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GLOUCESTER v. PHILADELPHIA UNIVERSITY

KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 1969 Kick-off 7-0 p.m.

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GLOUGESTER

(Red and White)

FULL BACK 1 E. J. STEPHENS

THREFOUARTERS 2 R CLEWES

3 T. PALMER (c) R.C. R. JARDINE

5 J. DIX

HALF BACKS

T. HOPSON (c) O.H. J. SPALDING (C) S.H.

FORWARDS

- 8 M. BURTON (c)
- F. REED
- K. RICHARDSON (c)
- 11 J. JARRETT (c)
- 12 N. JACKSON
- 13 G. WHITE (c)
- 14 M. POTTER
- 15 R. SMITH (c) (Capt.)

REFEREE :

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FIRST XV FIXTURES

4 Bedford

Dec. 6 Pontypool A

13 Bath H

20 Coventry. A

26 O.M.T.'s H

27 Pontypool H

8 Stroud H
11 Harlequins H
*15 Bosuns H
18 Newport H
25 Old Blues H
29 Clifton H

8 Stroud

R.C. 110 Wolfhounds ... H
20 Bective RangersA
L.C. 24 Newbridge ... A
L.W 27 Bristol ... H
Oct. 1 Ebbw Vale ... H
4 Bod Code

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- (I) International
- (C) County
- * ALL PAY
- Dec. 31 Western Counties v. S. Africa Bristol

Jan. 3 Lond. Scottish A 10 Leicester H 17 Wasps H 24 Bridgend A 31 Plymouth H Feb. 4 Ebbw Vale A 7 Bristol A 12 Army H 14 Kemmond H 18 Clifton A 21 Guys Hospital A 26 Lydney A 28 Headingley H 30 Birkenhead Pk H 31 Stroud A il 4 Fylde A

FIRST XV FIXTURES

- 31 Stroud ... A
 April 4 Fylde ... A
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 11 Moseley ... H
 13 Newport ... A
 18 Sale ... A
 20 Cheltenham ... H
 25 Penzance ... A
 27 Redruth ... A
 28 Exeter ... A
 May 2 Liverpool ... H

PHILADELPHIA UN.

(Red Jerseys and White Shorts)

FULL BACK

THREEQUARTERS

F. JOHNSON

J. SCHWARTZ

HALF BACKS

FORWARDS

W. HOWARD

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J. NORMAN

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OUR VISITORS

It seems that the ringing cheers that heralded Gloucester's recordbreaking achievements with the victory over Exeter last May have scarcely died away before we have yet another season upon us.

And who better to launch the new programme than our visitors this evening, Philadelphia R.F.C., new friends from across the Atlantic to whom we extend a very cordial welcome on their first-ever visit to Kingsholm.

Philadelphia's tour party is over 30 strong and includes players from Baltimore, Pennsylvania, Washington and some college teams. Most of them have played American-style football, and it should be interesting to see how they have adapted themselves to our game of rugger.

Philadelphia made their first visit to England four years ago and were the first American team to tour this country.

We wish our friends from the States a very happy tour and look forward to an enjoyable game this evening.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

It is far too early in the season yet to assess the prospects of Gloucester, from whom much will be expected after their wonderful record last season. With the same spirit prevailing, however, again under the dedicated leadership of Dick Smith, there is a quiet air of confidence among the lads.

This season brings a new club president, Mr. Tom Voyce, an illustrious figure in the world of Rugby football. He has taken over from Mr. Arnold ("Doc") Alcock, that well-beloved personality who has given magnificent service to the Gloucester club as their president for 45 years. A truly wonderful record! We all hope to see him regularly at Kingsholm, even though, to quote his own words, he feels it is time he gave way to a younger man.

The lads have a particularly tough opening week to the new season. Following this evening's game they travel to Wales on Wednesday to take on formidable Cardiff.

Next Saturday they are back at Kingsholm for the match with Broughton Park, kick-off 3.15 p.m., then on Wednesday week, September 10th, go along the road, so to speak, for the local derby against Cheltenham at the Athletic Ground.

A.R.