

Many Side B



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Basketball Officials Should
Standardized Hoop Rules
Buddy Baer Will Last Just
About 16 Minutes Against
Champion Joe Louis Friday

Call 'Em As You See 'Em

Insisting that eastern basketball officials rule by intent rather than by what happens, Dr. Forest C. Allen of Kansas attributes this to the old professional game and the former money players now coaching along the Atlantic seaboard.

"One-time professionals have not been able to keep up with the collegiate game that permits screening," said Dr. Phog Allen, who was director of the 1936 Olympic team.

"The old pros had a rule that if you did, it was a foul.

"Not being elastic and adaptable enough, they still try to foist their antiquated ideas on the college game.

"Of course, it would be silly for Ned Irish, the Madison Square Garden promoter, to employ officials who would not carry forth the concepts of the eastern coaches."

Pointing out that Dave McMillan of Minnesota is the only former professional coaching in the West, Dr. Allen stresses that the college-trained coach without professional experience has his players play the ball, which provides more opportunity for scoring and a more open game. As Dr. Allen contends, when you play the man you have a five-man team wrestling match.

The first principle of Dr. James Naismith, who originated the game, was that each player was entitled to his position on the floor.

The rules emphasize this point.

Dr. Allen quotes Nat Holman, famous professional now coaching City College of New York, on blocking, which is a foul, according to the rules: "Frequently an offensive player attempting to sidestep an approaching defensive player may cause contact. In such cases the officials are to be guided solely by the apparent intent of the offensive player."