

THE CITIZEN

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NEW FLY-HALF TO PARTNER MICKIE BOOTH

PREMIER XV DEBUT AFTER ONE GAME WITH UNITED

Newcomer to Gloucester Rugby, fly-half J. Dixon, has earned his premier side debut after only one "trial" with the United last Saturday.

Former West Hartlepool player, Dixon is named as skipper Mickie Booth's half-back partner for the match against Guy's Hospital at Kingsholm, kick-off 3.15 p.m.

He replaces Terry Hopson, who appears in the United team instead of Jackie Lowe, who is unfit.

HOLDER STILL OUT

Due to the absence of full-back Alan Holder, on the injured list since he took over Hopson's fly-half position, Russell Hillier remains at full-back.

Barry Jackson, United's regular wing-threequarter, is promoted and the remainder of the threes are the same as those who scored a success against the RAF last week.

International prop Tug Wilson is not included in the Gloucester front row, because he is appearing for the RAF who play Leicester, their last match before the big Inter-Services clash.

United, who travel to Pontypool (coach from Kingsholm at 1 p.m.), have an almost completely new look among the threes, with only County winger, Peter Meadows, a familiar figure.

Newcomers to the club include J. Wright, a young former Old Centralian centre who is partnered by Monmouth player, J. Grindle and Rotol winger, A. Nield, brother of former Gloucester scrum-half Billy Nield.

TEAMS

Gloucester: R. Hillier; B. Jackson, J. Bayliss, J. Taylor, A. Osman; J. Dixon, M. Booth (capt.); R. Fowke, M. Wetson, A. Townsend, B. Hudson, A. Brinn, P. Ford, D. Owen, D. Smith. Reserve: R. Timms.

United: E. Stephens; A. Nield, J. Grindle, G. Wright, P. Meadows; T. Hopson, G. Mace; J. Herbert, I. Oakes, J. Mace, A. Davies, R. Smith, G. White, P. Hawker, F. Smith.