

THE CITIZEN

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SPORT HIT : RUGBY INTERNATIONAL POSTPONED

Tomorrow's sports programme will be badly hit – both nationally and locally – by the great freeze-up. Rugby, as usual, suffers more than soccer.

Principal casualty is the Wales v. England rugby international at Cardiff, which was postponed today.

Earlier in the week the ground had been protected against frost by 20 tons of straw but today this lay under snow which in places reached a depth of three or four feet.

The most recent instance of an international rugby match being postponed occurred last season. Then the Wales v. Scotland game, arranged for the St. Helens ground at Swansea on January 30, was, because of the frozen turf, put off until April 10.

A new date for the Wales v. England fixture has not yet been arranged.

GLO'STER'S GAMES OFF

Both the Wasps v. Gloucester match at Sudbury, and the Gloucester United v. Chepstow game at Kingsholm have been cancelled.

Among those already called off are the Lydney v. Bridgend and Stroud v. Somerset Police games.