

SCOTTISH SPECIAL

SCOTLAND v. FRANCE

At Murrayfield, France (who nearly won the championship last year) beat Scotland by the narrow margin of 13 points to 11 in a game which both sides will long remember. It was an experimental Scottish side and a French fifteen who were fitter and better on the day, in Scotland's second international of the season.

Scotland scored first from a penalty for offside. From 40 yards out Thomson kicked a beautiful goal.

From a rush of the Scottish forwards Martine was hard pressed. His kick failed to find touch. Scotland collected but no damage was done.

Then Scotland were penalised for 'feet up,' and Jean Prat scored from 45 yards to make it all square.

And here's a beautiful movement. Maurice Prat receives and he's off - he dodges through the defence, passes to brother Jean who runs in to score the first try for France.

Jean Prat converted. Before the afternoon was out he scored 10 of France's 13 points. France 8, Scotland 3 at half-time. Resuming, Scotland were up against it as their forwards were outplayed, but another penalty against France enabled Thomson to reduce the margin to 8-6.

But France came back to this challenge and their captain Basquet barged through to score a try which Jean Prat converted. But within two minutes Scotland again made it anyone's game. Fulton received and passed on to Davidsen. From Davidsen the ball went to Cordial who broke through to score a grand try.

Thomson converted but that was the end of scoring and France won by 13 to 11.