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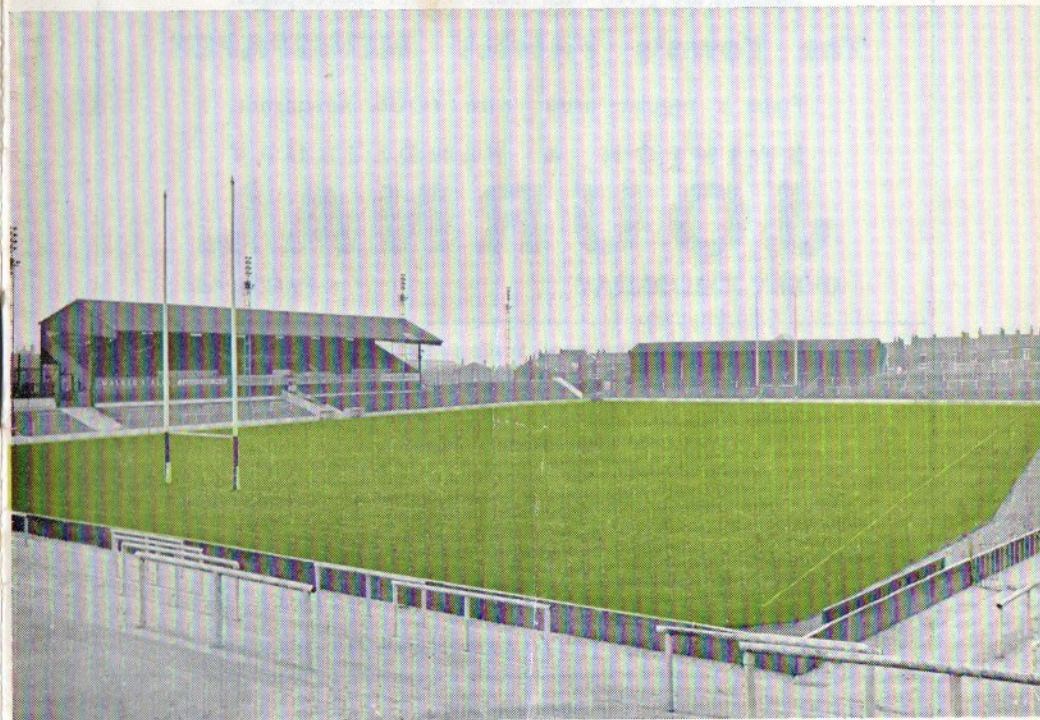
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SATURDAY, APRIL 15th, 1967.

Kick-off 3 p.m.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY OFF. FIRST ROUND

SWINTON *versus* OLDHAM

When we played Oldham at Swinton in the League Fixture on Good Friday, we wrote in the programme that both teams were concerned with securing points, not only to improve their League positions, but also to finish in the first eight.

We have been successful in our efforts, and finishing in seventh place are rewarded with a home tie against the tenth club—Oldham.

We have defeated them twice in the past three weeks, but it would take a brave supporter to forecast the result of the game this afternoon.

In the match at Swinton we won by 13 points to 10, and last week at Watersheddings, after Oldham had led by 9 points to 2, our team fought back to score two good tries, and gain victory by 10 points to 9.

There are several excellent ties in the First Round, and the Play-off should be most interesting.

RUGBY LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP FINAL, 1968

Will all supporters who have obtained tickets for this year's Rugby League Challenge Cup Final from the Swinton Club, kindly note that the Club will NOT be obtaining an allocation for next year's Final.

Already the League has received many orders for the 1968 final, and the only way to obtain Seat Tickets is to apply now to The Secretary, The Rugby Football League, 180 Chapeltown Road, Leeds 7, enclosing a deposit of 20 per cent of the amount of the order.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY OFF

The following table shows the draw through to the final:

Position	Club	Opponent
1.	LEEDS
16.	WIDNES
8.	CASTLEFORD
9.	HULL
4.	ST. HELENS
13.	LEIGH
5.	BRADFORD N.
12.	WARRINGTON
2.	HULL K.R.
15.	BARROW
7.	SWINTON
10.	OLDHAM
3.	WAKEFIELD T.
14.	SALFORD
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Messages of Congratulations and Commendations on the occasion of the club's centenary

From the Right Honourable the Earl of Derby, M.C., President of the Rugby Football League:

Many Congratulations to Swinton Rugby League Club on attaining its Centenary.

I know that in the past you have done all you can to ensure that you provide the spectators with good facilities and good football. I hope the next 100 years will bring greater success to your team and that you will have the encouragement of an enthusiastic and numerous crowd of supporters.

I feel that the club deserves this support and am sure it will make the whole difference to the success of the team in the years to come.

DERBY.

From H.M. Government's Under-Secretary of State, Minister for Sport, Mr. Denis Howell, M.P.

I am delighted to have this opportunity to congratulate Swinton on their 100 years of Rugby Football. The Club has rightly gained a great reputation over the years and brought pleasure to countless townsfolk and others who have watched them play.

To have won 18 Cups and 38 Finals—a record—all four League Cups in one Season and in the last five years to be First Division Champions twice is the measure by which the "Lions" have earned their esteem. I wish them happy ruggers in their second century and good wishes for their future success.

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Fellow Supporters,

It gives me great pleasure to contribute to this Brochure on this memorable occasion.

One hundred years of Rugby is indeed a milestone in the history of our town for which we should be most grateful. A glance at the honours obtained during this period speaks for itself as far as the efforts of the club are concerned in its attempts to provide the supporters with the best possible entertainment.

At present we have a ground second to none, resulting in a regular supply of Test and International matches at Station Road; this again is something for which we can thank the Club. However, at the moment we have too many armchair critics in Swinton and it will only be by more of us passing through the turnstiles regularly that the standards we demand can be provided and maintained. If we want the best we must be prepared to pay for it. No club can run indefinitely with an increasing debt hanging over its head.

In conclusion I would like to thank the Directors and Players, both past and present, for providing me, over the years, with so many hours of enjoyable Rugby.

Yours gratefully,
H. SHAW, Mayor.

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CLARKE	42	—	6	18
CUMMINGS	32	—	1	3
DAVIES	32	—	2	6
DYSON	1	—	—	—
ECKERSLEY	2	—	—	—
FLEET	41	—	12	36
GOMERSALL	38	—	10	30
GOWERS	29	31	3	71
HALLIWELL	42	6	2	18
HARRIES	1	—	—	—
HOPE	1	—	—	—
HURT	8	—	—	—
HUTTON	5	—	—	—
REES	41	—	12	36
RHODES	34	2	4	16
ROBINSON, B.	9	—	2	6
ROBINSON, D.	34	—	5	12
SCOTT	35	—	3	9
SIMPSON	27	—	1	3
SPEED	11	—	1	3
STOPFORD	7	—	2	6
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(Charity) 7-30		
19—Bradford 7-30 H	13	17
24—Huddersfield H	7	14
27—Workington H	12	15
29—SalfordA	7	2
Sept. 2—Oldham (L.C.) A	13	16
7-30		
9—Widnes 7-30...A	25	4
14—Leigh 7-30 ...H	8	15
17—Wakefield ...H	27	13
24—Liverpool C....A	35	12
Oct. 1—Bradford N.A	15	19
8—WiganA	16	6
14—Widnes 7-30...H	3	18
22—Blackpool B.A	31	13
29—Workington ...A	2	31
Nov. 2—Castleford ...H	25	5
5—Rochdale H.A	11	14
12—Blackpool B. H	10	5
18—Castleford 7-30 A	7	19
25—Barrow 7-30...A	9	9
Dec. 3—Warrington H	19	12
10—Wakefield T....A	0	13
17—Rochdale H. H	6	6
31—Liverpool C. H	9	0
1967		
Jan. 2—St. Helens ...H	9	9
14—LeighA	15	9
21—BarrowH	16	4
Feb. 4—R.L. Cup 1st Rd.	16	7
18—Whitehaven H	29	4
25—R.L. Cup 2nd Rd.	22	0
March 8—WiganH	14	11
11—Whitehaven ...A	12	10
18—R.L. Cup 3rd Rd.	15	17
24—OldhamH	13	10
25—SalfordH	3	7
27—St. Helens....A	12	5
April 1—Warrington ...A	24	9
5—Huddersfield...A	18	5
7—OldhamA	10	9
15—Top 16—1st Rd.		
22—Top 16—2nd Rd.		
29—Top 16—S.-Finals		
May 6—Champ. Final		
13.—Chall. Cup Final		

'A' Team

LANCASHIRE COMBINATION		F.	A.
1966			
	P		
Sept. 3—OldhamH	21	19	
(L.C.C.S.)			
10—WidnesH	27	10	
17—WiganA	17	8	
21—St. HelensA	8	15	
(L.C.C.S.)			
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Oct. 1—SalfordA	23	9	
7—Wigan 7-30...H	14	8	
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22—			
29—			
Nov. 4—Rochdale H. H	29	5	
(7-30)			
12—Blackpool B....A	19	2	
26—BarrowH	2	13	
Dec. 10			
16—Rochdale H.A	0	8	
24—LeighA	7	11	
1967			
Jan. 14—Leigh.....H	11	7	
21—BarrowA	2	5	
28—Workington H	35	8	
Feb. 4—Workington ...A	4	14	
10—Warrington ...A	21	12	
7-30			
18—			
Mar. 2—SalfordH	15	10	
10—OldhamH	30	8	
17—OldhamA	19	15	
20—St. Helens ...H	17	5	
April 8—St. HelensA	7	24	
10—Warrington H	18	5	
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