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Looking back, the Saints have had a good pack each time they have reached the final of the Cup, but they have also had a Wagstaffe.

In 1897, the first final was played between the Saints and Batley, and David Traynor, the Saints captain and centre, was one of the outstanding players of the game and the king-pin of the side. In 1915 Tom Barton was the toughest, hardes working player in the Saints' team that met Hudden field. As strong as Don Gullick as fast as most players we have had, he was probably the nearest approach to all that a footballer should be.

Coming to more recent years George lewis was the perfect partner for Alf Ellaby when the Saints met Widnes in the 1930 final, but again a good Widnes pack led by Van Rooyen foiled the Saints.

In 1953 against Huddersfield and in 1956 against Halifax when the Saints first won the Cup, Duggie Greenall was at the peak of his form. And it his best Greenall was really great. His pass to his wingman was even better than George Lewis's, because it came floating out so unexpectedly, often from a ruck of players. Like Tom Barton he refused to accept defeat and like Dave Traynor he was fast as lightning through a gap that no one else could see.

So it looks as though a tip-top centre is to a first-class team. We could have had another example if only Jim Stott's best years had not come during the last war.

THE NEW LAWS

Under the new penalty kick laws, with the offending side able to stand on the mark, there will be less goals kicked. This is all quite simple the only point which both players and spectators need to realise is that their own side—as well as the other side when they stand on the mark—do stand, and not move about, and do not raise their hands above their heads.

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The other law concerns scrimmaging, in which the advintage rule cannot now be applied and is not so simple. The referee will now have to award penalties when either side offends. The penalty, of course, should go to the side that offends first but very often it is difficult to apportion the blame. Then the half-back will have to put the ball in again. This is where the referee must be watchful and the spectators try to be calm and to help the referee in his difficult task. But there will be more scrimmaging and there will be more penalties.

A TRIBUTE TO DUGGIE GREENALL

The Chairman, Mr. Harry Cook, is only expressing the sentiments of the rest of the Saints' Board when he says-"To-day Duggie is appearing in the familiar cherry and white hoops' at Wigan and we wish him every success at his new club. For fourteen years Duggie served our club with the best he could give. He was our best player and our best club-man. Latterly however we realised that he could not bear to play second fiddle to anyone at Knowsley Road -and, whilst not wanting to lose his services, we thought it would be kinder to let him have his wish to be in regular first team football.
"We are glad for him that with a team where

his skill and knowledge of the game will have a fair chance and where, we hope, he will be happy. The engraved watch which we presented to him on Thursday evening is only a small memento in recognition of his great courage, loyalty and devotion to St. Helens where he will always be welcome. His records, local, county and national, will always bring credit to his name and his town.'

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Come along and meet the Saints players at the Town Hall to-night. We are holding the first of the Supporters' Select Dances. Tickets are limited and there will be no admission after the interval on account of the great demand for tickets. George Darwin and his orchestra will play and tickets are

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