1935 Round 11 Saturday 13th July Pratten Park

Western Suburbs 21

def.

North Sydney 6



Frank McMILLAN (c) Vince SHEEHAN Cliff PEARCE Alan BRADY Stan TANCRED Vic HEY Les MEAD Max GRAY Ron EATON Athol SMITH Alan BLAKE Gordon PUGH Vince CLEARY

Fullback Wing Centre Centre Wing Five-eighth Half Lock Second Row Second Row Front Row

Chris SCHIEMER **Bob IZZARD** Grantley BENNETT (c) Doug DEITZ Alf BIRTLES **Rex HARRISON Roy THOMPSON** A LYONS Ray GILLAM **Eric BENNETT Noel FERRIER** Hooker Fred NOLAN Front Row **BILL BREWER**

Vic HEY (2) Tries

Alan BRADY Les MEAD Vince SHEEHAN

Goals Les MEAD (2)

Vic HEY (1)

Roy THOMPSON (3)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: F McMillan (capt); three-quarters: S Tancred, A Brady, C Pearce, V Sheehan; halves: V Hey, L Mead; forwards: M Gray, A Smith, R Eaton, A Blake, G Pugh, V Cleary

North Sydney: Full-back: G Schiemer; three-guarters: R Izzard. G Bennett, D Deitz, A Birtles; halves: R Harrison, R Thompson; forwards: A Lyons, R Gillam, E Bennett, N Ferrier, F Nolan, J Brewer Referee: P Lee (Rugby League News 20th July 1935)

A big local following was present when the teams took the field. Vic. Hey was given a good reception. Norths kicked off and, favoured with a strong breeze, soon took the offensive. Sheehan was early prominent and brought play to near half way. From a scrum the ball went to Mead to Tancred who completely beat the defence and running to Schiemer passed to Sheehan, who ran in unopposed. Mead converted. Wests 5, Norths nil. Immediately following, Wests was penalised and Thompson landed a fine goal. Wests 5, Norths 2. Wests was penalised and Thompson found the uprights. Western Suburbs 5, North Sydney 4. Sharp hand-to-hand passing by Wests, in which backs and forwards participated, now marked the play. From a penalty in Norths'25, Mead's kick hit the uprights and bounced wide. Wests was attacking dangerously when the half-time whistle blew. Half-time scores:-Western Suburbs 5, North Sydney 4.

On resuming, Gillan dashed through with the ball at toe, but it went into touch. McMillan now made a grand run down-field, with Hey in support. From a scrum near Norths' goal-line Lyons picked up and kicked to the open wing, where Tancred secured, ran towards the corner, evaded Izzard, and in-passed to Brady, who scored an easy try. Mead missed the goal. Western Suburbs 8, Norths 4. ... Hey now roused the crowd. From a scrum near Norths' line Mead secured and passed to Hey, who with a characteristic dodging run evaded several tackles and scored amid cheers. Mead goaled. Wests 13, Norths 4. Wests continued to press. Hey again roused the crowd, and after a great run was grassed when close to the opposition's goal-line. Immediately after, Pugh heeled to Mead, who evaded Harrison's poor attempt to tackle, and went over for the easiest of tries. He missed with the kick, Wests 16, Norths 4. Shortly after, Hey brought the enthusiastic crowd to its feet with another great move. The ball travelled from Mead to Hey, to Brady, to Pearce, to Tancred, back to Hey, who completely rattled the opposition to score his second try, McMillan missed with the kick. Wests 19, Norths 4. Immediately following, Wests was penalised, and Thompson made no mistake with an easy kick. Wests 19, Norths 6. (The Sun 13th July 1935)

The large concourse of people who attended at Pratten Park with a view to witnessing Vic Hey's last appearance with Wests, were rewarded by a splendid exhibition of football from the popular five-eighth. Vic could have been forgiven if he had restrained himself to keep free from injury with such a generous financial contract awaiting him in Queensland, but nothing was further from his mind, as was shown by the manner in which he threw himself into attacking movements time after time. His final game with his old club will be long remembered, and his exit from the playing area on the shoulders of his team-mates, with the applause of both his own, and opposing, players, being freely accorded, was a fitting finale to such a deservedly popular player. (Rugby League News 20th July 1935)

Notes: Wests had their stars all back, except for Ridley, who had been injured playing for NSW. A big crowd was on hand for the last game for Vic Hey, who had been offered a big contract to play for Toowoomba in Queensland. He started the match on the wing to give the half combination practice but went back to five-eighth in the second half and scored two typical side-stepping tries. He was chaired from the field by team-mates, including Cliff Pearce in his come-back match.

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