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CLUB NOTES.

OLDHAM

The formation of the Oldham Club dates back 76 years from a R.U. beginning and despite varying fortunes, this Lancashire club has maintained its prominence in League and Cup games for half a century.

The 1924 Tourists saw amongst its players R. (Bob) Sloman, E. Knapman, Albert Brough (late Barrow R.F.C. Club) and Sid Rix. One can remember a 'Lions' Reunion at Belle Vue some three years ago seeing Bob Sloman, very debonair and prosperous, being "mine host" at a seaside hotel in the South. Sid Rix "of the Rex" as he is known by in Manchester, is the manager of a cinema in Salford, and was cabin mate to our Charlie Carr on the 1924 Tour.

Other old players of note were Joe Ferguson who signed in 1898-9 season, when Oldham won the Challenge Cup for the first time and repeated it again in 1925 and 1927. The 1930's saw such players as Rees, Rix, Stott, Downey wearing the red and white jersey with distinction. On the administrative side we record the Club's

late President, Mr. Joseph Platt, who became the Club's first secretary in 1895, to be later joined by Mr. Joseph Lewthwaite of Hunslet as their Hon. Treasurer. The next big man to be recalled is G. W. Holden, who represented the Club for many years on the Council. Finally, came Mr G. F. Hutchins, whose long connection with the game and offices held, would supply sufficient material for a "history" on its own. Mr. Hutchins was manager of the 1928 Australian Tour along with Mr Ted Osborne (Warrington). He again visited the Antipodes in 1932 with Bob Anderton (Warrington).

The present day players come from near and far, Ganley, full-back from Leigh; Warham from Warrington; Keith from Leeds; Day, Bridge End via Belle Vue and Warrington; Little from Kirkbride, and O'Grady, Mitchell, Platt and Ogden are all local boys.



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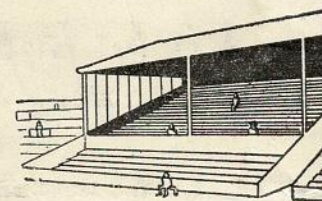
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