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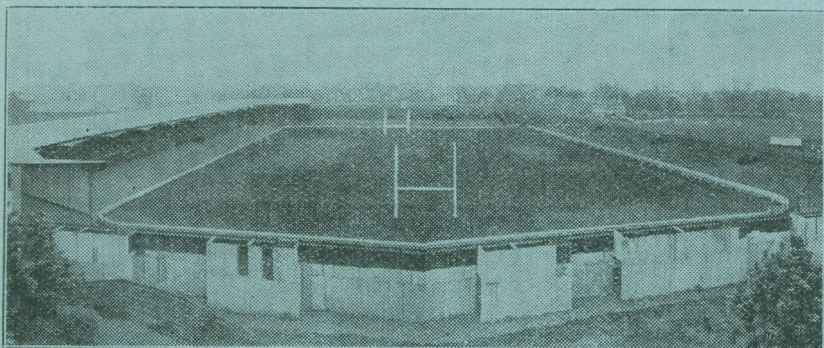
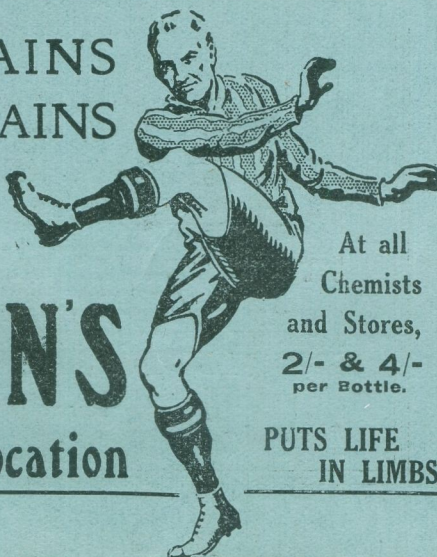


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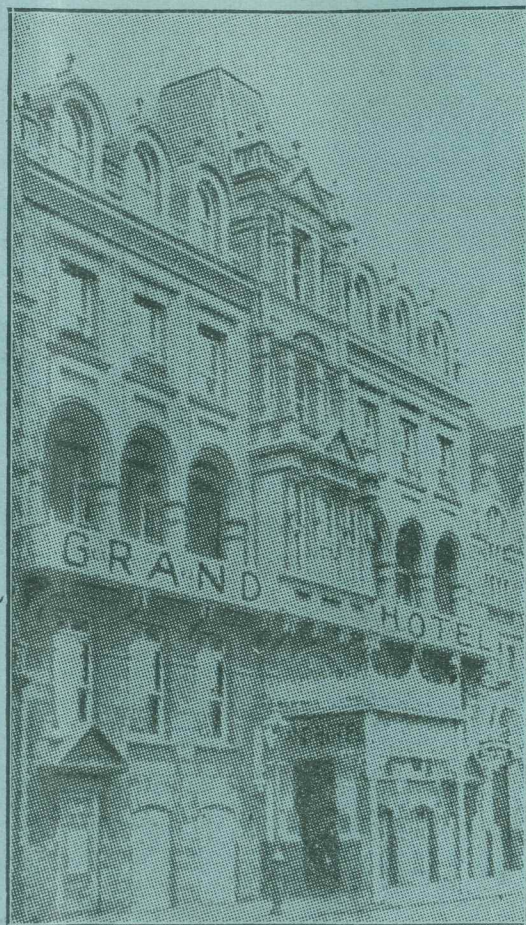
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Play and Players.

We do not propose this season to include under this heading any extensive references to the home fixtures, as the incidents will be easily remembered by those attending the matches, but personal parts of interest will always be published. More space will be devoted to the away matches, where the "doings" of the boys will be known only to a few, and in this connection we append a few notes on the trip to Weston last Saturday from an enthusiast, who has adopted the classical *nom-de-plume* of "Farceur," which in plain English means *Joker*. This new writer is keen on the personal and human side of football—he studies the whims and peculiarities of the "boys." We feel that the social side of the footballer's life has not been made enough of—perhaps lost in the glamour and the too business-like nature of our sport to-day. Those sporting the Blue and Black jerseys are very human like the rest of us, and their potentialities in the dressing room, on the ground, in the train, and at little *do's* will be dealt with weekly by this facetious Farceur.

We will dismiss the Pontypool match with an expression of disappointment at the all-round form shown following the heights to which the team attained on the previous Saturday against Bridgend. These lapses of form will inevitably happen and, of course, are advertised far and wide. The rain had a lot to do with the play, especially effective handling, but the Pontypool team, in which several promising youths appeared, saw to it that the Cardiff pack was worsted, but they also robbed themselves of the possibility of a victory by indulging in kicking, and showing an

utter lack of confidence in the aggressive power of their backs.

Weston-super-Mare v. Cardiff.

BY FARCEUR.

Cardiff journeyed to Weston by boat, and suffered no sick casualties en route. The team, which received a good reception, was captained by Danny Davies, whilst Trevor Arnott led the pack.

Nautically speaking, Weston were beaten 'fore and aft,' and Cardiff full value for the win of 13 points to 3. Weston turned out a hefty pack, but they played in an "Agricultural" or raw fashion, and as the game wore on, the all-round experience of Cardiff told, for with the visiting eight heeling well, Weston's line was always in danger from Cardiff's attacking backs.

Cardiff's team work was good and, curiously enough, all three tries were scored by policemen, to wit, J. H. John, E. Marsh and A. R. Rickards. The latter's try was 'made' by Trevor Arnott, who terminated a great dash by a judicious cross kick into the hands of Rickards, who had no difficulty in scoring. A. Williams, the new full-back, converted two tries, and played a sound game.

Sad to relate, two Cardiff forwards, T. Arnott and 'Wally' Palmer, were the recipients of discoloured optics.

Said Trevor to 'Wally,' "Ar(e) not(t) my eyes a joy to behold?" To which 'Wally' replied, "You cannot Palm-er (a) line like that on me! My eyes are also 'red-tinted,' whilst yours, Trevor, Ar(e) not(t)."

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We welcome L. J. Corbett and his merry men into our midst this afternoon, and trust that we shall have a game worthy of the traditions of the two teams. We regret the absence of R. W. Pickles and T. G. Spoors—two fine backs—who we understand are just recovering from serious illnesses. There are some fresh names in the visiting team, but the new blood will doubtless be inspired by the famous English threequarter, Corbett, who captains the Bristolians this season. We are again deprived of the opportunity of seeing Dr. P. G. Evans operating for Bristol, but we are glad to renew our acquaintance with some of the old warriors in the persons of Shaw, Coventry, Hore, Norman, Carter, Tucker, Stinchcombe, and Quick. Last Saturday against Clifton, the captain, Corbett, started at full back, but subsequently went to the centre to revolutionise the play and pile on tries. We shall have to kindly ask him to reverse matters to-day, if Bristol start some scoring capers, as they have done often against Cardiff since the War. Owing to the similarity in jerseys, Bristol play in White to-day.

Do You Know—

That although the initials of our Ex-Captain, Danny Davies, provide ominous reading—D.E.D.—he is quite a "live wire" in re-hearsing incidents both on and off the field of play.

That the Committee are getting Blue and Black in the face in trying to

squeeze about fifty players into thirty places, and they certainly think it is ridiculous choosing Barrell without putting in Porter.

That certain Press critics, after picking all the faults they can in Cardiff's two-team venture, may turn their attention towards the Glamorgan Wanderers, who have only four or five teams in the field each Saturday.

That Coventry, the surprise team of last year, are already on the warpath again, and their fondness for "big game" (vide their defeat of Cardiff last season) has again been amply demonstrated by overcoming the *Tigers* at Leicester on Saturday last.

That the Maoris forwards are called the "Dreadnought Pack" and are expecting a fairly easy time until they come to Wales, where they will probably meet packs who "dread nowt."

That the Maoris goal kicker is a parson named Matene (in English, Martin), so we are now looking forward with increased pleasure to the time "When Martin comes."

That when Trevor Arnott added a try to the high scoring in the game against the District XV a wag behind the post shouted, "When are you going to declare, Trevor?"

That the Turnbells are one of the finest sporting families that the annals of sport have produced in Wales, and that their favourite colours are Blue (Cambridge), and Red (Welsh International).

That Mr. T. Bennett, the referee in the Bristol match, is a vice-president of the Welsh Rugby Union in virtue of his great work for junior football

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Competition No. 2

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Result of Competition No. 1

In the "Spotting" Competition last week, the mis-spelt words were:—Pavillion for Pavilion (Marshall's advt.) and Accesories for Accessories (Ingram Rees' advt.). A few incorrect solutions were received, but the vast majority were correct, and the "draw" from the hat made by Mr. Joe Hopkins, a member of the Committee, resulted in the prize being awarded to Mr. W. J. Ware, 23, Beresford Road, Cardiff.

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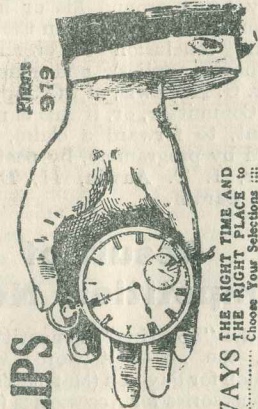
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Kick-off
3.30 p.m.

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F. Lee (M) A. R. Rickards (N) K. R. Turnbull (O) W. Palmer (P)
Inside Half : W. J. Delahay, Capt. (F) Outside Half : Gwyn Richards (G)
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OUR JUNIOR & EX-SCHOOLBOY TEAMS.

Both of these were engaged on our ground on Saturday, and as we knew the opposition, we were looking to them as a real test for our lads. We are pleased to record that in each case we have to record victories. Our Senior team met Taffs Well, who were the heavier team, and included some of their first team, among them a popular ex-player of the Cardiff Premier Team. The game throughout was keen, but as is always the case with our Taffs Well friends, of a pleasant sporting nature. Each team did their best to open out the play, but as the score reads, our visitors had to submit to a clever combination, the final score reading:—Supporters, 22 points; Taffs Well, nil.

Our Ex-Schoolboy team were also at home to Elyn Juniors. Owing to the transfer of some of our lads to the Senior side, we were not so confident of their maintaining their great record of the last two years, but we have such a lot of new and promising talent again available that the season on which we have just entered is going to prove a brilliant success. Fortunately, this team has as its leader, the well-known Norman Fender, who although worthy of the first place in the Senior team, sportingly volunteered to remain with the young players. The value of this was proved on Saturday last, when under his guidance

they won a substantial victory, the final score being:—Supporters, 38 pts.; Elyn, nil.

PRIZE DRAWING.

Tickets for this are now on sale, and as they are fixed at the very low price of threepence for very valuable prizes, we appeal to all sportsmen to assist us by purchasing one or more. The object should appeal to all Ruggerites. We have some really promising talent in both teams—in fact we have a large number of lads for whom it is impossible to find places. Numerous inducements have been made to these players to join other teams, but up to now they have remained loyal to us. If we are to retain them, however, we must be supported financially, as the purchase of outfits, cost of train fares, and our great undertaking in leasing a ground, are very heavy items, but we have such confidence in our sporting friends that we intend carrying on with the work of producing players worthy, sooner or later, of filling vacant positions in the Athletic Club teams.

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Schoolboy Notes.

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St. Alban's commenced the season well with a 19 point victory over South Church Street at Splott Park. Hurley was responsible for three of the tries, and gives promise of developing into a good player. In fact the selectors of the Cardiff Boys' team would be well advised to watch closely the play of a number of the St. Alban's boys, with a view to their inclusion in the side to represent Cardiff.

In accordance with ancient tradition, Ninian Park and Highfield had a rare struggle for points at Highfield. The Park managed to win, but they will have to improve tremendously before they can hope to accomplish what is expected from the boys of that school. The honours of the game really belonged to Highfields, who are to be congratulated on the excellence of their teams, year after year. The school is one of the smallest in the City, but its team always presents a danger to schools which are many times larger.

Court Road and St. David's had an hour of strenuous endeavour on the ground of the Grange Athletic Club,

but no scoring resulted. Both sets of boys played vigorous football, and after a little more training should become very useful sides.

St. David's obviously felt the lack of a boy like Regan, who last season held the side together so well, and who is already proving himself a great asset to the Supporters' junior team.

Some time ago a lad named Ellery, of St. Alban's, prominent in his school football and baseball teams, died very suddenly. Mr. Ingram Rees has kindly presented a football, which is being raffled among the schools, in order that the boys may show to the poor lad's mother their practical sympathy in her sad loss. The draw for the ball will take place on Oct. 11th.

OVAL.

Athletic Club President's Bereavement.

The highly esteemed president of the Athletic Club, Mr. W. T. Morgan—than whom a more popular sportsman does not exist—has suffered a very sad bereavement this week through the death of his wife. We feel sure that all habitues of the Park, committee and players, and sportsmen generally everywhere will join with us in extending Mr. Morgan and his family our most sincere sympathy in their great and irreparable loss.

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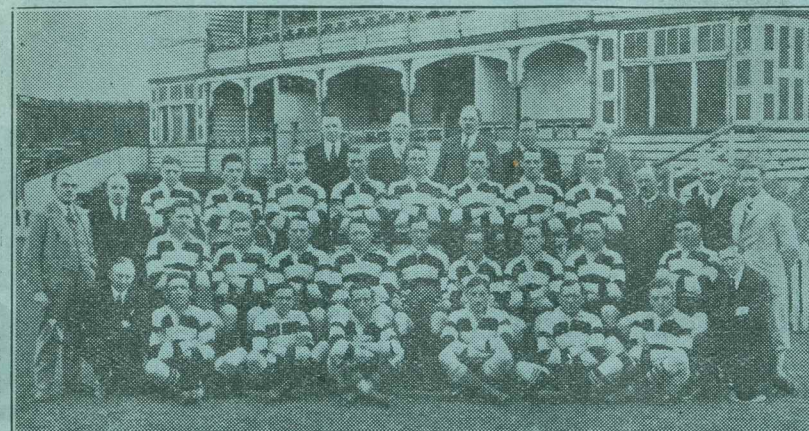
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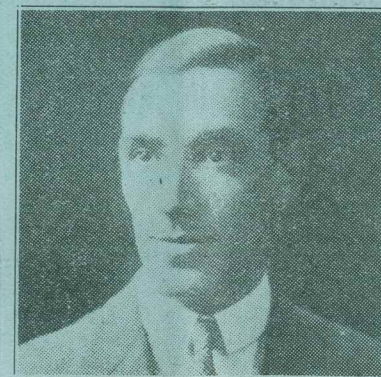
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" 18	Pontypool	h	0 .. 0	" 23	Moseley	h
" 25	Weston-S-Mare	a	13 .. 3	" 30	Gloucester	h
	Bristol	h		Treherbert	a
	Skewen	h		Blackheath	a
	Pill Harriers	h		Maesteg	h
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					Swansea	h
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