

Cardiff - v - Chepstow  
Monday 18th April, 1932.

## RUGBY.

CARDIFF WIN AT  
CHEPSTOW.CLEVERNESS MATCHED  
BY GOOD DEFENCE.

By "USKSIDER."

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Cardiff .....	1	3	14
Chepstow .....	1	0	5

The visit of Cardiff to Chepstow on Monday evening gave unbounded satisfaction to the largest "gate" of the season, and provided an exciting and open game.

W. J. Delahay, who is home on holidays from Torquay, turned out for Cardiff, and showed that he has lost none of his old-time skill, even if he was not quite so speedy. He and Harry Bowcott were mainly responsible for keeping the game as bright and open as it was.

Cardiff's cleverness behind was met with stubborn defence by Chepstow, and in this respect none did better than G. S. Scarrott, the Chepstow right wing.

The Chepstow forwards, too, played a fine game, and although they were beaten at the scrummages they did very well in the loose.

Cardiff were the first to score when Bowcott cut through and gave to Graham Jones for the latter to score an unconverted try, but Chepstow quickly responded with a try by M. Hughes which J. C. Williams converted, thus giving them the lead at the interval. Cardiff's superiority became more pronounced after the interval, and tries were put on by Rex Morgan, G. V. Jones, and A. Clarke, one of which Tommy Stone converted.

Cardiff - v - Newport (Thursday)  
21st April, 1932.

HELP FOR AN OLD  
INTERNATIONAL.BRIGHT PLAY IN BENEFIT  
GAME.

By "USKSIDER."

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Newport .....	1	2	11
Cardiff .....	*1	1	6

\*Penalty.

Evidence of the esteem in which George Travers, the old Wales, Newport, and Pill Harriers forward, is held was forthcoming at the Newport Athletic Club on Thursday evening, when strong Cardiff and Newport sides opposed each other before about 9,000 spectators.

The ground was waterlogged, but the play was exciting. More mistakes were made than would probably have been made in an important match, but the spectators saw what they had paid to see—an exhibition of Rugby by two excellent sides.

Cardiff played W. D. B. Hopkins, the Cambridge "Blue," at inside half, and whilst he did not give Wetter the slip very often, he proved an excellent partner for Bowcott. The latter, however, could not settle down to the bad conditions and he was not so prominent as usual. Neither was Ralph, although he got by Bowcott very cleverly once or twice. Everson and Tommy Stone were an equally matched pair of full-backs, and Morley was the best of either set of three-quarters.

Naturally, the forwards were very often in the picture, and for Cardiff the most prominent were Barrell, Ivor Williams, and Clark. For Newport E. Davies, Hordern, Slade, and Danahar were the best.

After a brilliant bout of passing Newport took the lead when Morley got over after an equally brilliant dash for the line, Everson converting, and a minute later Ralph dribbled away to score the second try. After the interval Cardiff improved and Williams got over for a try. A few minutes later Stone kicked a penalty goal, but just before the end Morley put the issue beyond all doubt with a try.

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Cardiff - v. Penarth 23rd April, 1932.

## CARDIFF'S 15-4 WIN OVER PENARTH

### BOWCOTT AND GUY MORGAN IN FORM

Cardiff had little difficulty in beating Penarth at Arms Park this afternoon in a game in which interest was never raised to a very high pitch.

Cardiff's 15 points were scored by Harry Bowcott (two tries), Wynne Jones (two tries) and Skym.

For Penarth the only score was a dropped goal by Glyn Jones, the team's captain, in the last minute.

Cardiff's victory was mainly due, however, to the brilliant combination of Bowcott and Guy Morgan.

(By "OBSERVER")

Penarth provided the opposition to-day at Cardiff Arms Park, where Cardiff had the assistance of W. D. B. Hopkins, the Cambridge "Blue."

Hopkins played in a charity match at Newport in mid-week and proved a good partner to H. M. Bowcott. Bowcott was included among the re-arranged three-quarters to-day. R. Gabe Jones taking his place at outside-half.

Cardiff were without B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones, and A. T. Thomas, and included Guy Morgan as right-centre.

Teams:—  
CARDIFF: T. Stone, Rex, Morgan, H. M. Bowcott, Guy Morgan, and G. V. Wynne Jones; R. Gabe Jones and W. D. B. Hopkins; Tom Lewis, Archie Skym, R. Barrrell, L. Spence, I. Isaacs, V. H. Osmond, D. R. Tarr, and G. Babbage.

PENARTH: Ron Taylor, J. Cox, T. Lee, G. Thomas and J. O'Brien; Glyn Jones and J. Maddocks; C. Hamilton, B. Rees, D. E. Harris, A. J. Gould, D. Roach, H. Broughton, W. F. Russell and R. R. Arnold.

Referee: Mr. W. G. Baker, Aberkenfig. Cardiff started from the Westgate-street end, but the Penarth three-quarters were the first to show promise, and opened up smartly from a line-out. Cox eventually finding touch near the Cardiff 25 line.

A scrum followed, but Bowcott placed Cardiff on the offensive with a hefty kick, and matters looked dangerous for Penarth when Cardiff heeled from a scrum.

Guy Morgan spoilt the chance with a forward pass. G. Thomas fumbled the ball when the Penarth line was again moving smartly, and the visitors tried their next attack.

#### BOWCOTT'S TRY

Cardiff opened the scoring. HARRY BOWCOTT touching down after Guy Morgan had completely deceived the Penarth men with a vivid dash.

Babbage failed with the kick. Play was not of a spectacular character, and hovered round the centre of the field for sometime.

A faulty pass by Bowcott spoiled Wynne Jones's chance of breaking through when next the Cardiff three-quarters were moving, and eventually Stone tried to relieve the monotony by running up to take a futile drop at goal.

It was the Guy Morgan-Bowcott combination which gave Cardiff their second try.

Gabe Jones started a good movement, and the ball eventually went to Guy Morgan, who dashed ahead and at the right moment passed to H. M. BOWCOTT, for the Cardiff captain to run round the Penarth defence and ground in the corner.

Babbage again failed with the left five minutes later to try to let Wynne Jones through, but the wing failed to take the pass, and the ball rolled into touch.

On two occasions Penarth gave the Cardiff defence an anxious time. Once when Cardiff heeled from a scrum inside their own 25, Williams did not pick up smartly, and Maddocks tried to seize the chance, but was brought down and a temporary clearance was made.

Another scrum followed in the same quarters, and Glyn Jones tried to burrow through, but was stopped by force of numbers.

#### A HAPPY "SNAP"

While Penarth's three-quarters did not seem to be able to get going, the visiting forwards proved themselves keen and determined "spoilers," and frequently

prevented the Cardiff backs from opening up operations.

SKYM obtained a "snap" try for Cardiff just before half-time. Glyn Jones was attempting to find touch when Skym dashed up and received the full force of the Penarth captain's kick, picked up and dragged his way over in the corner with Glyn Jones and two of his colleagues hanging on to him.

Babbage's kick went wide.

Half—CARDIFF ..... 0 3 3  
PENARTH ..... 0 0 0

Penarth infused a great deal more liveliness into their work at the opening of the second half, and the veteran O'Brien came into prominence. By dint of determined play, Penarth established themselves in the Cardiff half and a series of scrummages followed without bringing any advantage.

Cardiff eventually changed the venue and a delightful concerted movement ended in Rex Morgan dashing for the line. He cleverly deceived Ron Taylor, but as he reached the line the ball was knocked out of his hands.

#### WYNNE JONES'S TRIES

Then WYNNE JONES came into the limelight and scored a good try after a clever run. Tommy Stone took the kick, but sent wide.

It looked as if Cardiff would be in again a few minutes afterwards, but Glyn Jones stepped in at the right moment and cleared.

At the other end Trevor Lee intercepted a pass near the Cardiff 25 and dashed for the line. Only Stone stood between him and success, but the diminutive full-back was equal to the emergency and brought him down.

WYNNE JONES was responsible for the fifth Cardiff try. Cardiff heeled from a scrum well within their own area, and Williams passed on to Gabe Jones. When challenged, the outside-half gave out to Guy Morgan, who literally left the Penarth man standing before he gave out to Wynne Jones, who ran in unhampered. Stone's kick was near the mark, but wide.

Gabe Jones had to be assisted off the field with an injured ankle, and Bowcott went to outside-half. When next Cardiff were dangerous Rex Morgan gave Isaacs a chance, but Glyn Jones forced him into touch.

Osmond came near to getting through, but stepped in and after dispossessing him, cleared.

Then "feet-up" in the scrum gave Trevor Lee a chance to get a goal, but his kick was low and weak.

O'Brien brought a cheer with a clever effort near the Cardiff line, but his pass to Thomas was faulty and Guy Morgan cleared.

Penarth's efforts were rewarded when Glyn Jones made a chance drop at goal, the ball just skimming over the bar.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 0 5 15  
PENARTH ..... \*1 0 4

\*Dropped goal.

#### COMMENTS

Glyn Jones, the Penarth captain, was exceptionally active and his dropped goal was the deserved reward of good work both in defence and in trying to open up the play.

Ron Taylor, the youthful full-back, came through a trying ordeal without disgracing himself, and O'Brien, the veteran, who came into the three-quarter line at the last minute, did well.

Tommy Stone was always safe, and Rex Morgan was clever. Little was seen of Wynne Jones until the second half, when he showed plenty of dash.

Cardiff controlled most of the scrummages, but were not so quick in getting the ball away as were Penarth.

Slack and rugged play made the game uninteresting to the spectators. For the greater part of the time the forwards were engaged in mauls, and over long periods very little brilliance was shown by either set of three-quarters.

Bowcott and Guy Morgan fitted in well as centres, and occasionally showed their individual cleverness, and when they combined caused a great deal of anxiety to Penarth.

The Penarth three-quarters appeared to be more ready to spend their efforts in preventing the Cardiff backs from getting into stride than in opening up operations. Certainly they were keen interceptors and proved more clever than the forwards as spoilers.

Cardiff - v. Blaenavon (Sundays)  
25th April, 1932.

## BLAENAVON'S LACK OF FINISH.

### Cause of Defeat at Hands of Cardiff.

Cardiff	G.	T.	Pts.
Blaenavon	1	1	3
Cardiff	1	0	5

Cardiff were victorious at Blaenavon on Monday by defeating Blaenavon, the Monmouthshire League runners-up. Miller opened out from the loose in the early stages, and after Fletcher had handled G. V. Jones received and crossed for a try. Blaenavon then set up a terrific attack, and after a bombardment on the Cardiff line W. H. Emmett went over for a try, which George Young converted.

#### LACK OF FINISH.

In the first minutes of the second half Blaenavon were taken by surprise, and Morgan took a loose ball along the wing and sent to midfield, where Graham Jones scooped it perfectly and crossed for a try, G. V. Jones converting.

Blaenavon lived up after this, and Cardiff were held in their own 25, but lack of finish by Blaenavon "threes" robbed them of scores.

In this last minutes Blaenavon lost a glorious equalising chance through G. Young failing with a penalty from the easiest position on the field.



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## SOME GREAT TRIES AT ARMS PARK

### TOMMY STONE SCORES FROM FULL-BACK

There were some delightful scoring movements in the Cardiff v. Bristol match at Arms Park this afternoon, and Tommy Stone, the home full-back, had the distinction of figuring in the list of try-getters.

(By "OLD STAGER")

Bristol had a shock when they opened their season at Edgware a week ago—a defeat! To-day Cardiff also opened their season proper, and that with a game against Bristol. Which side would receive the shock to-day? Neither was over-confident when the game opened, but the fact that the game was at the Cardiff Arms Park seemed to give Cardiff an advantage.

The conditions neared perfection, the one disturbing factor being a moderate breeze from the river end. Cardiff played the same side as against the Cardiff District, with the exception that J. Daley (Pernarh) was tried on the wing in the place of Vernon May.

Bristol had four of their old "stars"—Brown, Burland, Barrington, and Carter—in the back division, and made a forced change or two from the pack which played at Edgware. Teams:—

CARDIFF: Tommy Stone; J. Daley, Graham Jones, Cyril Cross, A. T. Thomas; E. J. Parfitt, A. H. Jones; Tom Lewis, A. Skym, R. Barrall, G. Eabbage, Lewis Rees, W. R. Osmond, I. Isaacs, T. Edwards.

BRISTOL: T. W. Brown; K. Dowling, T. W. Burland, R. Patten, W. Rugg; C. B. Carter, T. J. Barrington; F. Tucker, A. D. Allen, P. S. Lambert, J. N. Hazell, D. Tucker, W. C. Broome, A. T. Payne, K. Patch.

Referee: Mr. J. Megins, Maesteg. The opening was not exactly as either side had intended it to be. Cardiff carried the first scrum, but before Parfitt could get the ball away Carter got his foot to it and the Bristol forwards started dribbling.

As it happened Payne kicked a trifle too hard, and Skym replied with a dribble, cleverly steering the ball as far as Tommy Brown, and pouncing upon him in a manner which gave no alternative to passing to Burland, who played for safety by kicking for touch.

A minute later Graham Jones worried England's international full-back with a short punt and smart following up, and again Brown had to pass—this time to Rugg—instead of demonstrating his kicking prowess.

Bristol, however, did not remain on the defensive for long, for their backs put in a couple of first-rate passing bouts, both of which ended when Daley made exceptionally good tackles of Rugg.

#### CARDIFF KEPT BUSY

The good work which the Bristol backs put in, plus the solid efforts of their forwards in the loose, served as the means of keeping Cardiff busy, and it was when Cyril Cross put the ball high into a following wind that Bristol experienced their first period of real trouble.

Brown, it is true, got to the ball in time to field it, but again he was tackled before he could kick, and he had to leave it to Dowling to clear the Bristol line.

Cardiff certainly got near to success, but not near enough, and a clean break-away run in the loose by F. Tucker and a strong run by Burland quickly forced Cardiff right back.

A "lobbing" pass from the scrum by Parfitt also caused Cardiff trouble, for he appeared to be offside, inter-backs in promising style, only to see a transfer intended for Rugg go out of reach.

The gain which accrued to Cardiff through Allen's effort was, however, quickly shown to be a snare, for ever-eager winging at successive scrummages

view of the line.

With the least possible delay REES went full speed ahead, and though pursued by Burland he managed to get there with a try, which Stone failed to convert from the touchline.

That score was certainly unexpected, and it soon looked as if Bristol would recoup themselves for it, for Burland tried his hardest to complete a perfect opening by handing off Cross, who, however, declined to allow it!

#### RECOMPENSE!

Still, recompense was quickly secured by Bristol, and that after they had been driven back to the centre, for Barrington made the best of openings before sending the ball along to Burland and Patten, the latter of whom was able to give RUGG a clear run in to the corner. Burland narrowly missed the goal.

#### REMARKABLE MOVEMENT.

That success, too, encouraged the Bristol backs, and the spectators were treated to some delightful running by Barrington, Dowling and Rugg.

Cardiff's defensive strength was equal to the demands made upon it by those players at this juncture, but it yielded to a remarkable movement which followed.

Barrington, served from a scrum by his partner, cut through and then short-punted for the benefit of Burland, who gathered the ball and sent it back to Barrington. He returned it to BURLAND, who, with three Cardiff men hanging on to him, forced his way over with a try. Patten added the goal points.

That did not end the fun, for Cardiff's forwards and Graham Jones cleverly led Cardiff back to the attack, and Cross failed with a shot at goal from a mark, and Stone was equally unsuccessful from a fairly easy penalty.

Mistakes in handling at half-back cost Cardiff a large slice of ground, but it was more than regained when Tom Stone started passing from his own quarter line.

He got back to midfield, where Isaacs and another couple of forwards handed before A. T. THOMAS was given possession and raced ahead for a great try which Stone converted.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 1 1 7  
BRISTOL ..... 1 1 8

#### COMMENTS

Two teams, both better than they had been given credit for being, an abundance of bright play, and quite a delightful crop of scores. What more can one want? Mistakes and weaknesses were not, of course, absent, but they were comparatively infrequent and lacking in seriousness.

Altogether, then, a pleasing exhibition, one in which the standard was satisfactory, and one in which the decision was a just one.

Even to the uninitiated it was obvious that the attacking backs on both sides had craft and accomplishments above the ordinary, and the game went the way it did, not because Cardiff's backs were evidently superior in attack, but because the Cardiff forwards saw to it that their backs were not subjected to the same strain in defence as were the Bristol men. Cardiff's forwards have all along been good in the loose, and to that, in the match with Bristol, they added a surprising superiority in the scrummages which Carter, clever and speedy though he was, was unable to neutralise.

Carter was perhaps too experienced for

#### Aberavenny v. Cardiff Ath.

Shortly after the start Aberavenny were awarded a penalty a few yards over the half-way line, and Price struck an upright. Aberavenny continued to hold the advantage, and both sides were awarded a penalty for feet up in the scrum.

Cardiff had not been over the half-way line in the first ten minutes, but they dribbled through right to the line, and WOODS scored under the post, Cyril Davies converting.

Aberavenny again attacked and had the best of the play, although they were not dangerous.

Eventually, from a cross-kick, WATKINS picked up smartly and scored, but Price failed with the kick.

Cardiff smothered Aberavenny's attempt to handle, but they were kept on the defensive. At length Cardiff broke through to the home 25, but were driven back.

Half—CARDIFF ATH. .... 1 0 5  
ABERGAVENNY ..... 0 1 3

Cardiff pressed and gave their first display of handling, and Aberavenny were penned up for some time. After a quarter of an hour Aberavenny attacked with spirit. Following a punt by Bishop, WATKINS got possession, and, dodging through, cleverly scored under the post, but Price failed with an easy conversion.

Cardiff played spectacular football, and RON JONES crossed and touched down over the dead-ball line. However, COLIN JONES scored after another round of passing.

Final—CARDIFF ATHLETIC 1 2 11  
ABERGAVENNY ..... 0 2 6



lost Bristol penalties which Tom Stone made the most of.

#### SUCCESSFUL "LONG SHOT"

Then came some haphazard and indifferent passing by Cardiff in the course of a couple of attacks, and CROSS, realising the futility of endeavouring to get into stride after receiving an indifferent transfer, took a long drop at goal from straight in front of the posts 35 yards out and secured the points.

Bristol fought back, owing much to a couple of strong bursts by Burland, and it was with a gasp of amazement that the spectators saw the usually accurate Tommy Brown unnerve his side by entirely misjudging the bounce of the ball when Cross kicked down to him.

Skym and Isaacs were on top of Brown at the instant he fielded the ball in an endeavour to retrieve his mistake, and the former bringing off a good tackle, Cardiff resumed their attacks and kept them up until Burland put in a relieving kick to which Stone failed to make a satisfactory reply.

Another punt by Burland—this time a short cross punt ahead—increased Cardiff's difficulties, for Rugg took the ball when well in his stride, and Daley and Stone had to move smartly to stop him.

#### FINE ATTEMPTS

Kicking, aided and lengthened by the wind, soon carried Cardiff back into an attacking position and really fine individual attempts to burst through a strong defence were made by Lewis Rees, A. H. Jones, and Osmond.

With the ball in the loose and play a dozen yards from Bristol's line Babbage feinted to make a similar attempt, and when the defence had moved with the intention of dealing with it, he threw out a long pass—which may have been a trifle forward—to his backs. Two or three of them handled, and by the time that Rugg had got his hands upon Daley, Tom Stone had managed to get between the wing and the touch line.

Daley saw the chance, delivered the ball and STONE went over in the corner for a try which he also converted with a great kick.

Half—CARDIFF ..... \*2 0 9  
BRISTOL ..... 0 0 0

A crowd of about eight thousand saw the resumption of play after the interval, when Bristol lost no time in following Cardiff's earlier example of taking all the advantage which was to be gained from an intelligent use of the wind.

Twice in quick succession Tommy Stoner was almost overwhelmed by the fast following-up of Rugg and a couple of forwards, while Burland had an ineffectual long shot at goal from a penalty given against Edwards for throwing the ball into touch.

#### UNEXPECTED SCORE

Bustling work by Cardiff's forwards, and notably by Barrell, broke Bristol's grip on the game, and when play was 40 yards from the Bristol line Skym and Edwards brought off some short passes which had the effect of giving Bristol a chance to

him and A. H. Jones a distinct advantage, particularly as Barrington, with all his astuteness in attack, is none too fond of defensive work.

Burland was the great man in the Bristol quartette, with both wings really triers. Cyril Cross, by the way, deserves great credit for the splendid way he held Burland, insisting in tackling him effectively on all occasions, while the soundness of Daley's tackling was a real surprise.

T. W. Brown had one of his worst days, looking far less like an international back than did Stone. Brown's mistakes and the excellence of the Cardiff forwards gave the Cardiff backs the opportunities to win the game—and they took them!

recruit from the noted Talywain nursery. from Crumlin, and A. Stone, another been tried, the most impressive are F. Elias, experience. Of the new forwards who have the stump who should make headway with used remarkably well, and appeared to be Abercrombie, P. Bowyer, the Uk lad, depu- hard luck on the new captain, Agast with Cardiff and Newport. It is rather so, but he hopes to be fit for the games or is likely to keep him out for a match or

of a game. Cardiff's torn hand, sustained at work, fairly sure of a place regularly, for the average player likes to be where he feels he is the services of a reliable man who cannot having an official reserve side is to hold the services of a reliable man who cannot

Of course, the club has to encourage a plenty of promise in him. He has a safe pair of hands and there is match play, eclipsed his trial performance. Howells, on the other hand, in to be lost sight of in present circum- Williams has operated in the centre, a fact not which almost entitles him to an oppor- less scope, and the Barroed man revealed Williams, behind uneven forwards and get- Williams, but Howells was more fortunate, considerable improvement on Joe Wil- in the second match, admittedly was a

#### Promising Half

In regard to outside-half, Ken Howells, himself to a new position. centre, he also will be attempting to adapt there is the point that, by playing in the teacher will be a distinct capture, but field prowess, then the Monmouth school cricketer's abilities are balanced by Rugby chance, will provide the solution. If E. C. Smith, who has not yet had his a wing, does not appear comfortable here, E. C. Smith, who has not yet had his

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Cardiff - v. Bridgend 17.9.32.

## FITTING END TO POOR CARDIFF GAME

### FINE FULL-BACK PLAY ONLY BRIGHT SPOT

A pointless draw was a fitting climax to a poor game between Cardiff and Bridgend at the Park, the one redeeming feature being fine displays by the two full-backs, Stone and Bennison.

(By H. LASCELLES CARR)

The Cardiff and Bridgend game at Arms Park this afternoon opened under conditions which were better suited for cricket than Rugby. The Cardiff side was strengthened by the inclusion at scrum half of M. J. Turnbull, who is playing his first game after his strenuous cricket season.

Unfortunately A. T. Thomas, the right wing, was unable to turn out owing to a pulled muscle, and G. V. Wynne Jones played in his place.

E. Richards, the Bridgend left wing, who is sitting for an examination and is not playing regularly till October, turned out for this game. Teams:—

CARDIFF: Tommy Stone; J. Daley, Graham Jones, Cyril Cross, and G. V. Wynne-Jones; M. J. Turnbull and A. H. Jones; Tom Lewis (captain), A. Skym, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, Lewis Rees, V. R. Osmond, I. Isaacs, and T. Edwards.

BRIDGEND: J. A. Bennison; Emlyn Richards, S. Roberts, G. J. Davies, C. Matthews; J. Owen and Glyn Hopkins; G. Smith, W. J. Moore, W. J. Chilcott, W. G. Hockaday, I. Williams, J. Farmer, W. J. Murphy, and Ross Cooper.

Referee: Mr. W. H. Harris, Risca.

Bridgend won the toss, and Cardiff had to face a glaring sun from the river end. The Bridgend forwards heeled from the first scrum, and when the ball came to Roberts, he gained 50 yards with a beautiful kick.

Cardiff were penned in their own 25. Relief came when Barrell and Skym took the ball to half-way.

A passing move by Bridgend was spoilt by Smith kicking over the dead-ball line. The Bridgend forwards were continually getting the ball, but Cardiff were tackling well.

#### A TRY SAVED

Bennison saved a try when Cardiff looked dangerous. From a line-out Graham Jones picked up neatly and ran forty yards to Bennison, and, kicking over his head, was only prevented from scoring by the ball bouncing awkwardly. Bridgend were soon back in the Cardiff 25.

Skym and Barrell once more headed a forward rush which took play to half-way. Stone was fielding cleanly and kicking well, whereas Bridgend could not find touch. Bennison saved a dangerous rush cleverly.

#### GOOD KICKING

The Cardiff forwards, who were hanging offside, were at last penalised, but Williams failed with a difficult kick. Bridgend, packing much lower still, got the ball and Hopkins found touch right on the Cardiff lines. Bennison once more found a long touch.

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## BARNSTAPLE v. CARDIFF ATHLETIC

At Barnstaple, before a big crowd, Cardiff Athletic made two changes in their team for their visit to Barnstaple, R. Morgan taking the place of L. Isaac at right wing threequarter and R. Jones deputising for G. V. Jones.

Barnstaple fielded a strong team, although G. Pritchard, a full-back, was a notable absentee.

Following a nice bout of passing by the threequarters, R. Davies was kicking well to put Cardiff in a good position, but Barnstaple cleared their line and went to the other end. The Cardiff threequarters were handling well and the kicking of R. Morgan and R. Davies quickly enabled the visitors to gain ground. Barnstaple were dangerous and were given a penalty kick, Hopkins just missing.

Cardiff were awarded a penalty near the half-way line, and CYRIL DAVIES goaled with a magnificent kick.

H. Williams relieved Barnstaple when the visitors were pressing and Hopkins rounded off a spectacular passing movement.

Half—BARNSTAPLE ..... 1 0 5  
CARDIFF ..... 1 0 3

x Penalty.

Cardiff, on the cross over, with the sun in their faces, were forced back into their own 25, while the home forwards attacked in rousing fashion.

GEORGE DELL, the Barnstaple right-winger, was brought down when almost over the line, but just after ran through to score an unconverted try.

Cardiff's desperate efforts to retrieve the situation looked like being rewarded several times, but the home backs were stubborn defenders.

Each side attacked in turn, and with the forwards very evenly matched the struggle was hard and fast. R. Davies made a spirited effort for the visitors, but was frustrated by keen tackling.

The Barnstaple team had kept the visitors at a very fast pace, but they fought back well and kept their line intact, although Barnstaple were at this stage having the better of matters.

When Hopkins attempted a penalty kick, warded to Barnstaple just on the half-way line, the struck the cross-bar.

A last desperate attempt saw Cardiff make their way into the home 25 and Johnson was brought down when almost over.

Final—BARNSTAPLE ..... 1 1 3  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC ..... 1 0 3

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BRIDGEND .....	0	0	0

From the first second after the interval Cardiff heeled, and but for Daley hanging back too far would have scored, but he failed to gather a pass at his feet when unmarked.

Stone made 60 yards and took play into the Bridgend 25 by a brilliant pick up and kick from the forwards' feet.

Bridgend were penalised just inside their half for feet up, but Stone made a miserable effort to drop a goal.

#### NO THRUST

The Bridgend backs made no ground, for they continually ran across instead of straight, and when they kicked Stone was their master in length and accuracy.

Neither set of backs seemed fast enough to score, though Cardiff did make ground on the few occasions they were given the ball.

From a free kick for not putting the ball in straight Stone found touch at the Bridgend 25, but immediately Davies intercepted from a scrum and took play back to half-way.

Both teams were taking advantage of a weak referee, and the game was becoming a scramble. The Cardiff centres, instead of passing, played into the hands of Bridgend by kicking ahead and doing that badly.

Either they kick short into the hands centres, or too far into Bennison's hands, who punished them by finding long touches.

From a scrum Cardiff broke away with the ball at their feet, only to give Bennison the chance of gathering and kicking to touch in fine style.

This half play had been in midfield nearly the whole time, and neither side looked like scoring.

#### NEARLY OVER

For the second time Cardiff looked dangerous, and passing the ball quickly along the line to Daley were only foiled by Bennison pushing Daley into touch a few yards from the line.

Cardiff were soon driven back by the Bridgend forwards to the half-way line.

Owen at last showed that the Bridgend backs could attack, by selling the dummy to Turnbull, and swerving past Jones, when he came to Stone he found no one near, and the movement ended.

Cardiff retaliated, but even with the help of two forward passes, which went unseen, could not pass Bennison, and the game ended in a featureless draw.

Final-CARDIFF .....	0	0	0
BRIDGEND .....	0	0	0

#### COMMENTS

A very poor game ended in a pointless draw. The result could only have been this, as neither side ever really looked like scoring.

The Bridgend forwards, packing much lower than the Cardiff eight, obtained the ball from two out of every three scrums. In the loose, Williams, Farmer, Murphy and Smith were prominent in several rushes.

The Cardiff pack, though outplayed in the scrums, got the ball from the line.

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outs, and Barrell, Skym and Osmond showed that they knew how to control the ball in the loose.

The feature of the game was the magnificent display of the two fullbacks. Both Bennison and Stone were faultless, gathering the ball cleanly and kicking to touch accurately. Both tackled well on the few occasions it was necessary.

Daley was the only back that looked at all dangerous, and he made two good runs for the line which only just failed.

Turnbull, as usual, gave a faultless service, but did nothing else. The defence was definitely on top, and there was far too much aimless kicking. Neither side ran straight and nearly every passing movement gained no ground, if in fact it did not lose some.

The weakness of the referee in not pulling up offenders, caused the game to degenerate into a scramble. Both sides were allowed to lie offside and forward passes went unseen.



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# **SKEWEN'S VICTORY**

## **Cardiff Side Beaten Under Wretched Conditions**

	G.	T.	Pts.
Skewen	*2	0	9
Cardiff Athletic	0	1	3

\* One dropped.

Skewen had Cardiff as visitors on Thursday. Unfortunately the heavy rain spoiled the attendance. Under such conditions some good football was played.

E. Youatt opened the scoring for the home side, his brother Tom converting. Cardiff pressed for a time, but the Skewen defence held out.

There was little open play in the second half owing to the wet ball and ground. The Skewen forwards did well and Tom Youatt received from a scrum and dropped a neat goal. Eventually Cardiff backs got going and after a round of passing Daley scored a try. Spencer failed with the kick.

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# CARDIFF'S SPEEDY THREE-QUARTERS SOME DELIGHTFUL PLAY AT PONTYPOOL

(By "TULCHAN")

Favoured with fine weather, Pontypool's home fixture with Cardiff to-day proved the usual big attraction. These clubs are meeting three times this season. Several members of the Welsh Union were present, including representatives of the "Big Five."

There had been expectations that Axford and Cullis's half-back partnership might be renewed in this game, as Cullis had resumed training during the week, but this did not materialise.

Axford, the home captain, who had stood down for a couple of weeks as a result of an injury received at work, was again in the side, and was partnered by Frank Bowyer, the Usk lad, who is really an outside half, but has been deputising at inside-half in the absence of Axford.

Pontypool also introduced Ivor Silcox on the left wing instead of Glanville Price. Cardiff were without Arthur Jones (outside half), who is injured, and Gabe Jones filled the position. Teams—

PONTYPOOL—G. Bayliss; J. Bodger, D. Cormack, A. E. C. Smith, I. Phillips; C. Axford, F. Bowyer; E. Bolter, J. Acton, F. Elias, R. Belcher, C. Pritchard, E. Oliver, E. Donovan, A. Allen.

CARDIFF—S. Stone; A. T. Thomas, D. Clark, Graham Jones, J. Daley; M. J. Turnbull, R. Gabe-Jones; T. Lewis, A. Skym, I. Isaacs, L. Pees, V. R. Osmond, R. Barrell, T. Edwards, D. Carne.

Referee—Mr. A. E. Freethy, Neath. Cardiff kicked off and Axford fielded to find touch at the 25. From the line-out Cardiff attempted passing, but a forward pass spoiled the prospect and Pontypool got away from the following scrum, but Stone gathered and returned play to the Pontypool territory.

Following this reverse Smith broke away for Pontypool, and the home team were awarded a penalty for Cormack being tackled when in possession.

Allen made a good attempt to land a goal from half-way, but his kick went just outside.

The speed of the Cardiff backs was a dangerous factor for Pontypool, and only a fine tackle by Bayliss prevented another Cardiff score.

Graham Jones had made the running, and he gave to Thomas, who was sprinting hard for the line when Bayliss caught him by the ankle.

Pontypool attacked persistently, but their efforts had not the same danger as those of Cardiff. Turnbull on one occasion saved a threatening situation by making a clever mark.

Near the interval Axford and Boulter nearly got over for Pontypool, and another opportunity was missed by Cormack hanging on to the ball too long.

Half—CARDIFF 1 0 5  
PONTYPOOL 0 0 0

Bolter attempted to set the Pontypool forwards dribbling, but the movement did not proceed far, as Gabe Jones kicked to touch. However, Pontypool were now continuing play to the Cardiff half of the field.

When Cardiff backs tried passing, Smith dashed in and intercepted, and the situation for a moment was dangerous for the visitors. However, P. Pritchard, in kicking out, sent the ball to the feet of Graham Jones, who relieved to touch.

Bayliss, in fielding a high punt, tried to find touch close to the Cardiff line from his own half of the field. He put in a strong kick, but the ball went to touch in goal. Although Pontypool were having the most of the play, they had a narrow escape following a scrum in their own half.

A quick pass from Axford failed to find Bowyer, and Turnbull relished ahead. Bowyer, and Turnbull relished ahead. Bowyer, and Turnbull relished ahead.

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## PILL PULL UP IN SECOND HALF

Story of Lost Chances  
at Arms Park

### CARDIFF'S 17-9 WIN

Cardiff Athletic played their first home game of the season at Cardiff Arms Park in weather rather too warm for Rugby.

Pill Harriers were without W. Davies, their vice-captain, G. Gray coming into the forwards in his stead, while Cardiff had been obliged to allow Roy Gabe Jones to go away with the First team. Teams—

CARDIFF ATH.—Cyril Davies; Ron Jones, Colin Jones, R. R. Davies, J. T. Andrews; J. Kennedy, G. V. Wynne Jones; P. Fletcher, G. James, Ivor Williams, D. Westacott, L. Spence, K. Mathews, H. Johnson, H. S. Davies.

PILL HARRIERS—A. Duncan; J. Smith, J. Adams, W. Woodman, S. Slocombe; H. T. Price, L. Pritchard; R. Carter, G. Gray, J. Collings, R. Musker, H. Rich, N. Griffiths, D. Abraham, P. Burn.

Referee—Mr. R. J. Jones, Cross Keys.

Pill kicked off against the wind, and two scrummages were ordered in the first few minutes. A loose scrumage developed from the second, and a clean pass by Wynne-Jones set the three-quarters moving swiftly.

Ron Jones, however, was well brought down, and Pill took up the running. They gave the Cardiff defence an anxious few minutes, especially when Price intercepted a pass and made off at full speed.

He was brought down, and after a scrumage ten yards from the Cardiff line Cyril Davies relieved with a hefty touch-finder.

#### QUICK SCORING

Cardiff were the first to score after one of the best of movements. Andrews started it with a clever run which brought him near to Ron Jones, and when he was challenged he gave out to the left wing, who in turn passed on to SPENCE, and the forward was able to cross unhampered to touch down under the posts. Cyril Davies's kick was wide.

Cardiff Athletic were across again within a few minutes, RON JONES touching down in the corner. Colin Jones had worked the try for him, however, selling the dummy and bamboozling Duncan and a few other defenders before he gave out a good pass.

Once again Cyril Davies failed with the kick.

The full-back had an opportunity to make amends when offside by Pill Harriers gave him a penalty kick. CYRIL DAVIES made no mistake this time, sending the ball well between the posts.

#### PILL ATTACK

Pill Harriers replied with a hot attack, and Cyril Davies was forced to concede a minor to prevent Adams touching down. "Feet up" in a scrum by Cardiff gave Pritchard an easy chance with a penalty kick, but the wind carried the ball just outside the posts.

Cardiff were giving an exceptionally good account of themselves, and after failing to get their three-quarters moving in unison Pill tried to make headway from strong forward rushes. By dint of determined dribbling and rushes they reached the Cardiff quarters, and when the ball was sent back to the backs Adams tried a high punt which did not bring the desired score.

They gained a scrumage near the Cardiff line, but when they heeled from it Kennedy was round like a flash, and, dispossessing Price, he gave out to Andrews. The wing worked over to the left and gave out to Ron Jones, who moved along smartly.

But his pass to R. R. Davies was not taken cleanly, and nothing developed.

#### SPENCE AGAIN

Cardiff Athletic were not relaxing their efforts, however, and when Pritchard overhauled his three-quarters near his own line Kennedy dashed forward and tried to touch down.

He was forced off the ball, but SPENCE touched forward pounced on it and touched down to place Cardiff twelve points ahead.

Cyril Davies again failed with the kick.

Half—CARDIFF ATH. 17 3 12  
PILL HARRIERS 9 0 0

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A quick pass from Axford failed to find Bowyer, and Turnbull rushed ahead. Turnbull was brought down. Graham Jones, however, ran on and narrowly missed a drop at goal. Pontypool returned to the attack, and an interception let Silcox away. He was brought down, but Axford carried on. However, although Pontypool forced the ball to the Cardiff line they failed to get it over. Donovan had a try for goal from a mark, but was unsuccessful.

On one occasion when the Cardiff backs got into stride the effort was spoiled by Thomas missing a pass from Cyril Cross. Pontypool's efforts were in turn nullified by Cormack failing to hold a pass and Reg Oliver sent forward.

When Cardiff came again, shortly afterwards, a breakaway by Gabe Jones allowed SKYM to secure and rush over the line for a try. Bowen converted.

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PILL HARRIERS ..... 0 0 0

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The wing took the ball cleanly in his stride, and romped across to touch down under the posts. Cyril Davies easily converted.

Pill were distinctly unfortunate soon afterwards in failing to cross the Cardiff line.

In the first place Ron Jones, in trying to clear when a strong Pill Harriers' movement had carried play right up to the Cardiff line, punted the ball into the middle of the field, where Smith was unmarked. He fielded the ball, but the referee, obviously believing a Pill man had sent across to him, pulled him up for "offside."

A few minutes later Price got the ball from a scrum near the line and tried to get round the blind side, but was "spotted" in time.

#### PILL HIT BACK.

H. Rich was just wide with a penalty kick five minutes later.

But a score eventually came to Pill, SMITH getting across in fine style after a good movement by the backs. Rich failed with the kick, and tried to make amends with a long penalty kick, but this, too, was short.

A faulty pass by a Cardiff back enabled a Pill player to nip in right on the Cardiff line and give to BURNS, who went over near the posts. The kick was charged down.

Pill were attacking strongly at this period, and when next they threatened danger, Burns should have crossed again, but he fumbled a pass from Adams, and offside lost them the chance.

A mistake by Wynne Jones gave Slocombe a chance, but he was brought down and a knock-on lost Pill Harriers a further scoring opportunity.

Although dominating the game, Pill lost chance after chance by faulty passes and offside. Just before the end SMITH crossed again for Pill, but Rich's kick was short.

Final-CARDIFF ..... 2 3 17  
PILL HARRIERS ..... 0 3 9

#### COMMENTS

Cardiff Athletic gained victory by making the best of the opening half advantage.

But for the sparkling move which brought them five points at the opening of the second period, Cardiff Athletic were afterwards forced to defend.

Pill were the best in the scrummages, and their forwards dominated the whole of the second half play, but offside and erratic handling by backs who were heavier and less nimble than Cardiff's spoiled many of their chances.

Cardiff had two really good men, Kennedy, a scrum-half with an excellent service, and Ron Jones, an alert and clever outside who should be tried inside.



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## ANOTHER DEFEAT AT HOME FOR NEWPORT CARDIFF'S FIVE POINTS WIN IN KEEN GAME

Newport put up a good fight against Cardiff at Rodney Parade to-day. The visitors led by two tries to a converted goal at the interval, and the only score in the second half was a dropped goal by Graham Jones. The Newport captain, Raymond Ralph, had the distinction of scoring the best try of the match—a splendid individual effort.

(By "USKSIDER")

Having shown improvement upon previous form in their match against Pontypool last Monday, Newport entered this game with Cardiff at Rodney Parade this afternoon with a faint hope of repeating their performance of last March, when they defeated Cardiff by 10 points to 5.

Cardiff were rather confident, and were entitled to be, taking recent form as a guide, for while Newport lost at Pontypool by the narrow margin of three points, Cardiff defeated Pontypool at Pontypool by a goal to a try.

Newport's form this season has not been very encouraging, but of the 187 games played between the sides Newport have won 80 and lost 74, and 33 have been drawn. Teams:

NEWPORT.—H. W. Isaac; Hywel Jones, Ken Squires, R. T. Carter and J. Dunn; A. A. Ralph and G. J. Evans; E. J. Shiner, J. R. Evans, J. A. Addison, W. G. C. Williams, D. A. Jones, V. J. Law, Ken Taylor and J. K. Wood.

CARDIFF.—T. Stone; A. T. Thoias, Cyril Cross, Graham Jones and J. Daley; M. J. Turnbull and R. Gabe Jones; T. Lewis (capt.), A. Skyn, G. Babbage, I. Isaacs, L. Rees, D. Carne, V. R. Osmond, and R. Barrel.

Referee—Mr. A. E. Freethy, Neath. Except for a spasmodic wind which blew across the field, the weather conditions were something approaching the ideal, and although there was only a fair attendance at the kick-off the crowd continued to pour in.

Newport (after the opening exchange of kicking, set off at a fast pace, to the surprise of the visitors. Following a loose scrum at halfway Ralph sent a strong kick to well within the Cardiff 25. Thomas failed in an attempt to cover the ball, and he and Cross were overwhelmed by a Newport forward rush, but Stone relieved.

J. R. Evans executed a splendid, but unsuccessful kick at goal from a mark at the ten yards line. Cardiff recovered, and in retaliation threatened the home defence.

Gabe Jones got his three-quarters going with a speedy passing movement, and Hywel Jones and R. T. Carter were deceived by Cross, who hung on when expected to pass to Thomas. When Cross found his way barred by H. W. Isaacs, the Newport back, he passed to I. ISAACS, who crossed for an unconverted try in the corner.

### NEWPORT RATTLED

Cardiff forwards rattled the Newport defence for a while. Relief to Newport was brief, Cardiff returning with another good passing movement by the three-quarters.

A. SKYM joined in and rounded off the effort by throwing himself over the line for a try. The kick went wide.

Newport were spurred to greater endeavours, and success was within their reach. Carter passed out to Dunn, but the latter failed to hold at a time when there were two defenders ahead of him.

A moment afterwards Newport scored a magnificent try. RALPH, receiving from the right, dashed through the Cardiff forwards, who were taken unawares, and threw himself full length beneath the posts. J. R. Evans had no difficulty in converting.

Cardiff were now leading by only one point, and both sides provided an entertaining duel in mid-field for sustenance.

Half-CARDIFF ATH. 0 2 0

NEWPORT UNITED 0 0 0

On the resumption J. R. Evans's kick was stopped by Stone, whose reply, however, was charged by a Newport forward, gathering in the line.

Newport threatened defence with a drop kick.

## CYRIL DAVIES'S GREAT KICKS

Big Share in Cardiff  
Athletic Victory

### Last-stage Thrills

Newport United, who have not been beaten this season, were the visitors at Cardiff Arms Park, where they were engaged with Cardiff Athletic.

Both sides were forced to make changes, Newport bringing Emms and Prosser into the forwards. Cardiff were without E. J. Parfit, the outside half, whose place was taken by B. J. Allies, of Spillers, who has played for London Irish. H. Johnson came into the forwards. Teams:—

CARDIFF ATH.: Cyril Davies; Ron Jones, Colin Jones, R. R. Davies, G. V. Wynne-Jones; J. Kennedy, B. Allies; Ivor Williams, L. Spence, K. Mathias, H. S. Davies, P. Fletcher, H. Johnson, D. E. Hughes, J. Milburn.

NEWPORT UNITED: R. J. Pating; J. C. Swallow, J. R. Edwards, H. Turner, A. J. Berry; A. R. Tovey, L. Rowlands; J. C. Slade, W. Jackson, E. Davies, F. C. Emms, S. Danaher, S. R. Elms, W. Newton, L. Prosser.

Referee: Mr. I. G. Thomas, Penyrhais. Although Cardiff were the first to gain territorial advantage—they carried play across the Newport United line, where a minor was conceded—the United were the first to develop a movement which looked as though it would bring a try.

Then J. R. Edwards found H. Turner strongly placed, and gave him an accurate pass. Turner should have cut through, but essayed a pass, and an interception by Cyril Davies lost Newport the chance.

### PLAYER CARRIED OFF.

Once again they threatened danger, this time when A. J. Berry moved swiftly. He kicked to the centre of the field when inside the Cardiff 25, but L. Rowlands failed to gather the ball, and Cardiff cleared their lines.

Swallow had to be carried off the field for attention soon afterwards. He was knocked out in a collision with Cyril Davies. So far Newport had been getting the ball from most of the scrummages, and there was little concerted movement by the Cardiff backs. They got going from a line-out, however, and after the next two scrummages, but no advantage was gained because the centres were too anxious to pass, sending out while the wings were well covered.

Offside by Newport presented CYRIL DAVIES with a long penalty kick. He made the best use of it, sending the ball well and truly between the uprights for the opening score.

Swallow resumed soon afterwards, and just before half-time Cardiff attacked strongly. An attempt to cross in the corner was effectively smothered. Just afterwards Cyril Davies found a long drop at goal only a few feet short.

Then the opportunism of IVOR WILLIAMS gained Cardiff another four points. He dropped a goal from ten yards out.

Half-CARDIFF ATH. 0 2 0  
NEWPORT UNITED 0 0 0

+One penalty, one dropped.

Newport hemmed Cardiff into their own quarter after the interval, but Cardiff set up a staunch defence and the Newport backs found themselves too well marked to be able to do much.

Eventually Cyril Davies relieved with a kick to touch, and within a minute of Cardiff setting up an attack Newport had the mortification of finding themselves a further five points behind. Kennedy found himself hard pressed near the Newport line sent a high punt just over the line. FLETCHER DASHED up and pounced on the ball as it fell to the ground. Cyril Davies converted.

Newport quickly retaliated and SWALLOW was sent over after a fast movement. Pating failed with the kick.

Cardiff were again on top and increased their score to 15pts. when CYRIL DAVIES converted a penalty kick from a scrummage infringement.

Ten minutes before the end CYRIL DAVIES, whose place-kicking gained him rounds of applause, converted another penalty kick.

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# NEWPORT RATTLED

Cardiff forwards rattled the Newport defence for a while. Relief to Newport was brief, Cardiff returning with another good passing movement by the three-quarters.

A. SKYM joined in and rounded off the effort by throwing himself over the line for a try. The kick went wide.

Newport were spurred to greater endeavours, and success was within their reach when Carter passed out to Dunn, but the latter failed to hold at a time when there was every chance of his out-flanking the two defenders ahead of him.

A moment afterwards Newport scored a magnificent try. RALPH, receiving from the right, darted through the Cardiff forwards, who were taken unawares, and threw himself full length beneath the posts. J. R. Evans had no difficulty in converting.

Cardiff were now leading by only one point, and both sides provided an entertaining duel in mid-field for supremacy.

Half—CARDIFF	0 2 6
NEWPORT	1 0 5

On the resumption J. R. Evans's kick was stopped by Stone, whose reply, however, was charged by a Newport forward, the ball going into touch.

Newport threatened danger. Ralph gathering in the loose, was a little wide with a drop at goal.

Cardiff manoeuvred play to half-way, where a free kick gained them further ground.

Well-timed passing by the Cardiff three-quarters improved their position. They were supported by their forwards, but determined tackling by the Usksiders held them at bay.

Following some passing which lacked finish, the forwards had a prolonged tussle at half-way. During this period the Newport forwards showed more promising form than in previous games this season.

Cardiff were penalised, and Evans made a fine but futile effort to land a goal from half-way. Graham replied to touch with a long kick.

Dai Jones figured in a useful dribbling movement. Graham Jones receiving from Gabe-Jones, following a scrum, made a fine dash on the left wing, and his kick to touch gained further ground.

R. T. Carter successfully made sold the "dummy," and Squire, receiving, punted on, but Cardiff averted disaster.

Cardiff attacked with rushes, but Newport tackled effectively.

Cardiff made a final rally to break through. It appeared that they would overwhelm Newport, and the home defence had an anxious time, relief being brought about twice by touching down.

With Newport hard pressed, GRAHAM JONES dropped a goal for Cardiff.

Final—CARDIFF	*1 2 10
NEWPORT	1 0 5

## \* Dropped. COMMENTS

Newport, although defeated can congratulate themselves on their performance. They maintained the improvement shown at Pontypool, and justified the selection committee in making no change in the team.

Newport did not confine themselves to defence but displayed confidence in spirited attacks. Ralph, the Newport captain, showed something of his old form, and was happy in partnership with Evans.

R. T. Carter and Squire were consistently good in an improved threequarter line.

Cardiff, however, were the faster team, and it was due only to the effectiveness of the Newport tackling that the score was kept down.

The visiting threequarters were superior, but their handling was faulty at times.

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One penalty, one dropped. Newport hemmed Cardiff into their own quarter after the interval, but Cardiff set up a staunch defence and the Newport backs found themselves too well marked to be able to do much.

Eventually Cyril Davies relieved with a kick to touch, and within a minute of the mortification of finding themselves a further five points behind. Kennedy found himself hard pressed near the Newport line sent a high punt just over the line. FLETCHER DASHED up and pounced on the ball as it fell to the ground. Cyril Davies converted.

Newport quickly retaliated and SWALLOW was sent over after a fast movement. Panting failed with the kick.

Cardiff were again on top and increased their score to 15pts. when CYRIL DAVIES converted a penalty kick from a scrum-mage infringement.

Ten minutes before the end CYRIL DAVIES, whose place-kicking gained him rounds of applause, converted another penalty kick.

SWALLOW, who was playing a plucky game despite alimp, crossed in the corner for Newport's second unconverted try, a minute before the final whistle.

Final—CARDIFF ATHLETIC	*5 0 18
NEWPORT UNITED	0 2 6

\*Three Penalties. One Dropped.

## COMMENTS

Newport United were certainly not inferior to Cardiff to the extent that the score indicates, but Cardiff have to thank Cyril Davies, their powerful full-back, for giving them most of their points. His place-kicks were fine examples of well-judged accuracy.

Territorially Newport claimed almost as much of the game as Cardiff, but the Cardiff forwards controlled most of the scrummages, and were more determined in the loose, while the home backs were the speedier lot.

Newport started very promisingly, but did not live up to the hopes they raised.



Cardiff v. Swansea 8th October, 1932.

## PASSING AT DISCOUNT AT ARMS PARK NO SCORING IN POOR GAME WITH SWANSEA

Play in the Cardiff v. Swansea match at Arms Park, which ended in a pointless draw, was disappointing, typical Welsh passing of the incisive variety, usually a feature of games between the sides, being conspicuous by its almost entire absence.

(By "OLD STAGER")

Cardiff, one of the two undefeated first-class clubs in Wales, were at home to Swansea this afternoon, and the indications were that there would be a really hard tussle. Swansea met with their only defeat a week ago, but the All Whites committee evidently felt that their side did not reach its average form on that occasion, and they, therefore, placed the same men in the field in opposition to Cardiff to-day.

With the return of B. R. Turnbull to the quartette, Cardiff fielded what appeared to be their strongest side of the season, while considerable interest centred in the experiment of playing A. H. Jones on the left wing. The rains of the morning had left the turf in a delightfully springy condition, but heavy showers which broke over the ground shortly before play commenced threatened to make the surface treacherous. Teams:—

CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. H. Jones; Graham Jones, B. R. Turnbull, A. T. Thomas; R. Gabe Jones, M. J. Turnbull; Tom Lewis (capt.), A. Skym, R. Barrell, T. Edwards, Lewis Rees, V. R. Osmond, I. Isaacs, D. Carne.

SWANSEA—I. Herbert; W. Howells, C. Cowling, C. Davies, W. J. Trew; Bryn Evans (capt.), R. R. Morris; Tom Day, Gwynfor Lewis, Glyn Jones, Dai Thomas, J. White, E. Long, Jack Rees, W. Davies. Referee: Mr. W. J. Llewellyn, W.R.U.

Bridgend.

Play opened tamely, each side seeking safety with a series of punts to touch. A change for the better came when the Cardiff forwards went away with a fast, loose dribble as a preliminary to working the ball out to their backs, who handled well before Graham Jones punted ahead and sent the ball a trifle too far, thus giving Swansea a chance of touching down in defence.

Twice in quick succession the referee awarded penalties against W. Davies, the Welsh forward, for waiting offside in an endeavour to smash attacks at their inception, and it was mainly because of that fact that the play generally was favourable to Cardiff.

That phase came to a temporary end, however, when Swansea's halves cleverly brought Trew into action on a couple of occasions, while when the Cardiff forwards sought to remedy matters with dribbling Bryn Evans baulked them with smart fielding and kicking.

Trew further enlivened affairs with a characteristic spurt on his own, and in spite of the fact that Mauprice Turnbull twice eased Cardiff's position with exceptionally good fielding and kicking, the Cardiff backs were extremely hard pressed in destroying a couple of Swansea combined attacks, which gained in effectiveness and strength through the aptitude shown by R. R. Morris for positioning himself for rendering further assistance to his centres after presenting them with reasonably good chances.

Matters would probably have gone awkwardly for Cardiff had it not been for the soundness of Graham Jones's kicking and the accuracy with which Stone fielded when first one and then another of Swansea's back kicked hard ahead in the hope of their kicks being misfielded.

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Cardiff Athletic v. Aldershot  
United Services - 8th  
October, 1932.

## SERVICES' BIG "BAG"

### 24-0 Points Win Over Cardiff Athletic

Aldershot Services fielded a strong side at Aldershot to-day when they played Cardiff Athletic. Teams:—

ALDERSHOT SERVICES—C. H. Christy; B. T. B. Cowey, R. H. Moran, M. St. J. Oswald, I. D. M. Wilson; F. W. Simpson, C. C. McCreight; C. L. Troop, Rev. V. J. Pike, Pte. Hepworth, R. G. S. Hobbs, H. G. Baker, R. C. Warlow-Harry, P. G. Hobbs, G. Laing.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC—C. Davies; J. Dalby, R. R. Davies, A. Cohn-Jones, Ron Jones; B. J. Allies, J. Kennedy; P. J. Fletcher, K. A. Mathews, L. Spence, Ivor Williams, K. E. Hughes, J. Milburn, H. S. Davies, G. James.

Aldershot pressed at the start and Moran sent Cowey away on the wing, but Fletcher forced him in Cardiff's 25. The Cardiff threequarters got going several times following a good kick into touch by Cyril Davies, but they could not penetrate far into the home territory.

Aldershot scored after fifteen minutes as the result of a smart passing movement in which R. G. Hobbs made a fine opening for Wilson to get over with a fast sprint. Pike converted the try from wide out on the left. Moran scored the second try for the Services from a pass by Oswald after smart combination.

Cyril Davies found touch in the Aldershot 25 from the half-way line. Allies himself got over on the right, but was pushed into touch near the corner flag. Laing crossed the Cardiff line near the centre, but Troop failed to convert the try.

Half—ALDERSHOT SER. ... 12 11  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC... 0 0 0

Cardiff played up strongly in the second half and were checked several times in dangerous attacks. After this the Services settled down, and Cardiff were rarely able to cross the half-way line. McCreight, Aldershot's fly-half, played particularly well. Wilson made a good run, but was forced into touch by Cyril Davies just before he reached the goal line. A clever passing movement by the Services three-quarters ended in Moran receiving from Oswald, who was making for the line at top speed when he was brought down by Cyril Davies whose tackling and kicking were a feature of the game.

McCreight scored a try for Aldershot. Taking a pass from Simpson, he swerved past three opponents and touched down ten yards from the goal post, Pike failing to convert.

P. G. Hobb crossed in the centre for Laing to convert, and just before the end R. G. S. Hobbs received from Moran and scored another try which Pike converted.

Final—ALDERSHOT SER. ... 33 2  
CARDIFF ATH. .... 0 0



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But Stone challenge Trew every inch of the way and when Trew tried to beat him with a punt ahead the ball rolled tamely off his foot to touch, and that after he (Trew) had gained half the length of the field.

Play continued to favour Swansea until a minute before half-time, when Bryn Evans threw out a poor pass and Isaacs worried Morris off the ball, Herbert ultimately coming to the rescue by screwing the ball to touch.

Half—CARDIFF .....	0 0 0
SWANSEA .....	0 0 0

About 8,000 spectators saw Cardiff pass to the attack in the opening minutes of the second half, only to be foiled by Bryn Evans, and to subsequently force a minor from a dribble led by Rees.

Swansea levelled matters territorially when Graham Jones failed to gather, but a smart mark and good kick by A. T. Thomas reinstated Cardiff in a favourable position.

Almost immediately Maurice Turnbull brought off an interception and made an opening which was the means of outflanking the defence, but Graham Jones dropped his pass.

Then the Swansea forwards got moving in the loose, and Ton Stone, hesitating about going down to the ball, Glyn Jones dribbled half the length of the field before being beaten by the bounce of the ball, which turned into touch.

Cardiff soon regained the lost ground, thanks to kicking by Graham Jones and Stone, and though Swansea frequently gained through the readiness with which W. Davies took advantage of mistakes in handling, the initiative generally rested with Cardiff.

One splendid movement came from A. H. Jones and Graham Jones, and several of the Cardiff forwards being "up" when the cross-kick came, it looked as if they must score, at least until one of them obstructed while Tom Stone endeavoured to find a way through.

Swansea cleared their line without ever quite succeeding in getting Cardiff out of striking range, and there was one occasion when Gabe Jones found touch in the corner and Rees was forced into touch-in-goal as he crossed the line.

Almost in the next minute Rees found touch at the corner, and that attack fizzled out with a futile drop at goal by Graham Jones. Right at the end Tom Jones had a long-range drop at goal from a penalty, but missed the mark.

Final—CARDIFF .....	0 0 0
SWANSEA .....	0 0 0

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The standard of play was such as to provide confirmation for the belief that Rugby in the first-class circles in Wales is nothing like as good as it was a year ago. If the play seen in this game was first class—well, what must the play in the lower sections be like? Certain it is that the reputations of neither Cardiff nor Swansea is advanced by this exhibition.

That the ball was difficult to handle is probable, but, surely, it was not sufficiently greasy to make all the many mistakes pardonable or to justify the persistency with which all concerned kicked when passing was possible. Both sets of backs wanted the ball, and, having got it, lost few opportunities of getting rid of it.

Indeed, variety was really only provided either by kicking to touch or kicking ahead in the hope of misfielding! That might have suited the players, but it is not what the spectators wanted.

Up to the interval Swansea had the better of the game; after that Cardiff did an even larger share of the attacking than Swansea had done earlier on. The handling of the Cardiff backs, however, was neither as accurate nor as well conceived as was that of Swansea—that perhaps being due to the liveliness of Morris when attacking work was to be done—though it had the merit of being equally non-effective!

Some of the forward work was passably good, especially the footwork of the Cardiff pack, in which Rees, Isaacs and Carne were the most prominent. W. Davies must also be given credit for his destructive work when Cardiff were in possession, while Glyn Jones and Long were good in general play.

Maurice Turnbull was more than usually useful away from the scrummages, in addition to giving his usual accurate service, but the Swansea men were better as a pair. Trew was the best of the Swansea quartette, though not so outstandingly successful as Graham Jones, who, despite his mistakes, was easily the best of the Cardiff line.



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# CARDIFF WIN WELL, BUT NOT IMPRESSIVE BEST PLAY CROWDED INTO CLOSING STAGES

Although Cardiff gained a decisive victory over a weakened Gloucesterside at Arms Park to-day, it was not until the closing stages that the home team's superiority was really pronounced, much of the victors' earlier work lacking finish.

(By "OLD STAGER")

Gloucester brought a disappointingly weak team to Cardiff for their match against Cardiff on the Cardiff Arms Park this afternoon. Almost all the Gloucester men with outstanding reputations—Boughton, Tanner, McCanlis, Hordern, and others—were missing from the team which arrived at Cardiff, and there was, therefore, little prospect of their repeating their surprises of recent years.

Cardiff's one change was that Graham Jones (who had a cold) stood down, his place at centre being taken by J. Daley. The conditions were good, the only disturbing factor being a high wind. Teams: CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. H. Jones, J. Daley, B. R. Turnbull and Cyril Cross; M. J. Turnbull and R. Gabe Jones; Tom Lewis, A. Skym, R. Barrall, T. Edwards, Lewis Rees, G. Babbage, L. Spence and D. Carne.

GLoucester—D. Parker; H. Morgan, J. C. Brooks, G. R. James and R. B. McKay; C. Fifeild and D. Meadows; F. Wadley, A. Carpenter, E. Comley, K. Smith, F. Merrett, R. Morris, T. Hiam, and F. Ford.

Referee—Dr. W. J. Roche, Newport.

Gloucester may have been weak, but they had any amount of confidence, as was shown by their being the first to get moving with combined play, which ended with Cross bringing off quite a useful tackle of Morgan.

That combined work gained little ground, and a break-away from a line-out by Skym, a dribble by Stone, a dash by Gabe Jones and a serviceable touch-finder by B. R. Turnbull carried Cardiff to the attack.

Instead of pressing their attacks by passing, however, Gabe Jones and his centres sought success by using the short punt ahead, and Morgan, James and Parker took adequate steps to counter the manoeuvre.

In endeavouring to check one of Cardiff's attacks, Meadows got offside and Babbage was unsuccessful with a long shot at goal from a penalty.

Babbage was also near—but too far away to be effective—with a shot at a penalty goal from a kick given against Gloucester for a scrumming infringement.

MORGAN'S FINE EFFORT

Stone was much further away with a drop at goal, and in the next minute Morgan fielded smartly, dodged past A. H. Jones, raced back to the centre, and then started a passing movement which ended with McKay making a dash which carried him to within a few yards of the Cardiff line.

There he parted with the ball to Fifeild, and so hard pressed were Cardiff that they had to touch down in defence.

Within a brief period A. H. Jones, with a neat run, placed Cardiff on the attack again, and, thanks mainly to the touch-kicking of Stone, they remained there, delivering attack after attack, without once that they would find a way through the Gloucester defence.

NARROW ESCAPES.

In the end the Gloucester forwards brought off a rush which changed the situation, and Skym getting offside in a relieving dribble, James narrowly failed with a shot at a penalty goal.

A moment later Meadows made a parting right through to Stone before sending him out a pass to McKay, who was also sent over the line by the wind.

This escape caused Cardiff to realise their own weakness, and at a time when they were again only inches wide with an attempt at a penalty goal, Cardiff was, after all, not long del.

dashing along the flank, from an opening by James, only to be beaten for pace by Tom Stone when he (McKay) kicked ahead.

Right at the end, A. H. Jones and Maurice Turnbull covered half the length of the field with smart running and passing, and SKYM scored a good try, which Stone converted.

Final—CARDIFF 2 2 15  
GLOUCESTER 0 0 0

## COMMENTS

There was little that was sensational and less that was thrilling in the bulk of the game, the feature of which, for the greater portion of the time, was the manner in which Gloucester's weakened side broke up the repeated attacks which Cardiff delivered.

In that work Gloucester were aided to a considerable extent by the persistency with which errors in execution upset Cardiff's theories of combined attack, for there can be no disputing the fact that Cardiff did far more attacking up to three-quarter time than the score gave credit for.

After that Cardiff did infinitely better, and the two concluding scores had sufficient of the touches of adventure and skill in them to remove the conclusion that had previously been reached that the players were altogether too apathetic and indifferent to give the public the sparkle it wanted.

Having regard to the weakness of their side, Gloucester did well to escape as lightly as they did, while, but for Cardiff's recovery in the concluding stages, the Citizens would probably have got away with something approaching a moral victory. Had that happened, the blame would have to have been shared by almost all of Cardiff's attacking backs, for B. R. Turnbull was the only one of them who was consistently good.

Towards the end A. H. Jones and Maurice Turnbull went to his aid, and Cardiff won comfortably. But, earlier on, A. H. Jones was disappointingly—more so than Daley, who certainly tried his hardest to cut through a solid defence—though not nearly to the same extent as thought not nearly to the same extent as Gabe Jones, who either held on too long or ran into bunches of opponents, instead of running away from them.

Gloucester's forwards were good in the scrummages, but second to their opponents in the loose, where Skym was supreme, with Lewis Rees next. Spence and Babbage also did a few useful things, but the standard of open play was not generally high. Meadows was the foundation of Gloucester's splendid defensive strength, and received excellent support all round, especially from Roy James, who also showed that he knew how to open up the game for his colleagues. Indeed, all out he might have had a try or two from James's efforts.

Both full-backs were good, Stone, who was rarely pressed, touching brilliance, though being unable to claim such over-gave to his.

Cardiff were clearly the better of the sides—better to a degree in excess of the comparatively heavy score by which they won, and the really serious criticism which can be hurled at them was that their attack was not as smooth and as good as it ought to have been.

Cardiff Athletic v. Blaina 15/10/32  
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## BLAINA v. CARDIFF ATH.

At Blaina. Teams:—  
BLAINA—B. Smart; F. Powell, J. Lawrence, E. Kitson and J. Powell; C. Morgan and L. Sweet; G. Watkins, W. Jones, R. Masters, R. Jones, H. Masters, J. Dimmick, N. Bainton and W. Gittins.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC—D. Broad; B. Allies, R. R. Davies, A. Colin Jones and G. V. Wynne Jones; J. Kennedy and R. Fletcher; P. Fletcher, K. A. Matthews, D. E. Hughes, Ivor Williams, J. Williams, H. S. Davies, H. Johnson and S. Joyce.

Referee—Mr. R. C. Dixon, Cross Keys.

Blaina kicked off and Allies returned to touch at half-way. Blaina wheeled the first scrum, but Kennedy fielded the ball to set the three-quarters going. Jones, however, punted on, and Smart returned to touch.

A smart run by F. Powell had Cardiff in difficulties, and Jones was forced to turn the ball into touch near the corner flag. Blaina were awarded a penalty, and BAINTON landed a goal.

Straightaway the Cardiff Athletic got near the Blaina line, where Blaina were penalised and MATTHEWS landed a goal. Blaina by sure touch-finding were able to regain ground lost by the passing of the visiting backs.

An attack by Blaina was stopped near the line by Broad making a mark and finding touch well down the field.

Two scoring chances were thrown away by kicking too hard when near the line. Matthews made another attempt to land a penalty goal, but sent wide.

Powell gained a big slice of ground, but his punt on was fielded by Collin Jones, who found touch at half-way.

Blaina were penalised, but that kick at goal failed. G. Jones was bowled into touch just short of the line. Blaina broke away, but Lawrence was tackled.

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That escape caused Cardiff to realise their responsibilities, and for a time their forwards banged at the Gloucester line, while Stone was again only inches wide with an attempt at a penalty goal.

Reward, too, was not long delayed to Cardiff, for, after Cross had infringed the touch-line after making the most of a chance prepared by Babbage, B. R. Turnbull cut out an opening for A. H. JONES, who raced across in the corner. Stone failed with the kick.

Half-CARDIFF	0	1	3
GLOUCESTER	0	0	0

In the first minute of the second half—when 8,000 spectators were present—Gabe Jones brought off a dribble, and after some handling, A. H. Jones was responsible for a cross-punt which carried play close to Gloucester's line.

The failure of Gabe Jones to accept a pass from Maurice Turnbull, and the inability of A. H. Jones to take a couple of awkward passes, lost Cardiff some ground, though they continued to pin Gloucester down to defence both before and after Stone had been short with another shot at a penalty goal.

#### CLEVER BURST.

B. R. Turnbull, too, made one clever burst, only to find that he was hemmed in at the end of it, and Roy James eventually livened the proceedings by running back to midfield, where he was overtaken by Babbage.

Following the retirement of Ken Smith, owing to an injury, Cardiff increased their pressure, and in a rush SKYM scored a try. Stone sent the ball against an upright when he attempted to convert.

Another success for Cardiff came almost immediately, and that by means of a try which put its predecessors in the shade.

#### SKILFUL TRY

Play was a few yards inside the Gloucester half, with another breakdown in Cardiff's handling threatening, when Maurice Turnbull scooped up the ball, cut through neatly and then passed to Gabe Jones. He changed the direction of the attack, ran for a dozen yards, and when tackled on the fringe of the line returned the ball to MAURICE TURNBULL, who scrambled it over the line for a try. Again Tom Stone sent the ball against an upright—but this time it fell over the bar.

Eleven points behind, Gloucester put more life into their play than at any earlier period, James sending Morgan away for a sprint for half the length of the field, and subsequently playing the principal part in a series of well-deserved, but abortive, attacks.

But Cardiff soon resumed what appeared to be their customary job—that of hurling themselves at Gloucester's solid defence—and it was quite a change to see McKay

and the standard of open play was not generally high. Meadows was the foundation of Gloucester's splendid defensive strength, and received excellent support all round, especially from Roy James, who also showed that he knew how to open up the game for his colleagues. Indeed, had McKay, Gloucester's big wing, gone all out he might have had a try or two from James's efforts.

Both full-backs were good, Stone, who was rarely pressed, touching brilliance, though being unable to claim such overwhelming service to his side as Parker gave to his.

Cardiff were clearly the better of the sides—better to a degree in excess of the comparatively heavy score by which they won, and the really serious criticism which can be hurled at them was that their attack was not as smooth and as good as it ought to have been.

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## PENALTY GOAL SEALS CARDIFF'S FATE

### STONE'S FINE DISPLAY AT THE RECTORY FIELD

Cardiff lost their record at the Rectory Field, Blackheath, to-day, the "Heathens" winning by a penalty goal and a try to a try. After being six points down at the interval Cardiff made a fine rally, but an unconverted try by Lewis Rees in the closing stages of the game was their only reward.

T. Stone gave a magnificent display at full-back for Cardiff, and the Welsh forwards were very prominent in the second half.

Unbeaten Cardiff and once beaten Blackheath met at the Rectory Field, Blackheath, this afternoon, and a good sprinkling of internationals in two teams in the real sense of the word seemed assurance enough for the large crowd of some good football.

**CARDIFF**—T. Stone; A. T. Thomas, B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones, and A. H. Jones; M. J. Turnbull and R. Gabe-Jones; Tom Lewis (capt.), A. Skym, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, Lewis Rees, V. R. Osmond, I. Isaacs, and D. Carne.

**BLACKHEATH**—S. T. A. Radcliffe; C. D. Aarvold, J. A. Tallent, A. L. Novis and A. R. Chorlton; J. T. Kemp and C. T. B. Goldson; G. E. Valentine, H. H. C. Withers, B. H. Black, T. W. Gubb, L. S. Bailey, D. E. Pratten, A. G. Cridlan, and C. B. Bailey.

Referee: Mr. S. H. Budd, Bristol.

The conditions were rather depressing with drizzle in a fitful wind threatening to spoil the party. Blackheath were without H. Rew, who was playing for Dover, and T. W. Gubb, Oxford, was brought into the scrum.

Kemp started a passing movement from the kick-off, but after Tallent had run cleverly Aarvold's cross-kick went astray.

Cardiff backs could do little with the few chances that came their way early on, but the forwards soon showed that they would be a handful in the loose, and Skym and Babbage were soon prominent.

Cardiff were forced to touch down once, but it was the result of a kick ahead by Blackheath, and the visitors' line was not really in danger.

Fine kicking by Kemp and Tallent brought Blackheath within range, but the Cardiff forwards were more than holding their own. Suddenly rain developed into a torrential storm, conditions which thus early looked more likely to suit Cardiff. Stone was given one or two anxious moments at full back, but he met every call on him stoically.

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## GROUND RECORD PRESERVED

### Cardiff Athletic's Deserved Win

Skewen, who have been defeated twice this season, were entertained at Cardiff Arms Park. Cardiff Athletic included one newcomer, a trial being given to A. Whitley among the backs. Whitley has played in South Wales secondary school football. "Tinned music" has become taboo, the gramophone selections which have been played before this season being supplemented by the welcome return of the band. Teams:—

**CARDIFF ATHLETIC**—Cyril Davies; G. V. Wynne Jones, Colin Jones, R. R. Davies, and A. Whitley; J. Kennedy and R. Fletcher; P. Fletcher, Ivor Williams, K. Mathews, D. E. Hughes, H. S. Davies, G. James, L. Spence, and J. Milburn.

**SKEWEN**—Myo Abraham; A. Davies, D. Youatt, I. Rees, and H. Webber; E. Youatt and T. Youatt, P. C. Owen, Syd Harris, T. Howells, T. Watkins, I. Frye, T. Morgan, G. Watkins, J. B. Francis.

Referee: Mr. D. Evans, Llanharan.

Cardiff lost the toss, and opening against the sun, at once got their backs going. But two smart handling moves broke down, and Skewen took up the running.

Play in the opening ten minutes was ragged, and mostly confined to the forwards, and when the Skewen backs tried to infuse some life into it with a dash an exciting few minutes near the Cardiff line ended in R. Fletcher getting away, punting ahead, regaining possession and running off like a hare with R. R. Davies in close attention.

He was duly challenged and gave to Davies, but the centre, after making a spurt, was smothered in determined fashion.

Abraham tackled Davies effectively a few minutes later to break up an orthodox back movement in which the passing was a treat to watch.

Skewen retaliated with a fierce forward rush which brought Wynne Jones into the picture with good defensive work, and then a strong run. Abraham forced Wynne Jones into touch when the latter was within an ace of crossing just afterwards.

R. R. Davies received a nasty jar in a collision, and had to be carried off with an injured leg.

R. FLETCHER, the outside half, had been a prominent figure throughout, and he showed cleverness and determination when he gained a try for Cardiff. Although in a crowd of players, he dodged and struggle until he worked his way from the 25 to the line. He dragged two men across to score. Cyril Davies converted with a good kick.

Half—CARDIFF ATHLETIC... 1 0 5

SKEWEN ..... 0 0 0

R. R. Davies resumed after half-time, but was forced to retire again within a few minutes.

Skewen were soon attacking strongly, and with play confined to Cardiff's territory the visitors battered at the Cardiff defence. Scrummage followed scrummage and with Skewen heeling from nearly every one they had a host of scoring chances, but offside play, knock-on, and fumbling spoilt them.

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Any chance of their improving their territorial advantage was again spoiled by Cardiff forwards getting off-side.

From then until just on half-time it was fierce and level pegging, with one memorable incident when Brown, Black, and the whole of the Cardiff pack fought for possession, and Black was eventually held with the ball.

Blackheath were attacking again, but the whistle went, and one glorious save by Stone was noteworthy.

Half—BLACKHEATH	.....	*1	1	6
CARDIFF	.....	0	0	0

\*Penalty.

Cardiff, as they had done in the last ten minutes of the first half, were getting more of the ball in the second half, but passing, being too uncertain, they took to kicking ahead.

In the loose the forwards were apt to kick too far ahead. Blackheath, in consequence, continued to make ground by good touch-finding.

Nevertheless, a determined rush by Rees and Babbage looked like a try, but no score was allowed.

Stone continued to be the star man of the Cardiff side, his safe hands, and splendid sense of position gaining him many rounds of applause.

He was admirably safe with his kicks, too, but he was a little ambitious when he attempted to drop a goal from half-way.

For a long time Cardiff had matters much their own way in the second half, the forwards rallying splendidly, but though they made repeated attacks on the Blackheath line, getting the ball from practically every scrum, they could not pierce the steady defence.

It was not until right at the end of the game that REES who led some fine rushes, scored a try from a kick ahead, the kick failing.

Final—BLACKHEATH	.....	*1	1	6
CARDIFF	.....	0	1	3

\*Penalty.

## COMMENTS

Blackheath made a tactical error when Kemp and Davies continually used the diagonal kick ahead. In the first place Stone made no semblance of a mistake throughout the match, and his quickness to turn and get in long-range kicks saved his forwards any amount of energy.

Again, neither Chorlton nor Aarvold seemed to have the length in kicking of their opposite numbers, and straight passing might have gained them many tries.

The Cardiff forwards in the second half were magnificent, and after at one time looking as though they would knuckle under to the Blackheath pack, completely over-played them for a full 25 minutes after the interval.

## MATCHES OFF

Cardiff Corries A v. Lovells Reserves.

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# SHORT SECOND HALF AT SWANSEA

## GAME WITH CARDIFF CURTAILED ON ACCOUNT OF WIND AND RAIN SCORING HONOURS EVEN

Although a wind of almost gale force and heavy rain caused the game between Swansea and Cardiff at St. Helen's to be abandoned after twenty minutes in the second half with the scores level, play up to this point had been remarkably good in the circumstances.

(By "OLD STAGER")

With the wind blowing with half a gale force and fully laden with rain, Cardiff played Swansea at St. Helen's this afternoon. The ground looked good, but otherwise the conditions were as depressing and uncomfortable as could be imagined, so that it was not surprising to find practically all the spectators located in the stands.

Both teams were as near full strength as made no difference, and it, therefore, looked as though what should have been one of the best games of the day would be ruined.

SWANSEA—I. Herbert; W. J. Trew, J. D. Jenkins, C. Cowling, and Reggie Bateman; Bryn Evans and R. R. Morris; Tom Day, Gwyn Jones, Gwynfor Lewis, Joe White, Dai Thomas, W. Davies, Jack Rees, and Glyn Davies.

CARDIFF—T. Stone; J. Daley, B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones and A. H. Jones; W. Roberts and M. J. Turnbull; Tom Lewis, A. Skyn, R. Barrell, L. Rees, T. Edwards, I. Isaacs, L. Spence and K. Babbage.

Referee, Mr. Morgan Moses (Newport). Swansea had the wind and rain in their faces in the opening half, and had an early escape when Babbage, with the wind to support him, endeavoured to place a penalty goal almost from the centre.

Cardiff forwards and backs quite rightly preferred using their feet to their hands, though once Skyn opened up promisingly after he had broken away from a scrum, and a kick through by Graham Jones and dribbling by the Cardiff forwards forced Swansea back down their own line.

Partial clearances by Trew and Bryn Evans eased the situation for Swansea, who also gained ground from a penalty against Spence for obstruction.

The gain to the All Whites was, however, neutralised when W. Davies was caught offside.

In some forward play feet commenced to fly about in a reckless manner and while the crowd shouted at Barrell, the referee had a few words to say to Joe White.

Immediately after the interlude the Swansea forwards, with Tom Day leading, got away with some excellent footwork which was temporarily checked only to be resumed after R. R. Morris had worried the Cardiff backs with a well-placed punt ahead.

### A "GIFT" TRY

Stone could not hold the ball when it reached him from the punt, and though Daley got back to deal with the situation as play approached the Cardiff line he only succeeded in throwing the ball to the feet of DAY, who tapped it over the line and scored a try.

Glyn Davies made a poor attempt at conversion. The wind and rain abated somewhat, and thanks mainly to some remarkably fine kicking and passing by Herbert, Swansea held their own in the general play for a considerable time.

Stone's kicking from a penalty eventually re-established Cardiff as the attacking side, but when Graham Jones flicked ahead J. D. Jenkins, Trew, and Morris handled prettily and commendably, and Morris was unfortunate in having his kick ahead charged down by Stone.

### STONE'S EQUALISER

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After twenty minutes' play in the second half the referee stopped the game owing to the conditions.

Final—CARDIFF ..... \*1 1 6

SWANSEA ..... \*1 1 6

\*Penalties.

### COMMENTS

In a lengthy experience in the world of Rugby there have been few occasions on which I have seen any attempt made to play first-class Rugby under such appalling conditions as prevailed at Swansea this afternoon.

The light was bad, the rain came down in torrents, and, with the wind blowing at almost gale force, the players could well have been excused however badly they had done.

As a matter of fact, however, both Swansea and Cardiff at times played really attractive football in spite of the conditions, and both of them ought, therefore, to be satisfied with the result returned.

With the conditions what they were, almost anything might have happened to the elusive Rugby ball, whilst the players were on the field. That the ball, however, was generally under control, was one of the most pleasing features, showing as it did that the players were able to adapt themselves to the conditions, and to exploit them.

The tactics adopted by the contending sides were of different varieties, Cardiff's forwards and backs were, if anything, to be too careful with their handling, for it was not a day on which close footwork was calculated to bring the best results.

Swansea seemed to be more appreciative than Cardiff of that fact, and time and time again gained valuable ground by driving the ball through as far as they possibly could and trusting to mistake on the part of their opponents in fielding or catching.

The forwards on both sides showed stamina and skill, and there was really very little between them. The greatest surprise of all was possibly the success which was secured when both back divisions tried handling, for some of the passing was quite as good as any which could be seen on a really good day.

A. H. Jones was the Cardiff back who mastered the conditions best of all, whilst of the Swansea side Bryn Evans, Morris, and Herbert were outstanding.

Stone, despite a few mistakes, did excellently, and altogether it was a surprisingly good game under most atrocious conditions.

## "OLD FIRM" TAKE RECORD

Cardiff Athletic's First  
Home Defeat This  
Season

## KEEN FORWARD DUEL

Drenching rain was sweeping across the field when Mountain Ash took the field against Cardiff Athletic at the Arms Park. The victors, who came near to beating Abertillery on the Abertillery enclosure earlier in the season, were strongly represented. R. R. Davies was unfit, and his place at centre in the Cardiff side was taken by C. T. Arthur, of Aberavon.

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MOUNTAIN ASH—Ivor Skyrme; W. Morgan, H. Williams, J. R. Davies and Gerald Lewis; J. Loughlin and H. Hill Davies; A. Davies, P. C. Travers, A. Roberts, Jim Cummings, J. W. Price, P. Demary, P. C. T. Gadd and Jim Murphy.

Referee, Mr. J. Wetter (Newport). Mountain Ash were the first to assert themselves, threatening danger by strong forward rushes, but Cardiff defended stoutly, and when P. Fletcher tried an individual effort Coughlin gained possession and cleared.

A hefty kick by Skyrme later placed Mountain Ash in a strong position, and from a line-out in the Cardiff 25 they tried to rush the ball over the Cardiff line, but were recalled for offside.

Then after Gerald Lewis had made an unsuccessful attempt to drop a goal a pretty back movement developed to leave W. Morgan in possession a few yards out. Kennedy, however, foiled him and conceded a minor.

Mountain Ash were having by far the better of play and it seemed as if they would easily open the scoring when Albert Davies set the Cardiff at a discount with a surprise reverse pass.

When Haydn Williams had no one to beat, however, he failed to take a pass, and R. Fletcher and N. Baker swiftly transferred play after a clever burst.

A penalty kick was awarded Cardiff near half way and Cyril Davies's kick was just short.

Then Cardiff bombarded the visiting line, and R. Fletcher tried to force his way over only to be brought down by force of numbers.

A clever dribble by Gerald Lewis and Roberts brought Mountain Ash the first score. The Cardiff defence was completely deceived by a neat piece of footwork, and when the ball was deflected to HAYDN WILLIAMS he was unmarked and picked up and crossed wide out. Cummings's kick was low.

Half—MOUNTAIN ASH ..... 0 1 3

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Cardiff, who had been without Kennedy in the closing few minutes of the opening half through a leg injury, resumed full strength, and infused more dash into the play.

Cyril Davies made a spectacular touch-line, but when ahead Skyrme made a mark.

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#### STONE'S EQUALISER

A. H. Jones's touch-line kick was mainly responsible for giving Cardiff their next opportunity of showing what they could do by the way of attack.

At first it looked as though they would fail again, for Stone was wide with a drop at goal, but in the next minute STONE levelled the scores by kicking a penalty goal with a drop-kick from fairly long range.

That hardened the Cardiff men, and Herbert welcomed the opportunity of keeping them at bay by making a clever mark right on his own line. Fast footwork for the Swansea forwards and kicking by Stone were the features in the play which followed.

A minute or two before half-time the Swansea forwards had a kick charged down, and TOM LEWIS went over for a try with the awarding of which the crowd obviously did not agree. Stone failed with the kick.

Half-CARDIFF	.....	*1	1	6
SWANSEA	.....	0	1	3

\*Penalty.

Cardiff commenced the second half with a period of pressure, which ended when Trew and other members of the Swansea backs realised the value of putting the ball high into the following wind.

Bill Roberts, Rees and Isaacs regained much of the lost ground with a fast loose dribble, to which Swansea replied with really delightful passing.

Bryn Evans made a gem of an opening before calling for the assistance of his centres. That assistance was readily given, and when the ball reached Bate-man he made a glorious dash for the corner, only to fail to reach his objective by reason of a neat piece of low tackling by Stone.

#### ALL WHITES' REWARD

Still the initiative had definitely passed to Swansea, and they were rewarded by making the scores equal when HERBERT, with a dropped kick, landed a penalty goal from practically the same spot from which Stone had scored for Cardiff.

Swansea were soon busy attacking again, handling with surprising skill under the conditions, but they were foiled, and Skym was the most prominent figure in a dribble by the Cardiff forwards which swept almost the length of the field.

When the dribble was stopped the Cardiff forwards carried a scrummage, and Cardiff backs showed what they could do by way of handling, putting in a full round of passing which could have brought a reward had Daley been fast enough to shake off Trew.

Swansea, however, were not defending for long, and when they once furiously faced Cardiff had several narrow escapes, notably when Stone miskicked and Herbert failed to raise the ball when he dropped a goal.



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## CARDIFF'S REVENGE OVER THE "HEATHENS"

### A. H. JONES GETS ALL FOUR TRIES

Cardiff turned the tables on Blackheath at Cardiff Arms Park. A fortnight ago the Heathens deprived Cardiff of their unbeaten certificate; to-day, Cardiff playing brilliantly against a side which contained five internationals, avenged themselves to the tune of 18 points to eight. The match was really won by A. H. Jones, the ex-London Welsh, Bridgend and Llandovery player, who scored all of Cardiff's four tries.

Blackheath, who took away Cardiff's unbeaten certificate a fortnight ago, were the visitors to Cardiff Arms Park, where, after a drying wind and sun, the ground had recovered extremely well from the week's drenching.

The Heathens placed a strong side in the field, and apart from missing Skym out of the forwards Cardiff did not suffer through the Welsh trial.

Cardiff were forced to make a further change forward, however, Lewis Rees having sustained an injury to his eye, in consequence D. Carne came into the side.

It is interesting to note that Blackheath had five internationals in the side. They of course, have lost the services of the brilliant Novis, who is now in Ireland.

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Referee—Mr. R. J. Jones, Cross Keys.  
Cardiff won the toss, and Blackheath opened against the sun before about 6,000 spectators.

The Heathens looked dangerous after a line-out on the Cardiff 25, but Roy Gabe Jones came into the picture with a good tackle and strong attacking work afterwards, but Radcliffe broke up a strong movement, and a few minutes later Graham Jones was effectively smothered when Maurice Turnbull set the backs moving.

Cardiff kept at it, but Radcliffe's kick was cleanly taken by Stone, and, after a characteristic short run, he enabled B. R. Turnbull to make a dart away, but again the Heathens cleared their lines.

#### FIerce Tussle

There was an exciting tussle near the Blackheath line between Daley and Chorlton, but the ball went into touch.

Close marking by the Cardiff men kept the Heathens' fast backs in check, and Blackheath tried to retaliate by playing up on Stone.

The diminutive full-back was sure and steady, however, but when once he sliced the ball Blackheath's forwards pressed on Cardiff's left, only to leave an opening in the middle of the field through which the home backs managed to make a swift and clever attack, which left Graham Jones in a strong position with Daley in close attendance.

Graham Jones drew his man and gave out a good pass, but when the wing was getting clean away Chorlton dashed across and saved the situation with a determined tackle.

#### THE FIRST TRY

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A. H. JONES

up the ball and, picking up, ran 35 yards to touch down under the posts. Stone converted.

Blackheath were not completely eclipsed, however, and after Aarvold and Chorlton had won a tussle with Stone, TALLENT crossed for Black to convert a few seconds from time.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 3 1 8  
BLACKHEATH ..... 2 0 8

#### COMMENTS

In obtaining their revenge, Cardiff treated their supporters to as lively and incisive a display as anyone could wish to see.

The hero, of course, was A. H. Jones, whose straight running and speed were allied with strong defensive play in which determination in tackling was a strong point.

As matter of fact, Cardiff's back division was in rare form and gave easily their best display of the season, Graham Jones and B. R. Turnbull being at the top of their form.

Graham Jones was particularly unlucky, especially when he bounced the ball instead of grounding it and thus failed to round off a brilliant individual effort. Close marking kept Aarvold and Tallent, England's threequarters, completely in check, and they were given little scope.

While Goldson lived up to the reputation he has made in the North, he was playing behind a beaten pack, while Maurice Turnbull was at his best and rarely failed to reach Gabe-Jones with his passes.

Forward, Cardiff were well in front, especially in the second half, when they outplayed a strong pack in all phases of the game. As usual, Tom Lewis was a great leader.

Tommy Stone surpassed himself in his anticipation and quite outshone Radcliffe.

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### "OLD PARISH" IN FORM AGAIN

### Cardiff Athletic End Pointless

Conditions were ideal for the Maesteg home game with Cardiff this afternoon, but despite this the attendance 10 minutes before the start was disappointing.

With the exception of Cyril Davies, whose place at full-back was taken by D. Broad, Cardiff were well represented, while Maesteg were without R. Cook.

Teams:—  
MAESTEG—W. E. Reynolds; Cyril Thomas, R. Thomas, R. Duckfield, C. Lewis; T. Conway, H. Hayes; M. J. Rees, Glyn Jones, S. Lloyd, J. Penny, W. Jenkins, M. A'Herne, D. Jones, L. Daniels.  
CARDIFF—D. Broad; R. Jones, T. Jones, A. Colin Jones, E. Wynne Jones; H. Kennedy and R. Fletcher; P. Fletcher, D. E. Hughes, H. F. Davies, K. Matthews, Ivor Williams, J. Milburn, G. James, W. Baker.

Referee: Mr. Ivor Brown, Bridgend.

By means of a couple of useful touch-downs by Wynne Jones and Colin Jones, Cardiff immediately gained a foothold in Maesteg territory, and although the home forwards subsequently worked their way to the Cardiff 25, a free kick taken by Broad enabled the visitors once more to cross the half-way line.

Cardiff backs, who had the advantage of a speedy scrum service, were making every effort to get going, and on one occasion a pretty movement between Wynne and Colin Jones all but gave the former a try.

Maesteg improved later, and for a time Cardiff were hard pressed.

#### PRETTY WORK

A cross-kick by Reynolds had the defence in difficulties, and although Hayes failed to beat Broad in a race for possession, Cardiff again failed to clear, and Maesteg were able to maintain their advantage.

Maesteg held this position for some time but subsequently relief came to Cardiff as a result of a huge punt up the field by Broad.

Pretty work by Conway and Hayes at the foot of the scrums took the defence by surprise, but although Cardiff sustained this ordeal they were not able to keep their line intact for very long.

A further burst by Hayes sent DANIELS over with a try which Duckfield failed to convert by inches only.

Play was maintained at an interesting pace and Cardiff had a rare opportunity to draw level when Wynne Jones raced from one end of the field to the other, but lack of adequate support spoiled the effort.

Then came a free kick to Cardiff in front of the posts, but the kick was a poor effort.

Half—MAESTEG ..... 0 1 3  
CARDIFF ..... 0 0 0

Hard work by the home forwards marked the opening of the second half, but a quick breakaway by the Cardiff men turned the scales in their favour and Reynolds was decidedly hard pressed before he was able to clear.

Play, however, fluctuated rapidly, and a nice burst by Duckfield and Cyril Thomas again gave Maesteg the advantage, which was subsequently lost.

A lightning cut, through by Duckfield and passing by Hayes, Penny and CYRIL THOMAS gave the last-named a great try, in the making of which the Cardiff defence was completely beaten.

Cardiff, although by now a beaten side, did not relax their efforts, and for a time they kept play near their own line, but despite good work, Maesteg again broke through DUCKFIELD, a full blooded tackle by Broad preventing Cyril Thomas from crossing.

Final—MAESTEG ..... 0 2 6  
CARDIFF ..... 0 0 0



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Cardiff's lead, gained after twenty minutes play, drew a strong retaliation from the Heathens, but the Cardiff backs were holding tenaciously to their opposite numbers, and although Goldson was giving the three-quarters excellent service, ~~and his men could not get clear.~~

Phillips tried hard to break through, and in the end essayed a futile drop at goal.

On two other occasions Chorlton was foiled when he had chances. There had been several penalties for feet up in the scrummages before one awarded against Cardiff, just inside the Cardiff half enabled BLACK to display his wonderful kick. He made no mistake in sending the ball high between the posts.

A moment later the crowd went into ecstasies when Graham Jones dashed away brilliantly, kicked the ball over Radcliffe's head, got possession again, and romped over the line. The referee was booed when he adjudged that Graham Jones had not grounded the ball and gave Blackheath a drop-out.

Cardiff forgot their disappointment within a few seconds, for A. H. JONES left the Blackheath men standing and ran across for a try. Stone's kick was wide.

Half-CARDIFF .....	1 1 8
BLACKHEATH .....	*1 0 3

\*Penalty.

Cardiff opened the second half in a welter of attacking by their forwards, but the heathens defended resolutely. Two penalty kicks from near the half-way line failed to bring Cardiff any reward, and Tommp Stone came up and gave useful assistance.

Once he found touch near the Heathens' 25, next he made a futile drop at goal, and then he spoilt a good run by giving a forward pass.

Graham Jones crossed once more, only to be recalled because Davey, who let him in, had been pushed into touch.

## AND AGAIN

Excellent service from a scrum inside the Heathens 25, a pass well taken on the run by Graham Jones, and the Cardiff backs moved brilliantly in a concerted movement which let in A. H. JONES for the wing, who was playing particularly well, to cross for the third time. Tommy Stone converted, and Cardiff were ten points ahead with twenty minutes to go.

## STONE'S BRILLIANCE

When Blackheath put in a strong attack Tallent was forced into touch near the Cardiff line and Cardiff soon went back into the eHathens' territory with Tommy Stone well in evidence. Stone was in his most brilliant form and when next Blackheath came sweeping down the field Phillips was smartly brought down by him.

A. H. JONES was again responsible for a try—his fourth! And it was after a brilliant move which gained him rounds of applause.

First of all, when Blackheath's backs were moving, he stopped it by forcing Tallent to throw the ball away from Phillips. Phillips got possession, but A. H. Jones worried him, forced him to give

the game. As usual, Tom Lewis was a great leader. Tommy Stone surpassed himself in his anticipation and quite outshone Radcliffe.

Cardiff, although they kept play near despite good work, through DUCKFIELD tackle by Broad from crossing.  
Final.—MAESTEG  
CARDIFF



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# H. JONES' HAT-TRICK OF TRIES

## CARDIFF'S RUNAWAY WIN OVER NEWPORT

Cardiff backs were in brilliant form against Newport at Arms Park this afternoon, with the result that the Usksiders were completely outplayed, A. H. Jones being an outstanding figure on the winning side with a "hat-trick" of tries in the second half.

(By "OLD STAGER")

Rugby enthusiasts in South Wales were keener than usual regarding to-day's match between Cardiff and Newport, and that for two reasons. In the first place Cardiff have recently touched brilliance, while the second consideration was that Newport, after a very indifferent start, have given promise of returning to their former greatness.

This was the second meeting of the season between the teams, and Newport to-day had the incentive of hoping to reverse the decision in the previous game, in which they were beaten by five points.

Both sides were as strong as they could reasonably hope to be and, while Cardiff included D. E. J. Hughes, a former Newport forward, in their pack, Newport had E. J. Parfitt, who played for Cardiff earlier in the season, at inside-half.

Skym's absence from the Cardiff pack was accounted for by his having broken a finger.

It was a grey, cold November day, and even before the game started visibility on the Cardiff Arms Park was none too good, and that with the prospect of its rapidly becoming worse. The attendance at the start was in the region of 7,000. Teams:—

CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. H. Jones, Graham Jones, B. R. Turnbull, and J. Daley; R. Gabe-Jones and M. J. Turnbull; Tom Lewis (capt.), D. Carne, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, L. Spence, V. R. Osmond, D. E. J. Hughes, and T. Edwards.

NEWPORT—H. W. Isaac; Hywel Jones, Ken Squire, J. R. Edwards, and S. I. Evans; A. R. Ralph (captain) and E. J. Parfitt; E. J. Shiner, Dai Jones, D. J. Anderson, J. R. Evans, S. Danaher, J. K. Wood, J. A. Addison, and W. G. C. Williams.

Referee, Mr. W. G. Baker, Aberkenfig. Cardiff looked like getting away with a loose dribble in the first minute, but the referee blew up prematurely and ordered a scrummage.

Cardiff heeled, and for once in a way Maurice Turnbull threw out an atrocious pass, which Gabe-Jones could not take and which presented Parfitt with an opportunity of fielding.

That he did, and away the Newport backs went with a passing bout which came to naught owing to J. R. Edwards sending a pass behind Squire instead of in front of him.

Ralph made a couple of pretty dashes which enabled Newport to cross the centre line, and play was in that position when Maurice Turnbull found an unguarded spot in the vicinity of a scrummage, dashed through it, and threw the ball to the toes of two of his forwards.

### EARLY THRILLS

They dribbled for a dozen yards before the ball conveniently bounced into the hands of Babbage, who promptly got it away to the three-quarters, who had Newport's defence outflanked.

But Cardiff's handling was slow and by the time the ball reached Daley, and that after a forward pass, Isaac was in a position to tackle him a dozen yards from Newport's line.

Again Cardiff lost ground owing to Maurice Turnbull sending out a ground pass, but Stone, after misjudging the flight of the ball through stumbling, made a remarkable recovery, cut through brilliantly, and Cardiff's forwards and backs again passed with the precision before A. H. Jones was forced to touch a dozen yards from the Newport line.

### NOT FAST ENOUGH

The next thrill was also provided by Cardiff, Gabe-Jones getting absolutely clear of Newport's half-backs and centres before passing to B. R. Turnbull, who was not fast enough to go all the way himself, and who threw out a pass which was out of the reach of Daley—another scoring chance for Cardiff gone astray!

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A. H. JONES (Cardiff).

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Maurice Turnbull promptly endeavoured to exploit the position with another "steal-away" from a scrumage and Newport's defence was badly entangled when he sent out a pass—which was taken by Squire!

### CARDIFF WELL ON TOP

Newport had another escape when a long-range kick at goal from a penalty by Babbage struck an upright, but in the next couple of minutes Newport's fate was definitely sealed.

First of all Cardiff's halves and centres combined brilliantly at short range and A. H. JONES, with a great sprint, got across in the corner with a try which Stone could not convert.

### A GLORIOUS TRY.

Almost in the next minute, with play at Cardiff's quarter-line, the ball was again worked out to

A. H. JONES, who side-stepped Evans, beat Isaac with a swerve, and amid tremendous cheering ran for over half the length of the field for a glorious try beneath the posts.

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Even that did not end it, for a only a few minutes had elapsed when Cardiff again delivered a combined attack which reached perfection.

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That he did with a side-step which carried him so far out of the reach of Isaac that the Newport man did not put a hand upon him, although he threw himself full length.

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### BADLY BEATEN

Newport were now a badly beaten side, and little surprise was, therefore, occasioned when in the course of some loose play Maurice Turnbull cleared the way for a good try by BABBAGE, who also added the extra points.

In the concluding stages Newport did better, thanks mainly to Ralph, who made a couple of pretty cuts through and once narrowly missed a drop at goal.

Final—CARDIFF 3 3 24

NEWPORT 0 0 0

### COMMENTS

One of Cardiff's greatest triumphs!

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12/11/32.

## SWALLOW GETS TWO TRIES

## Newport United Get Revenge

Newport United were opposed to Cardiff Athletic at Rodney Parade this afternoon, and hoped to avenge their defeat at the hands of the Athletic at Cardiff a few weeks ago. Teams:—

CARDIFF ATHLETIC—C. Davies; R. R. Davies, Colin Jones, W. Roberts and C. Cross; R. Fletcher and J. Kennedy; P. Fletcher, H. S. Davies, K. Matthews, B. Jenkins, B. James, I. Williams, A. Hockaday and J. Milburn.

NEWPORT UNITED—R. J. Panting; J. F. Swallow, L. Rowlands, M. Dawes and J. Dunn; A. Gear and A. K. Tovey; W. Jackson, K. Taylor, P. Lewis, S. R. Elms, G. I. Gwylliam, W. Newton, V. Law and W. Dowd.

Referee—Mr. R. J. Jones, Cross Keys.

Within a few minutes of the start the United, by passing among the three-quarters on the right, became dangerous. Following a forward dribble the ball went over the visitors' goal-line and W. NEWTON fell on it for a try. The kick failed.

Play was of a scrappy nature, but the spectators were compensated later by seeing a clever run by Swallow. The three-quarters were set in motion from a line-out. They passed well, and SWALLOW, on the right wing, made a great corkscrew run through the defence and threw himself over the line with Davies clinging to him, the kick again failing.

There was a period of unexciting play, and then came more thrills. Tovey gathered from a scrum in the visitors' 25. He gave the "dummy," got through to the full-back, and then sent out to SWALLOW, who scored an unconverted try.

Speed was a great factor in the best try of the match scored by Cardiff.

After a fine bout of passing Jones got through. Roberts received and handed on to CROSS, who beat the defence for an unconverted try.

Half—NEWPORT UNITED 0 3 9  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC 0 1 3

Cardiff Athletic made more use of their forwards in the second half, and did so to good advantage. For a time they caused Newport considerable anxiety.

Later Newport just missed scoring. R. Davies kicking the ball over the dead-line when Dunn was on the point of touching down.

Cardiff three-quarters were in good form on occasions, and Cross on the right wing did particularly well in gaining ground with some fine bursts.

The Athletic strove hard to break through, but the Newport defence held good.

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Clever work at half-back by Parfitt and  
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from a penalty eventually carried Newport  
into the Cardiff half, from which they  
were ejected by the kicking of Stone and  
accurate passing and straight running by  
the Cardiff quartette.

Similar tactics on the part of Newport,  
aided by kicking by Ralph and Isaac,  
regained for Newport the advantage which  
had been lost, but they could not hold  
what they had gained, being driven back  
by a great dribble by Barrell, who got to  
within a dozen yards of success before  
being pulled up.

With a dash towards the centre of the  
field, A. H. Jones got even nearer than  
that to success, while Gabe-Jones was  
smothered by Isaac and J. R. Edwards  
well beneath the shadow of the posts.

#### BRILLIANT RUN

Cardiff were driven back for a matter of  
30 yards, but they regained all they had  
lost when Gabe Jones made a really  
brilliant individual run, reaching Isaac  
before being bowled over.

A scrum followed, and Cardiff heel-  
ing, Maurice Turnbull and Gabe-Jones did  
their parts and

B. R. TURNBULL burst across the  
Newport line and got behind the posts  
for a try which Stone goaled.

Cardiff had earned their lead, and  
Newport were lucky to escape being even  
further behind in the next couple of  
minutes, for Maurice Turnbull, Gabe-  
Jones, and B. R. Turnbull ran grandly,  
only for the last-named to throw the ball  
forward when he endeavoured to get the  
ball away to his co-centre.

Cardiff's forwards also had a "go" on  
their own without quite getting there, and  
this further period of pressure by Cardiff  
ended when Isaac found touch at great  
length from a penalty.

The relief that Newport gained, how-  
ever, was of a delusory character, for  
when Cardiff's forwards heeled from a  
scrummy Maurice Turnbull completely  
eluded Parfitt, darted between the centres  
and when faced by Isaac passed to GRA-  
HAM JONES, who went straight through  
under the posts for a simple but pretty  
try. Stone sent the ball against the cross-  
bar when he attempted to convert.

Half—CARDIFF .....	1	1	3
NEWPORT .....	0	0	0

The crowd had increased to over 10,000  
when Newport opened the second half  
with the strongest attack they had so far  
delivered.

They were repulsed, and A. H. Jones,  
fielding when Hywel Jones dropped a  
pass, made ground before passing to  
Graham Jones, who cross-punted to a  
bunch of his colleagues, who carried on  
by haphazard methods until the ball went  
to touch near the Newport line, and  
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Final—CARDIFF .....	3	3	24
NEWPORT .....	0	0	0

#### COMMENTS

One of Cardiff's greatest triumphs!  
That sums it up. And it was a triumph  
which was earned and deserved—a  
triumph which recalled the occasion, a  
decade or so ago, when Danny Davies,  
playing his first game for Cardiff, tore the  
defence of the Newport side of that year  
to shreds.

But to-day's triumph was not the  
triumph of an individual, but the triumph  
of the side, and because of that it was  
an infinitely more valuable triumph than  
its predecessor. Some players, of course,  
had more to do with obtaining it than did  
others, but it was a well and widely dis-  
tributed cleverness which "smote" a by  
no means inefficient Newport team "hip  
and thigh."

Newport were simply not in it, being  
beaten everywhere except at full back,  
where Isaac gave a display which equalled  
that of Stone's, and which was of greater  
strenuousness and value by reason of the  
failure of the men in front of him. And  
that failure was, if anything, more  
pronounced than the score shows, for  
Cardiff, despite a glorious display, made  
mistakes which cost them a couple of  
tries which were "there for the taking."  
Cardiff have rarely played in such  
brilliant form.

#### NEWPORT'S WEAKNESS

Nothing is gained by stressing New-  
port's weaknesses. They were there for  
all to see—revealed in all their nakedness  
through the masterly display of Cardiff.  
Parfitt, Newport's new inside-half, started  
splendidly—one of his reverse passes was  
a beauty!—and Ralph started and finished  
strongly, but in between there was a  
lengthy period in which Cardiff's halves  
were supreme, revealing a supremacy  
which was accentuated by the confidence  
which they were able to place in their  
centres, while Ralph could not place such  
reliance upon Squires or Edwards.

Maurice Turnbull made it clear that he  
is the most improved player of the season.  
Gone is the stiffness and uncertainty  
which formerly circumscribed his play  
away from the scrummages, and if his  
service is not quite as accurate as it was  
any little deficiency in that direction is  
pardoned in the light of the kill he has  
acquired in creating openings.

R. Gabe-Jones was also good—all of  
Cardiff's backs were that!—while I would  
bracket Cardiff's left flank with Maurice  
Turnbull. On to-day's showing there is  
no left flank in the country with the  
scoring capacity of Graham Jones and A.  
H. Jones (who is proving a tremendous  
success on the wing), and the Welsh  
Selectors cannot justly leave them out of  
the coming trials, especially as the  
former's defence is considerably improved.  
Cardiff's players were brilliant all  
round, and Newport were beaten as clean  
as a whistle, both individually and collec-  
tively.

good.  
Final—NEWPORT UNITED... 0 3 0  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC. 0 1 3



Cardiff v Neath 19/11/32

# BRILLIANT CARDIFF BACKS OUTWIT NEATH

## A. H. JONES GETS THREE OUT OF SEVEN TRIES

The Cardiff backs were in brilliant form against Neath at Arms Park to-day, and crossed the All Blacks' line no fewer than seven times, A. H. Jones, who is earning a reputation as a prolific scorer, placed three tries to his credit.

(By "OLD STAGER")

Although Neath have not such a good record as Cardiff this season, an attractive game was promised at the Cardiff Arms Park this afternoon.

Encouragement in that direction, too, was provided by the fact that both sides fielded at full strength, Gwyn Moore, the Neath centre, the only doubtful starter, having recovered from his recent injuries. It was a grey November day, but otherwise the conditions were good. Mr. Justice Charles was among the spectators, while the game was also viewed by four of the Welsh selectors, the only one of the "Big Five" who was absent being Mr. Wyndham Jones (Merthyr Vale). Teams:—

CARDIFF.—Tommy Stone; A. H. Jones, Graham Jones, B. R. Turnbull and J. Daley; M. J. Turnbull and R. Gabe-Jones; Tom Lewis, A. Skym, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, Lewis Rees, V. R. Osmond, I. Isaacs, and L. Spence.

NEATH.—Phil Lloyd; Dan Jones, Glyn Daniels, Gwyn Moore and Arthur Hickman; Cliff Evans and Redvers Davies; Gordon Hopkins (capt.), Tom Arthur, A. Lemon, Glyn Prosser, D. R. Prosser, Gomer Hughes, T. H. Morgan and Glyn Roberts.

Referee, Mr. I. G. Thomas, Penygraig.

Cardiff started as if they intended to reproduce their brilliant form of a week ago, Gabe Jones and A. H. Jones doing some smart running, which whetted the appetite of the crowd.

Cardiff, however, could not press their attack, for Phil Lloyd did some superb kicking, and with the Neath forwards getting the ball from a scrumage or two the Neath backs challenged Cardiff's supremacy in the matter of handling, and did not come off second best.

In addition, there was one occasion in which Gwyn Moore showed splendid judgment in allowing the ball to rebound from him—instead of his making a grab at an awkward pass—and before Cardiff realised the position he had dribbled through and got clear of all the defenders.

### OUT OF BOUNDS

Lemon came to his assistance and between them they steered the ball over the Cardiff line only to see it roll out of bounds.

Even after that mistake on the part of Cardiff, the initiative continued to rest with Neath, and a convenient bounce of the ball enabled Hickman to get properly into his stride to round Daley and to get up to Stone before being brought down.

That was not all. Kicking by Redvers Davies and a neat run by Daniels was followed by Dan Jones fielding a loose ball near the centre of the field and dashing away at a moment when A. H. Jones was unable to get to him.

### CARDIFF ESCAPES

For a good forty yards the Neath wing continued his sprint before coming in contact with Stone, who could do no more than check him. That check, however, was all-important, for it had given Maurice Turnbull time to get back to complete the tackle and save a certain score.

Cardiff had another escape when Daniels failed with a shot at a penalty goal, but gradually Cardiff got back to the centre. Even so, Neath continued to be altogether the smarter side, and in due course a reward came to them.

### A FINE TRY

Redvers Davies and Daniels opened up the play when operations were being conducted near the centre line, and DAN JONES, running inside of his centre, Daniels took a well delivered pass, and through a scrumage and after a 30 yards diagonal run scored a try, which Hickman converted.

ISAACS, who galloped for thirty yards for a fine try.

Babbage kicked the goal.

Half—CARDIFF ..... 3 0 15

NEATH ..... 1 0 5

The crowd was between 7,000 and 8,000 when play was resumed, and that with Cardiff once again going to the attack. A penalty against Daniels for offside was taken by Babbage from the touchline, but he failed to keep his 100 per cent. goal-kicking record, while Tom Stone was also wide of the mark when he dropped at goal after making a pretty dive through a bunch of on-coming opponents.

### FAMOUS LEFT FLANK

Eventually, Cardiff were driven back into their own half and while they were there Cardiff's famous left flank was once again brought into action with good effect.

Graham Jones did the bulk of the work, the beating of the defence, drawing both Glyn Daniels and Dan Jones in to him before passing to A. H. JONES who was clear of opposition as he reached the centre line.

Dan Jones turned and went in pursuit but could not quite overtake the Cardiff man, who went on to ground the ball under the posts. Again Babbage won the goal points.

For a few minutes Cardiff were forced back upon the defensive, regaining a position of equality when Stone found touch at considerable length.

Cardiff's forwards promptly got away from midfield with a dribble, and Daniels, who deprived them of the ball, thought it desirable to send the ball back to Phil Lloyd.

As it happened, the Neath full-back missed it, and before he could recover himself B. R. TURNBULL worried him off the ball, dribbled on, and scored a good try. The angle was an easy one but Babbage missed the goal.

Play continued to be full of incident, with Neath having more of the play than the adverse balance against them would appear to indicate.

### DAN JONES KNOCKS ON

Stone several times robbed them of considerable portions of their gains by his accurate touch kicking, while when matters were in the balance Dan Jones knocked on when he had a clear course.

Cardiff's defence also withstood considerable pressure from forward attacks in which Hughes, Lemon, and Glyn Prosser were prominent, while the backs also had to move smartly on one occasion when Redvers Davies cut through with marked cleverness.

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Cardiff Athletic v Aberaman 19/11/32

## ABERAMAN v. CARDIFF ATH.

The visit of Cardiff to Aberaman attracted a good crowd.

The home team were at full strength, while the visitors were as selected. A deal of interest was aroused by the appearance of W. Roberts in the visiting team.

Teams:—

ABERAMAN.—E. Harris; D. Lewis, H. Miles, W. Leallingham, Bird; Price, Lewis; C. Rees, Wilkins, Tennant, Rhime, Bvistock, Thomas, C. Seige, G. Rees.

CARDIFF ATH.—D. Broad; C. Cross, J. Fletcher, Colin Jones, R. Davies; Kennedy, W. Roberts; I. Williams, D. Hughes, R. Matthews, H. Dily, I. Milburn, J. Hockaday, W. D. Westcott, T. Fletcher.

Referee: Mr. M. Jarrett, Cwmbran.

Fletcher kicked off for Cardiff and after some fast following up by the visitors forwards, a scrum was formed on the home 25.

The home pack heeled cleanly and J. A. Lewis started a round of passing, and took play to within a yard of Cardiff's line.

From the line-out Fletcher started a dangerous dribble, which Harris stopped by smartly picking up and putting in a lengthy kick to touch.

Cardiff were penalised for feet up and R. Lewis failed to raise the ball from an easy position.

From the drop-out Cyril Cross, following up smartly, gathered the ball and after eluding three defenders sent to the centre.

Harris tackled R. Fletcher and stopped a certain try.

### LOST CHANCE

C. Rees charged down a kick by D. Roberts and gave R. Lewis a splendid opening, which the latter spoilt by passing inside instead of racing up the field.

The home forwards were playing well, and gained pressure from almost every scrum.

They heeled freely from a scrum in front of Cardiff's goal and G. LEWIS smartly dropped a goal. Aberaman kept up the pressure to the end of the first half.

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#### CARDIFF ESCAPES

For a good forty yards the Neath wing continued his sprint before coming in contact with Stone, who could do no more than check him. That check, however, was all-important, for it had given Maurice Turnbull time to get back to complete the tackle and save a certain score.

Cardiff had another escape when Daniels failed with a shot at a penalty goal, but gradually Cardiff got back to the centre. Even so, Neath continued to be altogether the smarter side, and in due course a reward came to them.

#### A FINE TRY

Redvers Davies and Daniels opened up the play when operations were being conducted near the centre line, and

DAN JONES, running inside of his centre, Daniels, took a well delivered pass, cut through brilliantly, and after a 30 yards diagonal run scored a delightful try, which Hickman converted.

#### A CHANCE MISSED

Almost in the next minute Cardiff had a chance of scoring—but missed it! A. H. Jones originated the movement when he accepted a difficult pass from Graham Jones, and before Dan Jones realised the position, A. H. Jones had dribbled round him and sent the ball down to Phil Lloyd, who knocked on.

That left three Cardiff men uncovered with the ball at their toes, but they overran it, and the movement was continued by Babbage, who showed remarkably good ball control for 25 yards, only to see the ball kicked out of bounds by Tom Arthur when he, Babbage, was preparing to fall upon it.

Further attacks by Cardiff followed, one of them collapsing owing to Graham Jones throwing out a none-to-well directed pass to Daley, another owing to Gabe-Jones giving a return pass which was forward to Maurice Turnbull, and a third through B. R. Turnbull giving a difficult pass to A. H. Jones after making a splendid effort.

Graham Jones also missed with a drop at goal, but, in due course, success came to Cardiff, though it was accompanied by an incident which incensed the crowd and caused the All Blacks to lose much of the popularity they had formerly enjoyed.

Play was a few yards inside the Neath half when Cardiff started passing, and A. H. Jones cut through between Hickman (who was playing at centre for a few minutes while Daniels was having an injury attended to) and Dan Jones, with an ease and grace which was as delightful as it was astonishing.

A 40-yards sprint and A. H. JONES was over in the corner and round behind the posts for a great try.

#### A "KNOCK-OUT" INCIDENT.

The cheering which greeted the score had not subsided when it was suddenly transformed into boo-ing, and that because one of the Neath men had foully knocked A. H. Jones out after he had scored. Babbage kicked the goal, and within a few minutes he did likewise with a try which was scored by B. R. TURNBULL after Neath's defence had been shattered by a perfect piece of combined play.

#### CARDIFF WELL ON TOP.

Now that the game had turned in their favour Cardiff were in a hurry to show what they really could do, and after a lapse of two or three minutes they went further ahead.

Neath had crossed the half-way line when they lost possession at a scrummage and saw the Cardiff half-backs get the ball away neatly and quickly. Graham Jones and A. H. Jones inter-passed cleverly, gaining ground as they went, and

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To blame Neath or any section of the Neath team will do no good. It may do harm; and it is therefore easier and better to attribute the remarkable result to Cardiff's brilliance rather than to stress the shortcomings of the All Blacks. But there were shortcomings everywhere except at half-back, where Cliff Evans kept a close watch on Maurice Turnbull—without being the equal to the Cardiff man—and Redvers Davies showed that with a good service he could make openings with the best.

Neath's troubles, however, started with the forwards (who were beaten in the loose in addition to failing to heel with the regularity or soundness of the Cardiff pack) and ended with the full back, for although Phil Lloyd kicked a wonderful length he could not get the accuracy of direction which Stone had. Indeed, Stone enhanced an already great reputation, his defensive work being grandly done. What a pity he cannot forget he was once an outside half.

The weakness in the Neath side which was most clearly revealed was in the defensive work of the members of the quartette, and especially of Daniels and Dan Jones. Of course, they had Cardiff's strongest flank against them, and they are therefore entitled to sympathy for Graham Jones and A. H. Jones once again emphasised that they constitute the greatest scoring flank in the country. Maurice Turnbull, too, was particularly good, with all the other Cardiff backs sound and ever ready to lend a hand.

In loose forward play Babbage was the forward who jumped to the front, with Skynn and Isaacs coming next for Cardiff and Lemon, Hughes and Glyn Prosser as the best for Neath.

Cardiff were absolutely great in attack. There was no weakness with them in that direction, and many strong points. That is the explanation of another great Cardiff victory!

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Final—VICTORIA SPORTS C. ....	0
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Final—P'POOL TABERNACLE ...	5
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#### THE TEAMS

**CARDIFF.**—T. Stone; J. Daley, B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones, A. H. Jones; M. J. Turnbull, Roy Gabe-Jones; Tom Lewis, A. Skym, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, Lewis Rees, T. Edwards, I. Isaacs, and L. Spence.

**LLANELLY.**—Bryn Howell; W. Smith, Syd Howell, W. R. Jones, C. Goldstone; Bert Jones, Dai John; Ivor Jones, Edgar Jones, Harry Trueman, Bryn Evans, Jim Lang, Will Williams, Ted Merry, and Emlyn Hughes.

Referee: Mr. W. J. Llewellyn, Bridgend.

Llanelli won the toss and decided upon the somewhat unusual course of playing against the wind in the opening half. It was, therefore, not surprising that Cardiff were early in an attacking position, and in the first minute Babbage failed with a particularly long shot at a penalty goal.

At the first line-out Babbage also got the ball away clearly to his backs, but the passing went wrong, and the way in which Ivor Jones and Emlyn Hughes drifted across to Cardiff's left flank showed that Llanelli were taking special precautions to check scoring on that wing.

Perhaps that was the reason why the Scarlets' defence was not quite up to the mark in the centre of the field. Five minutes from the start, Maurice Turnbull, with the assistance of a loose forward, got the ball away smartly from a scrummage and succeeded in making a partial opening.

#### SCARLETS OUTFLANKED

Gabe-Jones completed that opening, for Llanelli's backs were completely outflanked when he parted with the ball.

Graham Jones having taken and given a pass, B. R. TURNBULL raced across with a try without having encountered any opposition and with Daley outside him uncovered. Babbage failed to win the goal points.

In the next few minutes play was near the centre, and though Cardiff were leading, Bert Jones paid such close attention to Maurice Turnbull that Gabe Jones was forced to rely upon kicking, having no time in which to endeavour to get his backs going.

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A penalty against Cardiff for a scrummage infringement, and a great rush by the Llanelli forwards, with Trueman and Edgar Jones leading, completely altered the complexion of affairs, and while Cardiff were defending they temporarily lost the services of Skym owing to his being injured.

By getting every possible assistance from the wind A. H. Jones, Stone and Gabe-Jones, with a series of touch-finders, carried Cardiff back to the strongest of positions, from which they were driven by neat pieces of work by W. R. J. Jones, Jim Lang, and Edgar Jones.

Dai John's kicking was one of the principal factors in keeping for Llanelli the ground which they had won, and it was not until after Ivor Jones made a poor attempt at dropping a goal that Gabe-Jones got in a kick which enabled Cardiff to practically level the play.

#### NEAR THE MARK

Play, too, was still at the centre when Trueman got his side penalised through getting offside in the loose, and Tom Stone almost succeeded in securing a penalty goal from a drop kick from the centre line.

Then play took a turn against Cardiff, Syd Howell pouncing upon a loose ball, driving it through, and having the assistance of W. R. J. Jones and Goldstone in the pursuit which followed.

Tom Stone worsened matters for Cardiff by trusting to a fly-kick which went astray, and though A. H. Jones was able to cover that blunder, he gave away a penalty through purposely throwing the ball into touch.

A. H. Jones also had a kick charged, but play took a turn in Cardiff's favour when Stone made the best possible use of another penalty.

At a scrummage which followed a minute later, Maurice Turnbull broke away and started a dribble which was carried on with zest by his forwards, who bowled Bryn Howell over as soon as he fielded the ball.

That "shaking-up" caused Howell to part with the ball and away it was flashed through the hands of the Cardiff backs to Daley, who was within half a dozen yards of the line when he was stopped with a head-on tackle by Smith.

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#### TRUEMAN HURT

Actually they were beaten by it, and Trueman, who had gone back in the hope of stopping it, came into such violent collision with Babbage and Isaacs that he was sufficiently seriously injured to require assistance.

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# CARDIFF v. LLANELLY

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## CROWD ANNOYED

The ball travelled straight and true to A. H. Jones, who was tackled by Bryn Howell a yard outside the line, but managed to scramble over.

The Llanelly touch judge, however, ruled that the touch line had been infringed and the crowd demonstrated against him for some minutes.

Half-CARDIFF	0 1 3
LLANELLY	0 0 0

The crowd had increased to 25,000 when the second half opened, and that with Llanelly promptly going to the attack by means of their forwards.

Cardiff, too, were penalised, and Ivor Jones had the ill-luck of seeing the ball blown over as he was in the act of taking his kick, so that he was deprived of any possibility of succeeding.

## SCARLETS' HARD LUCK

Trueman returned to the accompaniment of a cheer, and immediately afterwards Isaacs made a great break through and followed it with a dribble which considerably inconvenienced Bryn Howell, who, a few moments later, made amends with a great touch-kick.

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Llanelly continued to hold the upper hand for a period, in which all the work was of the sternest character, but eventually they were driven back to mid-field, Graham Jones, cleverly punting over the heads of the Llanelly centres, and recovering possession as he faced Bryn Howell.

Gabe-Jones was up in support, but the pass was forward, as was another transfer when Graham Jones cut through before sending out a delivery to B. R. Turnbull.

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Final—CARDIFF	1 1 8
LLANELLY	1 0 5

#### COMMENTS

One record had to go. An unkind fate ordained that it should be Llanelli's. That does not mean that on the run of the play Llanelli were entitled to victory. What it does mean is that Cardiff's second try ought never to have been allowed. Without that try and the successful goal kick which followed it, Cardiff would have been behind instead in front, and it is Cardiff's ground record that would have disappeared and not Llanelli's magnificent 100 per cent. win in fourteen matches.

Strenuous rather than clever, to-day's game was nothing like the equal as a spectacle of the last three games which have been played on the Cardiff Arms Park. The players were obviously keyed up to the position, with the consequence that they not only refused to yield a yard of ground, but also that many of them were unable to touch their normal form.

It was a pity that it should have been so, for no other reason than that the crowd was the largest that has seen a club match in Wales for many years, and it was a pity that it should have been deprived of the thrills which Cardiff have recently accustomed their supporters to.

Before the match started it was recognised that Cardiff had most to fear from the Llanelli forwards, and expectations in that direction were justified by what occurred.

#### TWO FINE PACKS

For rather more than half of the game the Llanelli forwards had to battle along as best they could without the assistance of one of the best of their clubmates, Trueman, and a surprising thing under the circumstances was that they not only continued to near about hold their own, but were also able to give their backs very valuable assistance in the direction of preventing the Cardiff backs from getting properly into action.

Curiously enough it was when the Llanelli pack was at full strength that the Cardiff forwards did best in the scrummages, and though they were subsequently beaten for possession in that important direction, there is no possibility of attaching any blame to them for any weakness which was revealed by the Cardiff side.

In the loose and in the lines-out all the way through, they fought desperately and well, and had to do so in order to secure even an equality with the Llanelli forwards. Both packs were really good, and the balance was such in each instance that it was impossible to discover a really weak man.

Those who showed that they were possessed of exceptional qualities were Babbage, Isaacs, and Tom Lewis in the Cardiff pack, with Ivor Jones and Emlyn Hughes shining for Llanelli by reason of the rapidity with which they got on the

ball in the loose, and the part they played in smashing up Cardiff's attack.

Edgar Jones was also particularly good as an all-round forward, and Bryn Evans, in the second half, gained the mastery in hooking which had formerly been with Tom Lewis.

Cardiff's outstanding weaknesses came in the positions in which outstanding strength had been expected. Tom Stone made more mistakes in gathering and fielding than he has made in the last half-dozen matches; Graham Jones was far from being the polished player we have been accustomed to expect him to be, failing to bring A. H. Jones into effective action with anything like regularity he has on other occasions; and Maurice Turnbull was so worried by Bert Jones, Ivor Jones, and Emlyn Hughes, and the quick breaking of the Llanelli forwards, that he failed to come within measurable distance of his recent form.

A. H. Jones did the best he could towards making amends for the shortcomings elsewhere but could not find sufficient room in which to move properly, and it was, therefore, left to B. R. Turnbull to be easily the best of the Cardiff quartette. Still, it was Gabe-Jones's game rather than B. R. Turnbull's, for Gabe-Jones played soundly all through, occasionally touched brilliance, and was more responsible for the winning of the game by Cardiff than any other player.

Llanelli's backs were as much above the standard expected of them as Cardiff were below expectations.

Dai John was the schemer-in-chief, as usual, and did a large amount of useful kicking. Llanelli's wings stood up to a severe task in a commendable way, and if young W. R. Jones did not cover himself with glory he at least fitted into the Llanelli quartette as if in a manner made and rendered Sid Howell all the assistance that could be expected from a youngster.

There was not, of course, much cleverness in the work of the Llanelli quartette, but all of it was solid and so was that of Bryn Howell, with the exception of possibly one or two occasions on which he trusted to a fly kick.

#### MOST OF THE LUCK

It was not a great game to watch except for those who like stern and relentless football. There was little or nothing between the sides—either would have won if the luck had gone its way. The luck went Cardiff's way, and it is only necessary to add that from the omission to detect the offside play which was really responsible for giving Cardiff victory Mr. Llewellyn was not to blame, for he was following the flight of the ball and could not be blamed for having failed to notice that Graham Jones had fallen, and had been unable to follow up after kicking to put his colleagues on side. Ivor Jones was also possibly unlucky in being disallowed a try. Cardiff had most of the luck that was going.



Cardiff - v - Penarth - 10th Dec. 1932.

# CARDIFF LOSE THEIR GROUND RECORD

## PENARTH SPRING A SURPRISE

Cardiff lost their ground record this afternoon when Penarth secured a surprise, but deserved, win at Arms Park.

The Seaside's crossed over with a five points lead through a try by B. H. Davies, which Edwards converted, in the first ten minutes. In the second half Stone got a penalty goal for Cardiff.

The game at Cardiff Arms Park was invested with a special interest by reason of the fact that Cardiff's opponents included several players who have worn the Cardiff jersey.

Chief amongst them was Howard Poole, the scrum-half, who captained Cardiff last season. A. Clarke, Penarth, played for Cardiff last season, and Charters was also a former wearer of the "blue-and-black."

A. T. Thomas, whose play at the beginning of the season was one of the bright features of the Cardiff side, reappeared. He came into the side after an injury had kept him out for some months.

"Bill" Roberts, the former Oxford captain, also came into the Cardiff side.

**Teams:**  
CARDIFF—Tommy Stone; A. H. Jones, Graham Jones, W. Roberts, and A. T. Thomas; R. Gabe-Jones and J. M. Kennedy; Tom Lewis, A. Skym, R. Barrell, T. Edwards, D. Carne, V. R. Osmond, L. Spence, and Ivor Williams.

PENARTH—Jack Bassett; A. G. Charters, J. J. Davies, E. H. Edwards, and A. E. Griffiths; W. Goodman and Howard Poole; A. Clarke, J. O'Brien, B. H. Davies, N. R. Arnold, C. Hamilton, A. J. Gould, D. Roach, and L. D. Couch.

Referee: Mr. I. G. Thomas, Penygraig.  
Penarth opened with the advantage of a strong wind and immediately established themselves in the Cardiff territory. They gave Cardiff early shocks, first when heeling from a scrummage well inside the Cardiff quarters, when they got their backs moving smartly, but A. H. Jones forced Griffiths to touch.

Then Spence dispossessed Goodman and enabled Stone to clear when it seemed as if Penarth would cross.

### PENARTH SCORE

The respite was only short-lived, however, and coming back to the offensive with a powerful forward movement, Penarth got the ball over the Cardiff line and B. H. DAVIES pounced on it and put the Seaside's ahead.

Edwards added the extra points.  
Cardiff replied strongly and their backs moved smartly, but not with the cohesion that generally characterises their play.

"Bill" Roberts was not fitting into the scheme of things too well, and the passing movements did not make much headway for Cardiff. After a period in the Penarth territory, Penarth attacked once more, and Goodman, smartly intercepting Gabe-Jones's pass to the threequarters after Cardiff had heeled from a scrummage, enabled his side to give Tommy Stone an anxious minute. He found it to his advantage to allow the ball to go over the dead ball line.

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Soon afterwards Jack Bassett came up and made a mark in a favourable position, but his kick was wide. Bassett, mistiming the bounce of the ball, was left standing on the half way line a few minutes later, with the Cardiff forwards flashing away with the ball at their feet. Couch got amongst them, however, and saved the situation.

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player knocked on and a scrummage was ordered under the Penarth posts. The ball went out on the Seaside's side, but Cardiff were quickly upon them, and matters looked ugly when Bassett gained possession and cleared.

At the other end Penarth twice in quick succession lost great scoring chances, J. J. Davies knocked on and lost the first, and the forwards stood offside and lost the next.

Play quickly swept back into the Penarth territory, with A. T. Thomas making a great and almost super-human effort to get through. He gained a great slice of ground before the force of numbers promoted him into pass to A. H. Jones. The wing side-stepped a few players before Clarke brought him down.

Excitement was at fever heat when Graham Jones raced away and punted ahead. But the ball went over the dead ball line, and Penarth took up the running only to be sent back with a great touch fender by Tommy Stone.

Final—PENARTH ..... 1 0 5  
CARDIFF ..... \*1 0 3

### \*Penalty.

### COMMENTS

Penarth have created the surprise of the season. Not only did they take away Cardiff's ground record, but they displayed such good, sprightly form that they thoroughly deserved to beat the Blue and Blacks.

As soon as the game opened they made it clear that they were out to prevent Cardiff's fast backs from becoming a menace. Their own threequarters tackled with deadly sureness and their forwards, beaten in the scrum, saw to it that they were on top in the loose. They broke up the scrummages with lightning rapidity, and got among the Cardiff backs so swiftly that most passing movements were nipped in the bud.

Penarth were great in defence, but they were also exceptionally fast in attack.

Right at the start their backs showed the Cardiff men that they could move quite as fast as Cardiff's flyers and, in consequence, Tommy Stone had anxious moments.

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## MOUNTAIN ASH BOYS v. BRITON FERRY BOYS

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10th December, 1932.

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## BRITON FERRY'S LUCK BROKEN

### Cardiff Athletic Win by Two Points

An easterly gale prevailed at Briton Ferry this afternoon, and the game was much affected.

The Blaengwynfi Silver Band paraded the town previous to the match.

Cardiff brought down a strong side, but the home team were without Cyril Griffiths, their wing, who was on the sick list. Bryn Jones took his place.

Mr. W. R. Thomas, chairman of the Aberavon Football Club, kicked off, Briton Ferry having the advantage of the breeze.

At the outset a rush by the home forwards was pulled up by Daley, and from a subsequent scrum the Cardiff halves got the ball away to their backs and a nice round of passing followed, but Fletcher held on too long when favourably placed.

A breakaway by Selby put the home side on the aggressive, and McNulty broke through nicely, and when five yards from the line passed out to Selby, who, however, lost the ball just as he was about to ground it.

Cardiff replied with some good open work by their forwards, followed by a round of passing, in which Fletcher, H. C. Jones, Daley, and R. R. DAVIES took part, the latter crossing in the corner for a good try, which was improved by Cyril Davies kicking a great goal to give the visitors a five-point lead.

Briton Ferry showed up better after this, but they did not take full advantage of the wind.

Three penalties were awarded them, but their kicking was poor.

Cardiff worked out of danger by good kicking by Cyril Davies, their full-back, who was doing well against the wind, and at the interval Cardiff were pressing.

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BRITON FERRY ..... 0 0 0

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Once, when just inside the home side's half Penarth heeled from a scrummage, and J. J. Davies broke through a host of players. He put in a strong but unsuccessful run. His right centre made an attempt to get through just afterwards, but when challenged sent the ball wide of Charters, and A. T. Thomas kicked away.

#### PENARTH'S STRONG RUSHES

Several strong Penarth rushes came within an ace of success.

On one occasion Cardiff were forced to concede a minor, and on another occasion Jim O'Brien chose to pass the ball when almost across. But he sent it too hard and high, and Cardiff cleared their line.

Half-time came with Penarth on the offensive.

Half-PENARTH .....	1 0 5
CARDIFF .....	0 0 0

Cardiff opened the second half on the offensive, and after they had heeled cleanly from a scrummage just inside the Seaside's half, the backs moved smartly.

Graham Jones and A. H. Jones contributed a pretty piece of work when the ball went their way, Graham running outside to take a re-pass. Unfortunately he was forced into touch. Within a few minutes Cardiff had wiped away part of the arrears.

A penalty kick was awarded them after a Penarth player had been guilty of obstruction, and with the kick ten yards inside the Penarth half, STONE landed a good goal.

#### SPARKLING MOVEMENT

Cardiff contributed a sparkling back movement on the other flank, but A. T. Thomas was forced into touch. Then at the Cardiff end of the field, J. J. Davies got going and kicked ahead. "Bill" Roberts raced back, gathered the ball cleanly, and cleared.

Cardiff returned to the attack with a lightning movement among their threequarters, which left A. T. Thomas with only Bassett between himself and success. The full-back brought him down with a characteristic Bassett tackle.

A. H. Jones came within striking distance of success after the whole of the Cardiff back division had moved with machine-like precision, but both Edwards and Bassett got across and forced him into touch.

Cardiff were now clearly on top and their backs got plenty of the ball, but Penarth were playing a particularly strong defensive game.

Their forwards concentrated on getting up quickly from the scrummages and, moving quickly among the Cardiff backs, they were able to hamper them. The Penarth backs, Charters in particular, too, were tackling with a decisive determination, while Bassett was no easy man to pass.

#### SCORING CHANCES LOST

Bassett proved his worth when a Penarth

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PUGH first broke through finely for Mountain Ash and beat James with a strong drive.

Briton Ferry rallied strongly after this reverse, but Walter Richards defended dourly, covering Morgan very well.

Briton Ferry were very persistent, and one of the home defenders deflected the ball into goal to equalise.

Mountain Ash then invaded the visitors' quarters, and Tosh Powell dribbled through in sparkling fashion and centred for J. DAVIES to restore the home side's lead.

End to end play was now the order, and both defences were fully extended.

Mountain Ash later consolidated their lead when G. MORGAN scored a great goal from an acute angle.

Half-MOUNTAIN ASH AND	DISTRICT SCHOOLS ..	3
BRITON FERRY SCHOOLS ..		1

Clarke was conspicuous for the Ferry on resuming, and after beating three men he missed the objective by inches. The high wind made ball control very difficult, but the visitors were the more successful in their efforts. Their shooting, however, was ill-directed.

Tosh Powell broke through, following midfield play, and passed to J. DAVIES, who beat James with a pile-driver to score No. 4 for Mountain Ash.

Final-MOUNTAIN ASH &	DISTRICT 4
BRITON FERRY .....	1

## LLANDAFF II. v. GLAMORGAN WANDERERS III.

At Bishop's Field. The game was mostly confined to midfield. The visitors became dangerous as the result of a breakaway, but good kicking by Vanscombe saved the situation. HARRISON scored an unconverted try for Llandaff, who were better in the scrums, Togo Elvidge getting the ball away with fine precision.

Half-LLANDAFF II. ....	0 1 3
GLAM. WAND. III. ....	0 0 0

The scoring was freer in the second half, and although Llandaff were handicapped with a weakened team, they kept the visitors on the run.

BILL HARRISON scored a breakaway, and the game continued fast and confined to the forwards.

The Wanderers scored two good tries through RAMSDALE, Jacobs converting both.

Neither side attempted many passing movements, although both full-backs pleased with sound touch finding.

JORDAN scored a further try for the Wanderers, which was unconverted.

Final-LLANDAFF II. ....	0 2 6
GLAM. WAND. III. ....	2 1 13

## TECHNICAL COLLEGE II. v. MEDICAL COLLEGE II.

TECHNICAL COLLEGE 1-8-29, MEDICAL COLLEGE 1-0-3.

Scorers for Technical College—Cranmer, Hall, S. V. Jones, Nathan, Bull, Owen, W. B. L. and P. E. Rees.

BRITON FERRY .....	0 0 0
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BRITON FERRY .....	0 1 3



# CARDIFF WIN FREE-SCORING GAME

## TOMMY STONE AND A. H. JONES IN FORM

Cardiff beat London Welsh at Arms Park this afternoon in a free scoring game by 23 points to 11.

Cardiff, for whom Tommy Stone had scored two penalties, were leading at the interval by twelve points to eight.

In the second half they went further ahead largely through brilliant work by A. H. Jones, who scored three successive tries.

(By "OBSERVER")

Both Cardiff and London Welsh were below strength for their game at Cardiff Arms Park. B. R. Turnbull, who is suffering from an old injury, and Babbage being out of the Cardiff side, while London Welsh turned up without two of their forwards, W. R. Mabbott and F. A. Instone. Instone was injured, and Mabbott lost the train. Teams—

CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. H. Jones, Graham Jones, B. R. Turnbull, and A. T. Thomas; A. Colin Jones and Roy Gabe Jones; T. Lewis (captain), R. Barrell, Lewis Rees, I. Isaacs, A. Skym, L. Spence, V. R. Osmond, and T. Edwards.

LONDON WELSH—T. J. Davies; M. J. Evans, L. J. Harris, T. E. Jones-Davies, and Ray Thomas; H. M. Bowcott and W. C. Powell; W. A. V. Thomas (captain), Iorwerth Evans, Tim Williams, E. Martin, M. H. Evans, A. M. Rees, J. M. Collier, and D. T. John.

Referee—Mr. Morgan Moses, Newport. Cardiff started before a crowd of about 8,000, and in the opening exchanges the home backs came into prominence.

When Cardiff heeled from a scrum near halfway the backs began to move smartly, but were pulled up for offside. Nevertheless, Cardiff managed to gain a strong position, but when Graham Jones kicked ahead A. T. Thomas was deceived by the bounce of the ball, and T. J. Davies cleared his lines for the London Welsh to retaliate with a strong forward rush, which only served to bring out the best in Cardiff's defence.

The game was not very old when Maurice Turnbull found a barn-door opening, and closely attended by his three-quarters, sprinted away. When challenged he gave the ball to Roy Gabe Jones, and eventually A. T. Thomas was left with only M. H. Evans between him and a try. He kicked the ball over the forward's head, but Evans bowled him over. A penalty was rightly awarded, and with a good kick from the touch line TOM STONE put Cardiff ahead.

**SHORT-LIVED LEAD**

The lead was short lived, the opportunism of Harry Bowcott enabling the Exiles to wipe off the deficit and go ahead. Bowcott put the ball into a scrum near the Cardiff territory and it was returned almost as soon as it went in. The whole Cardiff defence was at sixes and sevens, and Bowcott raced away like lightning. When challenged he sent out a long and accurate pass to Harris, and the Army centre, faced by Stone, gave to RAY THOMAS, who raced over for a good try, which Powell converted.

Within a few more minutes London Welsh increased their lead, Bowcott again being the brain behind the score. He followed up a straight run with a swift and accurate pass to M. J. EVANS while on the run, and the outside man raced away with none of the Cardiff men within yards of him. Powell missed the conversion.

**TOMMY STONE AGAIN**

It was not long afterwards that A. T. Thomas made a great individual effort, but spoiled it by trying to do too much on his own. A Cardiff forward was in attendance, but Thomas failed to pass the ball and was brought down. Cardiff held to the ground they had gained, and offside in a scrum near the Exiles enabled TOM STONE to score Cardiff's second penalty goal.

Cardiff went ahead when next they attacked. This time a strong rush by the forwards gained a good slice of ground, and the Cardiff players were in favourable positions.



RAY THOMAS (London Welsh) over the line.

When going into touch Bowcott dropped the ball behind him for a colleague to pick up, but A. H. JONES was close, and, picking up, rushed away to score in the corner. Stone again failed.

A penalty against Cardiff for a scrum-infringement in their own 25 presented JONES-DAVIES with a chance of scoring a penalty goal, of which he made the best use.

Powell was temporarily incapacitated and had to be assisted off the field ten minutes from time, but he came back within a few minutes.

His re-appearance coincided with a strong Cardiff attack which ended in A. H. JONES scoring his third try.

T. J. Davies, who had come up to assist in an attack, was left on the ground after a tussle with Colin Jones, and with the full-back out of their way Graham Jones and A. H. Jones sped on. When challenged Graham Jones gave out to A. H. Jones, who side-stepped Jones-Davies cleverly when the international rushed across at him.

A. H. JONES went on and scored a try, which Stone converted.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 13 4 23  
LONDON WELSH ..... 2 1 11  
Two penalties. \*One penalty.

### COMMENTS

Plenty of movement and a glut of scoring! From the spectators' standpoint there was nothing lacking in the game. The ball was thrown about freely, there was not too much scrummaging, and in both attack and defence enterprise and determination were displayed by each side. One of the features which contributed largely to the liveliness of the play was the fact that both sets of backs were fast and keen.

Cardiff's three-quarter line got the ball more often than their opposing numbers received it. This was greatly due to the fact that the home forwards were superior to the Exiles' pack in the scrummages and generally heeled more swiftly and cleanly. When the ball came out Maurice Turnbull was generally on it like a flash, and although there were occasions when W. C. Powell smothered him, Turnbull usually managed to give an exceptionally clean service.

A. Colin Jones, who came into the Cardiff three-quarter line, gave a good account of himself as a side man. A. T.

## ABERDARE v. CARDIFF ATHLETIC

At The Ynys today, Aberdare fielded their strongest side against Cardiff Athletic. Teams:

ABERDARE—D. Edwards; J. Williams, T. Meadon, S. Jones and J. D. Jones; Ivor Richards and M. Davies; H. Reynolds, L. Evans, P. C. D. Jones, G. Davies, R. Burke, P. C. Brown, D. Morgan, P. C. Rees.

CARDIFF ATH.—C. Davies; H. Lewis, P. Fletcher, C. Arthur and R. Davies; R. Jones and R. Fletcher; J. Hughes, G. Matthews, H. Davies, G. Hockaday, D. Carne, G. Jones, H. Johnson, T. Spragg.

Referee: Mr. J. B. James, Treorchy. Burke muffed Cardiff's initial advantage by finding touch in the corner. R. Jones, the Cardiff scrum half, gathered and sent his three-quarters away, but M. Davies tackled effectively.

Cardiff were penalised, but Jack Jones's kick went wide.

G. Davies gained considerable ground for Cardiff with a solo run, but there was no one in attendance to take his pass.

The Cardiff forwards later made a combined raid which provided an opening for C. ARTHUR to make a beautiful run and score an unconverted try.

Aberdare returned to the attack, and Ivor Richards came within a few feet of the line.

The Cardiff left-winger, P. Fletcher, and his centre, C. Arthur, brought off a spectacular run from midfield, which ended in C. ARTHUR scoring another unconverted try for Cardiff.

Subsequently the speedy Cardiff three-quarters harried the home defence, but Edwards, the Aberdare custodian, stood up well to the test. M. Davies, following a forward rush, put over from a drop kick for Aberdare, but the goal was disallowed and a scrum ordered.

Later, from a scrum in the Cardiff 25, Harry Rees and Davies got possession and raced for the line, REES scoring an unconverted try for Aberdare. R. Jones was quicker than Davies at the scrum, sending Fletcher and Arthur away, but the movement ended when Fletcher missed the pass.

Half—CARDIFF ATHLETIC 0 2 6  
ABERDARE ..... 0 1 3

After the interval the Cardiff three-quarters were again well in the picture, forcing play into the Aberdare end until M. Davies relieved by finding touch.

Following a scrum the ball went loose at the Cardiff end, and G. Davies gained possession, but was pulled down before he could cross.

Edwards stemmed a dangerous Cardiff rush by finding touch in the corner. Play returned to the Aberdare end, and P. FLETCHER broke through and scored another unconverted try for Cardiff.

Aberdare rallied, but could not derive any advantage from a series of scrums at the visiting 25. Later Cardiff were penalised, and P. C. BROWN landed a goal. G. Davies, one of the Aberdare forwards, was off the field for the rest of the game with an eye injury.

Fletcher got possession in the Aberdare 25, and, beating the defence, touched down, but the referee disallowed the try.

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ABERDARE ..... \*1 1 6

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There appeared to be little between the two sets of forwards in the scrummages, and whichever side the ball came out it generally reached the threequarters pretty rapidly. Many sparkling back movements were thus started, and from one Jones-Davies spelt danger to Cardiff when he got away like a hare.

He placed Ray Thomas in a strong position, but the outside man was forced into touch.

Just before half-time Cardiff increased their lead after a dribble by two of their forwards, who got the ball across the line for SPENCE to drop on it. Stone failed to convert.

Half-CARDIFF ..... \*2 2 12  
LONDON WELSH ..... 1 1 8

\* Two penalties.

The second half opened with the London Welsh forwards attacking strongly, and they gained a footing in the home 25, but Cardiff, heeling from a scrum, managed to get out of their own half and Roy Gabe-Jones had a chance, but failed to make use of it.

A scrum in the Exiles' territory saw the ball come out cleanly to Maurice Turnbull, whose quick pass enabled the Cardiff three-quarters to move in unison.

Graham Jones was left in possession near the posts but brought down, and a scramble ensued, but ended when the referee ordered a scrum.

#### A. H. JONES

Harry Bowcott relieved the pressure with a good kick, but Cardiff were not to be denied, and their backs sped away after Colin Jones had worked a brilliant opening. Graham Jones and A. H. Jones carried on, and A. H. JONES, the last to receive, side-stepped one opponent, out-paced T. J. Davies, and went over in the corner. Stone failed with the kick.

Cardiff had the better of some desperate mauls between the forwards.

A. T. Thomas was left in possession a few yards out, but T. J. Davies and M. J. Evans confronted him. There was no Cardiff man in close attendance, and Thomas had to try to barge between them. He was brought down, and a few minutes later the whole Cardiff back division was moving again like a machine, but with a glorious chance of a passing movement bringing success, Gabe Jones hazarded a futile drop at goal.

Gabe Jones made amends by bringing down Harris in possession when the Army man sped away with Evans in close attention.

#### BOWCOTT'S BAD LUCK

Cardiff were not to be denied, and when they came back to the offensive Harry Bowcott had the ironical bad luck to present A. H. Jones with a gift, which the Cardiff man readily accepted.

full-back out of their way Graham Jones and H. Jones sped on. When challenged, Graham Jones gave out to A. H. Jones, who side-stepped Jones-Davies cleverly when the international rushed across at him.

A. H. JONES went on and scored a try, which Stone converted.

Final-CARDIFF ..... 13 4 23  
LONDON WELSH ..... \*2 1 11

\*Two penalties. \*One penalty.

#### COMMENTS

Plenty of movement and a glut of scoring! From the spectators' standpoint there was nothing lacking in the game. The ball was thrown about freely, there was not too much scrummaging, and in both attack and defence enterprise and determination were displayed by each side. One of the features which contributed largely to the liveliness of the play was the fact that both sets of backs were fast and keen.

Cardiff's three-quarter line got the ball more often than their opposing numbers received it. This was greatly due to the fact that the home forwards were superior to the Exiles' pack in the scrummages and generally heeled more swiftly and cleanly. When the ball came out Maurice Turnbull was generally on it like a flash, and although there were occasions when W. C. Powell smothered him, Turnbull usually managed to give an exceptionally clean service.

A. Colin Jones, who came into the Cardiff three-quarter line, gave a good display, but his outside man, A. T. Thomas, spoilt himself by hanging on to the ball too long after making ground.

A. H. Jones and Graham Jones showed their usual good form, and the latter eclipsed Jones-Davies in attack, although to London Welsh international was a great defender, as, indeed, was W. C. Powell, whose defence seemed to lack nothing of its old decisiveness.

Half-CARDIFF ATHLETIC 0 2 6  
ABERDARE ..... 0 1 3  
After the interval the Cardiff three-quarters were again well in the picture, forcing play into the Aberdare end until M. Davies relieved by finding touch.  
Following a scrum the ball went loose at the Cardiff end, and G. Davies gained possession, but was pulled down before he could cross.  
Edwards stemmed a dangerous Cardiff rush by finding touch in the corner. Play returned to the Aberdare end, and P. FLETCHER broke through and scored another unconverted try for Cardiff.  
Aberdare rallied, but could not derive any advantage from a series of scrums at the visiting 25. Later Cardiff were penalised, and P.C. BROWN landed a goal. G. Davies, one of the Aberdare forwards, was off the field for the rest of the game with an eye injury.  
Fletcher got possession in the Aberdare 25, and, beating the defence, touched down, but the referee disallowed the try.  
Final-CARDIFF ATH. .... 0 3 9  
ABERDARE ..... \*1 1 6  
\*Penalty.



Cardiff v Llanelli - 24/12/32

# CARDIFF'S RECORD-SMASHING BACKS

## BRILLIANT 12 POINTS WIN AT LLANELLY

Brilliant play behind the scrum by Cardiff saw the Llanelli ground record smashed at Stradey this afternoon, the visitors gaining the day by the surprisingly big score of seventeen points to five.

W. Roberts was especially prominent for some judicious kicking, but all the Cardiff men behind the scrum played their part well in a wonderful triumph, Boon signalling his re-appearance in the side by scoring two tries.

(By "OLD STAGER")

The most important match in the present holiday period was that played at Llanelli this afternoon, where Cardiff sought to end the ground record of the Scarlets, which has existed since the beginning of the season.

Cardiff's hopes in that direction were raised by the fact that a month ago they put an end to Llanelli's all-conquering career after the Scarlets had won fifteen consecutive matches. For to-day's game Llanelli introduced T. E. Jones-Davies (London Welsh) at centre.

Cardiff had W. Roberts, last season's Oxford captain, at outside-half in place of Gabe Jones and Colin Jones was at centre in the place usually occupied by B. R. Turnbull. The conditions were good, and there was every promise of a record crowd for the season, there being about 3,000 spectators present when the teams fielded.

Teams:—  
CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. H. Jones, Graham Jones, A. Colin Jones, and R. W. Boon; M. J. Turnbull and W. Roberts; Tom Lewis (capt.), A. Skym, Lewis Rees, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, T. Edwards, L. Spence, and I. Isaacs.

LLANELLY—Bryn Howells; W. Smith, T. E. Jones-Davies, W. R. J. Jones, and W. Evans; Dai John and Bert Jones; Ivor Jones, Edgar Jones, Bryn Evans, Jim Lang, Emlyn Hughes, T. Merry, A. Thomas, and R. Harris.

Referee: Mr. T. H. Phillips, Pontypridd. The opening minute was of a sensational kind. At the first scrum, formed at the centre, Llanelli heeled, and when Bert Jones endeavoured to put in a kick Spence charged it and dribbled for 40 yards all on his own.

Then Isaacs rushed to his assistance, but the movement was stopped through Bryn Howells going down to the ball when it was half a dozen yards from the Llanelli line.

Again a scrum was ordered, and the ball going out cleanly on the Cardiff side Maurice Turnbull served BILL ROBERTS, who deceived the defence by feinting to pass to Boon, and scored a good try, which was not converted, Stone being short with his kick from the touch-line.

That adverse score was not to Llanelli's liking, and for some minutes the Llanelli forwards fought to get moving with the loose rushes for which they are famous.

A. H. Jones held them in check by several times going down to the ball, and Bill Roberts and Stone kept them at bay with rapid touch-kicking, whilst Boon used his speed to advantage in following up and worrying Smith.

Suddenly Llanelli swung play across to the opposite side of the field, where Evans dropped a pass, and a moment later was at fault in waiting for the bounce of the ball, when A. H. Jones had punted on.

**FATAL HESITATION**  
That hesitation on the part of Evans was disastrous for his side.

A. H. Jones followed up, regained possession, ran for thirty yards, and when faced by Bryn Howells delivered an inside pass to COLIN JONES, who raced over with Cardiff's second try. Babbage failed to convert.

Five minutes later the Cardiff backs were successful again. The ball was worked out to A. H. Jones, who ran strongly and cross-kicked when he found that he was covered.

GRAHAM JONES, who appeared to be offside, followed up, gathered the ball from the air, and scored Cardiff's third try.

The game was only twenty minutes old when the Cardiff forwards, led by the kick, Llanelli were having a shower of the rain.

awkward for Cardiff, who extricated themselves from their troubles when Dai John failed to take a pass under the most promising conditions.

### BOON'S GOOD TACKLE

Smith, however, raised Llanelli's hopes with a fine dash, but Boon ended those hopes with a forceful tackle. Still, Cardiff could not loosen Llanelli's grip on the game, and on several occasions Cardiff had to touch down in defence.

### STRONG RUNS

Strong runs by A. H. Jones and Colin Jones eventually levelled the game, and when Llanelli brought off their one promising movement of the game, Evans was badly at fault by dropping a good pass.

As the game approached its end, matters became extremely warm amongst the rival packs, and there were a couple of occasions when the referee had to interfere and administer cautions.

Play continued to be contested at a great pace, and just before the end BOON punted on, followed by a kick-through, and, using his pace, scored a try which Stone converted.

Only a few minutes remained for play, and right at the very end DAI JOHN slipped over with a try for Llanelli from a scrum a few yards out, and Ivor Jones converted.

Immediately afterwards the final whistle sounded with Cardiff the winners by 17 points to 5.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 14 17  
LLANELLY ..... 1 0 5

### COMMENTS

Cardiff had not won a victory this season which gives so much satisfaction to their followers as was the case in respect of their win at Stradey to-day. Theirs was a great achievement, one which was largely unexpected, and which was certainly surprising in its magnitude.

It is also explained. It was a repetition of the old, old story of one side—Cardiff—which wanted to attack and which knew how to attack, whilst the opposing side—Llanelli—had no settled and little skill as far as attacking ability was concerned.

If the forwards had been left to settle the issue between them there would have been few, if any, points between the sides, and it was possible that the decision would have gone in favour of Llanelli.

Indeed, the excellent work which the Llanelli forwards did was the reason why Cardiff were compelled to accept rather less than a full share of the general play, and in that sense it may be conceivably argued that Llanelli were unlucky to lose at all.

### CARDIFF BACKS SUPREME

The fact of the matters is, however, that Llanelli had no right to accept the victory because they could not take it when their forwards offered it to them, their backs playing like a fourth-class set of backs. At half-back and three-quarter Llanelli were weak, and it was that fact which accentuated the brilliance and skill of the Cardiff men.

Whether attacking or defending, the Cardiff backs were supreme and there was not a weak link in the whole of the attacking back divisions.

Handling or tackling came alike to all of them, and it is no disrespect to the Bill Roberts which did much to draw the sting from Llanelli's remarkably fine pack. Colin Jones was on a lane.

## Cardiff Athletic v Monmouth THE ATHLETIC RUN RIOT

## Monmouth Outplayed in Second Half

(By "OBSERVER")

Cardiff Athletic, after winning four of their last five matches, all of which have been played away, re-appeared at Cardiff Arms Park, when Monmouth, a team which has been doing well of late, supplied the opposition. Teams:—

CARDIFF ATHLETIC—Cyril Davies; H. Lewis, Phil Fletcher, R. R. Davies and Ron Jones; J. Kennedy and R. Fletcher; D. E. Hughes, K. Mathews, Ivor Williams, D. Carne, G. James, H. Johnson, W. G. Hockaday and T. Spragg.

MONMOUTH—W. Shaw; J. Butcher, H. Fryer, G. H. Searle and J. Ward; Joe Jones and D. Hutton; E. D. Price, W. D. R. Smith, T. Healey, F. Pugh, R. Reilly, D. Park, P. Monahan and P. Breakwell.

Referee, Mr. David Evans, Llanharan. Monmouth kicked off with the advantage of a slight wind and Cardiff Athletic, who held a distinct supremacy in the scrummages, had the better of a good deal of scrappy play. But generally Kennedy was very slow in getting the ball out, and when the backs did get moving their passing carried play across the field rather than ahead.

Phil Fletcher and Ron Fletcher both made good individual efforts, the latter getting to within three yards of the line before being forced into touch.

Ron Jones and R. R. Davies once had a chance of getting through, but Lewis was not swift enough and Shaw brought him down and cleared. When Monmouth attacked with a strong forward rush, H. Lewis, finding himself hard pressed, threw the ball back and it fell into a bunch of Monmouth forwards.

A score seemed inevitable, but Phil Fletcher ran back and, being faster than his opponents, cleared cleverly.

The Athletic returned to the attack and gained two successive penalty kicks for a scrumage infringement and offside.

The full-back was just wide of the mark with the first, but CYRIL DAVIES made amends with the second, kicking a great goal.

Cardiff continued to have the better of matters but frequently failed to make ground because their backs were more partial to running towards touch than to the line.

Monmouth threatened danger with two attacks in which Butcher was prominent, but on each occasion Cardiff cleared their line.

Half—CARDIFF ATH. .... \*1 0 3  
MONMOUTH ..... 0 0 0

### \*Penalty.

Cardiff opened the second half on the offensive, but Monmouth retaliated with a strong dribble, led by Ward, which carried them from their own 25 right to the Cardiff line.

There a scrum was ordered, and the ball, coming out on the Cardiff side, Cyril Davies sent play back to mid-field with a hefty kick.

Cardiff went further ahead after a period of attacking by their forwards. The ball was worked out to the right flank, where R. R. DAVIES, taking a pass from Ron Jones, rushed across in the corner and grounded the ball despite close attention. Cyril Davies added the extra points with a great kick.

R. R. Davies came near repeating the feat five minutes later, but Shaw forced him into touch. IVOR WILLIAMS got over between the posts unhampered. Cyril Davies again goaled.

Cardiff went straight back to the attack, and, starting a dribble after a scrum, the forwards went over in a heap for SPRAGG to ground the ball. Cyril Davies once again sent the ball between the posts and Cardiff were eighteen points to the good—fifteen of them scored within the space of a quarter of an hour!

Cardiff kept up the pressure, and PHIL FLETCHER crossed in the corner. Cyril Davies failed with the kick.

A great run gained Cardiff a scrum under the Monmouth's posts. The ball came out on Monmouth's side, but KENNEDY gained possession and went over under the posts. He also added the extra points.

Cardiff were not content and just before the end JOHNSON crossed for Cyril Davies to convert.

Final—CARDIFF ATHLETIC.. \*8 1 31  
MONMOUTH ..... 0 0 0

\*One penalty.

Cardiff v Llanelli

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Cardiff v London Irish - 26/12/32.

# LONDON IRISH SOUNDLY THRASHED

47 POINTS WITHOUT REPLY  
BACKS IN MERRY MOOD

By "OLD STAGER"

	G.	T.	Pts.
Cardiff	7	4	47
London Irish	0	0	0

Attendance, 11,000.

The sporting characteristics of the London Irish rightly make them extremely popular at Cardiff, and one is therefore reluctant to pass any harsh censure upon them for their woeful failure at the Cardiff Arms Park on Monday.

Still, the fact is that they were obviously playing in a class of Rugby which was a grade or two above that for which they were qualified, with the consequence that they had to confine almost all their energies to preventing scores against them. That is never a profitable or a satisfactory position for a side to be in; and it was accentuated in the case of the London Irish by the fact that their backs were beaten for pace as well as for cleverness. M.

P. Stephens, at inside-half, though never effectively sheltered by wing-forwards, did manage to worry his way through with a certain amount of dignity and credit, while Hodges, the right-centre, made one delightful run and persisted in his defensive work in a manner which was highly commendable.

## BRIGHT FARE

Elsewhere, the Irish were so completely outplayed that the spectators developed a habit of expecting a score whenever the Cardiff backs set out on a handling expedition. Many of those expectations were falsified through "Bill" Roberts being erratic in the taking of his passes, and Cardiff's "innings" was, therefore, less prolific than it might have been.

Of course, it was bright and light holiday fare, but many Rugby enthusiasts find less joy in watching a side pass through an unsteady defence time after time than they do in receiving the thrills which come from attempts to force a door that has been barred and bolted.

That the London Irish did their best is certain, but it was a best which was far from being of the texture required to put the Cardiff men thoroughly on their mettle. At the lines-out the Irishmen were reasonably efficient, and a few of their helter-skelter rushes caused anxiety, though, for much the greater period, Cardiff were masters to a degree which is only partially reflected in the heavy scoring.

## A REMARKABLE SCORE

Two of the factors connected with that scoring are of interest, the chief one being that Daley, after a long and patient apprenticeship—in which he has not been favoured with any good luck—scored his first tries for Cardiff. That should give him encouragement. The other factor was that connected with the scoring of A. H. Jones's third try, the wing crossing the line with the ball insecurely grasped on the back of his shoulder, and that in a position which made it improbable that he would have been able to ground it. The difficulty was solved for him by an opponent tackling him and hurling him over on top of the ball!

Ten of Cardiff's eleven tries were scored by members of the quartette, A. H. Jones and Graham Jones having three each, and Colin Jones and Daley two each. Isaacs scored the remaining try, and Stone converted seven.



T. Stone.

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## DIFFERENCE IN THE BACKS

WHY CARDIFF BEAT WATSONIANS SO DECISIVELY

By "OBSERVER"

	G.	T.	Pts.
Cardiff	4	2	25
Watsonians	0	2	6

Attendance, 9,000.

The Watsonians came to Wales with a plethora of good forwards, but no similar bounty of backs.

Their deficiencies behind the scrum-mages were painfully obvious in their third game; the failure of their backs being the principal reason why they were so decisively beaten by Cardiff at Cardiff Arms Park on Tuesday.

To add to their difficulties, D. S. Berrie was unable to play at full-back owing to injury. A. J. Dess, their captain, took his place, and Scott came into the centre.

The Watsonians' forwards were great scrummagers, and in the second half Ritchie's hooking enabled Wilson to get the ball away on nearly every occasion, but G. Roberts found his three-quarters so weak that generally he had to do the greater part of the attacking work himself. In defence and attack Roberts was far and away the Watsonians' best man.

Harry Bowcott came into the Cardiff side, playing at right centre, and, while not so outstanding a figure as he was when wearing the London Welsh colours and opposing Cardiff a week or so ago, he played a good, sound game.

Once again Cardiff tried W. Roberts at outside half, and the former Oxford captain filled the important pivotal position with a great deal of distinction. He was more sure in his handling and more accurate in his passing, while his defence was great.

## GRAHAM JONES OUTSTANDING

Outstanding in the Cardiff three-quarter line was Graham Jones, who used his speed to advantage and frequently had the Watsonians' defence at sixes and sevens. A. H. Jones was very clever in side-stepping opponents, but seemed to be slightly on the slow side.

One of the bright features of the forward play was the way the Cardiff eight played in the loose. Altogether, Cardiff gave a good display all round.

W. Roberts opened the score for Cardiff, finishing off good work by A. H. Jones with a try which Stone converted. Skym, always a robust and bustling forward, scored the second try, which was not converted, but just before half-time Edwards crossed for Stone to convert.

At the opening of the second half Millar obtained a deserved try for the Watsonians, but Skym and Daley improved on the Cardiff score, Daley scoring two tries, one of which Stone converted in addition to majorising Skym's second half try. Just before the end the Watsonians carried a scrummage across the line and Morrison grounded the ball.



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Cardiff - v - Bristol - 31/12/32.

# BRISTOL WIN A THRILLING GAME

## CARDIFF BACKS' FAULTY HANDLING

A brilliant try in the first half by Sherman, which was converted by Burland, enabled Bristol to beat Cardiff by five points to nil in a thrilling game at the Memorial Ground to-day. The Cardiff backs, however, did not handle with their customary accuracy, but they, nevertheless, severely tested the home defence, which was very sound.

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

To-day's visit of Cardiff to Bristol for the return match was regarded as the tit-bit of the season by the supporters of the home club at any rate. In the first place there are no more popular visitors to the Memorial Ground than the Welsh Metropolitanians who have figured in many memorable encounters on Bristol's enclosure which they opened in 1921, and it is not forgotten that Cardiff were Bristol's first opponents when the club was formed in 1888.

Another circumstance which made the visit more than ordinarily interesting was that both teams have been showing brilliant form in recent matches. Bristol, as a matter of fact, have won their last fourteen matches in succession. The meeting was regarded as a miniature England v. Wales, and it is more than probable that several of those taking part in to-day's game will be opposed at Twickenham on the 1st of next month.

It was unfortunate that Bristol had to make three last-minute changes. T. Patten (threequarter), and F. Tucker (forward) being down with the flu and B. Parsons (forward) being injured.

Patten's place was taken by W. H. Moncrieff, and the vacancies in the pack were filled by G. W. Paynter and W. Grimsby. Cardiff fielded as selected.

**BRISTOL:** T. W. Brown; H. Sherman, D. W. Burland, W. H. Moncrieff, W. T. Rugg; T. J. M. Barrington, E. R. Tucker; M. Grimsby, A. T. Payne, J. H. Evans, P. G. Lambert, J. N. Hazell, W. Paynter, G. C. Gregory, A. Jones.

**CARDIFF:** T. Stone; R. W. Boon, Frank Williams, Graham Jones, A. H. Jones; M. J. Turnbull, W. Roberts; Tom Lewis, A. Skyn, L. Rees, R. Barrall, G. Babbage, I. Isaacs, T. Edwards, L. Spence. Referee: A. E. Dodridge.

The weather was cloudy and there was a high wind of which Bristol had the advantage. There were nearly 12,000 spectators present when Lewis started the game.

Cardiff had the best of the opening stages. They got the ball regularly from the first half-dozen scrums, and some capital passing was witnessed, especially on the left wing.

Here Graham Jones and A. H. Jones operated cleverly. The Bristol forwards did well in the loose and held their own well in this direction, but it was early evident that Cardiff had a pull behind both in speed and cleverness.

The two Joneses got well away on one occasion, but a reverse pass went astray. Then came a capital movement on the part of Barrington and Sherman which gained a big slice of ground for Bristol.

**A GREAT TACKLE**  
From some loose play, in which Bristol attacked strongly, only for the movement to break down, Graham Jones was well fed by Turnbull, and he sent A. H. Jones away in great style.

E. Tucker, however, proved equal to the occasion, and effected a great tackle of the flying wing.

Bristol rallied, and a nice piece of combination between Barrington and Sherman went very near to bringing a try by the former who was bundled into touch a yard outside.

This was followed by a delightful piece of work in which nearly all the visiting backs took part, but once more the

Moncrieff brought down, and his final pass went astray.

Considering the constitution of the side Bristol were doing remarkably well, and were quite holding their own.

Cardiff tried desperately hard to get on terms in the closing minutes. Right on time Stone started a grand movement, which failed by inches only.

It was a thrilling finish to the finest game seen on the ground for many a long day.

Final—BRISTOL ..... 1 0 5  
CARDIFF ..... 0 0 0

### COMMENTS

Bristol established their winning lead when they had the advantage of a high wind in the first half, but the home line had several miraculous escapes in the second half of one of the most thrilling tussles seen on the Memorial ground for some time.

The play was kept up at a great pace throughout, and both defences were severely tested. This victory was the 15th win in succession for Bristol.

Taking the game as a whole, the Cardiff backs were disappointing, and were not up to international form.

Their handling was uncertain, especially that of Roberts, who had an off day.

The visiting forwards had the best of matters in the set scrums, but could give no points to their lighter opponents in the loose.

Cardiff Athletic - v - Stroud  
31/12/32

## DISAPPOINTING DISPLAY

### Cardiff Athletic Beaten by Stroud

(By "OBSERVER")

Stroud, who takes a prominent part in Gloucestershire Rugby, were the visitors to Cardiff Arms Park, where they opposed Cardiff Athletic. A. Colin Jones is still on the injured list, and his place was taken by Rex Morgan, a younger brother of Guy Morgan. Cyril Davies was also absent, and Ron Jones took his place.

**TEAMS:**  
**CARDIFF ATHLETIC**—Ron Jones; V. May, Rex Morgan, R. R. Davies, and A. T. Thomas; J. M. Kennedy and R. Fletcher; Phil Fletcher, H. S. Davies, K. Matthews, G. James, H. Johnson, J. Milburn, D. Carne, and T. Spragg.

**STROUD**—H. W. Phillips, W. O. Wood, E. H. Hughes, J. Ashton, and J. Brown; F. Edgworth, and M. H. Cullimore; J. E. Evans, W. Ryland, W. E. Orchard, F. Wedel, C. Lukes, S. Smith, R. Karn, and B. Hawkes.

Referee—Mr C. R. Dixon, Cross Keys. Stroud were soon prominent, Cullimore gaining them a good slice of ground after the Cardiff forwards had tried an ineffective rush.

Ron Jones knocked on, and Stroud heeling from a scrumage it looked as if Wood was going to be dangerous, but he was brought down.

Indifferent tackling by the Cardiff backs allowed the Stroud men to stay in their danger zone, until Phil Fletcher doubled back behind the posts and cleared the situation temporarily.

Stroud were not to be kept in subjection, however, and when they gained a penalty they deservedly went ahead, CULLIMORE gaining the three points.

A. T. Thomas made a burst soon afterwards, but was not content with drawing his man. He held on until five for six men were able to dispossess him, and a good chance bent abegging.

A lengthy touch-ender by R. Fletcher enabled Cardiff to start on the attack, which developed on the left before May kicked right across the field.

There A. T. Thomas had a rare tussle with Brown which brought no result. Offside by Stroud gave Phil Fletcher a chance, but his kick was wide of the mark.

Hughes threw away a gift-edged scoring chance when, after Cullimore had put him through, he flung the ball out only a yard from the line. May got to it and cleared.

A sparkling run by A. T. Thomas was the only redeeming feature of some very scrappy and drab play, but the Cardiff wing-forward, Phillips, the only man who stood between him and the line, was equal to the occasion, the full-back bringing him down and finding touch well down the field after a short run.

Stroud came back with vigour, and, after Edgworth had hesitated and lost a good chance, Stroud got the ball across in a scrumage on the line, and the whole pack dropped on it, for the referee to award a try which Cullimore failed to improve upon.

Half—STROUD ..... 1 1 6  
CARDIFF ..... 0 0 0

\*Penalty goal.  
Soon after the re-start Rex Morgan was sent away, but instead of going ahead for the line he hesitated to see if he was being covered by his colleagues.

Before challenged he tried to send the ball back. The pass was not taken, and Stroud were enabled to take up the running.

Cardiff were now holding a territorial advantage, but the work of their backs was painful to watch.

Generally, when they got the ball they wandered about aimlessly or conceded ground instead of gaining it. But they did one piece of pretty work, and it gained its reward, R. R. DAVIES crossing in the corner. Phil Fletcher's kick was poor.

HUGHES placed Stroud further ahead after completely deceiving four Cardiff defenders, running through after selling them the "dummy," Cullimore converted.

After Edgworth had gone near to crossing, Stroud increased their lead, PHILLIPS dropping a goal.

Fists were used freely in a man near the Stroud line, and the referee noticing two players indulging in a standup fight, intervened and cautioned them.

After Phil Fletcher had hit the cross-bar with a penalty kick Matthews took an easy one and sent it wide.

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This was followed by a delightful piece of work in which nearly all the visiting backs took part, but once more the defence prevailed.

Cardiff kept up the attack, and in order to stop one rush, Burland threw back wildly to Brown who failed to gather, and had the greatest difficulty in getting back to save the situation.

A feature of the game so far was the fine display of the two full-backs, Brown doing particularly well.

The Cardiff forwards were inclined to get offside, especially Isaacs and Bristol were helped by penalty kicks.

Barrington was playing a great game for Bristol, cutting through brilliantly, and making some fine openings for his three-quarters.

As the game progressed Bristol had much more of the play, and excellent combination between Barrington, Moncreiffe, and Rugg tested the defence to the full.

#### BRILLIANT TRY

This was followed by a fine exhibition of inter-passing. An attack was started on the right wing, and came across to the left, where Burland sent SHERMAN over with a brilliant try, which Burland converted.

The tackling was very hard indeed. The game was keenness itself. Rugg, the home right wing, was badly shaken up in a tackle, but resumed.

Cardiff were penned in their own half for a considerable period, and much of the life manifest in the early stages went out of their play.

They rallied, however, and their three-quarters were set in motion by Turnbull, but A. H. Jones was brought down by Rugg.

Just before the interval the visiting backs brought off another passing bout, and when this broke down the forwards joined in and the home line was in great danger. Barrington eventually cleared.

Half-BRISTOL ..... 1 0 5  
CARDIFF ..... 0 0 0

Cardiff restarted the game as they finished the first half and set up a strong attack. This was stopped, but they came again and Boon went all out for the line, only to be brought down just outside.

Boon was again nearly in, and immediately after a scrum was fought out on the home line. Bristol cleared at length through good kicking, and Burr and Sherman went away in company. The former was brought down by O. Williams.

A run by Boon was stopped by Sherman, and the Bristol defence continued to be sound, and it need to be. Although the Cardiff backs did not show the ultra brilliance that had been anticipated,

#### KNOCKED OUT

Barrington and Stone collided and both were temporarily knocked out. Cardiff returned again to the attack, Babbage and Isaacs leading in a dribble which covered a big slice of ground.

Once more the ball went out to Boon, who was using his speed to full advantage, but was well tackled near the corner by Brown.

For some minutes play was right on the Bristol line, but again the defence prevailed. Bristol took up the attack in turn, and a brilliant passing movement saw

#### CARDIFF

##### \*Penalty goal.

Soon after the restart Rex Morgan was sent away, but instead of going ahead for the line he hesitated to see if he was being covered by his colleagues.

Before challenged he tried to send the ball back. The pass was not taken, and Stroud were enabled to take up the running.

Cardiff were now holding a territorial advantage, but the work of their backs was painful to watch.

Generally, when they got the ball they wandered about aimlessly or conceded ground instead of gaining it. But they did one piece of pretty work, and it gained its reward, R. K. DAVIES crossing in the corner. Phil Fletcher's kick was poor.

HUGHES placed Stroud further ahead after completely deceiving four Cardiff defenders, running through after selling them the "dummy." Oullimore converted.

After Edgworth had gone near to crossing, Stroud increased their lead, PHILLIPS dropping a goal.

Fists were used freely in a maul near the Stroud line, and the referee noticing two players indulging in a standup fight, intervened and cautioned them.

After Phil Fletcher had hit the cross-bar with a penalty kick Mathews took an easy one and sent it wide.

Just before the final JOHNSON scored a try which was not improved upon.

Final-STROUD ..... \*3 1 15  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC 0 2 6

\*One penalty, one dropped.

#### COMMENTS

Cardiff Athletic put up a very poor display and defeat was their just desert. They missed Cyril Davies, but the chief weakness was at threequarter. Stroud had a lively pack and were well served by Edgworth behind the scrummages.



Cardiff - v - Pontypool - 7/1/33

# WEAK CARDIFF TEAM WIN POOR GAME PONTYPOOL FAIL TO CROSS AT ARMS PARK

In a poor game between weak sides Cardiff beat Pontypool at the Arms Park to-day by two unconverted tries to nil. In spite of the depletions caused by the demands of the Trial match, Cardiff should have done even better than they did against a defence that, with the notable exception of Bayliss, was lamentably weak.

It was an unusual-looking Cardiff side that entertained Pontypool at the Arms Park this afternoon, for most of the regular first team players were absent on account of the Welsh Trial match at Swansea.

R. Gabe-Jones, who this season has been operating successfully at stand-off half, took up Tommy Stone's place at full-back. Stone, together with Ronnie Boon, Frank Williams, Graham Jones, A. H. Jones, M. J. Turnbull, W. Roberts, Archie Skynn, I. Isaacs and R. Barrell were all claimed by the trial match, either in a playing or reserve capacity.

On the other hand, Pontypool were almost at full strength, the only absentees being Evan Bolter and H. Turner, the former playing for the Monmouthshire Police team and Turner being on the injured list.

The ground was on the soft side and the sky was overcast when the sides fielded.

Teams:—

CARDIFF—R. Gabe-Jones; J. Daley, A. Colin Jones, B. R. Turnbull and A. T. Thomas; J. E. Bowcott and R. Fletcher; T. Lewis (captain), Ivor Williams, D. E. J. Hughes, G. Babbage, Lewis Rees, T. Edwards, L. Spence and D. Carne.

PONTYPOOL—Gwyn Bayliss; J. Bodger, D. Cormack, F. Morris and G. Wear; C. Axford (captain) and W. Thomas; E. Donovan, J. Atkins, Alf Williams, F. Elias, W. Gough, A. H. Allen, W. Joshua and C. James.

Referee—Mr. R. J. Jones (Cross Keys).

The absence of the bulk of Cardiff's brilliant back division was reflected in the sparse attendance, which was a disappointment to the Pontypool visitors, and in no way reflected upon their popularity. At the most there were not 3,000 spectators present when the teams took the field.

Tom Lewis started, and Allen returned to touch nicely at half-way. Jackie Bowcott attempted to set his backs on the move from the line-out, but Colin Jones tried to do too much and found the weight of numbers too much for him.

## HOT CARDIFF PRESSURE

Cardiff pressed hotly in the opening minutes, and from a scrum in the visitors' 25 Bowcott sent Fletcher off. The outside-half got rid of the ball well, and Turnbull, Colin Jones, and Daley handled before the wing threw a forward pass inwards to Colin Jones.

Pontypool gradually worked out of danger, and when Cardiff started passing on their own 25 line Colin Jones dropped a pass. Allen was low with an attempt at a penalty goal for the visitors, and Bowcott and Gabe Jones eased the situation with some fairly good kicking.

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Here Axford saved brilliantly and managed to get the ball away to touch. Their respite was short-lived, however, for from the resultant line-out Fletcher received, dodged his way through cleverly, and then gave to D. E. J. HUGHES, who was up in time to take a pass and go over for a try which Babbage could not convert from a favourable position.

Pontypool had a turn at attack, during which Allen again failed to place a penalty goal, but it was not long before Cardiff, through their forwards, were back at the offensive again.

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Cardiff were definitely on top now, and Bayliss was given a large amount of work to do—work which he got through in splendid fashion.

Eventually the Pontypool forwards put in a couple of relieving rushes, but they repeatedly lost the ball at the scrums, with the consequence that very little was seen of the visiting backs in attack.

The visitors' forwards, however, did well in the loose mauls, and it was mainly through their efforts that Pontypool were able to gain and hold for some time a position in the Cardiff 25. B. R. Turnbull and Fletcher, however, knicked effectively to send them back, and both Thomas and Fletcher contributed some pretty runs without, however, gaining much reward.

Pontypool returned to the attack through Cormack and Morris, but Gabe Jones kicked splendidly to find touch well out of danger.

A few minutes later the referee brought to an end an uninteresting and poor game.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 0 2 6  
PONTYPOOL ..... 0 0 0

## COMMENTS.

Pontypool are by no means the strong side they were a season or two ago. Their defeat this afternoon illustrated that, for Cardiff were themselves a poor side.

Naturally, the absence of the "stars" accounted for the fact that a more substantial score was not built up, but for all that Cardiff should definitely have scored more points than they did. The Pontypool defence was lamentably weak, with Wear and Thomas the biggest offenders in this respect.

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DINAS POWIS ..... 0 0 0

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## RUGBY UNION

Cardiff Athletic - v - Glam  
Wanderers - 7/1/33

## GLAMORGAN WAN. v. CARDIFF ATHLETIC

At Whitechurch. Teams:

GLAMORGAN WANDERERS—S. Jacobs; C. Dendle, R. V. Williams, Ken Llewellyn, and R. Shankland; V. Richards and O. Cross; T. Stafford, R. Lerway, C. Davies, A. Hanaghan, E. R. Glover, S. Harwood, J. Lewis, and R. Bond.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC—D. Broad; H. M. Llewellyn, V. Arthur, H. J. Lewis, and V. May; Ron Jones and R. R. Davies; P. Fletcher, G. James, H. Johnson, J. Milburne, H. T. Davies, K. Matthews, T. Spragg, and W. Baker.

Referee: Mr. W. Morgan Rhymney.

Cardiff kicked off and at once had to defend, the Wanderers forcing a minor. Play was kept in the visitors' territory and Stafford was only inches wide with a penalty shot.

The Athletic tried hard to clear, but were still defending when they were again penalised, and this time STAFFORD landed a good goal.

The Athletic, through Ron Jones, for the first time got play to the Wanderers' 25, but faulty handling enabled the home team to clear. Then a combined dribble by the Cardiff forwards took the game back to home quarters. Llewellyn had two attempts at dropped goals charged down, but Cardiff continued to press until FLETCHER dribbled over and scored a try, which Spragg failed to convert.

After the kick-out, the Wanderers were defending for a time until their forwards rushed to the Cardiff 25, where play was when the interval arrived.

Half—GLAM. WANES. .... \*1 0 3  
CARDIFF ATH. .... 0 1 3

\*Penalty.

Resuming, Llewellyn, the Cardiff centre intercepted at half-way but was well tackled by Jacobs. The ball, however, travelled to ARTHUR, who scored a try for the Athletic, which Fletcher failed to convert.

In the tackle Llewellyn injured his elbow and had to retire.

Cardiff quickly gained another score, MAY rounding off a bout of passing with a try, which Fletcher failed to improve upon.

The next score again fell to Cardiff, this time H. J. LEWIS crossing. Spragg failed to add the extra points.

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The home side made strenuous efforts to improve their position, and HANAGHAN following a forward rush added a further try for them, Stafford failing with the kick.

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Then Bodger and Axford combined well with pretty inter-passing which gained them half the length of the field. Axford, however, threw out an untakable pass to Bodger which went over his head into touch.

The failure by Fletcher to take a pass from the scrum by Bowcott in front of the posts at the Cardiff end of the field almost brought disaster to the home side. Colin Jones, however, gathered a rolling ball in the nick of time and got the ball away to touch.

At another scrum near the posts Pontypool heeled for once, and the ball went out to Cormack. Instead of making a straight dash for the line he veered towards the right, and ultimately came into collision with Bodger, who was expecting his partner to pass.

#### AXFORD'S ACTIVITY

Pontypool, however, were still penning Cardiff in their own 25, but the home side eventually got out of danger by means of a free-kick, taken by Colin Jones, which was followed by some good mid-field work by the forwards, in which Babbage and Carne were prominent.

Axford tried hard to get away several times, but tried to do too much, with the consequence that he was "grassed" much more frequently than usual.

Half-CARDIFF ..... 0 1 3  
PONTYPOOL ..... 0 0 0

The first half had not produced anything approaching the type of football one expected from first-class clubs, and rain, which came on heavily shortly before the interval, was not calculated to improve matters in this half.

Playing with the wind, the visitors had the better of the opening play, and a clever movement initiated by Axford and cleverly carried on by Donovan, was quickly followed with a corkscrew run by Morris. But for a forward pass Pontypool would certainly have scored following Morris's run, and then Tom Lewis rallied his forwards and led a rush which took play to the other end.

Here Weare failed to hold A. T. Thomas when the wing got away, and B. R. TURNBULL, who got outside of Thomas, was able to take a pass. He ran around behind the posts for a splendid try. Babbage again failed with the kick.

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#### RUGBY UNION

##### International Trials

ENGLAND ..... 29 THE REST ..... 5  
PROBABLES ..... 6 POSSIBLES ..... 15  
(Wales).

##### Club Matches

BLACKHEATH. 42 U. SER. (Prts.) 3  
LOND'N IRISH 3 LONDON SCOTS 21  
O.M. TAYLORS. 13 GUY'S HOSP'L 11  
RICHMOND ..... 5 BATH ..... 8  
ST. BART'S ..... 6 HARLEQUINS. 11  
ABERAVON ..... 11 PENARTH ..... 5  
BRADFORD ..... 18 BIRKENH'D P. 3  
BRISTOL ..... 6 THE ARMY ..... 8  
COVENTRY ..... 9 SWANSEA ..... 8  
CHELTENHAM 4 GLOUCESTER. 8  
CARDIFF ..... 6 PONTYPOOL ... 0  
CROSS KEYS ... 11 NEWPORT ..... 3  
LEICESTER ... 3 ROSSLYN PK. .... 0  
LLANELLY ..... 7 NEATH ..... 0  
MOSELEY ..... 11 WATERLOO ... 0  
NORTH'MPTON 17 LONDON HOS. 3  
PLYMOUTH A. 0 NEWTON A.B.T. 0  
R.A. FORCE ... 3 THE POLICE .. 16  
WESTON-S.M. ... 11 DEVON SER. .. 20  
GLASGOW ..... 0 STEWARTON'S 3  
HERIOTIAN'S 12 WATSONIAN'S. 6

##### NORTHERN RUGBY LEAGUE

BARROW ..... 25 HULL ..... 0  
BATLEY ..... 16 WARRINGTON. 14  
BROUGHTON R 3 ROCHDALE H. 5  
CASTLEFORD. 10 KEIGHLEY .... 8  
HALIFAX ..... 6 ST. HELENS R 10  
HUDDERSF'LD 13 LEEDS ..... 7  
HULL K. R. ... 5 WILNES ..... 8  
HUNSLET ..... 28 DEWSBURY ... 4  
JEIGH ..... 20 OLDHAM ..... 13  
ST. HELENS ... 12 SALFORD ..... 5  
SWINTON ..... 2 WIGAN ..... 0  
WAKEFIELD T38 BRAMLEY ..... 4  
WIGAN H. .... 6 BRADFORD N. 5  
YORK ..... 36 FEATHERS'NE. 2

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\* Penalty.



Cardiff v. Bridgend  
11/1/33

Swansea - 14/1/33

# OFF SURPRISE! WAT SWANSEA

## HOW BRIDGE WHITES GAIN BETTER TACTICS ON HEAVY DEFENSIVE VICTORY GROUND

### HOME SIDE STILL UNBEATEN IN OWN ENCLOSURE

### YOUTH PLAYS A PROMINENT PART IN THE VICTORY

By "OLD STAGER"

	G.	T.	Pts.
Bridgend	1	1	3
Cardiff	0	0	0

Attendance, 3,000.

Cardiff's pride was humbled at Bridgend on Wednesday. For the first time this season they were beaten on a Welsh ground other than the Cardiff Arms Park; and they were beaten by a team which adapted itself to a heavy ground better than did Cardiff—a team which established its right to the preservation of its ground record.

Bridgend's victory was certainly no empty shell. It was won on merit, and that against one of Cardiff's strongest sides of the season, and one which was far richer in experience than was the Bridgend team. Indeed, in a sense the game was a triumph for youth, for two of the members of this season's Welsh Secondary Schools team, Cliff Jones and Iltyd Williams, played principal parts in the scoring, the former making a perfect opening for one of the tries, and Williams (who was one of the most tireless of the Bridgend forwards) being responsible for the successful goal-kick.

#### "BILL" ROBERTS'S WEAKNESS

Although rightly beaten, Cardiff had the better of the play and were more enterprising than Bridgend for the longer period. But what is the use of having that moral satisfaction if the ability to register scores is missing? That was the position. Cardiff's forwards, not without reason, assumed that their backs would be normally effective in attacking work, and, acting upon that assumption, they proceeded to send the ball back from the large majority of the scrummages and lines-out.

But that was all to no purpose. Why? Well, the quick breaking of the Bridgend forwards had something to do with it, though the primary reason was that "Bill" Roberts handled the ball properly on so few occasions that when he did his part and made openings his colleagues were so totally unprepared for them that they were not up in support.

Late in the game "Bill" was sent to the wing (where he continued to drop the ball), but by that time the Cardiff forwards had lost their earlier supremacy and Colin Jones could not, therefore, repair the damage. All the way through Colin Jones had played well, and so for that matter had Maurice and B. R. Turnbull, the latter, in particular, showing real capability in attack. A. H. Jones and Graham Jones, however, have played many better games, both of them permitting Roberts's failures to restrict their usual liveliness.

#### SOUND DEFENCE

Beyond and behind any criticism of the shortcomings of the Cardiff backs must, however, be placed the soundness of the Bridgend defence through the trying periods when Cardiff looked like scoring and ought to have scored. Not a single one of the Bridgend backs ever faltered—the tackling of Bennison was superb, saving at least three tries; Cliff Jones, screw-punctured with judgment; the centres as usual to exploit Cardiff's mistakes; Gwyn Smith, with intelligent winging, also

played a decisive part, invariably standing in the gap which A. H. Jones expected to find when he endeavoured to dart between the half-backs after the Cardiff forwards had heeled. The scrummaging and line-out work of the Bridgend forwards did not impress. They were at their best in the loose, where Moore (the most "go-ahead" forward in some playing), Iltyd Williams, and A. H. Williams were constantly doing something useful. Two of Cardiff's forwards also have 25, but were something to say for themselves in the time sphere, Skym and Barrell—especially the latter—being really good.

#### THE SCORING

Bridgend's first try originated in Cardiff error. Bill Roberts dropped a low pass from M. J. Turnbull and, before he could recover, J. J. Davies (who was always doing something useful, without ever being brilliant) got his foot to the ball, dribbled on, drove it through and won the race for the touch. Iltyd Williams kicked the goal.

Bridgend's second try was purely constructive. Cliff Jones, realising that the time for kicking was over, went straight through until the defence was clearly outnumbered, and the perfect passing which he and J. J. Davies shared in left Chris Matthews with no alternative to sprinting over for the try. Teams:—

Bridgend: J. A. Bennison; Chris Matthews, S. Roberts, J. J. Davies, Emlyn Richards; Phil Davies, Cliff Jones; Gwyn Smith (capt.); E. J. Morgan, W. J. Murphy, W. J. Chilcott, Harry Thomas, A. H. Williams, Iltyd Williams, W. J. Moore.

Cardiff: T. Stone; A. Colin Jones, B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones, A. H. Jones; M. J. Turnbull, W. Roberts; Tom Lewis (capt.); Lewis Rees, I. Isaacs, T. Edwards, A. Skym, R. Barrell, L. Spence, D. E. Hughes.

Referee: Mr. M. Moses, W.F.U., Newport.

### KEEN STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY

#### Cup Defeat for Abertillery Wednesdays

	G.	T.	Pts.
Blaina Wednesdays	2	0	9
Abertillery Wednesdays	0	1	3

\* One dropped.

Abertillery Wednesdays were defeated by Blaina Wednesdays in the second round of the Cyrus Davies Cup competition at Aberbeeg following a keen and open struggle.

Blaina were more aggressive in the first half, but the "Tillerians" defence was sound. Eventually Blaina took the lead, Mitchell dropping a goal.

In the second half Abertillery pressed heavily, and Blaina were on their own line for a considerable time, but held it intact. Roach broke through and scored a try for Abertillery.

Five minutes from the end Blaina broke away and Rosser Thomas crossed for a try, Allen converting.

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quite a substantial score the kick-off, from Vetch. In the Swansea attack, and G. Lewis weather was craps condition. Teams: G. Deeley, W. D. Folland; R. a; T. Day, G. mas, Joe White, d G. Lewis. T. Thomas, B. and R. Fletcher; docks; H. John- e, D. Carne, L. e, and D. E. J.

In the next few minutes Swansea defence into attack, and TYLER crossed with a try, which Herbert failed to convert. Herbert, instead of knocking down a Cardiff attack, kicked to the square where Fletcher and Colin Jones were waiting, but a determined forward run by D. Thomas, saved Swansea from a goal. Cowling was conspicuous with a run along the touchline, but he stepped into touch. Harris was injured and went to the centre. Swansea were pressed when the interval arrived.

#### Half.—SWANSEA

Swansea attacked from the re-start. It was noticed that Harris had not returned. Bryn Evans and Deeley made a run to the left, but Deeley was sent to touch. In the next moment A. T. Thomas well for Cardiff, but was tackled. Deeley, Swansea continued to heel. Through a lapse on the part of Folland, Swansea was enabled to gain a large amount of ground before being forced to touch. Cardiff were handling well, and exchanges were even at this stage.

#### MORRIS PROMINENT

Harris now returned to the Swansea side. Herbert, in waiting for the to bounce, nearly let in Cardiff, but was a knock on.

Morris was the mainspring of the Swansea play and he made openings time after time.

Dudley Folland was tackled after receiving from Bryn Evans.

Another determined attack by Swansea saw Folland fumble the final pass.

Cardiff fought their way back till Tom Day sent the ball to Deeley, but he failed to get over. Shortly afterwards, however, DEELEY crossed at the corner, the kick failing.

Stone was a tower of strength for Cardiff behind, saving his forwards continually.

Folland, receiving from a cross-kick, raced along, but hesitated, and was tackled by Stone just when a try seemed certain.

Turnbull, the Cardiff centre, was repeatedly making openings, but Swansea pressed hard, and Tom Day tried to drop at goal. Swansea were attacking strenuously and TYLER, receiving from Folland, crossed in the corner for Morris to convert.

Final—SWANSEA 1 2 13  
CARDIFF 0 1 3



Swansea - 14/1/33

# OFF SURPRISED AT SWANSEA WHITES GAIN A DECISIVE VICTORY

Despite fine defensive work by Tommy Stone, Cardiff were decisively beaten at Swansea to-day, R. R. Morris, the All Whites' half-back, being a prominent figure on the winning side.

There was quite a substantial crowd at the match, having returned back from the Vetch. There were a large number of changes in the Cardiff side. In the Swansea side, Wateyn Thomas stood down, and G. Lewis came in his stead. The weather was crisp and the ground in good condition. Teams: SWANSEA—I. Herbert; G. Deeley, W. E. Harris, C. Cowling, and D. Folland; R. Morris and Bryn Evans; T. Day, Glyn Jones, Jack Rees, Dai Thomas, Joe White, W. Davies, J. P. Tyler, and G. Lewis. CARDIFF—T. Stone; A. T. Thomas, B. R. Turnbull, Colin Jones and R. Fletcher; R. Gabe Jones and J. Maddocks; H. Johnson, G. James, G. Babbage, D. Carne, L. Rees, R. Barrell, L. Spence, and D. E. J. Hughes.

Referee, Mr. W. D. Baker, Aberkenfig. Cardiff kicked off, and Bryn Evans knocked on. Swansea heeled from a scrum, but the ball went astray. T. Stone tried a drop at goal, but failed. Swansea got going and reached the Cardiff half. R. R. Morris was early prominent in some pretty work. Led by Glyn Jones, the Swansea forwards dribbled well to the 25, but were drive back, and play remained for a time at the centre. Stone was conspicuous with good work. FLETCHER a minute later crossed between the posts with a try, which was not converted.

**FORWARD PLAY** Cardiff were penalised, but the kick was charged down, and some pretty passing was seen on both sides. The game was largely confined to the forwards. Cardiff were again penalised, and Herbert gained a big slice of ground. The game was very fast, but the Cardiff forwards were having slightly the better of things in the open. Swansea were heeling, and a penalty for offside being awarded against Cardiff, Herbert took the kick, but failed lamentably and play returned to the Swansea side.

**BRYN EVANS OFF FORM** Wilfred Harris put in some defensive work for Swansea. Bryn Evans had an average day, and Herbert was weak in the game went on. Cardiff were in the picture with some pretty work on the right wing, but Tyler touched down just in time to save Swansea.

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Half—SWANSEA ..... 0 1 3  
CARDIFF ..... 0 1 3

Swansea attacked from the re-start. It was noticed that Harris had not returned. Bryn Evans and Deeley made a run on the left, but Deeley was sent to touch.

In the next moment A. T. Thomas ran well for Cardiff, but was tackled by Deeley. Swansea continued to heel well. Through a lapse on the part of Folland Fletcher was enabled to gain a large slice of ground before being forced to touch. Cardiff were handling well, and the exchanges were even at this stage.

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Folland, receiving from a cross-kick, raced along, but hesitated, and was tackled by Stone just when a try seemed certain.

Turnbull, the Cardiff centre, was repeatedly making openings, but Swansea pressed hard, and Tom Day tried to drop at goal. Swansea were attacking strenuously and TYLER, receiving from Folland crossed in the corner for Morris to convert.

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Cardiff Athletic v Blaina - 14/1/33

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**Half—BLAINA** 0 3 9  
**CARDIFF ATH** 0 1 3  
Cardiff, although a man short throughout the second half, played with far more dash. The forwards were particularly good in the open, and kept Blaina on the defensive. The kicking, however, was not always clean, but towards the close they got the better of the scrums, and Matthews giving out a perfect pass to CLIFF JONES, the Welsh international school boy, that player broke over with a great try.

This was soon afterwards followed by a particularly fine try on the part of H. J. LEWIS after perfect handling. Cardiff's second-half recovery fully enabled them to a division of the honours.

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There were a large number of clubs, Vetch, the Cardiff side. In the Swansea side, Wateyn Thomas stood down, and G. Lewis came in his stead. The weather was crisp and the ground in good condition. Teams: **SWANSEA**—I. Herbert; G. Deeley, W. E. Harris, C. Cowling, and D. Folland; R. R. Morris and Bryn Evans; T. Day, Glyn Jones, Jack Rees, Dai Thomas, Joe White, W. Davies, J. P. Tyler, and G. Lewis. **CARDIFF**—T. Stone; A. T. Thomas, B. R. Turnbull, Colin Jones and R. Fletcher; R. Gabe Jones and J. Maddocks; H. Johnson, G. James, G. Babbage, D. Carne, L. Rees, R. Barrell, L. Spence, and D. E. J. Hughes.

Referee, Mr. W. D. Baker, Aberkenfig. Cardiff kicked off, and Bryn Evans knocked on. Swansea heeled from a scrum, but the ball went astray. T. Stone tried a drop at goal, but failed. Swansea got going and reached the Cardiff half. R. R. Morris was early prominent in some pretty work.

Led by Glyn Jones, the Swansea forwards dribbled well to the 25, but were drive back, and play remained for a time at the centre.

Stone was conspicuous with good work. FLETCHER a minute later crossed between the posts with a try, which was not converted.

#### FORWARD PLAY

Cardiff were penalised, but the kick was charged down, and some pretty passing was seen on both sides.

The game was largely confined to the forwards. Cardiff were again penalised, and Herbert gained a big slice of ground. The game was very fast, but the Cardiff forwards were having slightly the better of things in the open.

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# CARDIFF RUN AMOK IN LONDON

## EXILES OVERWHELMED— 41 POINTS TO 13

Cardiff, by brilliant play, overwhelmed the London Welsh at Richmond this morning, the final score of 41 points to 13 reflecting the all-round superiority of the visitors over the Exiles.

Cardiff and London Welsh met in what soccer fans would call a "friendly" at Richmond this morning so as to be near Twickenham, and a brighter or more invigorating appetiser for the great affair next door at Twickenham could not have been prescribed. Teams:—

LONDON WELSH: T. J. Davies; Wyndham Lewis, S. L. Jones, T. E. Jones; Davies, and Ray Thomas; H. Roeyn Jones and W. C. Powell; W. A. V. Thomas, forwerth Evans, E. Martin, W. R. Mabbott, T. Tredrea, C. Dunn, J. R. Talbot, and M. Rice.

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Referee: Flight Lieutenant J. I. T. Jones, R.A.F.

### EARLY SCORES

Cardiff, Wales had had their pick-up, were from being at full strength, but they once established an ascendancy and never really looked like losing it.

They were eight points up in five minutes. Perfectly carried out passing movements and a run by A. P. Thomas took play well into the London Welsh 25, and GABE-JONES soon burst through to the centre for a try under the post, which Stone converted.

The Londoners' tackling was, to say the least of it, half-hearted on this occasion, but, though it improved, Cardiff continued to have the better of matters. The forwards were much better together in the loose than London Welsh, and saw to it that their opponents "played" the ball properly.

The next try was a dribbling effort by DALEY, for whom the ball bounced obligingly following a cross-kick by Gabe Jones.

But then Cardiff suffered a set-back, Gabe-Jones being injured and having to leave the field.

During his absence the London Welsh attacked and Cardiff were compelled to touch down more than once, but soon Bowcott kicked away from a loose scrum, set Colin Jones off, and the latter swung a clever pass to DALEY, who ran in from halfway. This try was also not converted. Gabe-Jones returned at this stage.

London Welsh did better when they switched Jones-Davies and Roeyn Jones about, the former, now being at fly-half, making good opening for the three-quarters.

A movement typical of the Cardiff forwards led to the next try. Fletcher and Barrell broke away in an inter-passing run and sent COLIN JONES in when the three-quarter had three men beside him. Spence converted this try, to give Cardiff a lead of 16 points.

### A RALLY

Then came a London Welsh rally. A strong run by Jones-Davies and Wyndham Lewis was only stopped by a fine tackle by Stone. From the ground thus gained, JONES-DAVIES, by a swerving cut through, was able at last to score. Roeyn Jones converted.

Cardiff retaliated and a clever cut through by Turnbull led to a try by FLETCHER, Stone again adding the goal points.

Rees led a strong forward rush for the London Welsh, but there was a lack of finish about their movements, and it was JONES-DAVIES, with a short punt ahead and a strong burst, who brought off material success, his try being converted by Roeyn Jones.

Half-CARDIFF 3 2 21  
LONDON WELSH 2 0 10

London Welsh's plight developed into a rout in the second half, when with Cardiff attacking consolidating the decisive forward superiority, the score steadily mounted.

TURNBULL, HUGHES, THOMAS and BABBAGE added further tries, all of which Stone converted, against a solitary try by WYNDHAM LEWIS for London.

Final-CARDIFF 7 2 21  
LONDON WELSH 2 0 10

## MAESTEG FAIL TO SCORE

Cardiff Athletic Win in  
Scrappy Game

### Weakened Teams

Influenza has its grip on the Maesteg football team; consequently, six changes were necessary in the originally chosen side to oppose Cardiff Athletic at Cardiff Arms Park this afternoon. Cardiff Athletic, too, were forced to make changes, Gwyn Knight taking the place of Cyril Cross as three-quarter, Luther Davies deputised J. M. Kennedy as scrum-half, and J. John went to the forwards in place of W. Baker.

Teams:—  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC—D. Broad; H. J. Lewis, C. Arthur, Gwyn Knight, Ron Jones; Luther Davies, R. Fletcher; K. Matthews, J. Milburn, T. Spragg, J. John, W. L. Roblin, S. Joyce, D. Glasson, W. Mayer.

MAESTEG—R. Duckfield; Cliff Lewis, W. D. Williams, E. Saunders, J. Griffiths; J. Williams, R. Thomas; M. J. Rice, W. Jenkins, B. Thomas, E. Lewis, S. Lloyd, G. Griffiths, C. Williams, M. A. Hearn.

Referee: Mr P. A. Leonard, Cilfynydd.

It is no exaggeration to say that the attendance—not more than two hundred—is the smallest crowd that has ever attended a match in which the Athletic have engaged at home. The explanation! Twickenham!

Play during the greater part of the first half was very ragged. The Maesteg forwards displayed some skill in the open, but the backs, like those of Cardiff, were poor. Fletcher, on a couple of occasions, initiated movements that broke down through faulty handling. On one occasion Knight and Ron Jones indulged in a clever piece of interpassing, but Duckfield smothered the effort.

Another burst by Jones also came to nought, but eventually Cardiff's persistence was rewarded when Fletcher opened up a movement from which ARTHUR, after cleverly eluding three opponents, crossed with a try. Spragg converting.

Maesteg's retaliation was of a rather half-hearted character and it was not long before Cardiff were again in an attacking position, and following pressure on the right FLETCHER secured, to break over with a second try, Spragg failing with the kick.

Maesteg subsequently played with more fire, but, though the forwards made progress, there was still a lack of combination behind. Duckfield repeatedly assisted his side with lengthy kicks to touch, but an attempt to land a penalty goal failed, the ball falling short. Two further attempts were also unsuccessful.

Play afterwards became rather scrappy, the only inspiring movement being when the result of the England v. Wales match was made known through the medium of the South Wales Echo.

Final—CARDIFF ATH. 1 2 11  
MAESTEG 0 0 0











Cardiff - v - G. L. 28-133.

Cardiff Athletic - v - G. L. 28-133 both cancelled.

Cardiff - v - Plymouth A. 4/2/33.

## PLYMOUTH ALBION SURPRISE CARDIFF

### WEAKENED TEAM GOES DOWN AT ARMS PARK

Although playing a weakened team Cardiff were defeated rather surprisingly by Plymouth Albion at the Arms Park to-day by sixteen points to nine. The West Country men led by seven points at the interval, and increased their lead in a rather listless second half.

(By "THE VETERAN")

Conditions were none too pleasant for the game on Cardiff Arms Park to-day. A strong wind blew across the field and a quarter of an hour before the kick-off a heavy drizzle added to the discomfort. The gate was probably the poorest for the season, not more than a hundred spectators being present just before the start.

There were two changes in the teams. Stanbury, the Plymouth captain, standing down in favour of A. B. Paul, while for Cardiff K. Matthews appeared for T. Edwards in the front line. Teams:

PLYMOUTH ALBION.—A. Rowe; L. Courtenay, H. F. Gormley, W. Webber, R. Wilson; A. Barratt, E. E. Richards; A. B. Paul, A. Davies, M. Wilson, A. Brigstocke, E. Wright, B. James, H. Rowe and J. Brigstocke.

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Everett, Mr. Ivor Brown, Bridgend. Cardiff winning the toss, the visitors kicked off and Gabe-Jones immediately put Cardiff on the aggressive with a long kick to the Albion line. Webber just saving what appeared to be a likely chance for Cardiff to score. From a scrum in the Albion 25 Graham Jones broke away, but gave A. T. Thomas an impossible pass. Tom Lewis, however, obtained possession and after beating a couple of opponents gave to J. MILBURN, who forced himself over with a bunch of Albion forwards around him.

Tom Stone failed with the kick, which was just a little short. Cardiff still pressed and Graham Jones, following up a kick, touched down, but the ball was adjudged out of bounds. A free kick to Cardiff was taken by Babbage, but proved abortive.

#### SCRAPPY PLAY

Albion for the first time got into Cardiff's half and Webber, their left centre, broke through, but was badly supported with only Stone facing him. The visitors continued to press Cardiff, but their backs lacked intelligence in timing their passes and Tommy Stone relieved their passes and Tommy Stone relieved, however, was but temporary, and after forwards and visitors' outside half, got BARRETT, the visitors' outside half, got a well-deserved try, which was unconverted, the ball striking the cross-bar and falling back into play.

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Half-PLYMOUTH ALBION ..	2	1	13
CARDIFF .....	0	2	6

Babbage resumed for Cardiff, and for a time neither side could claim any advantage, until Graham Jones gained twenty yards with a splendid solo dribble. Retaliating by means of kicking and aided by the wind, the Albions again got into the Cardiff half, and E. E. Richards, following up, scored wide out. No goal resulted.

The visitors were handling the greasy ball far more accurately than Cardiff, who, however, used their feet to greater advantage, and gradually took play to the Albion, where TOMMY STONE kicked a penalty goal from an awkward angle.

#### GABE JONES INJURED

In a tussle in the home 25 Gabe Jones was injured, and was forced to retire, and Cardiff's line was again in danger. The visitors were now playing a winning game, their tackling being keen. The forwards especially were on their toes waiting every chance. The home pack was beaten in the scrums, and in the open seemed too slow to take advantage of the opportunities offered them. Stone came into prominence with some fine clearances and gained ground with some capital touch-finding, but time and again the Albion forwards, with quick following up and deadly tackling, penned Cardiff in their own half. Graham Jones was given possession and punted on, but failed to regain possession, and once again Cardiff were forced on the defensive.

Play had become listless but for an occasional thrust by Graham Jones and Gabe Jones, but their efforts were not supported, excepting by Stone, who, however, was not as safe as usual.

Final-PLYMOUTH ALBION.	2	2	16
CARDIFF .....	*1	2	9

\*Penalty.

#### COMMENTS

Very little comment is necessary to sum up what was a disappointing game. Cardiff were up against a better side fore and aft, and except for occasional spurts by the forwards, and the aggressive work of Tommy Stone, Graham Jones and Gabe Jones, would have been beaten by a far greater margin.

The Albion back handled the ball with greater accuracy, and snapped up their chances like a flash, Webber and Barrett being the best of a good rear division, while the forwards were faster than the Cardiff pack, and tackled with certainty.

Of the home forwards, Barrell, Carne, Tom Lewis and Babbage were the best of a pack which was beaten by combination and intelligence.



# STONE'S GREAT TRY FOR CARDIFF

## GLOUCESTER OUTPLAYED IN SECOND HALF

Tommy Stone played a great part in a Cardiff victory over Gloucester at Kingsholm to-day, for besides scoring a remarkable try which he also converted, the full-back also added the extra points to tries by Thomas and Graham Jones. R. A. Cornish, the old Welsh international, turned out for Cardiff at the last moment owing to an unexpected vacancy occurring.

The game was remarkable for the fact that Gloucester

Cardiff took a strong team to Gloucester, but with the home team playing better football than for several seasons, it was expected that the visitors would have great difficulty in securing the double. Cardiff defeated Gloucester at Cardiff by 16 points to nil earlier this season, but at Kingsholm last season Gloucester won by a penalty goal to nil. Gabe Jones was unable to play at the last moment owing to a bereavement. Teams:—

**GLOUCESTER**—H. Boughton; R. B. Mackay, Roy James, J. C. Brooks and R. Hook; D. Meadows and C. Fifield; F. Wadley (capt.), A. Carpenter, E. Cowley, R. Morris, J. Hemming, A. Welshman, Peter Hordern, and T. Hiam.

**CARDIFF**—T. Stone; A. T. Thomas, B. R. Turnbull, Graham Jones and R. A. Cornish; E. J. Parfitt and A. H. Jones; T. Lewis (capt.), R. Barrall, J. Isaacs, M. D. Carne, L. Rees, L. M. Spence, G. Babbage, and D. E. Hughes.

Referee—Mr. W. H. Jackson (Cornwall). C. C. Tanner was unable to play for Gloucester, and R. Hook took his place. The ground appeared to be in excellent condition when Cardiff kicked off against the sun, but with the wind in their favour. Spence opened out from a line-out, but Gloucester broke up the ensuing attack, Boughton sending Cardiff back to their own half.

There Parfitt was penalised for not putting the ball into the scrum properly, but Boughton's long shot fell short. From a long line-out Gloucester three-quarters passed, but Thomas had little difficulty in bowling Mackay into touch. Graham Jones was placed in possession and punted, but Boughton fielded and sent to touch at the corner.

Again Parfitt was penalised and Cardiff lost ground. After three penalties against Cardiff, Gloucester came under the ban of the referee and Cardiff attacked. An exciting passing movement gave Cardiff a chance of scoring, but the ball travelled awkwardly for them and Mackay cleared. There were quick fluctuations in the game, and a minute or two later Stone was twice called upon to clear which he did with some lengthy kicks to touch.

Cardiff forwards were encountering difficulties in the tight scrums, but in the end they often secured and opened up.

Meadows tried a long drop for goal, but missed. Cornish chased the ball, but he was held by HOOK, who was on his heels, threw himself at the ball and gained a try.

Boughton's place kick from a difficult angle struck the post and rebounded. Only Graham Jones seemed to be able to avoid their attentions. A dashing attack through grandis. The ball travelled to Thomas, but the wing man fell to a smothering tackle by Mackay.

Cardiff continued their offensive, and gave Gloucester a couple of minutes of hell and failed. Cardiff's forwards now carried several tight scrums, and the handling, but they still found themselves being marked and tackled too much for them.

**CLEVER RUNNING**  
Stone, picking up well, came in for much finding. Try how they would. They were again forced back into their Gloucester out.

Mackay made a mark, and tried for goal, but missed and Graham Jones punted to the halfway line. Cardiff were now getting slightly the better of the forward play, but the backs were unable to take advantage of their chances.

**GLOUCESTER** 0 2 3  
**CARDIFF** 16 0 0



TOMMY STONE (Cardiff)

## EXETER CITY RES. v. LOVELL'S ATH.

(WESTERN LEAGUE)

Lovell's Athletic made a last minute change, Howarth leading the attack in place of Gardner.

The City were quickly into their stride, Gumm racing through and shooting against the cross bar. Then Lovell's were the more impressive side, and Howarth's marksmanship was a fine feature. He shot the upright from a free kick, and later he drove against the cross bar.

Following these lucky escapes, Exeter came into the picture, but were checked by a keen defence. Just before the interval Lovell's almost took the lead, Hiles lobbing the ball against the cross bar.

**Half-LOVELLS** ..... 0  
**EXETER CITY** ..... 0

Lovell's were much faster on the ball, and shortly after the restart Hiles beat Ditchburn and shot low. Ince was unable to clear, and HOWARTH, running up, shot into an unguarded net and gave the Welshmen the lead.

Exeter fought back strongly and HURST equalised with a high shot following a goalmouth scramble.

Exeter controlled the game in the closing stages and HURST scored just before the final whistle.

**Final-EXETER CITY RES.** ..... 2  
**LOVELLS ATH.** ..... 1

**Ynysddu Crusaders v. Ebbw Vale Reserves**

Ebbw Vale Reserves turned out a strong side, and fully tested the Ynysddu defence. The Crusaders took play to the other end and forced a corner which was cleared with difficulty.

The Crusaders kept up the pressure and had hard luck in not opening the score. **Half-YNYSDDU CRUSADERS** ..... 0  
**EBBW VALE RESERVES** ..... 0

In the second half Ebbw Vale scored through WHITELOW.  
**Final-EBBW VALE RESERVES** ..... 1  
**YNYSDDU CRUSADERS** ..... 0

**RUGBY UNION INTERNATIONAL**

## WELSH OPPORTUNISM WINS THE DAY

### GLOUCESTER BACKS DISAPPOINTING

#### STONE'S GREAT DISPLAY AT FULL-BACK

SPECIAL BY "W.B."

**FAVOUR**ED with fine, though cold weather, the visit of Cardiff to Kingsholm this afternoon for the return fixture with Gloucester attracted one of the biggest crowds of the season.

In the first match, at Cardiff in October, the Welshmen won by 16 points to nil, but the City are a much stronger combination to-day, and had high hopes of reversing the previous result.

#### Team Changes

Gloucester made four changes from the side which defeated the Services last week. McKay, Hook, Hemming and Hordern taking the places of Tanner, Sheppard, Ford and Ken Smith. Tanner had an important appointment in the afternoon, and reluctantly had to give up his position.

The Cardiff team, too, underwent changes. Skym, the Welsh international, injured in the match with Scotland, was not fit, and a bereavement prevented Gabe Jones turning out. Cliff Jones, the Llandovery College boy, was invited to fill the vacancy, but he could not make the journey to Gloucester in time for the match, and no reserve being brought, R. A. Cornish, a former captain and Welsh international, who retired two or three seasons ago, was drafted into the side. Cornish took his old place at wing three-quarter, and A. H. Jones was moved up to outside half. Teams:—

#### Gloucester

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**HALVES:** D. Meadows and G. Fifield.  
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#### Boughton's Fine Effort

Gloucester kept on the attack, and Meadows on the 25 line, short punted. The ball was taken by Stone in full stride, and he dashed through the gap to Boughton, who was moving to the line. McKay set back, but failed to reach Stone before the latter got in his kick.

Gloucester continued to have the better of exchanges and Meadows made a splendid effort to drop a goal. The wind took the ball to the right where Cornish was slow in getting to it, and Hook, showing fine speed, gained the touch for a try amid great enthusiasm. It was a splendid opportunist effort. Boughton's shot for goal from near touch hit the upright.

Encouraged by this success, Gloucester worked with splendid energy on the resumption. Hordern broke away strongly, but held on too long, and a little later things did not go well with a possible chance.

#### Cardiff Attack

Gloucester were doing well all round, and Fifield, Meadows and Brooks showed up with capital efforts. Then Cardiff were seen to the advantage, Graham Jones making a fine opening. Thomas, however, was well tackled. This was Cardiff's first serious pressure, and they struggled desperately for a score.

#### Strong Attack

Attacks were launched on either wing, and Gloucester had a very anxious time. The defence, however, was not to be outwitted. Centre play followed, with the Welshmen doing fine work, but there was no finish to the movements. Gloucester came again, and Stone was twice tested, but he got out of the situations in clever style.

Play was exceptionally fast, but mistakes in passing spoiled promising movements. Gloucester, aided by Brooks, made splendid progress, and the Cardiff line was in danger. Hook, following up a kick, just missed the touch in the corner. A scrum followed five yards out, and Meadows, receiving from Fifield, made a desperate effort to get through, but had to succumb to numbers. From a mark McKay had a shot for goal, but was not successful, and Graham Jones made a splendid return.

It was a keen fight forward, Gloucester holding their own well, the Welshmen, with useful rushes, reached the centre where play was in progress at the interval.

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Gloucester	1 try
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ATHLETIC POINT

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# V. LOVELL'S ATH.

## (WESTERN LEAGUE)

Lovell's Athletic made a last minute change, Howarth leading the attack in place of Gardner.

The City were quickly into their stride, Gurnin racing through and shooting against the cross bar. Then Lovells were the more impressive side, and Howarth's marksmanship was a fine feature. He shot against the upright from a free kick, and later he drove against the cross bar.

Following these lucky escapes, Exeter came into the picture, but were checked by a keen defence. Just before the interval Lovells almost took the lead, Hiles lobbing the ball against the cross bar.

Half-LOVELLS ..... 0  
Half-EXETER CITY ..... 0

Lovells were much faster on the ball, and shortly after the restart Hiles beat Ditchburn and shot low. Ince was unable to clear, and HOWARTH, running up, shot into an unguarded net and gave the Welshman the lead.

Exeter fought back strongly and HURST equalised with a high shot following a goalmouth scramble.

Exeter controlled the game in the closing stages and HURST scored just before time with a cross shot.

Final-EXETER CITY RES. .... 2  
LOVELLS ATH. .... 1

## Ynysddu Crusaders v. Ebbw Vale Reserves

Ebbw Vale Reserves turned out a strong side, and fully tested the Ynysddu defence. The Crusaders took play to the other end and forced a corner which was cleared with difficulty.

The Crusaders kept up the pressure and had hard luck in not opening the score.

Half-YNYSDDU CRUSADERS ... 0  
Half-EBBW VALE RESERVES ... 0

In the second half Ebbw Vale scored through WHITELOW.

Final-EBBW VALE RESERVES ... 1  
YNYSDDU CRUSADERS ... 0

## RUGBY UNION

### INTERNATIONAL

ENGLAND..... 17 IRELAND..... 6

### Club Matches

LONDON SCOTS 11 OLD CRANS... 5

O. LEYSIANS... 0 BLACKHEATH. 20

ROSSLYN PK 5 CAMBRIDGE U 13

ABERAVON .... 15 GUY'S HOSP'L. 8

BARNSTAPLE... 0 PLYMOUTH A. 3

BATH ..... 11 LOND. WELSH 5

BRADFORD .... 11 WATERLOO ... 8

COVENTRY ..... 15 MOSELEY ... 3

DEVON SER. .. 28 U. SER. (Prts.) 8

EXETER ..... 3 ST. BARTS ... 14

GLoucester... 3 CARDIFF ..... 15

LEICESTER ... 7 NEWPORT ... 10

LIVERPOOL ... 3 MANCHESTER. 10

LLANELLY .... 9 CROSS KEYS ... 0

NORTHAMPTON 3 RUGBY ..... 0

PENARTH ..... 3 EDGWARE ..... 0

PONTYPOOL ... 3 BRIDGEND ... 8

SWANSEA ..... 3 BRISTOL ..... 11

TORQUAY ATH 6 NEATH ..... 3

HERIOTVIANS 22 GLASGOW AC. 5

WATSONIANS.. 6 EDINBURGH U 3

## NORTHERNRUGBYLEAGUE CUP

### (FIRST ROUND)

BRADFORD N. 3 ST HELENS .. 24

BROUGHTON R 5 WAKEFIELD T 6

BARROW ..... 19 BRAMLEY ... 0

ATLEY ..... 9 FEATHERS'NE 6

HULL K. R. ... 4 KEIGHLEY ... 4

HUDDERSF'LD 19 DEWSBURY ... 7

HULL ..... 37 HIGGINSHAW. 9

HALIFAX ..... 42 UNOS DABS. 5

LEEDS ..... 36 WIGAN HIGH. 0

OLDHAM ..... 13 ROCHDALE H. 8

ST. HELENS R 5 HUNSLLET ... 19

SALFORD ..... 11 CASTLEFORD. 0

SWINTON ..... 5 WIDNES ..... 2

WARRINGTON. 34 LEIGH ..... 3

ASKERN WEL. 0 WIGAN ..... 46

YORK ..... 35 BARROW M. H. 2

## Gloucester

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Referee: Mr. W. H. Jackson (Cornwall).

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A little later the same player had a long shot from a penalty, but a fine effort fell short, and Turnbull sent back. From a long throw-out Meadows took the ball beautifully, and Brooks, James and McKay handled in turn, but the latter was well tackled by Thomas.

## Boughton's Fine Effort

Cardiff were again penalised at the scrum, and this time Boughton gained 30 yards with a well-judged kick to touch. Fast play followed at the centre, where the Welshmen were penalised again. Boughton had another place for goal, and a well-placed shot fell a couple of yards in front of the goal posts. Stone received and returned nicely. Gloucester were next penalised, and 20 yards were gained with the resultant kick.

Gloucester opened out on the left, where Brooks tried hard to break through, but was held. Immediately the ball was got out to the other wing, but Hook threw back inside when tackled, and a Cardiff man gathered. There was a series of sharp exchanges, which was allowed to continue after a player had gone over the touch-line. The ball was eventually taken to the right where Thomas made a big dash, but was overwhelmed by Welshman. Thomas threw the ball away wildly, and Hemming securing, punted well to touch—a fortunate get out.

## Hook's Splendid Try

Gloucester made further headway with a good forward rush, Morris shining, but Stone was equal to the occasion. Cardiff, with kicking, got back to mid-field, where a long kick to beat Stone, who had to run back to field. Comley was well up, but could

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## Stone's Great Try

Gloucester kept in the attack, and Meadows on the 25 line, short punted. The ball was taken by Stone in full stride, and he dashed through the gap to Boughton, when he punted to the line. McKay got back, but failed to gather, and the ball being sent on a few more yards, STONE, who had continued his running, touched down for a try. The same player converted, and gave Cardiff the lead. It was a solo effort entirely, and Stone was warmly applauded on his achievement, for the movement covered three parts the length of the ground.

## Cardiff Further Ahead

Gloucester had the better of the exchanges on the restart, and Boughton put his side close to the line with a lovely kick. Cardiff, however, cleared, taking advantage of the home team's mistakes. Gloucester were having most of the game territorially, but they failed in attacks, and Cardiff were quick to take advantage of dropped passes. From a mistake on the right Turnbull snapped up the ball, and Cornish was sent away. There was a return pass, and Turnbull finally kicked to the Gloucester goal mouth. The ball rolled over the line, and though McKay made a good effort to touch down he was beaten by Thomas, who was credited with a try. Stone again converted, and Cardiff now led by seven points. It was

own half. There Parfitt was penalised for not putting the ball into the scrum properly, but Boughton's long shot fell short. From a long line-out Gloucester threequarters passed, but Thomas had little difficulty in bowling Mackay into possession and punted, but Boughton fielded and sent to touch at the corner.

Again Parfitt was penalised and Cardiff lost ground. After three penalties against Cardiff, Gloucester came under the ban of the referee and Cardiff attacked. An exciting passing movement gave Cardiff a chance of scoring, but the ball travelled awkwardly for them and Mackay cleared.

There were quick fluctuations in the game, and a minute or two later Stone was twice called upon to clear which he did with some lengthy kicks to touch.

Cardiff forwards were encountering difficulties in the tight scrums, but in the line-out they often secured and opened up.

## HOOK SCORES

Meadows tried a long drop for goal, but missed. Cornish chased the ball, but he eased up and HOOK, who was on his heels, threw himself at the ball and gained a try.

Boughton's place kick from a difficult angle struck the post and rebounded. Gloucester's marking was very close, and only Graham Jones seemed to be able to avoid their attentions. A dashing attack was initiated by A. H. Jones, who broke through grandly. The ball travelled to Thomas, but the wing man fell to a smothering tackle by Mackay.

Cardiff continued their offensive, and gave Gloucester a couple of minutes of anxiety until A. H. Jones tried a drop for goal and failed. Cardiff's forwards now carried several tight scrums, and the three-quarters were given chances of handling, but they still found Gloucester's marking and tackling too much for them.

## CLEVER RUNNING

Stone, picking up well, came in for applause for some clever running and touch finding. Try how they would, Cardiff could not round off their attacks. They were again forced back into their quarters and had to fight hard to keep Gloucester out.

Mackay made a mark, and tried for goal, but missed and Graham Jones punted to the half-way flag. Cardiff were now sitting slightly the better of the forward play, but the backs were unable to take advantage of their chances.

Half-GLoucester ..... 0 1 3

Cardiff ..... 0 0 0

keen attack by Gloucester was splendidly held up by Stone who ran strongly and passed. Graham Jones punted, but was secured and sent Cardiff back.

On Meadows engineered two attacks for Gloucester, but Cardiff's defence held, although they were severely tested.

## THE TRY

A remarkable triumph was then secured by Stone. He fielded a punt, broke clean through the Gloucester defence, and ran the length of the field to Boughton. Then punted and there was a great race to the Gloucester line.

McKay appeared to have a chance of going down, but he fumbled and Stone, who was at his heels, beat him and scored one of the finest tries seen at the Holm for a long time. Stone took a long kick and landed a goal.

He was loudly cheered for his great feat.

Gloucester put in some fierce attacks in an attempt to wipe out their deficit, but their defence was sound, and they slowly worked back to mid-field.

## THE PASSING

A clever passing movement beat the defence, and Turnbull punted to the field for THOMAS to beat the defence and score a try near the post. He added the goal points.

Gloucester continued to attack, but their lack of the skill and speed of their rear division. Gloucester's defence was again tested, and GRAHAM JONES added a try for Cardiff after a fine run by Stone again converted, and they were ten points down.

On Meadows ran and A. H. Jones ran was upset by Horden. Boughton after long shot for goal, but failed.

Cardiff ..... 3 0 15

Gloucester ..... 0 1 3

YNYSMAWR EX-SCH. 0 2 6

ABERAVON BOYS ..... 0 1 3

EBBW VALE ..... 0 2 6

YNYSMAWR ..... 0 0 0

ROSS KKEYS RES. \*3 5 29

CARDIFF UNITED ... 0 0 0

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YNYSMAWR EX-SCH. 0 2 6

ABERAVON BOYS ..... 0 1 3

WHITCHURCH ATH. .... 5

MORNHILL ..... 1

MORRHARTN ..... 2

ST. STEPHEN'S, NEWPORT. 3



# ATHLETICS ONE POINT WIN

## Cliff Jones' Fine Display at Cardiff

(By "OBSERVER")

Conditions were ideal for the first visit of the United Services of Aldershot to Cardiff Arms Park. The United Services have a businesslike combination, but it was considerably weakened for to-day's encounter.

A. Colin Jones captained the Cardiff Athletic side, which also included Cliff Jones, the Welsh Secondary Schools International. Teams:—

CARDIFF ATHLETIC: D. Broad; J. Daley, R. R. Davies, A. Colin Jones, and Cyril Cross; P. Healan and Cliff Jones; K. Mathews, H. S. Davies, J. Milburn, H. Johnson, T. Spragg, R. L. Lerway, W. Mayer, and D. Glasen.

ALDERSHOT UNITED SERVICES: Rev. J. J. Steele; Pte. Upjohn, Sapper Croston, Lieutenant R. de la H. Moran, Pte. A. Jones; H. J. Tallyour and Pte. Edwards; Sapper Whitcombe, Corporal Humphish, Corporal Annersley, Lieutenant A. Watson, Lieutenant T. H. Clarke, Lieutenant J. H. Whitty, Lieutenant P. G. Hobbs, and Lieutenant G. Laing.

Referee: Mr. J. P. Matthews, Dinas Powis.

Territorially Cardiff Athletic had the better of the opening play, but the attacking work of their three-quarters was scrappy, and lacked cohesion, and good movements did not materialise.

On the one occasion Cyril Cross came into prominence with a dashing run, but Upjohn brought him down.

Steele twice in succession failed to field strong kicks, but Cardiff were not up fast enough, and the Services managed to scramble the ball away.

When the Services tried to initiate an attack their backs' handling was weak, and the visitors' first dangerous move came through a good forward dribble, which was effectively stemmed.

Play continued to be of a desultory character. Once Cliff Jones tried to put more life into matters but Colin Jones missed his pass. The Services eventually set up a strong attack by reason of good combination among the backs, but Broad and Cyril Cross were equal to the call.

Faulty play by Healan when Cardiff heeled from a scrumage in their own half resulted in Moran sending whiffy away and when it seemed as if he was clear of opposition, Daley brought him down with a one-leg tackle.

A few minutes later Cliff Jones saved the situation when Hobbs was going well for the line.

The work of Cliff Jones was one of the redeeming features of the Athletic's poor back play, and his enterprise when half-time was approaching instilled a little vivacity into the home three-quarter line, but it was not sufficient to bring a score.

Half—CARDIFF ATHLETIC ..... 0 0 0  
UNITED SERVICES ..... 0 0 0

Cardiff played better on the resumption, and a good passing speeding towards the three-quarters line. They swept clean through the opposition, and Serway joining in sent DALEY over for a try which Davies failed to convert.

The Services were not in arrears long, however, a swift passing movement followed by clever play by Upjohn sending LAING through to ground the ball under the posts. Jones easily converted.

The Services were once again having the better of play, and when the ball came across the field to Moran, the Cardiff defences were hopelessly spreadeagled.

Upjohn and the ball inside to Edwards, and R. R. Davies and Cyril Cross, getting across smartly, brought him down.

Cardiff held the territorial advantage for about ten minutes mid-way through the second half before they succeeded in regaining the lead.

Offside by the Services gave SPRAGG a chance with a penalty kick from half-way, and he made full use of it, the ball sailing over the crossbar.

The handling of the Cardiff backs improved immeasurably as the game drew to a close, and once R. R. Davies was brought down a few yards from the line, and on two other occasions well-timed passing took Cardiff near to success.

Final—CARDIFF ATH. .... 1 1 6  
UNITED SERVICES ..... 1 0 0

### Comments

Cardiff Athletic's disappointing display earlier in the season seem to have lost them most of their supporters. They will have to play a great deal better than they did in this game to attract them back.

The chief weakness is still with the three-quarters, where a failure to combine effectively robbed the game of the sparkle which exhilarates.

Cliff Jones, at outside-half, was outstanding, and his exceptionally strong defence and straight running, with a few well-timed passes, gained him several applause.

Broad did well, and the forwards early repaid a step to attempt by the Services' back to wheel the scrumages and start a dribble.

There were many weaknesses in the Services' side, and singularly enough their most forceful player, was Edwards, the outside half, who frequently missed the mark when trying to make his way through.

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100 Cardiff v Newport - 18th February 1933

# NEWPORT'S GREAT "COME-BACK" A SURPRISING VICTORY OVER CARDIFF

Newport, who have been doing badly this season, but have given evidence of progress of late, staged a great "come-back" at Rodney Parade to-day, when in a game that was featured by some delightful play they gained a surprising victor yover Cardiff by twelve points to ten.

G. V. Jones and Shines scored tries for Newport, one of which was converted by J. R. Evans, while Watkins dropped a goal. Graham Jones got two tries for Cardiff, both of which were converted by Stone.

(By "OLD STAGER")

A bitterly cold wind and a ground which was still partly covered with snow had little or no apparent effect upon the interest taken in to-day's match at the Newport Athletic ground between Newport and Cardiff the attendance being of satisfactory proportions.

On the two previous occasions on which the sides have met this season victory had rested with Cardiff, but Newport's recent improvement of form encouraged their supporters to hope for something better from their point of view to-day.

Interest, too, was added to the game by reason of the in-road which Cardiff has lately made into the advantage which Newport has for years held on the record, which shows that in the 189 games played Newport have been victorious 80 times, Cardiff 76, and 33 games have been drawn.

Both teams were reasonably well represented to-day, though there were several changes, the most important being the presence of H. W. Isaac in Everson's place at full-back for Newport, and the playing of Cliff Jones, the secondary schoolboy international, at outside half for Cardiff. Teams:—

NEWPORT: H. W. Isaac; Hywel Jones, K. Squire, R. J. Panting, G. V. Jones, S. Watkins, A. R. Tovey; E. J. Shiner (captain), W. G. Williams, K. Taylor, J. R. Evans, J. K. Woods, W. J. Jackson, Dai Johns, H. A. Shiner.

CARDIFF: T. Stone; A. T. Thomas, A. Colin Jones, Graham Jones, A. H. Jones; Cliff W. Jones, M. J. Turnbull; T. Lewis, R. Barrell, G. Babbage, L. Rees, A. Skym, D. Carage, L. Isaacs, L. M. Spence.

Referee: Mr. W. G. Baker, Aberkenfig. A mistake on the part of Tom Stone in allowing the ball to go to touch from the opening kick instead of taking it from the air gave Newport the opportunity of waging a vigorous attack in the opening minutes.

Stone made some slight amends by getting the better of some kicking in which he and Isaac shared, and a series of passing movements by the Cardiff backs gradually transferred the scene of operations to half-way.

Keen tackling by the Newport men, however, prevented Cardiff from making any extensive headway, and a couple of mistakes on the part of Cliff Jones enabled Newport to get within striking distance once again. That fact was made all the more apparent when Panting dropped viny at goal.

## Skilful Attack

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Rushing and dribbling by the Newport forwards prevented Cardiff from forcing home their advantage, and a leg injury to Tom Lewis threatened to impair Cardiff's efficiency in scrummaging.

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Within two minutes Newport re-established their three points lead. Almost immediately the game had been restarted, and they took up a position in the middle of the field.

At last it looked as if the Newport attack was definitely broken, but appearances were deceptive, for Turnbull promptly got offside, and J. I. Evans made an unsuccessful attempt to place a goal.

Cardiff were also in difficulties when G. V. Jones punted down to Stone, who misjudged the flight of the ball, chased it, and eventually conceded a minor.

## CLEAR RUN IN

Matters were certainly looking awkward for Cardiff, and it came as a welcome surprise to Cardiff's followers when the Cardiff forwards brought off their first piece of satisfactory footwork in the game.

That carried play well into Newport territory, and Cardiff carrying the next scrum, the ball was worked out to Colin Jones, who cut through between the Newport centre and gave GRAHAM JONES an unopposed run for a try. Again Stone added the extra points, thus reducing the Newport lead to two points.

For the next five minutes play was strenuous rather than clever, with Newport rather more than holding their own.

Then a Barrell and Lewis Rees gained ground with dribbling, and Cliff Jones, after sidestepping Panting, made the mistake of throwing out a pass when he should have gone all the way.

That pass was intercepted by J. R. Evans, and speed and dashing work by the Newport forwards forced Cardiff back into a defensive position.

Dribbling by Isaac and Skym improved Cardiff's position, and Graham Jones, after placing the Newport defence at a disadvantage, had the disappointing experience of being unable to find a way to bring A. H. Jones into action.

## CARDIFF'S LUCKY ESCAPE

Newport's forwards, however, again took matters into their own hands, Dai Jones and J. R. Evans figuring in a movement which took a tremendous amount of stopping, and which caused Cardiff to defend again.

A lucky escape came to Cardiff, for when Panting charged a kick by Graham Jones the ball bounced awkwardly for Stone, who was fortunate in being able to save the situation.

In the end Stone had to touch down, and Graham Jones, who took the drop out found the Newport men badly out of position, and he and A. H. Jones promptly dribbled right into Newport's quarters for delivery of what promised to be Cardiff's concluding attack.

Stone, Turnbull, and the Cardiff three-quarters made desperate endeavours to snatch success out of the very teeth of defeat, and A. T. Thomas, in attempting to get through, fell awkwardly in a tackle, was injured, and had to leave the field.

The game concluded with an attack by Newport, who failed to score any points, but were nevertheless victors.

Final—NEWPORT ..... \*2 1 12  
CARDIFF ..... 2 0 10

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# ATHLETIC BEAT THE UNITED

## Parfitt's Fine Display at Arms Park

(By "OBSERVER")

Newport United, who defeated Cardiff Athletic at Newport, were the visitors to Cardiff Arms Park, where once again the home side were forced to make changes into the three-quarter line at the last minute for Colin Jones and Cyril Cross.

Teams:—  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC: D. Broad; Ronald Jones, R. R. Davies, Gwyn Knight, and J. Daley; E. J. Parfitt, and R. Fletcher; P. Fletcher, J. Milburn, H. Johnson, T. Spragg, R. L. Lerway, H. S. Davies, T. Edwards, and K. Mathews.

NEWPORT UNITED: F. Neale; R. Plummer, E. L. Williams, M. Dawes, and J. Dunn; M. J. Griffiths and A. Gear; S. Danaher, S. R. Elms, P. C. Emms, D. J. Anderson, P. Lewis, A. Golding, A. Hughes, and J. Dayncey.

Referee: Mr. Lewis Davies, Cilfynydd.

Newport United made a lively opening, their forwards getting into stride with a good exhibition of dribbling, in which clever footwork and foot passes carried them from halfway to the Cardiff line.

Broad made an unsuccessful effort to dispossess Hughes, and the Newport forwards went across the line in a bunch, for GOLDING to drop on the ball and score a try near the posts, which Elms converted.

On one occasion the ball was punted ahead, and Daley got possession almost under the posts. He shook off two opponents, and when a try seemed imminent Neale came to the rescue with a partial clearance, which ultimately sent Cardiff back.

They were not kept out for long, and offside at a scrummage gave them a penalty, from which SPRAGG kicked a good goal.

Play was now of a fairly even character, but it would have been more favourable to Cardiff if the home backs had been a little less unlucky in their attempts to get going.

Cardiff kept at it, and were eventually rewarded, going ahead a minute before half-time. They carried a scrummage on the Newport line, and PARFITT bumbled his way over. Spragg converted.

Half—CARDIFF ATHLETIC... \*2 0 8  
NEWPORT UNITED ... 1 0 5

## \*Penalty.

Lively forward play and plenty of crisp passing between the backs, with business-like straight running, were features of play which Cardiff served out at the opening of the second half.

And they came very near to bringing success, principally from Knight and R. Fletcher, the former being hemmed in too tightly to finish a good solo effort, and Goulding bringing down Fletcher with a sturdy tackle.

They were able to keep Newport on their own line with a series of scrummages, and the result was another five points, the forwards getting across in a heap for the referee to award a try which Spragg converted.

Cardiff continued to hold the mastery, and a quick pass by Parfitt started a passing movement which let R. R. DAVIES through for an unconverted try.

Final—CARDIFF ATHLETIC \*3 1 16  
NEWPORT UNITED 1 0 5

## \*One penalty.

## COMMENTS

Cardiff Athletic, generally unfortunate in their home games in the quality of their back play, gave a good exhibition to-day. Parfitt improved matters greatly at the base of the scrummages, while the three-quarters were more businesslike and go-ahead.

The scrummaging of the forwards left a lot to be desired, but generally Cardiff held the mastery in that direction. Close marking and keen tackling, with strong work by the forwards in the open, were features of Newport's play. The United's most dangerous back was E. L. Williams, who was also a strong defender.

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In consequence of the delay he was overwhelmed by Watkins, and the ball going loose Stone attempted a relieving kick, which was charged down by Dai Jones. That charge caused the ball to indulge in peculiar flight, and if Hywel Jones had only steadied himself he would have had an easy try.

### A GOOD TRY.

As it was the Newport forwards managed to carry on, and SHINER, gathering it on the fringe of the line, went over for a good try, which J. R. Evans converted.

Cardiff next attacked when A. H. Jones made a pretty touch line sprint, only to fail to beat of pursuit by G. V. Jones, who got him from behind at the right moment.

Newport forwards replied with some very fine footwork, and Turnbull rather aided them by throwing out a ridiculously wide pass, which went behind his three-quarters, and which Stone failed to reach before Dai Jones got his foot to the ball.

Having done that Dai Jones promptly overran it, and Taylor, Jackson, and A. H. Shiner were at hand to carry on.

Wood eventually fielded, and threw out to WATKINS, who promptly dropped a neat goal.

So far it had been a delightful game, and further thrills came when Turnbull broke clean through from a scrum, and started a passing movement, in which Cliff Jones and Barrell joined, and which came to an end when Barrell lobbed a long pass intended for A. H. Jones, and which was taken by Dai Jones.

Half-NEWPORT ..... \*2 1 12  
CARDIFF ..... 1 0 5

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Newport had exceeded expectations in the opening half, and in the first minute of the second period they set about consolidating their position, and that with such determination that for a time Cardiff had to rely upon the screw-kicking of Stone and Cliff Jones to keep the Usksiders at bay.

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The presence of the Welsh selectors at the match made the work of individuals of particular importance, having regard to their meeting this evening. In the forward line—where honours were more even than elsewhere—which underwent many variations, the men who stood out in the loose were Barrell, Isaacs, and Skyn, on the Cardiff side, with W. J. R. Evans, and H. A. Shiner as Newport's best. If Jackson had not so frequently got offside owing to his impetuosity I should have linked him with his colleagues.

**ACCOMPLISHED PLAYER**  
Maurice Turnbull was the most accomplished player behind the scrummages, though one must not overlook the fact that the abilities of Graham Jones in attack brought him three tries. Gabe Jones was also good, apart from his tendency to slowness, while Daley is improving rapidly.

The game was thoroughly enjoyed by a large crowd, which included the Mayor of Newport (Councillor W. J. Wall), Alderman F. H. Turnbull, Sir Ewan Maclean, Mr. Walter Rees, Dr. Rocyndale, and Mr. Norman Riches.



# GRAHAM JONES GETS A "HAT-TRICK" OF TRIES

Graham Jones got a "hat-trick" of tries, and Isaacs and Barrell also crossed for the home side, Stone adding the extra points on two occasions. S. Watkins dropped a smart goal for Newport.

Had it not been for the soft and heavy turf on the Cardiff Arms Park this afternoon there would have been nothing there to remind the spectators of the Cardiff-Newport match of the blizzard which a week ago made Rugby impossible throughout the whole of Wales. This afternoon the sky was blue, if cloudy, and if a fairly heavy wind was blowing from the river end—well, that was not sufficient to prevent the expectation that spring weather was not far away.

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Newport included two new players in their side—E. N. Williams, formerly of Newport High School, who has had experience with London Welsh, and Lieutenant A. C. Whitty, who is attached to the Depot Battalion 1st Welsh Regt.

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Referee: Mr. W. G. Baker, Aberkenfig. Newport were the first to do any attacking that was worth while. They made good use of the following wind, and as their forwards secured rather more than a fair share of the ball at the scrummages, there were several occasions on which the Newport half-backs had opportunities. Watkins kicked well and broke through cleverly on two occasions, only to ruin what he had done by passing badly.

Cardiff backs also had opportunities to get moving, but both Gabe-Jones and Colin Jones went on until they were tackled, though the latter had the satisfaction of making substantial headway.

Still Newport were in Cardiff's half, and when Cardiff were penalised for off-side play in the loose and Everson had a shot at goal, it fell short.

#### SQUIRE AND EVERSON SAFE

With Isaac leading the Cardiff forwards eventually drove Newport back, but Squire and Everson made no mistake in either fielding or kicking, and it required some extra smart handling on the part of the Cardiff quartette to give Cardiff their first real chance as an attacking force.

Newport's three-quarters, however, frustrated the possibility of further progress being made by means of combined play, and that by standing "square" with the scrummages.

As it happened they left a way open for some good forward play, and Barrell went away with a dribble which was followed by a great rush by the Cardiff pack as a whole, with the consequence that Newport were driven back almost on to their own line.

#### ISAACS' GOOD TRY

Further passing attacks by Cardiff failed to make any impression upon the really magnificent Newport defence, but when a scrum came was formed ten yards from the Newport line, ISAACS got away with the ball at his toes, gave it a couple of deft touches when Squire and Everson barred the way, and, fielding right on Newport's line, went over with a good try, which Stone converted with a splendid kick.

For some minutes after the score play was below the standard it had attained earlier on, and play was generally sufficiently near to the centre line to make scoring an improbability.

Success, however, again came to Cardiff, and that quite unexpectedly; for when the Cardiff forwards heeled from a scrum-mage at half-way, Gabe-Jones put in a diagonal punt over the heads of the Newport three-quarters, but without getting anything into his kick that suggested that Everson would have difficulty in dealing with it.

Everson hesitated whether to take the ball from the air or to wait for the bounce, and when he belatedly endeavoured to take it on the "full," he misjudged it and saw it bounce into the hands of GRAHAM JONES, who had a straight run of forty yards for a try beneath the posts. Stone again converted. In the very next minute Cardiff ought to have scored again, for Isaacs, Barrell, and Skym joined in a dribble which covered three parts of the length of the field, and ended in their being pulled up right on the line.

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**SUCCESSFUL DRIBBLE**  
He was up in time to take the ball again before Everson could touch it.

Further dribbling by Colin Jones, Graham Jones and Daley, plus a piece of bungling on the part of Squire and Panting, ended in Daley sending the ball across the Newport line, where it was successfully pursued by GRAHAM JONES, who scored a try which Stone failed to convert.

Another score for Cardiff—and a remarkable one in its way—came a minute or two later.

As a scrum came was breaking up, Skym gained possession, gave a "dummy" which drew the attention of the Newport defence, and went right up to Everson before passing to BARRELL, who had a 30 yards' gallop for a try, to which Stone again failed to add the extra points.

Newport, however, were far from done with, and a period of prolonged pressure on their part—which was thoroughly enjoyed by the crowd of 12,000—ended when J. R. Evans missed a fairly easy shot at a penalty goal.

In the subsequent play both sets of backs introduced some neat touches, and Cardiff gradually worked their way into a good position, which was strengthened when Barrell and Lewis Rees did some useful dribbling.

#### PERFECT PASS

Then Cardiff's backs contributed further handling, and when Hywel Jones allowed Daley to elude him, he (Daley) went up to Everson before delivering a perfect pass to GRAHAM JONES, who experienced no difficulty in obtaining his third try. Stone easily added the extra points.

Newport were now a well beaten side, and when Everson failed to take the ball from the air at the first time of asking, Cardiff's forwards carried on right to the fringe of the Newport line.

There the Newport backs got possession and did their best combined work of the match—an effort which would have deservedly brought success had not A. H. Jones worried Panting and ultimately brought him down.

#### A. H. JONES PROMINENT

A. H. Jones was also very much in the picture when Panting broke away and gave Taylor a clean view of the Cardiff line from midfield, for it was A. H. Jones who cut across from the right wing and brought Taylor down from behind.

Final—CARDIFF ..... 3 2 2  
NEWPORT ..... \*1 0 4

\*Dropped.

#### COMMENTS

Quite a good game—and one in which the winning margin is ample to silence all questions as to which was the better team. That team was Cardiff, and Cardiff were victors because the side worked together as a whole, and because the Cardiff backs showed greater football intelligence than did their opponents.

Newport's "outsides" were really beaten before the game started, the reason being that they "telegraphed" to all concerned an intimation that they recognised their inferiority in ordinary play.

#### BATTLE OF WITS

For the defensive abilities of the Newport backs one can have nothing but praise. The half-backs and centres "went down" to everything and constantly positioned themselves correctly to tackle relentlessly.

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#### FREE KICKS

Emms broke away from the line-out and, with Anderson and Law in attendance, drove the ball over the Cardiff line, where Broad got to it in the nick of time to make a minor.

Then Dunn came into the picture with a corkscrew run, which came to an end with the transfer to Davies, who was promptly hauled down. Play had not been of a very high level in this half, over-eagerness spoiling many movements which would have possibly borne fruit.

Newport were awarded another free kick when Parfitt failed to put the ball into the scrum properly. This was the third this half, and Isaac found touch well at half-way.

Half—NEWPORT UNITED ... 0 0 0  
CARDIFF ATHLETIC ... 0 0 0

R. Davies, the Cardiff right centre, made a beautiful run through the home defence soon after the second half proceedings had commenced, but G. J. Fletcher, on the left, hung on to the ball too long, and was brought down Dawes a yard or two from the line.

Newport United lost the services of M. Williams when he received a blow in the face in a collision with T. Harrison, and Goulding was brought out of the pack. Cardiff's extra speed behind the scrum enabled them to obtain a good position on the fringe of the home line, but Newport's seven forwards rose to the occasion and dribbled out of danger.

Williams now returned, but Cardiff still remained the aggressors.

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