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12 R. MORRIS (c) L.C.
11 R. ETHERIDGE (c) L.W.
- HALF BACKS**
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9 J. SPALDING (c) S.H.
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2 M. NICHOLLS (c) (Capt.)
3 R. COWLING (c)
4 A. BRINN (i) (c)
5 J. FIDLER (c)
6 J. A. WATKINS (i) (c)
8 M. J. POTTER (c)
7 J. HAINES (c)

- FIRST XV FIXTURES**
 Sept. 2 Broughton Pk. H 14-4
 6 Moseley .. H 31-12
 9 Coventry .. A 6-14
 13 Abertillery .. H 30-16
 16 Ebbw Vale .. A 22-14
 20 British Police H 26-3
 23 Bristol .. H 9-13
 30 Bedford .. H 47-13
- Oct. 4 Stroud .. A 35-10
 7 Newbyrdge .. H 24-10
 11 Cheltenham .. H 39-6
 14 Harlequins .. A 13-0
 18 S. Wales Police H 19-4
 21 Newport .. A 9-30
 28 Clifton .. A P
- Nov. 4 Leicester .. H 13-13
 11 Moseley .. A 12-29
 18 Aberavon .. H 27-10
 25 Lydney .. H 19-18
- Dec. 2 Oxford Univ. A 9-8
 6 Cardiff .. A P
 9 Bath .. A P
 12 S. G. (Counties) H 29-7
 16 Coventry .. H 18-16
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 26 O.M.T.'s .. H 49-9

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 20 Wasps .. A 22-11
 27 Camb. Univ. H 42-0
- Feb. 2 Bristol .. A 3-4
 7 St. Luke's Coll H 22-12
 10 Bath .. H 18-16
 17 Swansea .. A 12-43
 21 Loughbr. Coll H 10-3
 24 Aberavon .. A 0-25
- Mar. 3 Northampton H 7-3
 10 Richmond .. A 21-29
 14 Pontypool .. A 13-6
 17 Guy's Hospital H 33-13
 24 Newport .. H 9-13
 28 Newbridge .. A 23-18
 31 Plymouth .. H 24-0
- Apr. 7 Cardiff .. H
 11 Cheltenham .. A
 14 Exeter .. A
 19 Lydney .. A
 21 New Brighton H
 23 Liverpool .. H
 28 Penzance .. A
 30 Camborne .. A

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WELCOME TO CARDIFF !

Were it feasible to run a "Top of the Pops" survey among rugby clubs, then vying for leading position of the most popular visitors to Kingsholm would inevitably be our old and valued Welsh friends—and formidable rivals—Cardiff, to whom we extend a particularly cordial welcome this afternoon.

Unfortunately, over the past few years, the famous Welshmen have only been met once each season, home and away alternately. Indeed, the fixture at Cardiff last season had to be cancelled because the ground was unfit.

Cardiff's last visit to Kingsholm was on Saturday, April 3, 1971, when Gloucester ran out winners by 15 points to 6. Oddly enough, the previous home game, on Wednesday, September 25, 1968, brought exactly the same result, so Cardiff will be extremely keen to exact vengeance for those two defeats this afternoon. We look forward, then, to an exciting and entertaining game !

Hearty congratulations to the lads on setting up an all-time club record for points scored in a season. Their easy victory over Clifton last Monday evening at Eastfield Road brought their tally for this season to 894 points—12 more than the previous highest achieved under Dick Smith's captaincy four years ago. They should now have little difficulty in reaching the 1,000 mark, a target already passed by the brilliant United side at the end of last month.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

This afternoon the St. John's Ambulance men make their annual collection. Ken Sparrow and his lads are "on parade" for all matches, come fair weather or foul, giving their services so unsparingly and they deserve a bumper collection. We know you will give them generous support.

Gloucester is one of the two guest clubs for this season's Middlesex "Sevens" at Twickenham on Saturday, May 5, and a few tickets for this big occasion are available at the office on the ground this afternoon.

Gloucester's next home game is against New Brighton next Saturday week, April 21, but before then there is a feast of rugger as follows.

WED., April 11, at the Athletic Ground CHELTENHAM v. GLOUCESTER
MON., April 16, at Kingsholm N.G.C. JUNIOR CUP FINAL

(Finalists not known yet, but four semi-finalists are Old Richians, Gloucester Old Boys, Gordon League and Matson).

TUES., April 17, at Kingsholm GLOUCESTER UNITED v. GLOS. POLICE

WED., April 18, at Kingsholm SENIOR CUP FINAL (Gordon League v. Matson)

THUR., April 19, at Regentsholme LYDNEY v. GLOUCESTER

All the above have a 7 p.m. kick-off except for the Lydney match, which starts at 6.15 p.m. And at Innsworth on TUESDAY afternoon, April 17, (kick-off 3 p.m.), Innsworth meet Wittering (Northants) in the final of the R.A.F. National Rugby Cup competition.

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