

GLOUCESTERSHIRE CHRONICLE

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FOOTBALL NOTES

By special request, the Combined Services opposed the City at Kingsholm on Saturday last and were victorious by 21 points to nil.

The City team was literally outplayed from start to finish.

The Services pack of forwards were far too strong for the homesters; consequently Russell was enabled to give his fast three-quarters plenty of work, but the passing was invariably too low, many a promising movement thus being spoilt, whilst Russell's offside tactics often brought him into disfavour.

Worton, the Services' stand-off half, and Wood and Millar, their wing three-quarters, were in a class to themselves, each making some thrilling runs.

E. H. Hughes made a welcome re-appearance for the homesters, but he has not yet overcome a marked tendency of holding onto the ball too long, with the inevitable result, which spoils his otherwise meritorious display.

Williams was a fair substitute for Millington at full back, but Prior was weak at centre three-quarter; he must learn to run straight.

Bayliss and Hall led a pack of triers well, but the City forwards were out-weighted in the tight, whilst Voyce and Dubberley were badly missed in line-out work. Nevertheless, the home eight brought off some fierce loose rushes.

To-day the County should win at Redruth (Cornwall). The City play Cheltenham away, when they should wipe out last week's 21 points deficit.

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