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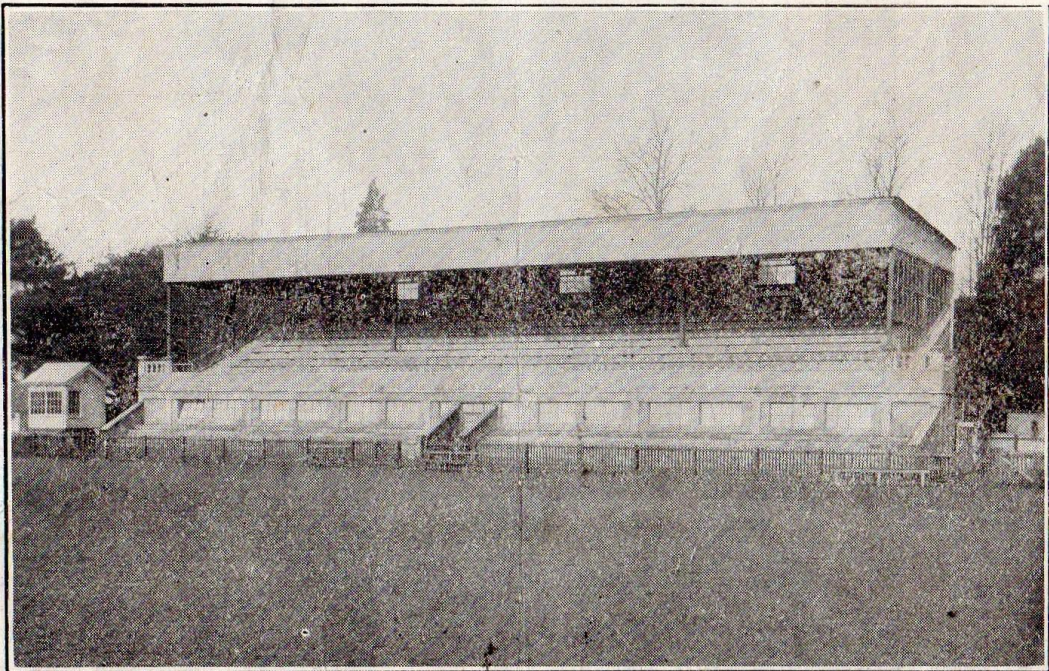
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## County Rugby Notes

The first of the Championship Matches in the South-West will take place to-day, as, in addition to the encounter between Gloucestershire and Devon, the Cornishmen will entertain Somersetshire at Redruth. A great deal of interest is being taken in the games and there is much speculation which sides will win. Gloucestershire, who have won the Championship in the last two years, by defeating Warwickshire and Lancashire, have finished at the top of the table seven times. On the last 13 occasions they have met Devon they have won 8 games, lost 3, and drawn 2. D. W. Burland and M. A. McCanlis were the centre threequarters for England against Wales and Ireland last season. T. W. Brown, who filled the full-back position for Somerset and Gloucestershire against the Springboks, is standing down in favour of H. Boughton, the Gloucester back. Both Counties are well served at the base of the scrum as E. E. Richards and C. B. Carter are considered about the two best men in the country filling the position. Devon place great reliance in the forwards. The only player that has not assisted the County before is J. W. Denton, of Exeter, who is one of the fastest men in this part of the country.



## DEVON.

- H. S. DYER (Plymouth Albion).
1. J. DENTON (Exeter).
  2. F. J. GRAINGER (Plymouth Albion).
  3. W. WEBBER (Blackheath).
  4. G. W. F. BELL (Barnstaple).
  
  5. J. P. MERCHANT (Brixham).
  6. E. E. RICHARDS (Plymouth Albion)
  
  7. E. STANBURY  
(Plymouth Albion), Capt.
  8. R. H. SPARKS (Plymouth Albion).
  9. H. REW (Army).
  10. M. WILSON (Plymouth Albion).
  11. N. L. EVANS (R.N.E. College).
  12. P. C. HORDERN (Newport).
  14. E. H. HARDING  
(Devonport Services).
  15. R. G. REW (Exeter).

*Referee :*  
T. J. BRADBURN  
(Lancashire).

*Full Back.*

*Three-quarters :*

Left Wing.  
Left Centre.  
Right Centre.  
Right Wing.

*Half Backs :*

Stand-off.  
Scrum.

*Forwards :*

Kick-off 3.15

## GLOUCESTER.

1. H. BOUGHTON (Gloster).
2. K. DOWLING (Bristol).
3. M. A. McCANLIS (Gloster).
4. D. W. BURLAND (Bristol).
5. R. SPILSBURY (Bristol).
  
6. E. T. BENSON (Bristol).
7. C. B. CARTER (Bristol).
  
8. E. COMLEY (Gloster).
9. A. D. CARPENTER (Gloster).
10. A. D. ALLEN (Bristol).
11. KEN SALMON (Berry Hill).
12. Dr. STEELE PERKINS (Gloster)
14. A. WELSHMAN (Gloster).
15. P. G. LAMBERT (Bristol).
  
16. C. FRY (Cheltenham).