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Mr. Hugo Goldsmith
The P. Goldsmith Sons, Inc.
John and Findlay Streets
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

In answer to your inquiry of the fifteenth instant I would like to state that the Committee did not specify any particular thickness but they have recommended the pressed steel backboard which has a flange of nearly two inches.

As Chairman of the Research Committee of the National Basketball Committee of the United States and Canada, we have been especially particular in outlining the surface of the bank, but never have we designated the thickness of any backboard previously or at present. The pressed steel backboard seems to be the one much in favor; but, if a wooden or plate glass one is used, there would be no objection but it should be painted white.

I do not quite get the import of your letter. But if you will be more specific, I will be happy to answer your questions.

The pressed steel banks sell for \$36 a pair. Lightness, strength, durability, and uniformity of rebound are things most particularly desired. How do you mean that the thickness would affect the method of attaching the goal?

Assuring you of our cooperation and with kindest personal regards, I remain ,

Yours sincerely,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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