

May 16, 1955

Mr. John J. Carlin, President
Fairmount Rowing Association
231 S. 8th Street
Philadelphia 6, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Carlin:

I wish to repeat in writing what I stated to you orally after the Dad Vail Races on Saturday, last. Your kindness and generosity in making available the new Pocock rowing shell for the use of the Clark University Crew was the finest act of helpfulness, out of many I have experienced in 20 years of rowing. I especially appreciate it for what it did for the boys who comprised our Clark Crew. They were as thrilled as I have ever seen them. Never before have they rowed in such a fine boat and I believe it raised their morale to the highest level I have ever known it.

It was a great experience for our Crew members to enter and compete in the Dad Vail Regatta and you contributed richly to making it a happy one. I hope I may enjoy the privilege of meeting you again at future Dad Vail events.

Cordially yours,

F. Eugene Melder
Coach of Crew

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