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SATURDAY. OCTOBER 21st, 1950

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**Watersheddings News and Views.**

On Saturday last our team at Keighley once again disappointed not only a large number of our supporters who made the journey but our own supporters at home to hear of the defeat. Although the defeat was a narrow one, the sting is in the defeat and the exhibition that our team put up, bad play. We know that they are capable of playing better football, glamour one week and despondency another week; a lack of consistency is now developing and this must be corrected, otherwise we see a slide down in the League Table. Our position in the League Table is not bad, being fifth club, but the programme ahead is a heavy one and many points cannot be let slip. We have a position to keep—which must be kept. To keep the enthusiasm at a high level we must win matches; there are matches which we shall lose, but to lose by bad handling and not taking the chances that are offered must be put down to bad play.

**Our Visitors.**

To-day we entertain Leigh and if we may judge by our meetings in the past at Watersheddings we are sure of an entertaining game to-day. The Leigh club have been very enterprising in the past few weeks with three signings of first-class players, and it is unfortunate that we shall only see one of the recent additions in action against our team to-day in the person of Joe Egan, hooker. The New Zealand outside half, Beatty, is playing his first game for his club against our "A" team at Leigh to-day. Their other signing, Trevor Allen, captain of the Australian Rugby Union team is due to depart from Sydney early November. It is interesting to record that we put out enquiries regarding Allen some considerable time ago, but Allen then decided to remain in Australia. Interest will also be taken in the appearance of Ledgard, a recent tourist and Test player, and our ex-player Norman Harris.

**New Penalty Law.**

To keep supporters well informed and up to date with the correct interpretation of the Laws of the Game, the following ruling has been given by the Northern Rugby Football League as an instruction to Referees.

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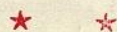
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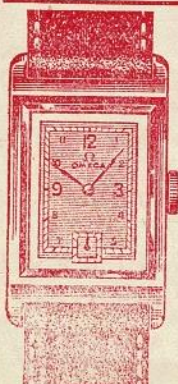
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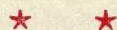
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6 HEYES, F. 7 SILVA, J.

8 OGDEN, H. 9 KEITH, J. 10 TOMLINSON, A.

11 DAY, B. 12 WINSLADE, C.

13 GOLDSWAIN, B. V. (Capt.)

Reserves:—BATTEN, LEYLAND.

Referee:

Mr. F. Smith, Barrow

Touch Judges:

Mr. S. Inman, Wigan (Red)  
Mr. A. Ford, Warrington (Blue)

Reserves:—BREARE R., TABERN W.

13 BURKE J. S.

12 HUGHES G.

11 PAWSEY C. H.

10 PUGSLEY Y. H.

9 EGAN J.

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v.  
HALIFAX

**D** HULL  
v.  
ROCHDALE

**B** WARRINGTON  
v.  
SALFORD

**E** WIDNES  
v.  
CASTLEFORD

**C** SWINTON  
v.  
KEIGHLEY

**F** DARLINGTON  
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### Billy Mitchell Benefit Fund.

This season a well earned benefit has been granted to that grand local player, Billy Mitchell, the match or nature of the match has yet to be arranged. To-day is one of the three collections that has been granted for the Benefit Fund and we appeal to all to give liberally to one who has rendered splendid service to the game and to this club. His career with the club commenced on the 2nd February, 1937, as an amateur and signed professional forms 28th September, 1937. He is the youngest player this club ever signed as a professional, and without doubt there have been no regrets. A consistent player, a most unassuming personality, and on the right side of 30 years of age, he will continue to give the service to the club which is always his endeavour. It is up to the public of this town and the Rugby League followers in general to give that little bit of appreciation by monetary reward to one who has, and is still giving his best as a sportsman to the Rugby League game, and the club which he plays for.

### Public Addressing System—Loud Speakers.

It is with regret that the system of loud speakers that we have in operation at the present time is causing confusion by the inaudibility put over. This is now to be remedied and we hope during the next few weeks we shall have a new unit installed that will be heard by all spectators in all parts of the ground.

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