

August 1, 1938.

Mr. Theodore Gagnon,
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Gagnon:

I have your letter of July 23 asking approval of the idea that you have of making a channel net from the basketball goal to the out of bounds line beneath the basket.

Of course, I could not give my approval, nor could any of my committee. Our research committee is a committee to pass favorably or unfavorably upon any invention or improvement that relates to the equipment used for basketball. The members of our research committee are very sympathetic toward improvements.

If you care to go ahead with your work the only thing that I could say is that we would be glad to present it to the research committee for their consideration. I believe what Mr. Tower meant was that any ideas or plans that you had, if you wanted them approved by the committee, should be sent to our research committee prior to the Rules body passing upon them.

Of course, you will understand it is not necessary for this research committee to pass upon them if you want to sell your product to the public. However, if there is anything in your plan that interferes with the general scheme of the play of basketball, then of course the committee would rule against it. I trust that I have made myself plain, and I sincerely hope that your venture will be a success.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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