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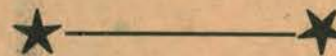


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1952			For	Ag't	1953			For	Ag't
Sep	6	Chippenham and Dist.	a	40	3 Jan	3	Leicester	h	5
	13	Leicester	a	3		9	London Welsh	h	5
	18	Rugby Mem. Match	h	9		10	Cardiff	h	3
	20	Weston-S-Mare	h	8		17	St. Mary's Hospital	a	8
	24	Clifton	a	3		24	Cheltenham	a	6
	27	Devonport Services	a	11		31			
	29	Penzance & Newlyn	a	8	9 Feb	7	Newbridge	a	5
	30	St. Ives	a	—		14	Metropolitan Police	h	—
Oct	4	Llanelli	h	3		21	London Irish	a	3
	11	Bridgwater	a	10		28	Wasps	h	—
	18	Bristol	h	9					
	25	St. Mary's Hospital	h	10	3 Mar	7	Bristol	a	—
Nov	1	United Services (Ports.)	a	13		14	Swansea	h	—
	8	Old Paulines	h	26		21	Neath	a	—
	15	London Irish	h	5		28	Taunton	a	—
	22	Exeter	h	3					
	29	Harlequins	a	3	11 Apr	2	Harlequins	h	—
Dec	6	London Scottish	a	—		4	London Scottish	h	—
	13	Gloucester	a	3		6	Old Merchant Taylors	h	—
	20	Saracens	h	6		11	Llanelli	a	—
	26	Old Blues	h	8		18	Devonport Services	h	—
	27	Weston-S-Mare	a	6		23	Gloucester	a	—
						25	Moseley	h	—

THE WASPS FROM SUDBURY

Two very big welcomes this afternoon, one, naturally the heartiest, to our visitors, the other to our own chaps whom we have not seen on their own pasture since the Cardiff game on January 17th. Both sides today have two away at Twickenham and judging from past results there should not be a lot in it at the end. The Wasps founded in 1867, two years after Bath, now rank among the best of first class clubs, and turn out as many as 10 teams each week. They are having a good season and will no doubt give us a very attractive exhibition. Here are some past results:-

November 22nd, 1947 Bath 3t. Wasps 0. February 26th, 1949 Bath 2g., 1pg. Wasps 1g., 1t. February 25th, 1950 Wasps 1g., 1pg., 1t. Bath 0. February 24th, 1951 Bath 1g., 1pg. Wasps 1t. February 23rd, 1952 Wasps 1g., 2t. Bath 1g. 1pg. Thus Bath have won 3, the Wasps 1 and there has been last season's draw at Sudbury.

KEN WILCOX FOR CLIFF WESTON

It is fortunate that Ken Wilcox is available today to take on for Cliff Weston who is playing for Fry's v. Cadbury's, a chocolate and cocoa affair. Ken has had plenty of first team experience. Today will be his 89th appearance. His first was v. Swansea here on September 18th, 1948. In that season he had 11 games, in 49-50, 28 in 50-51, 29 and in 51-52, 20 games. It is doubtful if the club has a more loyal player for he has shown that it makes little difference to him whether he plays for the "A" the United or the First. Cliff Weston has played 25 out of Bath's 27 this season. He missed through injury Llanelli, home on October 4th and Bridgwater, away, on October 11th, Guy Addenbrooke moving to outside half.

AND FRED HILL'S 89th

And strangely enough today is Fred Hill's 89th game for Bath. He has played more this season than anyone having missed only the Leicester game on September 13th when Fred Carey deputised for him. Fred's first game was at Leicester on Sept. 9th, 1950. In that season he played 28 games, in 51-52, 34 and this season 26. After today there are 11 more to go with a bit of luck he should reach 100 and start another next season. Fred played in the Victory International v. Scotland in 1945-46 and in 1947 in International Trials for the Colours, the Probables and the rest.

THE SOMERSET SEVENS

For the first time Somerset 7's will not be staged at Weston. The grounds required for the extra pitches cannot be used for Rugby as they are to be prepared for cricket and tennis. They belong of course to the Council. Arrangements are being made to stage the Tournament at Taunton with the police ground the main pitch. Somerset clubs have been asked if they will enter teams to play there. Last season Stotherts, Old Sulians, Combe Down 'A', Combe Down 'B', and Old Edwardians entered in the Seniors and Oldfield O.B's, Ex-schools, C.B.B.S., and Combe Down Colts in the Colts. The Bath Club play Moseley, Wellington and Midsomer Norton on April 25th so will be unable to enter a seven.

TODAY'S COLLECTION

The club has started today's collection for the Bath Flood Relief Fund with a donation of five guineas, knowing full well that our supporters will respond generously to such a worthy object.

NEXT SATURDAY

BATH UNITED versus BRISTOL UNITED Kick-off 3.15 p.m.