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Grid Expose Predicted

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 6.—(P)—Dr. Forrest C. Allen, dynamic basketball coach at the University of Kansas, today predicted a football scandal "worse than the basketball scandal (Brooklyn College) of last season."

Addressing the Kansas City Rotary Club on his favorite subject—gambling and professionalism in college athletics—Dr. Allen charged that 99 out of every 100 Bowl teams are more professional than the Chicago Bears, "because the Bears make their player contracts public and above board."

"The big time gamblers of this country know more about the football teams than the coaches or athletic directors," he said. "That is why they can make books on 'do or don't' by a certain number of points and not miss very often."

Without calling names, Allen said he knew of "two cases where correspondents of college teams are hired by gamblers to furnish information concerning the teams' physical and mental condition."

Allen put the blame for such conditions on college faculty representatives who, he said, "are sitting in a fool's paradise."

'Phog' Allen Cuts Loose

LAWRENCE (Kan.) Dec. 7. (U.P.)—Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen charged today that college bowl-winning football teams were more professional than the Chicago Bears.

"The Bears, at least, publish the salaries paid their players," the K.U. basketball coach said. "It's all clandestine in the colleges, but they're getting paid one way or another."

Dear "Phog";-

Thought you might like these clippings from local papers for your Scrap-Book?

Saw the Fleet City Navy Bluejackets wallop the El Toro Marines 48 to 25 in a great football game Sunday a week ago in our Coliseum. That colored boy, "Buddy" Young, ex-Illini, is certainly a speedster.

I thought the "Redskins" would take the "Rams" yesterday.

Best wishes, Sincerely,

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