicago Circle, has been appointed to the NCAA Gymnastics Committee.

Roetzheim replaces Jerry Wright of San Francisco State University, who resigned.

Although the membership voted to delete Bylaw 6-6 on the certification of eligibility forms, some of the forms for the winter Championships still include mention of the regulation.

Forms for gymnastics, wrestling, skiing, fencing and swimming were sent to host institutions prior to the 70th Convention when the membership voted to eliminate the Bylaw. Thus, reference to Bylaw 6-6 should be disregarded on any certification of eligibility form as it no longer is a requirement.

Division I Gymnastics

Temple University will be the site of the 1976 National Collegiate Gymnastics Championships April 1-3. Pennsylvania State University will host the East Regional Gymnastics Championships March 12-13, and San Jose State University will be the site of the West Regionals March 19-20.

Refer to the handbook mailed to the membership concerning detailed qualifying standards.

Division II Gymnastics

The University of Northern Iowa will host the 1976 National Collegiate Division II Gymnastics Championships March 25-27.

Qualifying standards are 8.5 points for individual optional exercises and 49.0 optional points for all-around performers. The team qualifying standard is 165.0 optional points.

Division I Swimming

Brown University will host the 1976 National Collegiate Swimming Championships March 24-27.

For the first time in history, an automatic qualifying standard and a consideration qualifying standard is listed for Division I Championships.

Any individual or team meeting the consideration time must call (401) 863-3014 after 2 p.m. Eastern time, March 19 to find out if they have made the 40-man field for the 16 swimming events.

Division II and III Swimming

Springfield College will be the site of the 1976 National Colle-

giate Division II Swimming Championships March 18-20.

Washington & Jefferson College (Pa.) will host the 1976 National Collegiate Division III Swimming Championships March 18-20.

The first four places from Division II and the first two places in Division III qualify for the Division I Championships, only if the Division I automatic qualifying standard is met.

Ice Hockey

For the first time in history, the 1976 National Collegiate Hockey Championship may feature first round competition.

A decision by the Ice Hockey Committee will be made no later than March 15 to determine if more than four teams should be selected for the competition. The Championship will be conducted March 25-27 at the University of Denver.

If more than four teams are selected, the first round playoff would be scheduled March 20.

Automatic selections for the Championship include the winner of the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC), and champion of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA).

THE NCAA RECORD

A roundup of current membership activities and personnel changes

DIRECTORS OF ATHLETICS

JOHN CAINE, San Jose State, was named at Oregon... JOSEPH KEARNEY, Washington, appointed at Michigan State... DeLANEY KIPHUTH resigned at Yale to become special assistant to University's president... BOB BROOKS promoted to Vice President for athletic affairs at Oral Roberts from sports information director and vice president for business.

COACHES

BASEBALL—RICHARD WAGNER replaced resigned HAROLD PRICE at Dickinson. Price went to Lehigh.

BASKETBALL—BOB MULCAHY resigned at Eastern Kentucky, replaced by assistant ED BYHRE.

LYLE BROWN is retiring at Rochester... GARY ELLIOTT resigned at Livingston... LEON BLACK recently resigned at Texas... LYNN NANCE, Kentucky assistant, replaced resigned KEN TRICKEY at Iowa State... BILLY TUBBS, North Texas State assistant, replaces retiring JACK MARTIN at Lamar... MIKE HARKINS retired at Eastern Montana... PAT HALEY resigned at Bowling Green State... HAROLD WISSEL left Fordham... FRED TAYLOR resigned at Ohio State... BOB DECKER stepped down at Western State (Colo.)... Replaced by assistant PAUL COLEMAN on interim basis... EUGENE CLARK, Southern Mississippi resigned... ROBERT BRICKELS released at Davidson... DAVE SMALLEY resigned effective May 31 at Navy... JOHN ROSE resigned at Arkansas State... RANDY ST. CLAIR resigned at Kansas Wesleyan to direct national program activities for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes... RICHARD SHEUBROOKS promoted from assistant to head job at Texas A&I.

FOOTBALL—JIM CRINER, assistant at UCLA, replaced TONY KNAP at Boise State, who went to Nevada-Las Vegas... RICHARD JOHANNINGMEIER replaced DON CROSS at Southwest Missouri State... JAMES REDD replaced resigned GLADDEN DYE at Northwest Missouri State... JOSEPH PASCALE replaced ROBERT GRIFFIN at Idaho State. Griffin resigned to accept job at Rhode Island... JACK BICKNELL, assistant at Boston College, replaced resigned WALTER ABBOTT at Maine-Orono... BOBBY MORRISON, Virginia Military, replaces LOU HOLTZ at North Carolina State... GLENN BRADY, Kansas State assistant named at Sacramento State, replacing resigned RAY CLEMONS.

GOLF—ALAN NIEDERLITZ, formerly of Princeton, replaced BILL TEMPLIN at Navy.

GYMNASTICS—KARL

SCHWENZFEIER, Air Force, will replace retiring GENE WETTSTONE at Penn State.

TENNIS—MARTY DEVLIN replaced the late ROBERT KILGUS at Rider... GEORGE WRITER, Meramec Junior College-St. Louis tennis and soccer coach, was named to a similar position at Cornell.

TRACK—THAD TALLEY, Kansas assistant, was appointed at The Citadel... GEORGE HANSELL resigned at Widener to devote full-time duties as director of athletics, named assistant HARRY DURNEY as replacement... JOHNNY MORRIS, Houston, will resign, effective at end of season.

SOCCER—RICK FORCHILLI replaces resigned RAOUL NUNEZ at Siena.

NEWSMAKERS

PAUL BRECHLER, former commissioner of Western Athletic Conference, will replace retiring HARRY KNISELY as commissioner of Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference... DONALD CANHAM, Michigan director of athletics, will be inducted as honorary member into Michigan High School Coaches Association's Hall of Fame.

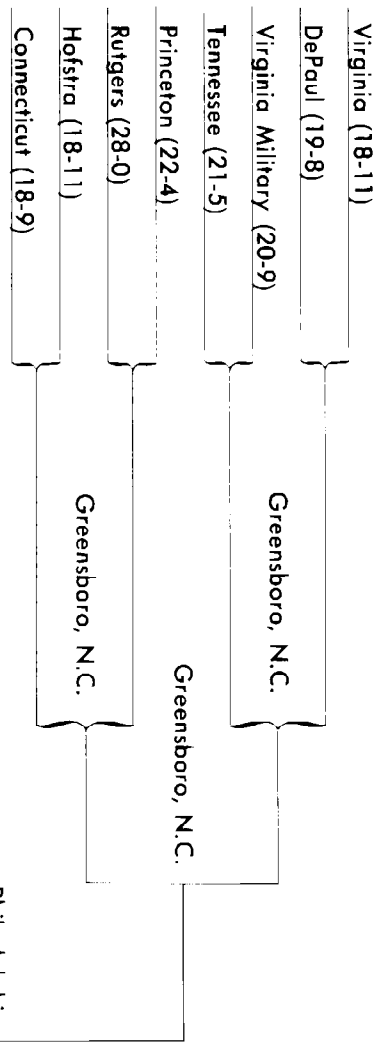
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTORS—JAMES FERREE, Drake assistant, replaced JAMES SHAFFER at Northern Iowa... JOHN EVENSON resigned at Long Beach State... TOM SKIBOSH resigned at Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

DEATHS—TONY CARPENTER, 19, Tennessee State after off-season football training session, apparent respiratory failure... EDWARD MICHAELS, 61, Villanova's first All-America in football in 1935 as guard and tackle, January 21 after long illness... PAUL ROBESON, noted concert singer and two-time All-America end at Rutgers in 1917 and 1918, January 23... FREDERICK VANZO, 59, former Northwestern football player, February 7... WILLIAM SCHEEHLE, 63, umpire in several NCAA regional baseball tournaments, February 13... CHARLES MCGUIRE, 76, former Walter Camp All-America football tackle for the University of Chicago under Coach Amos Alonzo Stagg in 1921, February 28 after lengthy illness... BURTON SHIPLEY, 86, former long-time basketball and baseball coach at Maryland, February 21, heart attack... CAREY SELPH, 73, former assistant football coach at Baylor, February 24 after long illness... GLEN CARBERRY, 79, former football and basketball coach at St. Bonaventure and grid player at Notre Dame, February 19... JEFFERY KIRK, 52, former assistant track coach at Pennsylvania and Olympic team member in 1948, February 20.

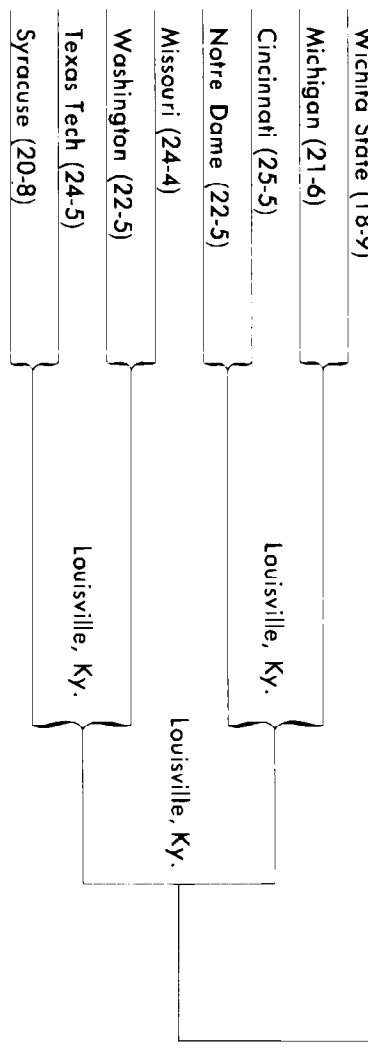
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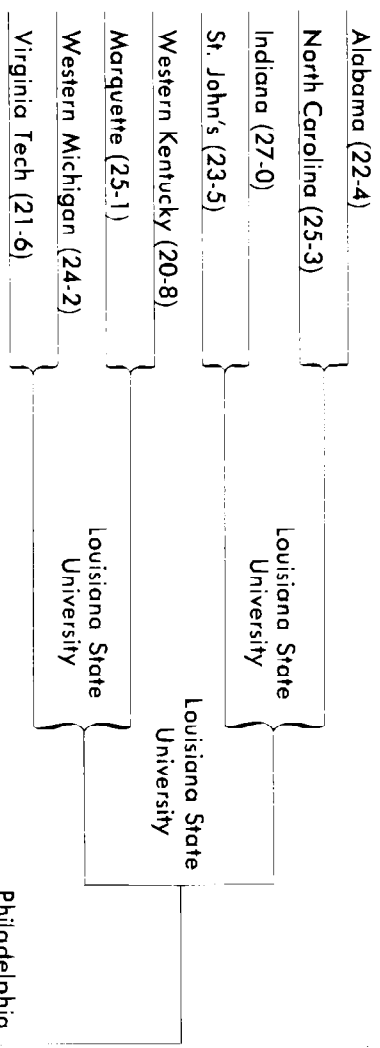
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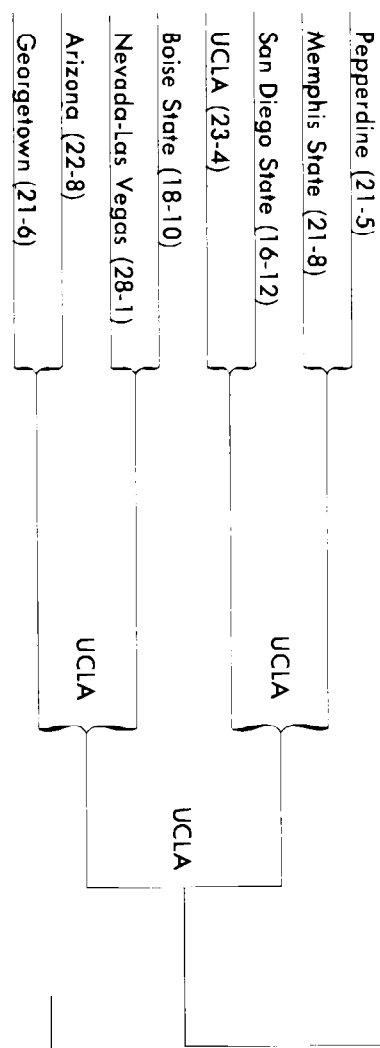
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