

GLOUCESTERSHIRE ECHO

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1937

GLO'STER BEAT THE R.A.F.

BRILLIANT PLAY BY EDWARDS

Gloucester were at full strength for their home match with the R.A.F.

A brilliant forward rush led by Gascoigne for the R.A.F. gave a fine opening, and Gloucester had to defend desperately.

Hook broke away, but was brought down from behind. Then Edwards went through brilliantly and cross-kicked, only to see Halford gather well and kick to safety.

In tackling Thompson, Edwards was injured, and Hordern took his place in the threes. Bayliss was also carried off, and Gloucester played with 13 men for a time, but no disaster befell them before the two returned.

Edwards signalled this with a fine run, and only a knock-on prevented a score.

Gloucester attacked hotly, and WELSHMAN fell over for a try in the melee. Parker's kick just failed.

The R.A.F. tried hard to penetrate the City's defence, but found it too strong.

Half-time :

Gloucester 1 try (3pts.)

R.A.F. Nil

Early on Don Meadows missed with a drop goal, and then the R.A.F. were penalised for off-side at the scrum, but Parker's kick went wide. When, a little later, Gloucester were penalised, Rogers made no attempt to kick a goal, for the referee's decision was a doubtful one.

The quality of the play deteriorated badly, and on one occasion the R.A.F. were five men up and only one man to beat and then muffed the score.

At last the Gloucester backs handled, and Hook and EDWARDS combined prettily for the latter to cross. The kick failed.

HOOK got another try by punting over Pratt's head. The kick failed.

Final
Gloucester 3 tries (9pts.)
R.A.F. Nil