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GLOUCESTER V. BATH

KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

ON SATURDAY, 9th DECEMBER, 1961 Kick-off 2.30 p.m.

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Gloucester RED AND WHITE

Full Back

1 S. Ingram

Threequarters

- 2 B. Hannaford R.W.
- 3 E. Stephens R.C.
- 4 D. Smith L.C.
- 5 P. Meadows (c) L.W.

Halves

- 6 T. Hopson (c) O.H.
- 7 G. Mace S.H.

Forwards

- 8 A. Townsend (c) (Captain)
- 9 K. Taylor (c)
- 10 T. Ricketts
- 11 A. Brinn
- 12 B. Hudson
- 13 P. Ford (c)
- 14 H. Symonds (c)
- 15 D. Gilbert-Smith (i)

Referee :

J. Windridge (Coventry)

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FIRST XV. FIXTURES

| | | | |
|---------|------------------|--------|-------|
| Sept. 9 | Lydney |H | 26-3 |
| | 13 Cheltenham |A | 18-6 |
| | 16 Moseley |H | 3-3 |
| | 20 Cardiff |A | 6-10 |
| | 23 Bristol |H | 15-3 |
| | 28 Stroud |H | 35-0 |
| | 30 Bedford |A | 17-11 |
| Oct. 7 | Llanely |A | 8-10 |
| | 14 Neath |A | 3-12 |
| | 21 Newport |H | 11-23 |
| | 28 Coventry |A | 8-26 |
| Nov. 4 | Leicester |H | 26-11 |
| | 11 Moseley |A | 13-5 |
| | 15 Cambridge Un. | A | 0-14 |
| | 18 Aberavon |H | 13-19 |
| | 25 Old Blues |H | 40-3 |
| Dec. 2 | Oxford Univ. |H | 8-39 |
| | 9 Bath |H | |
| | 16 Coventry |H | |
| | 23 Newbridge |A | |
| | 26 O.M.T. |H | |
| | 27 Pontypool |H | |
| | 30 Neath |H | |



(I) International
(T) Trial
(C) County

Bath

Full Back

1 J. R. Hawgood (c)

Threequarters

- 2 J. Donovan (c) R.W.
- 3 J. N. Bruford (c) R.C.
- 4 B. P. Omara (c) L.C.
- 5 R. Farnham (c) L.W. (Captain)

Halves

- 6 R. E. Ford (c) O.H.
- 7 J. Spencer (c) S.H.

Forwards

- 8 P. J. Parfitt (c)
- 9 P. J. Hill (c)
- 10 J. Lacey
- 11 K. P. Andrews (c)
- 12 P. B. H. Hewdorff
- 14 W. Burley (c)
- 15 P. Venn
- 16 P. Hall

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

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|--------|------------------|--------|
| Jan. 6 | London Scot. |A |
| | 13 Leicester |A |
| | 20 Wasps |H |
| | 27 Army |H |
| Feb. 3 | Bristol |A |
| | 10 Bath |A |
| | 17 Swansea |H |
| | 24 Aberavon |A |
| Mar. 3 | Northampton |A |
| | 10 Richmond |H |
| | 15 R.A.F. |H |
| | 17 Guys Hospital |A |
| | 24 Newport |A |
| | 29 Stroud |A |
| | 31 Harlequins |H |
| Apr. 7 | Cardiff |H |
| | 12 Cheltenham |H |
| | 14 Pontypool |A |
| | 21 Headingley |H |
| | 23 Birkenhead P. |H |
| | 24 Lydney |A |
| | 28 Devonport S. |A |
| | 30 Teignmouth |A |

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NOTES

IT is to be hoped that you have got over last Saturday's shock, but it is difficult to try and explain the reason for the astounding defeat sustained by our team. To be down to the tune of 28 points to 8 at half time, is probably an all-time record. It is true that only 11 points were scored afterwards, nevertheless, it is almost tragic to have lost this game by such a large score, especially in view of the fact that we ourselves were inflicting a similar score over the Old Blues the week previously. Our supporters however, had a lot to think of, and thoroughly enjoyed the feast of Rugby displayed by the Dark Blues. Only one word can describe their play, viz, '*Brilliant*', and at least it did give some indication just how Rugby can and should be played. The forthcoming match between the Universities should be a classic, and it is most difficult to prophecy which side will win. On their records, Cambridge should start favourites, being unbeaten to date. You can never tell however, and it is possible the game may not be so open, this of course may rather spoil it from a spectators point of view. Any way we shall see.

To-day we have as our visitors our neighbours from Bath, who this year have a very strong side available. They include no less than 11 County players. Consequently, we shall have to be all out to overcome opposition of this kind.

Bath's record to date is, Played 18, Won 12, Drawn 1, Lost 5. Points for 241, against 140.

As a result of the defeat last Saturday, the selection committee have made a number of changes for this match.

A. Holder loses his place in the three-quarters. Both J. Bayliss and R. Hillier are on the injured list. G. Mace comes in as scrum-half in place of M. Booth. R. Long, K. Wilson, D. Owen and R. Chamberlayn are out, and Capt. Gilbert-Smith, H. Symonds, K. Taylor and B. Hudson take their places.

It is interesting to recall that the whole of the three-quarter line consists of Old Cryptians, and it will be most interesting to see how this quartet shapes together.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th
GLOUCESTER v. COVENTRY
Kick-off 2.30 p.m.

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