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7. In San Francisco there would not be any interference with any other tournament.

All these reasons seemed to weigh logically in favor of San Francisco and were, I thought, sufficient for finally placing the tournament here.

With reference to the date, because of the custom, since the Pacific Coast Conference has been divided into a northern and a southern division for basketball competition, of a final play-off for the championship of the whole conference, our season has never been completed until around the middle of March. The schedule in the northern division, due to its geography, will not permit a much earlier finish.

This year the final play-off is scheduled for March 10, 11 and 13. Therefore the earliest possible dates for the western play-off would have been on March 17 and 18. We first set the play-off on these dates and then were forced to change to March 20 and 21 for reasons that will follow.

Since the tournament was in its first year and was, therefore, somewhat of an experiment I wanted to make sure that it went over successfully from a financial aspect at least. For this reason we solicited the Fair officials for the purpose of getting them to sponsor the event. This they agreed to do.

The agreement set-up was that the Fair would underwrite the event to the extent of paying the expenses of the four teams, plus an option of 50% of the gate after all expenses are paid. Expenses in this case, in addition to the traveling expenses for the teams, were definitely defined.

Mr. Olsen and myself in conference with Fair officials, and after consultation with the president of the N.C.A.A., set up the following arrangements for expenses of the teams:

1. Railroad fare and pullman on a second class basis for a party of 15.
2. \$3.00 allowance per day, ^{per man} while en route.