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## GLOUCESTER

(Red and White)

### FULL BACK

15 E. STEPHENS (c)

### THREEQUARTERS

14 R. J. CLEWES (c) R.W.

13 R. JARDINE (c) R.C.

12 S. CLEWES L.C.

11 J. HORNER (c) L.W.

### HALF BACKS

10 T. PALMER (c) O.H.

9 J. SPALDING (c) S.H.

### FORWARDS

1 R. COWLING (c)

2 M. NICHOLLS (c)  
(Capt.)

3 M. A. BURTON (i) (c)

4 A. BRINN (i) (c)

5 N. JACKSON (c)

6 J. A. WATKINS (c)

8 M. J. POTTER

7 R. SMITH (c)

### FIRST XV FIXTURES

Sept. 4 Clifton .. H 26-11

8 Newbridge .. A 3-6

11 Coventry .. H 16-15

15 Moseley .. A 12-12

18 Broughton Pk. A 24-9

25 Bristol .. H 12-12

29 Stroud .. H P

Oct. 2 Bedford .. A 13-3

6 Ebbw Vale .. H 16-12

9 Harlequins .. H 12-4

13 Cheltenham .. A 18-6

16 Newport .. H 18-0

23

30 Oxford Univ. H 16-6

Nov. 3 Pontypool .. A 29-0

6 Leicester .. A 9-31

13 Moseley .. H 23-10

17 Camb. Univ. A 13-6

20 Aberavon .. A 6-7

27 Lydney .. H 14-3

Dec. 4 Saracens .. A 12-20

11 Bath .. H 24-16

18 Coventry .. A 17-27

27 O.M.T.'s .. H 67-3

Jan. 1 Lond. Scottish A 6-7

8 Leicester .. H P

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Feb. 2 St. Luke's Coll. H

5 Bristol .. A

12 Bath .. A

19 Swansea .. H

23 Loughbr. Coll. H

26 Aberavon .. H

Mar. 4 Northampton A

11 Richmond .. H

15 Cheltenham .. H

18 Guy's Hospital A

25

27 Newport .. A

30 Lydney .. A

Apr. 1 Headingley .. H

3 Birkenhead .. H

8 Cardiff .. A

12 Ebbw Vale .. A

15 Sale .. A

17 Pontypool .. H

22 Penzance .. A

24 Camborne .. A

29 Liverpool .. A

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13 N. BENNETT R.C.

12 A. FRIELL (Capt.) (c) L.C.

11 M. SLEMEN L.W.

### HALF BACKS

10 A. MORT (c) O.H.

9 A. REID S.H.

### FORWARDS

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2 J. PYNE

3 R. PEARCE

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## WELCOME TO ST. LUKE'S!

It's back again to mid-week rucker as additional savouries after the mid-season "break", and there could be few more entertaining visitors to resume these fixtures under the floodlights than our young friends from St. Luke's College, Exeter, to whom we extend a very cordial welcome this evening. Last season, on the evening of Wednesday, February 3rd, 1971, Gloucester defeated the Students by 24 points to 6, though it was the irrepressible Eric Stephens who emphasised the victory margin, for he landed three penalty goals and converted all three tries, scored by John Watkins (2) and John Dix.

## KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Sincere congratulations to Alan Brinn and Mike Burton on so deservedly retaining their places in the England team to meet Ireland at Twickenham next Saturday week. And, of course, to Tom Palmer on his recognition as a regular with the England squad; may this popular player also gain the coveted cap in due course! Unfortunately, international and county matches, plus the England squad training, are constantly robbing Gloucester of these two burly forwards. Was it not in Henry IV, Part One, that the Prince said, "Two stars keep not their motion in one sphere"? (Seems the Bard had a point there!)

It is timely here to refer to that magnificent victory over Bridgend, the Welsh champions, at the Brewery Field. Defeat at home is a rarity for Bridgend; to be beaten pointless is a humiliation that they have not suffered for years. Yet, the lads, with a superb fighting display, achieved this near-impossible dual feat in a game that had a wildly exciting finish.

The luck of the draw is very much against Gloucester in the new Rugby Union national knock-out competition. They have been drawn away again in the quarter-final round—and against formidable London Welsh. It is indeed a tough task for the lads, but having disposed of such strong sides as Bath and Bristol away from Kingsholm they will be eager to have a crack at the star-studded London Welsh.

On Friday evening—the original fixture for Saturday having been brought forward—Gloucester travel south to meet their County rivals, Bristol, at the Memorial Ground, (kick-off 7.30 p.m.). Still sore, figuratively speaking, from their defeat in the National knock-out competition by the Cherry and Whites, they will be thirsting for revenge.

Next Friday the highly successful Gloucester United have an attractive fixture with Bristol United at Kingsholm, (kick-off 7.00 p.m.). Why not come along and give the brilliant young lads your support?

Gloucester's next match at Kingsholm is with Swansea on Saturday, February 19th, the same day as the county championship semi-final between Middlesex and Gloucestershire at Richmond Athletic Ground.

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