

## THE CITIZEN

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1963

### HOPSON DROPPED: HOLDER AT HALF, HILLIER RECALLED

Off-form fly-half Terry Hopson has been dropped from the Gloucester premier side to play powerful Northampton at Kingsholm on Saturday.

He is replaced by that reliable full-back, Alan Holder, who is no stranger to the fly-half berth and is always determined in attack as well as defence.

For the first time since September last year, Russell Hillier, Gloucester's vice-captain, returns to the position created by Holder's move forward.

### KEN TAYLOR – HOOKER

Jeremy Taylor replaces county centre John Bayliss and Jack Fowke props again, in place of Tug Wilson.

Ken Taylor, last season's regular First XV hooker, is also back as Mike Wetson, along with Peter Ford, Brian Hudson, and Dick Smith are all on County duty at Bristol, where Gloucestershire meet Oxfordshire.

Tony Davies and Alan Brinn team up for the second row, and David Gilbert-Smith, Dave Owen and Gary White for the back row of the pack.

Gloucester: R. Hillier; P. Meadows, J. Taylor, R. Pitt, A. Osman; A. Holder, M. Booth (capt.); J. Fowke, K. Taylor, A. Townsend, A. Davies, A. Brinn, D. Gilbert-Smith, D. Owen. I. White.

## UNITED DELAY SELECTION

A United team to travel to Blaenavon has not yet been announced. The selectors, with six of the regular first team players absent for the County and both Peter Hawker and G. Stone doubtful, are delaying team announcements until tomorrow.

JC