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FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE PRINCE'S VISIT GAMES.

WAIKIWI 25 v. ATHLETIC 0.

A mistake by Waikiwi let the kick-off out at the middle flag and Waikiwi ran straight into attack. A period of uninteresting play brought on the hail and the south-west wind, and things were generally rotten. The ground was surprisingly good for the continued attack, and Darragh from a set-secum pass fainted, jinked, and ran over scathless, the between-posts registering Waikiwi 3, Athletic 0. Athletic loved the round figure and held to it right through the game. Well, Waikiwi got a chance to tackle some of Coakley's men, but lord! they wouldn't do such a thing and fall on that sleet swept area, not they. But the other Athletic backs than Coakley were enjoying a holiday from football and Waikiwi forwards made mincemeat of them and got a scramble score. Waikiwi 8. On with the attack went the suburb team, and their taking and kicking were immense. Their charges on to their own frees and marks were excellently delivered, though they might have dropped a couple of men back to fill up gaps. Athletic tried attack—their defence sickened even themselves, and solo work was in high favour with them, and Waikiwi at last began to tackle hard, the lash of Forde's tongue from the line biting into their red and black consciousness. Coakley jinked well to kick but Green puffed slowly to the ball and Waikiwi sent it back, with Whyte leading his scrummers into the last stretch. Again Coakley cleared with a good cross, but no man of his side cared to distress himself so the ball went back to the middle. A penalty shot gave Waikiwi three, and the first spell ended. Waikiwi 11. With the sleet and the wind in their faces Athletic continued scoreless but confident, Waikiwi backs were cool and resourceful, Wills, Knight, Dawson, and Reid, being especially helpful to Darragh, the bed-rock of Waikiwi defencement solo attack. Coakley seemed the only Athletic rear-guard on his own side, and one swallow not making a meal, and the Waikiwi forwards pushing Athletic easily with close pack work, two more everybody's tries were added. Waikiwi 17. The referee was in happy mood, and the absence of over-whistling was refreshing, the game brightening with the lucid spots in the snowy sky. Athletic should have been blown and sleeted into attack in spell two, but they were not, and the seventeen pointers got near the scoring line, when a pair of Athletic backs did some fine defence passing and cleared their lines. Then Horan cross-kicked judiciously, but the cool Waikiwi backs forced. Green attack kept on and Coakley dropped the slippery ball when his jink into the open promised a try. Hard luck! Waikiwi got offside but neutralised the penalty with an excellent take, driving green over the line to force. Dawson and Knight put in some careful line kicking, clearing to the middle, where a defence Athletic pass cleverly put them into attack. Waikiwi forwards were irresistible in their attack; their backs then cross-kicked, but the wing was absent, and the effort failed. A change gave green an attack for some time, and supporters thought Waikiwi line was twice crossed, but not so. Waikiwi then got two tries, Athletic a number of forces, a relief time whistle, and a score of Waikiwi 25, Athletic nil.

STAB 3 v. INVERCARGILL 0.

Star bad kick-off let Vial send to their 25, and a weakline scrum went with a swish to the left, the poor packing disgusting supporters. Handling occurred and had tackling and slow passing dulled the view, Lilley failing to stop a ground rush let Blue into attack, and to a mark which Lilley returned with such force that he made up more than the ground lost. Blue attacked and the ball from a mark struck the bar. Star just forcing. On came the hail! Star attacked against the wind, Agnew putting in strong spoiling of Blue backs, though their forwards were spreading well and bucking in hard. A heavy defence pass from Lilley cleared an awkward attack, Fraser kicking instead of handling. Star then made the short side play for them and their wing was very good; they bit in near the posts but their centre lost himself, leaving

Lilley to recover the lost ground. At this stage the referee penalised for dropping on the ball and the ground defence suffered, Star being favoured with the majority of the frees. Star lost a try through the referee being blocked and Blue did some good heeling and passing. The supply of ball went mostly bluewards, but Agnew spoilt many a good transfer. Star were neglecting middle kicks. A free was put over by Star but a Blue touched. Star were playing coolly and their forwards bumped harder than I.F.C. Whistles were extremely frequent, and two men were given marks that they prayed on their knees. Star frees continued, the stand voicing its disapproval. Snow hid the air view and scrum followed scrum in monotonous succession. Lilley waited for the bounce three times but Blues couldn't score; otherwise Star defence was good, though Blue backs seemed faster. The first spell ended with the score—love all.

With the help of the wind the second spell promised a Star win; but Invercargill stood the gruelling very well and drove Star into defence time and time again. Oughton and Lilley were excellent on defence, the latter failing only in ground work. A star wing crossed and were let off to smother the Blue full and a pack of his forwards took the risk close to the goal. Immediately an attempted Blue kick was marked and goaled by Lilley. Star 3. Blues dashed into attack from the 25 and Star were all out to defend. A free to Invercargill was pre-charged by Star. The referee waved back the offenders, but did not whistle a free-charge. Why not? Star mucked the Blue kick. Fraser put in a good run and a mighty fend at a high tackling back and the game ended with Star 3, Invercargill nil. A mighty battle!

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SOCIAL NOTES.

Mrs G. Moffett gave a delightful dance for young people on Friday evening.

Mr John Hunt gave a most enjoyable dance at "Bainfield," Waikiwi, last Wednesday evening.

The Misses Shercliff and Massey are the guests of Mrs Garfield Crawford, Don street.

A most charming "tea" was given on Friday afternoon, by Mrs Ritchie Crawford, for Miss Storey, "Venlaw." Some of the guests were Mesdames Tapley, Hall-Jones, Gabites, G. Crawford, J. G. Macdonald, Caws, G. Crawford, H. Macdonald, John Macdonald, Misses Storey (2), Corbett, Tucker, Shercliff, Massey, Hazlett, Morrah, Ellis, Wylie (2), Moffett, McCaw, Haggitt, and others.

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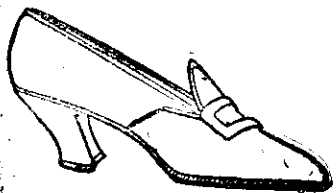
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