DAVENPORT, IOWA

DEAR COACH :

THE QUESTION OFTEN ARISES : HOW MANY POINTS, AND HOW MANY GAMES DOES A BASKETBALL TEAM SEEM TO BE BELOW PAR, ON COURTS AWAY FROM HOME, AS COMPARED WITH THEIR SUCCESS ON THEIR HOME COURT ? THERE IS A GOOD DEAL OF SPECULATION ON THIS SUBJECT, AND THANKS TO YOU FOR BEING ONE OF THOSE WHO SO KINDLY AND PROMPTLY SENT ME THE NECESSARY DATA ON YOUR TEAM THIS SEASON, I SUBMIT THE COMPARATIVE FIGURES BELOW AS AN ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION. FRANKLY I DONT KNOW JUST WHAT VALUE THIS INFORMATION CARRIES, BUT AT LEAST THE IMPLICATION IS OF INTEREST.

THE CHART SHOWS THE POINTS MADE, AND GAMES WON AND LOST, AT HOME, AND AWAY, BY YOUR TEAM AND OTHER TEAMS IN YOUR CONFERENCE FOR THE SEASON 1940-1941. ALSO THE GRAND AVERAGE AND DIFFERENTIAL, FOR EACH TEAM, AND FOR THE CONFERENCE AS A WHOLE.

SINCERELY YOURS, Dutch Vanderbilt

P.S. IF THERE'S A SECRET METHOD OF OVERCOMING THAT WELL KNOWN DEFICIT ON YOUR OPPONENT'S COURT, IT'S STILL UNKNOWN TO ME.

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M I D W E S T CONFERENCE

HOW MUCH IS YOUR HOME FLOOR WORTH ? ?

TEAM	GAMES AT HOME WON	GAMES AT HOME LOST	GAMES AWAY WON	GAMES AWAY LOST	TOTAL POINTS HOME	TOTAL POINTS AWAY	AVERAGE POINTS PER GAME HOME	AVERAGE POINTS PER GAME AWAY
COE	6	0	4	2	285	222	47.5 (plus 10.5 at home	37
GRINNELL	6	0	4	2	251	207	41.8 (plus 7.3 Home)	34.5
BELOIT	5	1	1	5	205	207	34.1 (plus .4	34.5 * (plus .4 points away
AUGUSTANA (Not Midwest	5 member, but	0 meets	0 several	5 Conf. teams)	224	204	44.8 (plus 4 pts. home)	40.8
MONMOUTH	5	2	1	6	292	255	41.7 (plus 5.3 pts Home)	36.4
KNOX	4	2	1	5	233	201	38.8 (plus 5.3 home)	33.5
CORNELL	4	3	1	6	240	240	34.3	34.3
LAWRENCE	3	3	1	5	199	184	33.1 (plus 2.5)	30.6
TOTAL * *	38 (Plus 27)	11	13	36 (Minus 23)			316.1	281.6
AVERAGE ADVANTAGE ON HOME FLOOR * * * *	27 divided by 8: Plus 3.37 games per team at home		Minus 23 divided by 8: Minus 2.87 games per team lost on opponents courts.				39.5	35.2
DIFFERENTIAL:							Plus 4.3 pts. per team per game AT HOME	