

# TEAMS

## Bradford Northern

### Colours—

White Jerseys, Red, Amber  
and Black Hoops.

### Full-Back

1 CARMICHAEL

### Three-Quarters

2 CASE  
3 KITCHING  
4 BILLINGTON  
5 WALTERS

### Half-Backs

6 DAVIES  
7 WARD, D.

### Forwards

8 HIGSON  
9 DARLISON  
10 CORDING  
11 ROBERTS  
12 SMITH H.  
14 MUGGLESTONE

### Reserves—

Marklew, Dilorenzo.

Referee — Mr. L. GREENWOOD.

Woodhouse, Cornthwaite & Co. Ltd., 21, Morley Street, Bradford.

## Oldham

### Full-Back

1 GRIFFITHS W.

### Three-Quarters

2 JONES J.  
3 GUMMER G.  
4 HARRIS N.  
5 LARCE E.

### Half-Backs

6 KENNY V.  
7 REES D.

### Forwards

3 OGDEN H.  
9 FLANAGAN W.  
10 ROSTRON T.  
11 SHAW J. D.  
12 PUGH N.  
13 AYRES T.

### Reserves—

Sutcliffe C.  
Wood W.

Saturday, March 23rd, 46

OLDHAM.

## BRADFORD NORTHERN FOOTBALL CLUB, LIMITED

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Official Programme.

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### FIXTURES, Season 1945-46.

Aug. 25	Warrington (F)	Away	Lost	1946			
Sept. 1	Oldham	Away	Won	Jan. 1	Keighley	Home	Won
8	Wigan	Home	Lost	5	Castleford	Away	Won
15	Leeds	Away	Won	12	York	Home	Won
22	Castleford	Home	Won	19	Barrow	Away	Draw
Oct. 13	Liverpool S.	Away	Won	26	Wigan	Away	Draw
17	Hunslet			Feb. 2	Workington	Home	Won
	(Yorks. Cup)	Home	Won	9	R.L. Cup		Won
	(2nd Round).			16	R.L. Cup		Lost
20	Liverpool S.	Home	Won	23	Halifax	Away	Lost
27	Hunslet	Away	Lost	Mar. 2	Halifax	Home	
Nov. 3	Final Yorks. Cup		Won	9	Hull K.R.	Away	Won
10	Barrow	Home	Draw	16	Leeds	Home	Lost
17	Featherstone	Away	Draw	23	Oldham	Home	
24	Hull	Away	Lost	30	Workington	Away	
Dec. 1	Batley	Home	Won	Apr. 6	Keighley	Away	
8	Featherstone	Home	Won	13			
15	Hull	Home	Won	19	Wakefield T.	Away	
22	Huddersfield	Away	Won	20	Hull K. R.	Home	
25	Bramley	Home	Won	22	Wakefield T.	Home	
26	Bramley	Away		23	Huddersfield	Home	
29	Hunslet	Home	Won				

## ODSAL NEWS AND VIEWS.

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As Leeds were giving our lads a real lesson on how to play football on a bone-hard, frosty ground last Saturday, a well-meaning supporter who has had a lot of experience of Rugby football was heard to remark : " Fifty-four points to 3 at Leeds, and then to get beaten at home by 17 points to 6, it hardly is believable, but still it makes football interesting to watch.

That may be his point of view, and it may be right, but the play of Leeds did give Northern's supporters something to think about. Never have Leeds played to well, since pre-war days.

One cannot get over facts by making excuses. Northern did not, or could not, adapt themselves to the frozen ground as did the Leeds players, and although for the moment we might feel sore at losing to our neighbours, our congratulations to them on their fine display of football are none the less sincere.

It is safe to say that had it been possible for Leeds to have had this side available earlier in the season, they would have been in the fight for the top four positions. What a difference a few key men make to a team! The return of such men as Prosser, Owens (the best loose forward in the Rugby League to-day), Kelly at full back, and the introduction of Foreman and Cliff Carter, our old hooker, has revolutionised the play of the team, which can now be classed as one of the best in the League.

There will be plenty of people well able, and very willing, to criticise both the team and the management. Weak spots in the team are obvious, but knowing where a change is required and securing the proper player to fill the position, is quite another

matter. With which remarks all who have had the unthankful job of trying to spot talented players in the first place, and what is more important, getting them to sign on, will agree.

Players of the grade we require for Odsal, even in the embryo stage, are most difficult to secure at the present time, and experience teaches one that it would be most unwise to load ourselves up with a lot of mediocre players, hoping to find a swan developing from a brood of ducklings.

Our generous public may rest content that we are not, and do not intend to be content without having a team the equal of any in the land, as and when players of the right type are procurable.

The Cup games have developed much on the lines anticipated, and with Wakefield, Hunslet, Wigan and Widnes in the Semi-finals, two good games can be anticipated, but with the uncertainty of the departure date of the Australian touring side, and the consequent inability of certain players being available, it looks as if Wakefield and Hunslet are in the best position. Yet the glorious uncertainty of Cup-tie football may once again provide its usual surprise, and anything might happen.

The fight for the top four positions in the League, at least in so far as the third and fourth positions are concerned, is increasing in interest, and a lot will depend on the result of the matches played at Easter time.

Oldham, our visitors to-day, were like ourselves, one of the founder members of the League, and have in the past played an important part in its development. During the war period they have had more than their share of difficulty, but happily that period is now past and it is hoped that the efforts being made to regain former lustre will have the desired effect.