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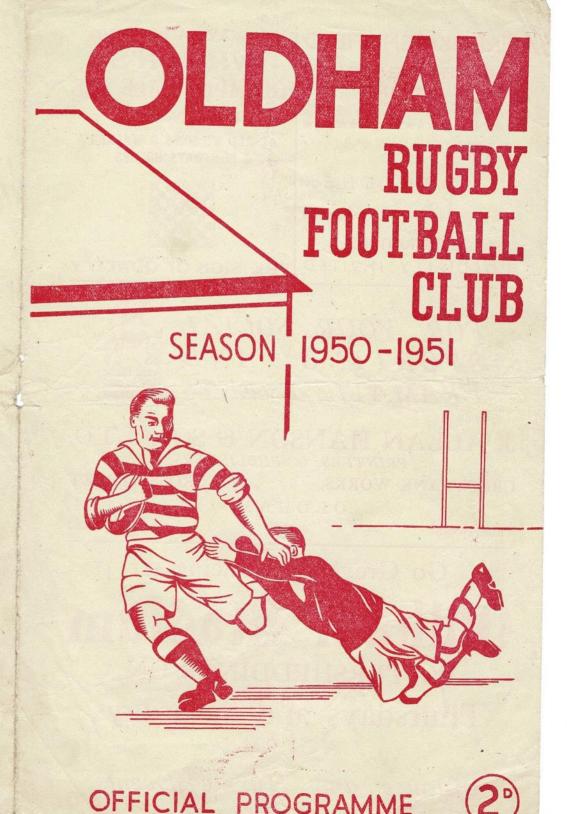
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Apply for further particulars and full details to The Secretary, The Rugby Football League, 180, Chapeltown Road, Leeds. 7.

Festival of Britain.

The Rugby League are holding a Festival of Britain Day at Headingley Ground, Leeds, on Saturday, May, 19th 1951, which will comprise a full day's programme commencing at 1 p.m.

The following events will take place:-

100 yards and 440 yards Races.

Goal kicking competition.

County Schools Rugby League Knock-out Competition:—Cumberland, Lancashire and Yorkshire.

There is also an Internation Test Game between England v Australia, kick-off approx. 3-45 p.m.

The following prices of admission will be charged for all day. Ground, 1/6; boys 9d. Stands extra.

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