

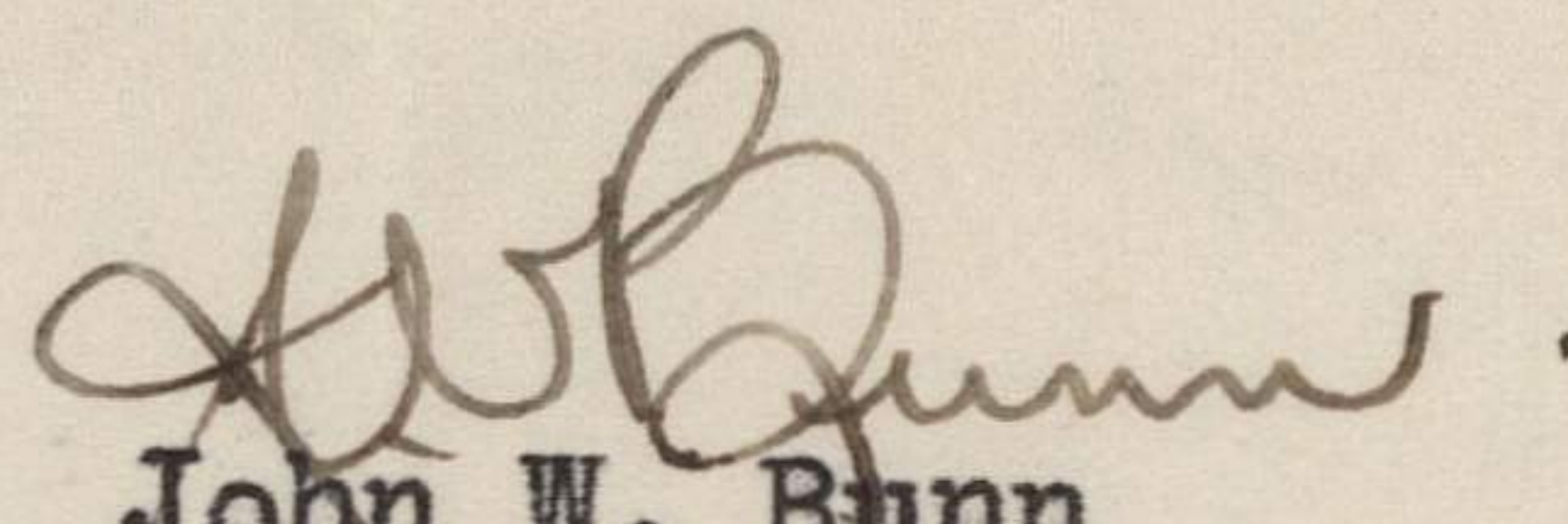
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At the present time, I am not ready to draw any definite conclusions from the data I have accumulated. I need to have a winning team in order to get any valuable comparisons. Probably by the end of next year, I shall be able to judge the value of this chart a little better. The third point is concerning the value of the present rules. It is our feeling out here that the attention that has been put upon the bad effects of calling too many held balls has produced the desired results. You may be interested to know that in our games here, the number of held balls last year ranged from twenty to thirty per game, whereas the number this year ranged between ten and fifteen per game. This is a very noticeable and remarkable reduction, and my own feeling is that the difference is due very largely to the attention that has been called to held balls by the rules committee. I have felt that there has been this same general improvement in our officiating this year all along the line. We have been making earnest attempts for greater uniformity, and also to team men together who work most harmoniously. As a result, a great deal of improvement has been shown. In this regard, however, we have made only a beginning, and a whole lot is yet to be accomplished. The fourth point is concerning rule changes for next year. The particular one that I wish to call to your attention is concerning the center jump. Our conference here is, with the exception of my negative vote, unanimously in favor of eliminating the center jump. My teams have never controlled the tip-off since I have been here on the Coast. Nevertheless, I am very enthusiastic about the center jump. However, as a result of this rather concerted opinion, our conference will in all probability do without the jump next year. So far as I know, this will be the first time that a major organization has attempted an experiment of this kind with the rules. For this reason, it should prove very interesting, and the results should be most useful as a guide to our Rules Committee. I shall include these items in my report to the Coaches' Association, but you have this advanced information. May I have the results of any work that you have done this last year so that the report will be truly representative of our whole committee.

Thank you a lot for your interesting letter.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,


John W. Bunn

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Do you know Louie Moore a classmate of yours in law. He lives in L. A. now and his boy was my fresh captain this year. Would you mind having the office send me one of Dr. Kaismith's percentile charts immediately.