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E. J. MEDART
PRESIDENT

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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Phog:

Undoubtedly you have seen the enclosed item from "Time Magazine", but I am sending it to you just in case.

Of course, you know that Roy is in the Army, Captain Weinzettel, stationed at Warrensburg, Missouri.

Recently Jack Matthews of the University of Missouri wrote me, sending copy of his article published in "Health and Physical Education", January, 1942, in which you are quoted: "It is thinkable that a grade-school boy should shoot at an 8-foot basket, a junior high school boy at a 9-foot basket, a high school player at a 10-foot basket, and a college player at a 12-foot basket".

What would you think of an attachment for both new and existing basketball backstops, which would permit of height adjustment? If such a thing could be developed, do you think it would be necessary to provide for quick adjustment or would height-adjustment be made only at rare intervals?


I enclose a little booklet which gives you the status of our business under war conditions. We have left only a limited number of Goal-Hi's, and, of course, further manufacture is prohibited.

Do you think the steel, fan-shaped bank is coming into general use in the post-war period? Do you think there is any possibility of reviving the convex bank?

It has been some time since I have heard from you, and it seems that when I write you I do nothing more than ask a lot of questions. However, I am of the opinion that it is not too early to be doing a little post-war planning.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely,


President

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