

June 3, 1939.

Mr. H. V. Porter,
11 So. LaSalle St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Porter:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 29th. As soon as I received your letter of May 9th showing the diagram of the proposed backboard I sent a copy on the Medart people.

Mr. Weinzettel, of the Medart Company, came through here on a trip a short time ago, and I told him of the one objection to the convexity of the backboard. The same of the convexity appeared about 12 inches to the side of each basket in a perpendicular plane, and the English shots that were laid up there seemed to take off rather badly. I got this from the research work that our varsity did in spring practice. This was one objection that the boys had, and Mr. Weinzettel said he would take it up with their research engineer and see if they could move the so-called hump further out on the dead part of the board.

We are writing Medart again asking that they work on the specifications, although I think that 3 inch flange will cause too many changes. I believe this is a reasonable criticism.

I take it that all of us on the Research Committee will go forward with this plan. I am writing each member of the Committee to work on this size board, both flat and convex.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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