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### The League Table — Division 2.

Oldham	8	7	1	-	199	60	15
Leigh	8	7	1	-	191	58	15
Barrow	8	7	-	1	166	96	14

The above table tells its own story. Already Oldham and Leigh are being widely tipped for promotion, with Barrow as their strongest challengers. Certainly the matches between the three must be viewed with special significance. An interesting point here, is that the last two matches on our programme are with Leigh, home and away. These two games might well have a bearing on the final placings. However, there is a long way to go to next April. Meanwhile our recent great performance at St. Helens, again showed that against good opposition we can make a creditable impression. Against Liverpool it was the old story of the too close marking, both at scrum and play-the-ball permitting the home team to throw our attack out of gear.

### "A" Team.—

In their last match, that is against St. Helens, our "A" team won handsomely and provided a most entertaining game, worthy of much better support. Quite a number of these youngsters demonstrated that they will give a good account of themselves when called upon to take their place among the seniors. It was particularly pleasing to note the return to condition of Tom Smales and Michael Sanderson after their recent troublesome injuries.

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### Visiting Personalities —

At the beginning of the season Oldham obtained Frank Tyson, the Huddersfield International back, as player coach, and goal-kicker, and this has proved a highly successful venture. Simms, on the wing, signed from Rochdale, he deputised for Burgess in the Lancashire team against Australia. Snethhurst, late of Swinton, is a powerhouse centre. Pyecroft, while with Leeds had a big reputation at scrum half, and now that Pitchford has been transferred to Wigan, he is demonstrating how well earned that reputation was. Our former hooker, Len McIntyre, continues to hold his own with the best, and still keeps his name on the try scoring list. Robinson, the prop, is a Cumbrian. Major, brother of the St. Helen's loose forward was signed from Warrington. Dave Parker, the Barrowian, has now obviously recovered from last season's serious injury, and is reproducing his best form.

### First-Team Appearances—

Dawes 10, Woolveridge 10, Black 10, Redhead 10, Duffy 10, Challinor 9, Wear 9, Kelland 8, Matthews 8, Wookey 7, D. Wilson 8, Dacie 7, Little 6, Tomlinson 6, Burgess 4, Graham 3, Murray 3, Irvine 1, Sanderson 1.

Scorers— Representative Games - Burgess 1 try.

Club Games — Goals - Dawes 29.

Trials - Burgess 9, Wear 9, Woolveridge 6, Challinor 5, Wookey 3, Matthews 3, Tomlinson 3, Duffy 2, Dacie 2, Dawes 1, Little 1, Wilson 1.

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### Injuries—

Up to now we have surely been severely handicapped by having so many unfit players. Tom Dawes underwent a root operation in the close season. He still suffers considerable pain and has been told he will do so for some time yet. At wing-three quarter, we have been badly hit. Jack Allen, a regular for last season, had a bad leg fracture in a motor accident in the summer and there is no early prospect of his resuming. Michael Murray has only recently recovered from a badly pulled muscle. W. Burgess has only played in four league games, because of personal illness and latterly fractured bones in his hand. At centre, John Rae has not recovered from a leg injury and his football future appears uncertain. And now that promising recruit, Bob Wear, will miss several games because of shoulder trouble. We thought we had the loose-forward position particularly well covered, but Frank Griffin's knee is still inconveniencing him. Tom Smales is only now fit again from ankle sprain, and Bob Cogan has had some infection of his elbow. In addition, Mike Sanderson has had only one 1st team game this season because of a badly sprained ankle.

### Regional Matches —

So far this season each club has only played one game in the Eastern and Western Divisions. The results undoubtedly showed up Division 2 teams in favourable light. Rochdale went to Wigan and won well. Bramley beat Featherstone. Whitehaven drew at Workington. We were decidedly unlucky, to put it mildly, to be narrowly beaten at St. Helens, after being a man short for practically half the game, and finally, Salford gave Warrington a real fright and only just succumbed late in the game. Not bad for the "poor relations."

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- 1-Dawes
- 2-Burgess
- 3-Challinor
- 4-Wooley
- 5-Woolridge

- 6-Matthews
- 7-Black

- 8-Kelland
- 9-Redhead
- 10-Ducle
- 11-Duffy
- 12-Wilson D.
- 13-Smales

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- 11-Robinson
- 12-Major
- 13-Parker

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Barrow have no under 17 league, but many lads of that age play under 19, and from these a team is to be selected. They are drawn to play Wigan, and the winners will meet Leigh or St. Helens at Craven Park on 17th November and this match will of course be televised.

In addition, on a Sunday in March, the amateur International between England and France will also be shown on A.B.C. T.V.

### Liverpool City—

A puzzle to the R. L. — How do Liverpool carry on? Again on Saturday on a fine afternoon, they had a few hundred spectators. The answer lies in extraneous efforts coupled with a good deal of voluntary labour in the working of the club. They have a fairly successful pool while their supporters' Club is a real live body. They do very well out of bingo sessions. They run a Social Club away from the ground, and a bar on the ground, and at both these places they have very profitable one-armed bandits, and they also arrange other functions.

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### A Bed-Time Story —

Club Captain on meeting expensively acquired new player: "You won't be any good to us." Player: "Why?" Captain: "Why?" "Look at those beautiful buck teeth of yours, and not one of them knocked out. You can't be any good. Sell your boots and buy a ukelele."

Donald Wilson was told this, just before last Saturday's game, and then had one of his few remaining molars knocked out!!

### Gates —

Our gate receipts this season show quite an appreciable increase over the corresponding period of last year. They are not yet, by a considerable amount, what we would like, and indeed, actually need, but these signs of better support are certainly most encouraging. We look with optimism for this improvement to be steadily maintained.

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**CLEARY** Michael Arthur - Age 23 years. 6ft 1in. 12st. 13. Single. Sales Representative. Date of birth, 30-4-1940.

This player has earned the distinction of representing his country in three different sports in the last 18 months — Rugby League, Rugby Union and Athletics. In the 1962 Commonwealth Games at Perth, he gained third place in the 100 yards event, his fastest time over that distance being 9.3 seconds. He has retained his amateur status in an effort to gain selection for the Tokyo Olympics, as, an attack of glandular fever cost him a place at the Rome Olympics in 1960.

**COOK** Barry Donald - Age, 24 years. 5ft. 11ins., 13st. 3lbs. Single. Labourer. Date of birth, 4-4-1939. Played all his junior football at Maryborough before transferring to Toowoomba in 1953. Has represented Toowoomba as a centre, winger and second row. He represented Toowoomba as a centre against the Englishmen in 1958.

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## FIXTURES

### FIRST TEAM

#### AUGUST

24—Bramley ... (2) A  
26—Rochdale Horn. (2) H  
31—Bradford North. (2) H

#### SEPTEMBER

4—Salford ... (2) A  
7—Wigan (LC 1st Rd) H  
14—Doncaster (2) H  
21—Oldham (2) A  
28—Dewsbury (2) H

#### OCTOBER

5—St. Helens (R) A  
12—Liverpool City (2) A  
19—Oldham (2) H  
26—Warrington (R) A

#### NOVEMBER

2—AUSTRALIA H  
9—Blackpool "B" (2) A  
16—York (2) H  
23—Bradford North. (2) A  
30—Oldham (R) H

#### DECEMBER

7—Rochdale Horn. (2) A  
14—Batley (2) H  
26—Whitehaven (2) H  
28—York (2) A

#### 1964—

#### JANUARY

1—Whitehaven (2) A  
4—Workington T. (R) H  
11—Bramley (2) H  
18—Dewsbury (2) A  
25—Batley (2) A

#### FEBRUARY

1—Liverpool City (2) H  
8—1st Rd. R.L.C. CUP  
15—St. Helens (R) H  
22—Doncaster (2) A  
...29—2nd Rd. R.L.C. CUP

#### MARCH

7—Salford (2) H  
14—3rd Rd. R.L.C. CUP  
21—Oldham (R) A  
27—Blackpool "B" (2) H  
28—Warrington (R) H  
30—Leigh (2) A

#### APRIL

4—Leigh (2) H  
18—Workington (R) A

### "A" TEAM

#### AUGUST

24—Salford H  
31—Rochdale Horn. A

#### SEPTEMBER

7—Wigan  
(1st Rd. L.C.O.S.) A  
14—Widnes A  
21—Liverpool City H  
28—Wigan A

#### OCTOBER

5—St. Helens H  
19—Oldham A  
26—Warrington H

#### NOVEMBER

2—Whitehaven A  
9—Blackpool "B" H  
23—Whitehaven H  
30—Blackpool "B" A

#### DECEMBER

7—Rochdale Horn. H  
14—Swinton A  
28—Swinton H

#### 1964—JANUARY

4—Workington Town A  
25—Wigan H

#### FEBRUARY

1—Liverpool City A  
15—St. Helens A  
22—Widnes H

#### MARCH

7—Salford A  
14—Leigh H  
21—Oldham... H  
28—Warrington A

#### APRIL

18—Workington Town H  
4—Leigh A