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Gloucester v. Old Merchant Taylors
KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

BOXING DAY, DEC. 26th, 1968
Kick-off 3.15 p.m

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GLOUCESTER
(Red and White)

FULLBACK
1 P. BUTLER

THREEQUARTERS
2 R. GWILLIM R.W.
3 J. BAYLISS (c) R.G.
4 R. JARDINE L.G.
5 R. CLEWES L.W.

HALF BACKS
6 T. HOPSON (c) O.H.
7 J. SPALDING (c) S.H.

FORWARDS
8 M. BURTON (c)
9 M. NICHOLLS (c)
10 J. FOWKE (c)
11 A. BRINN (c)
12 R. LONG (c)
13 G. WHITE (c)
14 M. POTTER
15 J. HAINES

FIRST XV FIXTURES
Sept. 2 Lydney ..... H 34 - 6
5 Bognor Regis Pack H 30 - 6
7 Monmouth H 8 - 8
12 Cheltenham H 15 - 17
14 Coventry A 20 - 9
19 Cheltenham A 15 - 9
21 Bristol Later Rovers H 20 - 6
25 Cardiff H 11 - 6
28 Brixton A 10 - 6
Oct. 2 Coventry H 15 - 8
5 Bsford H 21 - 22
10 Ebbw Vale H 16 - 6
12 Hereford A 6 - 6
16 Hunslet A 30 - 8
19 Newport A 20 - 29
26 Old Boys H 54 - 0
30 Stour H 19 - 0
Nov. 2 Leicester H 9 - 3
9 Monday A 6 - 19
16 Aberavon H 13 - 12
21 Newbridge A 10 - 3
27th St. Lukes Coll. H 10 - 0
30 Ebbw Vale A 3 - 23
Dec. 7 Pontypool H 17 - 8
14 Bath A 6 - 9
21 Coventry H 6 - 6
26 O.M.T.'s H 1
28 Newbridge H

FIRST XV FIXTURES
Jan. 4 Llodi's Na Palla H A
11 Leicester A
18 Scarlets A
25 Cardiff Later Utd.
Feb. 1 Brixton H
16 Bath H
19 Ayr H
13 Ayr H
11 Swansea A
22 Aberavon A
26 Colchester A
Mar. 1 Northampton A H
1 R.A.P. H
13 Ebbw Vale A
13 Glos Harlequins H
19 Monmouth A
22 Newport H
29 London A
29 Wyans A
Apr. 3 Kidder A
5 New Brighton H
12 Pontypool A
16 Colchester A
19 Sale H
23 Selected H
28 Parishes A
31 Plymouth A
May 1 Roud A
1 fused H

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OUR VISITORS

Boxing Day at Kingsholm would indeed appear strange to all Gloucester rugby supporters without the annual visit of the Old Merchant Taylors, and this afternoon we extend a hearty Yuletide welcome to our very old friends.

The "Taylors" have always been extremely popular visitors at the festive season since time immemorable, for they insist on trying to provide the type of rugger fare that spectators want to see, irrespective of the result.

Last Boxing Day, Gloucester defeated the "Taylors" by 14 points to 8, but in doing so, emulated the ten little niggers — or appeared to do so — as players disappeared into the dressing-room. Eric Stephens suffered a groin injury in the opening minutes when he tried a conversion shot; Dick Smith followed him with a damaged ankle then John Bayliss suffered a thigh injury. For the record, however, John Dix (2), Richard Jardine and Dick Smith scored Gloucester's tries, Mickie Booth converting one.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

This afternoon's game is the last midweek one until Friday, February 7th, when Gloucester meet Bath at Kingsholm under floodlights. Supporters will no doubt wish to make a special note of this, for the match has been brought forward from the Saturday (February 8th) so that rugby fans may watch the international match between Ireland and England at Dublin, which is being televised this season.

The holiday rugger fare continues at Kingsholm on Saturday with the visit of Newbridge, the kick-off as usual will be at 3-15 p.m. It is hoped that the match with Bath at the Recreation Ground — postponed last Saturday because of frost — will be played later in the season.

In conclusion the Gloucester R.F.C. officials, committee and players wish you all the Compliments of the Season, and thank you sincerely for your support.

A.R.

LUCKY PROGRAMME NUMBERS — Coventry game

No. 403. Mr. A. J. Voyce, 101 Cheltenham Road, Gloucester, who won £5.
No. 21. Mr. Bishop, 40 Perry Orchard, Upton St. Leonards, won the cans of beer
No. 873. H. Ireland, 1 Temple Way, Lydney, who won the chicken and eggs.

Saturday, December 28th at Kingsholm Kick-off 3-15 p.m.
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