

WALES v. FRANCE

The all-conquering Welsh fifteen take the field at Swansea to meet France for the International Championship. There's an early goalmouth clash between a couple of men in blue and then the 50,000 crowd see Wales kick off into a strong sun and take the lead in a few minutes. A French wing forward tries to tackle Alun Thomas but the Cardiff man cleverly sidesteps and drops a beautiful goal.

France is playing extremely well and although Wales are holding them the Triple Crown team is definitely below form. It was hard to believe that this was the Welsh fifteen that cleaned up all-comers - anyone with half an eye could see that. Here's some stylish play from Carabinac. He gets the ball, passes to Pomathies and away he goes to score the only try of the match.

Jean Prat converts successfully.

Pomathies throws in and the play gets really rugged as fists and elbows fly. At this stage France suffered a severe blow when Dufau, the scrum-half, had his collar-bone broken.

The half-time scoreboard showed France in the lead but then her luck began to fall to pieces as several penalty kicks were awarded against her. These penalties were her undoing.

Lewis Jones sent the ball skying between the posts.

Wales attack, and France minus Dufau are beginning to crack. Within thirty yards of the goal Lewis Jones takes his other penalty kick and, in so doing, wins the championship for Wales.

Applause from the crowd now was for a disheartened but still game French team which even in the closing stages made a valiant recovery only to suffer an undeserved defeat.