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Mr. Floyd Rowe, Chairman,
National Basketball Committee,
Board of Education,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Floyd:

I am answering your communication of the 25th instant regarding the location of the meeting of the Rules body next year.

I am wondering if you have had a talk with "Ole". If I am quoting him correctly he felt pretty keenly about Nat Holman taking the Basketball Coaches Association meeting to New York next year because they are going to build their tournament around the Coaches meeting. The National Collegiate Basketball Championship being set for Saturday, March 29, in Kansas City, makes it pretty imperative that we Rule members, if possible, play ball with the N.C.A.A. rather than with the New York group. For that reason I am voting to have the Basketball Rules meeting in Kansas City, and the time I would leave entirely up to you. I would say that Thursday and Friday, as you suggest, March 27 and 28, would be splendid and I would go along with you one hundred per cent.

Of course, I imagine that many of the members would rather meet in New York than in Kansas City, but since we made money on the second venture and lost a good deal of money on the first one, the third championship play-off will be very important. If we should lose money on the third one then I am afraid it would discourage the members of the N.C.A.A. committee from having another championship play-off.

It has been stressed definitely that Kansas City is not a permanent place for the championship and maybe the next year they may want to move it elsewhere, and the Rules body and the Coaches Association should meet at that place.