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SATURDAY, 13th OCTOBER, 1973

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Know the Laws

by FRED CROSTER

The Japs have come, the Japs have gone now. They had a trouncing, that was to be expected. They learned a lot. Did we learn anything from them? That is a question to be asked.

One thing which those who refereed them learned and which those who played against them and watched their matches might well have learned was their knowledge of the laws and the spirit with which they observed them.

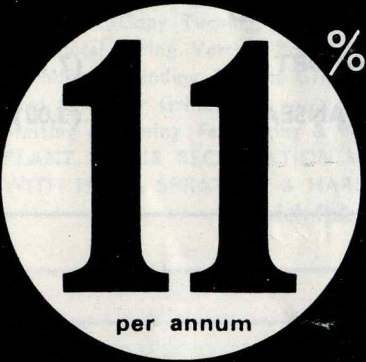
I was with them quite a bit and without doubt they were the most disciplined bunch of tourists ever to visit these shores. All credit to them in that respect.

A number of members were asking on Saturday last about the ploy to throw the ball over the back of the line in order to try to gain possession and reduce the disadvantage of their lack of height. How did this conform with the law? The fact that the Welsh pack did little to counter this move was another thing.

The Law is quite specific. Law 23, section 12 to be precise. I quote: "The line-out ends when....."

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the ball is thrown beyond the furthest player, or the ball becomes unplayable". This is the clause which applies.

As soon as the ball was over the head of the last player in the line the relevant laws re 'offside' etc., did not apply and it was quite in order. Exactly as they did. It would pay many other teams to read these laws.



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| Date | Opponents | Venue | Result |
|---------|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|
| 1973 | | | |
| Sept. 1 | Cognac | H | 56-0 |
| 5 | Ebbw Vale | H | 8-8 |
| 8 | Blackheath | H | 23-9 |
| 10 | Paignton | A | 28-6 |
| 12 | Bristol | H | 30-3 |
| 15 | Coventry | A | 16-20 |
| 19 | Pontypool | H | 27-9 |
| 22 | Neath | H | 11-7 |
| 29 | Aberavon | H | 18-6 |
| Oct 3 | Penarth | A | 29-13 |
| 5 | Newport | A | 16-6 |
| 10 | Northern Suburbs (N.S.W.) All Pay | H | 44-6 |
| 13 | Northampton | H | |
| 17 | Ebbw Vale | A | |
| 20 | Cambridge Univ. | H | |
| 24 | Pontypool | A | |
| 27 | Harlequins | A | |
| 31 | Bridgend | H | |
| Nov. 3 | Oxford University | A | |
| 9 | Newport | H | |
| 11 | Clermont Ferrand | A | |
| 17 | Wasps | A | |
| 24 | Llanelli | A | |

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|--------|--------------|---|--|
| Dec. 1 | Swansea | H | |
| 8 | Maesteg | A | |
| 15 | London Welsh | H | |
| 22 | Moseley | A | |
| 26 | Pontypridd | H | |
| 27 | Watsonians | H | |
| 29 | Abertillery | A | |

1974

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|---------|-----------------|---|--|
| Jan. 12 | Coventry | H | |
| 18 | Heriots F. P. | H | |
| 26 | Aberavon | A | |
| Feb. 2 | Bective Rangers | A | |
| 9 | Bristol | A | |
| 23 | Llanelli | H | |
| Mar. 2 | Newbridge | H | |
| 9 | Newport | A | |
| 16 | London Welsh | A | |
| 20 | Bridgend | A | |
| 23 | Newport | H | |
| 30 | Swansea | A | |
| Apr. 6 | Gloucester | H | |
| 13 | Barbarians | H | |
| 15 | Harlequins | H | |
| 20 | Neath | A | |
| 27 | Cornish Tour | A | |

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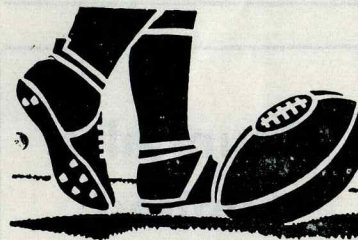
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