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Mr. Ned Irish, Director,  
Madison Square Garden,  
New York.

Have made statement that it was alleged that basketball players sold out to gamblers or were connected in such a way that they were dismissed from the squad. <sup>X X X</sup> It is very difficult to get proof to substantiate certain charges in my possession. Much information that I have from coaches who frankly and honestly told me things, they now refuse to take responsibility for. Tom Dewey is the only fellow that I know of who has been able to bust rackets in New York. My motive in releasing any information on gambling is no reflection on your highly efficient promotional venture of basketball. My desire is to awaken the college presidents of America to their responsibility in providing a source of power in fighting these professional gambling rodents.

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