THE CITIZEN

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LIVELY GLO'SHIRE QUICKLY OFF THE MARK AT KINGSHOLM

The largest crowd which Kingsholm has seen for several seasons saw Gloucestershire go into the lead early in a keen match against Cornwall this afternoon. Weeks got a try which Rutherford converted.

Both Gloucestershire and Cornwall were forced to make eleventhhour changes. The visitors lost their lustiest forward, "Bonzo" Johns who unhappily has a family bereavement.

Gloucestershire's single change was at half-back where Mickie Booth, suffering from a poisoned thigh, conceded his place to Lydney's Johnny Morris.

Booth's doctor told him that given 48 hours the penicillin treatment would have done its work and Booth would have played in this personally vital match.

SHARP PROMINENT

Cornwall made ground early into the Gloucestershire 25 with a long kick by fullback Hosen. But working the line Gloucestershire came back into Cornish territory but Cornwall smothered as a kick by Bev Dovey went over the line.

ATTENDENCE 9,000

Gloucestershire were next assailed in the 10th. minute when Richard Sharp spearheaded an attack. It was a toss up between Rutherford and Collins who took the ball and Collins unfortunately chose to try and run with it. He was scragged and Sharp again got possession, attempting a drop goal which misfired.

Winger Collins again got possession in the next minute and with a brilliant outside break outwitted three Cornish defenders in a run of 25 yards before passing inside to Weeks who crossed for a try about 15 yards from the uprights. Rutherford made sure of the goal points with a very definite kick.

For a spell of five minutes Penryn winger Plummer was off injured but resumed play as the teams fought it out on the halfway line.

RUTHERFORD GOAL

Gloucestershire went further ahead in the 30th minute when Don Rutherford completed a desperately exciting attacking move by dropping a goal from 15 yards after Gloucestershire's pack were positioned for a pushover try. Thorn heeled as the Gloucestershire front row heaved against their strong Cornish opposition and Morris put out a pass to Wallace who slipped the ball back to Rutherford.

The attack had started in the Gloucestershire half when Ford, Rollitt and Collins had all contributed to a footrush upfield which saw the Cornish defence at full stretch. Hands were desperately feeling for the ball over the line when referee Mr. King blew for a scrum five under the posts.

Rutherford's score brought his County tally to 36 for this season.

Final Score

Gloucestershire 28 Pts. Cornwall 6 Pts.