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Dear "Phog":

I am enclosing a copy of a letter just written to "Dutch" Witte at the University of Wyoming, which I think is self-explanatory. As I indicated in that letter, I am in hopes that you and Bunn, as the two members of the General Committee West of the Mississippi, will take it upon yourself to check pretty carefully with the selection committees in districts 5, 6, 7 and 8 in whatever moves they make.

By the way, it just occurs to me that you had asked me in some previous letter if it wouldn't be possible to arrange for your presence at the time of the Western play-offs at San Francisco. It seems to me with the very obviously favorable financial set-up for the San Francisco event that we would be completely justified in having you go to San Francisco to help Bunn in the promotion and the handling of this play-off. At any rate, please keep in mind that I feel that such an arrangement can be made and I hope you will be able to attend. I think there would be plenty for both you and Bunn to do out there and if the thing can be arranged financially I believe it would be a smart arrangement for us to make.

I still feel, after having consulted with everybody, that even though there are some few objections, such as the ones you raise, to playing the final game on the 25th of March that that is what we had better plan on. It does appear that it is being somewhat of an additional burden on the representatives from the Western play-off to play at that time, but Bunn still seems to think that even though that is true we should go ahead with the date of March 25. I have every respect for your judgment and for the validity of the arguments you advance, but unless you could convert John Bunn, for example, to the proposition of setting it back to March 27, I still think we should let the thing stand as it is. After all, March 25 is pretty late for this basketball game.

I agree with you that when the matter of play-offs and dates for the same come up next year that we probably can arrive at a more satisfactory result than we have this year, but don't you think that under the circumstances we had better go ahead with the plan as originally outlined? I sincerely hope you can bring yourself to feel that that is what we should do as I shouldn't like to go against your wishes if it is at all possible to go along with your thoughts in the matter.

Kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,

"Ole"

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