

## THE CITIZEN

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### GLO'STER'S LATE RALLY FAILS

The memory of last season's defeat at Leicester was an incentive to spur Gloucester on to greater efforts when they again visited the Tigers' ground to-day.

Leicester had a strong side in the field, while Gloucester – still without their regular scrum-half, Vivian Davies – were also playing two reserve centres, S. J. Troughton and T. Teakle.

Michael Baker was not available and Roy Sutton is suffering the effects of a chill.

A late change in the pack was the substitution of Ivor Ryder for George Hastings who had to cry off because of an abscess in his ear.

Leicester made two changes in the pack from the side originally announced – F. Chawner coming in for R. V. Stirling and E. Barrow in for Weighill.

LEICESTER: A. Lewis; W. K. Nicholas, G. Cullan, H. G. Thomas, C. G. S. Lawrence; J. P. Morris, W. K. T. Moore (capt.); D. Bolesworth, S. Pratt, J. Hacker, E. Lacey, R. V. Stirling, H. W. Sibson, E. Barrow, T. Bleasdale.

GLOUCESTER: W. Hook; C. Crabtree, J. Teakle, S. J. Troughton, E. Turner; H. Terrington, D. Humphris; T. Day (capt.), R. Chamberlayne, R. Parry, I. Ryder, H. G. Wells, D. Ibbotson, R. Hodge, G. Hudson.

Referee : Mr. D. John (London).

There was an early shock for Gloucester.

Before the game had been in progress two minutes scrum-half Moore sent the Leicester three-quarters away and Thomas, after a fine run down the left wing, passed inside for LACEY to score a try under the posts.

Cullen missed the conversion from an easy position.

Gloucester forced play back into the Leicester half and when Bill Hook found touch a few yards from the Leicester line the Gloucester forwards almost got over from the line-out.

### HOOK EQUALISES

Leicester threequarters shone with another dangerous passing movement, but Glo'ster returned to the attack with an excellent breakaway by Terrington, who sprinted 40 yards to the Leicester 25.

In this position Leicester were penalised nearly in front of the posts and HOOK kicked a goal to put Gloucester on level terms.

Leicester, whose threequarters were fast and clever, were having more of the play territorially, and went ahead again through a penalty goal by CULLAN.

It was not long before they went further ahead.

Following a line out inside the Gloucester 25 Moore slung out a long pass which enabled CULLAN to dash in for a Leicester try which Morris converted.

### BLOW TO GLO'STER

There was a further blow for Gloucester when Terrington had to go off hurt following a fierce maul inside the Gloucester 25.

Gloucester brought Gordon Hudson into the centre, and Teakle going to outside half.

Leicester were now pressing very hard and they would have scored again if a threequarter had not lost the ball.

They soon increased their lead when a defensive mistake by Gloucester enabled SIMPSON to touch down for a try which Morris converted.

HALF-TIME :

LEICESTER .... 1 pen., 1 try (16 pts.)

GLO'STER ..... 1 pen. gl. (3 pts.)

Undismayed by being so far in arrears, Gloucester started the second half in great style and a clever bit of play in which Troughton and Teakle were prominent, ended in GORDON HUDSON crossing for an unconverted try wide out.

Leicester swept back to the Gloucester half with a strong forward rush and Lawrence just failed to get a try in the corner when the ball was carried over the Gloucester line.

The Leicester threequarters continued to look very dangerous, but the depleted Gloucester side tackled valiantly, and further attacks were broken up by keen Gloucester marking.

It appeared that Leicester had another try when Lawrence crossed in the corner, but the score was disallowed.

Gloucester fought back strongly and in a race for the ball when it was kicked over the Leicester line, Crabtree was only just beaten for the touch down.

Gloucester still pressed however, and during an attack inside the home team's 25 Ibbotson sent out a quick pass which enabled TROUGHTON to score half-way out. Hook missed with the kick.

Despite the fact of only having 14 men Gloucester were now having more of the play than Leicester, and a storming attack by the Glo'ster forwards enabled TEAKLE to dart over for a try which Hook converted.

CULLEN outpaced the Gloucester defence to add a try for Leicester.

RESULT :

LEICESTER ..... 3 goals (1p.) 2 tries (19 pts.)

GLOUCESTER ... 2 goals (1p.) 2 tries (14 pts.)

HALL'S FINE KICKING FOR UNITED

Leicester "A" started off in lively fashion in their game with Gloucester United at Kingsholm this afternoon. Within a few minutes of the kick-off Leicester were inside the Gloucester 25.

Play soon switched to the other end, however, but during the opening stages Leicester did most of the attacking.

Gloucester seemed to be having the best of the set scrums and line-outs, and had several good movements, but Leicester's defence was sound. Following a Gloucester attack HIAM broke away from a loose scrum and scored a fine try behind the posts. Trevor Halls converted.

Immediately after the kick-off, Leicester attacked, but Gloucester retaliated and fought their way into the opposing half.

Gloucester were now definitely on top and attacked again and again. Their efforts were rewarded when Moreland came from nowhere to gather a difficult pass and start a movement which sent HILL over in the corner. Trevor Halls converted with a magnificent kick.

Less than a minute after the kick-off Hill was hurled into touch a few inches from the line.

HALF-TIME :

GLO'STER U. .... 2 goals (10 pts.)

LEICESTER ..... Nil

Gloucester had a few nasty moments when Leicester attacked after resumption, but they cleared.

A few minutes later, TREVOR HALLS kicked a penalty goal from about 35 yards.

Nothing could stop Gloucester now and DAVIES added to their score with a try behind the posts. Halls converted.

Then MORELAND dived over and once again Halls made no mistake with a kick.

RESULT :  
GLOUCESTER UTD. .... 5 goals (1p.) 23 pts.  
LEICESTER "A" ..... Nil

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