

GLOUCESTERSHIRE ECHO

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1937

GLO'STER LOSE THEIR HOME RECORD

NARROWLY BEATEN BY NEWPORT

Thanks to the sporting decision of the Newport team, Gloucester's fixture was carried out to-day despite a ground heavily affected by frost.

From the start Gloucester attacked, and Boughton hit the cross-bar with a penalty from 35 yards out.

Hook dropped a beautiful goal, but the referee had blown for a knock-on. Hard lines for Gloucester!

Then Newport attacked and Dibden intercepted on the Gloucester line and ran clear. Hook, however, could not make progress.

Boughton with a great kick put Gloucester on the visitors' line, but they worked out with a rousing forward rush.

Newport had a chance to go ahead when Legge took a penalty kick from 30 yards out, but his kick went just wide.

Gloucester kept up a persistent attack, and Tanner had hard lines when recalled after a line out, the crowd greeting the linesman's decision with disapproval.

Gloucester were penalised for off-side almost in front of the posts, and LEGGE scored from a fairly easy position.

Half-time :

Gloucester Nil
Newport 1 goal (p.) (3pts.)

A great forward rush saw Gloucester take the lead, DICK going over for a try that Boughton converted.

Later Boughton tried a long distance drop kick which went well wide.

The light in the closing stages was poor.

Harris and Dick went through in a combined rush that nearly resulted in a try.

Gloucester were penalised 35 yards out, but Legge missed.

Newport, however, went ahead when the threes handled well and EDWARDS burst through for a fine try, Legge converting.

Thus Gloucester lost their home record.

Final:

Newport 2 goals (1p.) (8pts.)

Gloucester 1 goal (5pts.)