

The fact that the Ohio State influence at Missouri has worked closely with Saint caused him unconsciously to feel that George was perhaps the man. So you see there are a lot of angles to this thing.

I have always worked hard and conscientiously, and while George is a fine man, I do not believe that he has put the effort on the barrel-head in the same degree that some of the rest of us have, and I would consider it, of course, a slap in the face because it would look as if I had not done my work well. So, naturally, I was more concerned in retaining that title than any other. I do appreciate what Saint says when he made the statement that he would "fight for it and will do so". I certainly agree with you that when Saint gives his word he will deliver, and I appreciate that.

Now, getting back to the subject of the nomination, may I state that I think Olsen, Maguire, Crocker and Hickox would be great. I do not believe that Mr. Crocker will be there, but all the rest of them will.

Floyd, as I told you in my letter, nothing would please me more than to be your vice chairman of this committee, and if Saint thinks that with me as vice chairman it would be easier to get the re-appointment as representative of this district at another time, of course I will go along one hundred per cent with that. I thought perhaps that if I remained chairman of the district that it might mitigate against a re-appointment. But I will place myself in the hands of my friends and what they do is o.k. with me.

Personally, I would like to retain, if possible, the honor of the Research Committee. I think there are so many possibilities in this that I find it interesting and stimulating. By the way, Floyd, I am wondering if you will check up on the Collinwood research on the higher basket and give me a progress report. Will you be able to have that data in such form that we might get it to our Research Committee when we meet?

We were very fortunate in being able to bump off the Oklahoma Aggies, and we find ourselves in the western semi-finals play-off. We have been having great crowds and I look to see us get entirely out of the hole in the amount of \$2500 before this play-off is finished. You remember that we lost \$2500 on the play-offs last year, and I am determined that we be in the black this year. I am afraid I am going to have to stay up all night a couple of nights before I get entirely in the clear on my organization work. But things look lovely here for a great turn-out in all of our western semi-finals and finals.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,