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*On Saturday, October 6th, 1923.*

**GLOUCESTER v. BRISTOL**  
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## OUR PORTRAIT

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WE are giving you another of the younger school this week, to wit, Ernest Leslie Stinchcombe. Of course he is a product of our Local Rugby Schools' Union and was in the Redcliffe School's Champion side in 1912-13. In 1918 he helped to start the Old Redcliffians and did not miss a match for that club for four seasons. On the formation of our "A" XV he has one of the first choices at wing three-quarter and a good lad he has proved himself. He played also on many occasions last season for the first XV—no mean achievement considering he has not yet celebrated his coming-of-age. Ernest has a fine turn of speed with any amount of dash and is going far in the Rugby game. He has the temperament—being modest in success and desirous to learn. He is also a promising cricketer and in both games very popular with his chums. We like to see the boys come on and if only for this reason we wish him good health and good luck.



E. L. STINCHCOMBE.

## **BRISTOL'S FIRST GAMES.**

(By G. T. M.)

We have received most interesting criticism on above from G. T. M.—one who knows what he is writing about—and regret owing to its length to have to cut it down. *Example:* the salient features are here but they are not necessarily the opinion we hold. WE THANK G. T. M.

Cardiff deserved to win as Bristol's form was bad. The forwards were tired and unsteady—they did not pack well and when in the loose got in each others way. The Threes did not shine, and only the Halves deserve credit.

The Cardiff and Newport games are taken 'together.' Bristol in both of these were as 'Good' as they were 'Bad' in the other and showed they can be the equal to any team in the Country. Both games were "dour struggles" with Bristol just on top. Some of us "old uns" who remember when Rugby was a grim Forward struggle could enjoy it to the full, but it is not the style of play that is going to make converts to the game. It seems to me that the "Welsh" who introduced the "passing game" are the ones who are spoiling it to-day. In these days the business of the forwards was principally to hold and heel and give the threes the ball, but of late years the Welsh have developed fast forwards who control the game and spoil it to the detriment of the three-quarter play. The spectators want a good open game with plenty of "Handling." Bristol has a good conception of the proper four three-quarter game and must stick to it. Against Cardiff and Newport they played their opponents at their game but we want the open game. Had that been done Newport would have been beaten. In each game Tucker at half has played well and with the return of Carter there is not a better pair of halves than Budd and Carter. The former has such a safe pair of hands either taking or giving passes. Bristol's forwards showed they could equal the best in both scrum and loose. Bristol have a fine team. The back knows his job alright and we know what to expect from the three-quarters when they get the ball and when each department combines we shall see some "Rugger."

## LAST SATURDAY'S GAME.

Various opinions have been expressed on last Saturday's titanic struggle—some regard it as great, others as a poor exhibition of rugby football. Hear what the papers say—

*Athletic News*—"The best game yet seen on the Bristol Memorial Ground."

*Lloyds*—Clem Lewis says: "It was a perfectly fair result, and he would be a bold man who would say that either team was the better one."

*Daily Mail*—The game resolved itself into a struggle between the forwards, and they were so evenly matched that neither side could claim any advantage.

*News of the World*—The Bristol forwards were in great form and were quite equal to their opponents.

## TALES OUT OF SCHOOL.

Congrats to "Marcus" upon his fine show in the "Evening News." "Marcus" writes the Schools' Rugger notes and these will appear each Wednesday during the season.

Last year's Champions gained a rather unexpected victory over Redcliffe, the runners up, by 3 tries to nil. After the first few minutes, the Castle vanguard dominated the game and their full back had to be content with two kicks, one with either foot.

Barleyfields played a clinking game against North Street who were rather lucky to beat them by 4 tries.

There are now 29 schools affiliated to the B.S.R.U. and 8 of these run a second XV. That means 555 turning out every Saturday. No wonder the boys in Dowry Square are practising scrum formation instead of ball control!

The Ropewalk has long been noted.

St. Nicholas and Park Place were very evenly matched, no score resulting.

Knowle underwent their christening at the hands of Moorfields. The new comers went all out. Moorfields, however, got home by 11 points to 3.

Who'll give a hand at our Saturday morning matches? We want a great many more Hefs. Sorry we can't pay you but we'll give you tons of pleasure. Ask the old hands.

Newfoundland and Ashley Down fixed up a friendly. The latter won by 4 tries to nil.

St. Michael's just whacked Stokes Croft by a try, and St. Barnabas put paid to Angleson Place by the odd try in three.

## EN PASSANT.

We are pleased Archie Armstrong—the guide and philosopher of the "A" XV—is better. The fellows are, also, for they attribute their lickings to his absence.

The Committee has sent a letter to B. W. L. Ashford earnestly trusting for a recovery from his serious illness.

The death of Mr. "Jimmy" Cooper of Leicester has caused the loss of a great man to Rugby Football. He was the Founder of the Schools' Rugby Union which we hear has now reached Sunderland.

Fred Hore sends his kind regards to old friends. Congratulations to him on being selected for the East Midlands.

**Ring Seats.**—Holders of Ring Seat Tickets must not mind someone asking them to produce their vouchers, as we desire to detect the "merchants who appropriate seats without paying."


Our Supporters' Club desire to thank Messrs. John Hall & Sons, Broadmead, for the gift of paint for the Supporters' Box. The Rugby Club also thanks the firm.

Tommy Voyce has played for England 14 times. The only other Gloucester player to equal this was Frank Stout.

Harold Feltham is acting as Captain of the "A" XV for the time and is extremely popular with the boys.

A wag came into the dressing room last Saturday saying the City had lost by two dropped goals!

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 W. Collins—  
 A. Hall (8) G. Holford  
 S. Bayliss (12) T. Coulson

*Referee:*  
 J. FREETHY,  
 Neath.

J. S. Tucker (H) M. V.  
 A. E. Richardson (L) A. S. P.  
 Edward Tucker—scrum

R. G. B. Quick (B) L. J. Corbett

*Left Wing*  
**BRISTOL.**

*Colours—Cherry and White.*  
 (1) *Left Wing*  
 (4) S. Brown (6)  
 (7) E. Hughes (7)  
 (10) T. Voyce (14)  
 (10) J. Merry (16)  
 (10) J. W. Collier (10)

*Kick-off 3.30 p.m.*

(3) J. F. Hare (3) F. Cummings (K)  
 (3) H. Carey (3) F. Sullivan (O)  
 (3) H. Budd—stand off (O)

(3) W. Pickles (D) T. G. Spoor (B)

(3) (A) *Right Wing*  
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