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Cardiff v. Coventry

Our visitors today require no introduction to any Rugby follower for if one was asked to nominate the leading English Clubs since the War the name of Coventry would stand high on every list. The fact that on Wednesday last they only just defeated Rugby by 8-3 will not mislead anybody, particularly the Cardiff players who know that the Coventry side will always supply stern opposition. Invariably they have a formidable pack of Forwards and it is interesting to note that George Cole played at Scrum-half this week, so there will be no need to warn the Cardiff side about his prodigious kicking capabilities if he is selected today.

The Cardiff Team again has enforced changes from the side which defeated Bristol 19-9 on Wednesday, although the Pack remains intact. The absence of Billy Hullin, who was married yesterday, and the injury to Garry Samuels is aggravated by the fact that Gareth Edwards is playing for Roger Young's 15 in Ireland. However, he will be available next week which will ease the Selectors' injury worries. They have had plenty of scope for experiments recently, but there has always been a good record in the Club of reserves rising to the occasion, so let us hope that this proves the case today. There is certainly plenty of competition for places which is always a healthy sign.

With reference to this, a word about the Athletic 15 at this stage of the Season would not be out of place, for they have again made a most successful start, and have yet to taste defeat. They certainly showed the right spirit on Wednesday when they defeated Bristol United 15-10 in a lively and entertaining game. This victory was all the more meritorious for they lost skipper John Davies twenty minutes from time with a finger injury which will keep him out of the game for at least a fortnight. They were leading 10-5 at the time of his injury and kept up tremendous pressure until three minutes from the end when the Bristol team levelled. However, nothing daunted, the fourteen men hit back and John Harding scored a winning try in injury time with the last move of the game. Well done 'Rags'.

B.M.

Know the Laws - No. 24

by FRED CROSTER

Still on the new Law amendments, still on 'Kicking to Touch'. Some members and spectators may have read an article in one of our national daily papers, last Saturday, written incidentally by a well known London scribe, to the effect that the making of a 'Mark' was being used illegally as one method of being able to kick directly into touch.

It stated that if a 'mark' were made just outside the 25yd., line and the player then retired behind the 25yd., line to take the kick and that kick went directly into touch it was contrary to the Law and as such should be penalised.

This statement is entirely incorrect and as such must be rectified.

It is quite in order, within the Law, to do exactly this. The prohibited area is from his own 25yd., line to his opponents goal line. Although the 'mark' may have been made outside the 25, thus in this area, the act of retiring behind the line, into the permitted area, makes it possible to kick directly into touch and the consequent line-out would be where the ball crossed the touch line.

I was intrigued to learn of the idea at Swansea to use Red flags on the 25yd., line, to indicate the 'prohibited' zone. An excellent idea to me. Anything at all to simplify the implication of any of the Laws will only serve to help.

The W.R.U. did I understand mention this at a recent meeting and it would be a good thing if all clubs were to adopt this practice.

What then would Llanelli do, when they use all red flags normally? Les Spence' answer would help. Use white on the 25's. Shades of Swansea the 'All Whites', as someone else said.

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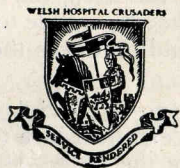
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| 12. R. DUGGAN | Left Centre |
| 11. P. L. JONES | Left Wing |
| 10. A. D. WILLIAMS | Outside Half |
| 9. A. CANHAM | Inside Half |
| 1. C. H. NORRIS (Capt.) I. | Forwards |
| 2. G. DAVIES | |
| 3. R. BEARD | |
| 4. M. BRAITHWAITE | |
| 5. I. ROBINSON | |
| 6. C. EVANS | |
| 8. J. HICKEY | |
| 7. E. WILLIAMS | |

Referee: D. M. DAVIES (Llanrhidian)



Coventry

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7	Welsh Academicals	H	30-0
11	Bridgend ..	H	6-11
14	London-Welsh	A	19-8
18	Bristol ..	H	19-9
21	Coventry ..	H	
25	Gloucester ..	A	
28	Aberavon ..	A	
Oct. 2	Penarth ..	A	
5	Newport ..	H	
9	Newbridge ..	H	
12	Northampton	A	
16	Pontypool ..	H	
19	Cambridge Univ.	A	
26	Galashiels ..	H	
Nov. 2	Oxford Univ.	H	
9	Newport ..	A	
16	Wasps ..	H	
23	Llanelli ..	H	
30	Ebbw Vale ..	H	
Dec. 7	Swansea ..	A	
11	South African Univ.	H	(All Pay)

14	Harlequins ..	A	
26	Liverpool ..	H	
27	Universities Ath. U.	H	
28	London-Welsh	H	

1969

Jan. 1	Galashiels ..	A	
2	Watsonians ..	A	
11	Coventry ..	A	
25	Aberavon ..	H	
Feb. 1	Pontypridd ..	H	
8	Bristol ..	A	
15	Newport ..	H	
22	Llanelli ..	A	
Mar. 1	Newport ..	A	
15	Swansea ..	H	
22	Penarth ..	H	
29	Headingley ..	A	
Apr. 5	Barbarians ..	H	
7	Harlequins ..	H	
14	Bridgend ..	A	
19	Liverpool ..	A	
21	Birkenhead Park	A	
22	Chester ..	A	
26	Sevens (All Pay)	H	
30	Pontypool ..	A	

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