

Harvard Boys Flunk Out To 'Mental Giant' Bookies

By The Associated Press.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 3—
“Mental giants” were reported
to be preying on Harvard men
only a few steps from the gates
of the university in a shady
bookmaking business that out-
wits the police.

The Harvard Crimson, under-
graduate daily, stormed on page
one about bet-taking “punks”
who, the paper said, do a yearly
business of \$500,000 in Harvard
Square, much of that coming
out of the allowances of Harvard
students.

Police Chief John R. King said
he thought The Crimson’s \$500,-
000 was “exaggerated” but he
said his men had made forty-
nine gambling raids on the
square in the past year.

But, he asserted, the bookmak-
ers were “mental giants who
memorize horse names, tracks
and other bet details.” In that
way, he explained, they write
nothing on paper, and police
have been unable to seize
evidence.