

play on March 17 and 18, and until I had received this letter from you this was the first time I learned of it. I certainly would not oppose what you suggest in your letter in regard to the 8th district play off. I have never received this information as a member of this committee, and I believe the general committee should have all these facts in mind, or at least have it spread before them and then let them express their opinions.

It seems to me that the members of the general committee have not had all the necessary facts, nor have they been communicated with often enough to know the facts for the best interests of all concerned.

I want you to know that I will go along with you one hundred per cent, with a definite idea of having the 8th district represented and give them ample time for the play off, and then arrange it so that everybody in all eight districts will have an equal chance. Being a member of the general committee caused me to oppose the 25th as the play off date, after the 20th and 21st were set. Frankly, I think we would come in for a lot of criticism if we held to those dates. For instance, consider Texas, who perhaps will be in the 6th district play off. They would travel to San Francisco and then if they should win it they would be forced to travel back to Chicago and meet the teams from the east who had had their last game on the 18th.

I thought that perhaps the date, the 20th and 21st, was at your suggestion. In the eastern districts the teams would travel much less distance than the western teams and would have the advantage of several days more rest.

Johnny, I do not believe we are too late to still take this up with Harold Olsen and get our games on the 17th and 18th on the coast, if you are agreeable.

And here's another thought. Personally, I do not think the National Interscholastic play off would be too late if it were held in Chicago even as late as the first of April, which would be the Saturday following the week of the 25th. I am giving you my opinion of these dates so that you can see that I am in favor of a wider latitude of choice in the dates and not restricted or hidebound in my opinion in regard to getting this over in a hurry. Personally, I am strongly in favor of conserving our time away from school. I enthusiastically subscribe to your conviction in this regard.

Very cordially yours,

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