

THE CITIZEN

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HAT-TRICK OF TRIES IN UNITED DEBUT

GLOUCESTER UTD. 24PTS., GLO'SHIRE POLICE 3PTS.

With a few notable exceptions this Gloucester United side that accounted for a weakened Gloucestershire Police team at Kingsholm last night might also have been the senior XV. Badly hit by injuries, and forced to make further late changes, the Police had no delusions about the magnitude of their task. In the United team were players who had gained County honours.

Yet, paradoxically, it was a complete stranger to Kingsholm followers, left-wing Barry Jackson, a product of the Coney Hill club, who stole the limelight by scoring a hat-trick of tries in his debut for the Gloucester club.

With few opportunities in attack the Police were seen to best advantage in defence, and here they were admirably served by Trevor Jones (King's Stanley), who officially retired last season, but staged a great come-back last night with a splendid display at full-back.

Jack Lowe opened the scoring for United with a try which full-back Russell Hillier converted. Then came young Jackson's three tries in quick succession, Hillier making one conversion.

The Police fought back bravely in the second half, but Terry Hopson and Alan Brinn scored further tries for United, Russell Hillier improving the former. Towards the end Winston Morris gained due reward for the gallant losers with an unconverted try from a loose maul.