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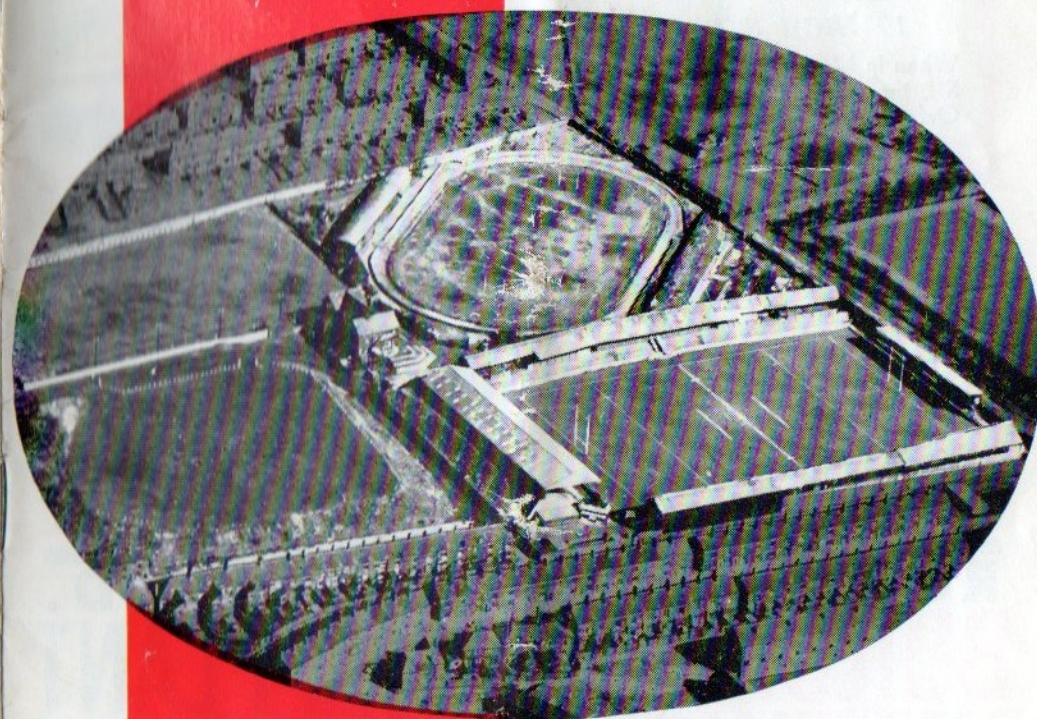
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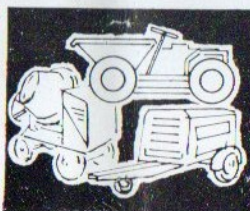
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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS & VIEWS

These notes are the first I have had to compile in 1966 so I would like to take this opportunity in wishing one and all a very Happy New Year and hope that 1966 will bring good health and prosperity to one and all.

I am sure that everyone will be hoping that 1966 will be a successful year in the Rugby League game as well, and to see the missing thousands once more returning to those terraces.

This will only be achieved if the players play attractive football and not the 'head down' rugby we have witnessed far too often in 1965. In general Rugby League Clubs are paying out more now in players' wages than they have done in the past and attendances are lower now than they have ever been. The only conclusion you can possibly draw from the last sentence is that something has got to be done, and quickly. We hope the players will do their best for the game in 1966 by playing fast and attractive rugby—if they do open up the game, then people will come and watch it, it's as simple as that!

Last Saturday's match at Hunslet cried out for Bradford's idea of summer football. On a bitterly cold and wet January afternoon the match, after a very good start, became almost a debacle, and the strong wind blowing downfield together with the driving rain made conditions atrocious. Our boys tried very hard to open up the game in the first half, and to a certain extent succeeded, but after the interval with Hunslet getting most of the ball, the game quickly became uninteresting and it was just a matter for our defence to block the middle up. This they did and came out winners far easier than the 7-3 score would suggest.

One of the more pleasing points was that we picked up another valuable two points which brought us nearer to the top eight, which would be an advantage when the 'Top 16' play-off takes place at the end of the season.

WELCOME TO THE 'SAINTS'

For our first home game in the New Year we have the League Leaders at Watersheddings. It will be remembered that in our last match against St. Helens we were narrowly beaten at Knowsley Road after perhaps the best game seen at St. Helens this season. John Mantle (who we must congratulate on his selection

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for Great Britain) scored a magnificent try two minutes from the end with St. Helens just in front 18-17 and Oldham (let's face it) well on top. If today's game proves to be as exciting as the game at Knowsley Road then supporters are in for a treat.

Whilst congratulating Mantle on his 'first cap' we must not forget Alex Murphy and Cliff Watson, who have also been honoured with their selection for the French trip next week-end.

In the St. Helens team this afternoon are a host of stars who need no introduction to Oldham fans, however. It must be noted by our players that South African wingman Len Kileen is kicking goals from any distance these days, so they must be careful not to give any penalties away.

Both teams have proved they can play brilliantly, let us hope we see more of that brilliance again this afternoon.

MR. JACK ERROCK

Last Wednesday week Jack Errock, popular Oldham Committee man, was selected as Assistant Manager to Wilf Spaven of Hull for the forthcoming Great Britain tour of Australia and New Zealand.

To many people Mr. Errock's selection was a surprise, because it had been quoted in the press that League Vice-Chairman Jack Harding (Leigh) was hot favourite for the job, with Mr. Errock and Dewsbury boss Brierly Bailey challenging strongly.

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Mr. Errock was congratulated by his fellow Committee members at the meeting last Thursday week, and I am sure these congratulations were sincere in the hope that he will have a successful and enjoyable trip.

This week when I asked Mr. Errock when the party left London for Sydney, he commented, "The last week in May, which will just give me time to watch Oldham at Wembley on the 21st." Let's hope he does!

RE-ARRANGED GAMES

Our first team have now four games outstanding, these being Leigh (Home), Hunslet (Home) Swinton (Home), and Warrington (Away).

The Warrington match has provisionally been fixed for Wednesday evening, February 9th with a 7.30 p.m. kick-off, this will probably be confirmed by the week-end. The match postponed at Leigh on December 28th will take place at Hilton Park on January 22nd, 1966, at 3 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DRAW, 1965

Most of the prizes for this draw have been claimed but one or two are still at the Pavilion awaiting collection. Would anybody holding a winning ticket please collect their prize as soon as possible. A winning list can be seen on the Pavilion notice board.

The Draw, from a financial angle, proved to be a success and the Committee have asked me to thank everyone who, in any way, helped in making the draw into the success it was.

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First Team

Date 1965	Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1966	Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 21	(S) Warrington	Home	W 26-14	Jan. 1	(S) Rochdale Hornets	Home	W 18-2
" 25	(W) Whitehaven	Away	W 12-0	" 8	(S) St. Helens	Home	
" 28	(S) Wigan	Away	W 23-8	" 15	(S) Barrow	Away	
" 31	(Tu) New Zealand	Home	L 2-5	" 21	(F) Leigh	Home	
Sept. 4	(S) Blackpool Borough	Home	D 4-4	" 29	(S) Widnes	Away	
" 6	(M) Rochdale Hornets	Home	W 12-5	Feb. 5	(S) Halifax	Home	
" 11	(S) Barrow (L.C. 1st Rd.)	Home	W 21-14	" 12	(S) Workington Town	Home	
" 13	(M) Blackpool Borough	Away	W 13-2	" 19	(S) Halifax	Away	
" 16	(Th) Wigan (L.C. 2nd Rd.)	Home	W 28-13	" 26	(S) 1st Round R.L. Cup		
" 18	(S) Workington Town	Away	L 7-28	Mar. 5	(S)		
" 25	(S) Salford	Home	W 12-8	" 12	(S) Liverpool City	Away	
Oct. 1	(F) St. Helens	Away	L 17-23	" 19	(S) 2nd Round R.L. Cup		
" 6	(W) Warrington (L.C. Semi-final)	Away	L 10-21	" 26	(S) Whitehaven	Home	
" 9	(S) Huddersfield	Home	W 11-4	Apl. 8	(F) Swinton	Away	
" 16	(S)			" 9	(S) Barrow	Home	
" 19	(Tu) Swinton (Floodlit C.)	Away	L 5-21	" 11	(M) Rochdale Hornets	Away	
" 22	(F) Wigan	Home	L 6-16				
" 28	(Th) Widnes	Away	L 5-49				
" 30	(S)						
Nov. 6	(S) Liverpool City	Home	D 7-7				
" 13	(S) Salford	Away	L 11-12				
" 20	(S) Leeds	Home	L 2-10				
" 25	(Th) Castleford	Home	L 4-6				
" 27	(S) Huddersfield	Away	L 6-27				
Dec. 4	(S)						
" 11	(S) Leeds	Away	W 13-10				
" 18	(S) Widnes	Home	W 15-3				
" 27	(M) Swinton	Home	P'oned				
" 28	(Tu) Leigh	Away	P'oned				

Second Team

LANCS. COUNTY COMBINATION LEAGUE

Date 1965	Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1966	Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 21	(S) Rochdale Hornets	Away	W 26-7	Jan. 1	(S) Rochdale Hornets	Home	
" 28	(S) Blackpool Borough	Home	W 38-11	" 8	(S) St. Helens	Away	
Sept. 4	(S) Blackpool Borough	Away	W 51-13	" 15	(S) Whitehaven	Home	
" 11	(S) Barrow (1st Round L.C.C.S.)	Away	L 8-24	" 22	(S) Leigh	Away	
" 18	(S) Workington Town	Home	L 5-14	" 29	(S) Widnes	Home	
" 25	(S) Salford	Away	W 12-6	Feb. 12	(S) Workington Town	Away	
Oct. 2	(S) St. Helens	Home	L 10-13	" 19	(S) Barrow	Home	
" 9	(S) Warrington	Away	L 2-35	Mar. 12	(S) Liverpool City	Home	
" 16	(S) Swinton	Away	L 9-10	" 19	(S) Wigan	Home	
" 28	(Th) Warrington	Home	L 9-10	" 26	(S) Whitehaven	Away	
Nov. 6	(S)			Apl. 2	(S) Leigh	Home	
" 13	(S) Salford	Home	W 17-7	" 9	(S) Barrow	Away	
Dec. 4	(S) Wigan	Away					
" 18	(S) Widnes	Away					
" 25	(S) Swinton	Home	P'oned				

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