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Dear "Doc";

I am writing this following our phone conversation of this date to set before you the desires of the teams I represent in the proposed NCAA playoff.

1. Drake and the Aggies are agreed that a 2-team or a 4-team playoff is best, subject to the outcome of the 2 Monday night games.
2. They both expect to attend, but such participation is subject to the formality of Conference and Faculty approval, (both of which should be mere formalities).
3. They will abide by the Committee's best judgement as to place, although Williams said Drake would have their field house full of boys and girls H. S. tournaments the next 2 week-ends; and the Aggies talked of a \$6000 gross at their new place.
4. The Valley delegation wants to make the NCAA angle big and consequently we wonder whether a Monday - Tuesday session at K. C. might seem like a minor spot for the NCAA play-off. Your answer to that was to the effect that proper buildup would make it prominent enough. That's a good point and I am sure it could be done alright.
5. We understand that the reason for the NCAA going into this is to keep the profits in the NCAA and with the competing teams, rather than having private promoters make the profit. Neither Drake nor the Aggies care to spend their own money for this purpose, consequently they expect their expenses to be taken care of out of proceeds and also a pro-rata share of any profit, along with the NCAA. Doubtless OU and MU would take the same stand. Also, doubtless that is the expectation of our Committee and of the NCAA. Would it be proper for the two conferences involved to cut in there too.
6. Due to a heavy class schedule I ought not to travel to Kansas City for a committee meeting on Tuesday. Any other day would not offer the same objection. However, I am expecting to get down for the play-offs especially if they are held in connection with the Collegiate tournament in KC.
7. Because of the necessity for speed in this matter I have undertaken to deal by long distance. If possible I think we each should be reimbursed for such expenses and for whatever travel or other promotional expense the Committee or its members incur.