

Phog Allen, Kansas Mentor, Blasts Eastern Cage Teams

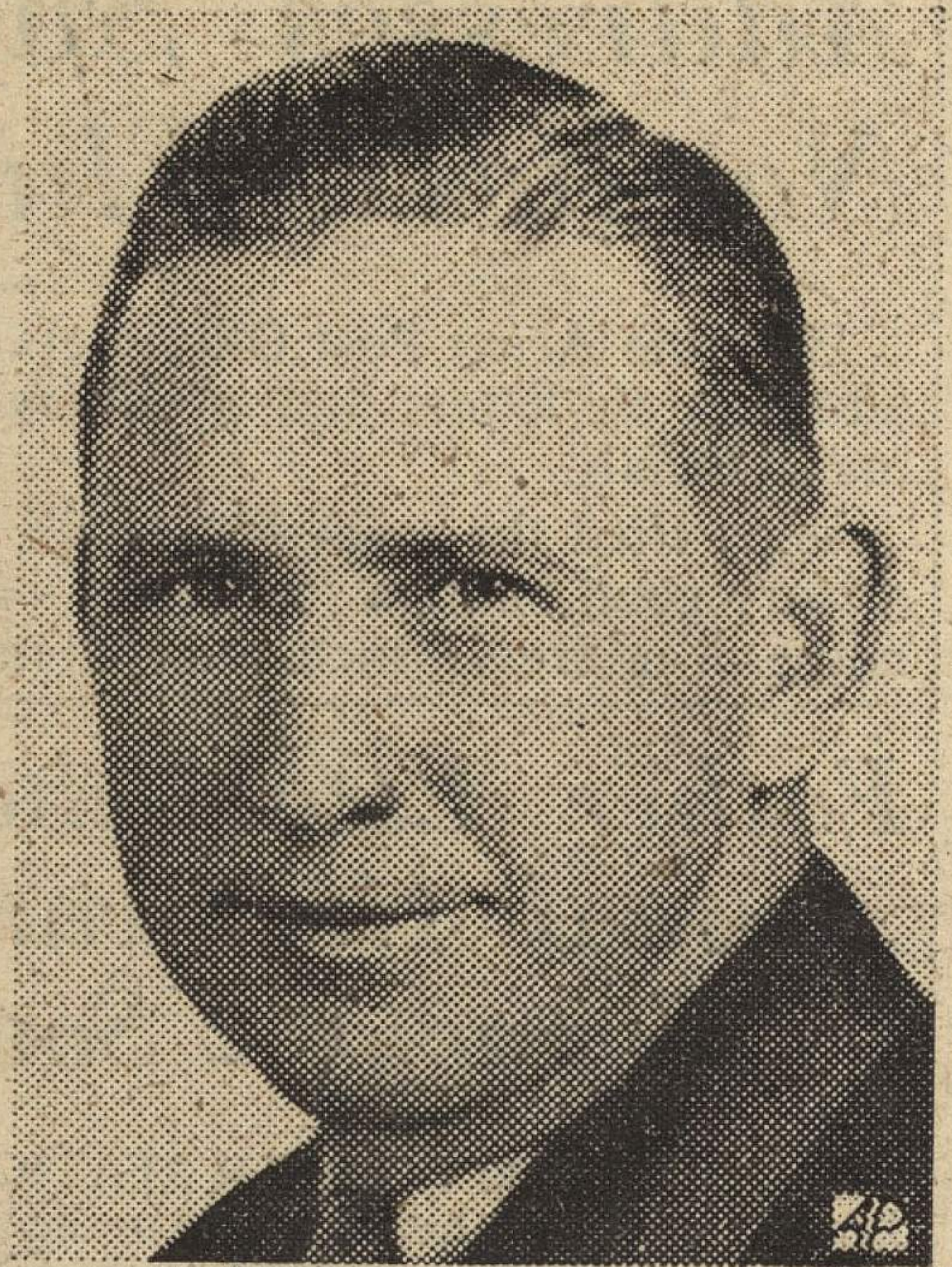
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 9—Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, Kansas University basketball coach, indulged in his favorite pastime of knocking Eastern basketball in general and officiating in particular in an interview with the United Press here yesterday.

"Every year some of our teams have gone out there and played those boys on their own courts with their own officials and we've beaten them repeatedly, but this half-baked lot today still don't realize it," was Allen's opening shot for 1944 at Eastern basketball.

"The officials, let the game degenerate into a rough house brawl. Anything goes. Here they keep the game clean and won't put up with all that body contact business."

Dr. Allen also deplored the narrow out-of-bounds space surrounding the Eastern courts. "But even at that, with their courts and their officials, we beat 'em."

Allen said he would be willing to pay Eastern teams the same money as Madison Square Garden to come West and play for charity. "What's more, I will



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let them bring one of their own officials along. That's more than we ever got out of the 'East.'