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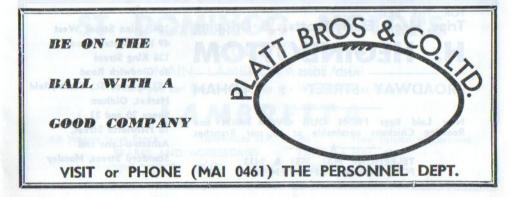
We are now out of the Challenge Cup Competition but this does not mean that the season is over, not by any means. Our aim now is to finish in the Top Sixteen, preferably in the first eight, which would ensure a home tie for us in the Play-off. Our ambition therefore, for this season at any rate, is to bring the Championship Cup to Watersheddings.

It is not an impossible task but we shall have to have our fair share of luck if we are to be successful. The old saying is that if you are to win a Cup you must have a little luck along the line. However, luck itself will not win the trophy for us, every member of the team must give his 100 per cent. effort all the time from now until the very end of the season.

Our boys today will be out to shake off the blues of having been beaten in the Challenge Cup tournament and of the disapponting 4—4 draw at Naughton Park, Widnes, last weekend.

These notes are being compiled before Frank Dyson has named his team, and the big questions are: Has he retained young Martin Murphy at full-back or brought back the more experienced Brian Curry against his old club. Has he brought Warburton back after one 'A' team game or retained Geoff Shelton in the No. 6 spot. If Warburnton is back, who has Shelton replaced in the centre? Has he brought Dave Parker back or has Fletcher been retained at loose forward?

These are some of the difficulties which are faced by the coach in this thankless job he has of selecting a team. Whichever team he has selected, however,



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we hope we shall see them return to form and get back to winning ways so we can enter the Championship play-off with confidence.

#### WELCOME TO HUDDERSFIELD

The Fartown side to oppose us today have, of course, strong local connections with the inclusion of two former junior players, both from Saddleworth Rangers-Jim Russell, the former Great Britain 'Under-19' captain, and 'Tiger' Finan, the local hooker, now playing well at Fartown.

It is rather an unfamiliar looking side, with many new faces lining up to oppose us. One new face is Ron Wallace, the former Gloucestershire R.U. centre, at full-back. The right flank three-quarters are Tomlinson and Russell, and the other centre is Paul Longstaff, who has made a remarkable recovery following a serious spleen injury early this season and who is equally 'at home' playing soccer.

On the left flank is Ken Senior, who returns after International duty at Wigan. Huddersfield have local man Ken Loxton working the scrum, with Gordon Blackett, the former Northumberland R.U. star, who has really made Rugby League people sit up and take notice with his great performances since the inception of the four tackle rule.

The forwards will be Heppleston and Hepworth at prop with Finan hooking, and the back three Rob Valentine, Len Mitchell, former Huddersfield Junior, and Edmonds, an Australian, at loose forward.

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WILLIAM WEBB

The Oldham Committee have kindly given permission for a benefit match to be played at Watersheddings tomorrow afternoon on behalf of the dependants of the late William Webb, who was a former professional player with Halifax, and previously played in the Oldham Junior Rugby League. 'Billy' was killed in a tragic sea disaster at Blackpool some months ago and the officials of the Junior League have been quick to arrange this match for his dependants.

The game will be between Waterhead and Royton, the kick-off is at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. R. L. Thomas will take charge of the game.

Players taking in the game include: Baker (Huddersfield), Bowden, Clayton (Blackpool Borough), Crocker, Noon, Robinson and Payne (Rochdale), Fogerty (Wigan) and the Oldham coach, Frank Dyson.

We hope you will turn up for this game and support this worthy cause.

Admission is by programme, price 2/-.

TODAY'S COLLECTION

The collection being taken today is for the Oldham Schools Rugby League funds. The Schools organisation rely on collections such as these to enable them to continue with their games. For instance, some weeks ago the Schools team had to travel to Barrow in the English Schools Cup 1st Round, and of course, these trips have to be paid for and this doesn't only include coach travel, but also refreshments which have to be supplied for the boys.

Fortunately, following their success at Barrow they are at home in the next round. We hope to give you details of this over the loud speaker system this afternoon. However, in the meantime, please given generously to the Oldham

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The Grand National will be run at Aintree, Liverpool, on April 8th, 1967. As you are aware, the Club are holding a draw for this event, and tickets will be on sale at today's game and at the Pavilion.

The draw will take place at the Pavilion on Sunday April 2nd, 1967. The prizes are as follows: First £100. Second £50. Third £25. Fourth £10; and £1 will be paid for every runner drawn.

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By trade he is a joiner, 24 years of age, stands 5ft. 10in. and weighs 14st. 3lbs. Mick is single and resides in Darlington Street East, Wigan.

He has a great admiration for 'Wires' former star Jackie Edwards, and is a pal of Jimmy Boylan, the Widnes No. 7.

Mick's hobbies apart from Rugby—
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### **NEXT MATCH AT WATERSHEDDINGS**

Friday, March 17th, 1967

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