

April 10, 1940.

Mr. Ralph West, Manager,  
A. G. Spalding Bros.,  
1509 Grand Avenue,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Ralph:

Mr. E. C. Quigley just returned the basketball carrier and the remaining balls that he had on hand after Indiana took her game championship ball. I noticed when the balls came over that this heavy Spalding zipper bag fit very tightly over the two balls and it was very difficult to close the bag. Upon the return of the bag by Mr. Quigley I noticed that the Talon zipper was broken at the lower end.

I am wondering if the Talon people would not replace this zipper because in the beginning the bag fit so tightly over the two balls that there was a great strain in the effort to close the bag. You might think that this was an unreasonable request, but I believe that we could get the Talon people to do this because their representative came out from Ohio with a check for me together with the warm-up suits that we bought some years ago establishing the Talon zipper contention that these were in use long before a certain Jewish gentleman in New York sued the Talon zipper people for the patent right. I saved them many thousands on this lawsuit, and I am sure that this looks like a faulty piece of material from their zipper standpoint.

I will appreciate your attention to this detail. The ball carrier is being returned to you under separate cover.

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.