

Harvard Begins to Put Its Football Fences in Order

Fisher Talks to Candidates Tomorrow, and Spring Practice Starts 28th; Crew and Baseball Doings

Harvard begins preparation for the 1921 football season with a meeting tomorrow night at the Varsity Club. Candidates for the team will hear from Head Coach R. T. Fisher, Capt.-elect Keith Kane, and one or two others interested in Harvard's success on the gridiron.

Kane to Jump to Crew

The regular spring practice period starts a week later and continues until April 15, when college is closed for the spring recess. The men will put in five days a week and wind up their schedule with two or three stiff scrimmages the final week. Fisher himself is expected to boss the job. He will be given assistance by the veteran players and probably a coach or two. When the practice is completed Capt. Kane plans to report for crew. He rowed on the Harvard eight which defeated Yale last June.

Harvard's real task next fall seems to be the development of a line. Of the five men who formed the forward line, Wynant Hubbard is the only player sure to return. James Tolbert, one of the guards, is planning to take a war degree in June. Charles Havemeyer, centre; Tom Woods, guard, and Robert Sedgwick, tackle, will graduate.

Kane and John Crocker give the team a pair of veteran ends. Tierney, a centre, and Brown a guard, are letter men who should come in handy next fall. Tierney played at Boston College and was making a hard fight for a regular job at Cambridge last year until he was hurt. He substituted for Havemeyer in the Yale game. Brown was not far behind the regulars. He could use a little more aggressiveness and insure himself a regular job.

Among last year's freshman linemen are Capt. Dan Holder, Charles and Russell Hubbard and John Donovan. Edgar Crosby was an all-freshman end.

There is little need to worry about the backfield. Capt. Horween is the only graduate. Charley Buell, regular quarterback, is with the baseball team, but Joe Fitzgerald, his understudy, will be available for the spring practice. George Owen and Roscoe Pitts, halfbacks, are also busy this spring, the former trying out for the nine and Pitts doing track work. Churchill and Chapin are other likely backs, while the 1922 players will include Erwin Gehrke and Tom Carnegie.

Olmsted Back with Crew

The crew is rowing dilly, in fact, there are 22 eights, all told, on the river. Ted Olmsted, who has been suffering with "pink eye," is back in condition again and ready for work. Reggie Jenney, the slender stroke who led his crew to a Harvard victory over Yale

on the Thames, has been ailing since fall, and the chances are that he will not be able to row this season. While he may recover sufficiently to pull an oar, he must make up scholastic work, allowed to get behind on account of his illness, before he can be eligible.

The probable order of the varsity in its first race with the substitutes Saturday is: Stroke, LaFarge; seven, Capt. McCagg; six, Lawrence Terry; five, Robert Sedgwick; four, Ted Olmsted; three, Harrie Morgan; two, Phil Hardt; bow, John Codman; cox, Pierson.

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Tierney Goes to Tackle; Capt. Kane Also May Be Moved There This Week

By ED CUNNINGHAM

Harvard coaches should consider themselves fortunate that Holy Cross came to the Stadium Saturday and gave the crimson players something to think about. The lesson of inefficiency was driven home more thoroughly than could be explained by the most forceful of instructors. Every Harvard player now realizes that it is up to him, both as an individual and also as a cog in the machinery, to strive for team play, for concentration of effort if crimson mastery of the gridiron is to be maintained.

Good Material for Ends

All followers of Harvard, especially those who attended the game, realize that the crimson was lucky to win, that the team was outplayed, and only the individual brilliancy, or rather reliability of Charley Buell enabled Harvard to emerge the victor by a decidedly narrow margin. The team won and that is what counts, but the coaches saw that the task of harnessing the power of the squad has only begun.

There was little co-operation between line and backfield. George Owen, Roscoe Pitts and Winnie Churchill, all brilliant ball carriers, looked only ordinary because they had to depend almost entirely on their own efforts to make progress.

There was practically no interference for end runs, the purple forwards as a rule sifted through to spill plays sometimes before they reached the line of scrimmage, because the crimson forwards did not carry out their assignments, while Harvard's end play, especially on the defensive, was a severe disappointment.

There seems to be a surplus of good end material on the squad, with Crocker, Macomber, Crosby and Field available, so it would not be surprising this week if Capt. Keith Kane were moved over to tackle, a position he played year before last, and Charley Tierney shifted from centre to the other tackle position. An indication that Tierney's position might be changed was evident in signal practice yesterday as he played tackle instead of centre.

If the tackle positions are made strong then the balance of the line may be achieved and this is what the coaches are after. Kane is physically equipped to play tackle. He stands 6 feet 1 inch and weighs 185 pounds. He may lack a little in poundage compared with the average big team tackle, but he is amazingly fast on his feet and has a thorough knowledge of the manifold duties of the modern tackle.

Tierney an Active Athlete

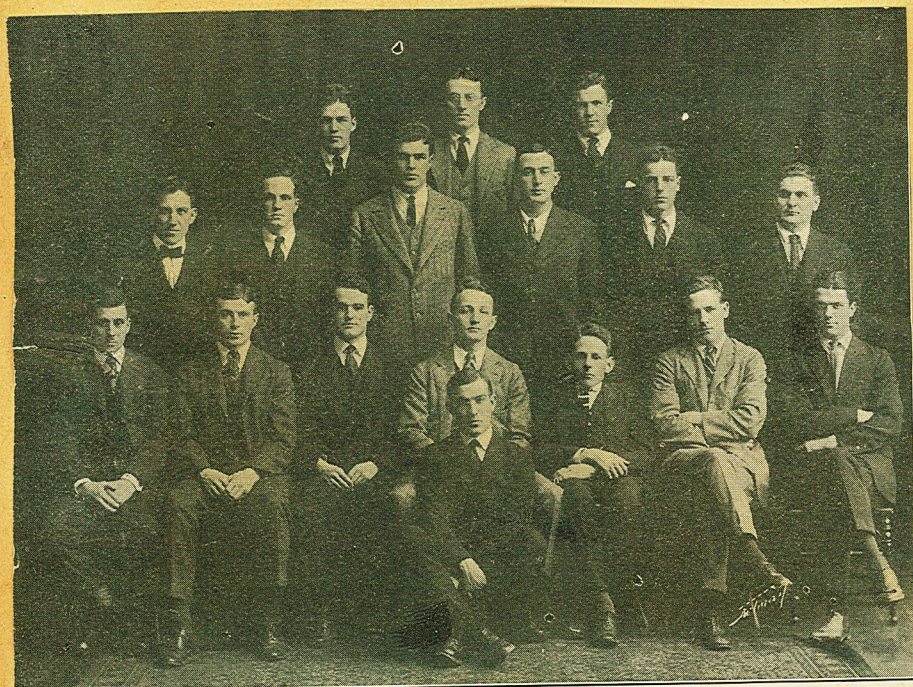
Tierney is one of the most active big men of the squad. He also stands 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighs 193 pounds, and it seems that he would be of better value to the team at tackle than at centre, because at this position naturally he could figure more prominently in the all-round play of the team.

Coach Bob Fisher said the other day little is expected from the Harvard line in the early games, that it generally is slow to reach development and in this respect it is running true to form. This fall, however, competition is becoming sterner with every game, unlike some of the other schedules the crimson has waded through, and it must be remembered that the coaches expect a lot from Tierney the entire line.

Three men reported to Coach Fisher yesterday. They were: Keith Kane, Charlie Tierney and H. W. Clark. Keith Kane was a regular on last year's team. He played tackle in every game but the Yale and Oregon encounters. In both of these games he played end, and Coach Charlie Coolidge will keep him in this position for the 1920 team. He has the height and weight for an end, and will without the least doubt make a regular berth on this year's team.

Tierney was a member of Jimmy Knox's second team last season, and showed that he is worthy of much consideration. He was unclassified last year, due to the fact that he was a transfer from Boston College and had to play with the ineligible. However, he has attained first class standing and will be eligible this year.

At Boston College and on the Harvard second team, he played at tackle, but will be shifted to the centre position as will be shifted to the centre position as he will be of more advantage in this position. He and Bubbles Havemeyer will have a hard tussle for the regular berth.



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Back Row: R. R. Higgins, '22; Samuel Fisher, '21; D. F. Cameron, '22. Middle Row: W. L. Dowler, 3Grad.; G. V. S. Smith, '22; R. M. Sedgwick, '21; C. A. Tierney, '22; Mitchell Gratwick, '22; W. I. Tibbetts, '17. Seated: C. S. Smith, 4Dent.; G. S. Morse, '22; Hamilton MacFadden, '21; Philip Hofer, '21; E. L. Peirson, '21; M. P. Baker, '22; J. N. Macy, '22. front: J. W. Remington, 3Law.