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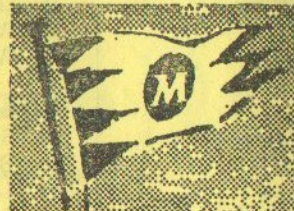
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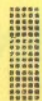
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1—BAKER

2—BUCHANAN

3—CASSIE

4—BRENNAN

5—BARNES

6—KITCHIN

7—MADDISON

8—MOORE

9—HILL

10—BURNS

11—DOUGLAS

12—WILLIAMSON

13—McLEOD

Fullback

Right Wing

Right Centre

Left Centre

Left Wing

Stand-Off Half

Scrum Half

Prop Forward

Hooker

Front Row Forward

Second Row Forward

Second Row Forward

Loose Forward

1—WINTON

2—DONOVAN

3—McCORMACK

4—McLEOD

5—SIMMS T.
or NESTOR

6—WARBURTON

7—BROOMHEAD
or CANNING

8—BOTT

9—TAYLOR

10—WILSON

11—IRVING

12—SMETHURST

13—WHITEHEAD
or HILL

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Two games and two defeats is not a happy start to the new season. Our form against Wigan was quite good. We contributed as much as our opponents to a match everyone enjoyed up to the moment the referee called time.

Unfortunately we were unable to call on Eddie Brennan, Phil Kitchin and Barry Buchanan for the Batley game because of injuries sustained in this one. In addition we were without Baker, Whalley, Coupe and Hazeldon, all on the injured list. Our forwards played very well indeed, claimed an overwhelming share of possession from the scrum, and generally had the best of the argument in loose play.

Behind the scrum however, we failed badly to make full use of our scrum advantage. There were times too when our tackling was not up to standard, especially when Batley were allowed to score their only try. Keith Hunter, deputising for Phil Kitchin, can look back on his first team debut with satisfaction, his was a fiery baptism, but never once did he falter. In attack or defence, he was as cool and confident as a veteran.

If this form was no flash-in-the-pan Keith may soon claim a regular first team berth, somewhere in the back division. Tonight it is our pleasure to welcome our friends from Oldham, against whom it is always a pleasure to meet in friendly combat. Last season we scored the double over the men from Watersheddings. Can we take the first leg this evening?

A repeat of our Wigan form would go a long way towards achieving that aim. However, win or lose, we shall pull out everything to make this match just as entertaining for our supporters as that a week ago against the Cup holders.

WHITEHAVEN FIXTURES, 1965-66. N.R.F. LEAGUE

August	F	A	November	F	A	February	F	A
18—Wigan	H	10 23	6—Barrow	H		5—Salford	H	
21—Batley	A	5 9	13—Rochdale	A		12—Swinton	H	
25—Oldham	H		20—Huds'field	H		19—Wigan	A	
28—Widnes	H		27—Warrington	A		26—1st Round		
30—St. Helens	A							
			December			March		
September			4—St. Helens	H		5—Bradford	A	
4—Liverpool	A		11—Huds'field	A		12—Blackpool	H	
11—Wigan	A		18—Warrington	H		19—2nd Round		
18—Batley	H		27—Workington	A		26—Oldham	A	
25—Bramley	A							
			January			April		
October			1—Swinton	A		2—Widnes	A	
2—N. Zealand	H		8—Bradford	H		9—Leigh	H	
9—Leigh	A		15—Liverpool	H		11—Workington	H	
16—Barrow	A		22—Blackpool	A				
23—Rochdale	H		29—Bramley	H				
30—Salford	A							

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