

- Now for the semi-finals and finals. Since I was successful in getting the Rules Committee meeting here in Kansas City and the Coaches Association as well as the play-off at the same time, Olsen named me as chairman to handle these two play-offs. So you see I am almost wishing that we do not win it this year because I will have my hands full. We have already rented the Municipal Auditorium which seats 13,000 for ordinary purposes, but about 8,000 for basketball when the floor is cleared.

On March 22 and 23 the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth District play-offs will be held in Kansas City, and on the 30th are the finals. The dates of all these meetings are as follows:

March 22-23: Dist. 5,6,7,8 N.C.A.A. Semi-final play-off
March 30: N.C.A.A. Basketball Championship finals
March 28-30: NATIONAL Assoc. of Basketball Coaches
March 30-31-April 1: National Basketball Rules Committee
March 28-30: National Assoc. College Basketball Officials
(not definitely determined)

Hec, would you mind sending me a carbon copy of the information that John has written you, and then I in turn can answer your questions more specifically. I find that I will be deluged with so many angles of promoting the Coaches Association and the Tournament that unless I know what the other fellow wants to ask I am afraid I would be elaborating too fully on too many angles at hand. I have been asked to head the entertainment committee of the National Association of Basketball Coaches and I am on the Rules Committee, and having charge of this play-off really gives me plenty to do.

I am mighty glad that you are going to be able to help out because we certainly need a fellow with a lot of initiative and unbounded energy. John doubtless told you that the last N.C.A.A. tournament lost them about \$2500.00. We made money here on our tournament but they lost every place else. I have great confidence that we are going to make that money back if all of us will put our shoulders to the wheel. If we do not pay out this year that will mean the end of the tournament because the N.C.A.A. will not continue to carry a large debt. Write and give me the possibilities of Sam Barry's U.S.C. team winning the Pacific Coast. They have got the southern end sewed up, have they not? But what chance has the northern representative to beat them in the play-off?

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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