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Saturday March 10th

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.



Referee: N. T. RAILTON

Touchjudges:

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M. CARMODY (Wigan)

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Notes

TWO POINTS MARGIN

Ground conditions last Saturday did not help to improve the game against Whitehaven, and as an entertainment left much to be desired. Criticism of the play under such circumstances would be unfair, but it is still apparent that the essential team enthusiasm has not been restored. The two league points gained are valuable and it is hoped will act as a stimulant to further success.

TODAY'S GAME

We welcome Oldham today and all enthusiasts will hope that the turf will have recovered somewhat so that whatever the result an entertaining game of football will be the order. Our visitors have not enjoyed a successful playing season, but made strenuous efforts to strengthen their side prior to the closing date of the Challenge Cup competition. Ted Ward and Goodfellow were notable acquisitions both on view today. Unfortunately we are weakened by the absence of Fred Higgins and Percy Davies, both injured last Saturday.

INJURIES

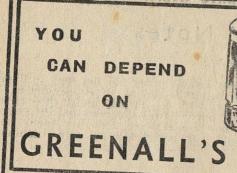
Percy Davies who had to retire with an injured shoulder during last Saturday's game will be fit again in a week or a fortnight's time. It is expected that the injury to Fred Higgins will speedily yield to treatment.

PROPOSED VISIT TO DONCASTER, MARCH 17th.

News was received yesterday that the proposed exhibition game at Doncaster has been changed to April 7th. As we are engaged in a league fixture on this date we will now be unable to participate.

HALF-TIME SCORES

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LEEDS	V.	HUDDERSFIELD
BARROW	v.	LEIGH
WORKINGTON	v.	HALIFAX
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THE GROUND-AN APPEAL

Apart from the adverse criticism on the playing performance of the side this season a further topic amongst enthusiasts has been the bad state of our playing pitch. Both assertions can not be denied. In the former case it can be said it is the first for over twenty years and we will certainly rise again. However, we are dealing with the playing pitch. The management of the club have definite views on the deterioration of the turf notwithstanding the abnormal rainfall experienced. Other grounds, if not as bad as ours, are also waterlogged. We had expert advice during the close season which has again been repeated, and in the near future we hope to receive a comprehensive report and details of the treatment, etc., required. We envisage a big job and a costly one, and so evidently do a few of our patrons. A few days ago it was suggested by stalwarts of the club that an appeal should launched for volunteers who would devote some of their leisure time during the close season in assisting, under supervision, with the work contemplated. The committee welcome the gesture and cordially invite supporters who have the welfare of the club at heart and can assist to forward their names and addresses to the Secretary, either to the Club House, or to 35 Alder Avenue, Widnes.

TODAY'S COLLECTION

The Lancashire Playing Fields Association Silver Jubilee Appeal Appeals Organiser: Mr. A. J. Salley

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor J. Ludden) will make his microphone appeal at half-time. We commend the appeal and trust there will be a liberal response.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Penny-on-the-Ball Winner

Saturday, March 3rd; Mr. Rylands, 3 Masefield Avenue. Widnes, Ticket No. A28887.

Trip to Wigan

On Saturday next, March 17th a coach will run to Wigan for the Third Round of the Rugby League Cup between Wigan and Huddersfield, leaving St. Paul's Road at 1-30 p.m. Fare 3s. 6d. Seats may be booked with Mr. Harris at Supporters' Club Headquarters, or at 130 Lowerhouse Lane.