

tough because they are not interested in the sportsmanship of the game or the play. They are interested in the result because they have money placed on the outcome. And that is the bad thing because these gamblers will get to certain types of officials and certain types of players. They will not get to all of them but they will get to some of them, and when you have a shrewd, unprincipled gang operating, with no group operating to oppose them, then the result is obvious.

On your question #3 I should say that we need better teaching in fundamentals by our basketball coaches. But here again the big time coach goes out and recruits his team and doesn't worry about the fundamentals. But the small time coach should give more time to teaching fundamentals. If we had good fundamentals taught the youngsters, the fire-engine game could still operate without putting too great a strain on the player. Medical science is agreed that after a 45-second rest the heart in a normal healthy person compensates sufficiently to exert no harm on the participant. The recuperation is satisfactory.

In answer to your question #4, I think that there are so many angles involved that it is a matter of research because there is so much difference in the opposition of teams that some teams make a great record, but their opposition is weak. The coaching record is much more difficult than picking an outstanding collegiate basketball player. I still pick Hank Luisetti as the best all-round player in the country.

In answer to your question #6, again it would take definite research to arrive at an answer. The Helms Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles is the only one that I know that has made much research along this line.

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