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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

On Saturday last we were one of the few clubs that managed to complete the first leg of Round One of the Challenge Cup. On arrival at the Liverpool City ground we found it covered with a thin layer of snow, but underneath, the ground was bone hard with one or two lumpy patches of hard turf. We immediately objected playing on such an area but the Liverpool officials stated that the ground was fit to play on, therefore the referee was the sole arbitrator on whether the match should be played or not, and after a full inspection he ruled that the match should be played, we therefore had to abide by the decision. We had journeyed with an ample supply of knee pads for our players, which they much appreciated. The game was played to a finish and we won the match by fifteen points to five. The display of our team was all that could be desired under the circumstances as it was very difficult to secure a foothold and the risk of injury was imminent with every tackle. Fortunately we got away with only the usual knocks that players receive. Feather and Davies secured very severe knocks on the knee cap through falling on the hard ground.

The register for players eligible for the cup-ties closed on February 1st and it must have been one of the quietest periods for transfer of players for the cup-ties in comparison to previous years. There is definitely a shortage of money amongst the major portion of the Clubs, and it is now becoming a fashion to put a player on the transfer list at a fixed figure with "consider player exchange." This barter system has now become common in the Rugby League. Transfer fees asked for players are much too high, there is still inflation in the market. Gate receipts of many Clubs are down, over-

head charges are on the increase, and Clubs with a credit balance can be counted on one hand. Precaution is a true friend to safety and many Clubs cannot go into the market or are wise enough not to go further into debt. Some Clubs take a gamble in the hope of recouping the money spent by having a good run in the cup-ties, it is the salvation of some Clubs hoping for playing success and to be drawn at home against an attractive Club. Having been drawn at home and away against Liverpool City we cannot see ourselves making any money out of this round. The gate receipts at Liverpool on Saturday last were £87. This is not the fault of Liverpool City, they are part and parcel of our game and must be treated as such. The one satisfaction that we do hope is, that we enter round two and have a money money "spinner" at Watersheddings.

CUP TIE

The first round of the Challenge Cup being played on the home and away system creates much controversy each season and with the usual surprise results. This is a knock-out competition with the luck of the draw thrown in. Some people argue and quite rightly so, that the two leg system should not operate. Take two results of last Saturday, Keighley beat Barrow at Keighley by the odd point and Batley won at Leeds with five points to spare, to all intents and purposes Barrow and Leeds are out of the cup, but they have another chance of reversing these results and may probably do so. Bradford Northern in past results have lost on the first leg system and recovered in the second and then gone through to the final. This has happened on two occasions.

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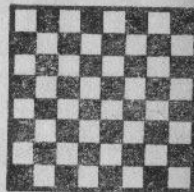
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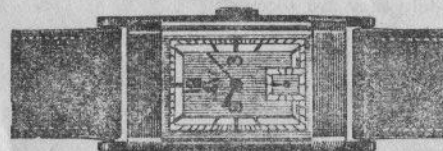
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INJURED PLAYERS

We still have our own casualty clearing station and not once this season have we reported a clean bill of health regarding our players. Our latest addition is Alan Jones (still in the Forces) who received a dislocated shoulder whilst training. W. Mitchell has still damaged knee ligaments also Sid Little has the same complaint, both are receiving professional treatment but a little time must elapse before we see them in action once again. A. Murray (head injury) and S. Piggott (knee injury) are still out of action and will be for some time.

THE JUNIOR MOVEMENT

Much activity is taking place in the Junior League movement in Lancashire by way of a big drive to increase interest in the Amateur Code. The Lancashire County Amateur Committee are spending

a great deal of time in their efforts to stimulate the Junior Movement. This is a step in the right direction. All officials connected with the Junior Movement are to be admired, what they do is a service to the GAME, their time is given without fee or reward, and it is up to all senior clubs to lend every possible assistance to any scheme that is constructive and for the advancement of the junior code, it is to their benefit. The Juniors are the life blood of our game, without them where would the senior Clubs be, the international of the future is a junior playing football somewhere today. The Lancashire County Amateur Committee will receive the support of this Club to the fullest extent in any scheme they bring forward that must ultimately benefit the GAME. Good luck to the Amateurs of the Rugby League.



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