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	v. NEW ZEALAND	Home	
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23	HUNSLET	Away	
30	BARROW	Home	
Oct. 7	WORKINGTON T.	Home	
14	YORK	Away	
21	WARRINGTON	Home	
Nov. 4	WHITEHAVEN	Away	
11	HUDDERSFIELD	Away	
18	HULL	Home	
25	SALFORD	Away	
Dec. 2	WHITEHAVEN	Home	
9	WORKINGTON T.	Away	
16	ST. HELENS	Away	
23	SALFORD	Home	

Date	CLUB	Grd.	F. A.
25	SWINTON	Home	
30	WIDNES	Home	
Jan. 1			
6	WARRINGTON	Away	
13	WIGAN	Away	
20	WIGAN	Home	
27	ROCHDALE H.	Away	
Feb. 3	LIVERPOOL CITY	Away	
10			
17	LEIGH	Home	
24	WIDNES	Away	
Mar. 3			
10	LEIGH	Away	
17	ST. HELENS	Home	
24	HULL	Away	
31	LIVERPOOL CITY	Home	
Apr. 7	HUNSLET	Home	
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20	SWINTON	Away	
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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

After our run-a-way victory by 40 points against Barrow on Saturday last we took on a big task on Monday of tackling the mighty St. Helens team at St. Helens in the second round of the Lancashire Cup and we received our exit from the competition by 30 points to 7 points. To be quite honest we were beaten by a better team, but not by the representation of the score, far from it. The first 20 minutes saw our team penning St. Helens in their own twenty-five but score tries we could not, the man in possession was holding on too long or a pass going astray, we did not take advantage of the opportunities that came our way. The run of the ball did not appear to run our way, quite the opposite with St. Helens, who had plenty of lucky breaks with the ball. We are not squealling at the defeat, for a team that does not take its chances must run into trouble. Every man on our side tried his best but it was not our day.

OUR VISITORS

Today we have the pleasure in receiving visitors from Workington, the only unbeaten team in the League Competition, having played 8 matches and winning the lot, scoring 165 points against 43 points, a very good record.

Our team will have to pull that little extra out today against opponents that are full of confidence and possess ability from front to back.

Many well known names are in the team, the foremost will we hope be our old player (for only a limited period), Ike Southward, and we will see how he has progressed since returning to his old team. Edgar, the forward is of test match class and an excellent man to have in the pack. Lowton, the full back is a players who can occupy many positions in the backs and is a very good goal kicker, O'Neill in the centre is a potential international, so you will see that we are up against one of the best teams in the competition as far as results go this season.

However we hope for a good game and we hope for victory as a little compensation for our Lancashire Cup defeat on Monday last.

COMMONWEALTH TOURS

Much controversy is taking place regarding the proposed Australian tour of the Rugby League which takes place at the end of the present season. The difficulty appears to be in sharing of the gate receipts which in the past has been 65% to visitors and 35% to the home team. This has worked very well indeed on past visits to Australia, we have always returned with handsome profits, and in which the players who were in the touring party shared one third of the profits.

The Australians now desire the tours to be on a fifty fifty basis. It is a position which demands very careful consideration from both sides. The English Rugby League can ill afford to turn down any profit. Past tours to Australia and New Zealand have shown considerable profits and the original tours put the Rugby League on its feet as regards its financial position, without the tours the Rugby League in this country would not have survived financially.

To consider cutting the tour will be a regrettable step and the playing of what they call in Australia of up country matches would be a step in the wrong direction. For the up country matches in Australia it is a red letter day for the visit of the Englishmen and although the attendances are small, people travel hundreds of miles to watch the match, coming in all sorts of covered waggons and on horseback. To travel 12,000 miles one way and to play a matter of ten matches is the wrong sort of publicity. Of course in New South Wales and Queensland the Rugby League is a national game and the interest given to our game is tremendous. What a calamity it would be for the tours to cease, some hard thinking will have to be done and commonsense used on both sides.

Whilst attendances of sporting events in this country are on the wane we can understand the Australians wanting a greater portion than at present owing to the greater attendances in their country. Money talks all languages, but there comes a limit to greed when it comes first, the game is the thing that matters. We hope that a satisfactory solution can be obtained for the tours to continue, as our game is too confined and requires extending and not diminishing.

BRIEFS

Geoff Sims, our up and coming full back is entering holy matrimony in leading Miss Hatherall to the altar, hence his absence from the team. Miss Hatherall is, by the way, sister to Brian Hatherall our deputy scrum half who is best man at the wedding. We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Sims much happiness.

THAT TOUR — QUESTION OF £. s. d.

Australian and Great Britain Rugby League officials appear to be at a variance, and it is the old, old story—the argument is about £. s. d. The Great Britain tour to Australasia at the end of this season looks like being cancelled unless there is some change of opinion on both sides.

(writes CYRIL BRIGGS)

The trouble arose when the Aussies wanted an equal share of the gates, but Great Britain R.L. Councillors say that a 65 per cent cut is necessary to cover the overheads which are really exceptional these days.

The R.L. have now made another suggestion—one of a shorter Tour. This would mean the elimination from the itinerary of those games which are classed as "propaganda" fixtures, because they are played in far away places and because of the size of the towns, the gates are small.

It would mean if there was a shorter tour, less players in the visiting party, and I should imagine that there would be some bitter thoughts by club officials, and supporters if certain favourites were left out. This is one point which the R.L. international committee must consider. Every time a Tour party is selected, there are many heart-burnings, but if the number of players was reduced by even three or four, then there could be a wave of protest from clubs and fans.

LOST PRESTIGE

Even when some of the selected players have dropped out through business reasons, their deputies have been under the critical tongues of supporters. But the chief argument from the unbiased fan, is that much prestige would be lost in both countries and also for the game, if the tour was dropped.

I don't think that the players in the last two or three tours have done at all badly out of the trips. The cash has been welcome and their wives and families have been cared for in the manner of allowances. It is a trip which is full of interest and the members of the party are royally entertained wherever they go.

I realise that the money from the Australasian trip, especially that dealing with Australia alone, has been of vital importance to the financial position of the game in this land of ours, but why is it that the Aussies have suddenly become parsimonious?

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Reports reaching me weekly show that there is real money in the R.L. "Down Under" these days. You would not have seen their stars returning home if it had not been so. The men who came over here to accept lucrative contracts could have stayed and taken up jobs which were offered them, but they preferred to return to Australia where there was big money to be gained, even as coaches.

ONE ARMED BANDITS

We all know by now that the laws of this land and those in Australia are different in many ways especially regarding lotteries and wagering. The "one armed bandits" are numerous in Australian clubs, and there seems to be no restriction over there about how they are operated.

The R.L. clubs in Australia have never been so sound so far as their financial positions are concerned. I have it on good authority that one junior league made very many thousands of pounds last season through these slot machines.

Now I have a cutting before me about the recent Testimonial effort for Keith Holman who has toured this country. Holman, it is stated in the newspaper, got only £1,000, and it was hoped that the figure would have been much higher.

But it is also claimed that Brian Bevan's expenses were over £1,500. Bevan was flown out to Sydney together with his wife and family, and naturally the air trip would cost a great deal of the amount quoted. Then hotel and other bills, plus Bevan's fee had to be taken into account. He could not be expected to leave his job in England and not be recompensed for loss of wages.

Well, if this kind of money can be expended on Bevan going out for a seven-a-side tournament, in which he played a few games, then one wonders what the Aussies are cribbing about when it comes to a full side with deputies, being flown over.

Let us hope that the tour proceeds whether it is a shortened one or whether there are reduced pickings for either country. The man who will suffer in the long run is that chap who has been loyal to the cause for years—the long-suffering fellow who pays regularly to see the game of his choice.

TEAM SHEETS

We offer our regret to all those who take our weekly team sheets, unfortunately this last two weeks there has been no issue owing to late selection of the team caused through injuries to certain players. We hope, however, to resume issue next week, if the injury problem is reduced.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of our club unfortunately shows a reduction this year from the previous one, as follows :-

	1960	1961
Enclosure Seats	720	643
"E" Stand	463	398
Pavilion Side	432	277
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Ground	224	158
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OLDHAM SCHOOLS' RUGBY LEAGUE

Before the match today there will be a curtain raiser between the Oldham Schoolboys' Team and the Cumberland County Schoolboys' Team. Last season we played the Cumberland team on the Workington Ground and won by 16 pts. to 5 pts. Three of the boys from that victorious team are in the side today.

On Saturday last we played St. Helens Schoolboys in a Friendly match and were defeated by 6pts. to 2 pts., but win or lose these games are always thoroughly enjoyed by the spectators, who invariably see a fine hard fought game with both teams giving of their best.

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(Up to and including 2nd October, 1961)

Palyer	App.	T.	G.	Palyer	App.	T.	G.
Noon	9	11	8	Morgan	1		
Sims	10	2	38	Parker T	1		
Patterson	7	1		Robinson	8	2	
Holden	7	4		Nestor	7	2	
Davies	3			Bird	7	6	
Kenny	4	2	3	Smethurst	1		
Kellett	11	6					
Pitchford	11	7					
Payne	11						
McIntyre	11	2					
Winslade	9						
Dufty	9	2					
Rae	6	1					
Parker, D.	10	1					

LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and including Saturday last)

	Barrow	Blackpool	Huddersfield	Leigh	Liverpool	OLDHAM	Rochdale	Salford	St. Helens	Swinton	Warrington	Whitehaven	Widnes	Wigan	Workington
Barrow	...					11-5			2-34						8-12
Blackpool		...	2-23			5-20								8-33	5-22
Huddersfield			...												
Leigh				...											
Liverpool				5-9	...				11-22						
OLDHAM	40-0					...	53-9								
Rochdale			0-10				...		2-14						4-14
Salford								...	7-24						
St. Helens									...	44-0					
Swinton									15-6	...					
Warrington								32-11			...	25-4	15-10		
Whitehaven					5-5					0-24		...			
Widnes													...		
Wigan		31-5		25-6	45-0				6-13					...	
Workington		25-5								11-2					...

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