KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER
SATURDAY, OCT. 10th, 1953. Kick-off 3-15 p.m.

GLOUCESTER
versus
OLD BLUES

OUR PLAYERS

No. 4: TREVOR WILLIAM HALLS (full back) born in Gloucester, October 27th, 1928, estimating surveyor by profession. No school background as a Rugby player, but kept goal for the King's School at the other code, and could, we are told, go far in soccer. His first Rugby was on the wing with Old Boys II, soon graduated into the City side. With growing confidence he may make the County grade before long. Can be a kicker of brilliant goals. Weight 12 stone 3 lbs.

NEXT WEEK

NEWPORT Kick-off 3-15 p.m.

October's home matches:
1st XV. Oct. 31st OXFORD UNIVERSITY
United Oct. 24th COVENTRY EXTRAS
TASK FOR OLD BLUES.

W'e greet our friends, The Old Blues to-day, confident in the knowledge that they will play that open type of football so much appreciated by Kingsholm spectators. A week ago the Visitors like ourselves, were visitors to the Midlands. They fell, by a narrow margin to Nottingham; the Gloucester XV. brought off its fifth successive win in admirable fashion against the more than useful Bedford side. We anticipate no change in our unbeaten record, but it is never safe to prophesy! But do give our boys a rousing reception for their brilliant Bedford performance.

BIGGEST TASK YET.

The biggest test the Gloucester XV. has had to face yet comes next Saturday against the redoubtable Newport side. To give everyone a chance to get to Kingsholm and to be in the favoured position, the kick-off is being put back until 3-15 p.m. Ticket holders in the Stands are advised to be as early as possible. Seats in each block will be reserved until 2-55 p.m.—after that, everyone will have to take pot luck. And will you all please do your best NOT TO WASTE SPACE IN THE STANDS; we want everyone who desires a seat to have one and spectators can help by sitting as close together as possible. Seats will also be reserved inside the Rails at 3½ each, obtainable before the match at 58, Northgate Street (corner of St. Aldate Street) and on the ground immediately before the match. These tickets guarantee a ringside position.

PRAISE INDEED.

A very pleasant thing has happened. Spectators are sometimes vocally unkind to the referee, but there is at least one of these officials who is appreciative of the sporting character of Kingsholm spectators — and long may they continue to deserve the tribute this one pays. He is Mr. GEORGE GOLDSWORTHY, of PENARTH, who recently retired, after 25 years of serious refereeing. Your Committee thought that an occasion for congratulation. The Secretary accordingly wrote to him and Mr. Goldsworthy has answered expressing his delight at the gesture. He is already missing that familiar old shout “Play the game, ref...” but continues; “I shall always remember the thrilling games I had at Kingsholm and above all the friendly spirit I received from you and your committee, not forgetting the players and spectators.”

“Looking back over the years, I remember Mr. T. H. Vip’s advice to me when I had passed the W.R.U. examination. ‘George’ he said ‘you will make friends but thousands of enemies’. While his remarks have been true in many respects, I feel he should have added ‘except when you are performing at Kingsholm where you will make thousands of friends’. I should, therefore, like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to you and your committee and all at Kingsholm for the manner I was received.”

BE PATIENT.

APPLICANTS for Tickets for the All Blacks match at Bristol on November 14th must be patient. The next move is with the County Union to allocate tickets and when received by Mr. Hudson will be despatched. If it is impossible to allocate tickets, the sender will, in due course naturally receive his money back.

You still have time if you wish to apply for seats for one or all of the International Matches at Twickenham — the closing date for applications, with money, membership ticket number and stamped addressed envelope to reach Mr. Hudson, at 58, Northgate Street, is Saturday, October 24th.

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