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## The Way of the Barbarians!

By THE EDITOR.

It is with great pride and pleasure that we welcome once again to Cardiff Arms Park the famous Barbarian Football Club. Already this season the Arms Park has been their headquarters for the match against New Zealand on February 20th, when we witnessed some magnificent Rugby.

To-day they come with a very strong side indeed, including representatives from England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, to challenge Cardiff. They regard it as a match every bit as hard as that they played against New Zealand, and they appreciate to the full the fact that Cardiff defeated New Zealand in a

great game in November and they know that they will have to play really well to-day to get the better of Cardiff.

The Barbarians have not won a match at the Arms Park since 1950, when Lewis Jones did so well at centre. They pay Cardiff the compliment to-day of fielding what is probably the strongest side that can be drawn from the rest of the British Isles and the side will be led by R. V. Stirling, of the Wasps and R.A.F., who led England to their "Triple Crown" victory this season.

Viv Evans the popular Welsh full back, plays for the Club for the first time to-day and in front of him will be five of the England players who appeared against France plus T. G. Weatherstone who did so well marking Ken Jones for Scotland at Swansea. The pack is a mixture of England, Ireland and Wales and looks a very good one on paper.

Before today's match:

CARDIFF YOUTH XV v. BRIDGWATER YOUTH XV—2.0 p.m.

Monday morning: CARDIFF ATH. XV v. CARDIFF H.S.O.B.—(11.15 a.m.)

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Cardiff will have an international back division in action except for J. Llewellyn whom many critics regard as a strong contender for the Welsh team next season. G. Beckingham returns to the Cardiff pack as hooker and there is every reason to believe that the Cardiff forwards will rise to the occasion and hold these all-international Barbarian eight.

Yesterday the Barbarians had their usual delightful game with Penarth and on Monday play Swansea and on Tuesday visit Newport. They have been coming to Wales since 1891, and although during the 30's they won all four matches over Easter on several occasions they have not achieved this since the war. No doubt to-day they will make a big effort to emulate the great sides of the past by defeating Cardiff.

Last season they defeated Penarth (13-3) lost to Cardiff (14-0) and defeated Swansea (18-8) and Newport (8-6).

Strangely enough only two of the Barbarians side which toured South Wales last Easter are included in the present party, which must be regarded as one of the strongest to visit Wales since the war.

A word, too, for Mr. D. Pritchard, of Gwauncaegurwen, who is honoured with this match for the first time. Mr. Pritchard is an efficient referee and well deserves the distinction.

The notice of members and followers is drawn to the match to be played at the Arms Park on Monday morning between the Athletic XV and Cardiff H.S.O.B. Kick-off is timed for 11.15 a.m. and as the "Rags" had such a good record in recent weeks they are well worthy of full support. Peter Goodfellow is doing a good job of work as "Rags" captain in succession to Stan Bowes and the team, as a whole play attractive open football.

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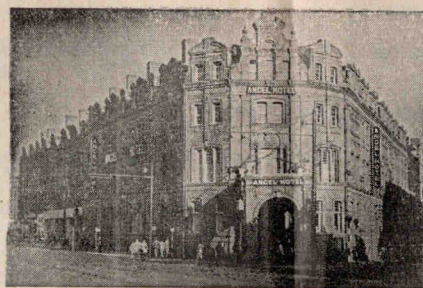
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(Scot.) or C. E. WINN (Eng.)

10 M. REGAN (England)

Outside Half

9 J. E. WILLIAMS (England)

Inside Half

8 R. V. STIRLING (England)

Forwards

7 E. EVANS (England)

6 J. H. SMYTH (Ireland)

5 R. H. THOMPSON (Ire'd)

4 R. H. WILLIAMS (Wales)

3 D. S. WILSON (England)

2 V. H. LEADBETTER

(England)

1 R. C. C. THOMAS (Wales)

or A. R. HIGGINS (England)

Referee—Mr. D. PRITCHARD  
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CARDIFF ARMS PARK.  
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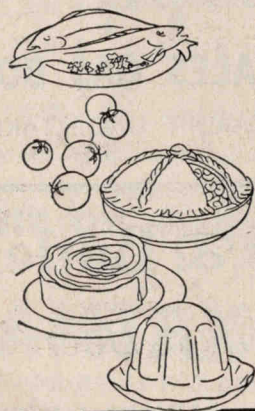
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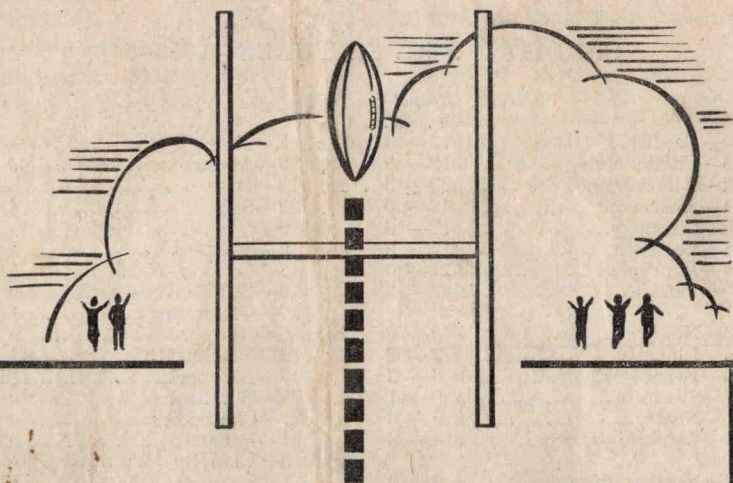
### CARDIFF R.F.C. FIXTURES—1953-54

1953	Result	1954	Result
	F. A.		F. A.
Sept. 2—Cardiff & District ...	h17—3	Jan. 2—Moseley .....	a 9—0
" 5—Cheltenham .....	h12—3	" 9—Aberavon .....	h 8—11
" 12—Birkenhead Park .....	h33—3	" 16—Bath .....	a29—0
" 14—Aberavon .....	a10—0	" 23—Sale .....	h31—3
" 19—Coventry.....	a12—6	" 30—	
" 21—Leicester .....	a12—3	Feb. 6—Newport .....	h Post.
" 26—Pontypool .....	h21—0	" 13—London Welsh .....	h17—11
" 30—Penarth .....	h12—3	" 20—Old Belvedere .....	a 3—9
		" 27—Gloucester .....	h17—5
Oct. 3—Newport .....	h15—6	Mar. 6—Newport .....	a 3—3
" 5—Llanelly .....	a 3—8	" 13—Blackheath.....	h 3—0
" 10—Bristol .....	a 8—3	" 17—Newport.....	h13—9
" 17—Swansea .....	a 9—11	" 20—Neath .....	a 6—3
" 24—Neath .....	h 6—6	" 27—Cheltenham .....	a 6—12
" 31—Cambridge Univ. ....	a14—9	" 31—Penarth .....	a20—6
		April 3—Llanelly .....	h 9—0
Nov. 2—Northampton.....	a 9—22	" 7—Swansea .....	h13—10
" 7—Oxford University ..	h30—0	" 10—Pontypool .....	a 5—5
" 14—Newport .....	a 5—3	" 17—Barbarians .....	h.....
" 21—New Zealand.....	h 8—3	" 19—Harlequins .....	h.....
" 28—Gloucester .....	a19—3	" 20—Northampton.....	h.....
		" 24—Plymouth .....	a.....
Dec. 2—Combined Services ...	h 9—18	" 26—Penzance .....	a.....
" 12—Harlequins .....	a11—0	" 27—St. Ives .....	a.....
" 26—Wasps .....	h12—3	" 29—Bridgend .....	a.....
" 28—Watsonians .....	h 5—13	May 1—Coventry.....	h.....

### CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIXTURES, 1953-54

1953	Result	1954	Result
Sept. 1—Usk .....	a19—3	Jan. 2—Nantymoel .....	h15—6
" 5—Blackwood .....	a27—6	" 9—Porthcawl .....	a32—0
" 10—Llanharan .....	a14—0	" 16—Cardiff H.S.O.B. ...	h.....
" 12—Chepstow .....	a31—0	" 23—Barry .....	a 5—0
" 19—Llandaff .....	h13—3	" 30—Merthyr .....	h Fost.
" 23—Barry .....	h33—8		
" 26—Nantymoel .....	a11—3	Feb. 6—Bristol United .....	a Post.
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Oct. 3—Newport United .....	a10—11	" 20—Esher .....	a.....
" 10—Bristol United .....	h24—5	" 27—Gloucester United ...	a.....
" 17—Swansea United .....	h 8—3		
" 24—Blaina .....	a.....	Mar. 6—Porthcawl .....	h32—3
" 31—Treorchy .....	h23—0	" 13—Merthyr .....	a.....
Nov. 7—Ynysylwl .....	a10—6	" 20—Senghenydd .....	a 6—3
" 14—Newport United .....	h11—13	" 27—Totnes .....	a.....
" 21—Blackwood .....	h.....		
" 28—Gloucester United ...	h30—0	April 3—Wrexham .....	a.....
		" 10—Newport H.S.O.B. ...	a.....
Dec. 5—		" 24—	
" 12—Quins Wanderers ...	h 8—8	" 29—Newport H.S.O.B. ...	h.....
" 19—Senghenydd .....	h 6—6		
" 26—Llandaff .....	a.....	May 8—Treorchy .....	a.....





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