22 Jan 1943:

The deaths were reported of Frank Ayliffe and Tommy Bagwell, and tribute was paid to their long service as player, captain and official.

The Entertainment Tax had been recovered on last season’s Services International, which brought the final profit on the match to £1861/19/5.

A further England v Wales Services’ International was planned for 20th March 1943. Prices of admission to be 10/- to 2/-, kick off at 3:15, parade of Air Cadets approved.

There was a problem with using Kingsholm for matches, because Dr Jackson would not agree to any part of the ground under his control being interfered with except for some most exceptional occasion.

The Club had explained to the organisers of the “C C Tanner Memorial Fund” that he would be included in a memorial for all players connected with the Club after the war.

Auditors had prepared a statement of account for 1940/41 and 1941/42.

Tommy Bagwell’s funeral to be held at St Mary De Lode on 23 Jan.

The City Ambulance had been moved to the ground – the Corporation to be asked for an increased rent.

19 Feb 1943:

Gordon Hudson had been selected for England Services v Scotland.

A grant of £10 was made to the funeral expenses of Tommy Bagwell.

Servicemen in uniform and scholars to be admitted to Deans Walk for the Services’ International for 1/-.

Other arrangements for the Services’ International were discussed – police, bands (Cheltenham College and Sea Cadets), lunch, teas, exemption from Entertainment Tax, referee, programmes (3d) and loudspeaker.

Dr Alcock and Mr Voyce were Chairman and Vive Chairman of Gloucester’s National Savings Committee, and were looking for assistance from “rugger friends” in “Wings for Victory” week.

Charles A’Bear, an old player, had been awarded the Military Medal – son of J H A’Bear, a committee member.

12 March 1943:

Discussion of the arrangements for the Services’ International – 30 police would be engaged and military police would man the gates; Cheltenham College band would be 60 strong; the President, an MP and Wavell Wakefield would introduce the “Wings for Victory” tax savings
appeal at the match; the BBC would broadcast part of the match, with commentary by Raymond Glendenning; accommodation for officials and players at the New Inn Hotel, Saracens Head & Lamprey; officials, players and committee would lunch at 1245; Mrs Hudson would organise teas, and an appeal was made for gifts of food; Mr Budd to referee; programme sellers from the Services and ATS; senior RU members invited; arrangements for access by Bristol Tramways to their garage.