



STORM CENTER — You're looking at Phog Allen, whose charge that gambling on collegiate events is rampant has stirred sports circles.

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Big Gambling Menace To Collegiate Sport, Phog Allen Fears

By the Associated Press.

LAWRENCE, Kans., Oct. 21.—Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen, Kansas University basket ball coach and critic, sees gamblers as the termites who are about to fell the castle of intercollegiate athletics, but denied today that he had said games were thrown in Madison Square Garden.

"I said there had been two known cases of college boys throwing basket ball games in Eastern tournaments," Phog explained when asked if he had received a telegram from Ned Irish, president of the Garden, asking for names of the offending players.

"I'm not striking at Ned Irish or any other promoter," the loquacious doctor maintained. "The point I'm making is that these big time betting boys are going to get to basket ball and football players and ruin so-called amateur collegiate sports.

College Sports Need Czar.

"Nothing Irish or any coach or promoter can do will stop the gamblers. Only the college presidents can stop it by appointing an absolute czar such as baseball has in Judge Landis."

Allen said that he held Irish in high esteem and that basket ball tournaments held in the Garden were run on the up and up.

"But gambling is rampant in the Garden and every other auditorium where tourneys are held," Allen added. "If they aren't there, why did a spectator run out and embrace a Utah player on the floor of Madison Square Garden last spring with the assertion that a goal the boy had scored saved the man \$15,000?"

Allen declared that gamblers had laid 10-point odds on Kentucky against Utah and the last-minute goal had reduced the margin to eight points.

"That's why the man was jubilant," Phog related.

Big Scandal Held Likely.

The amount of money bet on collegiate football and basket ball would "stagger the imagination" if the total were known, Phog said.

"If big betting isn't stamped out, there's going to be an awful stink one of these fine days," he asserted. "Eventually the shady dealers will bribe a college boy and it will make the rankest kind of a scandal."

In Salt Lake City, Vadal Peterson, University of Utah coach, refused to confirm or deny an assertion by Allen that he had knocked down a gambler who asked "how much it would cost to have Dartmouth win over Utah" in the NCAA basket ball finals last spring.

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