

February 15, 1938

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To Members,
National Basketball Committee:

At long last the announcement relative to the place of meeting for the National Committee may be announced. The secretary disclaims all responsibility for the delay in this announcement. On the deadline date of February 4th there was a clear plurality in favor of Chicago as a place of meeting but the secretary did not feel that he had authority to announce a decision as long as there was not a majority vote. Consequently follow-up letters were sent to those members who had not voted by February 4th. The last vote came in today. The result of the vote is as follows:

IN FAVOR OF CHICAGO: F. C. Allen, John Bunn, M. C. Cunningham, Sumner A. Dole,
H. D. Edgren, E. J. Hickox, Frank P. Maguire, W. E. Meanwell,
H. V. Porter, Floyd A. Rowe TOTAL: 10

IN FAVOR OF NEW YORK: John Brown, Curtis Parker, Samuel Rogers, J. W. St. Clair,
L. W. St. John, H. H. Salmon, Jr., Oswald Tower,
W. A. Witte TOTAL: 8

J. H. Crocker is on an extended trip in Australia and could not be reached.

On the basis of this vote, it seems clear that the meeting will be held in Chicago.

With respect to the time of the meeting there is not a majority vote. Six members favor April 5th and 6th. Four favor April 6th and 7th on the grounds that those who attend the Tuesday afternoon session of the coaches' meeting will be considerably hurried if they attend the rules meeting on the same night. The remainder of the committee did not vote or else voted for April 8th and 9th on the assumption that the meeting would be held at some distance from Chicago.

Since there is no especial reason for a hasty decision relative to the actual dates, the secretary is asking for another expression of opinion as to whether the meeting should be held on April 5th and 6th or on April 6th and 7th. A post card is enclosed for this purpose. It is hoped that those members who did not have the price of a stamp for the other vote will be more prompt this time.

The annual questionnaire is now on the press and in a short while copies will be sent to each member of the committee. Plans should be made for proper distribution. These questionnaires will serve as an excellent educative medium if they are used as the basis for discussion at various meetings which may be held between now and the middle of March. The questionnaire incorporated the suggestions made by the various members of the committee after review of these suggestions by the members of the Questionnaire Committee.

Further details relative to the annual meeting will be sent as soon as there is anything to report.

Yours truly,

H. V. Porter
Secretary

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