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Dr. Forrest C. Allen University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

My dear Dr. Allen:

Having you with us yesterday was a real pleasure and I want to thank you for coming down and for the many constructive suggestions and interesting information covering the national athletic picture that you gave me and my associates.

This morning's mail brings a letter from Mr. Porter, who has covered in some detail the reasons for the smaller basketball backstop, as was related by you yesterday. He has suggested that we continue our experimental work and send him, to Chicago, whatever we devise, so that he might have the experimental board erected in Chicago and tested out prior to the meeting in New York on May 1.

Needless to say, we appreciate this invitation to co-operate with your association and are arranging to have several sets of backstops made, and as promised by Roy Weinzettel, we will send a set to you, another one to Mr. Porter, and shall also forward a set to New York, if agreeable with Mr. Salmon, whom I am writing today as suggested by you, offering this equipment. Each set will consist of three banks. I think one of the banks should be as was demonstrated in the University City High School yesterday; I refer to the full 4'x6' bank that was attached to the pipe supports. The second sample that we are going to forward will be similar to the board we delivered to the University City School but which was not erected. As you will remember, this is the board with the bottom portion cut away. The third sample will be built along the lines of the specifications you and Mr. Porter gave us. In each case the convex surface will be made a part of the board.

I shall keep you advised of developments and hope you will do likewise.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you again at an early date.

Sincerely,

President