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Watersheddings News and Views.

It was unfortunate that our home match against Liverpool Stanley on Saturday, 16th December, had to be postponed on account of the snowbound ground. We were not the only club that had to postpone a match; all the first grade Rugby League matches on the above date were off, so all clubs start level with one match behind. According to the rules of The Northern Rugby Football League the dates of all matches to be re-played should be made within twelve days. Up to the time of going to press no fixed date has been made for our match, but we hope to play same early April when we hope the weather will be a little more kind to us.

Rumour?

Dame Rumour has lifted its ugly head and shouted forth sensational news of "Trouble in the Camp at Watersheddings." Scribes in the press have enlarged upon it. It is an unwarranted attack upon the club, and especially its players. First, we must dispel these rumours. There is no trouble in the camp at Watersheddings. Does it imply that because one player asked for his transfer, another retired because of his wish for a transfer refused—two players out of a list of forty registered players—that the whole club is reeking with discontent? Great players have represented this club in the past, leaving memories that are pleasant to recall, and we have no hesitation in stating that the present playing personnel of this club is a happy family, comparable to anything in the past, and with any club in membership with the Rugby League.

Rumour is apt to undermine the constitution and team spirit. Rumours that are untrue—added to when passed from one person to another—become equal to sabotage on the club's players, who are playing the game.

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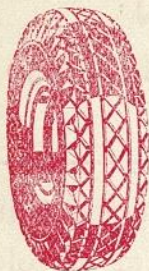
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Supporters' Club News.

On behalf of the officials and committee I wish to extend to all our supporters the
season's greetings.

Our membership is still not as we should like it, so will you join? Membership fee
1s. per year. Enquiries can be made at our canteens on match days.

The arrangements for our Wembley trip are progressing and we are hoping to have
a successful trip. Mr. J. Randall and Mr. J. Hollingworth have been entrusted with the
arrangements.

The running of coaches to away matches has had to be cancelled owing to the lack
of support. This has been a big disappointment to the Officials of the Club.

Our new Badges will shortly be on sale, so watch the programme for announcements.

Our Visitors.

To-day we are pleased to have our old friends from Swinton as visitors. Many are the
great games that have taken place on this ground between Swinton and our club. games
which our older members and supporters cherish and delight in talking about. This old
time fixture commenced in 1902-3, and with a few breaks—1907-8 Huddersfield, 1908 to
1912-13 Hull Kingston Rovers, and two other occasions since the last war—they have
appeared at Watersheddings thirty-two Christmas Days.

We trust that to-day's match will be in keeping with the good open play matches of the
past and further cement the good feeling that exists between the two clubs.

Injured players.

It is pleasing to record that John Sugden has been successfully operated upon for
cartilage trouble, and we have been able to get John home from the Nursing Home to have
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