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Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 1951

Kick-off 3.0 p.m.

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Oxford University

v.

CARDIFF 11

Welcome to the Dark Blues!

By THE EDITOR

To-day's meeting between our visitors Oxford University and Cardiff promises to provide another of those interesting duels between youth and experience. A week ago Cardiff played Cambridge University and experience won by a handsome margin. The opposition was determined, but Cardiff were far too good for the students. Indeed, they carried on where they left off against the "Springboks" and gave a brilliant display of attacking rugby. May they provide a similar treat for the loyal spectators at home to-day.

It is fitting now to pay tribute to the Cardiff team for their magnificent displays in their last three matches. Dr. Jack Matthews and his merry men have certainly shaken the critics with their performances. Several press critics had proclaimed that the Cardiff XV was too old!

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Here is their record in the last three matches:—

Oct. 20—Lost to the Springboks by 2 points after having by far the better of the game.

Oct. 27—Overwhelmed Cambridge University by brilliant team work.

Oct. 29—Fielded nine reserves and played Northampton to a stand-still to win by 20 points to nil on their ground.

This is an achievement which every club in Wales would be proud of and it is hats off to Matthews and his merry men. They play rugby! All who saw the "Springboks" game will never forget the sorrow of the closing minutes. To get so near—yet so far to victory was a great tragedy, but the Cardiff team were not down-hearted—no not them—they showed how they play the game for the game's sake in the Midlands.

Again it was the so-called "Veterans" who led the way—Matthews—Tamplin—Bleddyn Williams—Cliff Davies—Des O'Brien and Frank Trott. They are still names to conjure with—gallant gentlemen and true servants of the game they love. On the Midlands tour the youngsters also did well—and in particular D. G. Naylor, a forward who recently joined the Club from Coventry. He proved a real worker in both matches. Mention should be made too of the loyal Stan Bowes who was a true "prop" in the pack at Northampton. It is players like these who keep the

flag of Welsh rugby flying high outside of Wales.

Some seven Cardiff players have been included in the teams for the first trial match at Abertillery next Saturday. This is a tribute to the Club, but unfortunately only one of the great pack which held the "Springboks" has been honoured. He is our quick striking hooker—G. Beckingham. May he gain the highest honour. The other trialists are J. Llewellyn, Alun Thomas, Bleddyn Williams, Haydn Morris, Cliff Morgan and Rex Willis.

In the Oxford XV to-day there are two internationals in T. J. Brewer (Newport) and B. Boobbyer. There are several old "Blues" and though they do not expect to beat Cardiff they intend to run them close, and regard to-day's game as one of the best tests for Varsity match candidates.

WALES v. SOUTH AFRICA.

Cardiff Arms Park, Dec. 22nd, 1951.

Season ticket holders of the Cardiff Rugby Club are requested to wait until Nov. 17 before sending any money or making application to the Club. On that day a special notice will appear in this programme giving details of allocation and ballot.

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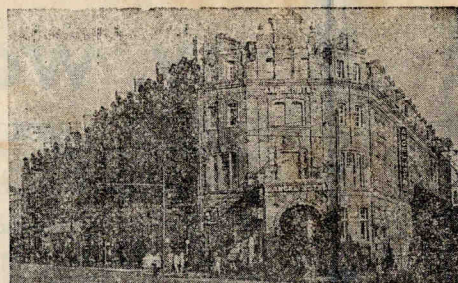
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		Result			
1951		F. A.	Dec. 26	(Wed) Wasps	... h
Sept. 1	Bristol h16— 8	.. 27	(Thurs) Watsonians	... h
.. 5	(Wed) Cardiff & District	h33— 0	.. 29	Coventry	... h
.. 8	Swansea ...	... h11— 6	1952		
.. 12	(Wed) Penarth ...	... a 5— 0	Jan. 5	Moseley	... a
.. 15	Neath ...	... a 3— 6	.. 12	Newport	... h
.. 19	(Wed) Aberavon ...	... h 5— 6	.. 19	Bath ...	... a
.. 22	British Lions (75th Anniversary Match)	h12—14	.. 26	Swansea	... a
.. 26	Cheltenham ...	... a 8— 0	Feb. 2	Salé	... a
.. 29	Pontypool ...	... a14— 3	.. 9	London Welsh	... h
Oct. 6	Newport ...	... h11— 3	.. 16	Penarth	... h
.. 10	(Wed) Gloucester	... h24— 3	.. 23	Gloucester	... a
.. 13	Wasps ...	... a 9—11	Mar. 1	Newport	... a
.. 20	South Africa ...	... h 9—11	.. 8	Blackheath	... h
.. 27	Cambridge U. ...	... a29—13	.. 15	Neath ...	... h
.. 29	(Mon) Northampton	... a20— 0	.. 22	Llanelli	... a
Nov. 3	Oxford U. ...	... h	.. 29	Leicester	... h
.. 10	Rosslyn Park ...	... a	April 5	Bridgend	... a
.. 17	Llanelli ...	... h	.. 12	Barbarians	... h
.. 24	Coventry ...	... a	.. 14	(Mon) Harlequins	... h
Dec. 1	Bridgend ...	... h	.. 15	(Tues) Northampton	... h
.. 8	International Trial	... h	.. 19	Plymouth	... a
.. 15	Newport a	.. 21	(Mon) Penzance	... a
.. 22	Bristol a	.. 22	(Tues) Falmouth	... a
			.. 26	Pontypool	... h
			.. 28	(Mon) Aberavon	... a

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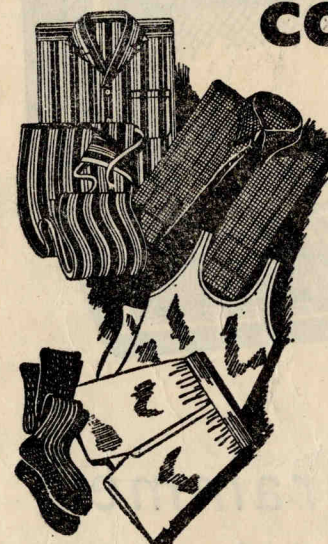
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