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Dear Harold:

I am very happy to answer your questionnaire in your letter of May 2nd regarding the problems and handicaps of my team this year.

My greatest difficulty was in the lack of altitude. The height of the players was less, collectively and individually, than that of any team we met the entire season. Of my regulars, Ebling is 5-10 $\frac{1}{4}$, Miller, 6-1, Bob Allen, 6 ft., Harp, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ or 1, Engleman, 6-1, Voran, 6-1, Hogben, 6 ft., Kline, 6-2, Sands, 6, Johnson, 6 ft., Hunter, 6-3. You can see by this, Harold, that while I might have made a mistake of a half inch in some of these boys, none of these regulars were husky. Bob Allen weighs 165, Ebling 154, Miller 168, and so forth.

You still beat your opponents by taking the ball off the backboard, and height is the predominant thing on rebounds. Missouri, as you know, had players 6-7 $\frac{1}{2}$, 6-5, and 6-4, and so it was with the other members of the conference. When heft and height are considered the shorter fellow has to expend pounds of energy jumping on even terms with his opponents.

Here is one problem, Harold, that I would like to see some research man work out, and I have given a good deal of thought to it. I would like to know how many pounds of energy more a fellow 6-2 would release in jumping even with a man 6-7. I think you get my point. When a man's trunk or torso measures 6-7, and his opponent's measures 6-2, the extremities of that taller fellow are even more than the difference in height. For instance, the 5 inches difference between the two men of 6-7 and 6-2 would be about 7 inches when the arms are considered, because the reach is more out of proportion than the height.

The next difficulty I had was not in eligibility, but our University calendar was arranged in such a fashion that we had three weeks interim between the start of our examinations and the opening of school. I believe this University is the only one that has such long space of time, and I just let my boys go home and