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OLDHAM v. WHITEHAVEN**WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS**

Once again the Warrington team appeared to be our bogey and in our home match of Thursday last we had to be content with a drawn game. As a game it did not reach the spectacle that one should expect and we consider ourselves very unlucky in not winning the match. Much controversy has taken place as to the referee's decision in refusing the try which O'Grady is reported to have scored but did not count. In the first place the referee is in charge of the game and his decisions on the points of the laws of the game must be final. There is, however, a wide interpretation of the laws of the game. The incident which we refer too is when O'Grady is reputed to have knocked the ball forward and caught it again to ground the ball over the try line. The law states that a player shall not deliberately knock or throw the ball forward. If the ball after touching the hand or arm of a player drops to the ground in a forward direction or is propelled forward, a scrum shall be formed where the player last touched the ball providing the non-offending side gain no advantage. O'Grady last touched the ball over the try line which is called in-goal play. To complicate matters if the attacking side infringe in the opponents in-goal the ball is deemed to be dead and the game shall be restarted with a drop out from the 25 line by a defending player. The only comment we have on this decision is that we were blessed with bad luck and that the referee's decision and opinion of the incident must stand.

ROUGH PLAY

The wrong sort of publicity in now being given to our game upon the rough play of certain teams and it has been decided that representatives should watch certain teams in action as to their mode of play. Whatever are we coming to? In the first place rough play should be cut out round the board-room table and directors and committee's should insist upon their players playing the game, we admit that Rugby is not a parlour game, it is a game where hard knocks must be given and taken, but given and taken fair, our game has no room for squeallers. Unsportsmanlike behaviour there is in all sports and bad temper in the majority of games is due to the fierce speed of the game and the passionate feeling it arouses in the players. In this connection, the practice of marking the star footballer is a notorious blot on the game. But any sport that so easily degenerates into personal violence calls for a merciless code of punishment that will banish from the game those who cannot keep their tempers within reasonable limits. Even such civilised and

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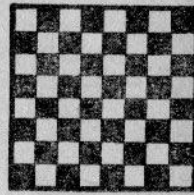
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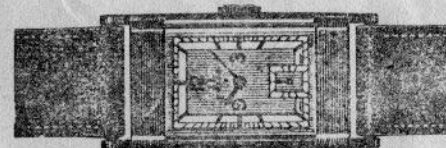
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DEPARTURE

Joe Warham has now left the Club having applied to be struck off our list of registered players and the Committee decided to grant his request. Joe has not played many games this season owing to a troublesome injured thigh muscle but he has now fully recovered. He intends to continue playing if he can get fixed up with a Club and to utilise his talents as a coach, for which he possesses a first class certificate.

He came to us from Swinton on transfer on January 28th, 1949, and has rendered the Club splendid service and we wish him well for the future.

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