England V France Rugby (2416) 25th February 1957

At Twickenham, over sixty thousand fans watched France kick off against England - and they were rewarded by the best international Rugby of the season.

In conditions MADE DIFFICULT BY HEAVY RAIN - England, (in white) opened in championship style - and showed that, once they mastered the greasy ball- France would be in trouble.

And so it proved. After eight minutes, Jackson held a pass from Davies - and dived over for a great try.

Before half-time, another brilliant passing-movement brought a second try for Jackson - almost in the same spot.

With a six-point lead, England looked set for victory. Then, Dupuy led his side in a great recovery. And from the loose maul, Darrouy scored in the corner.

The try was converted. [redacted] - And now leading by six points to five - England were fighting to preserve their slender advantage.

But the home side weathered the storm. And from a line-out, Skipper Egic Evans scored another try - to give England victory (and championship honours) by nine points to five.