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CARDIFF ARMS PARK

CARDIFF

v.

CHELTENHAM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1957

Kick-off 3.30 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME • 3d.

IRELAND v. WALES

at CARDIFF ARMS PARK, 9th MARCH, 1957.

The allocation of tickets received for the above match by the Cardiff Rugby Football Club is:—

STAND 720. ENCLOSURE 400 FIELD 3,200.

A Ballot will be held at the Club Offices on Monday, 11th February and Tuesday, 12th February, commencing at 10-30 a.m. for Stand and Enclosure tickets.

The names of all those Stand and Enclosure ticket holders who were unsuccessful in the Ballot for the England v. Wales match will automatically be entered. Those successful will be notified by the 15th February.

FIELD TICKETS.

A Notice regarding the distribution of the Field tickets will appear in the Press on the 23rd and 25th February, 1957.

Welcome to Cheltenham

By THE EDITOR.

With a good record of achievement against Welsh clubs this season, Cheltenham are welcome visitors to the Arms Park today, and despite heavy going we all expect a fast, open game. Cheltenham play the open game cleverly behind a storming pack of forwards, and Cardiff will feel the absence of the star players on international duty at Edinburgh today. West Country Rugby fosters a vigorous forward spirit and their contribution to English team's since the war has been considerable. Being so near to Wales, West Country clubs such as Cheltenham know the Welsh style of

play—and the ability of Welsh clubs—better than most. Which is one of the reasons why Gloucestershire clubs invariably do well across the border. Cheltenham lost narrowly at Pontypridd last week, but such deviations from their true strength disguise their power for the big occasion.

Congratulations to Lloyd Williams, Cardiff's newest international cap winner and a worthy wearer of the scarlet jersey at Murrayfield today. Had the Welsh selectors been present at Aberavon last Saturday they would have seen how



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magnificently and fearlessly Lloyd played against the tearaway "Wizards" pack. He took an unmerciful hammering and stood up to it all. So, no matter how badly the Welsh pack fare today, we can be secure in the knowledge that Lloyd will never be afraid to fall at the toe-caps of the scourging Scottish forwards when Murrayfield booms with the zestful cry of "Feet! Feet!" This is the fifth Cardiff club half-back partnership since the war, following the couplings of Tanner-Bleddyn Williams, Tanner-Cleaver, Willis-Cleaver and Willis-Morgan. It is a great ordeal for Lloyd, but one we are sure he will emerge with Welsh approval despite the haunting reputation of Murrayfield as the "graveyard" of Welsh hopes.

Cliff Morgan, of course retains his fly-half place in the Welsh team with club vice-captain Gareth Griffiths in the centre. These two brilliant mid-field runners can help Wales to win today—we well hope they will! There will be the usual scattering of portable radio sets around the Arms Park enclosures to keep the faithful "regulars" acquainted with the momentous news of the Murrayfield

"maul" in what is expected to be a mud-bath! Cardiff's experienced, twice-capped hooker, Geoff Beckingham, is also in Edinburgh, standing by as reserve for Bryn Meredith. Should Bryn be kidnapped by over-zealous and fanatically partisan Scots' supporters, they may find to their cost that they should have whipped away Geoff as well! Cardiff know they will miss his quick-striking today against Cheltenham's hard scrummagers.

Next Saturday Cardiff receive more popular visitors in the London Welsh, who always give the "Blue and Blacks" a hard, open game. Then, of course, on February 16th, Peter Goodfellow's team visit Rodney Parade for the third match of the winter against Malcolm Thomas's Newport side. And on the last Saturday in February comes the eagerly awaited visit to Stradey Park, where Cardiff seek the "double" over a powerful Llanelli side, whose impressive performances have dominated Welsh Rugby recently. That game promises to be the highlight of the second half of the season, and Cardiff supporters are sure to be on the Llanelli-bound trains in force on February 23rd.

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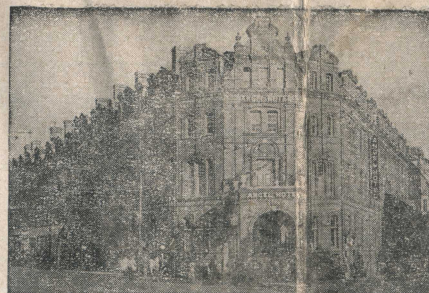
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| *2 | G. JOHN |
| 6 | K. RICHARDS |
| 7 | B. MARK |
| 8 | J. D. EVANS |
| 9 | T. DONOVAN |
| 10 | C. HOWE |
| 11 | M. GOUGH |
| 12 | W. R. EVANS |
| 13 | J. D. NELSON |
| 14 | P. GOODFELLOW (Capt) |
| 15 | E. THOMAS |
| Reserves: G. ROWLANDS,
D. J. DODD, K. JONES | |

*—Internationals.

Full Back

Left Wing	Right Wing
Left Centre	Right Centre
Right Centre	Left Centre
Right Wing	Left Wing

Outside Half
Inside Half

Forwards



CHELTENHAM

- | | |
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| D. HARVEY | 1 |
| K. JAMES | 2 |
| P. CLEWS | 3 |
| G. F. CROSBY | 4 |
| R. BEAMISH | 5 |
| K. M. WALTER | 6 |
| D. WALTER | 7 |
| A. TOWNSEND | 8 |
| J. B. THOMAS | 9 |
| R. ADAMS (Capt.) | 10 |
| G. HOLLAND | 11 |
| H. G. WELLS | 12 |
| M. J. G. PLESTER | 13 |
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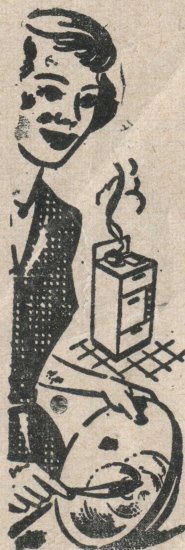
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Sept. 1—Germany	h 25-0		1957		
5—Cardiff & District	h —		Jan. 1—Watsonians	a 12-8	
8—Penarth	h 26-5		5—Moseley	a 11-13	
12—Bridgend	h 28-5		12—Bristol	h 8-14	
15—Coventry	a 14-3		19—Bath	a 21-16	
17—Leicester	a 18-9		26—Aberavon	a 8-6	
22—Aberavon	h 8-3		Feb. 2—Cheltenham	h —	
27—Pontypool	a —		9—London Welsh	h —	
29—Llanelly	h 21-13		16—Newport	a —	
Oct. 3—Italy	h 8-3		23—Llanelly	a —	
6—Newport	a 6-6		Mar. 2—Newport	h —	
10—Swansea	h 24-6		9—Cheltenham	a —	
13—Halifax	h 36-14		16—Coventry	h —	
15—Bective Rangers	h 8-6		23—Gloucester	h —	
20—Cambridge	h 19-9		30—Neath	a —	
27—Neath	h 17-6		April 3—Penarth	a —	
Nov. 3—Oxford	a 6-3		6—Pontypool	h —	
10—Newport	h 6-5		10—Bridgend	a —	
17—Wasps	a 16-5		13—Gloucester	a —	
24—Blackheath	h 16-6		20—Barbarians	h —	
Dec. 1—Swansea	a 3-6		22—Harlequins	h —	
8—Harlequins	a 11-17		23—Northampton	h —	
15—Rosslyn Park	h 16-0		27—Penzance	a —	
22—Bristol	a —		29—Camborne	a —	
26—Wasps	h 19-0		30—St. Ives	a —	
27—Watsonians	h —				

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