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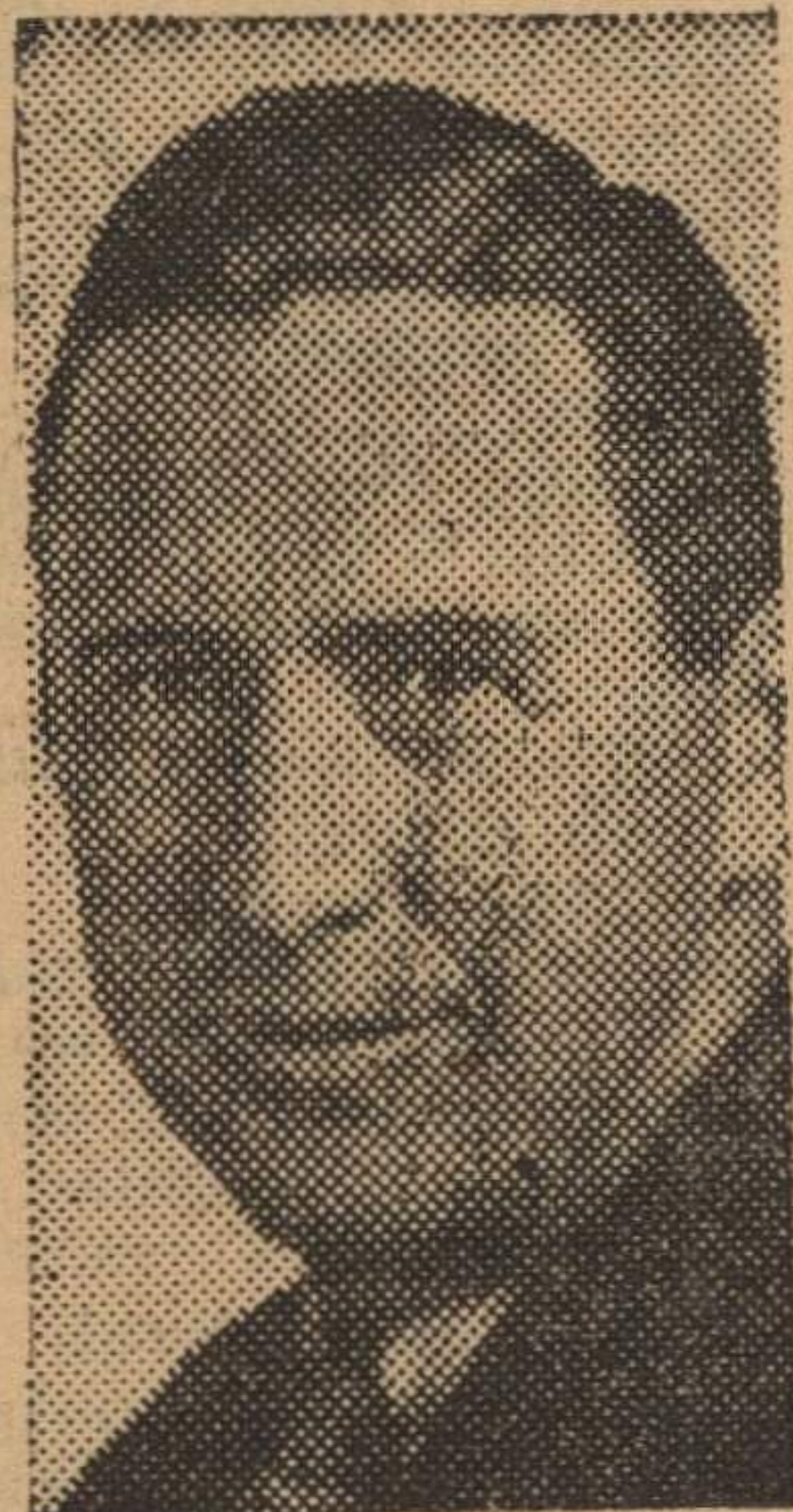
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## GWINN HENRY'S SUCCESSOR

We have the perfect successor to Gwinn Henry as the head football coach at the University of Kansas. He is Dr. F. C. (Phog) Allen, who needs no introduction to readers of sports pages. Doctor Allen is eminently qualified for the position. We mean it. In the rather dim and distant past Doctor Allen proved his ability as a football coach at Kansas. In the pulsating present he has shown a knack of attracting young men of marked basketball talent to Mount Oread. The same talent-getting flair has been demonstrated by few football coaches in the entire history of the gridiron sport up at Lawrence on the Kaw.

Yes, sir, Phog Allen is the man who should have the job. Phog Allen would get Kansas a winner in football just as he has given the Jayhawks a long succession of champions in basketball. Phog is that kind of coach. To be a success in the peculiar profession of preparing young men for athletic combat you have to be a crank for perfection, a practical psychologist, a politician, a father confessor, and a showman who combines the better theories of P. T. Barnum and Billy Rose with a touch of mortgage-holding villain of the old mellerdrammers. And that, ladies and gentlemen, is Phog Allen, the maker of basketball champions.

It would be no trick for Phog to transfer these talents to the football department. He knows the fundamentals of that game almost as well as he understands the basic principles of basketball. Giving the grid sport his full time and attention, he'd be a wow. Of course he'd have to do this in season because no school would be silly enough to suggest that a Phog Allen give up basketball coaching. That would be like asking MacArthur to become R. O. T. C. instructor at Paducah High School. But Phog could find the time for both jobs. Didn't he only recently say that the era of the two-hour-a-day coach was passing?



Phog Allen