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THE BATTLE OF THE UNBEATENS!

By THE EDITOR.

The Arms Park today promises to stage a thriller today, between two unbeaten sides, Cardiff and Pontypool. Last Saturday there was a match of a similar nature between Cardiff and Newport at Rodney Parade and Cardiff won. What will happen today? Pontypool and a strong side even if international

Allan Forward is not available. Still even Arms Park will not regret the passing of the Cardiff record, if the game is worthy of the occasion!

To-day will be a welcome opportunity to welcome back the conquering heroes from Ireland. There is no doubt that the reputation of the Cardiff Club has never stood higher throughout the world. After the close of second match in Ireland, against Young Munster, the large crowd stood and cheered them off the field. It was a high tribute.

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Star of the tour was Cliff Morgan whose play gained the ready admiration of Irish star Jackie Kyle. However, all the side played well and the Irish press had nothing but praise for them. However, all the club, officials and players, say they had a wonderful time. Mr. Brice Jenkins who headed the party, said the hospitality was overwhelming, and the Irish people wanted the Cardiff club back again, this season if possible!

The saga of the Cardiff record goes on. Last Saturday it was a fine win over Newport in a hard and exciting match. The accurate kicking of Big Bill Tamplin carried the

day. During the week, he was honoured with the captaincy of the first-ever Welsh Police XV and it was fitting that this loyal player should have been chosen.

Unfortunately Sid Judd, as well as D. Murphy, was injured on tour. He will be out of the game for a few weeks. Thus he joins his captain Rex Willis. However, the Club is fortunate in having Bleddyn Williams and Bill Tamplin to take over the reins.

Finally before we leave the "Irish question", all the players would like to pay a special tribute to the true British "Lion" Tom Clifford,

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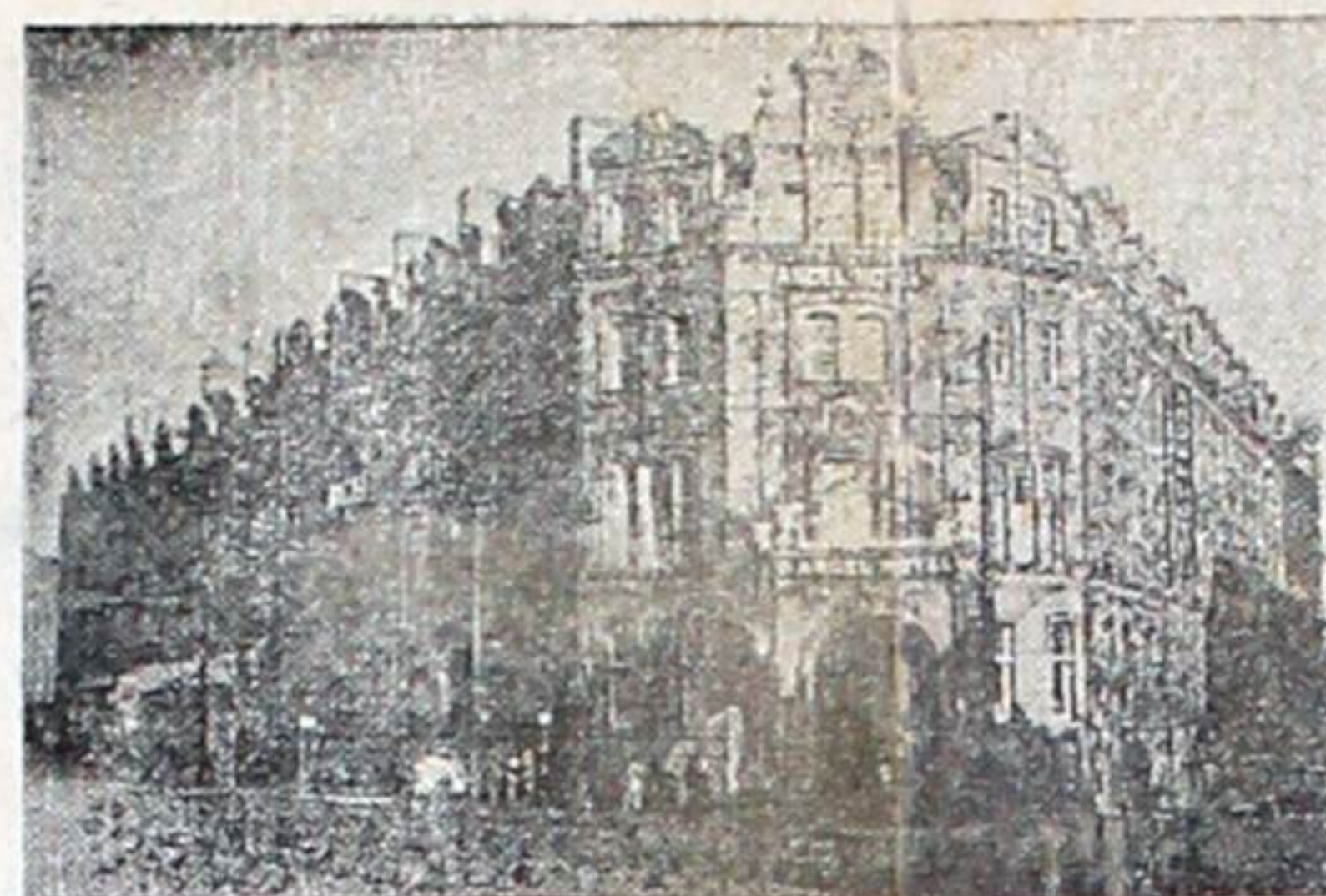
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A. G. SMITH	7	Inside Half
		Forwards
T. MATTHEWS (Capt.)	8	
C. M. HOWE	9	
R. BAKER	10	
C. LEWIS	11	
R. PROSSER	12	
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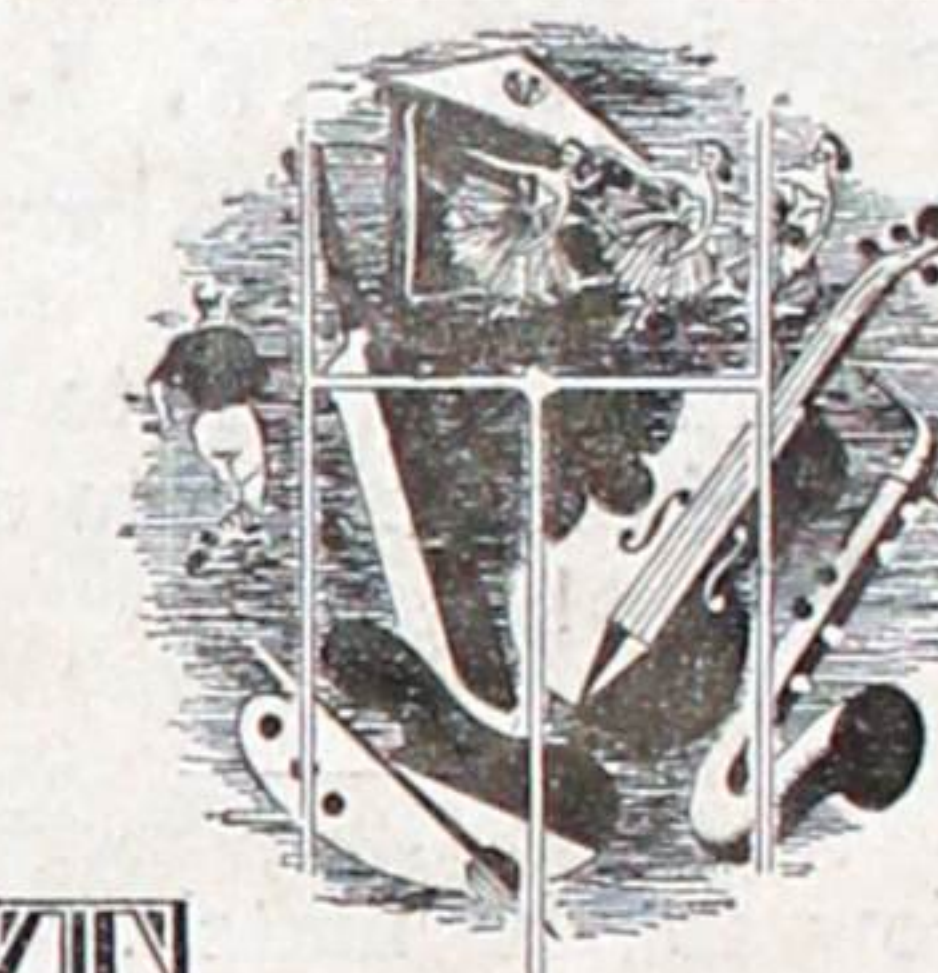


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who worked so hard to ensure the success of the Cardiff tour. He was a great host!

Now to the match. Pontypool have experienced players in L. Arnold at full-back, J. Davies at centre and A. G. Smith at scrum-half. With them are promising youngsters like J. Jones and D. Richards on the wings and Glyn Jones at outside half. In a pack of powerful tearaway forwards, Cardiff have learned to respect the play of T. Matthews, R. Baker, D. Dando and A. Forward.

Cardiff will be almost at full strength and it is the hope of all followers that they will not be too tired after their Irish Tour.

THE ATHLETIC.

Last week's win by Stan Bowes' "Rags" over Newport United came in the "Nick" of time. It was left to left winger Nick Velliadis, former Barry player, to score the winning try after Gorden Wells had made one of his dashing runs and cross-kicked. Nick might well have been excused had he failed to score for he overran a bad ankle-high pass, but turned round, gathered, shook off a

tackle and then over for one of the most unusual tries for a long time. Nick's turn in the first team is not far off. At school he was the "man of iron" as all who attempt to tackle him will willingly testify!

Colin Hewett and Alan Greedy looked a smooth working half-back partnership, Hewett throwing out a long, accurate service that gave Greedy every chance to use his speed off the mark and eye for an opening. Hewett is developing along the right lines and would gain a place with any first class club in the country. There is no doubting his talent and first-class experience is all that is needed.

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.

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1952	Result F. A.	1953	Result F. A.
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 3—0	„ 31—Aberavon	a
„ 20—Coventry	a13—3	Feb. 7—Bristol	h
„ 22—Leicester	a 9—6	„ 14—London Welsh	a
„ 27—Cognac and Nantes	h37—11	„ 21—Newport	a
Oct. 4—Newport	a 9—3	„ 28—Gloucester	a
„ 6—Belvedere	a 9—8	Mar. 7—Newport	h
„ 7—Limerick	a31—17	„ 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
„ 26—Wasps	h		
„ 27—Watsonians	h		

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