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# GLOUCESTER V. BRISTOL

KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1959. Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

Official Programme - Price Threepence

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### THE MATCH FOR YOU

GLOUCESTER Red and White		Referee:	BF	RISTOL
1	Full Back S. Ingram	Mr. G. Wilkes (Coventry)	A	Full Back R. Dash
2	Threequarters D. Smith R.W.	THE FIRST AID SERVICE ON THIS GROUND IS VOLUNTARILY PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER DIVISION ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.		Threequarters
3	K. Ibbotson R.C.	FIRST XV. FIXTURES FIRST XV. FIXTURES	ВС	H. G. Ellery (T) R.W L. D. Watts (T) R.O
4 5	I. Sheen (c) L.C. J. King L.W.	Sept. 13 Lydney H 40 8 Jan. 3 London Scot. H 3 0 18 Milan (Italy) H 23 3 10 Loicester H Canc.	D	J. Radford L.C
3	J. King L.W.	20 Moseley        H       9       6       17 Wasps        A Canc.         25 Cheltenham       H       9       5       24 Cambridge Un. H       3       2         24 Cambridge Un. H       3       2       2       2	Е	R. V. Bridgeman L.W
6	A. Holder (c) O.H.	Oct. 1 Pontypool A 3 14  Oct. 1 Pontypool A 3 14  PRINK  Feb. 5 Royal Navy H 12 29	F	J. Blake (Capt.) o.n.
7	M. Booth (c) S.H.  Forwards	4 Bedford H 13 3 11 Old Blues H 9 6 18 Newport A 3 30 THE BEST IN THE WEST 28 Pontypool H	G	B. W. Redwood S.H. Forwards
8	G. Hastings (I) C. Thomas (c) (Capt.)	26 Coventry A 0 3 Mar. 7 Northampton H 14 R.AF H 21 Guy's HospitalH	H	F. J. Williams (T) J. Thorne (T)
10	A. Ricketts	8 Moseley A 11 14 28 New Brighton H 15 Aberavon H 8 15 30 Sale H	J	J. New
11	B. Green (c) B. Hudson	22 Cardiff H 5 11 31 Lydney A 29 Oxford Univ. A 8 16 April 4 Llanelly H 11 Cardiff A	K	D. W. Neate (T)
13	P. Ford (c)	Dec. 6 Neath H 10 8 15 Cheltenham A 13 Bath H 8 8 18 Newport H	L M	D. E. J. Watt T. E. Base
14	J. Sainsbury D. Ibbotson (c)	20 Coventry H 3 3 23 Stroud H 20 3 Result last season 25 Dev port Serv. A 27 U.A.U H 3 14 Gloucester 9 - Bristol 3 28 Teauton A	N	C. Cripps (T)
13	(1) International. (C) County.	27 U.A.U H 3 14 Gloucester 9 - Bristol 3 28 Taunton A	0	C. M. Hollister

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It is once again very dissapointing to report that at the time of writing these notes there is a distinct possibility of having to call-off the match against Bristol. The very heavey frost on Thursday night coupled with the fact that the forcast is the same weather on Friday night will make it difficult for the ground to thaw out in time for the afternoon game. Once again, therefore, we can only keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best.

Two matches have been played this week against the Army and Navy. In the first case, this game should have been won but we must not miss the such chances offered and expect to come out victorious. Regarding the match against the Navy, here again with a 9 - 3 lead at one period of the game we should have held this side. but unfortunately in the last twenty minutes—to coin a phrase—we just did not see the way the Navy went. Both games, however, were most entertaining to watch.

At the present time we are undergoing serious interference through other clubs commandering our players. Both D. Phelps and Roy Long are practically being held by the R.A.F.

What of to-days game against Bristol? If the records of the two clubs are anything to go by, then we are in for a beating. Gloucester, however, never take a beating in advanc, on the contrary it has always been a fact that the better the club opposed to us the better our players play.

Here is Bristol's record which we know you will agree is a very wonderful one indeed. Played 25, Lost 4, Drawn 2; Points Scored 462, Against 172. Compare this record with our own. Played 24, Lost 12, Drawn 2, Points Scored 218, Against 234, and the match result appears to be a foregone conclusion—but we shall see.

#### LOST AND FOUND PROPERTY

On a number of occasions articles have been left in the Stands. For the information of our supporters these have been found by our staff and handed in at the Secretary's Office. Each week, therefore, we shall record in our programmes, any article handed in. At the match against the Army 1 pair of Gloves were left in the Reporter's Box; 1 Comb in the Stand (C). In Stand (C), however, a Marks & Spencer's paper bag containing a new shirt was left.

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