

angles. I don't care whether they raise the baskets to 11 or $10\frac{1}{2}$ or lower them to 9 feet. I still feel, and will always reserve the right to say, that any group of rules members who will wangle all the rules they have regarding the offensive and defensive men on a 10 foot goal are not meeting the question straightforwardly.

Ed Hickox and I, when I was back at Springfield, put up a 12 ft. basket there, and without any of the players having shot at it before, they hit a 12 ft. basket without any difficulty in a regularly played game. The point that I am making is that I dare say there are not ten men in the United States that have ever tried any research with the 12 foot basket. That shows, to me, their closed mind, rather than an open mind.

And as I said, I hope the players get taller and taller, and I will have more fun as the height increases, and they still try to make rules like the 3-second rule, the defensive man being prohibited from touching the ball, and so forth.

But sincerely, I do want to congratulate you on your honesty of endeavor. You certainly work at this job. I am leaving for Emporia tonight and am to speak at Manhattan Friday night, but hope to see the games in Kansas City Saturday night.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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