

if we're going to be in it. Nobody said anything to me about it. I don't know whether George Edwards, the Missouri coach, was consulted or not."

Drake added he didn't want to "cross any bridges before we come to them," indicating he was willing to wait until after Friday night's game before discussing the situation further.

Sets Playoff for March 16

Allen, as chairman of the N. C. A. A. Fifth District, has set the playoff between the champions of the two conferences for March 16 at Oklahoma City.

Stillwater, Okla., March 6.—(A. P.)—It's a long jump between New York and Oklahoma City, but the Oklahoma Aggies—fast enough to show their heels to their basketball foes in twenty-five consecutive games—are going to romp in Madison Square Garden and Oklahoma City's auditorium on successive nights.

Coach Henry Iba, who must have his Missouri Valley champions back in Oklahoma City March 16 to meet the Big Six Conference winners in the fifth district N. C. A. A. playoffs, accepted an invitation today to play in New York's Metropolitan tournament, March 11 to 15.

To Travel by Plane

"We're going to keep faith with our followers at home and enter the N. C. A. A. playoffs," Iba said, "but we're going to New York, too.

"This may seem a little hoggish, but my seniors want to make the trip East and it may be the last time that an A. and M. team ever has such an opportunity.

"I've scouted the possibilities of playing in both tournaments from every angle and here is what we can do:

"We'll leave Oklahoma City next Tuesday morning by airplane. Tuesday is the twelfth, but we don't have to play in the Garden until March 13. We automatically go into the semifinals. Win or lose in the semifinals, we play again Friday night, March 15.

"Ned Irish (promoter of the New York tourney) promised me over long distance telephone this morning to start our game early enough the night of the fifteenth so that we will be able to reach the airport in time to catch that 11:10 p. m. plane out of New York.

"Irish will see that we have a police escort to the airport so I'm confident we can make the return flight to Oklahoma City in time to meet the Big Six winner in the auditorium on the sixteenth.

Plenty of Rest

"Our kids will go right to bed in a fourteen-passenger sleeper and arrive in Oklahoma City not later