

FOOTBALL SEASON OPENED

NOTES ON THE PLAY

RESULTS OF TO-DAY'S GAMES.

West	18—10
Glenelg	6—5
South	11—22
Torrens	11—11

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points for agst.	Pts.
West	1	1	—	—	118	41
South	1	1	—	—	88	77
Torrens	1	—	1	—	77	88
Glenelg	1	—	1	—	41	118

SOUTH SQUEEZE HOME.

SOUTH	11—22
TORRENS	11—11

Best Players.—South—D. Moriarty, McKee, Allen, Daly (2), Kay, and Vickers. Torrens—Patten, Karney, Wyld, Strugnell, Marsh, Allen, Marvel.

Goalkeepers.—South—Kay (3), McKee, and J. W. Daly (each 2). D. Moriarty, Setterberg, Vickers, Lucas, Torrens—Wyld (5), Marvel, and Manning (each 2). O'Loughlin, Marsh.

WEST'S SUBSTANTIAL WIN.

The football season opened in Adelaide to-day in promising circumstances. The weather was delightful, with just the requisite bite in the atmosphere to make it crisp for the game. For weeks past the polishing touches had been put on the players, and now to-day four of the competing eight senior teams met to do battle. Glenelg was new in the league, and it was a compliment to them that in the first game in the new year they were given the premier oval on which to show their mettle.

With every passing year the grand Australian game is getting a firmer grip on the people, and on all sides there is every indication that there will be increased interest in the contests this season.

Peters led the westerners and Hanley skippered Glenelg. Hanley won the toss and selected the Cathedral end, which was favoured by a strong wind, to set his team going. West, however, repelled the seiders' initial rushes until Murdoch opened the scoring with a goal for the new team, and Oliver added a behind. Many of the visitors' attacks proved fruitless, and West pushed home. Cooper was like a live wire in front of the sticks, and he sent up the westerners' first sixer. Stevens came next with the second goal, and the same player repeated the act from a free shortly after.

Hanley had been prominent for the visitors, and through his agency Searle registered their second major. West accounted for 2 behinds, and the seiders rushed through a point as the first bell rang, making the scores:—

WEST	18—10
GLENELG	6—5

Against a strong breeze Glenelg pressed ahead at the opening of the second term, but without success. Chapman scored a point for West, Cooper secured a goal, and Manning called up one flag. O'Keefe raised the fifth goal for West, smartly followed by a behind and a goal from the boot of Macklin. At the southern end Glenelg at length took a turn, and Searle recorded his second major from a beautiful place-kick driven straight in. Farrelly to Murdoch, who contributed Glenelg's fourth and his second six-pointer. Bailey responded with full points for West. An excellent

MONDAY'S GAMES.

Strong Battles Promised.

On the holiday on Monday two games will be played, and they should prove sterling contests. On the Adelaide Oval North (last year's premiers) will meet Sturt, and at Norwood the easterners, who finished the past season with great distinction, will try conclusions with Port, their old-time rivals.

At the half-time interval on the Adelaide Oval the chairman of the league (Mr. A. J. McLachlan) will present to North the premiership pennant of 1920, and Ald. Cohen (patron of North Adelaide) will unveil the club's honour roll. The teams are:—

NORTH V. STURT.

North (from)—Leahy (captain), Crawford, Curnow, Davies, Fuas, Fooks, Frost, Gurney, Hamilton, Lewis, Maloney, Penery, Quigley, Reedman, Solomon, Treacowthick, Wallis, Wedger, Spring, Haines.

Sturt—Golding (captain), Beatty (2), Sharp, Baker, Caldwell, Colquhoun, Sanders, Mayman, Bruce or Osborne, Lyne, Carthew, Odgers, Smith, Whitehead, Nicolle, Sellick, Probert.

NORWOOD V. PORT.

Norwood—White (captain), Scott (2), Bryant, Close, Grantley, Hart, W. Heinrich, Johns, McNamara, Packham, Sparks, Schumacher, Stephens, Townley, Toovey, von Einem, Weller, Wilson.

Port—Adams, Allingham, Congear, Dewar, Dayman, Ford, Hosking, Howie, Keal, Lloyd, Mucklow, Maywald, O'iver, Oids, Oatey, Robertson, Slade, Taylor, Bampton (19th).

Port's captain will be selected on Monday prior to the match.

bit of play between Cooper and Macklin ended with a goal from the latter. Half-time scores read:—

WEST	8—6
GLENELG	4—2

Glenelg faced a 28-point deficit at the resumption of play. West got off promptly with a single, and Bailey notched the next point. Still the red-and-blacks continued to attack, and Stevens flashed out with his third goal. Glenelg were putting in determinedly, but with little combination. West's tenth goal came from Bailey, and in a trice Stevens had another. So far Glenelg's score remained unchanged, and West were easily holding the upper hand. Ultimately the black-and-golds broke the spell with a point, but West scaled off again. Glenelg managed to raise another single just before third-quarter time. Scores:—

WEST	11—9
GLENELG	4—4

Glenelg's chance of victory was now hopeless, but they battled gamely, and Hawkes potted a great goal in quick time after the bounce. West, however, could not be stopped, and again Macklin and Manning each pulled off the big points. The game was now mostly all-West. Farrelly reduced the seiders' leeway by a goal, but Macklin replied with yet another sixer for the red-and-blacks, and Manning added West's fifteenth major. Macklin was irrepresible forward, and in rapid succession two six-pointers came from this indomitable player. Stevens was the next goal-getter for the reds, and a point was registered for the visitors. The final scores were:—

WEST	18—10
GLENELG	6—5

Best Players.—West—Peters, Brown, Mills, Macklin, Stevens, Cooper, Dwyer, Gabriel, Huxtable, Scanlon, Glenelg—Hanley, Farrelly, Gates, James, Murdoch, Oliver, Perry, Searle.

Goalkeepers.—West—Macklin (6), Stevens (4), Cooper (3), Bailey and Manning (each 2). O'Keefe, Glenelg—Murdoch and Searle (each 2), Hawkes, Farrelly.

WEST'S EASY VICTORY.

Compared with the inaugural games last year the opening of the football season this afternoon was inauspicious. To a large extent the holiday on Monday may be considered to be responsible for this, because it robbed the opening day of two games—North v. Sturt and Port v. Norwood—which hold the possibilities of more brilliant and finished football than was to be expected of the contestants to-day.

Not that the match between South and Torrens left much room for disappointment, so much as that the outcome of the meeting of West and Glenelg on the city's leading oval might tend to produce a bad impression of the prospective standard of this season's play.

Glenelg were beaten by 77 points by a team that was at the bottom of the premiership list last year with only two wins and a draw to its credit.

Still, it must not be forgotten that the Bay men made their debut to-day, and every allowance must be made for that. That they have promising material in their ranks there is no doubt, but much of it is yet so raw that plenty of hard work lies ahead of Skipper Hanley before the team can acquire that balance and combination which only sound coaching and practical experience can produce.

In the contest to-day Hanley was all over the field, playing great football and leading his men in all directions. But much of his instruction misfired because of the eagerness of some of the younger players to do the very thing he was urging them to guard against.

"Why don't you do what I tell you?" he called out on occasions. Instead, many of his clubmates either left their places or allowed their opponents to get in front of them or get the first dash on to the ball.

All this, of course, did not tend towards good football, and it was regrettable that such a one-sided issue should have marked the launching of the new campaign to-day.

Glenelg, however, should not be dismayed, for they are sure to show improvement as the season advances.

Of the victors, Peters (West's captain) was easily the star performer. He met a worthy adversary in the ruck in Hanley, but he was never daunted, and played solid, forceful football throughout the game.

In the back lines Brown was the predominant stay, and was ably supported by Mills and Huxtable.

Huxtable, too, was a force in the ruck, where O'Keefe, Chapman, and Dwyer also rendered useful service.

On the wings Gabriel, who played for Norwood in 1919, outmatched Hine, and Scanlon on the day had the better of the tussle with Grealy, though the latter played gamely.

Both roving and forward Macklin was brilliant, and his six goals were cleverly got.

Stevens, Cooper, Bailey, and Manning also proved a fine battery of accurate sharpshooters in the forward division.

Among Glenelg Hanley was the outstanding giant. He revealed superb form as a follower, and as the general of the new team battled against big odds.

Gates shone out as a back man, resisting many of the attacks with great judgment and stubbornness.

Following Hillier worked hard and pluckily against such a finished opponent as Peters, and Oliver was prominent at intervals.

James had the better of his opponent at centre, though little of the play gravitated that way.

Perry, the Yorke's Peninsula recruit, showed excellent promise, and with more league experience he should develop into a sterling back.

Kappler, late of Sturt, showed poor form on Dwyer.

Farrelly was a tenacious and clever little rover who played with considerable dash and brilliance.

In the forward lines Murdoch, Hawkes, and Searle were fair.

The field kicking of both sides, except in rare instances, was wretched, a winding high punt being almost invariably resorted to instead of a long skimming drop-kick.

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OPENING OF SEASON

MATCHES TO-MORROW.

PROSPECTS BRIGHTER THAN EVER.

The season will open to-morrow, and the public are promised two very interesting fights for a start. The newcomers—Glenelg—will meet the West Adelaide on the Adelaide Oval, and West Torrens will engage South Adelaide on the Hindmarsh Oval. South Adelaide claim to be a 50 per cent. better team than last season, and West Torrens have lost nothing of their old strength. One or two colts who have displayed great form are expected to more than counter-balance any loss the team has sustained by the standing down or removal of one or two of last season's stalwarts. The Glenelg team is a vastly superior combination to what it was last year, and as the red and blacks have not been able to secure permits for several acknowledged top-notchers from the country and from Broken Hill, the seiders may prove victorious.

On Monday North Adelaide and Sturt will meet on the Adelaide Oval and Norwood will meet Port Adelaide on the latter's ground. Start, on practice form and individual displays, look to have the better chance. The northerners generally take a lot of knocking into shape in the early part of the season, and some of their players have showed decided sluggishness so far. North, however, have the right stuff, if they can only wake up.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

West Adelaide v. Glenelg, Adelaide Oval.

W Torrens v. South Adl., Hindmarsh.

MONDAY'S MATCHES.

North Adelaide v. Sturt, Adelaide Oval.

Norwood v. Port Adelaide, Norwood Oval.

THE TEAMS.

TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

West Torrens—Patten, S. (captain); Karney, J. (vice-captain); Allen, W.; Brown; Curnow, G.; Davies, E.; Jones, S.; Mani, G.; Manning, D. R.; Marsh, G. H.; Marvel, L.; Nicholson, J.; Oaten, F.; O'Loughlin, C.; Pain, R.; Richmond, G.; Strugnall, J.; Wyld, N.; Kilmartin, (19th).

South Adelaide—McKee, S. M. (captain); Tredrea, J. J. (vice-captain); Oliver, W. G.; Kay, J.; Eason, O.; Setterberg, B.; Tredrea, C.; Daly, J.; Daly, L.; Vickers, J.; Allen, W.; Moriarty, D.; Moriarty, J. V.; Antonio, J.; Williams, B.; Lucas, W.; Ryan, J.; Hansen, J.; Barnes, Cusack, and Breen.

West Adelaide—J. Brown, Jack Bishop, F. Bailey, G. Cooper, L. Cooney, T. Elliott, H. Gabriel, M. Huxtable, N. Macklin, W. Mills (vice-captain), W. McConnell, J. O'Keefe, J. O'Dea, T. Pierce, V. Peters (captain), R. Manning, F. Stevens, J. Scanlon, 19th man, R. Chapman.

Glenelg—J. Hanley, V. Hillier, H. Farrelly, H. Searle, L. Hawkes, W. Murdoch, W. Oliver, W. Thomas, H. Rice, S. V. James, F. Grealy, H. Gates, J. Kappler, P. Perry, T. Taylor, F. Hines, Ern Haddrick, H. Thompson; 19th man, F. Marshall.



Jack Hanley, Glenelg's skipper.

GLENELG NOTE.

Football followers are curious as to the chances of the new league club on Saturday next.

It is difficult to advance an opinion. The Glenelg committee have been to no end of trouble to secure the best team possible for the district. The first eighteen were chosen on Tuesday night, and contains only seven of last year's players, although the whole of them were available, so it is unsafe to judge them on last season's performances.

It remains to be seen how the team plays together, but they should do fairly well in the ruck, as Jack Hanley, though suffering from a cold, appears to be in good form, and Oliver, of Murray Bridge, seems a likely sort. Hillier will assist Oliver, while Thompson will partner Hanley. The ruck, however, is by no means Glenelg's strongest point.

They expect a great deal from their two rovers, Farrelly and Murdoch, and, judging on the form displayed in the recent Battalion matches, these two smart players should do well.

The seiders will probably be a trifle weak half-forward, although their sharpshooters in the front line may help to make up for this deficiency, for Hawkes and Searle, assisted by the roving rover, are experienced men, who play with plenty of dash.

Another weakness will be the centre line. James will occupy the centre position. He is a good footballer, but appears to be a little below form, while in this important position it is necessary for a man to be right on top. Hine and Grealy will carry on the flank work. They are both promising players, but will possibly be not quite up to standard.

The back line should be fairly strong. They will comprise Kappler, Perry, Taylor, Gates, Haddrick, and Hillier.

The ex-Mounta player Perry shows splendid form at practice, and will most likely develop into a first-class league man.

Taylor, of Peterborough, who is one of the State's foremost sprinters, is not doing as well as was expected. This is no doubt due to lack of training. He will come on later.

Glenelg's misfortune in being without the services of Harvey in their first encounter. He injured his back in the battalion match on Anzac Day, when he was considered one of the best men on the ground.

Another who must have been chosen in the first team but for being called away on business is Jack Rowlands. This sturdy ruck man had a lot to do with the B team doing so well last Saturday. He will be away from the district for about three weeks.

Jack Hanley, who has been coaching the new team so enthusiastically, is a quietly confident of giving his old club a slight shock on Saturday.

The Glenelg team went for a charabanc trip through the hills last Saturday. An enjoyable time was spent.

Persons who have not watched the progress of the Glenelg Oval will be surprised at its advanced appearance. The stand (which will be handed over to the Oval Association by the contractors this week) is superior to any of the present suburban oval structures, while an up-to-date scoring board, which is being erected, will be appreciated by patrons.

Mr. Frank Squires, who has been secretary of the Glenelg Oval Association for nearly six years, has resigned, owing to his removal from the district. Mr. Squires has been responsible to a great extent for the improvements of the oval. Mr. B. Kendall is his successor.

The three Murray Bridge players, Oliver, Rice, and Harvey, were left out of the Glenelg team last Saturday, but two (Oliver and Rice) will be available for Saturday's match, and are expected to make good. Farrelly is another player who had a spell last Saturday. Haddrick, in goals, played for the S.A.R. last Saturday and put up a good fight. He will make a good name for himself this season in goals. In Saturday's practice match Jack Kappler, at centre half-back was marking in the surest fashion and using good judgment. Perry, late of Mounta, half-back on the wing, was also in good form. Hine, a recruit from West Adelaide Juniors, was also a good man in the defence lines for the seiders. Searle kicked several "full pointers" in the forward division.

During the progress of last Saturday's match the Glenelg players were back armbands out of respect for their veneration, the late Mr. Horace G. Young. He was a valued supporter of the Glenelg club, and his untimely end will be a sad loss for the club.

FOOTBALL.

SEASON OPENED

The season in connection with the South Australian League was successfully started on Saturday. South Adelaide scored a win from West Torrens after a hard battle, but West Adelaide had an easy victory over the Gleneig (who have entered the competition this year for the first time). The afternoon North Adelaide will meet Sturt at the Adelaide Oval, and Port Adelaide and Norwood will play at Norwood. The northerners will be presented with the 1920 premiership pennant and caps, and a war roll of honour, in connection with the club, will be unveiled.

WEST ADELAIDE V. GLENEIG.

There was a large attendance at the Adelaide Oval when the newly formed Gleneig team made their first appearance in the senior football arena, their opponents being West Adelaide. Hanley, formerly a prominent West Adelaide player, captained the seaside, while West were skippered by Peters. The teams appeared to be evenly matched as regarded weight, but if there was any advantage the West Adelaide had it. Hanley won the toss, and elected to kick with the wind, which was from the south-east. At the kick-off Hanley secured and sent well forward, but the ball was returned by the red-and-blacks, and hovered for some time in the vicinity of the Gleneig goal. Then James returned, and the sphere being carried down the eastern side, Murdoch secured by a good mark, and kicked the first goal for the Bays, amid cheers. At the kick-off the seaside again returned to the attack, and kept the ball well in the vicinity of the Wests' goal. Some good play resulted, Farrally and Oliver showing to advantage. Hanley also did good work, and a behind resulted from a kick by Oliver. By hard fighting the sphere was returned, but a fine mark and kick by Perry sent it well out of the danger zone. It was again forced back, and after some quick play G. Cooper succeeded in drawing first blood for West Adelaide. That was a most immediately followed by a second goal, kicked by F. Stevens, who within a minute or so repeated the performance. Gleneig attacked, and, carrying forward, principally owing to the excellent marking and kicking of

Hanley and James, Searle marked close in goal, and kicked a second major for the side. West Adelaide returned, and Stevens notched a behind, and Manning had a good chance for goal, but failed. Gleneig returned, and Thompson had a shot, but missed. The quarter ended:—West Adelaide, 32; Gleneig, 22.

—A Good Lead.—

In the second bout Gleneig changed their ruck men, Oliver, Hillier, and Murdoch taking the places of Thompson, Hanley and Farrally. At the restart Gleneig attacked, and for a time the game centred round the West Adelaide goal. Through Elliott's effort principally, the ball was returned, and a long shot resulted in a major, kicked by Cooper. Manning immediately afterwards tried, but was unsuccessful. O'Keefe, however, managed to make a straight shot, and the fifth goal was registered for the Adelaideans. The red-and-blacks made another determined attack, and Macklin tried, but failed. A second shot by the same player, however, resulted in a major. Gleneig replied, and a fine placekick by Searle credited them with a third goal. Murdoch by good play sent forward, but the West's backmen returned, and the leather was forced along the eastern wing to the Gleneig citadel. Fine play followed on the western wing, and resulted in Murdoch kicking the fourth goal for the Bays. A quick return was made by West Adelaide, and Bayley secured a mark and obtained a major. Just as the bell rang for half-time Macklin kicked the eighth goal for West Adelaide. The position at half-time was:—West Adelaide, 86; Gleneig, 42.

—Westerners Forging Ahead.—

The third quarter opened with exciting play, in which Hanley and Gabriel were conspicuous. After the ball had alternated between both goals Peters was successful in scoring another major, and within a few minutes Bailey kicked the tenth goal and Cooper the eleventh for the red-and-blacks. Gleneig then secured a behind. The ball did not long remain in the West Adelaide quarters, and, being forwarded to the other end, attempts were made for goal, but without success. The seaside again rallied, and by good play worked the leather to the Wests' territory, and Searle had a quick shot for goal, but only a minor resulted. The quarter ended:—West Adelaide, 119; Gleneig, 44.

—A Decisive Win.—

At the start of the last quarter Gleneig rushed the ball to their rivals' citadel, and Hawkes obtained a major from a running shot. The red-and-blacks promptly responded—Macklin, a goal. Scrimmaging ensued on the eastern wing. Then Gabriel sent well forward. Haddrick, in goal, made a good attempt to save, but Cooper secured close in, and succeeded in shooting truly. Manning shortly afterwards repeated the performance. Again the Bays rallied, and, forcing the sphere down the centre of the ground, they added a major (Farrally). The red-and-blacks returned, and Macklin scored a goal, and Manning got still another. West Adelaide put forward full energy, and Macklin kicked two more goals in quick succession, and when, shortly afterwards, Stevens secured the eighteenth major for his side, the final bell rang and the board showed:—West Adelaide, 18.10; Gleneig, 6.5.

—Prominent Players.—

The goalkickers were:—West Adelaide.—N. Macklin (6), G. Cooper (3), F. Stevens (4), F. Bailey and R. Manning (2), and J. O'Keefe (1); Gleneig—D. W. Murdoch, E. H. Searle (2), H. Farrally, and L. Hawkes (1). Best players:—Winners—Peters, Brown, Cooper, Cossey, Gabriel, Huxtable, Dreyer, Macklin, and Scanlan; losers—Hanley, Farrally, Gates, Hillier, James, Murdoch, Oliver, Perry, and Searle.

—Gleneig's Defeat.—

The result of the match was very disappointing to many of Gleneig's supporters. The team, however, is an absolutely new one, and this was the first occasion on which the bulk of the players had taken part in an A-Grade match, or had ever played together. Over anxiety was one of the causes of defeat, and many of the players were palpably nervous at facing such a large crowd. Another factor was the well-grassed oval. The ground on which they have been practising is hard. A former West Adelaide player, now one of the leading footballers in the State, remarked on Saturday, "Gleneig have no need to be discouraged. When I was with the Wests we played, I believe, five seasons, without winning a match."

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Football.

STURT BEAT NORTH ADELAIDE.

North Adelaide (premiers 1920) and Sturt (5th on the list) provided the football attraction on the Adelaide Oval on the holiday, and the match was of such importance that the attendance swelled to 15,300, and the "gate" was £150. Once again the weather was a little too warm for the game when the match began, the sun being ardent. A cool light breeze blew from the south-east.

Sturt	3-1	3-2	7-4	8-6
North	4	2-7	5-7	7-9

For a first match it was a magnificent game. Best players:—Sturt—E. Beatty, Caldwell, Whitehead, Odgers, Mayman, Selles, Baker, Colquhoun, and Golding. North Adelaide—Davies, Currow, Fooks, Leahy, Fuss, Frost, Lewis, Hamilton, and Haines.

Goalkickers:—Sturt—Lyne (3), Smith (2), Sellick, Golding, and O. Beatty. North Adelaide—Davies and Currow (each 2), Haines, Frost, and Leahy.

The Pennant Presented.

During the half-time interval Mr. A. J. McLachlan (chairman of the league) presented to E. Leahy (captain of North Adelaide) the premiership pennant won in 1920. It was in chocolate and blue colors, with "North Adelaide, 1920," in white letters. The pennant was flown from the pavilion.

NORWOOD'S SPLENDID VICTORY.

Norwood gained a splendid victory over Port Adelaide at Norwood on Monday. The game, which was witnessed by as many people as the oval could comfortably accommodate, developed on interesting lines, and was spiced with exciting incidents.

Norwood	3-2	3-4	6-5	9-7
Port	2-3	2-7	5-9	5-11

Goalkickers:—Norwood—Close (3), Hart (3), Grantley, Weller, and Bryant. Port Adelaide—Allingham (2), Congear, Howie, and Keal.

Best players:—Norwood—B. A. and W. Scott, L. Bryant, S. White, H. Johns, C. Close, T. Hart, and A. B. C. Weller. Port Adelaide—C. Adams, H. Oliver, A. Congear, C. Dayman, S. Hoaking, M. Allingham, and E. Oatey.

WEST TORRENS VERSUS SOUTH ADELAIDE.

Ideal football weather greeted the opening of the League games at Hindmarsh Oval on Saturday afternoon. The number and enthusiasm of spectators who filled the pavilion reserve and mounds indicate a revival of last year's interest in the premier winter pastime. The ground was hard, but otherwise it was in good condition.

South	2-4	4-12	5-17	11-22
Torrens	1-4	4-7	8-11	11-11

Best players:—South Adelaide—D. Moriarty, Easton, Allen, Vickers, J. A. Daly, and Lucas. West Torrens—Davies, Gatten, Richmond, Sarney, Strungell, and Manning. Goalkickers:—South Adelaide—McKee (3), Kay (2), J. W. Daly (2). Setterberg, Lucas, and Vickers. West Torrens—Wyd (5), Marvel (2), Manning (2), Marsh, and O'Loughlin.

WEST ADELAIDE VERSUS GLENEIG.

The latest entrant to the League (Gleneig) tried conclusions with West Adelaide, who were at the bottom of the list last season. The engagement was on the Adelaide Oval, in the presence of a small attendance. J. Hanley, a former West Adelaide player, captained Gleneig and won the toss from V. Peters (captain of the red-and-blacks). There were several new faces in the West Adelaide team, and most of the Gleneig players engaged in their first senior contest. The gleneig and bl og uniform of Gleneig was picture us, but not so neat as the uniforms of some of the older clubs. West Adelaide have not improved their appearance by the introduction of vertical stripes instead of horizontal bands on their uniforms.

"The Bays" kicked first to the northern end, aided by a stiff breeze. For a while West Adelaide, by dint of better combination, forced the play against the wind, but, though they carried the ball to the kick-off line, and gave their opponents some anxious moments, the onslaught was repulsed before they scored. James was prominent in a smart counter-attack, and Gleneig transferred the ball in a moment to the other end, where Murdoch scored the first goal of the season. Gleneig attacked again without avail, and soon were hard on the defensive. They lacked combination, and West Adelaide marked over them and were quicker on the ball. West Adelaide scored two more goals quickly, Stevens being successful each time. Hanley was more than holding his own with Peters in the ruck, but otherwise Gleneig were nearly everywhere out-matched. Searle put on a goal for the new team, but the red and blacks spent most of the time attacking, but wasted opportunities by shooting poorly. The black and golds finished the quarter with a spirited attack, and Thompson had a shot, which added a point.

The scores then were:—
West Adelaide, 8 goals 2 behinds.
Gleneig, 2 goals 2 behinds.

West had the better of the argument in the first quarter. The wind should have been worth three goals to Gleneig in the term. The seaside started the second quarter well and worked the ball forward against the wind. They maintained the offensive for several minutes, but did not increase their tally before West went in for a succession of spirited forward movements. Cooper, O'Keefe, and Macklin kicked goals—the last named at the second attempt—before Gleneig were able to check them. The seaside have not yet learned the science of watching their men and keeping their places. They nevertheless carried out an attack at this juncture, combined and vigorous, and Searle sent a fine place kick through the major opening. Then for a space Gleneig held their opponents, despite the wind, and in a quick rally Murdoch meritoriously got a goal. They still have something to learn in the matter of shepherding, and in this respect West were too clever for them. Bailey and Macklin goaded again before the end of the term. The board then read:—

West Adelaide, 8 goals 6 behinds.
Gleneig, 4 goals 2 behinds.

The game had been strenuous and the play fairly fast and open, but not of a particularly high standard on either side. West's system was particularly effective in the third quarter, and though the Gleneig players strove with great determination, their efforts were offset by the

better cohesion of the other side. West Adelaide beat up time after time against the wind, and good kicking brought them three goals quickly, Stevens, Bailey, and Cooper scoring in succession. James (Gleneig's centre man), who had been playing a good game, was compelled to go forward, suffering from an injury to the right thigh. Gleneig attacked several times during the quarter, but scored only two points. At "lemons" the board indicated:—

West Adelaide, 11 goals 9 behinds.
Gleneig, 4 goals 4 behinds.

The issue had never been in doubt after the first quarter. Experience won through, and when West began the last quarter, aided by the wind, and with more than seven goals to the good, it was only a question of the number of points they could put into the scoring list in case there might be a question of percentage at the close of the minor round. Facing the breeze Gleneig attacked from the bounce, however, and carried the movement right home. Hawk got the goal. West promptly scored a six-pointer from the boot of Macklin, and then Gleneig took a turn. The genial sunshine had given place to cloudy conditions, and the wind became very cold. The attack of Gleneig lost momentum, and the tables were quickly turned. Manning scored for West, and then the seaside made another forward movement in which Farrally got full points with a nice kick. West, making full use of the wind, raced goalwards again, and Manning brought up two flags. Following this the game developed into a goal kicking exhibition by West Adelaide. Macklin, Manning, and Macklin (twice) again found the centre. Stevens put on another, and then Gleneig stopped the rot for a moment and scored a behind. Straightaway they were on the defensive once more, and the ball was among the West forwards when the bell stopped play. Final scores:—

West Adelaide, 18 goals 10 behinds.
Gleneig, 6 goals 5 behinds.

Gleneig have no reason to be discouraged by the severe defeat inflicted in their first match. They will have to buy their experience at the cost of many such defeats, but may take heart from the knowledge that they have much good material in their ranks. They had difficulty in keeping on their feet, and may possibly have had their sprigs too blunt for such hard ground, or made the mistake of going without sprigs. The bounce of the ball was strange to them, and was faster than they had been accustomed to, according to an old footballer. Frequently they overran the ball, and again made mistakes because of over-eagerness. When they become more used to senior conditions they will have more confidence in themselves. They must realize that no one expects them to go top straight away, and that success can only be won by perseverance. Later on they will learn the fine points of the game and will improve their combination, which, naturally, in a new town, is very crude. The best players were:—West Adelaide—Peters, Macklin, Cooper, Huxtable, Scanlan, Dwyer, Cossey, and Gabriel. Gleneig—Hanley, Gates, Murdoch, James, Farrally, Hillier, and Oliver.

Goalkickers:—West Adelaide—Macklin (6), Stevens (4), Cooper (3), Bailey and Manning (each 2), and O'Keefe. Gleneig—Murdoch and Searle (each 2), Hawkes, and Farrally.

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