

# THE CITIZEN

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1954

## GLOUCESTER RETAIN SIBERY AGAINST 'VARSITY

Gloucester Rugby Club face another very formidable task on Saturday when they meet Oxford University in an away fixture (2.30).

It will be only the second time since the war that Gloucester have met the 'Varsity at Oxford. On the occasion of their last visit – in season 1948-49 – the Red and Whites were defeated 6pts.–11.

Two seasons ago the fixture had to be cancelled because of snow, and last year Gloucester won narrowly at Kingsholm by 9 points to 8.

Gloucester will be strengthened for this game by the return of their county players – four in the pack and two in the back division.

Brian Sibery, who showed up very well against Coventry, retains his place at full back, while Doug Perks comes into the centre. It is felt by the selectors that Baker is still not properly fit.

B. J. Green is being paired with John Varney in the second row.

Gloucester: B. Sibery; R. Amos, R. Sutton, D. Perks, R. Blair; David Jones, J. Hobbs; G. Hastings (capt.), C. Thomas, R. Parry, J. Varney, B. J. Green, P. Ford, R. Hodge, D. Ibbotson. Ninth forward: P. Hosea.

Coach, Worcester-street 10.45.

## TURNER PLAYS

Wing threequarter Ernest Turner, who has been on the injured list since the beginning of the season, will be having a try-out for Gloucester United in their match against Worcester at Kingsholm (3.30).

Ray Smart has again been selected to fill the full back berth.

Gloucester Utd.: R. Smart; E. Turner, D. Hill, D. Morgan, N. Crabtree;  
H. Terrington, D. Meadows; J. Herbert, M. Burford, D. Smith, H. Wells,  
D. Jones, I. Jones (capt.), M. C. Jones, G. Williams.

Reserves: Hollingsworth, J. Drakeford, G. Wilce, D. Solomon.

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