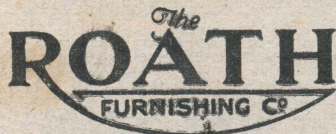


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## TO-DAY'S MATCH.

By THE EDITOR.

The Rugby season is certainly getting a good send-off at the Cardiff Arms Park this month. Already there have been three trial matches and four 1st XV matches. To-day's game is the fifth and members and supporters cannot complain that they are not being entertained! In remaining unbeaten Cardiff have scored 115 points against 11—which is one of the best starts made by the Club for many years. Again the famous "Rags" or Athletic XV are also unbeaten. Thus if September is

any criterion, the Club are in for a great year.

However, there are some hard matches on the way. The week-end tour of the Midlands, against such tough opponents as Coventry and Leicester, will test the side to the full. During October there are games with Newport, Pontypool, Gloucester and Llanelli, not to mention an Irish Tour. Thus if the side is unbeaten by November 1st, they will have satisfied all the critics.

Some have written saying that the fixture list is not strong enough, and that the 47-0 victory over Plymouth on Saturday suggests that more Welsh clubs should be brought into the fixture list.

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To-day's visitors are from Cheltenham, a team with a fine record in West Country football. They are good friends of the club and players past and present will have reason to remember their generous hospitality on visits to

Cheltenham. At full-back will be the Welshman S. T. J. Walter, who is a long and accurate kicker. Many of the players are County men, and it is a pity that at long last the name of Tom Price disappears from the team list. A grand forward and a great servant of the game. The pack however is still a strong one and one notices that it includes a Cambridge "Blue" in A. P. de Nobriga.

Cardiff's policy of trying to give everyone a game, brings in another new face in W. J. Samuel, at full-back, who did well in the Trials. This enables John Llewellyn to have a rest. Also being rested so as to be fresh for the week-end Tour

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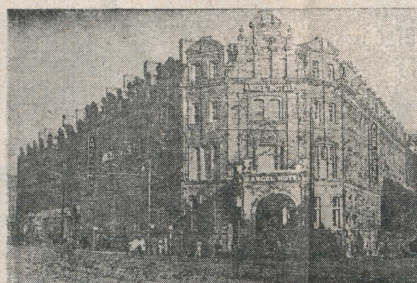
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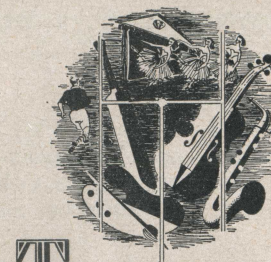
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W. G. McCarthy has joined the Army for his National Service and at the moment is at Maindy Barracks. Dr. Gwyn Rowlands is now with the R.A.F. Gareth Griffiths is shortly to leave the R.A.F. and take a teaching course at St. Luke's College, Exeter.

### WELSH RUGBY UNION.

The Welsh Rugby Union wish to announce that they will be publishing this month an official souvenir book to commemorate the winning of the Triple Crown last season. Edited by J. B. G. Thomas, of the *Western Mail*, it will contain the history of the Triple Crown, together with photographs of the team and special articles by famous names in Welsh Rugby. The book will cost 2/- (postage 3d. extra). Order your copy now from the *Western Mail* or any Welsh Rugby Union Club.

### IMPORTANT

The attention of season ticket holders is drawn to the following alterations in the fixture lists included in the season tickets issued for 1952-53.

Please insert extra date in 1st XV list, Northampton (away), November 3rd, 1952.

In International list, Scotland v. Wales at Murrayfield on February 7 and not 14 as stated.

The Welsh Schoolboys will play England at Cardiff on February 28 and not March 14 as stated.

Of special interest this month will be the visit of the French "veterans" to Cardiff on Friday, September 26th. They will do 'battle' against the Cardiff veterans for the championship of the world, which is now held by the Welshmen. It will be an evening game and tickets are on sale now and can be obtained from Cardiff committeemen or from the Club office.

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Sept. 3—Cardiff and District	h22—0	Jan. 3—Moseley	a.....
„ 6—Neath	h21—3	„ 10—Aberavon	h.....
„ 10—Penarth	h25—8	„ 17—Bath	a.....
„ 13—Plymouth	h47—0	„ 24—Swansea	h.....
„ 17—Cheltenham	h.....	„ 31—Aberavon	a.....
„ 20—Coventry	a.....	Feb. 7—Bristol	h.....
„ 22—Leicester	a.....	„ 14—London Welsh	a.....
„ 27—Cognac and Nantes	h.....	„ 21—Newport	a.....
Oct. 4—Newport	a.....	„ 28—Gloucester	a.....
„ 6—Belvedere	a.....	Mar. 7—Newport	h.....
„ 7—Limerick	a.....	„ 14—Penarth	a.....
„ 11—Pontypool	h.....	„ 21—Coventry	h.....
„ 18—Gloucester	h.....	„ 26—Birkenhead Park	a.....
„ 25—Llanelly	a.....	„ 28—Sale	a.....
Nov. 1—Oxford University	a.....	Apr. 4—Barbarians	h.....
„ 3—Northampton	a.....	„ 6—Harlequins	h.....
„ 8—Newport	h.....	„ 7—Northampton	h.....
„ 15—Wasps	a.....	„ 11—Devonport Services	a.....
„ 22—Llanelly	h.....	„ 13—Penzance	a.....
„ 29—Neath	a.....	„ 14—St. Ives	a.....
Dec. 6—Bristol	a.....	„ 18—Pontypool	a.....
„ 13—Cambridge Univ.	h.....	„ 25—Cheltenham	a.....
„ 20—Swansea	a.....	„ 29—Bridgend	h.....
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