

THE CITIZEN

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1964

MEADOWS PAIRS UP WITH AINGE FOR COVENTRY GAME

Peter Meadows, regular winger in the premier Gloucester and County teams for several seasons, returns to first-class Rugby on Saturday when a much-depleted Gloucester team travels to Coventry.

He replaces Mickie Booth who, like Rutherford, Ford, Bayliss, Hudson, and Dick Smith, play for Gloucestershire in the first county championship match – against Devon – at Exeter.

Rutherford's place is taken by Mike Tocknell at full-back. Chick Wright at centre replaces John Bayliss.

TOWNSEND BACK

Prop Alan Townsend returns to the premier side after injury, and playing in place of Brian Hudson is ex-Cheltenham prop, Milner.

Hal Symonds also returns to the premier side where he began the season before he was injured and plays at blind side in place of Peter Ford. Dick Smith's open side position is taken by Tom Sparey.

Team: M. Tocknell; N. Foice, G. Wright, R. Pitt, R. Smith; D. Ainge, P. Meadows; C. Milner, K. Taylor, A. Townsend, R. Long, A. Brinn, H. Symonds, D. Owen, T. Sparey.

Reserves: A. Osman, R. Bassi. Coach 12 noon.

SHORT OF FULL-BACK

The United, who meet Coventry Extras at Kingsholm (kick-off 3.15) are still short of a full-back to replace promoted Mike Tocknell. But they have found a replacement for Peter Meadows at scrum-half. He is former regular Painswick half-back, R. Hanks, who has been playing for Gloucester Colts.

The Gloucester Combination's shadow team comes into reality for the first time this week. D. Harris, a second row forward from Gordon League comes in for the first time. Harris's father, Cyril Harris, played regularly for Gloucester until the war.

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