

ATHLETIC BEATEN 9-0

Oldham gain victory in last quarter

WIGAN came up with an Easter surprise by moving Billy Boston into the right centre. The winger went inside to cover for Eric Ashton who was injured yesterday in the game with St. Helens. Former Oldhamer Terry O'Grady took over Boston's right-wing position. From the side that defeated Swinton yesterday Oldham made one change, Jack Keith taking over the hooking position from Ian Carruthers.

OLDHAM: Ganley; Cracknell, Nestor, Davies, Elty; Kellett, Fitchford; Jackson, Keith, Duffy, Winslade, Little, Turner.
WIGAN: Cunliffe; O'Grady, Boston, Ashcroft, Sullivan; Bolton, Thomas; Barton, Sayer, McTigue, Cherrington, Collier, Griffin.
Referee: Mr. T. W. Watkinson (Pendlebury).

Wigan were soon attacking. Ashcroft took the ball from the kick-off and forced his way to the halfway line before he was stopped.

Wigan moved into the middle to find a way through the defence but they failed. Again they tested the wing and immediately Sullivan was forced into touch, just on Oldham's halfway line.

Then came an impressive Oldham attack. Nestor smashed his way through the defence and fed Cracknell. The winger kicked ahead into Wigan's quarter but, with the ball lying over the line, Ashcroft moved back to kick dead before Cracknell could complete the move.

In the sixth minute Wigan were penalised at a scrum. GANLEY came up and from 26 yards opened Oldham's score with a goal.

Cunliffe had a chance to open Wigan's score with a 45-yard shot at goal, but he was just short.

Slackness in the Oldham defence allowed Bolton to shoot through from his own half and send SULLIVAN in for a try. CUNLIFFE this time goaled.

Oldham were having difficulty doing the right thing. When the attack looked promising in the Wigan quarter, Keith sent an obvious forward pass to Turner and Oldham were on the wrong side of a penalty.

O'Grady was prominent in the Wigan attack that followed, but he made no progress. Then Oldham got the ball, and a penalty moved play back to Wigan's half.

Handling was erratic. No sooner had Oldham lost the ball than they got it back again. Play was stopped when Fitchford was cautioned by the referee following a tackle.

Wigan got possession from the penalty and play stayed around the halfway line as both sides took their turn in attacking. Oldham had a good chance when Nestor, breaking through on the halfway line, got the ball inside for Cracknell to pick up but the referee ruled that it had gone forward before it reached the centre.

IN THE 30th MINUTE OLDHAM SCORED A TRY. AFTER A GANLEY KICK HAD FORCED A SCRUM ON THE WIGAN "25" KELLETT PICKED UP FOR FITCHFORD TO SCORE. GANLEY KICKED THE GOAL.

Wigan fought back and looked dangerous when a Thomas kick on the halfway line opened the defence. Just seven yards from the line



Sid Little, the Oldham second-row forward, has had to withdraw from the Rugby League tour of Australasia this summer for business reasons. His place goes to Brian Edgar, of Workington Town.

Ganley managed to get the ball, but the danger was cleared when an over-anxious Wigan conceded a penalty at the play-the-ball.

Half-time:—
OLDHAM 2 1-7
WIGAN 1 1-5

Oldham, obviously bent on winning the game, were showing a lot of enthusiasm, but their accuracy was not so pronounced. In complete contrast to the Challenge Cup-tie, Wigan were playing open football and calling for the best kind of defence. Apart from their early mistakes, Oldham were defending well, but to win this game they were going to have to produce a steadier attack.

Oldham almost scored in the first minute after the restart. Winslade and Keith interpassed to take play from their own quarter to the Wigan line. With the defence beaten and a try scored, the referee ruled that the final pass from Keith to Winslade was forward.

If there was to be a consolation, it came at the scrum that followed when Wigan were penalised for GANLEY to kick a goal from 25 yards.

Oldham were promptly back in Wigan's quarter when a pass intended for scrum-half Thomas went wide. Kellett kicked at the loose ball and earned a scrum on the Wigan "25". But Oldham were penalised and Cunliffe found touch back near the halfway line.

Play became heated in the minutes that followed, and although Oldham were awarded two penalties they gave one away on their own "25" yard line. From this CUNLIFFE landed a goal.

O'Grady, of Wigan, was sent off. Twice on the left wing Oldham came near to scoring. The man with the ball was Davies but despite leaving Elty with a run in to the line, the Wigan defence moved in to take him just yards before he got there.

Oldham answered the goal with a series of attacks that kept the Wigan defence busy. But Oldham were failing with their finish.

Then, in the 66th minute, Oldham got the try they had been fighting so hard for. Keith won a scrum on

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AT HULL

A STRONG north-easterly wind was whipping across Boothferry Park ground at Hull this afternoon. Athletic made two changes from the Good Friday game. Eddie Murphy came into the side at right full-back with Bill Naylor moving to the left full-back berth in place of West. At inside-left, John Bazley returned in place of Terry Crossley.

HULL: Bly; Harrison, Durham; Collinson, Feasey, Davidson; Clarke Bradbury, Smith, Bulless, Cripsey.
ATHLETIC: Teece; Murphy, Naylor; Hall, Muir, Neale; Walker, Spurdle, Duffy, Bazley, Over.
Referee: Mr. H. Webb (Leeds).

A major disaster overtook Athletic within 18 minutes of the start of this game. Hull piled on a four-goal lead.

It began in the fourth minute, when after a series of bids by the home forwards, Bulless pulled a cross back to the unmarked BRADBURY. From two yards he slammed the ball into the roof of the Athletic net.

Athletic were out of the picture and back came the Tigers to make it two in the sixth minute. This time it was from a penalty when Bill Naylor handled a shot from outside right Clarke. From the spot, BRADBURY again crashed the ball into the net.

With a strong wind at their backs, Athletic just couldn't get going, and to the delight of the home crowd they were three up two minutes later. With the Athletic defence at sixes and sevens, Cripsey tore away on the left, flicked over a delightful centre—and there was CLARKE to head into the roof of the net.

Penalty refused

At last, Athletic entered Hull's territory, where good work by Walker and Spurdle saw the inside man whip a shot across the face of the home goal. The Hull side were playing inspired football, however, and in the 18th minute they made it four.

Again the left wing saw the start of the move with Cripsey whipping the ball across the face of the goal to Clarke, who immediately flicked it back. This time, SMITH was on hand to blast it home.

Despite the strong wind in their favour Athletic could do nothing right, and when they got away again, Duffy shot timidly from outside the area.

Two offside decisions halted the Hull forwards with the defence again spreadeagled, but back they stormed with Hall having to head a Smith centre out of the goal-mouth with Teece again beaten.

Still the siege was on and there was a confident appeal for a penalty by the Hull side, when Bulless went sprawling full length in the area. This was refused and away went Athletic with their best move of the game. Neale fed Bazley, who pushed the ball across to Over, but Harrison deflected the winger's shot round the upright.

Walker also got in a left-footer from the flag-kick and this time Durham booted the ball to safety.

Bradbury was again in the picture for Hull as he burst through to skim the bar with a flashing drive, and then Smith should have made it five when he went clean through and hesitated. Neale got back just in time to block his drive. Hull were still cutting the Athletic defence to ribbons and there was another opening for Smith when Bulless crossed the ball. But the home centre-forward drew back to avoid a collision with Teece.

And then it might have been Athletic on the goal-scoring trail. Duffy was through but brilliant anticipation by Bly saw the centre-forward's shot blocked and safely cleared.

Half-time:—
HULL 4
ATHLETIC 0

The Hull goalstorm had burst like a bomb in the Athletic defence, completely shattering and demoralising their confidence. Even in the

closing minutes of the half, the lively home forwards were going through almost at will backed up by a relentless half-back line.

Athletic's forwards, rarely in the picture, had done their best, but with everything in their favour the Hull rearguard had proved a tough nut to crack.

What manager Goodier will be saying to Athletic in the dressing room is anybody's guess, but they will certainly have to pull their socks up to prevent this cockahoop Hull side making it half a dozen.

It was Athletic who put in the first bid of the new half, but when challenged by Spurdle, Durham passed safely back to Bly. Athletic kept up this early pressure, but two promising moves on the right wing were halted by the strong-tackling home defenders.

Then Hull went back into action. Davidson burst through to finish a drive just outside, and then in the 53rd minute they increased their tally.

The goal came from a corner on the right as BULLESS crashed home Gripsey's pulled-back pass.

The goal seemed to demoralise Athletic again, and with the defence in a hopeless tangle Hull collected yet two more goals.

In the 62nd minute, BRADBURY got a third direct from a corner, Teece dropping the ball on the line, and a linesman immediately flagged a goal.

The decision was disputed by Athletic but it didn't really matter—in the very next minute, SMITH had made it seven.

With bewildering speed, the yellow-shirted forwards—it almost seemed as if there were 12 of them—swept down with the wind. Clarke pulled the ball back from the dead ball line and the centre-forward slammed it home.

Now it was like shooting-in practice for Hull, and with a little care they might have had even more.

A lone Athletic raid saw Over cover half the length of the field before squaring a cross which both Duffy and Spurdle missed by inches. It was straight back into Athletic's territory, however, with Davidson blasting well wide from 10 yards.

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BOAT RACE

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Cambridge led Oxford early on and won by 3½ lengths

WIGAN 'A' IN LIVELY MOOD

A GAINST Oldham "A" at Wigan, BOOTLE opened the score for the home side with a penalty goal. Both teams were penalised for off-side. Wigan attacked for the first 20 minutes and a breakaway by Fenton enabled BOOTLE to score a try which he also improved.

Daley crashed through for Oldham and Needham made a brilliant dash of 40 yards before being checked by Halliwell. The tackling was very keen but McGurran eluded several opponents with a grand burst. He reached within a few yards of the line but Wigan were penalised when he passed the ball.

Stirrup made some good saves at full-back for Oldham "A". BOOTLE kicked another penalty for Wigan.

Half-time:—
Wigan "A" 2 1-9
Oldham "A" 0 0-0

Oldham "A" improved a great deal on resuming and after ten minutes JONES scored a try which Noon improved. Moat, who had been subdued in the first half, ran cleverly and Stirrup joined up in a passing movement but spoiled a good effort by kicking.

Jones made some tricky runs for Oldham "A" for whom Needham also played well on the left. Noon narrowed the margin to two points by kicking a penalty goal from a difficult angle. BRETHERTON, however, scored a try for Wigan "A". BOOTLE added a second and BRETHERTON got a third, BOOTLE adding a goal.

Final:
Wigan "A" 19
Oldham "A" 7
Late scorer: BOOTLE (penalty) for Wigan.

Goals or googlies

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HOW TROUT VARY A LOT IN COLOUR

THE trout season is now well under way, and already some good fish have been taken. When one considers trout, it is surprising what various types of fish exist in this country. Even in a distance of a few miles the trout varies, particularly in colour, which is partly due to the natural camouflage of the fish.

Trout found in the dark peaty moorland streams are often very dark, backed with few distinct spots. These appear very poor-looking creatures when compared with the bright bejewelled spotted fish that are to be found in clear gravelly brooks.

Some, of course, are not well camouflaged, having bred away from the wild stream. The zebra trout recently placed in Strinesdale had no spots and were a very lightish green colour.

The males change in later life and get a very pink, bright golden stomach. These trout—a cross between the male brook and a female chare—are great sporting fish “taking” and fighting more in deeper water than any other trout.

AMONG the other alternately coloured trout, the Loch Leven is known to local anglers, as many were placed in Castleshaw last season. This is similar to the

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common brown trout, but throughout its body it does not carry one red spot, all the spots being in the green-purple range.

In various parts of Wales and Cornwall, particularly in the mountain pools and tarns, is to be found the darkest of all trout, the Welsh Black-finned. This fish, as its name implies, has deeply coloured fins and surrounding skin—in many fish almost black.

IN Ireland is to be found the hard-fighting, fierce fish, the Gillaroo. This trout is known mostly for its remarkable stomach, the walls of which are quite three times as thick as that of any other trout, resembling the gizzard of a fowl.

The reason for this is said to be due to the nature of its food, which consists largely of shell-bearing creatures. Gillaroos are much redder than other trout, even taken from the same water, and they grow to a large size, often attaining 10lb.

THE most beautiful-coloured of the trout is probably the rainbow trout, often referred to as the Californian or mountain trout. This fish originated in the Sacramento River in America, and in the last 100 years has spread to Canada, England and New Zealand.

A wandering type of fish, which will migrate to the sea on occasions, the rainbow is difficult to keep.

On occasions in this country,



BY THE STUDENT

ANOTHER racing quiz this week. Score two points for numbers one and three and one for number two. You're doing all right if you score four.

TEASER NUMBER ONE

He is only a small breeder, but he bred the winners of two Grand Nationals and a St. Leger. Who is he?

TEASER NUMBER TWO

How many times had Capt. Elsey trained the winner of the Lincoln Handicap before 1957?

TEASER NUMBER THREE

Which Grand National winner was described before the race as having a chance if all the others fell down?

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CYCLE SPEEDWAY JUNIOR LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Belle Vue Cobras	39	31	4	4	66
Longsight Pegasus	39	31	1	7	63
Wilmslow Hammers	39	22	3	15	46
Gorton Pirates	39	21	3	15	45
Loveshuile Eagles	39	20	5	14	42
Reddish Kestrels	39	20	2	17	42
Ladybarn Saints	39	20	2	17	42
Salford Vikings	39	18	3	18	39
Carrs Wood Tudors	39	13	1	25	27
Chorlton Stars	39	10	1	28	21
Ladybarn Kingspins	39	7	1	31	15
Openshaw Monarchs	39	6	2	31	14
Oldham Hammers	39	6	1	33	11
Denton Diamonds	39	5	1	33	11

Reddish, Denton, Ladybarn Kingspins, and Oldham withdrew from the competition, and all matches which were not ridden off were awarded to the opposing team.

The new season starts on Easter Monday and any new team wishing to compete should get in touch with F. Ashton-hurst, 14 Northolme Gardens, Burnage, Manchester, 19.

The discovery of a new fossil field in the Hopefield Saldanha area of Capetown, which is possibly twice as old as the famous fossil site discovered at Hopefield in 1951, is causing excitement among Cape scientists.

waters have been stocked, only to find some months later that the Rainbows have disappeared. The colour is light olive green, with small black spots and a distinct mauvy-red streak running along the lateral line.

AFTER BABUR'S 'LINCOLNSHIRE' SCAMPER Elsey's stable has eyes on the 'Jubilee' prize



BRIAN JAGO (19), once a pageboy in a London hotel and now a leading apprentice jockey, is pictured with one of Vic Smyth's horses at Epsom. Last season he rode 18 winners. On his first public appearance, Jago won at Sandown Park in 1955. Then he rode Gleaming Spur, also making his public debut. Horse and jockey also appeared together in the film, "The March Hare."

CAPTAIN CHARLES ELSEY was delighted with the success of Babur in the Lincolnshire Handicap for, as he said after the race, he did not know how his horse had won on the amount of work he had done. All the Malton stables have been badly handicapped by snow.

Babur put up a remarkable weight-carrying feat in the heavy going at Lincoln, and it must not be overlooked that he was drawn No. 10, one of the worst positions. Babur wound up last season with three successive wins, and his brilliant Lincoln victory stamped him as one of the most improved handicappers of the post-war years.

Admirers of the five-year-old will be awaiting Captain Elsey's decision regarding the Kempton Park Great "Jubilee" Handicap, in which, including a 10lb. penalty, Babur has top-weight of 9st. 5lb.

Captain Elsey was successful in this valuable mile and a quarter race last year with Orinthia, and Commander III won for him in 1937. No horse has won the "Jubilee" carrying 9st. 5lb. since the great Ypsilanti was successful, for the second year in succession, in 1904. Only three horses have won carrying 9st. or more since that year.

Only a super handicapper could be expected to win the big Kempton Park race with 9st. 5lb., but after his remarkable Lincoln success on a light preparation, Babur appears to qualify for that title.

Captain Elsey also has Mr. William Hill's Resurge in the "Jubilee," and this four-year-old is one of the bottom weights with only 7st. 7lb.

Resurge went South last season to win the Earle Dorling Memorial Handicap, a mile and a half race, at Epsom, in August, and proved that she comes early to hand when third behind the classic fillies, Sijui and Even Star, in the £1,000 Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury in April.

Soviet want women in all Olympic events

The Soviet Union is to ask the International Olympic Committee that women be allowed to take part in all Olympic Games controlled by the various international sporting federations.

This proposal will be made by the Soviet delegate, Mr. Andrianov, during the committee's 54th session which will be held in Tokyo from May 14 to 17. At present, women are permitted to take part in only a restricted number of sports in the Olympic Games.

ETIQUETTE PENALTY

OBSEVANCE of the etiquette of golf ought not to be penalised. But that was the experience of a player in a four-ball match. In playing an iron shot he cut a divot which landed in a bunker, touching the ball belonging to his partner.

The player removed the divot, replaced it in the divot mark and thought a clear stroke for his partner was the reward for his own virtue.

But the official view was that the player had no right to move a "loose impediment" from a hazard. As, in doing so, he assisted his partner's play, his side lost the hole.

ANYONE doing a hole in one shot over par would not expect to lose it by four strokes. Yet that was the experience of two golfers playing the brothers Fred and Bill Edwards at Hainault.

At the short eighth Bill Edwards, a bookmaker at Romford Greyhound Stadium, holed his tee shot. The opponents took four for the hole and, giving a handicap stroke, found they had lost it to a net nought.

Bill Edwards thus accomplished his second hole-in-one. His first was at the same hole some months ago when he used a No. 3 iron. For his second effort, with the wind behind, he used a No. 5.

THE well-known caddie master at Sunningdale, Jimmy Sheridan, has seen great golfers come and go and is a very fine judge of talent. His enthusiasm over 20-year-old George Will, the Walton Heath assistant professional, should therefore be noted.

Will, born and bred in St. Andrew's, where he learned the trade of club-making, turned professional in January. Last week at Sunningdale he reached the semi-

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finals of the open foursomes in partnership with the Artisan champion, George Evans (Hook Heath).

The tall, powerful Scot, winner of the British Youths' title last summer, must serve a year's apprenticeship before he can compete in the PGA circuit, but he will contest the assistants' events at Coombe Hill and Hartsbourne. He will be unable to play in the Open, however, since he expects to be called for National Service before then.

THE ENGLISH GOLF UNION has recently appointed a special sub-committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Cyril Boulton, the immediate past president, to study the best ways in which the Union can assist junior golf throughout the country.

Most clubs and county unions strive to encourage youth by charging lower subscriptions and providing opportunities for competition.

England is the only home country which does not run a national boys' championship, and there are some officials who think the moment is opportune for the EGU to take over the Carris Trophy tournament and give it national status.

This event has been run by Mr. Austin Carris for nearly a quarter of a century and has grown to international importance. He has also taken a personal interest in all the boys, even to the extent of launching many of them on their business careers.

For some time now Mr. Carris has been a sick man, and there seems no reason to doubt that he would be happy to hand over the reins to the EGU.

Bridge Quiz

YOU are West, the dealer, and your side has won the first game.

♠ K Q J 2 S ♣ A 7 6 5
♥ A Q 8 5 N ♠ 9 3 2
♦ 2 W E ♠ 6 3
♠ K Q J 2 S ♣ A 7 6 5
4 1 2
4 ♥ 2 ♠

North led the knave of clubs. How should West plan the play?

My Solution: West should play dummy's ace of clubs, lead the three of hearts and play the ace.

If the adverse trumps are divided normally (three and two), there is no problem; West merely loses two hearts and one spade. The declarer must, therefore, cater for a four-one division in trumps. Complete deal:—

♠ 10 8 7 6 4
♥ K
♦ 9 8 7 5
♣ J 10 9
♠ K Q J 2 S ♣ 9 3 2
♥ A Q 8 5 N ♠ 9 6 3
♦ 2 W E ♠ 6 3
♠ K Q J 2 S ♣ A 7 6 5
4

♠ A 5
♥ J 10 7 4
♦ 10 4
♣ K Q 8 3 2
If West finesses the queen on the first round of hearts, North wins and leads a club to defeat the contract.

As it happens, the play of the ace drops North's king, but the declarer would still make his contract if North's lone heart were the four.

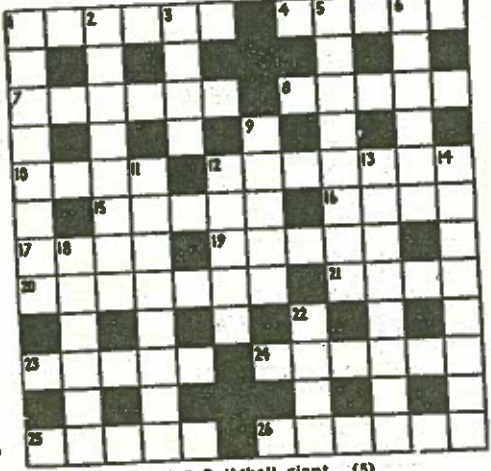
Having taken the first heart with the ace, North playing the four, the declarer crosses to dummy with a diamond to lead a second heart. This time he plays the queen unless South produces the king.

Ewart Kempson

CROSSWORD No. 1439

ACROSS

- Made fun of. (6)
- Slight push. (5)
- Blue penicillin. (6)
- The Villa? (5)
- Animals. (4)
- Ruin the attendance at a resort. (7)
- Tackle by the neck. (5)
- Loch or cape. (4)
- Branch of Gaelic. (4)
- He takes a pull to get himself along. (6)
- Not upright. (7)
- Information for a fool. (4)
- Hard task? (5)
- Oriental obelisk. (6)
- Bend down. (5)
- Separated with a comb? (6)



- It is caught on sprat-bait? (8)
- She was bare-footed on the screen. (8)
- Not endorsed? (8)
- Racing handicap. (4)
- Spectres in play. (6)

- Guildhall giant. (8)
- A sort of dramatic skeleton. (8)
- River of France. (5)
- He used to be called intrepid. (8)
- Regarded as a favour. (8)
- Place to frequent. (8)
- Good-bye, and thanks again. (4)

THURSDAY'S SOLUTION.—Across: 3. Bracelet. 7. Ratio. 8. Well done. 10. Frills. 13. Finesse. 15. Pert. 17. Angelus. 18. Dog-days. 20. On-us. 21. Supreme. 26. Relays. 27. Indulged. 28. Annie. 29. Gas-shell. Down: 1. Gruff. 2. Stain. 3. Bowls. 4. Colt. 5. Lionel. 6. Treats. 9. Essays. 11. Rip-on. 12. Leads. 14. Ensure. 15. Pearl. 16. Rummy. 18. Dozing. 19. Guides. 22. Pedal. 23. Earns. 24. Essen. 25. Blah.

WAINWRIGHT ONE OF A FAMOUS TRIO OF INSIDE FORWARDS

SINCE the war, Rochdale have not had many outstanding inside-forwards on their books. This is generally a position where clubs not able or willing to pay substantial transfer fees find themselves handicapped, for good inside-forwards have generally commanded the highest fees in soccer.

Prior to the present staff being signed, the only two names worthy to be noted as players well above the average Spotland standard of inside-forward are Tommy Barkas and Jack Haines.

These two players lifted Rochdale out of the ruck in attack because of the finer touches they introduced to their play.

Standing with them—in many people's opinion, higher—is Eddie Wainwright. Wainwright was missing from the forward line at Carlisle a week ago and I am afraid his value was never more realised. In his games for Rochdale, Wainwright has not always shone. Sometimes he has seemed to be out of the game.

But his footballing standard is well above that of normal Third Division inside-forwards. His brain works on a different soccer level and the way a player thinks on the field is a fair guide to his standard.

A thruster

Before he came to Spotland, I saw Wainwright rarely but it is true to say that although he has been invaluable during his stay, Spotland supporters have never seen him continuously at his best.

That is not because he could not produce it but because, in the Rochdale side, he has rarely been able to play the sort of game for which he is cut out.

"Tactics," Mr. Harry Catterick, the Rochdale manager, has often said "have to be adapted to the 11 players who are taking the field."

SPOTLIGHT ON SPOTLAND by CRITIC

It is a waste of time laying down tactics which are beyond the abilities of the men putting them into effect.

In other words, Manager Catterick assesses what each of his players can do and plans accordingly.

Eddie Wainwright's natural game is that of a thrusting inside-forward. One who lies well upfield and is always ready to provide, with the centre-forward, the two-pronged thrust. At Everton he was never used as a midfield forager, a "general" lying behind the attack.

But if the other inside-forward is not a player who will hover at the right moment on the edge of his own penalty area, who does not position himself correctly to take short clearances and who does not do the bulk of the fetching and carrying in midfield, then Wainwright must forgo his natural game and take on that role.

Altered style

This is what he has so often had to do at Spotland. Thus Wainwright, at a time when few players even try to alter their style of play, has done so because the team required it.

How often have we seen him back even behind Ferguson? How often is he the man who has given himself the room well back in his own half to set an attack moving if the ball is put to him?

When supporters complain that Wainwright has not scored the goals they expected him to do when he joined Rochdale with the reputation of being a goalscorer inside-forward, the points I have mentioned should be remembered. And while playing this type of game he still managed to score ten goals last season and has eight so far this.

Monday, when Rochdale go to Gateshead for the last of their Easter games, sees the start of a batch of seven matches to the end of the season during which they play only one at home.

One or two points from these games are essential and I give below the matches to come with the result of last season's comparative game as an indication of what there is to hope for:

This season	Last season
April 7—Gateshead (A.)	L 1-2
" 12—York City (A.)	L 0-4
" 12—Chester (A.)	D 2-2
" 19—Bradford (H.)	W 2-1
" 21—Crewe Alexandra (A.)	W 6-1
" 26—Oldham Athletic (A.)	W 1-0
" 29—Hallifax Town (A.)	L 1-3

If Rochdale do as well between now and April 29 as they did against the same teams 12 months ago, there will be some happy hearts at Spotland. Seven points from the seven games would indeed be a grand finish to Rochdale's best season for eight years.

It is remarkable how the critics are being proved wrong—at any rate in Rochdale's games—about the increasing ferocity there would be in Third Division matches towards the end of such a vital season as this one is. I admit I was wrong myself.

In Rochdale's matches this year there was only one penalty kick awarded before Easter, and that was for a foul on Pearson at Chesterfield.

Yet in the first part of the season up to the end of 1957, there had been 11 spot-kicks awarded in Rochdale games.

Travelling with the first team to Carlisle a week ago was John Wallace, the recent signing from Scottish junior football, who was introduced to the first-team dressing-room for the first time. John could not take his place in the reserve side because of a leg injury.

Terry Mulvey, who is now in the Army and stationed at Carlisle, was not allowed off Army duties to see Rochdale play at Brunton Park. I am told he is shortly to move to Germany, which means he is finished with club football for a long time. A further disappointment for Terry is that his small unit plays rugby only!

ROCHDALE FORWARDS SHOT SHY

THE Rochdale forwards gave a most exasperating display against a Gateshead defence which could have been well beaten had they been on anything like their best form. It was hard work to watch Rochdale's attack, promising up to the penalty area and fulfilling nothing when it got there.

More often than not it was the last pass which went astray, but even so there was no direct shooting and Rochdale's only scoring chances came from muddles in the goalmouth.

On the other hand, the defence played well. Glover and McGuigan were particularly sound, but although Ferguson, Grant and McCulloch all did well with tenacious tackling, they did not do a lot towards getting the attack working smoothly.

Part of the trouble with the front line was that there was too much dash and not enough science.

Pearson's inclusion means that the Rochdale attack is made up of dashers and the big need is an inside-forward to put some sort of pattern into their enthusiasm.

Vizard injured

Rochdale should still have won. More careful aim by Pearson on one occasion would certainly have brought the winner, and Lockhart, Dailey and Wainwright all missed late chances of clinching the issue.

There was some excuse for the attack, for Vizard sprained an ankle in the first half, and though he came back on to the field, he was nothing more than a spectator thereafter.

Rochdale were unlucky when referee Sant refused them a spot-kick after Pearson had been floored in the penalty area.

Gateshead's one spot of bad luck was when a shot from Hogg hit the underside of the Rochdale bar and was scrambled away.

This was about the only shot of note that Gateshead were able to put on the target, and Rochdale compared favourably in that they did plenty of shooting, even though much of it was poor-quality stuff.



Rain and mud has almost made these Wigan and Hornets players indistinguishable. McTigue is the man with the ball. A scene from the RL Cup semi-final at Swinton last Saturday in which Wigan beat Hornets 5-3.

Players set on improving League placing

IT was good to hear George Parsons say a few words on behalf of the Hornets team at the dinner which followed last Saturday's Challenge Cup semi-final at Swinton. Ruling out what he said about the game itself, it was encouraging to know that the players have set themselves unitedly to gain as many League points as they can to the end of the season to improve on the present poor position.

But for the Cup-ties, this state of affairs would have been eagerly seized upon by the critics. There is not much chance now of bettering the post-war record for the club of 43 League points, but with a big effort they may yet eclipse last season's 38 points.

Nor is there much chance of being in the top 15 at the end of the season when there is a definite threat that the two division advocates will at last get their own way.

There are only three more fixtures at the Athletic Grounds—Dewsbury on Monday, Leeds next Saturday and Wigan on April 26. There ought to be at least two above-average games from the three.

So far a date has not been agreed upon for the postponed match with Liverpool City at Knotty Ash. Other outstanding games are at Leeds on Wednesday, April 23, and at Warrington on Wednesday, April 30.

Bright financial picture

With Hornets due for roughly £2,000 from the Challenge Cup semi-finals, and with the regular income from the Supporters' Club lottery

In the HORNETS' NEST by Touchjudge

there is talk of the club paying a dividend to shareholders this time. They did once, but from what I have heard about that distant event, it was done for a joke and did not cost much.

The picture is brighter financially than for very many years, and shareholders will receive all the "dividends" they want if, at the forthcoming annual meeting, they are assured that the efforts to secure stability have been successful and that the directors can look forward to 1958-9 with some cash available to make the kind of signing or signings they mentioned. My belief is that eventually we shall have a signing "above the mediocre class."

There are a few things the directors as selectors can do before this season ends. One is to give the supporters a view of Bill Sheridan at the Athletic Grounds with the first

team, which will also enable John Fishwick to have a rest as a touch-line spectator. True, Sheridan had a game at Oldham, but then he came into a difficult fixture in an emergency.

Followers, I am sure, also want to see John Lawrenson again figuring in a first-team game, although the selectors may not be in a hurry to rush him, knowing that he is due to end his period of National Service in time to make him regularly available in the early stages of next season.

Chance for Don Smith

From the naming of the Easter teams, they evidently intend to enable Dan Smith to "come from under a cloud." This young centre went to Odsall for trials when Bradford officials had their minds mainly on Cup-ties, and they admitted towards the end of the period that they had not been able to use the trials as they intended.

With the chance of signing Smith for £750, or perhaps less, they missed a bargain, and if only he settles down to show what he can do at the Athletic Grounds, he is talented enough to challenge both Short and Jones for the centre positions.

Geoff Kelly has also rated first-team selection recently. This is opportune for a player due to take his benefit, and the more the crowd see him, the more will go into the fund. Already two match collections have raised more than £50 for the benefit funds.

The special committee in charge of the effort is better organised, according to information passed to me, than any previous committee of its kind, and it is forecast that Kelly will eventually receive a sum far in excess of any earlier reward to a Hornets player.

In the near future, details of the special match at the Athletic Grounds—the main effort for the benefit—will be announced. In the meantime, many subsidiary efforts are being made, some at local clubs.

HOLLINWOOD DARTS AND CRIB LEAGUE

DARTS				
	P. W.	F. A.	Pt	
Yew Tree	24 21	124 44	42	
White Hart	24 20	107 61	40	
Bridgewater	24 19	110 58	38	
Greaves Arms	24 17	105 60	34	
Royal Oak	24 14	88 80	28	
Oxford	24 14	83 84	28	
Ferranti	24 12	87 81	24	
Fallsworth CC	24 11	82 86	22	
New Moston BL	24 9	87 81	18	
Bowling Green	24 8	71 97	16	
Colliers	24 6	67 101	12	
Commercial	24 4	64 114	8	
Struggler	24 1	24 142	2	

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	P. W.	F. A.	Pt	
New Moston BL	24 18	104 64	36	
White Hart	24 17	100 68	34	
Yew Tree	24 16	95 73	32	
Fallsworth CC	24 16	94 74	32	
Bridgewater	24 15	95 73	30	
Greaves Arms	24 13	87 81	24	
Colliers	24 11	82 86	22	
Oxford	24 11	82 86	22	
Royal Oak	24 10	72 96	20	
Commercial	24 8	83 85	16	
Ferranti	24 7	80 88	16	
Struggler	24 7	50 118	14	
Bowling Green	24 6	65 103	12	

Top Four final at darts: Yew Tree v. White Hart, at Ferranti, Tuesday.



Boston drags Chisnall into touch to stop Hornets from scoring. Ashcroft watches. A close shave for Wigan in the Cup semi-final last Saturday.

WHO WILL BE THE LUCKY

Last heat of Queen contest

THE third and last heat dance of the Carnival Queen Competition will be held at the Princess Ballroom tonight. From the eighteen girls who have been chosen to appear at the dance, eight finalists for the Carnival Dance next week will be selected.

Judges tonight are the same as on the previous occasions—Mr. Stanley Ogborn (president of Oldham Round Table), Mr. J. Barnes (manager of the Princess Ballroom), Miss Doris Pickering (MC at the Princess), Mr. Duncan Lawton (president of the Carnival Committee), Queen) and Christina Griggs Mrs. Beatrice Howard (representing the people of Oldham) and Miss Linda Dyson (of the Oldham Evening Chronicle).

The Carnival Dance is only a few days away now, and what a night it will be! The tickets are completely sold out—sure proof of its popularity.

At the dance the lucky girl who is to be Oldham's 1958-59 Carnival Queen will be chosen. The Delilah Competition, which has aroused much local and national interest, will be judged.

And last but not least there will be many top names from show business there. Agnes Bernelle, the actress, Joan Edwards, Mavis Gillie (ITV Fashion Queen) and Christine Griggs (ITV Holiday Princess) will all be judging the competitions.

The winners of the last round of the Carnival Queen Competition on Thursday are: Miss Kathleen Bradbury (16), of Shaw Road, Oldham; Miss Yvonne Jarman (19), of Sycamore Avenue, Chadderton, and Miss Janet Matthew (15), of Alwin Road, Rushcroft, Shaw.

The correct order of the voting coupon was E, D, A, F, C, B, and no-one sent in a coupon in this order.



Carol Taylor



Valerie Monk



Maureen Gartside



Joyce Williams



Margaret Beech



Lynn J.



Gwyneth Moore



Marian Ingham



Sylvia Ann Brown



Jean Wrigley



Penny Macaskill



Elaine



Janet Matthew



Yvonne Jarman



Kathleen Bradbury



Norma Clarkson



Brenda Cook



Barbara Taylor

OLDHAM 'A' BADLY BEATEN

A tale of two halves

Oldham "A" 1 3—11, Leigh 6 5—27

JOHNNY NOON was sent out on the Watersheddings turf yesterday to find an answer to Oldham's problems—a reserve full-back. By half-time Oldham "A" were trailing 27 points behind Leigh "A" and full-back Noon was not looking too happy.

An erratic Oldham defence gave Johnny plenty of work to do and in his new position he had a rough time coping with a lively Leigh attack.

After half-time Noon roamed happily around at left centre and Stirrup took up the full-back position. By coincidence, Oldham took over as attackers and scored 11 points without reply.

Never have Oldham "A" looked less like a team than in the first half. With Leigh in the familiar red and white strip, the "A" team might just as well have been playing the first team—the difference in class was just as great.

Leigh were yards faster, their three-quarter line, in particular, out-distancing Oldham every time. After three minutes they had ten

points on the board, and had 22 on in 20 minutes.

What happened after the interval is a little difficult to pinpoint. Oldham's defence was obviously much better, and their covering and spotting was almost impregnable. But just why Leigh lost that invincible dash is hard to see.

O'Brien began the revival with a streaking try in the first minute after the interval. But Noon, with his first kick at goal, missed. Then Noon made up for it with a try of his own near the posts, which he converted, and two minutes later he gave Needham one in almost the same spot when he could have gone over himself. He missed the goal.

Leigh's points were scored by Hart (6 goals), and High (2), W. Hutson (2) and Wardle, tries.

Billy Knight, Northamptonshire, was beaten 6—1, 6—1 by Robert Hallett, the French No. 2, in the quarter-finals of the international lawn tennis tournament at Monte Carlo yesterday.

Keenan is placed 10th

Peter Keenan, the British Empire bantamweight champion, appeared for the first time in the American Ring magazine's world ratings yesterday. He was ranked tenth contender for Alphonse Halimi's world bantamweight title.

Hogan Bassey, Nigerian holder of the world featherweight title, was named runner-up to Sugar Ray Robinson as fighter-of-the-month.

GRAVELHOLE'S 6-1 PUTS THEM IN FIN

GRAVELHOLE AFC visited Industry FC and entered the Charity Cup second round as the result of a 6—1 success. The first half was evenly contested, although Gravelhole led 1—0 at half-time with a goal after 29 minutes.

With the second half five minutes old, Gravelhole increased their lead but Industry reduced it five minutes later. From this point, Gravelhole took control and scored four goals in the last 15 minutes. Spedding scored for Industry while Carr and Wilson (2 each), Wildman and Trippier netted for Gravelhole.

Rochdale Athletic entered the semi-final, beating Bay Horse 7—2. It took Athletic 30 minutes to get the measure of their opponents, and from then they took control. Athletic opened the score after 10 minutes against the run of the play, but Bay Horse soon equalised. Athletic scored two further goals to lead 3—1 at half-time. Still keeping control in the second half, Athletic added four further goals against one in reply. Read netted

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The draw for the (the Charity Cup is:) 21: Walsden or A. and v. Shaw Fine Spinn hole.

Tuesday, April 22: 1 v. Rochdale Athletic.

At a managem meeting last week, referees were chosen appointments: Amat Firth (Chadderton), H. Richmond (Rochd Cup—G. Nunwick (F

PIGEON NOTES

SADDLEWORTH'S POSITION IN LANCASHIRE COMBINE RACES

HEY HOMING SOCIETY held their monthly meeting last Monday when all members' clocks were brought in for testing. All members are to attend at club headquarters on Sunday week at 11 o'clock for cleaning baskets and checking for repairs.

The secretary told members that an invitation had been received from Shaw Homing Society inviting them to join in the opening race from Stafford. The members readily accepted. This now means that in addition to Shaw and Hey, Oldham and Hollinwood will also be going. Each club will be liberated separately.

The Federation secretary went along to Saddleworth's last meeting to explain just how the club is situated in the Lancashire Combine race. Half the Saddleworth members are in Yorkshire. It was explained that all birds will be conveyed by the Combine, irrespective of whether the loft location was in Lancashire or Yorkshire.

Only Lancashire members, however, will be able to compete for Combine honours. It was pointed out that to offset this, all Federation members would be able to compete in the Federation's two-bird nomination race, and that there are some good prizes to be won in this race.

I am very pleased to hear that Tom Stubbins is starting up again. He has been buying back a few

pairs to make a fresh start.

I believe he has been promised some from Joe Thomas, who is one of the most successful fanciers in Middleton, so it doesn't look as if it will be long before Tom is back at the top again. West Oldham will have to be on their toes to beat him.

I have heard of a local fancier who has had most of his first round of eggs laid with soft shells. Although anyone who has had luck with his first round deserves a certain amount of sympathy, as it will have upset his future plans as well. I think most of the blame in a case like this rests on the owner and not the birds.

The explanation for his trouble could be that the birds were not in perfect breeding condition when mated, and when the hens laid they were too fat.

Bill Yarwood, who writes under "South Lanes" in the British Homing World, has had thieves in his loft and they have taken two of his best birds. Bill's wife, by the way, has been appointed secretary of Manchester Flying Club. It is nice to see one of our women friends taking such an active part, for pigeon racing is a hobby which can be enjoyed by the women just as much as the men. I am surprised we have not more women members than we have. Any of the local clubs will be only too pleased to assist them.

—J.C.

Oldham Rugby Union Notes

HIGH HOPES FOR SOUTH-WEST TOUR

DESPITE the recent poor form of the first XV (four of the last five games lost), there was an optimistic outlook when the party of forty players and officials left on Thursday evening for the tour of the South-West. The tour will entail four first team games and two second team games.

Inevitably there have been the last minute absences, the most notable being that of first team skipper Fred Wood who has still not recovered from a leg injury sustained at Metrovick.

Last Saturday, the first team lost at Morley 14-3 in what was perhaps the most gruelling game of the season. Oldham were forced to make several late changes, chiefly forward, but all the forwards played particularly well.

In this tough forward battle, reserves John Lees, R. Stevenson, J. Buckley, J. Hutton and T. Mundy, all did extremely well. J. Humble was injured in the first minute of the game, and was a passenger on the wing for the rest of the match. G. Brierley moved into the centre, and was the outstanding threequarter. Play was much more even than the score suggests.

Oldham's try came from Woodhead after an excellent move started in the Oldham half.

The Borough team also lost 14-8 in another hard-fought and at times over-robust game at Sandbach. The Borough side was weakened by last-minute calls from the first team. Oldham gave away far too many penalties but scored two tries to the home side's two. P. Arthurs scored a good try, the other being scored by S. Nicholas. A. McKinley converted this with a fine kick. John Buckley played a grand game at full-back before receiving severe concussion late in the game.

The "A" team lost at Keb Lane Morley "A" 8-3. After an early Garrett penalty goal, Oldham threw their lead away when they allowed Morley to score two tries through slack tackling. The Morley forwards were much more together than the Oldham eight, who lacked a leader. B. Cottle was the best of the forwards, R. Smalley had a good game at scrum-half and V. Parker showed exceptional promise at full-back.

The Colts beat Morley Colts 11-0 at Keb Lane. This was a scrappy game in which Perry was the best Oldham player.

First team forward R. Gallier has been chosen to play for the police No. 1 district against the Metropolitan police in the final of the Police Cup. K.D.



Rochdale Sunday Schools

7 goals for Marriott in quarter-final

Shawforth, the Timpson Cup holders, entered the semi-final of this season's competition with a sound home win over Littleborough Parish. The game was decided in the first 15 minutes when Shawforth established a 3-goal lead.

Littleborough got a goal before the interval but they never appeared likely to save the game. Lumb (2) and Daley scored for Shawforth, and Clegg for Littleborough.

All Saints' staged a fine recovery in their home game with Thornham to draw level after being three goals down at half-time. The visitors, however, proved the stronger team and two goals in the last 15 minutes brought them a well-deserved win and a place in the semi-finals.

The goalscorers were Rushton (2), Crowther, Butterworth and Lloyd for Thornham, and Gill (2) and Lythgoe for All Saints.

After dismissing "A" Division teams from the competition in the two previous rounds, St. Peter's took on a third in YMCA OB, but were well beaten 10-2. YMCA scored twice in the first four minutes but St. Peter's quickly made it 2-2. The home team scoring four more before half-time, however. Marriott was outstanding with seven goals.

The only draw of the round was between Whittle's and Wardle Parish, 1-1. As the score suggests the defenders were the masters, and it was not until the second half that the goals came. Fitton gave Wardle the lead, and Hobbs equalised.

HIGGINSHAW RFC, finalists in the Oldham Junior League Standard Cup competition.
Back row: A. Robinson, Bradley, Read, T. Robinson, Cheetham, Wolstencroft. Front: Ward, Lenegan, Mellor, Houghton, Holt, Godfrey, Turner.

Can Oldham school bring back trophy?

WITH all but one of the Junior Schools' Football League championships decided, interest is now centred on the cup competition, particularly the Clayton Cup, which is open to teams in Oldham and district.

This cup, for which nearly 50 teams entered, has been held for the past two years by teams outside Oldham, and right from the start the question has been, "Can a team from Oldham bring it back to the town?"

With the semi-final stage now reached, interest is still at a high pitch, because the question has not yet been answered. At one time it looked as if the semi-final would include four Oldham teams, but Freehold went down 2-1 against the much-fancied East Crompton team at Crompton. The semi-final draw now reads:-

Alexandra (Oldham) v. Hathershaw or the winners of SS Aidan's v. Denton Lane.

Northmoor (Oldham) v. East Crompton.

With the hope that Alexandra's recent narrow league defeat has done much more good than harm, all Oldham's hopes could be realised with Alexandra showing the form of which they are capable to bring back the trophy to the town.

ONE GOAL GAVE VICTORY POINTS TO CHADDERTON

CHADDERTON journeyed to Irlam to play the Irlam Central Old Boys' team without Simpson, Giles and N. Isherwood. Chadderton last season lost this game 5-1. With seven games to the close of the season this was one Chadderton had to win to keep in the Manchester Amateur League (second division) championship stakes.

Ground conditions were heavy and early play was even. The home side did not appear to be as formidable as last term and the depleted Chadderton team dealt confidently with all the Irlam attacks.

The Chadderton attack, however, lacked the urgency shown by their impressive rearguard and half-time was reached with no score.

Chadderton began the second half in more determined style and, driven forward by 18-year-old right-half Gordon Ward, in great form, and the right-back and captain Bill Taylor, danger threatened the Irlam goal. Following a Taylor thrust, centre-forward Clive Middlebrook fired home the vital only goal of the match, a just reward.

Neither side appeared likely to score again and although Irlam exerted heavy pressure they found Johnny Adamson an admirable stand-in for Duncan Simpson and Roy Stott an efficient keeper.

A hard game with two more vital points for Chadderton.

The Co-op boys hit jack-pot in game with Ashton National

WITH the grounds heavy, and footholds insecure, defenders in the SE Lancashire League and an unhappy time last Saturday, for every match brought a crop of goals. CWS (Radcliffe) hit the jack-pot, scoring nine against Ashton National, who must be wondering what has hit them in this, their first season in the league.

Both Prestwich Borough and Urmston, who meet in the Shield semi-final on Droylsden Ground on April 12, both had good wins. Prestwich entertained a Block Lane side which has not had the best of luck this season. Increased financial liabilities, injuries and a car crash have all done their bit to push Block Lane lower in the league than for many seasons. The latest blow, the loss of Moss to Halifax, was evident against Prestwich, for, although the approach work was up to standard, the finishing power of Moss was much missed. Prestwich won 6-1, and although this was a rather flattering result, there was no doubt that they were the better side.

The stars were, as usual, Abrahams and Chappell, for Prestwich, and the seemingly ever-young Johnny Jackson for the visitors. Abrahams scored a hat-trick, while Chappell led full-back F. Nield a merry dance.

The other Prestwich side, Heys, went across the border to Marsden and nearly brought back a point. They led 1-0 early in the game, but Marsden recovered to a half-time

lead of 3-2. Heys then missed a penalty, plus several good chances, and they have only themselves to blame for defeat. McVey, deputising for the injured Gallbanks, had a good game at centre-half, but the usually safe Hancocks was at fault in the Heys goal with one of the goals. Marsden still hope for that runners-up cup, but Urmston are not slipping—four games behind and five points behind makes Marsden's hopes look rather sick.

Urmston, with a 5-1 win over Dukinfield St. Mary's, are a workmanlike side containing few outstanding players, but good team spirit. Saturday's match was not a very good one, however, for too many passes went astray, but the stronger Urmston attack always had the key to victory. Their meeting with Prestwich is a promising affair. Reade (2), Lomas, Irwin, plus one own goal, made up Urmston's five goals. Hodgin was Dukinfield's only scorer.

There were two sets of hat-tricks in CWS Radcliffe's 9-2 win over Ashton National, and the men on the mark were Linnacre and McGadi, while centre-forward Boardman added two more and full-back Whittall put in number nine for good measure. Give Ashton credit, though, for they never gave up trying. Marsh, Morris and Ricketts all did well. Pennance, the CWS centre-half, was again a tower of strength.

670lb. sturgeon caught

A 670lb. sturgeon with a length of 10ft. 3in. and girth of 5ft 5in. has been caught by a group of fishermen on the Upper Yangtze River, in Szechwan Province, the Pekin newspaper Ta Kung Pao reports.

OLDHAM BOYS WERE TOO WEAK IN FIRST HALF AT SWINTON

Swinton beat Oldham Boys 21-5 at Station Road last Monday. Swinton were on top throughout the first half, and Oldham hardly ever crossed the halfway line. Constant pressure was sure to tell and the points mounted up for Swinton.

Oldham had no life, and tackling, passing and positioning were below standard. The Swinton right wing had a field day and scored three tries in short time, two by the winger and one by his centre. When Oldham got the ball a foolish kick or a dropped pass would lose possession. At half-time the score was 19-0.

What happened to the two teams during the interval is hard to say, but the second half saw Oldham putting in constant pressure and Swinton defending desperately. Swinton's defence in this half was better than Oldham's had been in the first half, but it was good to see such an enormous improvement in the Oldham side.

A very fine movement across the field took Oldham to within striking distance of the Swinton line where their opponents conceded a penalty. Foy took a short kick, and before the Swinton defence was organised he was over for a good try. Russell

reduced the lead further with a penalty goal. However, with the last kick of the match Swinton scored to make the final result 21-5. Scriven and Atherton were the best of Oldham's team.

Higginshaw 2, Clarksfield 11

With Clarksfield unbeaten this season, and Higginshaw only having lost one match, the result of this "B" League game was to prove a deciding factor in the destination of the Championship Cup.

As was expected, it proved a tough struggle for the points. The very wet and muddy conditions made open football risky and both sets of forwards played extremely well.

The first half, with Higginshaw playing uphill, was an end-to-end struggle. Atherton managed to break clear and by good body work wriggled through for a Clarksfield try. This was almost balanced by a great penalty goal by Russell from near the halfway line. Half-time 2-3.

In the second half the greater all-round strength of Clarksfield began to tell and Broadbent and Leeson scored good tries. Wynn completed the scoring with a goal. Russell again starred for Higginshaw but lacked support from his colleagues.

Why is it that when Bardsley and English Steel take the field, players' temperatures rise to danger point? Maybe Ashton historians can answer this point. Saturday was English Steel's turn to win and this they did 4-1. There was nothing at stake, but if this was an end-of-season match of no importance, give me a nice quiet cup final! Harrop (2), Parkes and Booth scored for Steel, while Ray Wood added one for a below-strength Bardsley who will have to get a settled team before April 12, when they meet Chloride on Ashton National's ground.

As for Chloride, well it was No. 22 for them, with a 5-1 win over Dukinfield Victoria. But this score doesn't give a true picture of Victoria's gallant side, who played good football, but lacked a sharp-shooter. This was a match everybody enjoyed and a real credit to two of the league's most sporting sides.

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Chloride	22	22	0	0	44
Marsden	22	16	3	3	34
Urmston	22	16	2	4	34
Dukinfield St. Mary	25	13	4	8	30
Prestwich Borough	25	13	4	8	30
English Steel	27	13	3	11	29
Dukinfield Victoria	28	10	7	11	27
Robinson's Recs.	23	14	3	9	26
Bardsley	25	14	3	11	26
Heys	25	14	3	11	26
Block Lane	25	10	2	13	22
Ashton National	26	9	2	15	20
CWS (Radcliffe)	21	8	1	12	17
A. & A. Crompton's	26	6	4	16	16
Osram	25	3	4	18	10
Avro	27	2	3	22	7

LEAGUE GAMES

Bright's were two good for Heywood St. James's, at Heywood, and won 4-0. (Marshall, Wilcox, Keylock and Woolfenden.)

After being outplayed in the first half of their home game with Lanehead, Sacred Heart changed their team round. This produced immediate results and they went on to win 7-1 after being lucky to be on level terms at the interval. Phillips (5), Naven and Watson scored their goals, Clark scoring for Lanehead.

Castlemere OB were short-handed for their game with Norden YCOB at Norden and were well beaten 7-3. Norden's goals were scored by Bouser (2), Heap (2), Clegg, Ingham and Tattersall. Bellew scored three for Castlemere.

St. Gabriel's were fortunate to beat Cutgate Baptists 3-1, as the visitors allowed them to get two-goal lead before they came into the game. Donoghue (2) and Jones scored for Gabriel's and Aughey for Cutgate.

Newhey St. Thomas's had an easy 6-1 home win over Spotland Meths., Cox (4) and Mills (2) scoring for Newhey, and Hulme for Spotland. Facit Parish led Buckley Hall 4-1 at half-time and won 5-2. Stott (3), Jackson and Robinson scored for Facit, and Marshall and Moores for Buckley Hall.

Thornham St. James's deserved their 4-2 home win over St. Patrick's as they played with more determination. Whellock, Ashworth, Ogden and Bancroft scored for St. James's, Nyland getting both St. Patrick's goals.

Mr. I. K. Powell, of Wales, will referee the ten-round contest at Harringay on April 13 between the British lightweight champion Dave Charnley (Dartford) and the British and European welterweight champion Peter Waterman (Clapham).

CLEAR-CUT WIN OVER BRADFORD

At last Athletic gather both the points

ATHLETIC 4, BRADFORD 2.

THE sweet taste of success—and it was Athletic's after three long months. From December 28 they had waited for this home victory, and even gained both points by taking the hard path to glory. With the chances they had in this Good Friday fray the issue should never have been in doubt—but it remained so until the 75th minute, when newcomer Terry Crossley gave them a two-goal lead.

In fact it was Bradford who had made the earlier running, twice taking the lead and missing a couple of chances to repeat the process in the second period. But that didn't

By A. G. W.

make the Yorkshiremen a good side. When they came to Boundary Park earlier in the season I described them as one of the league's worst teams—and the haven't improved.

For a long time Athletic were playing below their best, and, it was the defence who were having one of the shakiest games of the season. Two shocking covering blunders gave the visitors their goals and, fortunately for Athletic, two equally tragic errors by goalkeeper Ray Minshull kept them on level terms.

In the second half, however, there was no doubting Athletic's superiority. They played with more skill and method, but even then it was another mistake by the unfortunate Minshull that gave them the lead for the first time.

Clear-cut effort

Then came the goal from youngster Terry Crossley—Athletic's only clear-cut effort—but the one that put Bradford out of the picture for good. That goal will be some consolation to the Reserve team marksman who had a rather unhappy game, and will have to wait longer yet for a regular first-team place.

Try as he might, he just couldn't catch up with the pace of the game—another telling example of the gap between the reserve and senior side football. One former Reserve team player who has jumped the gap, however, again gave a fine display. I mean of course Alan Hall, who, even under pressure, never wasted the ball.

He may still have something to make up in experience—but the natural ability is there. Once it had settled down, the defence looked steady enough, and the return of Tommy Walker to the right-wing did a lot to improve the attack. It was only to be expected that in his first match Walker would fade towards the end, and he did, but by then he had done enough.

He put across the first centre which Eric Over rammed home after Minshull had failed to collect Duffy's shot, and it was the winger's centre the Bradford keeper next dropped over the line. Walker will be invaluable to Athletic in these end-of-the-season games.

Duffy, too, had a promising return game in the middle. He put his side into the lead for the first time with a strange shot through Minshull's legs, but still the left-wing present its problem. With Neale at half-back, the potential danger had gone—leaving Manager Goodier with the headache he had at the very start of the season.

That return game

Athletic may look confidently towards Monday's return clash at Park Avenue, but they will have to cut out the defensive lapses and not waste so many openings which bring the vital goals.

After only five minutes' play, Bradford were in the lead with a shock goal from outside-right BUCHANAN. The winger beat West in a heading duel and the ball fell at the feet of the unmarked Taylor. A quick return pass and



Billy Webb, Royton's captain, receives the Standard Cup from Mr. Bernard Timilty.

HIGGINSHAW BEATEN IN THE FINAL BURKE LED ROYTON TO A STANDARD CUP VICTORY

ROYTON 15 HIGGINSHAW 3

BOBBY BURKE, Royton's bustling centre, has a Standard Cup-winner's medal for a souvenir, but the pride of place on his mantelpiece will go to the Ben Powell Memorial Trophy. He won it for giving the best individual display of the final when his team played Higginshaw yesterday morning at Watersheddings.

An 80-minute zest for supporting rugby and two classic tries gave 22-year-old Bobby the treasured trophy—and his play helped an awful lot in giving Royton the Standard Cup for the second year in succession.

As he clutched the tiny cup with a big reputation, Bobby said: "I didn't think I was the player of the game, but just the same I am very proud to win it."

But there was no mistaking Bobby's star stamp, just as there was no mistaking Royton's overall supremacy. For almost the whole of the game they had the full measure of a determined, but idea-lacking Higginshaw.

Higginshaw had no answer to the thrusting play of Royton out-half Jack Read and their defence often withered under the onslaughts of

forwards Marre, McKeown and Turner.

A word too for a very steady full-back, Royton's Churm. As cool as they come, young Churm took his men during the brief spells that Higginshaw found the right way to attack. And Churm was ever ready to lend a useful hand in the attack.

For a time it seemed possible that Higginshaw may find the power they needed in centre Tommy Turner, who early in the game produced a power run which, with a pass at the right time, might have brought a try.

Turner, however, did not get many of those chances and his winger, Ward, like right-winger Godfrey was too often deprived of the chance to show what could have been a formidable power for any opponent to reckon with.

Inside 26 minutes Royton were on the board with two tries from Burke, the Higginshaw sailed back into the game with a sensational try from Godfrey. But the game swung back to Royton in the second half with tries from Webb, Butterworth and, seconds from time, Jack Read.

W.D.

Patterson will stay champ

—says Joe Louis

JOE LOUIS, former world heavyweight boxing champion, said yesterday that world champion Floyd Patterson should be required to defend his title against the winner of next Wednesday's fight between Eddie Machen, the No.1 contender, and Zola Folley.

Louis, in San Francisco to see the fight, told a Press conference: "They say I had speed, but Patterson is faster. He's got the fastest pair of hands of any fighter that's ever been around."

"No-one is going to beat Patterson for ten or 12 years, but I don't think they should let him get away with picking his own opponents."

He added that "they" included the National Boxing Association, the World Boxing Federation, and the New York State Boxing Commission.

A touring England XI beat the Irish club, Hibernians, 6-1 at The Hague yesterday on the opening day of an Easter hockey tournament for women's teams.

Attendance 6,081.

OLDHAM TAMED THE 'LION' REAL RUGBY WITH LOTS OF THRILL

SWINTON 3 4-18

OLDHAM 8

OLDHAM should be harshly criticised for this game should be rebuked for handing to the Swinton of its four tries and they should be ticked off slack handling that so often turned attack into defence don't count on me to do it—I enjoyed this game refuse to lift a finger.

by W. I.

As a game it was the perfect Good Friday treat. Almost without exception open play was the order of the holiday and both sides kept the crowd roaring right to the final whistle.

So many times the lead changed hands and until 12 minutes from the end it could have been anybody's game. That's the way the most thrilling kind of rugby is played—and that is just the way this thrilling game of rugby was played.

With an eye on the Wigan game today, manager Griff Jenkins pulled out centre Dennis Ayres and replaced him with Vin Nestor. Rest orders also went to Keith, who gave up his hooking place to Carruthers, and McKeown, who handed over the blind side of the front row to Roger Dufty.

Reputation upheld

It wasn't Oldham's strongest team, but in the memory book of every one of the 12,000 spectators it was an Oldham team that truly upheld the club's open football reputation.

THIS GAME GOES INTO ANOTHER BOOK AS WELL. IN THE 54th MINUTE FULL-BACK BERNARD GANLEY SMASHED THE CLUB'S GOALKICKING RECORD HE SET UP LAST SEASON WITH 189 GOALS. AND HE MOVED ON TO MAKE HIS SEASON'S TOTAL SO FAR 193 GOALS—JUST 13 SHORT OF THE WORLD RECORD.

On the try-scoring side Oldham scored four crackers to four equally attractive ones from Swinton's "Lions."

The first one from the Watersheddings side came six minutes after the start. Etty had just taken a pass following a great Jackson break, but he failed to drive it home. The ball swung infield and Kellett showed the way with a great run and a pass to Davies for the centre to send NESTOR racing in.

Swinton were not dismayed and came back to hammer away at the Oldham line. NORBURN showed a danger he was to maintain for the whole game with a break-through the defence that left them completely flat-footed.

Then 10 minutes later erratic Oldham—classy in approach but mixed-up in finishing—swung into action again. Winslade was in on the 45-yard movement and Kellett took his pass to make a brilliant break and send NESTOR over. GANLEY kicked the first of his eight goals.

Bad late pass

GANLEY had just landed a penalty goal for Oldham when a bad mistake in attack cost them a try. Pitchford had the ball in the Oldham quarter and tried a late pass. It failed to connect and PARKINSON swooped in to kick

the ball to the line. Robson had made attempts at goal but Taylor proved no better.

Another mistake gave their third try. Kellett, ing the Oldham quarter pass this time. But a son pounced on the w took the ball to send home for a try. BLA goal to give Swinton.

In the 43rd minute restored the lead with goal, and although BL the position when he shot over two minutes ham's full-back was again when Swinton w the 48th minute.

Recovered from a first-half, Frank Pitcl Oldham's next try. He scrum 20 yards out at nearest of close pass DAVIES to take and was an easy kick for

The full-back got for Oldham three minutes with the game seeming up, Swinton came up the 61st minute.

One of the culprits who let a kick-through behind him. Norburn the loose ball just in half and sent MATH in for a very spectacular some poor Swinton pleased the crowd with kick from the touchline.

Oldham dealt the k with just 12 minutes. Turner, whose kicking had broken any early spotting, made one known charges near passed, for JACKSON GANLEY goaled and three minutes later were penalised at the

As I have said, Oldham means faultless and that with more reliability could have scored at handful of tries. But they played a great game one of the taining this season—they did win.

Swinton: Robins, Mather, Parkinson, Cartwright; McGov Lamb, Smith, Norbu

Oldham: Gank Nestor, Davies, Etty; ford; Jackson, Carr Winslade, Little, Tur Referee: Mr. R. (field).

Attendance: 12,000

Kid Gavilan, of welterweight boxing the world, won a split Ralph (Tiger) Jones bout in Philadelphia

HALF-TIME SCOR

FIRST DIVISION

Aston Villa 1, West Brom. 0.
Blackpool 3, Newcastle 0.
Bolton 0, Manchester City 1.
Everton 0, Tottenham 3.
Leeds 1, Sheffield Wed. 1.
Leicester 4, Burnley 2.
Luton Town 0, Chelsea 0.
Manchester United 0, Preston 0.
Sunderland 0, Birmingham 4.
Wolverhampton 1, Portsmouth 0

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley 2, Leyton Orient 0.
Blackburn 2, Rotherham 0.
Bristol Rovers 3, Bristol City 3.
Derby County 0, Cardiff 2.
Ipswich 0, Huddersfield 0.
Lincoln 1, Stoke City 0.
Notts County 0, Grimsby 0.
Sheffield United 0, Doncaster 0.
Swansea 0, Liverpool 0.
West Ham 0, Charlton 0.

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Bradford City 2, Barrow 0.
Crewe 0, Chesterfield 2.
Darlington 3, Bradford 0.
Gateshead 2, Carlisle 0.
Halifax 0, Accrington 0.
Hull 4, Oldham Athletic 0.
Mansfield 3, Southport 0.
Rochdale 0, Chester 1.
Scunthorpe 2, Hartlepool 0.
Stockport 1, Bury 0.
Warrington 0, York 0.
Wrexham 2, Tranmere 1.

THIRD DIVISION

Brighton 0, Northampton 0.
Exeter 0, Coventry 0.
Gillingham 2, Walsall 0.
Hull 0, Bournemouth 0.
Newport 0, Crystal Palace 0.
Plymouth 0, Brentford 0.
Port Vale 1, Torquay 1.
Southampton 2, Watford 0.
Southend 0, Reading 0.
Swindon 0, Norwich 1.

SCOTTISH FA CUP

Rangers 1, Hibernian 2.
Motherwell 0, Clyde 2

SCOTTISH LEAG

Aberdeen 0, Celtic 0.
Airdrieonians 2, Falkirk 0.
Kilmarnock 0, Hearts 1.
Queen of South 2, Third Raith 1, Partick Thistle 0.

SCOTTISH LEAG

Brechin 1, Arbroath 0.
Dundee United 1, Albion 0.
Dumfries 2, Dundee 0.
East Stirling 3, Stenhouse 0.
Forfar 2, Montrose 0.
Hamilton 0, St. Johnstone 0.
Morton 2, Cowdenbeath 0.
Stirling Albion 2, Ayr 0.
Stranraer 0, Berwick 0.

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TODAY'S RACING CAMBRIDGE WIN BOAT RACE

MANCHESTER

2 30—ALL-AGED SELLING HURDLE. 2 miles.
11 3 YOUNG ROBBY 6yrs. L. McMorrough 1
12 13 ZOMBIE II 8yrs. T. Brookshaw 2
10 10 LIGHT MAKEUP 7yrs. P. Major 3
Ten runners: Zombie II, Evangelist, Young Robby, Corona, Double Light, Master Mason, Arts Degree, Light Makeup, Chis, Forecast.
7/4 Zombie II; 100/30 YOUNG ROBBY; 8 Light Makeup; 7 Evangelist; 100/8 Corona. Double Light; 100/6 Chis; 20 others.
14 lengths: same.
Tote: Win 21/2; places 7/4, 5/-, 6/6.

3 0—JUBILEE HANDICAP HURDLE. 2 miles.
11 7 CLUNAC 7yrs. T. Brookshaw 1
12 9 VANISHED AGE 7yrs. H. J. East 2
12 6 APPROVAL 12yrs. W. Rees 3
Eight runners: Approval, Vanished Age, Tulipowrie, Clunac, Contango Lad, Midaise, Shahspig, Swift.
11/4 Approval; 7/2 Vanished Age; 4 Swift; 5 Tulipowrie; 6 CLUNAC; 10 Midaise; 100/7 Contango Lad; 20 Shahspig.
5 lengths: 3.
Tote: Win 27/10; places 7/10, 5/10, 5/10.

3 30—CHAMPION NOVICE CHASE. 2 miles.
11 7 PAS SEUL 5yrs. W. Rees 1
12 0 CROWN & ANCHOR 7yrs. D. V. Dick 2
11 0 NOBBUTJUST 7yrs. J. P. Kelly 3
Eleven runners: Oxo, Lion Noir, Crown and Anchor, Irish Jurist, Firemere, Pas Seul, Brownies Choice, Flame Royal, Nobbutjust, Doonaha, Triminal.
3 Irish Jurist; 7/2 PAS SEUL; 5 Oxo; 8 Flame Royal; Lion Noir; 100 Firemere; Brownies Choice; 100/7 Crown & Anchor; Doonaha; 20 others. 2 lengths: 3.
Tote: Win 16/4; places 8/2, 31/2, 28/10.

NEWTON ABBOT

2 30: ROYAL CRUISE 1, Devlry 2, Blue Baby 3. 17 an. 20/1, 20/1, 20/1. Nantucket (3/1) fav.
3 0: VAIN HELP 1, Durham Castle 2, South Bank 3. 10 an. 5/1, 6/1, 7/4 fav.
3 30: SWIFTHOLME 1, The Plumbers Mate 2, John o' Groats 3. 17 an. 11/10 fav., 5/1, 100/8.

SOUTHWELL

2 30: HAPPY WANDERER 1, Nigger 2, King's Star 3. 6 an. 7/1, 7/2, 5/1. Turvey (Evans) fav.
3 0: MASERU 1, Jacobina 2, Wood House 3. 9 an. 5/2, 10/1, 100/8.
3 30: TIGER TIM 1, Barden 2, Arctic Nineen 3. 12 an. 8/1, 3/1 fav., 7/1.

Shaw Billiards, Whist and Darts

(Up to and including March 28)

BILLIARDS	P	W	D	L	Pts
Royton Cons.	26	21	0	5	42
Milne Street	26	20	0	6	40
Shaw Church	26	20	0	6	40
Crompton Labour	26	19	0	7	38
Shaw Road Cons.	26	19	0	7	38
Crompton Cricket	26	16	0	10	32
Royton Oddfellows	26	13	0	13	26
Osram GEC	26	13	0	13	26
A. & A. Crompton's	26	12	0	14	24
Heyside Cons.	26	12	0	14	24
Shaw Legion	26	12	0	14	24
United Irish	26	11	1	14	23
Crompton Cons.	26	11	0	15	22
Shaw Comrades	26	4	1	21	9
St. Joseph's	26	3	0	23	6
Royton Textiles	26	0	0	26	0
Highest break: R. Holden (Milne St.)					
80 unfinished					

WHIST	P	W	D	L	Pts
Crompton Labour	26	21	0	5	42
Crompton Cricket	26	19	0	7	38
Royton Oddfellows	26	19	0	7	38
Crompton Cons.	26	16	1	9	33
Shaw Legion	26	15	1	10	31
Milne Street	26	14	1	11	29
United Irish	26	14	1	11	29
Osram GEC	26	13	2	11	28
Royton Cons.	26	13	1	12	27
Heyside Cons.	26	11	3	12	25
Shaw Road Cons.	26	11	1	14	23
Shaw Church	26	7	3	16	17
St. Joseph's	26	6	3	17	15
Royton Textiles	26	7	0	19	14
Shaw Comrades	26	7	0	19	14
A. & A. Crompton's	26	6	1	19	13

DARTS	P	W	D	L	Pts
Royton Oddfellows	26	22	0	4	44
Royton Cons.	26	21	0	5	42
Shaw Church	26	18	0	8	36
Crompton Cricket	26	14	0	12	28
Crompton Labour	26	14	0	12	28
A. & A. Crompton's	26	13	0	13	26
Osram GEC	26	13	0	13	26
Shaw Comrades	26	13	0	13	26
Shaw Road Cons.	26	13	0	13	26
Heyside Cons.	26	12	0	14	24
Shaw Legion	26	12	0	14	24
Crompton Cons.	26	11	0	15	22
Royton Textiles	26	11	0	15	22
Milne Street	26	11	0	15	22
St. Joseph's	26	7	0	19	14
United Irish	26	6	0	20	12
Monkhouse Cue. — Leading positions:					
Royton Cons. 111 points, Royton Oddfellows 110, Crompton Labour 108, Crompton Cricket 98, Shaw Church 91.					

Weather hits the racing fixtures

The wild Easter weather upset racing today. Overnight it was decided to call off the flat racing at Stockton because of the waterlogged condition of the course, and Carlisle's NH meeting was postponed till Monday because of snow.

Today the stewards at the important Kempton Park meeting, under Jockey Club rules, had to be called off because of snow, but the 2,000 Guineas Trial Stakes is added to Monday's programme at 1.15.

Another jumping meeting, at Plumpton, is held over till Monday, today's card being abandoned because of snow.

WARWICK

2 15—SOUTHAM SELLING PLATE for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
8 4 THE FARMER'S WIFE ... K. Gethin 1
8 7 KING STREET ... D. Ryan 2
8 7 TITILINO ... E. J. Cracknell 3
Nine runners: Fair Rising, Titilino, H. Jock, King Street, Donab, Migrancy, Lypo, The Farmer's Wife, Manslie.
4/7 THE FARMER'S WIFE; 5 King Street, H. Jock; 8 TITILINO; 100/8 Lypo; 100/7 Fair Rising; 20 others. 14 lengths: 1.
Tote: Win 7/3; places 4/8, 5/10, 9/4.

2 45—DEBDALE PLATE. 2 miles.
6 13 CARD LOVER 4yrs. M. Hayes 1
10 4 PELLON 10yrs. A. Hill 2
7 9 ARCHIE 7yrs. F. Dixon 3
Ten runners: Raff, The Maze, Lanza, Archie, Kostack, Pellon, Card Lover, Royal Fancy, Prince, Fe Shaling.
2 CARD LOVER; 7/2 The Maze; 9/2 Prince; 5 Lanza; 10 Raff, Kostack; 100/8 Archie, Pellon, Fe Shaling; 100/7 Royal Fancy. 6 lengths: 2.
Tote: Win 11/8; places 5/10, 13/6, 16/8.

3 15—SHORTS PLATE. 7 furlongs.
8 3 CONKERS SCORE 4yrs. E. J. Cracknell 1
7 1 PINKIES BROTHER 5yrs. B. Jago 2
7 9 MISCONCEPTION 5yrs. G. Starkey 3
Twenty runners: Blackshore, Rum Fun, Retain, Great Charon, Conkers Score, Strollaway, Sleepy Session, Migrant, Arbeau, Easter Fable, Misconception, Boony, Hasty Hook, Dancing Idol, Pecan, Pinkie's Brother, Daily Dale, Royal Mead, Penates, Remember Me.
7/2 Great Charon; 9/2 Retain; 5 Pecan; 7 Easter Fable, Misconception; 100/8 Rum Fun, Sleepy Session, CONKERS SCORE, Blackshore, Migrant, Royal Mead; 100/7 Arbeau, Hasty Hook; 20 others. 14 lengths: 1.
Tote: Win 16/8; places 39/2, 46/4, 11/10.

3 45—MILVERTON PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 mile.
7 8 BILANVIC ... B. Jago 1
8 0 DEANIRA ... R. Podmore 2
7 9 GRECIAN GRANITE ... P. Tulk 3
Eighteen runners: Grand Jury, Blue Orchis, Lechlade, Daneway, Pixie Girl, Annes, Charlot, Markless, Grand Coup, Delanira, Daneway, How Sweet, Martlet, Grecian Granite, Chipper, Bilanvic, Gay Cobbler, Governor General, Our Jacqueline.
3 Lechlade; 9/2 Daneway; 5 Grand Coup; 6 Grecian Granite; 8 Markless; 10 Grand Jury; 100/8 Chipper, BILANVIC; 100/6 Pixie Girl, Our Jacqueline, Delanira, Gay Cobbler; 25 others. 14 lengths: same.

4 15—HARBURY MAIDEN PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 1/2 miles and 170 yards.
Twelve runners: Satorius, Mill Lane, Gledhill Pearl, Canterbury Bloom, Oremus, Woodside Lodge, Marmoset, Isle of View, Solano, Cherinchee, Golden Tempest, Fridays Pride.

West Indian cricket stars are on the way

Garfield Sobers (Radeliffe) and Roy Gilchrist (Middleton) new West Indian stars in the Central Lancashire League this season, left Port Antonio, Jamaica, by ship on Thursday for Britain.

With them were Collie Smith, who will play for Burnley in the Lancashire League, Conrad Hunte and Rohan Kanhai (who is going to Aberdeen).

Sobers and Gilchrist will not arrive in the North until April 14, five days before the CLL season starts.

Mother and daughter die in house blaze

The bodies of a mother and her seven-year-old daughter were found clasped in each other's arms after a fire early today at their home in Llanbedr, near Conway. They were Mrs. Sarah Ann Williams (53) and Jennie Williams, who were found by firemen in the kitchen underneath a bed which had fallen on top of them when the bedroom floor fell in.

The father, Mr. Enoch Williams, and a ten-year-old daughter, Eirlys, were taken to Llandudno hospital with severe burns.

DEATHS

FLETCHER.—On April 4 (in hospital). Annie, the beloved wife of the late John Edward Fletcher and dear mother of John, James and Richard in her 78th year, of 18 Borrowdale Avenue. Inquiries G. Barlow & Sons Ltd. (MAIn 4301).

KEATING.—Suddenly, on April 3, Eliza Ann, the dearly beloved wife of George A. Keating, 21 Linden Ave. Funeral Wednesday 2-0 p.m. Greenacres Cemetery. Inquiries G. Barlow & Sons Ltd. (MAIn 4301).

RACE

Third fastest in history

ONE of the thinnest crowds on record stood in the pouring rain to watch Cambridge win the boat race against Oxford for the fourth year in succession over the Putney to Mortlake course today.

Ironically, while conditions could scarcely have been worse from the spectators' point of view, they could scarcely have been better for the crews.

There were no adverse winds, the water was flat calm most of the way and a racing tide helped Cambridge to a time of 18min. 15sec. — the third fastest in the history of the race.

50 yards visibility

Oxford, who battled in bravely three and a half lengths behind, recorded 18min. 25sec., a time fast enough to have won the race in every post-war year but one.

It was almost a ghost race. As the crews embarked at Putney, fog had cut the visibility to 50 yards.

Miraculously, however, it cleared as the crews reached the stake-boats, and the spectators who scattered the banks saw a lot more than had seemed likely 15 minutes earlier.

When the race began, it was impossible to see across the river at Mortlake, but 20 minutes later Barnes Bridge, over three-quarters of a mile away, was clearly visible.

A spurt

Cambridge were a length ahead before the mile post and by this time the race had been won.

Every effort by Oxford—and there were several—was matched, and the Light Blue lead lengthened as the crews came up to Hammersmith.

Here, Edwards, the Oxford stroke, called for a spurt. The crew responded but the gap narrowed only a little. Down the long stretch from Hammersmith to Barnes, Edwards spurred two or three times but Cambridge, rowing at three or four strokes a minute less, were in fine form and always out of the reach of their rivals.

Warning at Deepdale FA SUSPENDS A CRICKETER

THE Football Association Disciplinary Committee announced today that David Smith, the Bristol City forward and Gloucestershire cricketer, has been suspended for seven days as from Monday. He was sent off in the Football Combination match at West Ham on March 1.

Other findings were:— Misconduct by spectators at Everton v. Preston League match on March 3. Everton to post warning notices on ground until end of season and to print a similar warning in programmes.

Huddersfield T. v. Middlesbrough, Northern Intermediate League, February 22. R. Appleby (Middlesbrough), suspended for seven days as from Monday.

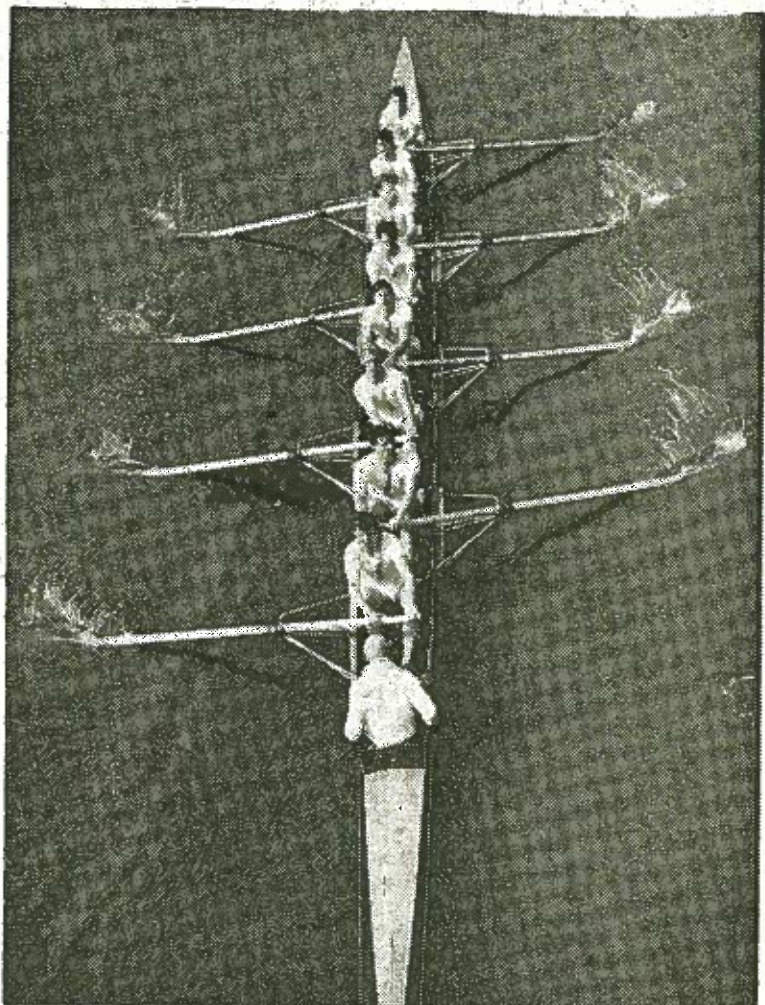
Hallam v. Huddersfield (Yorkshire League), February 15: P. Dinsdale (Huddersfield) suspended for seven days as from Monday.

Boy knocked down

Michael Cunliffe (12), of Moray Road, Chadderton, was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary at lunchtime today after receiving an ankle injury when knocked down by a car in Lord Street, Oldham. He was allowed to go home after treatment.

Peter Thomson qualified

Ken Venturi, of San Francisco, led by one stroke after the second round—the halfway stage—of the Masters Golf Championship at Augusta, Georgia, yesterday. His score for the two rounds was 140. Peter Thomson, of Australia, the former British Open champion, was among the 43 qualifiers for the third round, with a score of 146.



Cambridge — the winning crew again.

Decision on Tuesday UNITED'S CUP GAMES WITH MILAN CLUB

MANCHESTER UNITED'S request for a postponement of their semi-final matches against Milano in the European Football Cup will be considered during a two-day meeting of the European Football Union beginning in Luxembourg on Monday.

United have asked for a postponement owing to congestion of fixtures. They were due to meet Milano on April 16 at Old Trafford and in Italy on May 1.

Milano have said they would be willing to meet United on May 14 in Milan and on May 21 at Old Trafford. United's request will come up for consideration on Tuesday during a meeting of the executive committee.

Britain will be represented on the committee by Sir George Graham. Sir Stanley Rous, secretary of the English FA arrived today for the union's meeting.

4 hurt when van skidded into wall

The four occupants of a van which skidded and crashed into a lamp standard and then a wall at midnight on Thursday were taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary for treatment.

The accident happened near the junction of Barker Street and Rochdale Road, Oldham.

The injured were: Brenda Rawson (19), of Market Place, Royton, who had slight head injuries and shock; Maureen Green (19), of Park Lane, Royton, minor injuries and shock; Keith Ferns (22), of Calrendon Road, Droylsden, facial injuries and shock; and Walter Knott (22), of Bank Street, Clayton, who also had facial injuries and shock. All were treated and later allowed to go home.

Fell from roundabout at Daisy Nook

An 18-year-old Ashton youth was rushed to hospital in a police car after being flung from a roundabout at Daisy Nook Fair on Good Friday. He was admitted to Ancoats Hospital, with head injuries, and was said to be a little better today.

He is William Briggs (18), an apprentice butcher of Carlton Road, Ashton.

Large Selection of Fountain Pens, Ball Pens, Propelling Pencils.—Hirst Kidd & Rennie Ltd.

Tulloch runs away AUSSIE DERBY WON AT 12-1 ON

AUSTRALIA'S champion racehorse, Tulloch, which may race in England next year, won the Australian Jockey Club Derby at Randwick, Sydney, today at 12-1 on.

Tulloch, a four-year-old bred in New Zealand, outclassed his three challengers and streaked away in the last two furlongs of the mile and three-quarters event for an effortless win.

In gaining his 19th win in 27 races, Tulloch beat Prince Darius (8-1) by 20 lengths. A 200-1 shot, Pin High, was a further 220 yards behind.

Tulloch has now won the Australian Jockey Club Derby, the Victoria Derby, the Queensland Derby, and the Victoria Racing Club and Australian Jockey Club St. Leger. Today's race was worth £2,400 sterling, and Tulloch's winnings to date total about £48,000.

Child, 2, fell into tub of hot water

Two-year-old Susan O'Neill likes to help her mummy with the washing at their home in Ridings Street, Werneth.

She was "lending a hand" on Friday when Mrs. Jean O'Neill was clearing the last of her washing for Easter. Mrs. O'Neill emptied the electric washer into a small bathtub, and then turned towards the kitchen sink for a few seconds. In that time Susan stumbled backwards into the tub of hot water and was scalded about the body.

Said Mrs. O'Neill today: "I heard screams, looked round and saw Susan lying in the tub. I pulled her out immediately."

Susan was rushed to Booth Hall Hospital and was stated to be progressing satisfactorily today.

3 found dead in gas-filled room

Three people were found dead in gas-filled rooms in Oldham. Two were found on Good Friday and one today.

Mrs. Mary Wormald (81), a widow who lived alone, was found dead at her home in Waterloo Street; Mr. Frank Bowes (43) was found in a gas-filled room at his home in Huddersfield Road, and today Miss Mary Melia (43), of Rochdale Road, Oldham, was found in a gas-filled room and found to be dead at Oldham Royal Infirmary.

Inquests on all three will be opened on Tuesday at Oldham.

Keen games likely in badminton final

The final of the Law Swallow team badminton handicap competition will be held at Jerusalem School, Fails-worth, on Wednesday, April 9, between St. Thomas's "A" (rec. 60) and Werneth "A." Neither of these two clubs have reached the final of this competition before so a new name is certain to be engraved on the trophy.

Another unusual feature is that both teams are from the "B" section, which again is the first time that this has happened.

Some interesting games should be seen for H. and N. Lawton (Werneth) are in very good form at present and, with their tremendous experience, they could play a large part in winning the trophy. A heavy responsibility will be on the shoulders of H. Chadderton and J. Wright, the veterans of the St. Thomas's team. If they master the Lawtons the winners could easily be St. Thomas's.

With the Oldham Amateurs INJURED GOALIE MEANT CUP KO

STRINESDALE reached the semi-final of the Challenge Cup defeating Fernhurst 5-2 in their replay, and Roundthorn easily accounted for Denshaw 8-1. These two meet in the semi-final at Snipe Clough. The others, Phoenix and J. Stott's, play at J. Chadwick's ground, Middleton Road, both matches to be played on Saturday, April 12, kick-off 3 p.m.

Roundthorn, favourites, will have no easy task with Strinesdale, who had already accounted for First Division clubs Buckley-Taylor's and Fernhurst. Dronsfield's, the Second Division leaders, also went out to this club.

The other semi-final should be a thriller, both Phoenix and J. Stott's having hit top form. Meanwhile officials of the League anxiously wait for permission from Oldham Athletic to use their ground to stage the Challenge Cup Final.

Denshaw 1, Roundthorn 8.
The home side held Roundthorn to a goal until the half-time stage, and a close match was indicated, until they were unfortunate to lose their goalkeeper Jones with an injured back. This proved a severe handicap and Roundthorn seized the opportunity to add another seven goals.

Adams scored three, Cardwell two and Cartright (Prince and Mills one each. Lloyd hit Denshaw's. Beswick and Blakeman were outstanding for Denshaw throughout.

Strinesdale 5, Fernhurst 2.
Playing against the wind and rain, Strinesdale went ahead after 10 minutes, Derbyshire scoring with a power drive but Fernhurst were level a minute later, Lord scoring. Dale got in front again, Curtis scoring after 25 minutes, but Fernhurst replied again immediately, Shepherd, cleverly beating Phipps. At half-time it was 2-2, but after the interval it was all Strinesdale, with Fernhurst making only occasional breakaways. Millar scored two and Needham one.

LEAGUE GAMES

NWGB 5, Roundthorn Res. 4
Gas Board struck a blow at Roundthorn championship hopes with this deserved victory. Conditions were bad and a severe test of stamina. Gas Board swung the ball about and kept Roundthorn defending for long periods. They took the lead after five minutes and held on to it until seconds before the interval, when Cotton turned the ball into his own net trying to clear.

Immediately on resuming they were two in front, both scored by Wilkinson. Roundthorn fought back and levelled the scores at 4-4 but the Gas men got a well-deserved winner near the end. Scorers: Wilkinson (3), Coward and Mallam for Gas Board; Shaw and Coldham (2) for Roundthorn.

Haggate "A" 9, J. Chadwick's 1.
Chadwick's were never a match for this brilliant Haggate team, who stride along well out in front with the league championship vir-

tually in their pockets. Chadwick's tried hard but it was all too easy for Haggate and they were never extended. Wilson and Greaves each scored a hat-trick, Moores (2) and Buckley one. Powell netted for Chadwick's.

Ivy United 9, Greenfield PM 8
Ivy got an early goal through Doughty but Greenfield replied through Dyson. Burns put Ivy in front again and Shaw scored number three, but Greenfield fought back and were level again with goals from Eccles and Winterbottom.

Close on the interval, Burns gave Ivy the lead again. Greenfield were outplayed in the second period and despite a great display by Slicker in the Greenfield goal, Ivy netted five times through Berry, Burns, Shaw and Bramall (2).

Greenfield Am 1, Dronsfields 8
The visitors were on top throughout and took the lead after only three minutes. They added three further goals before half-time and although Greenfield worked hard, they insisted on the close game, which the Dronsfield defence easily broke down.

Scorers were: Abbey (2), Taylor (2), Wrigley (2), Heap, Howard; Greenfield, Parkin.

Buckley-Taylor's 4, Spinners 5.
Spinners deserved their victory, lasting the pace better on a heavy ground. Merideth was the driving force, and the schemer behind the Spinners' attack, and Wild, at centre-forward, led his line well. Both had their names on the score sheet, the remaining goals coming from Hutchinson (2) and Booth. Spencer, the home team's leader, scored twice, Jump once, the fourth Buckley goal came from Fred Ogden, the Oldham goalkeeper, in the unfamiliar position of inside-forward.

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Haggate "A"	17	16	1	0	33
Roundthorn	15	11	1	3	23
Ivy United	16	10	2	4	22
Delph	17	8	2	7	18
Spinners	15	7	3	5	17
Buckley & Taylor's	14	8	0	6	16
Fernhurst	15	4	1	10	9
J. Clare	13	4	0	9	8
J. Chadwick's	14	3	2	9	8
Phoenix	10	3	1	6	7
Greenfield Mill	16	0	1	15	1

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Dronsfield's	17	11	4	2	26
Roundthorn Res.	15	10	2	3	22
Strinesdale	14	10	1	3	21
J. Stott's	17	9	3	5	21
NW Gas Board	14	6	1	7	13
Gladstone	16	5	2	9	12
Greenfield Amis	13	5	1	1	11
Denshaw	14	3	2	9	8
Druids Lads	15	3	2	10	8
Haggate "B"	15	4	0	11	8

Sporting queries

BULL, Heyside:—Alec Givvons was 20 years old when he joined Oldham in January, 1933. He came to the club from Cross Keys, a club in South Wales.

MESS HOUSE:—Blackpool Borough played Leigh in the third round of the RL Challenge Cup last year. The game was played on the Blackpool soccer ground.

BOBBY DAZZLER

By Tom Kerr



Bobby Smith's chance: Lockwood's prowess at billiards: sum of money is found

CAN Spurs' centre-forward Bobby Smith become London's sixth-only player to win the individual goalscoring championship of the First Division? He has hit 32 League goals, one more than Tommy Thompson (Preston) and two more than Gordon Turner (Luton).

London's first success was in 1929-30, when Vic Watson scored 42 goals for West Ham. The second time was five years later. Ted Drake's 43 for Arsenal placed him ahead of all other marksmen in the first Division.

The third case dates back just 10 years. The feat was achieved by Arsenal centre-forward Ronnie Rooke with only 33 goals. Those Drake and Rooke performances also enabled them to finish first in the scoring list for the entire Football League.

The only other instances in the League's 70 years' history of a London club player finishing a season first for the whole competition were when Tommy Shanks led with 25 goals for Woolwich Arsenal, as they were then, in 1903-4; and in 1910-11, when Bob Whittingham set up Chelsea's still-existing record of 30 goals.

AFTER seeing Geoff Lockwood perform at billiards against Joe Davis last week, writes Fred Mayall, I have no doubt, knowing the other entrants, that if he entered the English Amateur Billiards Championship he would win the Manchester area.

The perfect ease with which he gets the long in-off into the top pockets, plus his ability to get to the top of the table, and stay there, puts him among the top-class amateur players.

NEXT Wednesday at West-houghton Reform Club, there will be a feast of the best snooker when the top four snooker players in the Manchester area play exhibition games.

Ron Gross, Stan Haslam, Austin Whiteside and Roy Lomas will take part and presentations will be made to Stan Haslam, Roy Lomas and the Westhoughton team of the prizes they won at the Western Hotel, Moss Side, in the competitions promoted by the Manchester Billiards and Snooker Association.

This effort has been arranged by W. S. Robinson and proceeds will go to the Manchester Referees' Association in appreciation of their services during the season.

LANCASHIRE and Cumberland met at Watersheddings last Saturday in an amateur Rugby League match. Cumberland officials, on their way from the pavilion to the main stand for the start of the match, found a sum of money.

Since no-one claimed this money, they took it back to Cumberland with them, but anyone who thinks he lost the money at Watersheddings may apply to Mr. John Burke, Oldham Junior R.L. secretary, at 25 Webster Street, Oldham.

MIRROR OF SPORT

THERE was a full house at Wood-end Working Men's Club, Mossley, last Sunday when the president, Mr. J. Allott, presented a £20 cheque to Johnny Aston, the former England player, for the Manchester United Disaster Fund. The cheque was a result of efforts made by members.

WHAT a farewell of cricket champions was provided by the last Test between the West Indies and Pakistan which finished on Monday in Trinidad.

It was Clyde Walcott's Test swansong, Everton Weeks is once again calling it a day, and Abdul Kardar, the Pakistan captain, and bowler Khan Mohammad say they, too, are retiring from Test cricket.

"ELLE VA" means she goes in France. It has been anglicised to Elva for the name of the streamlined sports cars from the Bexhill works of designer-manufacturer Frank Nichols. It will be represented in considerable strength in the British Empire Trophy race at Oulton Park next Saturday.

No less than five of these Climax-powered sports cars will contest the 1,100 c.c. heat in the classic sports car event at the

Northern circuit against their Lotus rivals.

The five Elva drivers will be Ian Raby, R. Mackenzie Low, J. Brown, J. Muirhead and C. Bristow, and Northern motor racing enthusiasts will have their first opportunity of seeing the Elva team in force—a marque that has sold not less than 150,000 dollars worth of motor car to the USA in its short three years of existence.

DEREK IBBOTSON, the world's fastest miller, will be at the cross roads of his career at Manchester on Easter Monday. He is due to run against the AAA champion, Brian Hewson, whose best time is 3min. 59.8sec., and his training companion, international Alan Gordon (best time 4min. 3.4sec.).

Ibbotson's last outing in the National cross-country race was disastrous—he finished 252nd—so if Hewson and Gordon decisively defeat him in the Manchester race, promoted by former professional cyclist Reg Harris, the British Amateur Athletics Board will have to think again about sending Ibbotson to Vancouver for an international meeting in June.

With the Australians fielding Herb Elliott (3min. 58.7sec.) and Mervyn Lincoln (3min. 58.6sec.) we cannot afford to have any but top-form millers in the Empire Games at Cardiff in July.

A TENNIS blow for the girls at Wimbledon this year: handsome Vic Seixas, the game's most keenly sought-after mixed doubles partner, is retiring at 34 from competitive lawn tennis. He is going into the banking business.

No wonder women players like to partner the American who took the Wimbledon singles title in 1953. That year he started a run of four mixed doubles successes, to beat the Wimbledon record set up by Randolph Lycett with Miss Elizabeth Ryan in 1919, 1921 and 1923.

Seixas thrice partnered Doris Hart, and Shirley Fry (now Mrs. Irvine) in 1956.

In these days, when a Wimbledon singles' title tends to be regarded as a passport to professional status, it is interesting to work out how many of the men have taken the plunge since the war.

Professionalism claimed Yvon Petra (1946), Jack Kramer (1947), Frank Sedgman (1952), Tony Trabert (1955) and Lew Hoad (1956-7). But those who remain amateurs, besides Seixas (1953), are Bob Falkenberg (1948), Ted Schroeder (1949), Budge Patty (1950), Dick Savitt (1951) and Jaroslav Drobny (1954).

KILCASKIN KERN, a greyhound bred by Father Twomey, an Irish priest, at the village of Kanturk, Co. Cork, Eire, crossed the Irish Channel recently with Father Twomey.

Kilcaskin Kern, who has already won £2,000 in prize money, is being trained for this year's Greyhound Derby at London's White City Stadium in June. He is known in Ireland as "The Little Wonder," as he is smaller than the usual run of greyhounds.

Although Father Twomey races the dog in the name of a friend, he is the real owner, and goes to see him run whenever possible.

This is not the first time that an Irish priest has brought a dog over here for the Derby. Twenty-nine years ago, Father Brophy came over with the famous Mick the Miller, which he bred himself, and racegoers wonder if history will repeat itself in 1958.

The dog is noted for his gameness and terrific determination as well as speed in running, and it is these attributes which Father Twomey hopes will go a long way towards winning the Derby final in June.

EDGE LANE'S 11-GOAL CUP RIOT

SEMI-FINALS

Edge Lane Meths. 11, Hollinwood Congs. 2.
Considering the muddy ground and driving rain, this game was full of good football. Right from the start, Edge Lane were on top and never let Hollinwood come into the game. Edge Lane were always quicker to the ball and soon took the lead. However, when they had scored four, Hollinwood scored two in reply, one a penalty.

Edge Lane again piled on the pressure and at half-time the score was 8-2. After half-time Edge Lane again eased up although they still kept their grip. They scored three goals before the end and finished up at half speed.

Scorers: Edge Lane.—Morrissey (2), C. Kenworthy (2), Bakes (3), Byron, G. Kenworthy (3). Hollinwood.—Shaw, Burton.

Cowhill Meths. 0, St. John's 1.
Play at first was a little scrappy and nervous. Both teams played good football but instead of shooting they dalted and gave defences time to recover. Play was even right up to half-time, with the score still 0-0. After the interval, Cowhill, with the wind at their backs, looked the more dangerous. However, they did not take advantage by shooting

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after good approach work by the half-backs.

Gradually St. John's got on top and began to shoot a lot more. In trying to fist away a centre, the Cowhill goalkeeper scooped the ball behind him into the net—an unfortunate accident and the winning goal for St. John's. St. John's were very much on top at this stage and might have increased their lead if they had shot better. Scorer: St. John's.—Bird.

DIVISION 1

Eave Lane 3, Emmanuel PC 4
As the score suggests, this was a very close game. The issue was in doubt right up to the final whistle. Both teams tried to play good football but due to the small size of the ground and the muddy conditions they were not very successful.

Scorers.—Eaves Lane: Hancock, Baker, Walker; Emmanuel: Vickers, Wilkinson, Crouchley (2).

Watersheddings Meths. 2, Westwood Mor. 3

Both teams overcame bad weather conditions to make this a fast, entertaining game. Cowhill started against the wind but were the better team and led 2-0 at the

interval. Soon after half-time, they scored again.

Watersheddings, however, staged a come-back and really got on top. They scored twice and were attacking hard at the final whistle. On this firm, Watersheddings' position at the foot of the league should improve.

Westwood scorers: Taylor, Young, Baxter.

St. Thomas's 6, St. Mark's 0
Although the ground was muddy, both sides tried to play football. St. Thomas's soon adapted themselves to the conditions and were the better team. Due to the bad conditions there were very few spectators.

Scorers.—St. Thomas's: Roebuck (4), Whittaker (2).

DIVISION 2

St. Aidan's "B" 2, George St. 5.
St. Aidan's were first to put on the pressure and were soon two goals in the lead. George St. recovered and within 20 minutes of the kick-off were level. They should have gone ahead but the St. Aidan's keeper pulled off a great save from a penalty. The half-time score was 2-2.

In the second half, George Street

improved and scored three goals without reply. The ground was very muddy and both teams welcomed the final whistle.

Scorers: St. Aidan's: Cumberbirch, Astley, George St.: Hough 2, Moffat 3.

St. Hugh's 4, St. Stephen's 3.
Both sides gave a spirited show under heavy conditions. During the game, three penalties were missed, two by St. Hugh's and the other by St. Stephen's. At the interval, St. Hugh's led 2-1 but soon afterwards were down 3-2. St. Stephen's held on to this lead till near the end, when St. Hugh's cracked home another two. A draw would have been a fairer result.

Scorers: St. Hugh's: Gaunt 2, Gardner, Newman. St. Stephen's: Delcock, Birchall, Johnson.

Ashton Rd. 4, Christ Church 0.
Ashton Rd. had more of the play in the first half and deserved their half-time lead of 3-0. Christ Church came more into the game in the second half but could not break down Ashton's stubborn defence.

Scorers: Ashton Rd.: E. Ford, Slater, R. Ford 2.

Will club secretaries and representatives note that the monthly meeting is postponed from April 7 to April 14 at Queen St. School, 7.45 p.m.

NOW IS TIME TO START TEAM BUILDING

FOR Oldham Athletic, season 1957-8 has reached its crucial point. The games this weekend will decide the club's future; and it is now time for the directors and manager to turn attention to the needs of next season.

Whether Athletic scamper to Third Division safety or whether they drop to the new Fourth Division, the coming season will be the most expensive they have known. Throughout the past months finance has ruled the club's progress and, during the close season more money must be spent.

In addition to the summer wage bill, new players will be needed and the club must not rely on a "let's hope - we - can - get - something - for-nothing" basis.

To some extent this season that policy came off. Manager Goodier was lucky enough to find players of the ability of Ted West, Ian Muir and Peter Phoenix without paying out any large sums—but it won't always come off.

Strengthening staff

If the club drops into the Fourth Division then supporters will be looking to the directors to put them back in the Third Division almost immediately, and this cannot be done without strengthening certain positions.

Similarly, if Athletic do manage to scramble across the dividing line into a Third Division that will have the pick of the current North and South divisions, it is just as obvious that team-building will be needed to keep the side in the third grade.

I know that it will be difficult enough to meet the summer wage bill without adding further strain on the coffers by getting new men—but it is the only solution to the problem. A top team in the Fourth Division or even a moderately successful one in the Third would make all the difference to the attendances.

In fact, as I have said earlier, next season a successful side in the Fourth is likely to draw in better crowds than one languishing at the foot of the Third. Fortunately, Athletic have a young enough playing staff to be able to call on many of the present players next season.

Compared with a club like Rochdale, they are in many respects better off. It is no secret that many of the Rochdale side are now nearing the play deadline, and though well-placed this season, may suffer a drastic fall next.

Good start needed

Another important point to be considered by the Athletic directors is that they will be better rewarded if they strengthen the side during the close season.

Once next season is under way, expenses are likely to be very heavy. The clubs of the "deep South" are now widely scattered in the Third Division section and whether it is up or down for Athletic, there will be a lot of travelling involved.

Nor can the club expect its players to give of their best if they are going to be asked to make a trip of 200 miles on the same day as the game. No, if the team is strengthened sufficiently during the close season they can make that all-important successful start, and the club will be rewarded immediately at the turnstiles.

Remember it was the drastic start to this season which let Athletic and the supporters down so badly. A few more points from the earlier games would have seen them in a much better position now—and it would have seen much better gates than the mere 4,769 of last week.

It is the club's poor home record

Font was made in a treasure ship

A thousand-year-old font has been erected in Sandringham Church. Brought to England from Rhodes when Edward VII was Prince of Wales by his brother, the Duke of Edinburgh, it was discovered in the grounds of Sandringham House by the Rector, the Rev. P. T. Ashton. It took 14 men, a tractor and block and tackle to get it into position. When cleaned it proved to have a cross engraved on its side and the inscription which translated reads: "In the treasure ship of Cyriacus a deacon and Calvinus the humble this work was executed and may the Lord preserve those that erect it. Amen."

which has proved such a disappointment to supporters this year. The away record has been good enough to put the club in the league's top six, had it only been supported by performances at Boundary Park.

A GOOD START NEXT SEASON WILL SET THAT VICIOUS CIRCLE OF BIGGER GATES, BETTER GAMES AND BETTER PLAYERS WORKING IN ATHLETIC'S FAVOUR.

Converted to scorers

In recent weeks, both Peter Neale and Bill Spurdle have struck the welcome habit of collecting a "couple" of goals in a game, and as a result have shot up the club's goal-scoring table. Neale is one behind Ken Murray's tally, and Bill Spurdle two.

But, as I commented last week, it is strange to reflect that two converted wing-halfs should be leading the goalscoring spree. The full list of League and Cup goal-scorers is:—

Gerry Duffy 11, Peter Neale 12, Ken Murray 13, Bill Spurdle 11, Tommy Walker 2, Jimmie Thompson 3 (2 penalties), Ron Fawley 1, Eric Over 1, John Bazley 1.

Oldham club now wants a change in play-the-ball rule



ROGER DUFTY, the former Rugby Union forward who at the start of the season was a complete stranger to the town, now has a wife—Oldham-born STELLA TOLAN.

The rugby player from Watersheddings and the girl from a well-known rugby family met some time ago and quickly became just more than friends. The sequel was at St. Mary's Church last week when Roger and Stella got married.

Back from a honeymoon near Blackpool, Roger got down to some serious training at Watersheddings this week.

WRIGHT CHARITY CUP: FIRST ROUND

The Wright Charity Cup has closed with 31 entries. First-round matches next week:—

Tuesday: Osram GEC v. SS Aidan & Oswald's.

Wednesday: Ash Spg. Co. v. Gravelhole.

Thursday: Monarch Mill c. Coach & Horses (Rochdale).

Friday: Haggate Lads v. Shaw Lads.

WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 14

Monday: A & A. Crompton's "B" v. Emmanuel Parish Church.

Tuesday: Millnrow Parish Church v. A. & A. Crompton's "A".

Wednesday: Phoenix Celtic v. Shaw Church Institute.

Thursday: Shiloh Spinners v. Platt's T.D.O.

Friday: Commercial Hotel v. Industry Hotel (Rochdale).

WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 21

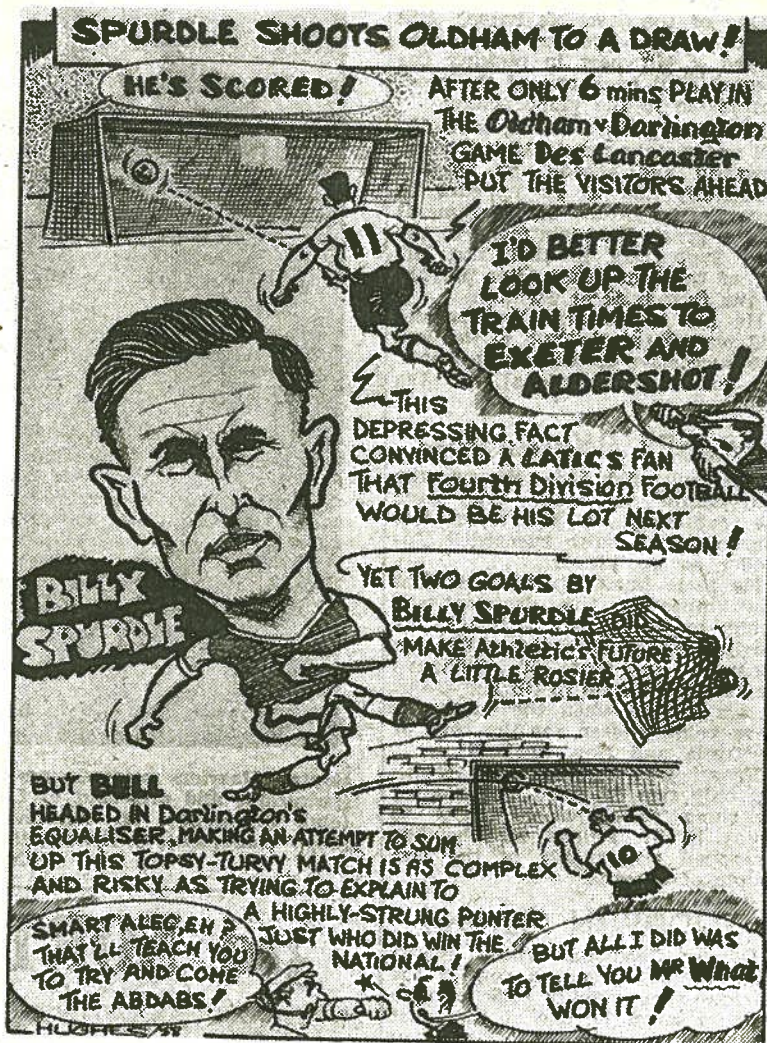
Monday: Ennor Mill v. George Street

Methodists; White Hart Hotel v. Fir Mill.

Tuesday: J. Nadin's v. Moorfield Fine

Spinners; Hollinwood All Stars v. St. Stephen's.

Bye: Eaves Lane Methodists.



MAYALL'S 6 GOALS IN AUSTERLANDS' BEST VICTORY OF SEASON

Austerlands Institute were at home last Saturday to Park Old Boys and registered their best win of the season in the Manchester Amateur League (Division II). The visitors came with a good reputation, holding a high position in the league, but met the home team in one of their best moods and lost 10-1.

The match started with rain steadily falling, but never have Austerlands played so well together, ably led by G. Mayall at centre-forward. The visitors defence had a great struggle to stem the tide but within 20 minutes, the home team had found the net four times through Mayall (3) and Frew, and a further goal was scored before half-time by E. Scholes.

Park Old Boys were obviously ruffled by this unexpected reverse, and their play deteriorated as the game went on. Keeping up the pressure the home team again went into attack from the restart and G. Mayall completed his second hat-trick, being well supported by his inside forwards. Further goals were added by Sladin (2) to which the visitors could only reply with a solitary goal.

Austerlands would have beaten any team in the league on the form shown.

Twenty-one-year-old English immigrant, Joan Smith, has been driving heavy road-making machines in the badly-flooded Waikato area of New Zealand for the past three months.

"In England," she says, "I got a National Diploma of Agriculture: I prefer driving."

Her employer says, "I pay her a man's wage and she's worth it. She drives 14 hours a day."

STAND by for a shock. Oldham, who a short season ago said there was nothing wrong with the existing play-the-ball rule, are to support a move to change it. It is a complete climb-down by the club who in recent years has shown the code how to make the rule attractive by playing it correctly.

The team that finally made up Oldham's mind was Widnes, who last week gave a demonstration of play-the-ball at its worst. With the memory of barging, bullocking forwards, Oldham made their shattering decision: "The present rule is no good."

OLDHAM HAVE NEVER BEEN MORE WRONG. THE RULE IS GOOD; IT'S THE CLUBS WHO ARE PLAYING IT THAT ARE NO GOOD.

Right now the Watersheddings club has no alternative to the rule. But in short time they will hold a special meeting to carve out ideas for a new method of bringing the ball into play.

They will be faced with either turning the game into a farce by calling for the ball to be handed over after a number of consecutive tackles, or throwing the game into a confused mess by deciding to release the ball in the tackle.

What of the spectacle?

Oldham can toy with the idea of kicking the ball forward after a tackle and similar ideas, but they will always arrive at the same point: "What happens to the spectacle of the game?"

Retaining the ball in a tackle was just one of the scientific ideas introduced to improve on Rugby Union. It brought with it the need for more speed and accurate passing, and it reduced kicking.

It was a good rule. What has happened then? There is no denying that modern trends are for a side to retain possession for long spells—especially when they are hogging a slender lead. But is it altogether the rule?

I VENTURE TO SAY THAT OVER THE YEARS THE REFEREES HAVE BECOME A LITTLE COMPLACENT ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS AT A PLAY-THE-BALL. THEY DO NOT APPLY THE RULE RIGIDLY ENOUGH.

I watched the Widnes game at Watersheddings and I saw time and time again men not playing the ball correctly. They could have been penalised and they

should have been penalised—but the referee did nothing.

Clearly the rule says the player must rise from the floor and take the ball with him. Like crystal, it

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states that he must drop the ball to the ground IN FRONT OF HIM. How often does that happen?

A referee's experience

It could be that referees think there is a limit to unpopularity. Some time ago a Yorkshire referee tried to play the game to the rules and you may remember that he got demoted for his trouble.

He has since been reinstated as a Grade 1 referee. But no longer does his name ring round the Rugby League as "the bloke who stands no nonsense at the play-the-ball."

Apart from clearing their own line—which is as traditional as the set scrum—Oldham do not often engage in these long duels of strength. They have found out that as a scoring tactic they are no use.

Yet attacking Oldham have come hard up against sides who are satisfied to spoil the game. It would be a pity if they fell into the trap.

High scores would go

A change in the rule would mean a change in the whole of Oldham's outlook on the code. The method of playing to game would change so much that some of Oldham's present stars would be no-goods.

High-scoring games would go with the loss of the play-the-ball, and many more games would be won by the odd mistake of a player. Most important, the game would lose its spectacle—and the spectators who go with it.

If the Rugby League want to

experiment with the play-the-ball for a full season, they should start by instructing every referee to apply the rule to the letter.

It would be a sad day if Oldham ever invited the rule-changers to rob them of the chance to maintain the reputation they have built for themselves without any exploitation of a rule that gets too much attention from everyone except the men who are paid to put the rule into force on the field.

Presentation to tourists

The Supporters' Club got permission from the Rugby League this week to make a presentation to the Oldham players chosen for the Australasian tour, and they will hand over the presents at a dance they are holding on May 3.

Mr. Charlie Lingard, the secretary, did not know this week what the players will get: "The committee have to decide on that matter yet, but you can bet they will have them ready in time for the next dance."

May 3 is the likely day for the semi-final play-offs, so if Oldham are in and they win, the dance will serve a duel purpose. All the first-team players have promised to turn up for the presentation.

Oldham's secretary, Mr. Bert Summerscales, made an important trip this week. He put the League Championship and Lancashire League Championship trophies into a box and turned them over to the Rugby League.

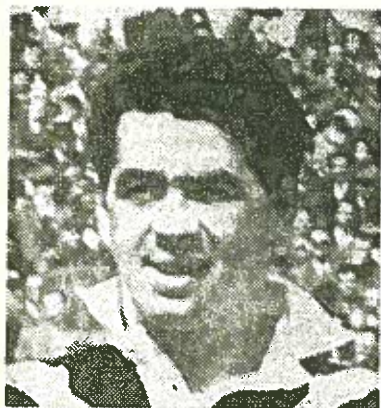
"The rule says they have to be back by March 31," said Bert, "so I had to take them. But I warned the League that we would want them back in about a month's time."

LEADING POSITIONS IN RUGBY LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	Pt
St. Helens	34	28	0	6	56
OLDHAM	32	27	1	4	55
Hull	35	25	2	6	52
Workington	32	23	2	7	48
Halifax	32	21	2	9	44
Leigh	34	22	0	12	44
Wigan	31	21	0	10	42
Wakefield Trinity	32	19	2	12	40

The tower of the new town hall being built at Epinal, Eastern France, will have a chiming clock given by citizens of a "sister" town, Loughborough, Leicestershire. The clock will be brought over by Loughborough officials.

RUGBY LEAGUE ABC



W. DRAKE (Hull)

One of the "terrible twins," Bill Drake, with brother Jim, has played a big part in making the present Hull pack one of the most formidable in the game today.

Beautifully built, he is over 6ft. tall and weighs nearly 15st. Strong, powerful and speedy, he handles beautifully and at 24 appears to have a fine future before him. It was a great disappointment to the Hull supporters to find him left out of the tour team after playing in the first trial at Swinton.

He has represented Cumberland and played for his club in the last two successive championship finals. A certain international of the future.



FRASER (Warrington)

Not only did Eric Fraser, the Warrington full-back, take over the captaincy of his team this season, but he also succeeded Giffender as goalkicker.

He little knew at the time just how important this decision was going to prove, for although his marksmanship is nothing like as accurate as that of Oldham's Ganley, it did help to tilt the scales in his favour when the full-backs were being chosen for the tour of Australia and New Zealand.

Fraser was spotted by Warrington only two or three weeks after switching from junior soccer to rugby in St. Helens, and he has developed remarkably in the last couple of seasons.



GOODWIN (Barrow)

Dennis Goodwin, whose switch from centre to second row in the Barrow side, quickly took him to honours, must be one of the most disappointed of the "forgotten men" not to have been chosen for the tour.

The fact that Goodwin gained and held his place throughout this season's Test series with France and was not called upon to play in the trials, might have been calculated to suggest that he was included among the certainties.

As might be expected of a former centre, Goodwin handles the ball beautifully and his rousing defence is always noteworthy.

W. DRAKE (top), FRASER and GOODWIN.

Answers To Sports Teasers

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Mr. R. Ball, of County Meath, Ireland. He bred Reynolds Town who won the 1935 and 1936 Grand Nationals and he bred Ballymoss, who ran second to Crepello in last year's Derby and won the St. Leger. He has a two-year-old who is a full sister to Ballymoss, so look out for it.

TEASER NUMBER TWO

He had never trained the winner before 1957. But he has made up for it by training the winners of the last two Lincoln Handicaps in Babur.

TEASER NUMBER THREE

Tipperary Tim, 1928 winner. He had never fallen and that year, all bar Tim fell—so he won. The American horse Billy Barton was remounted to finish second. Only two finished the course.

Last week's answers

Last week's answers were inadvertently omitted from the Green Final. Here they are:—

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Seventeen-year-old Bruce Hobbs on Battleship in 1938. He was slipping from the saddle when Fred Rimell, who was riding alongside him, grabbed him by the seat of his pants and yanked him back into the saddle.

TEASER NUMBER TWO

Rubio—the 1908 winner. They win the National in all sizes, shapes and circumstances.

TEASER NUMBER THREE

A certain intrepid rider, named Capt. Becher, fell into the brook and that's how it got its name.

Wettest place in New Zealand

Milford Sound, one of New Zealand's most beautiful fjords, is also probably the wettest place in the Dominion.

In February it had the phenomenal rainfall of 69.06 inches. In March the weather apparently set out to establish an even higher record. By March 3 about 10 inches had fallen—5 inches on the Sunday and 4 inches on the Monday. These figures are really not unusual for Milford, which has an average annual rainfall of 253.5 inches.

HSOB FRUSTRATED

Oldham High School Old Boys failed to gather two valuable points last Saturday when they lost 2-1 against Heywood GSOB at home in the Lancashire and Cheshire League (Division II).

The visitors quickly opened the scoring and maintained their lead during the first half. The Old Boys fought back and penned Heywood in their own half for long periods with constant attacks through wingers Gooseman and Whittaker. But chances galore were frittered away in front of goal through that unpalatable crime in heavy mud—short passing.

The Old Boys kept on top in the second half but were frustrated time after time by Heywood's excellent goalkeeper whose anticipation and judgment were uncanny. Eventually they gained the equaliser but Heywood, in one of their rare forays into the Oldham half, scored an excellent goal when their winger hit the ball on the run from the edge of the penalty area.

Dunkerley in goal was an excellent deputy for the captain, Dawson, who had a good game in goal for the Lancashire and Cheshire League (Division II) against the Liverpool Old Boys' League. Liverpool were defeated 6-2.

20 YEARS AGO

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MEMORY CORNER

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Royton Harriers prizewinners and officials.—Back row: C. Towse (secretary, and president of Lancashire County), Gordon Pritchard (club champion), H. Whatmough (president). Front: F. Green (boys' champion), C. Bracewell (track champion), P. Lomas (youths' champion).

Road-racing season starts

THE end of the cross-country signals the beginning of the little season of road-racing which culminates in the Mecca of the North, the News of the World, Manchester-Blackpool road relay on May 10. Royton Harriers are not likely to receive one of the coveted invitations, for an influx of new members is required before consideration can be given.

Who is going to follow in the footsteps of Gordon Pritchard, successively Boys', Youth and now Senior club champion, elected Sportsman of the Year to win the coveted Club Trophy (T. Lees Cup). The way is open for any 14-year-old boy to emulate his example, and anyone over 18 can participate in road races.

The club members will not, however, be inactive, for teams will be taking part in the YMCA road relay race next Saturday, the Manchester and District Lads' Club road relay on April 19, and our own local road race promoted by Crompton Sports Association each year for the Sir William Hopwood Trophy.

Jubilee Inn to Grains Bar, Denshaw, Moorcock, Newhey, and back to Jubilee Inn.

This race will take place on April 26, and any lad over 18 years of age interested in competing in this 8-mile road race should send his entry on an AAA form to Mr. Urban Taylor, Hillside, Mark Lane, Shaw, not later than April 16. An AAA form can be obtained on application. The race will take place at 3-0 p.m., and by joining Royton Harriers any new runner will be able to take part in the team competition.

New showers

To celebrate their diamond jubilee, the club intend to instal hot and cold showers, which will improve the already excellent amenities enjoyed by the members. Looking a long way ahead, they will be ready in time for the Lancashire County AAA individual cross-country championships next season.

The County Association have honoured the local club by inviting them to stage these annual championships, and with the help of the Air Training Corps, and the local education authorities, ample dressing accommodation will be available for the 400 runners in view on a course to be selected in Royton.

The Easter Monday athletic and cycle sports meeting to be held at the Harris Stadium, Fallowfield, ushers in the track and field events season earlier than usual. Royton Harriers will also begin their preparations much sooner, as they have entered the Manchester Track League. In addition, there is to be more competition in field events, promoted by the Manchester District AAA Committee. C.T.

A young labourer, John Moses (18), has been fined £4 at Brisbane for crouching on the footpath and barking at a dog.

Police said that each time Moses barked the dog barked back, and he had succeeded in enraging it. Moses pleaded guilty to offensive behaviour.

3rd NORTH PLAYERS



DAVIS

FEASEY

GRIFFITHS

E. DAVIS (Scunthorpe)

With an average of a goal a game in his last six appearances, Eric Davis has played a major part in helping Scunthorpe to consolidate their lead at the top of the table recently.

Davis, who joined Scunthorpe during the close season from Plymouth Argyle, his hometown club, had to wait some time for his chance in the senior side, for at the start of the campaign, Douglas Fletcher was first choice as leader of the attack. Davis finally took over from him in the middle of January, after having made his debut against Oldham at Boundary Park on November 23.

Originally signed by Plymouth from non-League football nearly six years ago, Davis was second highest marksman for the Southern Section club last winter.

P. FEASEY (Hull)

Nowadays Paul Feasey is regarded as being among the most efficient defenders in the Northern Section. Yet he has only been a regular member of the Hull City

rearguard since the beginning of last season, before which he had made only four first-team appearances.

A native of Hull, Feasey joined the Boothferry Park professional staff after a spell as an amateur, seven years ago. He subsequently had to wait a considerable time before being given his first senior opportunity in December, 1955.

Last winter Feasey had a long spell in his present position at centre-half, before switching to left-back in the last few matches. This term he started at right-back, taking over from South African Norman Nielson in the middle line shortly before Christmas.

K GRIFFITHS (Mansfield)

After a spell of indifferent form, following their dismissal from the Cup, Mansfield Town have come back to their best. Among those who have helped in the side's allround improvement has been experienced Ken Griffiths, who was recruited from Port Vale towards the end of January.

Griffiths, who was born in Stoke-on-Trent, actually started his career with the Potteries club as a goalkeeper, and then played for a time on the wings. After making his senior debut in the 1949-50 season, he switched to inside-forward, won a regular place, and helped the club to promotion in 1953-4, when he was second highest goalscorer.

He made his first seven appearances for Mansfield at inside-left, moving to the other inside position following the transfer of Sam Chapman to Portsmouth in February.

New flu vaccine

A new influenza vaccine designed to combat several types of influenza—including the "A" type which caused last year's World-wide Asian flu epidemic—is available to Australians.

It was developed by the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation in conjunction with research laboratories in the USA.

The new vaccine is claimed to have a far greater immunity to influenza than the type available last year.

Dickie Valentine to try a musical

FOR the "pop" singer, Dickie Valentine, tonight brings fulfilment of a long-held ambition. He has wanted to appear in a "musical" and the BBC is giving him his chance.

A show called "Hit the Headlines" has been specially written for BBC Television and Dickie co-stars with Terry-Thomas. "Apart from appearing in pantomime, this musical is a completely new departure for me and is a real test," says Dickie. "I was naturally flattered by the offer of an important role in such an exciting project—but I certainly didn't accept it lightly... I think the writers have done a first-class job which has greatly influenced my decision."

Tonight

BBC

- 6 0: News.
- 6 5: Six-five Special.
- 7 0: Wells Fargo.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: The Money Man.
- 8 0: The World Our Stage, with Terry-Thomas and Dickie Valentine.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 40: Suspicion (film).
- 11 15: Sports Special.
- 11 45: News.
- 11 52: This Book is News.

ABC

- 6 0: Jack Jackson.
- 6 25: Son of Zorro.
- 6 45: Highway Patrol.
- 7 15: The Restless Gun.
- 7 45: African Patrol.
- 8 15: Bid for Fame.
- 8 45: News.
- 8 50: M. Squad.
- 9 20: It's a Great Feeling (film).
- 11 0: Before Midnight.
- 11 30: The Story of the Holy Shroud.

HOME — 434m.

- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: News of the North.
- 6 25: Sports Spotlight.
- 7 0: Those Were the Days.
- 7 15: The Week in Westminster.
- 7 30: In Town Tonight.
- 8 0: Toast of the Town.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: Rum Rebellion (play).
- 10 45: Lighten Our Darkness.
- 11 0: News.

LIGHT — 1,500m., 257m.

- 5 0: Sports Report.
- 6 0: Guitar Club.
- 6 30: Just Jazz.
- 7 0: Radio Newsreel.
- 7 24: Football.
- 7 30: Saturday Night on the Light.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 40: Jack Payne Record Show.
- 11 15: Serenade.
- 11 55: News.

THIRD 464m., 194m.

- 6 30: World of Books.
- 7 0: Record Review.
- 8 0: Idomeneo.
- 9 30: Counter Revolution in Physics.
- 9 50: Idomeneo.

LUXEMBURG 208m.

- 6 0: Barry Aldis.
- 7 0: Rhythm on the Range.
- 7 30: Intrigue.
- 8 0: Jamboree.
- 10 0: Irish Requests.
- 10 30: Spin with the Stars.
- 11 0: Bringing Christ to the Nations.
- 11 30: Record Round-up.

£500,000 hotel for Jamaica

The growing Jamaican North Coast tourist industry will have a £500,000 dollar (£500,000) hotel this year on Gloucester Avenue, in the heart of Montego Bay's Hotel Row.

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"On television there is no second chance. I will be judged on one performance only and it is a sobering thought that the outcome could have a vital bearing on my career."

For the BBC, too, it will be a nerve-racking night. Television has not yet produced a really memorable musical.

It is as well that the show is in the hands of one of the BBC's most talented young producers, Francis Essex. The "book" is by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson, writers of the Hancock scripts. Jill Day is the female lead—and look out for Jeremy Hawk, the quiz master of "Criss Cross Quiz."

"Hit the Headlines" has a newspaper background, as might be imagined. It is about an American who wins a newspaper competition and comes to Britain to receive the prize. Terry-Thomas is the man who has to try to head him off because the paper is short of funds.

ON the other channel, ABC Television is putting trust in "Bid for Fame" again. "A new and exciting edition of a top-rating show," says ABC.

Whether hopeful aspirants are good enough for peak-hour, Saturday, remains to be seen. The artists who will be appearing will be those who have been successful in the same show when it was run on Sundays and a big money prize lies ahead.

But these talent shows have a big snag where judging is concerned. How does one weigh the talents of a juggler against those of a singer? Or those of a mimic against those of an operatic soprano?

If you're looking in late, ABC has something new for you. It is a feature called "Before Midnight," and it is a mixture of news, sport, music and comedy.

There may well be some goonery in it because Dick Lester who produced "Son of Fred," is doing this programme. An interview on film with Harry Secombe before he left for Africa is one of the items booked for tonight. Rosemary Squires will be singing.

Tonight's ageing films:—BBC: "Suspicion," featuring Cary Grant, Joan Fontaine and Sir Cedric Hardwicke.

Tomorrow...

BBC

- 11 0: Service.
- 1 0: O Sul I Sul.
- 1 10: Gwlad Ein Harglwydd.
- 2 0: I Married Joan.
- 2 25: News Review.
- 3 0: The Great Adventure.
- 4 15: The Brains Trust.
- 5 0: Children.
- 6 5: Jesus of Nazareth.
- 7 0: Meeting Point.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 35: The Thin Man.
- 8 0: What's My Line?
- 8 30: Eden End (play), with Dennis Price, Maxine Audley and James Hayter.
- 10 0: Les Sylphides.
- 10 30: L. S. Lowry.
- 10 45: News.
- 10 50: Weather; Epilogue.

ABC

- 10 30: Church.
- 2 30: The Lisbon Story (film).
- 4 30: Time Out For Peggy.
- 5 0: Robin Hood.
- 5 35: What's in Store.
- 5 55: Tell the People!
- 6 9: News.
- 6 15: Land of Song.
- 7 0: About Religion.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: Martin Kane, Private Investigator.
- 8 0: Sunday Night at the London Palladium.
- 9 0: The Killing Stones.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 35: Miss Olive (play).
- 10 50: Top Numbers.

HOME 434m.

- 7 50: First Day of the Week.
- 7 55: Weather.
- 8 0: News.
- 8 10: Programmes.
- 8 18: British Melody.
- 8 55: Weather.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 10: Home for the Day.
- 9 45: Service.
- 10 30: Music Magazine.
- 11 20: Your Concert Choice.
- 12 10: The Critics.
- 12 55: Weather.

ABC: "It's a Great Feeling," starring Doris Day, Jane Wyman and Jack Carson.

FOR Easter Sunday drama, the BBC turns to Mr. J. B. Priestley—not for one of those plays he has been turning out with such rapidity for television, but for one which first saw light of stage as far back as 1934.

It is "Eden End," a family saga which some critics rate as Mr. Priestley's best. When it first appeared the critic James Agate said, "Mr. Priestley has taken a cutting from a tree of Yorkshire life and its ramifications and burgeonings, with their gentle melancholy and rich humour, moved and amused me as I like to be moved and amused in a theatre." In other words, he liked it.

The play is set in the pre-1914 era and it is about family troubles of various kinds. James Hayter is the father and Dennis Price is also in the cast.

Afterwards there is a studio production of the ballet "Les Sylphides," which will feature four of the country's leading dancers. Nadia Nerina will dance the mazurka and pas de deux with Philip Chatfield, Julia Farron dances the prelude, and Rowena Jackson the waltz.

DO you work in an office? Or are you one of those who likes to "knock" the office? Then the ABC Sunday play, "Miss Olive" will interest you. It is—to quote ABC—a "hard-hitting examination of office relationships and their effect in particular on all those efficient executive secretaries past 30 who devote their lives to their jobs."

It happens to be office life in New York which comes under the spotlight, but perhaps office life is the same the world over.

The author of this play, David Osborn, believes that the only way a woman can be truly happy is to walk obediently four paces behind her man. But don't let that put you off.

A Welsh actor, Gareth Jones, plays an important part in this play and he hopes it will establish him as an outstanding character actor—a British Borgnine, perhaps. The tough charmer type, Borgnine, incidentally, who has been missing from cinema screens, comes up in a new TV series, "Waggon Train" on Monday. A.J.S.

- 1 0: News.
- 1 10: Birds in Britain.
- 1 40: Five Quintets.
- 2 0: Gardeners' Question Time.
- 2 30: Beethoven: Symphony No. 9.
- 3 45: Frankly Speaking.
- 4 15: Can I Help You?
- 4 30: Talking About Music.
- 5 0: Children.
- 5 55: Weather.
- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: Radio Newsreel.
- 6 45: Grand Hotel.
- 7 30: Letter from America.
- 7 45: The Way of Life.
- 8 25: Appeal.
- 8 30: Wives and Daughters.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: The Man from Lucca.
- 10 20: The White Worlds.
- 10 50: Epilogue.
- 11 0: News.

LIGHT: 1,500m., 247m.

- 9 30: Morning Memories.
- 11 30: Service.
- 2 15: A Proper Charlie.
- 2 45: Movie-Go-Round.
- 4 30: The Hound of the Baskervilles.
- 5 0: Down Your Way.
- 6 30: Just For You.
- 9 0: Follow the Stars.
- 10 40: Pick of the Pops.

THIRD: 464m., 194m.

- 5 0: The Two Gentlemen of Verona.
- 7 0: Chopin.
- 9 5: Research.
- 9 50: Chamber Concert.

LUXEMBURG, 208m.

- 6 0: Beaver Club.
- 6 15: You Lucky People.
- 6 45: Accordion Time.
- 7 0: Big Ben Banjo Band.
- 7 30: Winifred Atwell Show.
- 8 0: Stringing Along.
- 8 30: Calling the Stars.
- 9 0: Roxy Time.
- 9 15: Ella and Louis.
- 9 30: Cream of the Pops.
- 10 0: Record Rendezvous.
- 10 30: Humphrey Lyttelton Show.
- 11 0: Top Twenty.

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- 9 0 a.m. Procession and Parish Communion.
- 11 15 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 2 30 p.m. SPECIAL FAMILY SERVICE (Parents and Children welcome).
- 6 30 p.m. Solemn Evensong, Sermon, Procession and TeDeum.

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DEATHS

LEES.—On Thursday, April 3, in a Nursing Home, Ruth, the beloved wife of the late George Edward Lees, of 145 Oldham Road, Springfield. Service at Zion Methodist Chapel, Lees, on Tues., April 8, at 12-45 p.m., prior to interment at Hey Church Cemetery. Inquiries Ledger & Seville Ltd. (MAI 4573/2904).

WALKER.—On April 3, 1958, at 541 Huddersfield Road, George, the dearly loved husband of Gladys Walker and loving father of Jack, aged 57 years. "So dearly loved." Inquiries to R. H. Coop & Sons (MAI 4384).

WALKER.—On April 3, 1958, at 541 Huddersfield Road, George, the dearly loved and only brother of Nellie and Wilfred. "In heavenly love abiding."—57 Gordon Avenue.

WHITEHEAD.—On April 4, at her home, 42 Wallace Street, Mary Jane (Cissy) Whitehead, aged 42 years, dearly beloved wife of Thomas Whitehead, loving mother of Alan and dear grandma of Gary. Inquiries O.I.C.S. Ltd. "Peacefully at rest."

IN MEMORIAM

SHAW.—Treasured memories of a dear Son, died April 6, 1952.

No one knows the silent heartache,

Only those who have lost can tell,

Of a sorrow borne in silence,

Of a dear one who loved so well,

Sadly missed by his Mum and Dad.

Members of The Rotary Club of Oldham drank a toast on Monday to fellow-Rotarians in Melbourne, Australia. It was proposed by Oldham past-president Mr. H. B. Shaw.

RESULTS

OLDHAM	5	3-19
WIGAN	2	1-7
HULL CITY	9	
ATHLETIC	0	
ROCHDALE	1	
CHESTER	1	
HORNETS	1	2-8
BATLEY	2	0-4

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal v. Notts. F.—Postponed.
Aston Villa 2, West Brom 1.
Blackpool 3, Newcastle 2.
Bolton 0, Manchester City 2.
Everton 3, Tottenham H. 4.
Leicester 5, Burnley 3.
Leeds 2, Sheffield Wednesday 2.
Luton 0, Chelsea 2.
Manchester United 0, Preston 0.
Wolverhampton 1, Portsmouth 0.

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn 5, Rotherham 0.
Bristol Rovers 3, Bristol City 3.
Derby 0, Cardiff 2.
Fulham v. Middlesbrough—Postponed.
Lincoln 1, Stoke 3.
Sheffield United 3, Doncaster 0.
West Ham 0, Charlton 0.

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Bradford City 4, Barrow 1.
Halifax 0, Accrington 2.
Mansfield 3, Southport 0.
Stockport 4, Bury 0.

THIRD DIVISION (South)

Aldershot v. Colchester—Postponed.
QPR v. Shrewsbury—Postponed.
Southampton 5, Watford 0.
Swindon 1, Norwich 2.

SCOTTISH FA CUP—

Semi-finals
Motherwell 2, Clyde 3.
Rangers 2, Hibernian 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. I)

Aberdeen 0, Celtic 1.
Airdrie 6, Falkirk 2.
Kilmarnock 1, Hearts 1.
Queen of the South 6, T. Lanark 1.
Raith 3, Partick Thistle 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. II)

Brechin 2, Arbroath 1.
Dundee United 2, Albion 1.
Dunfermline 3, Dumbarton 0.
E. Stirlingshire 4, Stenhousemuir 2.
Forfar 3, Montrose 0.
Hamilton 1, St. Johnstone 2.
Morton 2, Cowdenbeath 2.
Stranraer 3, Berwick 0.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Blackpool B. 9, Barrow 5.
Dewsbury 18, Castleford 15.
Featherstone R. 15, York 5.
Halifax 57, Bramley 13.
Hull K.R. 28, Doncaster 3.
Hunslet 2, St. Helens 33.
Keighley 26, Huddersfield 6.
Leeds 7, Liverpool City 13.
Salford 5, Swinton 10.
Whitehaven 4, Workington T. 10.
Widnes 15, Leigh 6.

Southern games called off

An early heavy snowfall of three to four inches, which started to thaw almost immediately and was followed by incessant rain, hit London's League football programme hard today.

Arsenal's First Division match with Nottingham Forest had to be postponed because the ground was waterlogged. It was the same with Fulham's game with Middlesbrough at Craven Cottage, where one end of the pitch was almost completely under water.

In the Third Division (South) the Aldershot v. Colchester and the Queen's Park Rangers v. Shrewsbury matches had to be called off because the pitches were unplayable.

Eight men were burned to death today in a raging forest fire in the pine forest near Glencoe, South Australia. Six more are in hospital with severe burns.

Moran's equaliser saved the day against Chester

HORNETS HAD STRUGGLE AGAINST BATLEY

BATLEY, the only Yorkshire side to beat Hornets this season, were at the Athletic Grounds this afternoon, but were in a chastened mood after their drubbing at Wakefield on Good Friday. The only change in the Hornets team was the inclusion of Ralph in place of Corsi.

HORNETS: Cahill; Buxton, Jones, Short, Ralph; Chisnall, Fishwick; Livesey, Dagnall, Scholes, Parsons, Bailey, Parr.
BATLEY: Walshaw; Clark, Sutton, Lockwood, Smith; Cox, Bates; Redfern, Whiteforth, Eddy, Fox, Thompson, Armistead.
Referee: Mr. G. Davies (Wakefield).

A small crowd braved a biting wind and saw Short burst through into the Batley quarter the first time the Hornets backs had possession. Jones was wide with the penalty kick, but a clever touch-down by Cahill kept the visitors defending.

Fishwick was almost over direct from a scrum, and then Jones could not take Chisnall's short pass. Cahill was tackled on the line at this period of continuous pressure, at the end of which JONES landed a penalty goal.

The Hornets advanced again as Short tricked three opponents, but again Jones, in support, was given a wretched pass. The visitors also handled badly as they tried to outwit Hornets with a left-wing dash from a tap-and-run penalty.

The first time the home 25 was crossed, Clark kicked ahead, but the ball went into touch. Walshaw failed with a penalty kick. Twice Bailey made good tackles to stem Batley raids which grew in power, and the forward was unlucky to be knocked out after he had parted with the ball. He was carried behind the posts as Walshaw missed with another penalty kick.

When Ralph went briskly along touch the referee gave an amazing decision in penalising Short, who was merely running in support. However, the wingman soon followed with another dash to a yard from the line.

At times the visitors handled crisply, and twice Cox slipped away to open raids before a dribble by Cahill gained 50 yards.

Just before half-time Livesey left the field with an eye injury.

Half-time:—		
HORNETS	1	0-2
BATLEY	0	0-0

Hornets resumed without Livesey and within a minute Walshaw failed with a long-distance penalty kick. The visitors looked dangerous when Jones missed his man and the interception, but Fox made a poor effort with a drop at goal.

WALSHAW levelled the scores with a penalty goal after five minutes. Next Smith darted away on the left but his kick was carried out of play. Hornets could not please the referee and after nine minutes Walshaw had another goalkicking chance but failed. Neither could Hornets handle safely, and then another infringement enabled WALSHAW to put Batley ahead.

After 15 minutes Hornets were seen at their best for the first time. Fishwick and Chisnall came away strongly from the scrum and Buxton supported well. He sent an inside pass to JONES ten yards from the line and the centre scored a bright try but could not add the goal.

Eddy and Redfern tried to crash over for Batley, and in vigorous exchanges Short was added to the casualty list. Play was heating up and Trompson was called out for a caution. Hornets could not get far and an interlude in keen play was a move by Short and Ralph. Walshaw failed with a penalty kick.

Final:		
HORNETS	1	2-8
BATLEY	2	0-4
Late scorer: Hornets: Ralph (try).		
Attendance: 2,735.		
Receipts: £282.		

RESERVES GET UPPER HAND AT START

KICKING off against Great Harwood at Boundary Park today, Athletic Reserves were soon hampered by the strong facing wind.

In the first minute, Jim Thompson, playing at inside-left, forced his way through and passed to Melville in the centre. But the wind carried away the ball. In the second minute, Reserves went ahead through a penalty kick by THOMPSON, awarded for a handling offence.

Failing to use the wind to advantage, Great Harwood were at a loss against the fast-moving home side.

Their occasional efforts were caught up by the wind and carried away from the danger zone. Just before half-time, Reserves were two up when leader SMITH followed up a pass and hustled the ball from 'keeper Neild into the net.

Half-time:		
Athletic Reserves	2	
Great Harwood	0	

A determined move by Great Harwood after the restart forced a throw-in well inside the Oldham half. But Wilf Hobson was on hand to clear the situation. Reserves, now aided by the strong wind, came back and were doing most of the attacking.

They forced a series of corner-kicks, which were cleared desperately by the visiting defence. Smith, the home leader, raced clear with a good pass but was ruled offside.

Final:		
ROCHDALE	1	
CHESTER	1	

Mossley v Stafford

At home to Stafford Rangers, Mossley made some nice attacking moves, but they were feeble in their finishing.

Saulkner did well to hold a snap drive by Beresford, of the Stafford team.

Green, the visitors' centre-forward, was carried off after receiving a hard knock. But their ten men continued to attack. Green returned shortly before the interval.

Half-time:—		
Mossley	0	
Stafford Rangers	0	

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ATHLETIC

Then out came Teece to push away a Cripsey centre, but in the 75th minute SMITH made it eight for the Tigers. Down the left wing went Cripsey once again to plant a perfect centre on his centre-forward's head.

Such was Hull's supremacy that they might have had three extra players on the field.

It really was incredible the ease with which Hull were going through, and in the 78th minute, CRIPSEY broke clean away on the left and with nonchalant ease lobbed the ball over Teece's head into the corner for No. 9.

Only a brilliant save by Teece prevented Smith putting the tally into double figures.

Final:		
HULL CITY	9	
ATHLETIC	0	
Attendance, 11,007.		

ROCHDALE made sweeping changes after their Good Friday disappointment. In came Green at left back, another local junior, Les Spencer, at inside-left, Tom McGlennon on the left wing and Eddie Moran at inside-right. Wainwright moved out on to the wing. So the only forward to keep his place was Dailey.

ROCHDALE: Jones; Ferguson, Green; Grant, Glover, McGuigan; Wainwright, Moran, Dailey, Spencer, McGlennon.
CHESTER: Griffiths; Hughes, Gill; Whitlock, Saunders, Mason; Foulkes, Ireland, Davies, Pearson, Richards.
Referee: Mr. A. E. Ellis (Halifax).

Though this game was not of the highest quality, it was better than the match the previous day, and in the first ten minutes there was more excitement than there had been in 90 minutes of Good Friday's gloom.

Rochdale were not getting things their own way and Chester, encouraged by a strong wind, brought the best out of the home defence. But Jones had only two shots to save—both were long ones from half-back Mason.

At the other end, Rochdale, attacking with more method, were unfortunate in that Chester managed to break up movements with several lucky interceptions.

Dailey was playing as if determined to break up that goalless spell and he very nearly put Rochdale in front with a header. But the ball was not travelling fast enough and Griffiths saved.

A spirited raid on the right caused Chester more trouble but Griffiths was there again to help his side out.

Ferguson came upfield and got the ball into a good position but then pushed it out of play when he had the home forwards lined up for the kill.

A free kick to Chester had Rochdale bobbing, but the ball passed harmlessly across the face of the goal while several Chester forwards made headlong bids to get the ball into the net.

A couple of delicate touches by new-boy Spencer put Rochdale on the attack but Dailey was absent from his station on the first occasion and on the second McGlennon lost the ball.

Chester go ahead

Rochdale went behind after 34 minutes when Chester's good luck improved. A long shot by WHITLOCK was caught by the wind and was carried over Jones's head into the net.

The home side hit back but again and again Chester survived by the skin of their teeth.

To offset this Pearson missed by inches when a centre came from the right and caught the Rochdale defence napping.

Referee Ellis would not have been over generous to Rochdale if he had given Moran a spot kick after he had been pushed off the ball as he went through.

Spencer now set up a Rochdale attack which had Chester in real trouble. Griffiths lost the ball, but Spencer, coming through for the kill, could not get in a real shot. The ball bobbed around in the Chester goalmouth until it was cleared after a series of near-misses and with it went Rochdale's chance of getting level before the interval.

Half-time:		
ROCHDALE	0	
CHESTER	1	

With a series of second-half raids Rochdale raised the hopes of their supporters. Twice Griffiths had to save from McGlennon, and on the second occasion he nearly turned over the line, clutching the ball to his body as he tried to dodge a shoulder charge.

Spencer stirred things up for Chester with two long dribbles. On the first occasion he lost the ball

as he prepared to shoot, and on the second McGlennon lost it for him. Dailey carshed in one shot which would have taken the net with it had not it passed just wide.

Rochdale were overkicking and many a good movement was spoiled because the wind took the ball too far.

Rochdale were getting corner kicks by the dozen but they were not getting very far with them. At the other end Chester could have made it two but Ireland missed his kick and fell over the ball when he had an empty net in front of him.

Midway through the half another corner kick and Rochdale were level. The ball dropped in the middle and there was a free-for-all with MORAN pushing the ball home.

Chester almost got in front again in the next minute but Grant made a timely save when Jones had lost the ball.

United played two different wingers

Ken Morgans, Manchester United's outside-right, played his first game for the first time since the Munich air disaster. Heron, the former Portadown left-winger, also made his League debut.

Preston were the better side and should have had a couple of goals within the half-hour. United's best work was done by Heron, who brought the Preston goalkeeper, Elise, to a great save. Half-time: No score.

City score from goalkeeper's mistake

Trautmann was nearly surprised by Stevens in the first minute with a long shot, but City went ahead after 18 minutes with a goal from BARLOW, after Dean had dropped a centre from Hayes. Later Dean saved a header from Hayes.

The City defence was in difficulties later although Hennin, Bolton's centre-forward, pulled a muscle and went on the right wing. Half-time: Bolton 0, City 1.

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the Wigan "25" and Pitchford brought the ball away. KELLETT moved in to take the pass and avoided three Wigan defenders to score. Ganley missed the goal.

Still Oldham attacked. Prominent was John Eddy who in one move got the attack to within ten yards of the Wigan line. Pitchford helped him, but when he passed the ball to Duffy the defence were covered and the move ended.

A goalkicking chance came for Ganley soon afterwards when Wigan were penalised for offside. But after having difficulty in standing the ball up for the goalkick, Ganley sent it wide.

Final:—		
OLDHAM	5	3-19
WIGAN	2	1-7
Kellett try, Ganley 2 goals.		
Attendance 17,000.		

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Sunderland 1, Birmingham 6		
SECOND DIVISION		
Barnsley 3, Leyton Orient 0.		
Ipswich 4, Huddersfield 0.		
Notts County 2, Grimsby 0.		
Swansea 0, Liverpool 2		
THIRD DIVISION (North)		
Crewe 1, Chesterfield 2.		
Darlington 4, Bradford 0.		
Gateshead 3, Carlisle 2		
Scunthorpe 2, Hartlepool 0.		
Workington 0, York 0.		
Wrexham 2, Tranmere 2.		
THIRD DIVISION (South)		
Brighton 1, Northampton 4.		
Exeter 1, Coventry 0.		
Gillingham 3, Walsall 0.		
Millwall 0, Bournemouth 2.		
Newport 0, Crystal Palace 0.		
Plymouth 0, Brentford 0.		
Port Vale 2, Torquay 1		
Southend 2, Reading 1.		
Athletic Reserves	7	
Great Harwood	0	

MANCHESTER 4 0. Result:		
Whinstone Hill (Mr R. Brewis) 1		
Regency Buck (Capt G. Rich) 2		
Surprise Packet (Mr T. Johnson) 3		
5/4, 100/6, evens fav. 6 ran.		
SOUTHWELL 4 0. Result:		
Astrial 1, Glamorgan 2, Provident		
3. 10/1, evens fav., 4/1. 6 ran.		
WARWICK 4 15. Result:		
Sartorius (J. Mercer) 1		
Canterbury Bloom (M. F. Durr) 2		
Oremus (B. Swift) 3		
8/11 fav., 7/2, 20/1. 12 ran		
MANCHESTER 4 30. Result:		
Young Stroller (Mr P. Rohan) 1		
Repreived (P. Major) 2		
Faireyko (J. Dowling) 3		
10/1, 6/1, 100/8. 12 ran.		
Pseudo Tudor 3/1 fav.		
NEWTON ABBOT 4 30. Result:		
Precipite 1, Spring Heather 2, Sea		
Captain 3. 7/2, 7/1, 6/1. 9 ran.		
Tamar Valley 3/1 fav.		

SOUTHWELL 4 30. Result:		
Tolvis Bay 1, Charlotte 2, Bour-		
don House 3. 10/1, 6/1, 13/2.		
Easter Breeze 4/5 fav. 7 ran.		
WARWICK 4 45. Result:		
Solar Yacht (D. Ryan) 1		
Time and Again (G. Starkey) 2		
Feathers (B. Swift) 3		
11/2, 5/4 fav., 100/6. 12 ran.		
MANCHESTER 5 0. Result:		
David Result (T. McMorrough) 1		