

May 31st, 1939

To Members,  
National Basketball Committee:

This is merely to keep you posted.

#### Remodified Backboard

In response to the mimeographed sheet showing diagram of a modified backboard to be used for experimental purposes answers were received from twelve members. The proposed shape and size was sanctioned by all except for the following modifications.

Salmon doubts the advisability of the cut-out portion directly below the ring and believes the straight edges at the side should be extended a trifle higher than shown on the diagram.

St. Clair does not care to commit himself until he has had a chance to make further observations.

Allen states: "The diagram seems to be about the size the committee members discussed. I am not sure I am enthusiastic regarding the three-inch surface below the basket." He suggests that further consideration be given to an area up to six inches below the ring.

All of the results of the voting and comments have been turned over to F. C. Allen, Chairman of the Research Committee. He may see fit to make arrangements for having some of the modified boards made up for experimental use.

#### Rules Books

The Special Edition of the Basketball Rules was sent to press soon after the mailing of the minutes. However, it requires considerable time to do the printing and binding. The books are expected some time this week and copy will be sent as soon as they are ready.

The summer coaching school edition is not being sold through dealers. We will notify the directors of advertised summer coaching schools but this will probably be the extent of the advertising of this edition except for information which may be spread by the various members of the committee. The list price of the summer school edition is twenty cents per copy. It may be secured by any committee member or director of a coaching school, college or university at the cost of \$1.65 per dozen copies. This price applies only when one dozen or more are ordered.

#### Letterheads

New letterheads were printed last week and a small supply has been sent each member of the committee. On account of added expense it has not been customary to print special envelopes to accompany the letterheads and consequently you did not receive any.

Yours truly,

*N. U. Porter*

Secretary