GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB
(FOUNDED IN 1873)

TO-DAY'S GAME IS VERSUS
OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS
(KICK-OFF 2-30 p.m.)

TO-MORROW'S GAME:
UNIVERSITIES ATHLETIC UNION
(Kick-off 2-30 p.m.)
SATURDAY, JANUARY 1st:
LONDON SCOTTISH
(Kick-off 2-45 p.m.)

FRIENDS OF LONG STANDING

The Old Merchant Taylors R.F.C. is nearly as old as Gloucester R.F.C. in the matter of foundation and while the Boxing Day encounters between the two sides do not go back to the very beginning, they have become a long established tradition. We all like the O.M.T.s., they give the ball plenty of air and if they bring a side consonant with their full strength we are in for a lively afternoon. Like ourselves, their season has been patchy and their record reads: Played 16; Won 5; Drawn 2; Lost 8; points for 106, against 131. It has been truly remarked that results don't matter to an old boys' side; they play rugger because it is the finest of all games and in that spirit we all welcome them today for the sake of "Auld Lang Syne."

Official Programme: Price Threepence
**TO-DAY'S REFEREE**

Mr. O. D. GARDNER, (Bristol Society)

**O. M. T.**

Mr. D. S. HINTON, (Bristol Society)

**FIRST XV. FIXTURES**

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**To-Night**

| Guys | Finch | Mc in | handsome | Mud | New | nice | N. | Peace | rain | River | so | Son | Swim | Train | Troop | true | turn |
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**Next Week**

| Guys | Finch | Mc in | handsome | Mud | New | nice | N. | Peace | rain | River | so | Son | Swim | Train | Troop | true | turn |}

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**GLOUCESTER**

1. B. SIBERY
2. R. AMOS
3. R. SUTTON
4. M. BAKER
5. R. BLAIR
6. D. JONES
7. W. NIELD
8. G. HASTINGS (Cap.)
9. C. THOMAS
10. R. PARRY
11. H. WELLS
12. B. J. GREENE
13. P. FORD
14. R. HODGE
15. D. ISBOTTON

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**GLENDENING**

1. J. A. PRODGER
2. F. K. LEE
3. W. H. ATHERTON
4. D. J. S. HINTON
5. F. R. A. CHRISTIE, R.W.
6. D. G. S. BAKER
7. J. DUPRE
8. R. A. HUSKISSON
9. A. F. COWPER
10. P. J. WILSON
11. R. H. KING
12. G. W. SHILLING
13. D. WHITE
14. G. F. BROWN
15. R. H. PELHAM

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**THE BELLS OF ST. TRINIAN'S**

Also starring ERIE and DOROTHY.
GOOD LUCK GEORGE

It was a grand prelude to the Christmas of all Gloucester rugger enthusiasts to learn that the First XV Captain, George Hastings, has been selected for the England XV in the Final Trial at Twickenham next Saturday. George has certainly caught the selectors’ eyes this season and the leading Press critics had many good things to say about George after the second trial at Blundellsands.

For example, D. R. Grant ("Sunday Times") put George among the three best forwards in the Probables side and described his try as “spectacular”. Haydn Tanner ("News of the World") spoke of George as “solid” while J. P. Jordan ("Daily Telegraph") stated “Hastings enhanced his reputation as a prop forward.”

This time last year in the comparable programme we were telling George that we regretted omitting to mention him as a reserve Trials player. On Saturday we shall be keeping our fingers crossed and wishing George “a blinder” of a day. It would be a fine performance for him (and a tonic for his club-mates) if he won the highly coveted English Cap in the same season he was Gloucester’s chosen Captain. Good luck on Saturday, George—we all hope you will be at Arms Park on January 15th wearing the Rose—it’s a ground which has no terrors for you.

A HEAVY PROGRAMME

After the “off week,” Gloucester engage on a positive spate of games in the present fortnight and each one at home. To-morrow those gallant Mggs, the Universities’ Athletic Union come for their annual tussle, and on Saturday, the London Scottish also appear on our ground. On the following Thursday the red-shirted Army XV begins its pre-Services Tournament campaign and two days later, we shall be entertaining Leicester. So we have some grand games in prospect, and who knows, we may improve our somewhat shaky record a little. All that will be a strong introduction to a heavy second half of the season’s programme. There still remain 14 home games and 12 away fixtures before we say “farewell” to the season on April 30th.

SCORERS TO DATE

The scores of Gloucester’s 151 points so far this season are:— Michael Baker 42 points; R. Blair 23 points; Trevor Jones 21 points; Roy Sutton, Peter Ford and Denis Robson 12 points each; David Jones 9 points; and R. Adam, D. Hill, H. Terrington, G. Hastings, C. Thomas, G. Connell and Glynn Williams 3 points each.