

IRELAND v. WALES

At Lansdowne Road, Dublin, President O'Kelly greeted the all-conquering Welsh fifteen for their match with Ireland which was to decide the destination of the mythical Triple Crown. Then, with D. J. O'Brien, captain of the Irish fifteen, before a huge crowd keyed up to the heights of excitement, he told the Irish team to go in there and win for Ould Ireland. Wales knew what they wanted and past performances made them favourites.

Murphy kicked off for Ireland.

It was soon clear that Wales would be on top. First score came from a penalty against Ireland, seven minutes after the start. Nearly thirty yards out and near the touchline, Lewis Jones scored a grand goal to put Wales in the lead.

Well, nobody was surprised. Wales gave the Springboks a big fright in their match. Then from a Miller throw-in Wales developed an attack.

Stephens of Neath received and ran through to touch down.

Lewis Jones failed to convert and Wales were now six points ahead, and it was no use talking out of your hat because Wales were on top. Here's Alun Thomas in action as Wales set up another attack.

Ken Jones with the ball ... he's running right through ... bit of a struggle but he's over.

Again Lewis Jones failed and at half time it was Wales nine Ireland nil.

Resuming, Ireland tried hard to reduce the deficit. Soon after the restart Wales were penalised in their own 25.

Murphy took the kick. Now it was Wales 9 Ireland 3 and the game was alive again.

Ireland attacked fiercely ... and here's a grand run that just came unstuck.

Then Wales settled the issue, from a movement started by Roy John ... Six yards from the line he passed to Clem Thomas and the Swansea forward stormed through to touch down.

Lewis Jones converted and Wales won brilliantly by 14 points to 3 to win the Triple Crown for the ninth time.