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BA-BAAS IN 1946-47.

The Barbarians R.F.C. Party on their Easter Tour in Wales during April, 1947. Sitting centre is Mr. Emile de Lissa (President), with Mr. H. A. Haigh Smith (Secretary) on his left, and Mr. H. L. G. Hughes (Treasurer) on his right.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

This afternoon's match between two of the leading clubs in the country has been long-awaited by club enthusiasts. Ever since the Australians were beaten by the Barbarians on January 31, Cardiff supporters have gone about with their fingers crossed in the hope that Cardiff would preserve their ground record until to-day.

Their wish has been granted and the only two clubs who were successful over the Australian Tourists will oppose each other in what promises to be THE Club Match of the season.

Cardiff first met the Barbarians in March, 1891, and since that day there has been a magnificent series of matches between the two clubs. The last before the War was April 8, 1939, and the result of this and subsequent matches are as follows:—

1939—Barbarians won by 1 goal, 2 tries (11 points) to 2 penalty goals (6 points).

1940—Cardiff won by 2 goals, 2 tries (16 points) to 1 goal, 1 try (8 points).

1946—Barbarians won by 1 dropped goal and 2 tries (10 points) to 1 dropped goal and 1 goal (9 points).

1947—Cardiff won by 1 penalty goal (3 points) to nil.

Last season's game was spoiled by heavy rain which turned the pitch into a quagmire and the ball into a slippery mess. A penalty goal by Tamplin after eight minutes of the second half was the only score of the match, and Cardiff just about deserved their win. In 1946, Tanner, playing for the Barbarians, scored the all-important try that gave them a point victory in an exciting match. Cardiff losing a man in the first five minutes did well to hold a powerful side to a point.

This season, as usual, the Barbarians have brought a strong side to South Wales consisting of 33 players, 27 of whom are internationals, 12 of them are members of the successful Irish team which won the Triple Crown, and so keen were these fellows to take part in the Tour that they flew over on Thursday to join the party at Penarth.

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The Players.

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W. P. Black (Glasgow High School F.P's), C. Callen (Lansdown), H. H. Campbell (London Scottish), W. B. Cleaver (Cardiff), F. H. Coutts (London Scottish), J. C. Daly (London Irish), C. W. Drummond (Melrose), L. E. Grose (Richmond), B. J. B. Hazel (London Scottish), D. P. Hepburn (Woodford), T. G. H. Jackson (London Scottish), J. Kyle (Queen's University), D. J. Mackenzie (Edinburgh University), J. C. McCarthy (Dolphin), A. A. McConnell (Collegians), J. W. McKay (Queen's University), B. Mullan (Clontarf), K. Mullen (Old Belvedere), W. C. W. Murdock (Hillhead H.S.F.P's), J. Mycock (Sale), T. B. M. Norman (Edinburgh University), J. E. Nelson (Malone), D. O'Brien (London Irish), B. O'Hanlon (Dolphin), L. Semmens (Redruth), F. A. N. Spray (Cambridge University), Rees Stephens (Neath), E. Strathdee (Queen's University), F. Trott (Cardiff), Bleddyn Williams (Cardiff), V. G. Roberts (Penryn).

The chairman, secretary, members of committee, players and members of the Cardiff Rugby Club extend a hearty official welcome to the Barbarians Football Club, and to Mr. Haigh Smith in particular. The long association of the two Clubs culminated this season in the holding of a most successful challenge match between the Barbarians and the Australians on the Cardiff Arms Park. May the happy friendship continue and may both Clubs continue to seek all that is best in the game and produce the kind of football which is known and admired throughout the British Isles and Dominions.

Knowing the great interest shown in both Clubs by Mr. Wilfred Wooller, the Welsh International threequarter and Glamorgan Cricket Captain, the Editor invited this popular sportsman to write a few words in appreciation of both Clubs and the spirit which has helped to make them both so successful.

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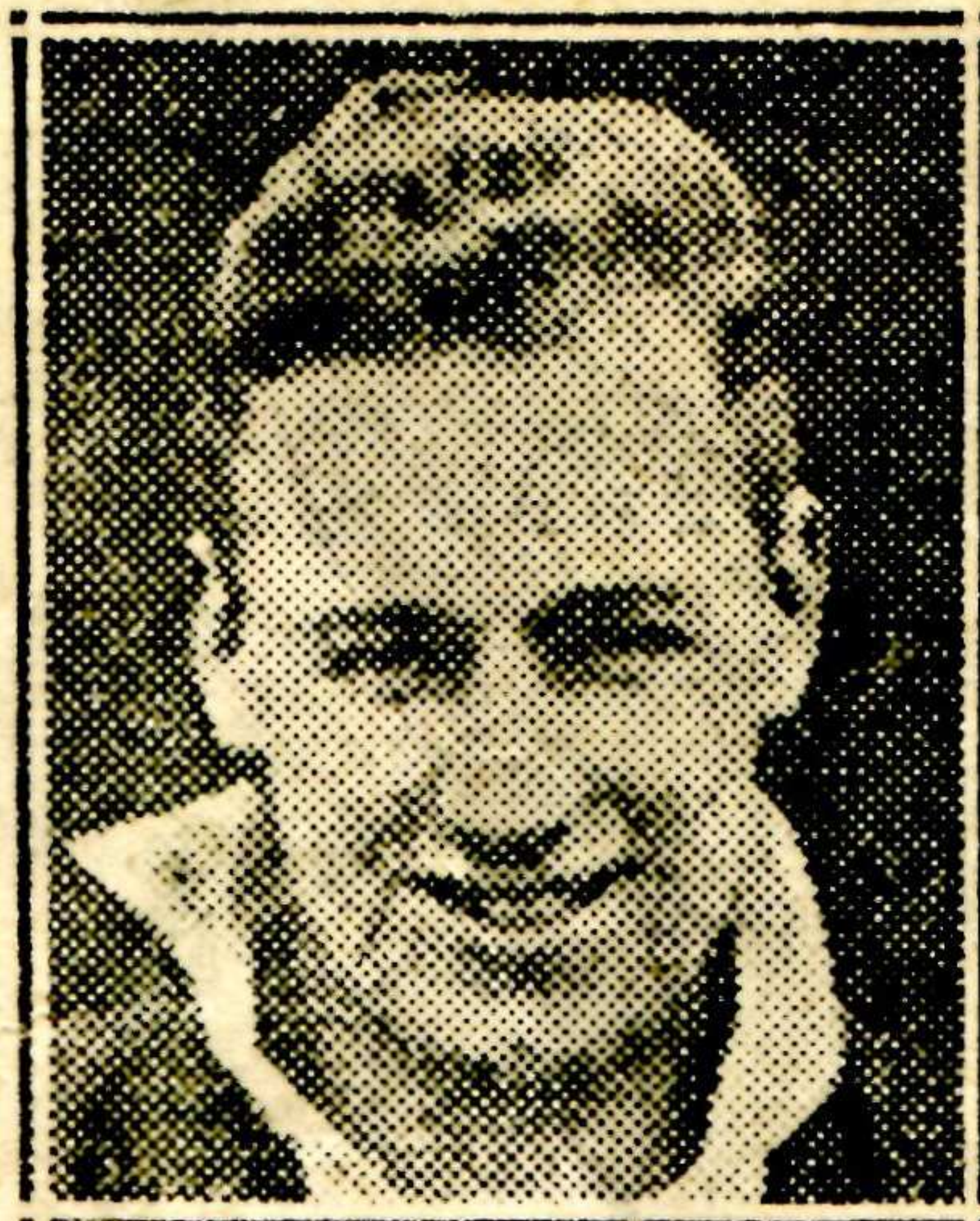
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THE BARBARIANS

by

WILFRED WOOLLER

Welsh International Threequarter

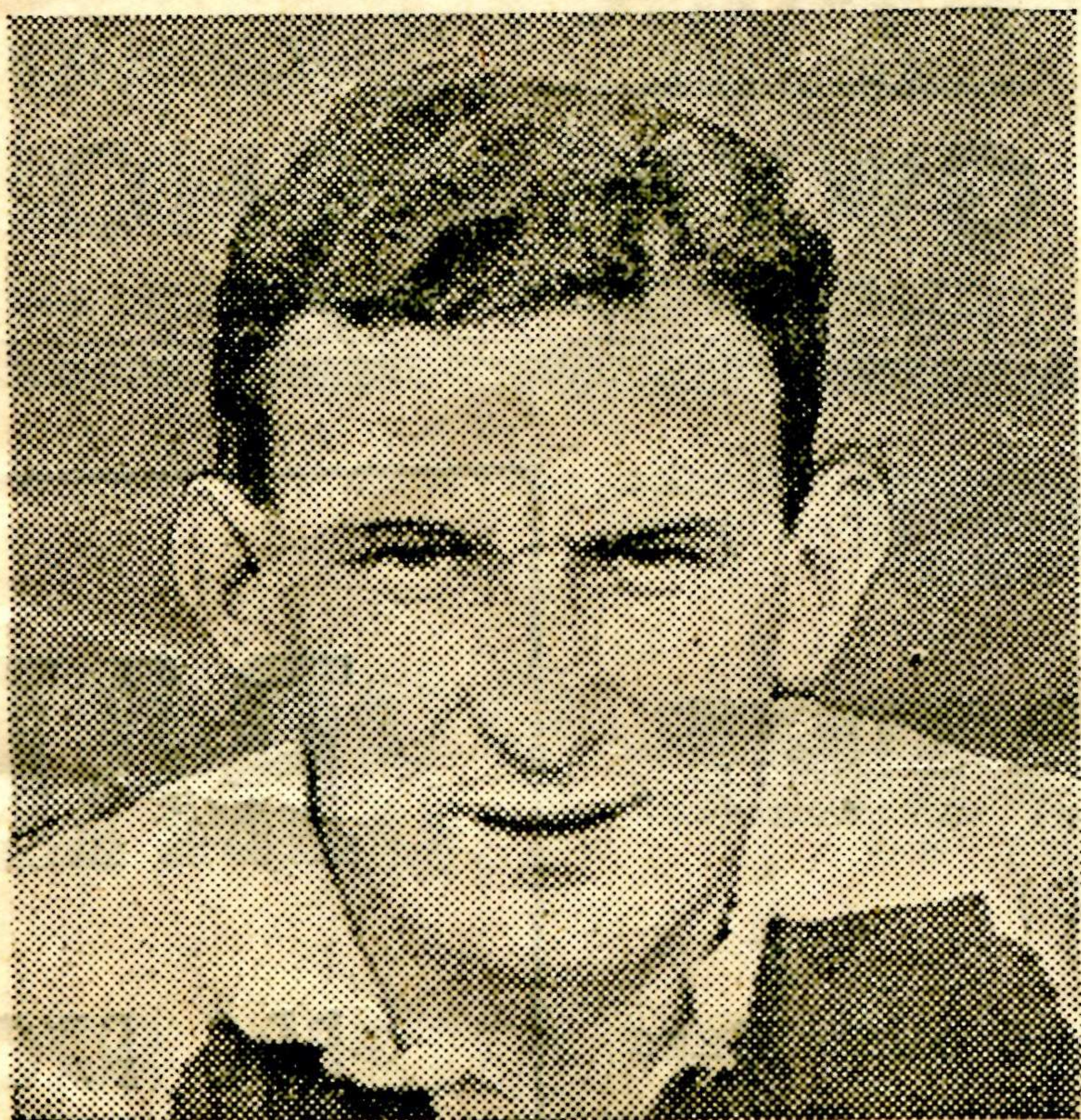


It is unusual that a club so nebulous in its construction should have obtained an importance little below that of an International side. No headquarters other than the rooms our slightly-harassed secretary, Mr. Haigh Smith, chooses to operate from. No club house; no ground; one pays in kind for membership by deeds on the field of play. A committee of sorts sends out an invitation you don't refuse. It's your password into the inner circle of rugby. A tie is probably the only tangible evidence you are a Barbarian (you buy it yourself). Yet behind the organisation is something which symbolises the heart and soul of rugby football. From all countries it brings experts together and puts them into one side which wins or loses by playing fast open football. Think of some of the illustrious names who have done service for the Club, Charlie

Pillman, L. G. Brown, W. W. Wakefield, Tom Voyce, Herbert Waddell, Cliff Jones, etc.

My first game for the "Ba-Bas" was in 1935 in the Mobbs Memorial Game at Northampton. In 1934-5-6 acquaintance was made with the Esplanade, Penarth. Memories crowd in of strange incidents in the dead of night; Mrs. King's late sitting of bacon and eggs, an excellent if unorthodox way of by-passing the watchful Emile de Lissa on the load lift; then an endless discussion on rugby players, and tactics, with the softly-spoken retiring Jack Wemyss, Herbert Waddell, conservative to the last Scot; Henry Toft, Lancashire to the core; Jack Siggins with the Irish brogue, and a host of genial maestros. Great games and great days.

To-day, Cardiff, with a long list of great Welsh players forming a club tradition, has also that indefinable spirit. Here are two fine sides with ability and determination to win by attack and not stagnate by defence. There is no wonder this fixture is always one of the most attractive in South Wales. May to-day's match be better than any of the past.



HAYDN TANNER.

Captain of Cardiff XV.

Wales and Barbarians.

BARBARIANS

| | | | |
|------------|-------------------|-------------------|----|
| F.B. ... | W. C. W. MURDOCH* | (Scot.) | 16 |
| R.W. ... | B. O'HANLON* | (Ireland) | 15 |
| R.C.... | C. W. DRUMMOND* | (Scotland) | 14 |
| L.C. C. W. | ANDREW | (Glasgow Acads.) | 12 |
| | or K. A. N. SPRAY | (Cambridge Univ.) | |
| L.W. ... | B. MULLAN* | (Ireland) | 11 |
| O.H. ... | J. W. KYLE* | (Ireland) | 10 |
| I.H. ... | E. STRATHDEE* | (Ireland) | 9 |

Referee:
Mr. IVOR DAVID
(Neath)

* denotes International player.

Forwards—

| | | |
|---|------------------|------------|
| 8 | A. A. McCONNELL* | (Ireland) |
| 7 | L. SEMMENS | (Redruth) |
| 6 | J. C. DALY* | (Ireland) |
| 5 | REES STEPHENS* | (Wales) |
| 4 | F. H. COUTTS* | (Scotland) |
| 3 | J. McCARTHY* | (Ireland) |
| 2 | D. O'BRIEN* | (Ireland). |
| 1 | J. W. McKAY* | (Ireland) |

CARDIFF

| | | |
|----|-------------------|------------------|
| 15 | *FRANK TROTT | ... Full Back |
| 14 | *LES WILLIAMS | ... Left Wing |
| 13 | *BLEDDYN WILLIAMS | Left Centre |
| 12 | *JACK MATTHEWS | Right Centre |
| 11 | I. McJENNETT | ... Right Wing |
| 10 | *W. B. CLEAVER | ... Outside Half |
| 9 | *HAYDN TANNER | ... Scrum Half |
| | (Capt.) | |

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CARDIFF'S RECORD.

| Played | Won | Drawn | Lost |
|--------|-----|-------|------|
| 30 | 26 | — | 2 |

Points For, 534; Against, 128.

FIXTURES.

| 1948 | Opponents. | Ground |
|---------|--------------------|----------|
| Mar. 29 | —Harlequins ... | ... Home |
| „ 30 | —Devon Services | ... Home |
| April 3 | —Devon Services | ... Away |
| „ 5 | —Penzance & Newlyn | ... Away |
| „ 6 | —Falmouth ... | ... Away |
| „ 10 | —Newport ... | ... Home |
| „ 17 | —Swansea ... | ... Away |
| „ 24 | —Pontypool ... | ... Home |
| „ 28 | —Gloucester ... | ... Home |

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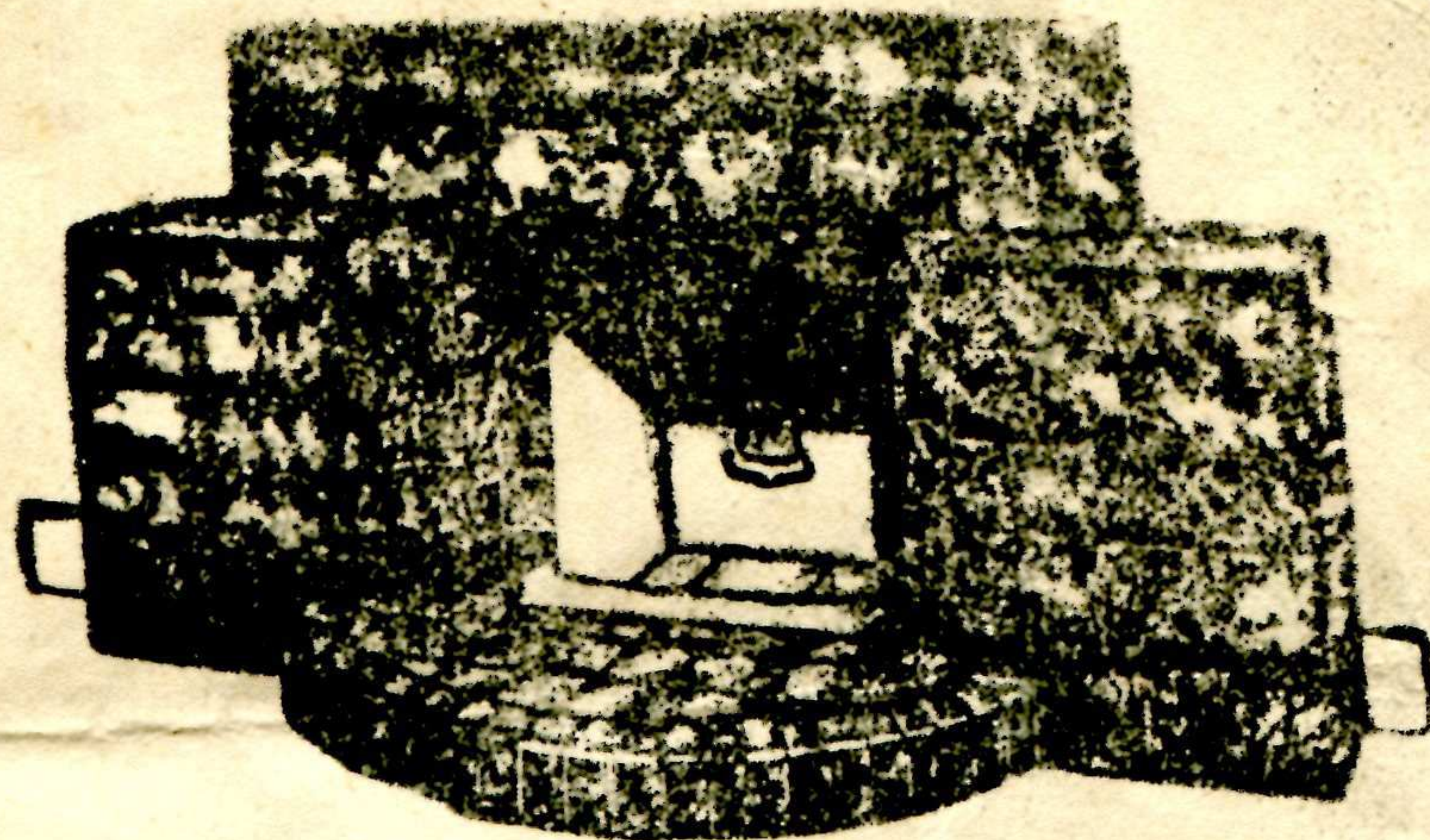
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| September: | F. | A. | December: | F | A. |
|--|----|----|--------------------------|----|----|
| 3—Cardiff & Dist. (h) | 41 | 11 | 6—Richmond (a) | 9 | 0 |
| 6—Pontypool (a) | 14 | 17 | 13—Blackheath (h)..... | 13 | 5 |
| 13—Bristol (h) | 29 | 6 | 20—Harlequins (a)..... | 29 | 8 |
| 20—Stades Nantes and
Cognac (h) | 18 | 0 | 26—Wasps (h)..... | 20 | 4 |
| 27—Australia (h) | 11 | 3 | 27—Watsonians (h) | 11 | 0 |
| October: | | | January: | | |
| 4—Newport (h) | 29 | 0 | 3—Neath (h) | 3 | 0 |
| 11—Gloucester (a) | 12 | 6 | 10—Bristol (a)..... | 16 | 0 |
| 18—Swansea (h) | 32 | 3 | 17—Bath (h) | 3 | 0 |
| 25—Wasps (a) | 23 | 7 | 24—Neath (a) | 6 | 5 |
| 27—Cambridge (a) | 5 | 3 | February: | | |
| November: | | | 14—Plymouth (h) | 41 | 7 |
| 1—Llanelly (h) | 10 | 3 | 28—Llanelly (a) | 14 | 0 |
| 8—Newport (a) | 12 | 0 | March: | | |
| 15—Leicester (h)..... | 50 | 5 | 6—Newport (a) | 8 | 5 |
| 22—London Welsh (h) | 14 | 0 | 13—Penarth (a) | 6 | 15 |
| 29—Leicester (a)..... | 8 | 4 | 18—Oxford University (h) | 14 | 3 |
| | | | 20—Coventry (h)—..... | 33 | 8 |



BARBARIANS XV who defeated Australia at Cardiff on 31st January, 1948, by 9 points to 6.

Standing (left to right): F. Trott (Wales), C. Mullen (Ireland), I. Henderson (Scotland), M. F. Turner (England), W. I. D. Elliott (Scotland), S. V. Perry (England), W. E. Tamplin (Wales), H. Walker (England), C. B. Holmes (England).

Sitting: J. Mycock (England), H. Tanner, Captain (Wales), Mr. H. Haigh-Smith, Mr. E. de Lissa, Mr. H. L. G. Hughes, T. A. Kemp (England), B. L. Williams (Wales). In front: W. B. Cleaver (Wales) and M. R. Steele-Bodger (England).

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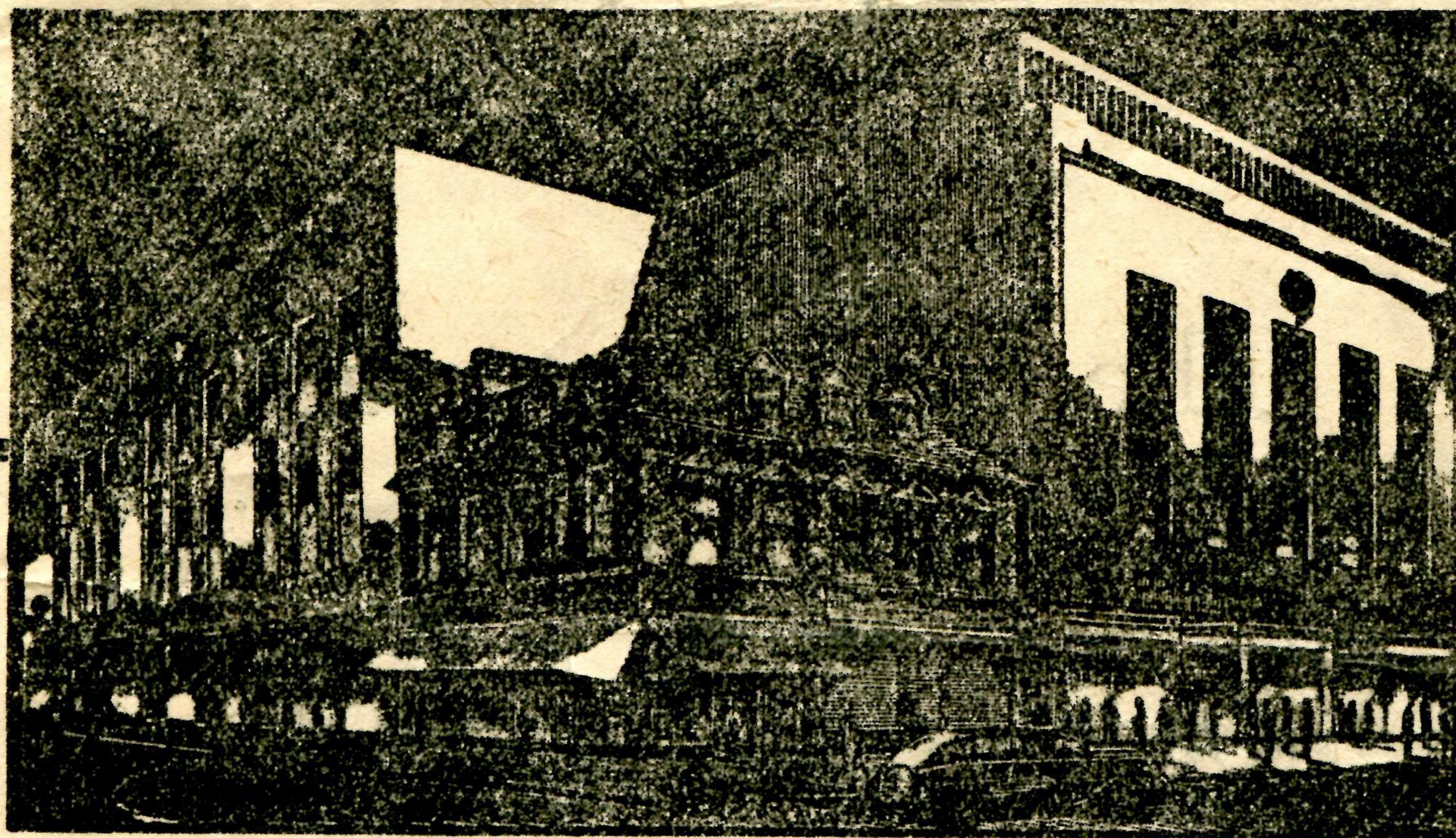
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