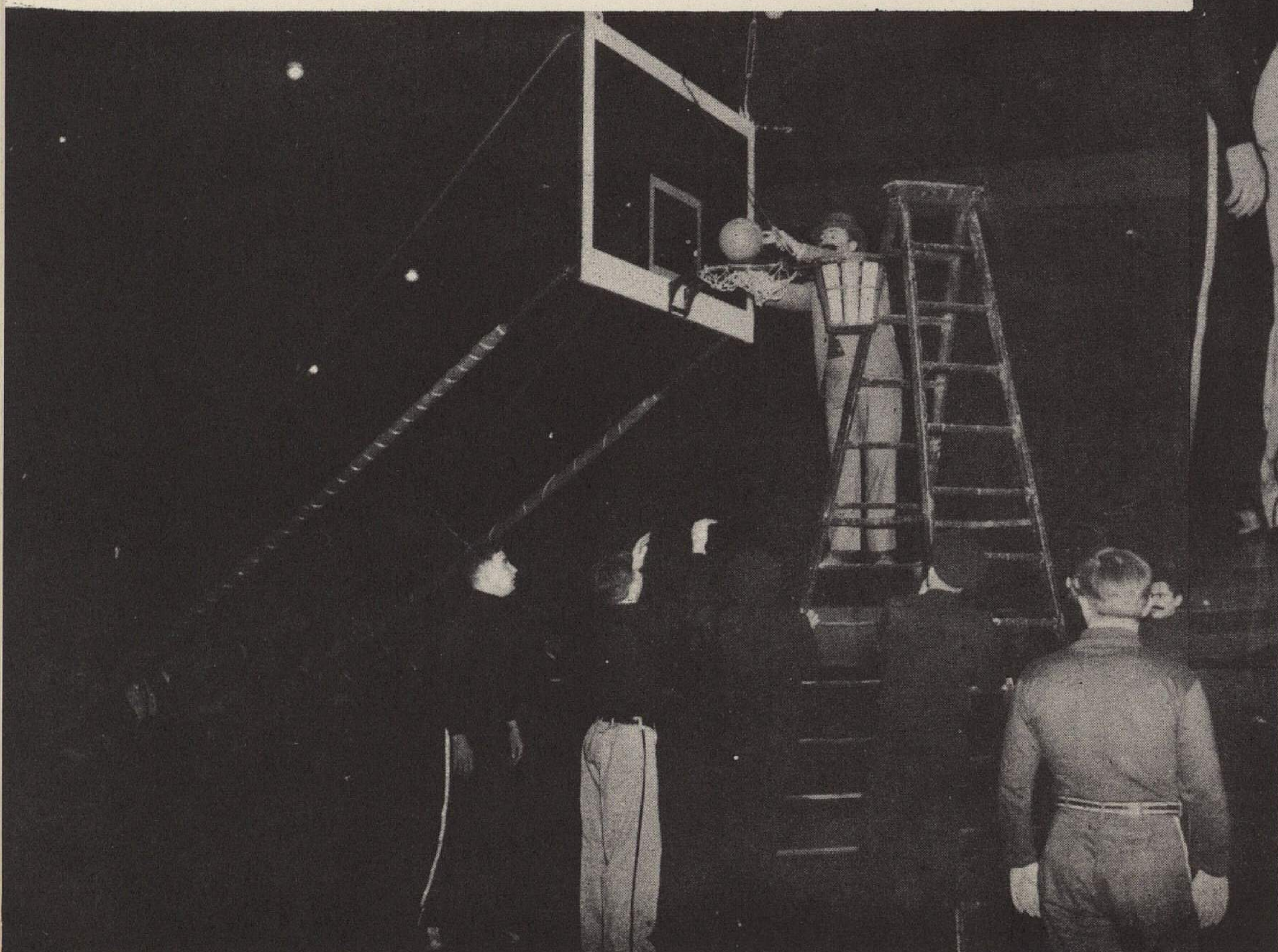


Right: Basketball's First Team (1891), consisting of nine players and their coach, James Naismith.



Above: Dr. Naismith holding a peach basket such as was used for a goal in the first game. The ball (a soccer ball) is similar to the one used in 1891.

Below: Basketball replica of 1891.



Above: In the early days it was necessary to use a ladder to retrieve the ball from the peach baskets. This photo depicts a reenactment of the first basketball game.