

asketball team. However, I think we can overlook the rules this time, and build a team of five feminine players."

"You'll have to wait until they grow up," replied Dr. Dafoe, "but I think you'll still be living when they are old enough to play the game."

"I am surprised that in your 76 years, you have maintained your health as you have. You should live to be 100 years old."

After their conversation Dr. Naismith was introduced to the famous "quints."

Following the Callander visit Dr. Naismith left for Toronto where he was to be honored at a meeting. The K. U. professor, accompanied by Duke D'Ambra, left here several weeks ago and they visited in the eastern part of the United States before going into Canada. The two men will return home by way of Wisconsin and are expected to arrive in Lawrence about next Friday.

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MRS. JAMES A. NAISMITH DIES.

Wife of Basketball's Inventor
Played on First Girls' Team.

(By The Star's Own Service.)

LAWRENCE, KAS., March 4.—Mrs. James A. Naismith, 67, wife of Dr. James A. Naismith, inventor of basketball, died of heart disease at her home early today.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Naismith was Miss Maude Evelyn Sherman of Springfield, Mass. She met Mr. Naismith while he was attending the Springfield Y. M. C. A. college and married him in 1893, two years after he invented the game. Mrs. Naismith, as a girl, played on the first girls' team to take up the game. The Naismiths moved to Lawrence in 1898.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. George B. Stanley, Ordway, Col.; Mrs. Leslie Odd, St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Thomas Dawe, Lawrence, and two sons, Jack Naismith, 10 East Thirty-second street terrace, Kansas City, and James S. Naismith, Dallas, Tex.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday at the Presbyterian church here.

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**Basketball's Inventor
Meets Dr. Allan Dafoe**

Two famous doctors, Dr. James Naismith, inventor of basketball and a professor of physical education at the University of Kansas, and Dr. Allan Dafoe, overseer of the Dionne quintuplets, met recently for the first time at Callander, Ont.

"It's a shame," said the inventor of basketball, "that there are not six of the Diones, because that is the required number for a girls'