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I think your suggestion as to handling of officials for the Pacific Coast Conference play-offs, and so on, is all right, although I am under the impression that the Pacific Coast Conference, as a group, handle their officials in a pretty fine manner and I am a little afraid there might possibly be some resentment on the part of the Pacific Coast if we were to step in there and say, "here, we want to appoint the officials for this play-off". However, any way you can work that out with "Hec" Edmundson is all right with me.

I have just received a letter from Phil Badger, New York University, in which he gives me the make-up of the N.C.A.A. Basketball Rules Committee for 1940. I note there are two new men on the committee - H. Jamison Swarts succeeds "June" Salmon, as representative from District 2, and Edmundson succeeds Bunn from District 8. I also note they have designated James St. Clair as Chairman. The complete list, as Badger gives it to me, is as follows:

James St. Clair, 6th District, Chairman
 Oswald Tower, Andover Academy, Editor
 Forrest C. Allen, 5th District (1)
 Sumner A. Dole, 1st District
 Curtis Parker, 3rd District (2)
 Harold G. Olsen, 4th District (3)
 Forrest Cox, 7th District
 H. Jamison Swarts, 2nd District (4)
 Clarence S. Edmundson, 8th District

(Note: Numerals in parentheses indicate length of term to be served)

I am assuming since they have designated Jim St. Clair, as Chairman of the N.C.A.A. Basketball Rules Committee, that he should succeed Salmon on our General Tournament Committee in addition to serving as Chairman of the selection committee in District 6. Salmon never has done any work and while we may leave his name on the committee list for the rest of the year, he certainly is out and St. Clair in. As far as the General Committee goes we cannot help but gain by that exchange.

There must be some mistake about your comment with respect to bulletin #1. So far as I know we have never sent out any information where the General Committee is listed except that it contained your name. Enclosed is a copy of the General and selection committees.

I trust I have answered the questions you raised in your letter of January 31. I hope everything is going along in a fine way out there at Kansas City. I note Mr. Liston is kicking up his heels.

Kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,

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