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FIRST XV FIXTURES
Sept. 1 Philadelphia Un. H 60-0
3 CardiffA 3-22
6 Broughton Park H 6-11
10 CheltenhamA 17-15
13 CoventryH 9-15
*16 WolfhoundsH 16-6
20 Bective Rangers A 13-3
24 NewbridgeA 5-9
27 BristolH 8-16
Oct. 1 Ebbw ValeH 15-11
4 BedfordA 8-17
8 StroudH 49-14
11 HarlequinsH 14-6
*15 BosunsH 3-16
18 NewportH 21-6
25 Old BluesH 27-0
29 CliftonH 15-3
Nov. 1 LeicesterA 12-15
8 MoseleyA 17-14
15 AberavonA 5-14
19 Cambridge Un. A 19-23
22 LydneyH 13-0
*26 St. Luke's Coll. H 18-6
29 Oxford Univ.H 8-13
Dec. 6 PontypoolA 14-9
13 BathH 39-13
20 CoventryA 9-20
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27 PontypoolH

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10 LeicesterH
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7 BristolA
12 ArmyH
14 BathA
*18 Loughborough H
21 SwanseaH
26 NewbridgeH
28 AberavonH
Mar. 7 Northampton...A
14 RichmondH
18 CliftonA
21 Guys Hospital .A
26 LydneyA
28 HeadingleyH
30 Birkenhead Pk H
31 StroudA
April 4 FyldeA
11 MoseleyH
13 NewportA
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OUR VISITORS

Boxing Day and Old Merchant Taylors are, of course, virtually synonymous in Gloucester rugger circles, and we again give a cordial festive welcome to our London friends in this time-honoured fixture.

Last Boxing day, in a delightfully open game, Gloucester accounted for the 'Taylors' by 42 points to 10. In this match – Ron Gwillim, now returned to his old club, Matson – scored no fewer than five tries, others coming from John Haines (2), Terry Hopson (2), Paul Butler and Bob Clewes. Of the four players who took shots at goal, the only successful ones were Hopson with two conversions and a penalty goal and John Spalding (one conversion).

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Since the announcement last week that the Southern Counties v. South Africans match, due to have been played at Bournemouth, has been switched to Kingsholm on Wednesday, January 28th, 1970, the secretary has been inundated with requests for tickets.

There are so many details not even finalised with the Southern Counties' officials yet, so the secretary can deal with nothing concerning the Springboks' game at the moment. Notices and announcements regarding the game and tickets will be made in future programmes and in the local newspapers.

Found at Kingsholm after the match with Bath last Saturday week. A LADY'S WEDDING RING. If the owner has not yet collected it, she will find it in safe custody at the office on the ground.

Many Gloucester supporters may be renewing acquaintance with today's visitors in the New Year, for Gloucestershire meet the South group winners, Hertfordshire, in the quarter-final of the county championship on January 10th – at Croxley Green, the Old Merchant Taylors' ground.

The lucky programme numbers for the Bath game were 427, held by R. T. Hawker, of 52 St. Mark's Street, Gloucester, who won £5, and 642, held by S. Ellis, of 64 Roseberry Park, Dursley, who acquired a very timely Christmas present – a brace of pheasants, kindly donated by Messrs. Bettridge & Son, Ltd., of the New Market, Gloucester.

The seasonal fare continues at Kingsholm tomorrow with the visit of Pontypool, kick-off as usual at 3.15 p.m.

A.R.