

spare him from tackle. Farr handles kicks well and his punting this year is superior to his work last year.

Remembering that practice makes perfect, we will look at the men who played last year and who are playing this year; we have Astin, Rawlins, Tracy, Farr, Cousins and Sterns. Can we say that these men have not improved since last year. Then there are Mosely, Dwyer and Dowell who have played before, leaving Boettcher, Kainer, Couch, Love, Cox and Lamkin who have developed into good players. Quite a number of cadets think that — '97 work at half back better than that of Perkins 96-97. One can find no difference in their line bucking and running; but Perkins could break interference and was a harder man to tackle than — and possessed more grit and determination than any player that I have ever seen on the gridiron. Cox of '96 was a line buckler hard to stop but sometimes lost his head at critical moments. Sterns plays an end better than a half, but as the line needed Rawlins' assistance at guard, he was put back on the line and Sterns tried to play half and succeeded very well for the short time that he played. The ends on the '97 team equal the ends on the '96 team in tackling and interfering, but were miserably slow in going down on a kick.

Mosely's work at left tackle is far superior to that of Garrett, while Astin in his old place at right tackle is a player hard to get through, and he is also a good line buckler.

Rawlins and Kainer '97 are as good as the guards of '96, and they are able to hold any two guards in the state of Texas; while Boettcher at center could hold his own with Overshiner which is saying a great deal for him. And I believe that if it were possible to have both teams meet on the gridiron, the team of '97 with their improved methods of playing would be able to defeat '96 team and might possibly prevent them from scoring.