

Then there was an instance this year of where a six thousand dollar bet was placed and a one thousand dollar bet was made, and the gamblers refused to pay the money. They sent a detective to investigate, thinking that somebody was pulling some crooked stuff. When they found that there had been no chicanery practiced, the gamblers came in with a big bag of money and paid off.

I am sure that the same thing is going on in Denver that is going on in Lawrence, Kansas, and in every college town. Unless the gamblers were making a lot of money they wouldn't fool with this. Generally there are several local syndicates, and the outside boys muscle in when the gravy is good.

I was talking to the vice president of a large corporation last night. He is a very astute businessman, and when we talked about a parlay card he had no idea that they were used for gambling purposes but just dope sheets passed out for the information of the public. I believe that you and your good sheet by putting this on the wire in the proper way can enlighten the public as to another added danger to college athletics from the professional gambler. Please make it plain that I am not talking about the fellow who bets as a thrill or as a choice on his alma mater. I am talking about the sinister influence of the gambler who will get to some of these boys and if he can fix a bet and make it worth while to toss a game where he can get a sure thing, which may run up into hundreds of thousands of dollars, rather than the so-called harmless bet on his alma mater.

A national commissioner like Judge Landis would keep a lot of these players and coaches honest in a lot of ways, the same as a bank examiner keeps a lot of cashiers honest, if you get the idea.

Very sincerely yours,

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