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Saturday, November 15th.

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In welcoming the "Tigers" of Leicester to our midst we salute one of the greatest of English clubs. Formed in 1880, some 57 years after William Webb Ellis first ran with the ball at Rugby, at a meeting of three smaller clubs who banded themselves into one. Some forty playing members were enrolled and A. E. Brice was elected captain, but since there were so few rugby clubs that could be challenged in the area, association football was played on alternate Saturdays.

Home matches were played on the Belgrave Cycle and Cricket ground and players were asked to pay an annual subscription of five shillings. those early days the Club has grown from

strength to strength, and built up for itself a magnificent reputation for all that is good in the game. Their present home at Welford Road, was opened in September, 1892, and for many years prior to the opening of Twickenham was recognised as the best rugby enclosure in England.

About three years later Mr. T. H. Crumbie took over the post of honorary secretary and so was created one of the greatest figures in the history of the Leicester Club. He held the post until 1928 and never missed a single club match during his 33 years of office. When he retired, Mr. J. T. Thorneloe took his place and he has carried on in the grand tradition.

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At the end of the 1939 season, the "Tigers" had played 126 matches in Wales against Newport, Swansea, Cardiff, Llanelly, Neath, Aberavon, Treherbert, Mountain Ash, Penarth and Pontypool, and had won only 7 of them! Their 26

visits to Cardiff had produced only one victory during the 1919-20 season. The two visits since the War have resulted in wins for Cardiff, but last season the game was played on a carpet of snow which covered the Arms Park.

In these unique conditions we saw some of the season's best rugby. Good humour and good play was the order of the day and after their splendid sportsmanship in this match Cardiff will welcome the "Tigers" to-day, and look forward to another enjoyable game.

However, the calls of the Combined Leicester and East Midlands XV, who



to-day meet the Australians, will rob the side of many of its best players. E. Watkins (full-back), B. R. Ellis and D. Rees (wings), W. K. T. Moore (inside half), and D. Bolesworth, E. Neal, H. P. Hughes and H. P. Jerwood who is captain in the forwards. Eight of the players will thus be reserves and not provide a full test for the Cardiff team, now rightly acclaimed as the best in the four countries, including the Wallabies.

Cardiff as a team were in splendid form last Saturday on the Rodney Parade, in defeating Newport by 12 points to nil. Tanner and Cleaver between them dominated the scene, and Bleddyn Williams joined by Gwyn Martin playing his first game of the season for the 1st XV were in devastating form. It required all Newport's efforts to hold them.

The Cardiff forwards continue to play well, and look the complete pack. Roy Roberts touched his best form, and the two bald heads in the back row, Les Manfield and Gwyn Evans, were here, there and everywhere.

Writing in the Sunday Chronicle last Sunday, rugby critic David Owen said, "Cardiff maintained their successful course through the hazardous waters of Welsh club rugby in defeating Newport in the top club match of the day. It was a game of thrills, but Cardiff always held the upper hand with their vastly superior attacking backs. Tanner at the base of the scrum, continues to dominate every game in which he plays, and when he retires Wales will lose their greatest player of the day."

How true these words are, and we wish Tanner many more seasons of active service. Bleddyn Williams is to start a new career in the transport world at Bristol next month. His present employer, Mr. G. V. Wynne Jones, has kindly released him to start as traffic manager with the Almondsbury Engineering Company on December 1. However, though he and his family will live outside Bristol, he will continue to play for Cardiff. As Bleddyn said, "I never want to leave the ranks of the Cardiff club, which is the best in the world."

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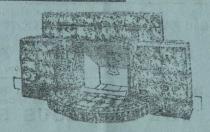
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- (3) Illegal tackling, pushing, charging or obstructing.
- (b) Misconduct.

Penalty for (a) and (b):—The Referee shall award a penalty kick at the place of infringement (subject to Law 20 (f)), and on the first offence shall either caution the player or order him off the playing-

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NOTE.—The attention of Referees is drawn to this Law covering "obstruction" or "interference," which must be very sharply dealt with, as there is a tendency amongst players to risk a penalty kick in order to gain or save a try by unfair play.

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