

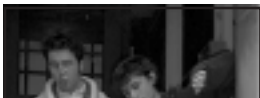
# YALE AIN'T NUTHIN TO FUCK WIT

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original "Endowment," making a dollar out of fifteen cents in the Cambridge crack game.

The Harvard-Yale gang rivalry began in 1978, when crack was first introduced to the streets of the northeast. Cambridge was no exception, and pretty soon demand for the sultry rock outran Boston crack supplier output. It seemed only natural that New Haven players would jump in on Cambridge fiends desperate to score.

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ments on Crimson territory. "For a long time," commented Josh Bukowski BK '85, "shit seemed like it was about to go down."

Evidently, mo' money would mean mo' problems on the hostile Cambridge streets. Increased alumni giving rates in the 1980s enabled the two schools to employ a highly visible army of thugs, consultants, and hitmen. Cambridge teens, no longer permitted to wear blue and red, opted for the fucked up, counter-culture style of dress they are known for today.

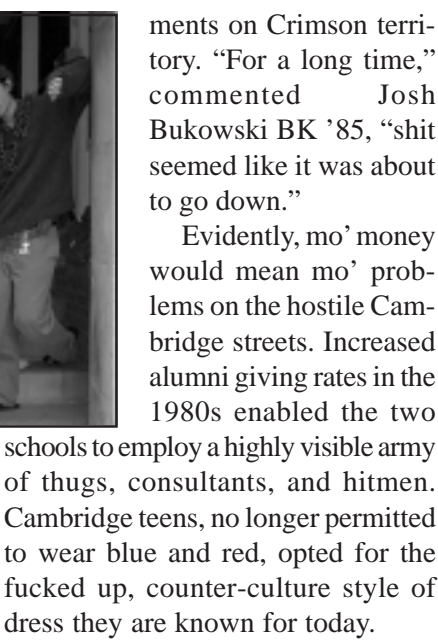
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