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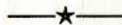
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13	ST. HELENS	.....	home
17	WARRINGTON	.....	away
20	LEEDS	.....	away
27	WIGAN, Lancs. Cup 1st Rd.	.....	away
30	LEIGH	.....	home
Sept. 3	FEATHERSTONE R.	.....	away
10	HALIFAX	.....	home
17	ST. HELENS	.....	away
20	FEATHERSTONE R.	.....	home
24	WORLD CUP	.....	
27	BLACKPOOL B.	.....	away
Oct. 1	WORLD CUP	.....	
8	WORLD CUP	.....	
15	HULL K. R.	.....	away
22	WIDNES	.....	home
29	ROCHDALE H.	.....	away
Nov. 5	LIVERPOOL C.	.....	home
12	KEIGHLEY	.....	away
19	SALFORD	.....	home
26	WHITEHAVEN	.....	away
Dec. 3	LEEDS	.....	home
10	WIGAN	.....	away

Date	CLUB	Grd.	F. A.
17	BLACKPOOL B.	.....	home
24	LEIGH	.....	away
26	SWINTON	.....	home
31	BARROW	.....	away
1961			
Jan. 2	WORKINGTON	.....	away
7	HALIFAX	.....	away
14	WARRINGTON	.....	home
21	LIVERPOOL CITY	.....	away
28	WIGAN	.....	home
Feb. 4	BARROW	.....	home
11	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP 1st RD.	.....	
18	HULL K. R.	.....	home
25	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP 2nd RD.	.....	
Mar. 4	SALFORD	.....	away
11	WIDNES	.....	away
18	WORKINGTON TOWN	.....	home
25		.....	
31	SWINTON	.....	away
Apr. 1	WHITEHAVEN	.....	home
3	ROCHDALE H.	.....	home
8		.....	
15	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP SEMI-FINAL	.....	
22		.....	
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**WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS**

We look back to our match against Blackpool on Tuesday last with mixed feelings, although the match was won by 23 points to 5 points it was a match best forgotten as regards the form of our team and the last minute dismissal from the field of our centre, Johnny Noon, under circumstances we do not want to enter into any controversy at present. There is no doubt that our team had an off day, one of those days which comes to all teams. Without doubt the Blackpool team are no shake over and are opponents to be respected especially on their own ground. The biggest defeat they have had this season was at the hands of Warrington by 28 points to 2 points. Progress at Blackpool is slow but sure and we must congratulate the directors in their efforts, which appear to be bearing fruit, in a removal from the present ground to a site in the town centre, Rigby Road, near to Bloomfield Road. This would be a step in the right direction and we wish them every success in this new scheme.

The first four positions in the League are still unsolved with the exception of the leaders, Leeds, who will now appear in the No. 1 position. The other three positions are still open to about five clubs including ourselves and we are still hanging on by a mere thread. For us to finish in one of the coveted positions we must win all our three remaining matches (Warrington at home, Halifax away, and Keighley home) and depend on other clubs interested in the first four losing matches. A poor consolation relying upon others in misfortune.

We have lost three matches at home during the season in Leigh, Swinton and Wigan, all who have completed the double. Clubs cannot afford to lose its home matches and appear amongst the leaders.

However, we are hoping for the best and a little luck may come our way so late in the season.

Shaun Quinlan has now left hospital after an operation for cartilage trouble and reports twice per week for treatment.

Terry Ogden is still hobbling about on crutches with a broken leg and progress is good but slow.

## OUR VISITORS

This evening it is a pleasure to entertain the Warrington Club who are always welcome visitors to Watersheddings.

Like ourselves the Warrington Club are still fighting for one of the premier positions in the League so this evening we can expect a game worthy to remember. The composition of the visiting team requires no introduction as they are all players who have made their mark in Rugby League.

We cannot let this occasion pass without a little word of congratulation to Ces Mountford, the Warrington Manager, who returns to his native New Zealand in May after a career in this country in Rugby League, both as player and manager. Ces has been a credit to the game. A little gentleman both on the field and off we wish him all that is well upon his return to New Zealand along with his family.

## CLUB CHAT

Now that the season is ending much work remains to be done to the amenities of our ground and playing areas. Seeding and cultivation of three playing areas will be carried out in the close season and we hope to have the completion of the new car park adjacent to Knucketts Farm which is immediately behind our Pavilion. This new car park will, we hope, accommodate 600 cars which will release the congestion and annoyance to householders by parking cars in streets around our ground.

We hope also to have a licensed bar on the Pavilion side of the ground for non-members, and application will be made to the appropriate authority as early as possible for this work and licence to be carried out. In this new pavilion which will be erected behind 'B' stand, that is at the Park end of our ground. We hope to cater for all sections for refreshments and added toilets.

Our Pools Organisation are still keeping up their steady income for club funds and players which we hope to sign and are a wonderful asset to the parent body. We now have two Pools running but we still desire to have more agents to increase the revenue. We hope that our agents will keep the interest going when the football season ends.

Any information regarding the Pools Organisation should be made to the Promoters, whose office is situated at No. 2 Clegg Street and the telephone No. MAIn 2927. The promoters will be pleased to supply any information regarding joining.

## HIGHLIGHTS ABOUT THE "OLD FOES"

writes Cyril Briggs

Without a doubt, Oldham have many old scores to wipe out this afternoon against Warrington. One remembers that Lancashire Challenge Cup final of 1927 when Warrington beat the Oldhamers by 7 points to five at the Cliff, Broughton.

Warrington were not expected to win that match, in fact had Reg Farrar kicked a goal from a position in front of the posts, the Wires may not have survived because they had played in the whole of the 2nd half with a man short. Collins, one of their three quarters was injured.

Two other cup match victories for Warrington stand out in the memory. It was in 1954 when Oldham seemed to have the match sealed, when a pass from Roland Barrow went into Brian Bevan's hands and the Australian made a spectacular run to the post leaving the goal kick a mere formality. It was hard luck for Oldham on that occasion as they were attacking hard and seemed to have the match in the bag.

## FATEFUL DECISION

It seems as if fate was against Roland Barrow for in the Rugby League Championship match at Main Road, Manchester in 1955 the Oldham centre-three quarter who was then appearing on the wing, had a try disallowed which would have made all the difference to the result.

Yes, Warrington have always been keen rivals of the Oldham team and although quite a number of matches have gone Oldham's way in the past few seasons, it cannot be denied that Warrington are among the greatest cup fighters in the league.

Since the war Warrington have won everything—the Rugby League Challenge Cup on two occasions, the Northern League Championship 3 times the Lancashire Challenge cup once, besides holding the Lancashire League title on numerous occasions.

But there has been a slip in the past few seasons and the team has not been up to the standard of the Bath, Derbyshire, Palin and Pimblett era.

However, there has been a marked improvement this season and Warrington have already beaten Oldham, Hunslet, Wakefield, Wigan etc. For a short time they headed the league and it is on the cards that they will be among the leaders at the end of the present term.

## G.B. LEADER—E. FRASER

In their ranks today are such famous players as Eric Fraser, Nat Silcock, Jim Challinor and Bobby Greenough. Fraser captained the Gt. Britain team in the recent game at Bordeaux when the team won with something to spare.

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He is also a World Cup player and a Tourist. Fraser is Warrington's captain and at one time it looked as if he would take up the soccer code. He had trials at Old Trafford but apparently did not impress Matt Busby.

But Fraser seems to have made his great mark in the R.L. game judging from his personal feats.

Nat Silcock is the son of a former Tourist. Nat senior played for Widnes. Nat junior also made the trip to Australia and New Zealand. Nat junior, has played for Wigan and St. Helens. He has proved to be a good investment for the Wires.

Jim Challinor is one of the local lads in the team together with Harry Major, Laurie Gilfedder and Alisiter Brindle. Challinor is another Tourist and was amongst the World Cup Series personnel.

The other centre in the team is Joe Pickevance who hails from St. Helens, a town which has provided the Warrington club with so many players in the past.

He is an ex Rugby Union star. On the left wing is Terry O'Grady, who is well known to you all at Watersheddings. Terry, another Tourist, has also been a fine investment for Warrington for whom he has scored many tries.

Terry has been unfortunate of late because he missed the game against Wigan and also the one with St. Helens last Saturday, through an ankle injury. He has been an automatic choice for the left wing role since he went to Wilderspool from Wigan.

World Cup player Bobbie Greenough has already scored 23 tries this season. He holds two records at Warrington having scored more tries than any other stand off half or scrum half who has played in Warrington's colours.

His partners Jackie Edwards who will be remembered by many of the Oldham section for that delightful try he registered here a couple of seasons ago.

#### **SIGNED ON GOLDEN MILE**

Edwards is a Wiganer who signed for Warrington on his 16th birthday for £1,000. He was signed by manager Mr. C. R. Mountford on Blackpool's Golden Mile.

In the pack besides Silcock are Bill Harper, Alisiter Brindle, Laurie Gilfedder, Jack Arkwright and Harry Major. Harper who also comes from St. Helens is deputising for Martin Dickens who broke a leg against Leigh quite recently.

Brindle is certainly an up and coming prop while Gilfedder is a good goal kicker, has also played in representative matches. Jack Arkwright was Wigan Athletic's goal keeper before he decided to switch to R.L. His father is the ex Warrington and St. Helens international who also played in the second row of the pack and was captain of the Warrington team before the war.

Harry Major is at present serving in the R.A.F. It is likely that he will appear in representative in Air Force R.U. matches before he finishes his service in March. His brother Bill Major, the Widnes loose forward who is out of action at the moment with a broken thumb.

#### **GOING HOME**

The team is managed by Ces Mountford the former star Wigan stand off half back. Mr. Mountford has been at Warrington for 10 years and he is expected to leave in May for New Zealand, his home country. Whether he will return to Warrington or even to this country to resume Rugby League activities, remains to be seen.

There you have the set up of the Warrington team which like Widnes plays almost on the border line of Cheshire. It is realised by Warrington that no more championship points must be passed up—two home games have been lost in succession—if the team is going to stave off competition from other "first four" candidates.

Yes, it should be quite a game this afternoon and we all hope that the best traditions of Rugby League football will be maintained.

#### **DAVID GODDARD**

David Goddard is still a resident at the Promenade Hospital, Southport but has been granted leave for the last two week-ends to come home, a welcome change no doubt. David still has that 100% spirit and meets his disability, which surprises all who contact him.

The date for the David Goddard Testimonial match which was originally fixed for 24th April (Monday) has now been put in abeyance owing to Clubs with the players we require to take part are reluctant to release them owing to commitments of first four positions in the League.

We hope to have the game played between the Wembley Cup Final and the League Final and the teams constituted from players not in the League Championship final. Further announcements will be made regarding the final arrangements.

### LIST OF FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES AND SCORERS

(League and Cup Matches only—including Law Cup)

Player	A.	T.	G.	Player	A.	T.	G.
Southward	18	14		Kellett	33	15	1
Noon	33	22	19	Mumberson	5	1	
Davies	29	4		Winslade	32	1	
Quinlan	6	3		Goddard D.	4		
Nestor	14	5		Parker T.	6	1	
Pitchford	21	6		Sims	7	1	14
Payne	35	2		Goddard P.	18	3	
McIntyre	20	5		Patterson	21	14	
Dufty	33	6		Hatherall	4		
Warburton	5	1		Lerd	12	7	
Robinson	31	6		Parker D.	20	5	
Ganley	24		89	Holden K.	15	8	
Gray	2			Jones	1		
Pycroft	10	1		Rae	5	1	
Parker P.	1			Jackson	1		

### LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and including Saturday last)

	Barrow	Blackpool	Hallifax	Leigh	Liverpool	OLDHAM	Rochdale	Salford	St. Helens	Swinton	Warrington	Whitehaven	Widnes	Wigan	Workington
Barrow	...	3-3	14-12	2-15	13-13	11-2	15-3	15-0	15-29		2-5	2-13	17-9		5-26
Blackpool	11-2	...	8-8	10-7	14-5	10-11	17-5	7-15	13-24	4-8	2-8	2-15	10-13	12-24	5-20
Hallifax	32-0	22-12	...		18-0		15-5		12-10	4-9	8-4	17-7	15-5	17-10	22-12
Leigh		16-5	15-9	...		28-5	13-4		13-28	2-13	2-8	6-4	19-7	7-25	18-3
Liverpool	9-14	12-19	9-31	2-10	...	10-28	4-11	22-26	2-52	5-44	3-30		7-16		8-25
OLDHAM	10-3	23-5	17-15	9-12	49-12	...	23-8	37-0	16-4	4-6		31-7	25-5	5-15	23-13
Rochdale			13-20	2-37		14-29	...		5-38	4-45	0-27	15-0	9-2		4-17
Salford	9-0	5-12	11-17	4-17		7-26	20-9	...	5-17	5-24	13-13		18-9	5-32	20-8
St. Helens				10-4	17-9	26-12	51-4	45-2	...	3-10	7-8	18-8	44-7	11-6	47-2
Swinton	33-9		15-5	6-10	47-3	12-2	43-0	13-5		...	22-11	36-13	21-5	10-12	30-0
Warrington	33-3	28-2		3-4	38-5	25-9	25-0	48-4	5-8	9-25	...	45-7	23-12	17-0	42-9
Whitehaven	20-5	12-13	20-7		15-0	2-16	19-4	13-0	11-15	8-8	2-31	...	22-9	14-2	16-3
Widnes	26-13		10-5	4-19	23-0	6-38	28-14	30-9		7-12	10-14	17-6	...	5-3	2-5
Wigan	44-0	16-11	19-12	15-17	20-7	15-8	14-5	47-6	12-2	4-16	5-10		24-5	...	
Workington	11-8	8-17	22-7	11-2	36-5	2-17		21-0	12-11	18-3		36-2	11-8	10-11	...

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