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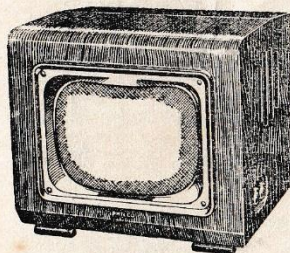
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## SEARCHLIGHT ON RUGGER

The Lydney Club have pleasure in welcoming our famous rivals, Gloucester, to Regentsholme. This annual fixture is a date looked forward to by all rugby enthusiasts residing in the Lydney and Forest of Dean area. Lydney won last year's game 10 points to 5, and having already defeated Gloucester this season at Kingsholme by 17 points to 11, are all set to complete the double.

However, Gloucester, captained this year by Bob Hodge, will be all out to lower the Lydney colours and so put an end to the Lydney bogey. The Lydney boys are always inspired when they entertain the "Red and Whites," and have only lost one in the last nine consecutive home and away games. There are very few packs of the calibre of Gloucesters, and the Lydney eight will be hard pressed to hold them. Nevertheless, recent performances have proved without doubt that Lydney's forwards are fully capable of holding their own with the best. Improved team work displayed by the whole side paved the way for a fine victory over Pontypridd, who this season took Ebbw Vale's two-year-old ground record. To win over such a renowned welsh side on their own ground was a remarkable performance, and one which Cardiff, Bridgend, Maesteg and Penarth failed to do this season. We trust that the weather will be kind to us this evening, and the usual high standard of play will be witnessed, so giving a treat to the many knowledgeable supporters of the game who have turned up.

Lydney Club would like to take this opportunity of congratulating Gloucester on their good season to-date, and at the same time express appreciation of the many sporting gestures shown to our local club. The Lydney v. Gloucester fixture is traditional, and all players and committee members enjoy a social evening together after the game. This feature is the heart of rugby football and one of the reasons that when a player's days are numbered he continues to keep the rugger flag flying as a committee member. Thank you for purchasing this programme. Your contribution is an additional source of revenue and greatly appreciated.

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" 10	Bristol ..	.. A	11	12	" 10	Risca ..	.. H	3	0
" 13	Gloucester ..	.. A	17	11	" 17	Pontypridd ..	.. H	6	6
" 20	Oxford ..	.. H	11	8	" 24	Bristol Univ. ..	.. H	6	9
" 24	Cheltenham ..	.. A	0	8	" 31	Forest of Dean XV ..	.. H	5	3
" 27	Bridgend ..	.. A	6	28	Feb. 7	Bridgend ..	.. H	3	11
Oct. 4	Stroud ..	.. H	8	3	" 14	U.C.S. Old Boys ..	.. A	11	3
" 9	Chepstow ..	.. H	Postponed	3	" 21	Abercarn ..	.. H	3	3
" 11	Worcester ..	.. A	3	3	" 28	Kenilworth ..	.. A	8	0
" 18	Glamorgan Wanderers ..	.. A	3	14	Mar. 7	Oxford ..	.. A	3	8
" 25	Abertillery ..	.. A	3	22	" 14	Clifton ..	.. A	18	0
Nov. 1	Old Edwardians ..	.. H	28	3	" 21	Pontypridd ..	.. A	3	0
" 8	Stratford ..	.. H	33	0	" 28	Glamorgan Wanderers ..	.. A	0	0
" 15	Bridgwater ..	.. H	6	3	Apr. 4	Huddersfield ..	.. H	14	3
" 22	Birmingham ..	.. A	12	3	" 6	Walsall ..	.. H	24	11
" 29	Old Rutlishians ..	.. H	Postponed	3	" 7	Gloucester ..	.. H	6	3
Dec. 6	Kenilworth ..	.. H	12	3	" 11	Taunton ..	.. H		
" 13	Birmingham Univ. ..	.. A	3	5	" 15	Chepstow ..	.. A		
" 20	Clifton ..	.. H	9	5	" 18	Paignton ..	.. H		
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