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OLDHAM FINISH WELL AHEAD OF HALIFAX



Kellett crosses the line to score Oldham's first try in the match against Halifax at Watersheddings today.

Duffy (2), Neale (3), Clark scored Blues get spate of goals in Athletic's trial

ATHLETIC brought in three trialists at the last moment for this afternoon's practice game at Boundary Park. They were Goalkeepers Phil Green and Dave Thomson and left-half Tommy Appleton.

BLUES: Green; Naylor, West; Hobson, Taylor, Thompson; Walker, Bourne, Duffy, Neale, Clark.

REDS: Thomson; Anderson, Booth; Hall, Murphy, Appleton; Chaytor, Bazley, Marsh, Crossley, Phoenix.

An early bid by Athletic's potential first string in the blue shirts saw Taylor prompt Bourne who found Duffy with a smart back-header. Athletic's leader could only scrape the top of the bar with his quick header, however, and the Reds went away with newcomer Tommy Appleton prominent.

Back came the Blues with Duffy again looking for an opening, but he badly mis-timed a Walker cross and sliced the ball across the face of the goal. And there was another chance for Duffy when Thomson fumbled, but the amateur 'keeper whipped the ball from the centre-forward's feet at the second attempt.

In the ninth minute, however, DUFFY got the goal he had been seeking when a smart Hobson free-kick saw him lash the ball into the top corner.

And within two minutes Athletic's leader had got a second with a beautiful header as he raced onto a Walker centre to flick the ball into an empty net.

It was all the Blues now with Bourne proving a live wire in the attack and the inside man came close to making the tally three as he raced through and blasted a shot across the face of the goal.

Seconds earlier, trialist goalkeeper Green had had his first touch of the ball as he turned a Crossley pile driver over the top, and he was in action again as he came out to snatch the ball from Phoenix's toes.

Two for Neale

In another two-goals-in-two-minutes spurt however, the Blues underlined their supremacy. This time it was PETER NEALE who took the credit, first blasting home

a Walker cross and then side-footing in a Clark pass after Bourne had stepped over the ball.

Try as they might, the Reds could make no impression on this tough Blue defence, and in the 40th minute they were further in arrears as CLARK took a Thompson pass and rammed the ball into the far corner for Number five.

Half-time: Blue..... 5, Red..... 0

Manager Norman Dodgin switched his trialist keepers at half-time, and Green was soon in action, picking out a Walker cross in fine style.

It was the Reds who struck the first telling blow of the new half, however, when BAZLEY, after a solo run, saw his shot blocked on the line by West. Not to be out-done, the inside man collected the rebound and, despite the attentions of three defenders, managed to ram the ball into the corner.

A perfect ball

But the Blues were soon back on the offensive and Walker cut through to crash in a left foot drive which Green held at the foot of the post.

Within minutes the keeper was down on his knees again, this time fielding a 20-yard right footer from Jimmy Thompson.

A sixth goal was always on the cards, and it came in the 69th minute as Duffy went through to pull back a perfect ball to NEALE who flashed it into the far corner.

Retains sprint title

Tony Millard (Coventry Godiva, 17) today became the first to win the national junior sprint cycling championship for a second time. At Coventry he had no difficulty in retaining the title which he won on the same track a year ago.

DON VINES completed his "private and urgent business" in time to play on the blind side of Oldham's front row for the game against Halifax at Watersheddings. Sid Little dropped out with a knee injury, and his place in the second row was taken by Des McKeown. Noon and Ayres switched in the centre, and Vin Nestor played on the left wing.

OLDHAM: Ganley; Cracknell, Noon, Ayres, Nestor; Kellett, Jones; Lomas, Keith, Vines, Winslade, McKeown, Turner.

HALIFAX: Briers; Snowden, Burnett, Palmer, Williams; Dean, Jones; Thorley, Taylor, Wilkinson, Jarman, Sparks, Cliff.

Referee: Mr. A. E. Durkin (Dewsbury)

Halifax had the chance of a penalty goal in the opening minutes of the game when Oldham were penalised for obstruction, but from 35 yards Briers kicked short.

Two minutes later Oldham were awarded a penalty, which GANLEY, from 27 yards, kicked sure and straight to open the scoring with a goal.

Now Halifax started laying on the attack. Up the left wing raced Williams, but when he was challenged just inside Oldham's half he tried to turn the ball infield and it was fumbled.

Still the Yorkshire side applied the pressure. Both half-backs were prominent until the danger was stopped when Ganley took the ball on the Oldham line to send Nestor away.

In the 11th minute Oldham, doing most of the attacking, had made their way into the Halifax quarter where they were awarded a penalty. Again GANLEY kicked the goal.

Halifax tried a revival through Dean but Oldham's defence held and eventually switched to the attack.

A long pass from the middle left

Nestor's effort

Nestor clear on the left wing and he cleverly beat three men only to get dragged down inches short of the line.

THEN THE TRY CAME. FROM A SCRUM 15 YARDS OUT KELLETT TOOK A JONES PASS TO RIP THROUGH THE SURPRISED DEFENCE FOR A TRY. GANLEY LANDED THE GOAL.

Halifax again tried to open their score in the 20th minute. Oldham offended at a scrum 35 yards out, but again the attempt for goal by Briers fell short.

When the next chance of a goal came two minutes later, Halifax changed their goalkicker and brought on DEAN, who, from 25 yards turned Oldham's off-side infringement into a goal.

In just two minutes Oldham replied. In a fierce left-wing raid they recovered from a bad pass for NESTOR to take possession and race over at the corner. Ganley was just wide at goal.

GANLEY regained his laurels in the 30th minute when Halifax fell off-side. From 30 yards he increased Oldham's lead with a penalty goal.

Just before the interval and after some bright play by Halifax, Oldham gave away a penalty under their own posts. Dean came up for what was an easy kick but to the astonishment of the crowd, he missed.

Half-time: OLDHAM 4-2 14 HALIFAX 1-0 2

So far in this game Oldham had been the best side. Their attack had more method, though it tended to fall down at the last stages. Halifax were putting up a stern fight, but if Oldham maintained their first-half form victory seemed certain.

Halifax won the two scrums that followed but play was stopped when, following a tackle on Palmer, loose-forward Turner was cautioned by the referee.

Oldham hit more trouble at the scrum that followed the touch-kick. Jones was penalised for feeding and Halifax really took the initiative.

Dangerous burst

Taylor made a dangerous burst into the Oldham "25," but when he tried a pass, Cracknell shot in to take the ball and save the Oldham line.

The possession did not last long, and when a deep kick fell to Briers, Halifax shot back on the attack. They spoiled what might have been a good chance by falling off-side five yards from the Oldham line.

But the Yorkshire side were holding on to their advantage and in the 55th minute turned it into a try. From a scrum five yards from the Oldham line, Jones shot a pass out for Dean to send BURNETT over. BRIERS kicked the goal.

Four minutes later the Yorkshire side raced across for their second try. PALMER was the scorer after a great 40-yard run down the right wing. Briers missed the goal.

Two attempts at goals by Oldham brought one goal. GANLEY missed the first time, but when Halifax were penalised minutes later he made no mistake.

TURNING ON ANOTHER FIERCE ATTACK HALIFAX HAD A TRY DISALLOWED. WILLIAMS WENT OVER IN THE CORNER BUT A TIMELY TACKLE BY NOON CAUSED HIM TO HIT THE CORNER-FLAG BEFORE HE COULD GROUND THE BALL.

Final: OLDHAM 6 3-21 HALIFAX 2 2-10

Late scorers: CRACKNELL try, GANLEY GOAL for Oldham, Attendane: 14,000 approx.

CLL scores and details

Oldham v Rochdale

ROCHDALE

Mitter not out 47

Pradkar not out 51

Total (for no wkt) ... 98

Milnrow v Middleton

MILNROW.

Leach b Gilchrist 10

Knight b Gilchrist 13

Lee b Gilchrist 0

Lomax b Gilchrist 0

Lowe run out 3

McMahon c Crook b Gilchrist 0

McMillan b Gilchrist 0

Booth-Yatve b Gilchrist 4

Wright not out 12

Ridgeway not out 1

Extras 0

Total (for 8 wkts) ... 43

Castleton M v Stockport

CASTLETON MOOR.

Mitchell c and b Mankad 12

Gowland b Mankad 20

Manjrekar not out 26

Wood st Wigglesworth b Mankad 0

Threlfall st Wiggles'th b Mankad 1

Simms not out 10

Total (for 4 wkts.) ... 69

Royton v Heywood

HEYWOOD

Smith not out 12

Lee run out 5

Hopkinson run out 5

Hazel not out 21

Extras 2

Total (for 2 wkts) ... 45

Littleborough v Ashton

LITTLEBOROUGH

Tattersall b Bartels 5

Crossley c Brierley b Bartels 1

All b Bartels 1

Winter c Hollingworth b Bartels 2

Burrill b Priestley 1

B Bowden c Bartels b Hardy 4

Halliday c Booth b Bartels 13

Roberts b Hardy 4

J Bowden b Hardy 4

Taylor not out 0

Matthew not out 4

Extras 4

Total (for 9 wkts) ... 39

Radcliffe v Werneth

WERNETH

Meynell b Alcock 25

Grimshaw lbw b Sobers 1

Borde c Williams b Alcock 7

Alker not out 8

Langton b Alcock 0

Heywood not out 2

Extras 4

Total (for 4 wkts) ... 47

Crompton v Walsden

No play yet

Surprise for Wigan

Wigan often had narrow misses as Gunney and Platt prompted strong midfield attacks. After Barton, Bretherton and Cherrington had been stopped just short, Hunslet struck back and Gunney and Byron narrowly failed to score.

CUNLIFFE gave Wigan the lead after 23 minutes with a penalty goal, but Hunslet deservedly went in front when LANGTON landed two penalty goals. Attendance: 20,000. Half-time: Wigan 2, Hunslet 4.

Goals or googlies

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Rosewall beat Trabert 6-0, 6-2, 6-8, 2-6, 7-5 in Slatenger tennis final.

At Tokio, Australian swimmers won seven of eight events decided so far.

Stirling Albion 1, East D'ife 0.

STOCKTON 5 0. Result: Vigia (E Hide) 1, Mozie Law (J Sime) 2, Kif Kif (E Larkin) 3, 4/5 fav., 5/2, 9/2, 5 ran.

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AMATEURS CAN MAKE IT TRIPLE SUCCESS

NOW that British Isles golfers are the proud holders of the professionals Ryder Cup, and the women's Curtis Cup, trophies, there is much speculation of the possibility of the amateurs making it a triple success next season.

Following the amateurs' splendid performances at Turnberry last week, when defeating a strong team of professionals which included nine players who were in the victorious Ryder Cup side, there are great hopes of their winning the Walker Cup from the United States at Muirfield, Scotland, in May.

The experimental pairing of Joe Carr (Sutton), the Irish holder of the British Amateur title, and Douglas Sewell (Hook Heath Artisans), the English champion, worked wonders.

They seem a ready-made partnership and the manner in which they thrashed Dai Rees, the international captain, and Ken Bousfield, the only British players to win their four-some in the last Ryder Cup match, by nine and seven, will long be remembered.

BOTH of them should be "musts" when the British selectors pick their side for the World Amateur Golf Team Championship for the Eisenhower Trophy at St. Andrews on October 8-11.

Sewell is the most consistent scorer in amateur ranks today, while Carr is capable of brilliant figures. Both possess the essential qualifications for a 72-hole stroke championship.

The teams will be four-strong with the three best individual scores each day counting for the final grand aggregate, and it is when they come to their choice of the second pair that the British selectors will meet with difficulty.

THE last two places may lie between Guy Wolstenholms (Kirby Muxloe) Alec Shepperson (Coxmoor) Reid Jack (Dullatur) Philip Scrutton (Sunningdale) Arthur Perowne (Royal Norwich) and Dick Smith (Selkirk) the new Scottish champion—all proven top-class stroke-players.

Probably Perowne has the biggest claim after his wonderful scoring performance at Royal Birkdale when he won the English Open Amateur Stroke Championship.

The selectors are not resting on their laurels after the amateurs' victory over the professionals. Gerald Micklem the British captain and Raymond Oppenheimer are going "spotting" in the Irish Amateur Open Championship at Royal Dublin on August 26 to 28.

The improved lighting of more Oldham bus routes is contemplated at a cost of £4,500 and of Roman Road £500.

LANCS AND CHESHIRE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

GOLFERS accustomed to watching and reading about big prize-money tournaments on a national scale find it difficult to realise there is scope for less ambitious promotions.

Yet this country is well suited to the more modest type of tournament, with a purely local appeal—such as the Lancashire and Cheshire professional championship to be inaugurated at Hazel Grove, near Stockport, next Thursday and Friday.

Play will be over 72 holes for £300 in prizemoney provided by an Ardwick motor firm. Amateurs will be allowed to compete for special prizes.

The idea was suggested by Mr. A. E. Gregory, northern representative of a big golf ball firm, who for a long time has felt the North-Western professionals should have a championship of their own.

SCEPTRE'S CREW WATCH RIVALS

The crew of Sceptre, Britain's challenger in next month's America's Cup yacht race, will spare as much time as they can from refitting today to watch their American rivals in trials.

They will see the 19-year-old Vim and the three new yachts, Columbia, Weatherly, and Easterner.

In the first trials, which started on July 19, Columbia had the best record with five victories against one defeat. Vim was next with 4-2. Lieutenant-Commander Graham Mann, Sceptre's helmsman, said he hoped to move to Newport, Rhode Island, tomorrow. The best-of-seven series for the cup begin on September 20.

WHY HAVE FAMOUS RACES DRAWN SO FEW ENTRIES? Trainers not rushing along the road to York

IT is always a pleasure to visit York when the Ebor meeting is on, but something strange has happened to several of the three-star events which are always featured on this course in August, writes The Ringer.

The opening race, the Prince of Wales Stakes (of £1,000) for two-year-olds, has attracted only six entries. Worse still, the famous Nunthorpe Sweepstakes, worth £1,500 to the winner and widely recognised as the sprint championship of the season, has only three—Right Boy (4-9-5), High Finance (3-9-0) and Abadesa, an Irish filly. Are trainers sidestepping Right Boy (three times a sprint winner)? But isn't it better to make a race—not a farce—of this time-honoured event?

On the same day the Yorkshire Oaks has 12 entries standing; but how many will run in the day's events that is the question.

The Ebor, with Ballymoss, the great Irish colt, Gladness and other grand stayers, is the worthwhile attraction on Wednesday. Yet the race which follows, the Great Voltigeur Sweepstakes (worth £5,000 to winner) has only six entrants and of these Cool Debate has three engagements in the week and Artifice two. Even Money is there, and if it runs you'll be lucky to get anything near "evens."

About the Ebor: If a four-year-old that had won over a mile and a half, giving Super Snipe a five-length beating, and previously had romped home over two miles besides trotting in for a welter 1½ mile race, gets only 7st. 9lb. in the Ebor you would think it was "there with a chance." When you consider that Hornbeam and Master of Arts are its stable companions in R. J. Colling's establishment it must be thereabouts should the favourites fall—as they so often do.

I think this horse, Snow Leopard, looks a good each-way selection despite the presence of the big names in the race.

Pendlehill is expected to take the

Great Yorkshire Handicap on Thursday and Billum looks high and dry for the Gimcrack on the same day.

LOCAL-TRAINED horses usually do well at breezy Lewes, and the main trainer from this quarter, J. Gosden, runs Sharp Wind, an appropriate choice for the Houndean Plate.

Sir Gordon Richards is well represented in the Southover Welter Plate. The stable can still choose from Supreme Test, Country House and Verve for the winner.

The Alveston Plate at Warwick may be the race Goodwill's Raggy Ann goes for in preference to the engagements—she has missed recently. She was running into form again.

Deer Leap, a Newmarket winner, was hampered at the start when beaten into third place behind Ink Spot at Goodwood. Compensation can come in the Little Breeders' Stakes.

Next week's racing—Monday: Lewes and Warwick. Tuesday: York. Wednesday and Thursday: York and Salisbury. Friday: Lingfield and Newmarket. Saturday: Lingfield, Newmarket, Ripon and Worcester.

Cooper-Frazer in semi-final

Wimbledon champion Ashley Cooper will meet fellow Australian Neale Fraser in the semi-finals of the Newport International Lawn Tennis Tournament.

Cooper, who beat Fraser in this year's Wimbledon final, defeated Ron Holmberg (US) 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 in the quarter-finals yesterday. Fraser beat Kosei Kamo (Japan) 6-1, 7-5, 6-2.

'Winner was among the bream'

IF any fish can be a favourite with match fishermen, it must be the bream. How often do we see match results with the postscript, "the winner got among the bream."

When on the feed, the bream's appetite must be almost insatiable. None of the "little-and-often" ground-baiting suits bream; they prefer bucketfuls to the contents of a 6d. bag of ground-bait. Nor are they fastidious about hook-bait;

ANGLING NOTES

by KB

maggot, worms and bread in all its forms are equally acceptable. Primarily a bottom feeder, the better bream are generally to be taken laying on the bottom or ledgering. They are to be found in the slower rivers, canals and lakes, not having a great love for the more oxygenated waters.

They are often to be seen moving about in shoals. This wandering is in search of food, consequently the heavy ground-baiting not only attracts but subsequently holds the shoal, for when the food goes, so do the bream. Muggy summer days are good bream days, and early mornings the best time.

SEVERAL places in the British Isles are noted for bream, and they all have the same characteristics—low-lying waters with muddy, weedy surrounds. The Norfolk Broads, Cheshire meres, and the Irish loughs quickly come to mind.

From the eating point of view, bream are not very satisfactory, but I received a good recipe from the owner of Lake Semerwater last week.

Fold a piece of clean wire netting in a large pan until it forms a platform on the base. Put in a pint of water and ½lb. butter in the pan and the bream on top of the wire.

Simmer for 30 minutes, flavouring with salt and pepper. Take the pan and throw away the liquid and bream, serving the wire netting with parsley sauce. Such is his opinion of bream as a meal.

THE Filho Angling Club held a match last week on the Shropshire Union Canal at Whixall. The winner was the secretary,

Mr. H. Wood, with a good weight for this canal of 3lb.

His catch included a bream of 1lb. and roach of 14oz. and 8oz. Second was J. Turnbull (nearly all roach), weighing 1lb. 6oz; third, J. Cherry, 3oz.; and fourth T. Scarisbrook, 2oz.

ON Friday, October 10, the Oldham Lyceum Anglers will be holding their first annual dinner. In order that the officials may arrange seating accommodation, etc., it would be appreciated if members would reply to their invitation circulars as soon as possible.

The list will be closed next week, so Lyceum anglers are urged to get their orders in quickly so that a success may be made of this initial venture. Replies should be sent to the secretary, Mr. H. Brooks, 617 Huddersfield Road, Waterhead.

THE Oldham Central Anglers will be holding their next meeting on Tuesday, August 26. Members wishing to take part in the second match, to be held at Farndon on the River Dee, should attend this meeting, or get in touch with the secretary, Mr. H. Gilks, 109 Stockfield Road, Chadderton. The coach will leave Oldham at 5 a.m.

THE next meeting of the Chadderton Angling Association will be held on August 20 at their headquarters, the Reform Club, Chadderton. Business on the agenda concerns forthcoming matches. The next trip is to East Cottingham, August 24.

THE Waterhead Angling Club will be visiting Bishopthorpe, York, again on August 24. Members wishing to go should send their names to Mr. H. Tetlow, 52 Couthill Road, Oldham, or add them to the list at their headquarters, the George and Dragon, Waterhead.



BY THE STUDENT

THE WARDLE controversy has brought Test cricket into the limelight again. So the first teaser is a topical one. Score two points for numbers one and two and one for number three. Four is a good score.

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Has any man ever played for both Australia and England in Test cricket?

TEASER NUMBER TWO

When was the first public warning-off notice on the English turf posted and where?

TEASER NUMBER THREE

Racehorse backers recently backed a loser, but drew their winnings. Where and why?

[Answers on Page 10]

ROYTON POLO TEAM REACH ANOTHER FINAL

ROYTON Amateur Swimming Club water polo team won their Lancashire County Senior Cup semi-final match at Southport on Thursday night.

In a fast, robust game Royton were 4-3 up at half-time, and in the second half they turned on the pressure and left the pool winners by 8 goals to 4.

They now go forward to meet the winners of the Garston-Salford semi-final in the final at Lancaster on October 3. This is the tenth time in eleven years that Royton have reached the county final.

The Royton team are also in the final for the Northern Counties Senior Cup. For this they meet Birkenhead at Lancaster on September 12.

BRIDGE QUIZ

By EWART KEMPSON

YOU are West. North-South vulnerable: dealer East.

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

East South West North
1 ♠ 2 ♣ 2 ♠ No
4 ♠ No 2 ♠ No

Playing the non-vulnerable weak no-trump, East opened with one diamond and rightly jumped to four spades on the second round of bidding.

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

My Solution: The key play occurs at the very first trick. West must play dummy's five of clubs. Complete deal.

♠ 10 8 3
♥ 9 7 6 2
♦ 8 7
♣ J 8 7 2

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

♠ 9 7
♥ K J 8
♦ A 6 5
♣ K Q 10 9 3

Having lost a club to South, the declarer will subsequently lose one diamond and only one heart.

When West leads a heart towards the end of the hand South will have nothing left but hearts and clubs. He will be end-played.

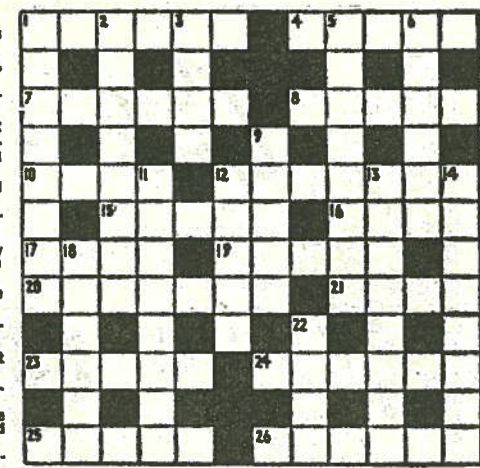
But if West takes the first round of clubs South will be able to lead a low club on winning a diamond, thus allowing North to win and lead a heart.

On winning the heart South will exit with a diamond and eventually make a second heart

CROSSWORD No. 1553

ACROSS

- 3 Very mysterious (6)
- 4 Graven images, maybe (6)
- 7 National runner? (6)
- 8 Often sporting occurrences (6)
- 10 Raw material (4)
- 12 Has a swell time? (7)
- 15 "By any other name" (5)
- 16 Temporary accommodation (4)
- 17 Great Lake (4)
- 18 Measuring device (5)
- 20 Legislator upset by treason (7)
- 21 Attract, bewitch (4)
- 23 Dugout, at the top by the sound of it (5)
- 24 Cavalry, surmount? (6)
- 25 South Coast sisters number (5)
- 26 Little more than fasts—yet lots more! (6)



- 1 Is in residence (6)
- 2 Chaplain takes in a letter for the padre (5)
- 3 Sediment in port (4)
- 5 Made a detour (5)

- 6 Of a church period (5)
- 9 Skinsuit (5)
- 11 Enjoyment (5)
- 12 Pythias companion (5)
- 13 Rows of houses on football grounds (5)
- 14 Servants' abode (5)
- 18 Edit (5)
- 22 Appointment (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3, Returned. 8, Parted. 9, Selector. 11, Listened. 12, Fete. 13, A-void. 18, Ensur. 19, Hate. 22, Relation. 24, She-rat-on. 25, Scream. 26, Comatose. Down: 1, Spill. 2, Brass. 3, Reserve. 4, Eden. 5, Used. 6, Natter. 7, Dormer. 10, Lewis. 14, On-set. 15, Durance. 16, Physic. 17, Stream. 20, River. 21, Enemy. 22, Rapt. 23, Loss.

Aureole colt is bred like Crepello

AT the 1956 Newmarket December sales, the Princess Royal went quietly and unobtrusively into her usual saleroom before her mare, Millet, was due to come under the hammer.

This big, portly mare was the only one in the December sale catalogue to be in foal to the Hyperion stallion, Aureole, who won seven races for the Queen worth £36,225 from six furlongs to 1½ miles, including the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes.

The bidding opened at 2,000 guineas. Sitting almost opposite the Princess Royal on the other side of the sale ring was Mr. Basil Samuel, the owner and breeder, and it was his bid of 9,000 guineas that secured Millet and her valuable unborn foal.

Mr. Samuel, who owns a herd of Aberdeen Angus and bought a bull of that breed, Keystone of Balfour, at Perth in 1955 for 14,000 guineas, was determined to buy this mare in foal to Aureole. He has a stud at Manor Farms, West Tisted, Hampshire, where he has also mares by Dastur, Maravedis and Rockefeller.

The result of the Aureole mating was a hardy-looking colt, who is due to come up at the Newmarket October yearling sales. Many owners and breeders will be anxious to secure this colt, as his breeding resembles that of the Derby winner, Crepello, who beat Ballymoss into second place.

Crepello, by Donatello II, was out of Crespuscule, a mare by Mieuxce (Dame of Millet), while Aureole, the colt's sire, is a grandson of Donatello II. From this breeding, it is reasonable to expect a high-class achievement from this colt up to 1½ miles at least.

Brian Robinson (Huddersfield) finished fifth in a 160 kilometres (99 miles) cycle road race at Thonon-les-Bains yesterday. He clocked 4hr. 4min. 51sec., less than three minutes behind the winner, Jean Stablinski (France), whose time was 4.1.58.

TAIL IS WAGGING THE DOG IN CRICKET



Britain's rifle team beat Canada

Britain won the Canada match for rifle teams of eight in Ontario yesterday, narrowly beating Canada by 13 points.

Britain scored 1,130 points of a possible 1,200 against Canada's 1,117. Christopher Belk, with 145, had the best individual score for Britain.

The match, held during the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association's meeting, was fired at 300, 500 and 600 yards.

European horse trials champion, 22-year-old SHEILA WILLCOX, of Lytham St. Anne's, introduces her famous 11-year-old dun gelding HIGH AND MIGHTY (right) to her new horse, AIRS AND GRACES, a six-year-old bay gelding. Sheila is busy training Airs and Graces for the autumn trials season, which opens at Melton Mowbray next Saturday. She is to ride both horses at the Harewood Horse Trials in September.

INSTEAD of thinking of the selection of the England team this weekend and the pros and cons of the final Test against New Zealand, I'm afraid most cricket followers—in the North, anyway—are still hanging on to the Wardle affair. Everybody is wondering whether MCC will take any drastic action when they discuss the whole thing on Tuesday.

I will be quite frank and say I am glad I am not on that committee. I hate waving the big stick of discipline. Somehow I can't get it into my head that it should be necessary in a game of cricket. But, as we so clearly know, it is.

From what I can gather, there may well be a stern clash of views at the MCC meeting. It seems pretty clear that skipper Peter May—with an eye to the balance and power of the side he is to lead in Australia—still wants Johnny Wardle in his team.

If we are to believe some of the statements that have been published, he wants him pretty strongly. On the grounds that the row Wardle has had with Yorkshire is a domestic affair, he seems ready to push his opinions pretty hard.

May is a tough, practical leader—probably as tough these days in his quieter sort of way as Brian Sellers or Douglas Jardine ever were—and this is a tough, practical view of a situation which has given all of us in Yorkshire a deal of concern.

Matters of principle

I don't think May will get his way easily, however. It is difficult to recall any occasion when the bigwigs at Lord's have been so concerned about any issue of this kind. Many of them see in it two vitally important matters of principle.

Firstly, they feel that if they formally approve Wardle's selection for Australia, they will be condoning his outbursts against his club and

by Norman Yardley

captain in his recent articles—and giving Yorkshire a slap in the eye at the same time.

Secondly, they feel that the Wardle issue is merely the culminating one of far too many outbursts by players in the Press this year, and that a stand must be made some time. In other words, Wardle's extremely violent case might be made the example.

If Peter May wins the fight it will be a tremendous proof of personal strength. For I know that a powerful section of this committee feel that MCC simply has to put its foot down somewhere. They would rather pay out on Wardle's tour contract than see him go, after all the mud that has been thrown.

Lack of control

Without wishing to see Wardle victimised, I must be perfectly candid and say that I am one who feels that the time has come when the MCC has to take over the controls. Far too often these days the players seem to be wagging the game—like the tail wagging the dog.

I am not against any man earning an honest copper and making some capital out of his fame but, like everything else in life, it must have balance, it must have limitations, it must be controlled. At the moment it seems to be none of these things.

The most sacred secrets of the dressing-room are being poured out. In cold print every man seems determined to make it clear to all concerned that he is as good as his master or better. Instead of a game we are gradually getting far too near a peep show.

As I have always said I hate waving the big stick, but I honestly believe that the game is bigger than the individual and that there must be a supreme authority capable of insisting, when necessary, that it should remain so.

That is why I hope MCC—whether Wardle goes to Australia or not—does not miss this opportunity to speak its mind and leave no player in doubt about the penalty of future indiscretions.

Hampshire slipping

In the County Championship it looks as if Hampshire's grand run might be limping a bit on the last lap of the race, and that Surrey might still have the power to hold on to their pennant.

One of the key clashes could be the Surrey-Northants game which comes up during the last Test match at the Oval. In turn, that could depend on who plays where. If Lock, Laker and Peter May are in the Test match, and Northants' Subia Row is with his county, the odds must be with Northants taking the points.

All of which makes this weekend's Test selection the most important of the season. It could decide the Championship as well as the Test match! I'm still hoping Hampshire scramble through!

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Souchak leads in St. Paul open

Mike Souchak, of Grossingers, New York, who has not won a tournament since this event two years ago, led with a 14-under par 130 as he entered the third round of the St. Paul open golf tournament at Minnesota, today.

Souchak had five birdies with putts from two to 35 feet for a second round 64—eight under par—to lead by one stroke from fellow Americans Sam Snead and Ernie Vossler.

Five players were on 132—Lionel Hebert and Tommy Jacobs, overnight leaders, and Ken Venturi, Cary Middlecoff and Doug Ford.

HE BESTRODE THE WHOLE WORLD OF SPORT The Coster's Earl was last of those great Corinthians

By Tom Cosgrove

NO aristocrat in my time so endeared himself to the people as the fifth Earl of Lonsdale. He was the last of the Corinthians, a link with a past that is rapidly vanishing, if not entirely gone.

For many years he bestrode the world of sport; he was the embodiment of the English sporting spirit. Though he was of the privileged, landed class, sprung from stock that had played a prominent part in public life since the reign of Henry III, he had the common touch.

The public loved this sportsman with the grand manner who had lived a life of high adventure, and whose long cigars were as famous and popular as those of Sir Winston Churchill today.

To all except the older ones among us he is now just a name, a name perpetuated by the Lonsdale Belts. I wonder if he realised, when he founded them in 1909, that they would do more than anything else to keep fresh his memory? Perhaps, because boxing is a sport of the struggling man, he would have preferred it that way.

Lord Lonsdale and his friends patronised the National Sporting Club in the early days of the century, and it was their mission to lift boxing out of the gutter, to give it new standards and some dignity.

Magnificent girdles

One of his ideas to this end was the institution of the Belts. Magnificent girdles of gold and enamel they were, and the cost of the first came out of the Earl's pocket.

It had a large central enamel plaque showing two boxers in the ring. Above were the Royal Arms, flanked by smaller gold plaques with scenes of boxers exercising.

The National Sporting Club, encouraged by his example, went on to provide others for every weight division.

The Belts gave a new status to boxing. Conditions were that the winner held this gleaming trophy only temporarily. He had to win it three times—not necessarily in suc-

cession—for it to become his permanent property.

Or a Belt winner, having once defended the title successfully, could make it his own if no official challenger was forthcoming within three years.

With the Belts, Lord Lonsdale left a legacy of ambition and courage, of blood and tears. Men, lured by this girdle of gold, have risen to heights in the ring that they and others had thought beyond them.

'Just one more'

Others, falling under its irresistible spell, have, in "just one more try," taken heavy punishment of body and spirit.

Only one of these original gold Belts is now up for competition. This is the heavyweight Belt held by Brian London, and at present values it is worth roughly £1,000.

Belts for other weights are just as coveted, though now, because of the price of gold, purchase tax and world conditions, they are not so splendid. They are made from silver gilt, and cost about £400 each.

With the ownership of a belt went a pension of £1 a week. When the National Sporting Club ceased functioning for a time, so did the pension. Then the British Boxing Board of Control, which was set up in 1929, instituted their own £1 a week pension to which Belt holders are entitled when they reach 50.

Lord Lonsdale was a fine boxer himself, and a man of great strength. Once he came upon a noted pugilist who was driving a wagon and would not allow a young lady in a trap sufficient room to pass. Lonsdale jumped down from his own carriage, hauled the man from his perch, and gave him a severe thrashing. Said the bruised boxer "Th'erl baint a man, 'e be a demon sledge 'ammer."

In America, Lonsdale fought the

great John L. Sullivan "He gave me a good time," said his Lordship. "He broke a bone in my chest and I broke also a knuckle in my right hand."

Lonsdale's love of adventures led him at the age of 17 to run away and join a travelling circus.

It was while on a journey through Canada and America, travelling by dog-sleigh and snow shoes, that he discovered the Klondyke. A deputation of Indians asked him to visit Forty Creek. He was so impressed with its possibilities for gold that he reported to Lord Lansdowne. Very shortly the rush to the Klondyke began.

When he was 21 the Duke of Beaufort backed him to walk 100 miles in 24 hours. He did it with six hours to spare.

No notable sport missed his attention. He was a Steward at Epsom and Doncaster, he won the St. Leger with Royal Lancer, and had one of the fastest fillies of all time, Myrobella, whom he leased from the National Stud.

He was a familiar figure too on the big cricket occasions. For a brief spell he was chairman of Arsenal Football Club.

Waterloo Cup

He won coursing's classic, the Waterloo Cup, with Latto. He was a fine shot, a yachtsman, and was a founder of the International Horse Show at Olympia.

Racing was one of his great loves, and it was as a racing man that he was most widely known.

You could not fail to recognise his well-built figure, his cheerful, red race with side whiskers, his old-fashioned frock coat, black top hat, large gardenia, and the inevitable nine-inch cigar.

When he drove from his house at Ascot to the Royal Enclosure crowds would gather to see his yellow wagonette, with its exactly matched chestnuts, and grooms and postillions in yellow livery. His

chestnut hacks were the admiration of Rotten Row.

All this might seem ostentatious, but, in fact, Lord Lonsdale was a model of old-world courtesy, and ostentation was never in his manner. He owned five houses and 175,000 acres, and lived in great state at Lowther Castle in Cumberland, whose grounds were more than twice the size of those at Windsor Castle.

Visitors were met at the station by a yellow barouche complete with postillions.

Extravagant

He rarely betted, but his extravagant way of living and his many charities—at one time he was giving away £30,000 a year—meant economy in his later days.

He made, he admitted, a miscalculation. He thought he would live to 80. But he lasted to 87. He died in a house that was once his stud groom's.

So passed, in 1944, a legend among sportsmen. A man who had danced with queens in palaces and jiggered with pearly queens at the Costermongers' Ball, and was equally happy with either.

One of the stories I like about him concerns a certain William Albert Jolly. In the eighties one of Lord Lonsdale's hounds was run over and killed by Jolly's lorry.

Lonsdale gave Jolly a severe box across the ears. He regretted this hasty act, and thereafter, for over 50 years, Jolly received a £5 Christmas gift.

Life was kind to the fifth Earl of Lonsdale, for, in addition to his riches and long life, he was happily married for over 60 years to one he described as "the perfect wife."

In return he gave a lot to his fellow men, especially a goodness of heart, a gay camaraderie, and a simplicity of nature.

"You meet the greatest gentlemen where you would least expect to find them," he would say.

It was not for nothing that this Admirable Crichton of sport had such happy titles as the Jolly Earl, the Coster's Earl, the Yellow Earl and the Boxer's Earl.

The women will like this new Bill Travers

BILL TRAVERS who made such a hit with the women in "Geordie" at home and abroad (and did little as impressive for two years afterwards) gets his chance to repeat the success in a new Scottish comedy called "The Bridal Path" to be made by Lauder and Gilliat, who made "Geordie."

Bill, with his rugged good looks and fine physique, was snapped up by Hollywood for films like

Filmgoing with T E P

"Bhowani Junction," "The Barratts of Wimpole Street," "The Seventh Sin." In none of them did he particularly distinguish himself.

Since then he has married Virginia McKenna. Together they have just completed making the film, "The Passionate Summer," at Pinewood. Now Bill has a role tailor-made for him.

Set in and around the beautiful highland countryside of Argyll "The Bridal Path" is an enchanting tale of a crofter from a remote island who is sent to the mainland by the elders of the island to search for a wife. From the moment he sets foot on the mainland troubles overtake him.

He is mistakenly arrested by the police, who believe him to be the leader of the salmon-poaching gang. He meets many young women, but they are either Campbells, Catholics or already married and, therefore, unsuitable and he returns to the island weary and dispirited, hungry and defeated and worst of all, wearing a Campbell kilt!

Although his search on the mainland proves unsuccessful, he does find a wife—on his own doorstep!

There are over 40 speaking parts in "The Bridal Path," and casting so far includes George Cole (who was such an outstanding success in Lauder and Gilliat's last production "Blue Murder at St. Trinians") and the popular Scottish actor, Gordon Jackson.

It is being shot in Eastmancolor, which will capture the full beauty of the Scottish countryside when the cast and unit travel to Oban after five weeks of studio shooting.



THE film "Ten North Frederick" presents Gary Cooper as an ageing lover which makes a change from his "Yep" and "Nope" inarticulate cowboy roles with which he is mainly associated.

In New York to visit his daughter, Joe Chapin (Gary Cooper) meets her room-mate, Kate Drummond (played by a lovely newcomer, Suzy Parker), and the two fall deeply in love.

They plan to marry, but the fact that he is old enough to be her father is brought home to him, and he gives her up and returns to the bleakness of life at Ten North Frederick.

PATRICIA OWENS IS LOST FOR BRITAIN

PATRICIA OWENS, who has come in for so much praise from the critics for her acting in "The Fly," the 20th Century-Fox CinemaScope horror film, will shortly become a citizen of the United States.

Canadian born and British by education and training, after making a distinct impression as a TV and stage actress in Britain, she starred in "The Inner Eye," the first commercial TV play telecast in Britain.

As a blind girl, with the deep brown eyes clouded with contact lenses, she made such an impression that her fame reached a representative of 20th Century-Fox in Britain, who tested her there and then; the result being a long term contract.

Patricia made her debut under her 20th Century-Fox contract in Darryl F. Zanuck's exciting film of Alec Waugh's novel of the British West Indies, "Island in the Sun."

STAR PRODUCER TEAMED AGAIN

JAMES STEWART, who has made six of his most successful films for William Goetz, will join the independent producer for the seventh time as star of "The Mountain Road" for Columbia Pictures.

Stewart and Goetz were last associated on "The Man From Laramie." Stewart recently completed "Bell, Book and Candle," for Columbia, which teams him with Kim Novak, Jack Lemmon and Ernie Kovacs.

In "The Mountain Road" Stewart will be seen as Major Phillip Baldwin, who finds himself leading a demolition team—his first film command—in a 1944 withdrawal across China as the Japanese steam-roller tries to split the allied armies.

HE'S WIDMARK'S BROTHER AGAIN

It is getting to be a regular brother act with Richard Widmark and Larl Holliman.

When Holliman reported to the producers Norman Panama and Melvin Frank for pre-production rehearsals on "The Trap," in which he is starred with Widmark, Lee J. Cobb and Tina Louise, it marked the third picture in which he has been cast as Widmark's brother.

Previous films were "The Broken Lance," in 1954, and "Destination Gobi," in 1952.

"The Trap," has started filming on Southern California desert locations. It is being made for Widmark's own company.

Briefs from the studios . .

GLADYS COOPER, the distinguished stage and screen actress, has been signed by Warner Bros. for the role of the Mother Superior in "The Miracle," film version of the Max Reinhardt play, which stars Carroll Baker.

Gladys Cooper recently completed a starring role in the film version of Terence Rattigan's "Separate Tables." Her appearance in "The Miracle" marks a reunion: Irving Rapper directed Gladys Cooper in her first film at Warners, "Now Voyager," for which she won an Academy Award nomination.

"STORMY CROSSING"—a thriller with a Channel-swim murder—stars John Ireland, with Derek Bond and Leslie Dwyer.

Sam Rockett, the man behind every real-life Channel swim, was in charge of technical details, thereby ensuring authenticity.

Maureen Connell, Joy Webster and Sheldon Lawrence appear in prominent featured roles.

BOB STEELE, a veteran star of over 188 western and outdoor dramas since his Hollywood debut in 1928, recently exchanged his cowboy outfit for an army uniform when he joined the cast of "Pork Chop Hill." Gregory Peck is the star. Lewis Milestone directed the taken-from-life story of the bloody battle of Pork Chop Hill during the Korean War.

SIR COMPTON MACKENZIE, one of his rare sorties out of his Edinburgh fastness, visited Pinewood Studios the other day.

The 75-year-old author went to see a preliminary screening of "Rockets Galore," the film based on his novel.

The famous white goatee beard was moving animatedly as he walked out of the viewing theatre. "Excellent, excellent," he replied when asked what he thought of "Rockets Galore." "I am very happy about it."

THREE EALING films, "Dunkirk," "Barnacle Bill" and "Proud Valley," have been sent to Russia. If sold they will be first Ealing pictures shown there since George Formby's "Let George Do It," before the war.

Watch for these new stars

BUDDY ADLER, the production chief of Twentieth Century-Fox, has selected 15 of his newest stars to head the studio's new "Showcase Star" programme.

Designed to advance them to fully-fledged stardom, the plan designates the players for top featured or starring roles in future Fox productions.

Adler pointed out that the "Showcase" is a natural result of the new talent programme launched in 1956. Since that date the studio has spent nearly three million dollars finding and developing new talent.

"Now the programme is beginning to pay dividends," said Adler.

THEATRE NEWS

by C. W. INGHAM

Miss Christie finds herself on trial

AGATHA CHRISTIE'S pulse skipped a couple of beats while the curtain was rising on her new play, "The Unexpected Guest," at the Duchess Theatre on Tuesday. She's on trial herself this time.

The public's verdict on "Verdict," her last play, was an emphatic thumbs down. The alibi was that Miss Christie made the mistake of departing from the thriller-mystery mixture that made her name.

Now she's rushing back with a fist-full of the old ingredients. There's a fog-bound motorist, a murder, police, false clues and a man sitting dead on the stage for 28 minutes.

It sounds just like where we came in with Miss Christie. They certainly thought so in Bristol where the play's reception made even impresario Mr. Peter Saunders smile.

The company of "The Unexpected Guest," which includes Renee Asherton sampling Christie-crime for the first time, has noticeable youth-age contrasts.

Apart from people making their London start, there's Violet Farebrother, 70 exactly a week after the first night, and Winifred Oulton, 68, who has not been on a West End stage since 1949.

Miss Oulton, now recovered from the illness which caused her absence, is a teacher at RADA. One of her pupils was Nigel Stock who, as the guest they did not invite, has the leading part.

It must please Miss Oulton to see a lad who used to sit at her feet grow up and rise well over her head.

AND so to another new play which is this week having its tryout in Manchester—"The Deserters," by American-born Thaddeus Vane. It starts with a handicap because Elizabeth Sellars has to star with a scar on her face.

She's playing a nun—what a change from her usual roles as a neglected wife or a woman with a problem. She is one of four nuns in a convent round which war rages.

In the convent comes a GI deserter, played by an American, Michael Wager. He is sure of only one thing: he cannot kill and does not intend to try.

Of course, he sees Elizabeth Sellars, scar and all. Come to think of it, maybe Miss Sellars is playing another woman with a problem after all.

Staging "The Deserters" are Mr. Oscar Lewenstein and Mr. Wolf Man-kowitz. The public has sampled their "Expresso Bongo" (Saville) and "The Party" (New) and liked them.

SHAW'S "Major Barbara," at the Royal Court on August 28, has Joan Plowright as the Salvation Army lassie. Alan Webb is Undershaft.

After "Major Barbara," the English Stage Company are presenting a new play with the repelling title of "Live Like Pigs."

The author, John Arden, sets his 17 scenes in a post-war council house estate in an industrial town.

Trying to live up to the title will be a company of 14.

THE Crazy Gang's new show at Victoria Palace, opening just before Christmas, will be "Clown Jewels." During the first month of the run the original Gang will celebrate their 27th anniversary together.

Presented by Jack Hylton, "Clown Jewels" is the sixth Crazy Gang show at the Victoria Palace. The combined ages of the Gang are 384, and as a team they have reached 11,498 performances. They have appeared at 15 Royal Variety shows.

'Diary' play pays for Israeli scholarships

THE dramatised version of the "Diary of Anne Frank" had 1,420 performances on 44 stages in West Germany during the past theatre season, reports the magazine, Cultural News from Germany.

The play, which tells the story of a Jewish girl killed by the Nazis, was performed more often than any other during the season.

The printed edition of the "Diary" has also been widely bought and read in recent years. So far, more than 300,000 copies of the German translation have been sold.

From the profits of the stage performances and the royalties from book sales, a fellowship has been set up which will offer scientists, artists and students from Israel the opportunity of continuing their studies in Europe.

Tommy Steele as Buttons

TOMMY STEELE is to play Buttons in "Cinderella" at the London Coliseum this Christmas. This will be his second West End theatre engagement, the first being in variety at the Dominion.

The pantomime will be a specially expanded stage version of the television show given in America last year, with Julie Andrews as Cinderella.

The score is by Rodgers and Hammerstein. There was no Buttons in the American version, so there has been some drastic alteration of the script to include the new material for the character so essential to the traditional pantomime.

Freddie Carpenter, who directed "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" at the Royal Court, Liverpool, last year, in which Tommy Steele made his pantomime debut, will be responsible for the production at the Coliseum.

BRIAN REECE returns to the West End on Monday when he takes over Ian Carmichael's part in "The Tunnel of Love" at Her Majesty's.

Mr. Carmichael leaves the company tonight to appear in the film "Right, Left and Centre."

Mr. Reece last appeared in London in "Man Alive" at the Aldwych.

SYLVIA SYMS finished her part in the Rank film "The Freshman" over the weekend—and on Monday immediately started rehearsals for "The Strangers," her first West End play in two years.

Tank chases gunman

A gunman who barricaded himself in a farmhouse near Middleton, Idaho, was shot in the leg as he ran into the open yesterday with a national guard tank in pursuit.

Police said the man had been firing a rifle at a combine crew harvesting grain in a near-by field. Nearly a score of policemen were sent to the scene and a detective received a bullet wound in the leg.



ONE of the most coveted romantic roles of the year went to Jackie Lane, a promising young British actress who plays Pepita, a Gibraltarian fisher-girl, in Anna Neagle's production "Wonderful Things." Jackie will be envied. She has Frankie Vaughan and Jeremy Spencer (now all grown-up and handsome) competing for her favours in this gray little film, in which they play fishermen brothers.



SIGNINGS DEPEND ON OPINIONS OF THE NEW COACH

THE enthusiasm with which Rochdale Hornets players turned up for the new season bubbled over during the defeat of Oldham in the Law Cup match last Saturday. However, this annual game is regarded in the Watersheddings area, there is a section of Hornets fans who prejudge the season on this early result. They are apt to be unbearable when Oldham assert their right to the trophy, and they usually find nothing right. This time they can change their tune, and, in looking forward to brighter days, they have many other factors to boost their hopes.

With all players fit and showing normal form there is no great urgency to rush for new players. The policy of the board, outlined to me this week by the chairman, Mr. Arthur Walker, is to allow a period for the new team manager-coach, Bryn Goldswain, to weigh up for himself where the team is strong and where it is weak.

In the light of his findings the directors will approach the matter of spending cash on signings. They must be grateful that there is no haste, because the fees of players on offer are outrageous. Evidently most club officials, in granting a player's

In the HORNETS' NEST by Touchjudge

request for transfer, presume that supporters' clubs' pools have heralded a golden era.

They have made a difference in the financial position of several clubs, and it seems that they are to have an effect on the size of transfer fees. I have been staggered by the valuation of several players listed in the past month or so, and it is comforting to discover a more realistic outlook in some quarters.

At Oldham, for instance, a half-back of Moat's class can be had for £1,000 or possibly under. Some clubs are asking nearly three times as much for players of lesser repute.

Supporters turned up last Saturday to find the Athletic Grounds looking better than for many years. Much remains to be done, but from the fresh green grass of the pitch to the newly-painted main stand with its 500 tip-up seats, there was a sign that things are being brightened up.

Loan turned down

The surprise of the week was the directors' decision to turn down the Rugby League offer of a loan of £5,000 to continue the popular-side improvements. Beyond saying that they considered that the terms of the loan are not a business proposition, the directors remained silent.

What is known is that the £5,000 was to have been used to complete in one job the covering of the railway side of the ground. The first part of this scheme, financed jointly by the board and the Supporters' Club, should be done in the next few weeks—the covering of the terraced portion from the goal-line at the entrance end to the railway stand.

The refusal of the loan means that a similar portion at the Mill-row end will have to wait. Unofficially, I am told that the terms of the Rugby League meant that the Hornets could borrow £5,000 only if they spent another £5,000.

It was not put that way, but my information is that if the Hornets spent £1,000 on improvements the League would sanction a loan of a similar amount, and so on until the club had gone to the limit of the £5,000.

£1,600 outstanding

It would be very nice to see cover from goal-line to goal-line on the popular side, but it is not worth committing the club so heavily for this to be accomplished. It is not many weeks ago that the board were able to announce to shareholders that all outstanding debts had been paid—to the extent of nearly £5,000.

Although in the balance sheet it is covered by assets, there remains to be paid about £1,600 of the loan of £2,000 secured from the League a few years ago for the erection of the wall around the ground.

If the £5,000 loan had gone through, it would have meant that the club was indebted to the Rugby League to the extent of £6,600. I would rather wait to see how far the cover now going up copes with the crowd on bad days before starting another section.

This further work will be done, I am certain, and possibly without outside aid if I am any judge of the aspirations of the board and Supporters' Club officials.

If in a couple of months' time Bryn Goldswain knows how he can improve the team, the club will not be held back by having a millstone of nearly £7,000 around its neck for commitments on the ground.

When the managers give their report... RL chairman wants tour discussion

THE Rugby League tour balloon goes up on Thursday, September 11, in Manchester. Then the Council meet to consider the tour managers' reports—and everything points to a full-scale row. The new chairman, Mr. Frank Ridgway, does not want the row to be private, and will ask members to discuss the controversial reports with the Press present.

"A lot has been said in the Press at home and down under," Mr. Ridgway told me, "and some of the reports have been confusing as well as a little way from the real truth."

"It is right and proper that the official reports of the tour should be available to the public, so that they may have the opportunity of getting the true story."

But Mr. Ridgway may meet a lot of opposition. Despite the managers and their disputes, the tour has been a resounding success both in prestige and financially. Some members of the Council may be happy to leave it at that.

Alleged troubles

Public or private, the business manager, Mr. Bennett Manson (Swinton), looks destined to take the proverbial rough ride when the Council get together. He is likely to be asked a lot of questions.

Mr. Tom Mitchell and Mr. Jim Brough worked together without unfavourable publicity at their Workington club, but as team manager and coach, they have seemed on the surface anything but friendly in Australia.

Mr. Mitchell and his unpopular ultimatum... Mr. Brough and the accusations that he played golf at the wrong time. Their explanations will interest the Council.

The remarkable feature is that the Management Committee of the Rugby League seemed to have doubts before the party left these shores. But they did nothing.

They hastily called a meeting when they became officially aware, early in May, that all was not well. Members went in with a "let's-get-this-straight attitude, but advance publicity in the national Press discouraged any strong action."

Emerged victorious

The miracle is that out of the so-called troubles and bitter intrigues, the 26 players themselves have emerged victorious. Despite alleged mixed-up administration they have triumphed.

It is this fact that may cause the lesser exuberant Council members to say: "Let's keep it quiet; a row would serve no purpose."

But my opinion is that row—and public—would serve a great purpose. Teams will be going to Australia and New Zealand again—and with them there will be managers and coaches.

The full realisation of the huge responsibility resting with tour officials may make some intending applicants think twice before they go seeking "the plum" of Rugby League.

by W. D.

ITALY'S INTEREST IN RL GAME

Speculation is high on the prospects of the Italian Rugby Union swinging over to the Rugby League code.

The chairman of the union is more than mildly interested and early next week he is expected to have discussions with the Rugby League secretary, Mr. W. Fallowfield.

CLL run aggregate

HANIF FALTERS IN THE RACE

HANIF MOHAMMAD, Crompton's professional, who was narrowly beaten to the 500-run mark by Garfield Sobers in May, has since fallen well behind the West Indian's run aggregate.

The Pakistani has scored 749, which means that the 1,000 runs that seemed to be his for the taking will probably not be reached after all. The chief reason is that Hanif has not had an innings because of the weather since July 19, but in addition he has not enjoyed the same form recently as he did earlier in the season.

Sobers, on the other hand, raced to his 1,000 runs with consecutive innings of 102 not out, 94 not out and 97 in July, and has now scored 1,060.

OLDHAM CONTINUATION RUGBY LEAGUE

New club at Shawside

TEAMS in the Oldham Continuation Rugby League are getting geared up for the coming season and there should be the usual keen competition for the various trophies.

New ground has been broken at Shawside where a team has been formed. Up to the present it will play at Broadbent on the old Shawside soccer ground, they are hoping to have the use of the Comrades Club, Manchester Road, for a dressing room.

Most of the clubs are in need of players and any boys between the ages of 15 to 17 who wish to play Rugby League football, should get in touch with any of the following club supervisors:

Greenacres: Mr. P. Dagnan, 4

Ayres (left) and Jones (right) move in to tackle LES JONES (Hornets). A scene from the Athletic Grounds last Saturday, when Hornets took the Law Cup off Oldham.

OLDHAM AND ASHTON LEAGUE Queen St. crash—all out for 8 (Mellor 7-4)

ALTHOUGH rain interfered with the matches last Saturday there was some exciting cricket and one or two shocks (Queen Street all out for eight) but Glodwick won at Hope and are now one point behind Shaw St. Paul's and have a match in hand.

Hope Congl. 90, Glodwick Meth. 92 for 5.

Hope batted first and G. Miller (18) and A. Clarke (17) were best, R. Lees taking three for 14. For Glodwick, G. Pearce hit 32 and D. Chapman 22.

Fallsworth Mace. 67, Springhead Congl. 68 for 6.

Fallsworth best were B. Heald and A. Batham (16 each) and H. Breakell (14). J. Shaw took six for 26. For Springhead, F. Fenton hit 26 and J. Carter 13.

Queen Street 8, St. Matthew's 38

St. Matthew's raised a poor total, but it was far too good for Queen Street who could do nothing against W. Mellor seven for 4 and J. Tomlinson three for 4. H. Clarke took five for 15, R. Pilkington three for 9 for Queen Street.

Greenacres Congl. 47, Smith St. 46

In this exciting match B. Taylor hit 16 for Greenacres, A. Fawcett taking four for 18 and F. Stuttard three for 17. Smith Street just failed, F. Stuttard scoring 22 and T. Broadbent 11. A. Taylor took five for 19.

St. Mark's v. Ferranti, no result to hand.

Second Division

Smith Street 67,

Greenacres Congl. 69—1 Smith Street batted first, D. Sinkinson scoring 25 and L. Jones 11. S. Minshull took five for 22 and W. Hough five for 20. For Greenacres, K. Shuttleworth hit 39 n.o., S. Minshull 23 n.o.

Springhead Congl. 96, Fallsworth Mace. 99—5 Springhead batted first and S.

Shoel (21), A. Cooper (18) and H. Manning (14) were best. F. Vernon took six for 37. For Fallsworth, R. Brown (33) and N. Watts (23) did well.

St. Matthew's 104, Queen Street 28 St. Matthew's best were A. Worrall (34), N. Wales (25), M. Gelder (15), R. Richmond taking six for 27. For Queen Street, E. Addyman hit 13, N. Wales taking seven for 7.

Glodwick Meth. v. Hope Congl.—No play, ground unfit.

Ferranti 28, St. Mark's 43 St. Mark's batted first and M. Hutchinson (15) was top scorer. W. Thornton had six for 8, Ferranti's top scorer was D. Marshall with nine. R. Mellor took six for 9.

LEAGUE TABLES									
FIRST DIVISION									
	P	W	L	D	Pts		P	W	L
Shaw St. Paul's...	19	12	4	3	39	St. Matthew's...	18	13	3
*Glodwick Meth...	18	11	3	4	38	Fallsworth Mace...	16	12	4
Hope Congl.	16	9	5	4	31	Greenacres Congl...	16	10	5
*Ferranti	17	8	5	4	28	Glodwick Meth...	15	10	5
Greenacres Congl...	18	8	7	3	27	St. Mark's	18	9	7
Springhead Congl...	18	8	7	3	27	Ferranti	18	8	7
St. Matthew's ...	18	8	7	3	27	Hope Congl.	18	7	7
Fallsworth Mace...	16	7	8	3	24	Shore Edge	18	7	9
*St. Mark's	17	6	7	4	23	Springhead Congl...	18	7	8
Smith Street	13	4	10	4	16	Smith Street	18	6	10
Shore Edge	19	4	12	3	15	Shaw St. Paul's...	19	4	12
Queen Street	18	3	13	2	11	Queen Street	18	0	15

Ann Haydon and Christine Truman for tennis final?

Ann Haydon and Christine Truman, Britain's Wightman Cup players, could produce an all-British final in the Essex County Club lawn tennis tournament at Manchester, Massachusetts, today.

In today's semi-finals, Miss Haydon meets top-seeded Mrs. Dorothy Knode, while Miss Truman plays unseeded Mary Ann Mitchell, 19-year-old California player.

Miss Haydon, seeded second behind Miss Truman among overseas players, reached the semi-finals with a 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 win over 18-year-old Gwyneth Thomas (Ohio).

Miss Haydon showed better control in a dour base-line tussle. She was 2-1 down when rain held up play for half-an-hour in the second set, but regained her form later.

The British pair are also in the doubles semi-finals, in which they will meet Mrs. Knode and Sally Moore.

The Inskip League of Friendship, Oldham, is holding a concert today at the Cripples' Social Centre, Greaves Street.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AT BLACKPOOL NEXT WEEK

1,328 swimmers and divers compete for 34 titles

DESPITE the newly-imposed qualifying standards, a near-record entry of 1,328 swimmers and divers from all parts of Britain will fight it out for the 34 ASA titles in the National Championships at Blackpool next week.

Amazing little Diana Wilkinson has entered all five free-style events from 110 yards to a quarter mile, and could not doubt carry all before her. But Di has wisely decided that swimming 10 races in six days is a little too much and intends to cut down on this ambitious programme.

She says she will probably just defend her own three titles—the junior 110 and 220 yards and the senior 110 yards—leaving the senior 220 and 440 yards alone.

If she adopts this plan of action, there seems little likelihood of Diana losing either of her junior titles, although the senior sprint race may develop into a close battle between her and Judy Grinham, who claimed her British and English sprint records during the Empire Games at Cardiff.

Elspeth's progress

If Diana leaves the other two events alone, Judy, who won the senior 220 yards last year after racing this distance only once before, beating Elspeth Ferguson (York) by the narrow margin of 1.9sec. in 2min. 30sec., may have to surrender her championship to Elspeth on this occasion.

Elspeth has shown considerable improvement in the last 12 months and held the British and English records for this distance with 2min. 28sec. (set short course) until Diana regained them in May.

by PETER OKELL

Over 440 yards Elspeth Ferguson herself will face a powerful threat from diminutive Nan Rae (Motherwell), who took the British quarter-mile record away from Diana Wilkinson at Cardiff with 5min. 12.2sec. in her heat, but failed to reproduce this form in the final, when she occupied fifth place although she was a mere 1.1sec. behind the York girl.

McKechnie v Black

Neil McKechnie defends both his 110 and 220yd. titles. Neil should retain his sprint crown, for although his times this year are outside his best, he is still the fastest sprinter in Britain. Early in the season it looked as if Stan Clarke (Plaistow) would be a threat to Neil, but Stan has failed to live up to expectations.

Over the 220yd. course, Neil, with his limited training, is in danger of losing his title to Ian Black, who in assisting Scotland to take second position in the Empire Games 4 x 220yd. freestyle team race, returned 2min. 4.9sec. for his individual leg.

This figure was a 3-1sec. improvement on Jack Wardrop's four-year-old British record and also three-tenths under the standard time laid down for the vacant European



DIANA WILKINSON (above) is not likely to attempt five titles. **NEIL MCKECHNIE** (left), not as impressive this year, but still our fastest free-style sprinter.



Margaret McDowall. A few weeks later she carried off the Cheshire women's championship in what was virtually a solo swim, with 67.7sec., and again went it alone last Saturday to win the backstroke race in the Cheshire-Lancashire-Yorkshire fixture at Blackburn in 67.5sec. (several individual time-keepers got her at 67.3sec.).

Over this same distance in the Southern Counties Championships in London last month, Judy Grinham clocked 64.8 sec., Margaret Edwards 65 sec. and Julie Hoyle along with Sylvia Lewis followed up third and fourth. My efforts to find out the times of these two girls have failed, so if Val Brown can produce this form over 110 yards (long-course) she could with tough opposition claim third position.

With Graham Sykes presumably fully recovered from the illness which kept him in bed for several days during the Empire Games, and left him only a shadow of himself, he should be home first in the men's backstroke race for the third year in succession, closely followed by Haydn Rigby (Southport), who has held the runner-up position now for three seasons.

Six new records

Yorkshire, with an easy win in the last event (women's 4 x 100yd. medley team race), retained the triangular contest against Lancashire and Cheshire at Blackburn last Saturday, collecting 45 points against Lancashire's 39 and Cheshire's 24.

The match produced six new national records. Anita Lonsborough swam a superb 200yd. breaststroke race in 2min. 36.8sec., which removed 1.7sec. off Christine Gosden's English record and sliced six-tenths from Margaret Grundy's British best figure.

Always eager to learn, Anita went up to her new coach, Ray Scholey, immediately after the race and asked, "Was it all right?" How can anyone with this approach fail to succeed.

Ray Scholey's other breastroker, Dorothy Wilson (Blackburn), found her long-lost form to gain a convincing victory over Northern champion Avis Garrett (Stockport) in 2min. 41.8sec.—the best time she has ever done, and just faster than the time she put up last year in establishing British and English junior records. Avis's 2min. 43.9sec. was below her best.

Diana Wilkinson's 15-year-old brother Chris, fought back after being behind in the early stages of the men's 200yd. breaststroke event over this same distance, and in a staggering finish touched home four-tenths behind Northern champion and international Tommy Walker (Accrington), whose 2min. 30.1sec. is his fastest this season.

Chris (2min. 30.5sec.) reduced his own eight-day-old British and English junior records by eight-tenths and finished three-tenths ahead of Dick Hemmingway (Leeds), who was fourth in the Empire Games.

Records No. five and six came from brilliant Jean Oldroyd (Dewsbury), who defeated British international and record-holder, Anne Morton, by 3.2sec. to lower the British and English junior 100yd. butterfly marks in 67.9sec.

200-metre record. But as this was from a flying start, they could not be submitted for ratification as new records. Both these could go at Blackpool.

Black is also a firm favourite to carry off the men's 440yd. title held by fellow-Scot Bob Sreenan, and also the 220yd. butterfly which Dick Campton (Stoke Newington) won last year while Black was concentrating on junior events and while Graham Symonds was recovering from Asian flu.

World record may go

A world record is a strong possibility in the women's 220yds. breaststroke, where Empire champion Anita Lonsborough looks like depriving Christine Gosden of her title. With Anita in terrific form—she smashed two more records last Saturday—and Christine still smarting from that humiliating defeat she suffered at Cardiff, Anita might be forced into breaking Ada Den Haan's world record to gain victory.

Neither is Christine Gosden certain to retain her 110yds. butterfly title. Only four-tenths separated her from Jean Oldroyd (Dewsbury) in the Empire Games, and Jean has since hit top form, lowering last weekend both the British and English junior 100yds. figures with 67.9sec.

Brian Day (Sheffield) may also forfeit his title in the men's breaststroke. Day will have to do much better than his slow and disappointing 2min. 53.2sec. in the Empire Games, if he hopes to beat Chris Walkden, who was national champion in 1955-6.

Last year Walkden was runner-up to Day, but National Service restricted his training, now he is back in full training, and unless Day shows considerable improvement Walkden (Beckenham) will regain the championship.

Val Brown's chances

Olympic gold medallist, Empire champion, and world record-holder, Judy Grinham again fights it out with unlucky Margaret Edwards for the women's 100yd. backstroke title.

The battle for third place should also be as interesting: Val Brown (Macclesfield) could on her present form occupy this position. The times separating Val from the two known challengers for this place—Olympic finalist and title-holder Julie Hoyle (Watford), and Sylvia Lewis (Hounslow)—is negligible over 100 yards (short course).

In June, Val Brown registered 69.3sec. to defeat Scottish champion

Women's bowls

Favourites fell on way to semi-finals

AFTER the third-round games had been played in the Oldham and District Women's Bowling Handicap at Alexandra Park, last night, the favourites were still there. But after the quarter-finals most of the giants had fallen, including the holder, Mrs. A. Cavanagh (Broadhurst, owes 2).

After a game of high-standard bowling which delighted the crowd and drew rounds of applause, Mrs. Cavanagh lost to Mrs. A. Davies (Milnrow, 2) by 17-14, almost the difference in the handicap. Mrs. Ida Brown (Royton, owes 1), too, went out to Mrs. E. Bramfitt (Broadhurst, owes 2) by 17-6.

Mrs. F. Bamford (Buersil Park, scr.), the dark horse, won her way to the semi-finals with a win of 15-12 over Mrs. M. Watts (Coalshaw, scr.). And Mrs. M. Salisbury (Coalshaw, scr.) maintained her form by beating Mrs. G. Hardy (Hollinwood, scr.) 15-7.

So for tonight the semi-finalists are:—

Mrs. M. Salisbury (Coalshaw, scr.) v. Mrs. E. Bramfitt (Broadhurst, owes 2); Mrs. F. Bamford (Buersil, scr.) v. Mrs. A. Davies (Milnrow, 2).

Owing to the adverse weather during the week the collections in aid of the British Legion's Oldham branch have not reached expectations and it is hoped that this evening's crowd will respond to make up the leeway.

The final will be marked by Mr. Harry Taylor, and immediately afterwards the trophies and prizes will be presented from the veranda of the Blind People's Hut.

Last night's third round results: Mrs. M. Salisbury (Coalshaw, scr.) 15, Mrs. Wood (Broadhurst, scr.) 12; Mrs. G. Hardy (Hollinwood, scr.) 15, Mrs. A. Sutherland (Oldham, 2) 14; Mrs. E. Bramfitt (Broadhurst, owes 2) 17, Mrs. C. Whittaker (Hollinwood, scr.) 15; Mrs. Ida Brown (Royton, owes 1) 15, Mrs. E. Leigh (Hollinwood, scr.) 6; Mrs. M. Watts (Coalshaw, scr.) 15, Mrs. G. Ingham (Shaw, scr.) 5; Mrs. F. Bamford (Buersil, scr.) 15, Mrs. C. Wright (Hollinwood, scr.) 6; Mrs. A. Cavanagh (Broadhurst, owes 2) 17, Mrs. P. Carter (Delph, scr.) 12; Mrs. A. Davies (Milnrow, 2) 15, Mrs. A. Pollitt (Coalshaw, scr.) 5.

Quarter-finals: Mrs. M. Salisbury 15, Mrs. G. Hardy 7; Mrs. E. Bramfitt 17, Mrs. I. Brown 6; Mrs. F. Bamford 15, Mrs. M. Watts 12; Mrs. A. Davies 17, Mrs. A. Cavanagh 14.

New cover nearly ready at Watersheddings

Workmen have been busy at Watersheddings this week putting the finishing touches to the new cover behind the posts at the Watersheddings Street end of the rugby ground. The season opened today with all but the finishing touches completed.

The stand will cost around £10,000 and the bulk of the money has come from the successful pool organised last season.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tomorrow: Fine at first. Cloudy later with rain spreading from the South-West in the afternoon and evening.

Further outlook: Changeable.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

24 hours from 10 a.m. yesterday
Maximum: 66 deg at 2-30 p.m.
Minimum: 54 deg. at 3 a.m.

Today's Reading
10 a.m. 58 deg. 3 p.m. 60 deg.
Barometer at 10 a.m. 29.9in., rising

LIGHTING-UP TIMES
9-7 p.m. to 5-21 a.m.

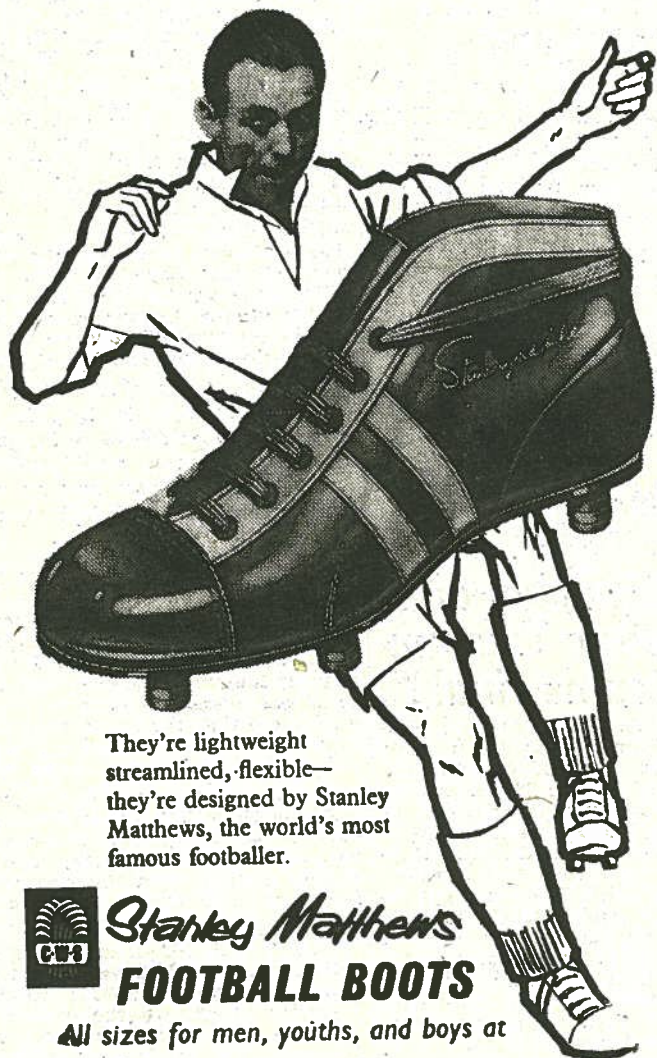
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SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP

Aberdeen 2, Falkirk 0.
Airdrie 2, Clyde 0.
Arbroath 4, Dumbarton 3.
Ayr 2, Forfar 0.
Celtic 1, St. Mirren 0.
Dundee Utd. 0, Morton 4.
Dunfermline 1, Brechin 1.
East Stirling 1, Stranraer 1.
Hibernian 0, Kilmarnock 1.
Montrose 1, Hamilton 1.
Motherwell 1, Partick Thistle 1.
Queen of South 1, Dundee 0.
Queen's Park 1, Alloa 0.
Raith 0, Hearts 2.
Rangers 1, Third Lanark 1.
Stenhousemuir 0, Berwick 0.
Stirling Albion 0, East Fife 0.
St. Johnstone 1, Cowdenbeath 2.

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Oldham Rugby Union Notes

Teen recruits are welcome

TRAINING is now in full swing, and already there has been a response from prospective players. However, this year, to add the annual imposition of getting a match fit, there has now been an almost unprecedented number of changes in the Laws of Rugby Union which have to be fully tested before the first game. Several practice games have already taken place under the strict supervision of Frank Kershaw, who, more than anyone in the club, is capable of interpreting the new laws in the proper manner. So far these changes seem to be working very well, but it is already evident that they are going to achieve their object to speed up the game, more in keeping with the Rugby League, though, of course, the ever-frustrating scrummages, which dominates a League game. It will, therefore, be of paramount

importance to get fully fit before the season begins, and all prospective players are urged to put in an appearance as soon as possible. New players will, of course, be especially welcome at any training session on Tuesday and Saturday, up to the final trial a fortnight today. The first game is, as usual, against Vale of Lune on September 6, followed two days later by the annual fixture with S. B. Jordan's XV of international and county players. On August 30, Winnington Park are holding their first seven-a-side tournament. This is a breakaway from the traditional end-of-season "sevens," and will, no doubt, test even the best sides so early in the season. Oldham are sending a "seven," but have the misfortune to draw Sale the favourites, in the first round.

Oldham Notes

ANOTHER WIN FOR F. MAYALL OF SHAW HIS

ON Saturday, F. Mayall, of Shaw Homing Society, followed up his previous success in the federation by taking the premier prize again, this time from Cheltenham. His winning velocity was 34 birds per minute better than the runner who took second place. As there was only 37 yards between the second bird and the twenty-count, this must be considered a very good win. Tom Platt recorded a first-ever win with Hey Homing Society. It is quite unusual for the number of stray birds that are flying around at this time. Not only are there numerous young birds, but so several old ones. This week, to the time of writing, I have had four strays enter my loft, and seem to have been out some time. One gets the impression that this season's flying conditions have been much worse than usual.

Cheltenham results

Oldham Federation.—Birds 686: F. Mayall 1203, J. Platt 1169, Buckley 1162, Hall Schofield & Hardy 1157, J. Brierley 1153, T. Platt 1144, R. W. Smith 1144, J. Lindsay 1142, Whitworth & Nephew 1142, Hall Schofield & Hardy 1142, S. Hibbert 1141, Etchells & Co 1140, Blair & Son 1140, Etchells & Co 1137, Fern & Son 1137, W. Naden 1137, J. Hazeldine 1136, R. Brierley 1135, J. & Carlisle 1135, D. Caldercote 1135, H. Hallsworth 1133, A. Lancashire 1132, Carr & Son 1132. Hey Homing Society.—Birds 117: F. Platt (A) 1144, Whitehead Bros. 1144, W. Charnley 1142, W. & F. Brooks 1142, E. Robertson (C) 1094, Buckley & Yorl (B) 1089, F. Ashworth 1088, B. G. H. 1074, Kenworthy Bros. 1067, N. C. 1048, W. Brown 1041, F. Ashworth (DEF) 1040, H. Orr 1023, H. M. in & Son 1000, S. Stones 980, W. Greenwood 960, W. Ashton 900. Oldham Flying Club: Buckley Bros. (ARP Spc.) 1162, J. Brierley 1153, F. Howarth 1144, H. Travis 1141, Kay & Adams 1096, F. Murgatroyd (CN) 1091, H. Cook 1071, W. Selor 1065, Shore Bros (DN) 1058, H. R. 1033, Kay & Adams (E) 1032, H. R. 976, W. Brown 972, W. Cook 926, Keale 862, W. Greenwood 749.

Worcester results

Hollinwood H.S.: A. Harrison (FAB) 1231, Cordwell & N 1177, T. Chadderton (C) 1167.9, J. & Son 1167.5, T. Chadderton (D) 1162, F. Bradbury 1154, E. Melan 1153, R. & Son 1149, F. Maddocks 1147, Smith 1145, Mills & Son 1128, Fogarty Son 1106, L. Hall 1069, Brown Jnr. 106, D. Bull 1014, Brown Snr. 1005, R. & Son 994, F. Williams 972, F. Under 916, Nield & Brown 889. West Oldham Flying Club: F. Holt (A) 1145, Moorhouse & Son 1115, T. Stubbs (D) (E) 1081, Bloor Son 1058, J. Holt 1049, J. Leigh 970, Addison & Son 933.

Charlie Elliott, formerly trainer M. Boussac at Chantilly, expects to begin training at Newmarket for the end of the season. He has been over Machell Place, where he was formerly trained.

Oldham man's death

'Come forward' appeal to murderer's family

ABOUT 30,000 people have been interviewed by police in the five weeks since 65-year-old Mr. Horace Hand, of Heron Street, Hollins, was murdered while on holiday with his family at Newquay, Cornwall. Mr. Hand, a retired milk-roundsman, was found injured in a public convenience in Newquay, and died later in hospital after an emergency operation, from head injuries.

The hunt for the killer continues. Today Superintendent Jack Marner, of Scotland Yard's murder squad, said that every visitor in Newquay on the day of the murder is being traced and interviewed. This had entailed the co-operation of nearly every police force in the country.

One of the difficulties facing Superintendent Marner and Detective Superintendent Sidney Roberts, of the Cornish CID who have been working from a small office in Newquay headquarters since July 13, is that 10,000 to 15,000 holidaymakers left the town to return to their homes on the day after the murder.

The police are asking for photographs taken at Towan Head, where the murder took place at 11.35 a.m. on July 11. "We want photographs of Mum, Dada and the kids, as well," said Superintendent Marner.

"Everyone," he continued, "who was on Towan Head on that day is asked to go to the nearest police station, if he or she has not already done so."

And police also still seek information of "Greenshirts"—described as a respectable-looking man of 26, seen leaving the public convenience shortly after the murder. He was wearing sports shirt and slacks.

"It is a brutal crime that a man might repeat, so we regard him as a dangerous man to be left at large. He appeals for any relative of a suspected murderer to come forward—even if he is a husband, son or sweetheart."

If anyone suspected a member of their own family it was their duty to come forward to prevent the crime being repeated.

The police are also trying to trace the person who dialed 999 to call the ambulance. He had not made his identity known and has not yet come forward.

'Little Annie Rooney' (of Oldham) dies

A 73-year-old woman, born in Oldham, who gave her name to one of the most famous of all ballads, "Little Annie Rooney," died in hospital at New Bedford, Massachusetts, yesterday.

She was Mrs. Annie G. Erikson, whose maiden name was Rooney. She was a small child when her mother's cousin, Michael Nolan, wrote the song.

A few months after the song was published, Little Annie Rooney was brought to the United States by her father, a tenor with the original Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company.

Mrs. Erikson, also a composer, wrote 33 songs.

Sussex v Somerset

At Eastbourne.	
SOMERSET—First innings	
Alley b Thomson	4
Lomax lbw b Oakman	2
Silk lbw b Marlar	66
McCool not out	2
Tremlett b Marlar	28
Wright b Bell	10
Palmer not out	7
Extras	2
Total (for 5 wks)	151

WINNER-TAKES-ALL FOR TITLE?

SOLOMONS'S REPLY TO 'HOW MUCH' TELEGRAM

BRIAN LONDON'S "winner-take-all" offer to defend his British heavyweight title against Henry Cooper or Dick Richardson has started an exchange of telegrams between the promoter, Jack Solomons, and Richardson's manager, Wally Lesley.

The offer brought an immediate reply last night from Mr. Lesley, whose telegram read, "If your purse offer is suitable will sign for Richardson to fight London, winner-take-all. How much?"

Mr. Solomons replied: "You have not beaten Cooper yet, so why ask me how much? I will be at Porthcawl ringside with my offer to the winner of Richardson v. Cooper." "That should have given him something to think about," added Mr. Solomons today.

The Cooper-Richardson fight takes place at Porthcawl on August 27.

Floyd Patterson, World heavyweight boxing champion, is a five-to-one favourite to beat former Texas schoolteacher, Roy Harris, the third defence of his title in Los Angeles on Monday.

Ticket sales are slow, for local fans want Patterson to defend his crown against Zora Folley, ranked leading contender for the title.

Los Angeles saw Folley strengthen his claims last month with a fourth-round knock-out win over Pete Rademacher, former Olympic champion, whom Patterson knocked out in six rounds a year ago.

Nino Valdes, the Cuban heavyweight, gained the decision by one point when he beat Mike de John (Syracuse) over ten rounds at Rochester, New York, last night.

One judge and the referee made Valdes the winner, while the other judge gave the fight to de John.

Valdes floored de John for a compulsory count of eight in the second and ninth rounds.

Cricket Alliance

DERBY MATCH ENDS IN DRAW

ONLY four of the six games able to be played last Saturday. Unfit grounds stopped the other two from starting.

Westwood Moravians were at home to Salem Moravians at Hunt Lane and the home team batted first to score 50. The top scorers were: N. Mills 12, S. Brierley 11, F. Jackson and J. Heath each with 8. M. Whittaker took four for 7 runs, K. Broadbent two for 8, and P. Robinson three for 8. Salem, who batted out time, scored 38—9 to share the points. R. Stott scored 10 and S. Brierley took four for 17, F. Jackson three for 4, N. Mills one for 9.

Waterhead PC entertained St. Thomas's at Manor Flats and the visitors batted first to score 38, 25 of which were scored by B. Castleton. S. Waller took three for 2, and B. Robinson one for 11. Waller also scored 17 of his side's 40—7, along with J. Ashworth 8 and B. Kirkpatrick 8 not out. C. Boone took four for 13 runs.

Mount Pleasant Mission, at home to St. Edward's were all out for 22, of which W. Wild scored 10 and S. Atkinson 8. D. Kilroy took seven for 12 runs. St. Edward's in reply scored 27—3, Cook scored 15 not out, and K. Pickstone took all three wickets for 19 runs.

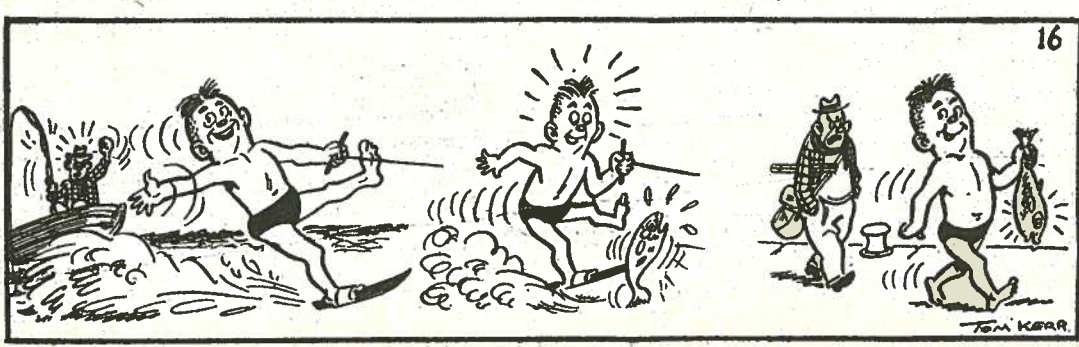
At Lowerfields, Union Street Methodists were at home to Waterhead Methodists, who won the toss and batted first for 61 all out. R. Bennett 28, A. Law 14, and E. Collinge 16 not out. E. Armitage took four for 6 runs, J. Bardsley three for 3. He was also top scorer with 8 runs in his side's total of 18 all out. M. Jennings 6. A. Law took six for 3, and R. Bennett three for 3.

'A' SECTION					
	P	W	D	L	Pts
*St. Mary's OPC	8	4	4	0	12
*Regent St. Congs.	8	4	3	1	11
Ashton Rd. Congs.	10	3	5	2	11
St. Stephen's	9	3	4	2	10
St. Ambrose	8	1	4	3	6
Salem Moravians	9	1	4	4	6
Westwood Mrvns.	10	1	4	5	6
* No points added for Saturday, Aug. 9					

'B' SECTION					
	P	W	D	L	Pts
Waterhead PC	10	7	3	0	17
Waterhead Meths.	10	5	3	2	13
St. Edward's	9	4	3	2	11
Union St. Meths.	9	2	3	4	7
Waterloo Street	9	2	3	4	7
St. Thomas's	9	3	1	5	7
Mnt. Pleasant Msn.	10	1	2	7	4

Games for Saturday, August 23:— "A" Section: Regent St. Congs. v. St. Stephen's (13—7); Salem Moravians v. St. Ambrose (15—3); Westwood Moravians v. Ashton Road Congs. (5—1). "B" Section: Waterhead PC v. Mount Pleasant Mission (9—11); Union Street Meths. v. Waterloo Street Meths. (4—6); St. Thomas's v. St. Edward's (10—2).

BOBBY DAZZLER ... By Tom Kerr





PHOENIX BOWLING CLUB.—Back row: J. Coverley, F. Talbot, F. Ross, W. Heginbotham, W. Boden, F. Taylor. Front: T. Plaister, F. Fielding, H. Heginbotham, H. Platt, H. Hollas.

CHADDERTON AND DISTRICT BOWLING LEAGUE

Westwood Liberals will get the spoon

WESTWOOD LIBERALS are now hot favourites for the wooden spoon. They suffered their third 13-0 defeat at Church Inn, and their match analysis now reads: 17 played, 1 won, 16 lost, 48 points.

The Nimble Nook-Stanley Road duel still goes on. Nook meet CWS on Monday in their last match at Mills Hill. Stanley Road have two postponed matches to play and meet CWS home and away, but have 16 points to make up.

Friesland, who beat Stanley Road "B" 10-3 on Monday, now need maximum points to be equal with Summit Inn. Third place is still anybody's guess, between Springbank, Hollinwood Inst. and Church Inn.

In "C" section, North Chadderton Conservatives are being strongly challenged by Moorside for second and third positions.

Havelock Inn now look safe in "D" section with Hollinwood CC running up, and Lily Mill have a favourite's chance for third place.

Top score cards again are few. H. Sudworth registered a 21-3 away win and E. Mason (Church Inn) 21-2. Home wins come out best.

Note.—There won't be any play in the President's Handicap tomorrow.

President's Handicap results last Sunday. The following qualified for the final today: At Springbank: G R Fisher (Moorside), E Blakeney (CWS), A Colgan (CWS), H Radcliffe (A Stott's).

At Stanley Road: J Leigh (Moorside), R Hughes (Nile Mill), T Roberts (Hollinwood Institute), F Woodcock (Stanley Road). At Osram: C Boon (Crompton), H Platt (Phoenix), E Whitman (Stanley Road), A N Other.

At St. Paul's: T Eastwood (Platts Sports), J Briggs (Westwood Libs.), A Chadderton (Soudan), N Jones (Reform Club). Daisfield: Incomplete.

"A" SECTION

Nimble Nook 12 (203), St. Paul's 1 (114). Nimble Nook scores first: J Ashton 21, W Ashton 18; K Shrigley 21, T Tolan 21; J Kershaw 21, E Cunliffe 9; J Mills 21, F Howard 18; J Boston 21, G Cunliffe 9; S Boston 14, T Riddall 21; R Hill 21, W Fitton 5; W Clegg 21, J Widdall 15; W Johnson 21, W Taylor 9; G Young 21, G Garner 10.

Hollinwood CC 13 (210), St. Paul's CC 0 (14). Hollinwood scores first: J Broome 21, W Taylor 7; H Yeart 21, J Tolan 12; B Guilfoyle 21, G Cunliffe 9; J Needham 21, J Widdall 12; H Corfield 21, R Riddall 11; F Smith 21, W Ashton 15; N Lees 21, J Sykes 17; C Gower 21, F Howard 18; J R Walkden 21, E F Hayward 9; C Midwood 21, W Fitton 4.

Nimble Nook 13 (210), CWS 0 (134). Nimble Nook scores first: J Ashton 21, J Pomfret 19; J Mills 21, S Higginbottom 8; S Boston 21, B Lever 18; E Raynor 21, B Gowers 10; J Kershaw 21, E Ellison 15; G Young 21, E Blakeney 17; T Boston 21, A Ernest 21; W Johnson 21, W Griffiths 13; K Shrigley 21, A Colgan 12; R Hill 21, J Wild 7.

Clarkfield 4 (173), Chadderton CC 9 (186). Clarkfield scores first: E McDowell 21, T Nicholls 18; F Staley 3, A Wood 21; J Jenkinson 18, J Wilson 21; L Robinson 20, W Nuttall 21; B Burbridge 21, W Davies 7; S Kershaw 20, A E Lowe 21; E Pickering 21, F Wood 18; H Hinchcliffe 21, G Leigh 19; C Brooks 14, H Howarth 21; B Thorpe 18, R Hill 21.

North Chadderton Social 9 (197), Chadderton C&B 4 (173). North Chadderton scores first: F W Holt 19, A E Lowe Junr. 21; H Ashworth 19, W Nuttall 21; G Beaver 21, A Wood 14; E Gee 21, F Taylor 10; R Walker 21, G Leigh 12; H Lockett 14, R Hill 21; J Cross 19, J Wilson 21; J Stringer 21, S Davies 19; G Rowley 21, T Nicholls 14; A Broome 21, F Wood 20.

"B" SECTION

Church Inn 12 (204), Cemetery Inn 1 (138). Church Inn scores first: S Boardman 21, A Dawson 10; S Cartwright 21, F Ingram 9; W Caffery 21, A Bayliss 14; T Wood 15, W Bowbottom 21; J Seed 21, C Kingsley 8; W

Rodgers 21, J Ball 15; G Dodd 21, E Gregory 7; W Seed 21, A Kelly 17; E Mason 21, F Dearnley 2; J E Nield 1, S Cheetham 15.

Springbank 6 (181), Cemetery Inn 7 (184). Springbank scores first: H Davies 21, F Ingram 11; F Inmao 21, W Bowers 13; J Broadbent 21, A Bayliss 11; J Hamilton 21, J Dobson 20; Absent 0, A Dawson 21; Absent 0, C Kingsley 21; E Partridge 21, A Gregory 7; J Ashton 18, W Kowbottom 21; H McNally 21, J Ball 18; J Eastwood 17, F Dearnley 21.

Friesland 10 (187), Stanley Road "B" 3 (153). Friesland scores first: C Schofield 21, H Schofield 19; F Hill 6, J Buckley 21; A A Dransfield 21, L Hughes 7; H Entwistle 21, H Cain 15; E Whiteley 21, J Smith 21; J Shepherd 7; F Allsopp 21, A Cole 15; T Lees 20, F Napper 21; W L Cookson 21, H Hipwell 12.

Phoenix (7) 187, Westwood Libs. 3 (159). Phoenix scores first: H Perry 21, J Heath 14; J H Oliver 12, J Taylor 21; A Fidler 18, J Wolstencroft 21; J Entwistle 12, T Trundley 21; R Gill 21, T Pearson 8; F Ross 21, R Ashton 13; H Hollas 21, E Bailey 13; F Taylor 21, W Milne 11; R Collins 21, H Wilkinson 8; R Fielding 21, D Atkins 9.

Soudan 3 (164), Hollinwood Institute 10 (192). Soudan scores first: G McDonach 21, N Butler 12; F Kenyon 8, J Wrather 21; A Davenport 12, J Crompton 21; J Devonport 21, C Allen 12; F Canale 20, A Holt 21; J Howarth 21, J Foxall 11; G Howarth 20, F Roberts 21; A Dransfield 10, E Hughes 21; E Collinge 16, F Wood 21; J Mathias 17, J Lees 21.

Hollinwood Institute 11 (198), Church Inn 2 (143). Hollinwood Institute scores first: W E Hughes 21, H Bradbury 14; J Crompton 21, W Caffery 8; T C Allen 17; J Seed 21; F Wood 21, T Williams 13; J Lees 13; W Rodge 21, A Holt 21; J Smith 8; N Butler 21, T Wood 15; J Wrather 21, J Nield 20; T Roberts 21, T Cartwright 13; A A Platt 21, Absent 0.

"C" SECTION

Springhead Libs. 11 (190), OGPT 2 (174). Springhead scores first: H Bardsley 21, A Smith 18; H Hodgkiss 14, J Slater 21; J Simpson, Junr. 21, M Mumford 13; J Schofield 21, T Mellor 14; G W Dyson 8, J Roach 21; W Sharpe 21, F Collins 12; J Shaw, No. 2 21, J Mawdsley 21; C Holt 21, J E Smith 8; F Cropper 21, W Longworth 20; G Dutton 21, C Gaskell 18.

Monarch Mill 6 (178), Chadderton Reform 7 (185). Monarch Mill scores first: A Mills 18, G Paulden 21; F Cattlin 14, J Morton 21; A Brierley 21, R Hilton 9; T Baxter 21, W Hodgson 11; T Wells 21, A Wilkinson 20; W Brown 17, S Pilkington 21; J Nicholson 20, S Mills 11; G Passey 21, A Lees 18; J MacDonald 8, H Sudworth 21; J Hilton 21, O Meadows 12.

Chadderton Reform 4 (183), Oldham C&B 6 (187). Chadderton Reform scores first: F Johnson 15, E Navesey 21; W Hodgson 19, A Beasley 21; S Pilkington 11, N Cocker 21; R Barratt 19, R Tibber 21; A Wilkinson 21, S Booth 15; G Paulden 21, J Newton 18; J Horton 14, N Smith 21; H Lees 21, W Edwards 15; D Walton 21, H Jones 6.

Moorside 9 (178), Platts 4 (182). Moorside scores first: A Broughton 14, R Keatings 21; H Kershaw 20, J Ingham 21; G Fisher 21, W Ingham 17; A Whitehead 21, S Grindrod 18; J Leigh 21, N Lees 14; W Thornley 21, F Jackson 14; W Webster 13, A Kindon 21, W Cuthbert 14, J Fisher 21; J Walker 21, W Fletcher 13; F Smith 21, G Brown 12.

"D" SECTION

A Stott's SC 6 (191), Moorside BC "B" 7 (202). A Stott's scores first: I Swinbourne 21, J Blakeman 17; T Green 19, J H Allen 21; F Hughes 21, H Wilson 10; H Radcliffe 21; F Ashworth 9; F Mills 21, J Waine 14; G Wells 18, N Hill 21; H Thomas 21, J Shaw 20; J Barry 18, T Bassett 21; W Radcliffe 21; W Taylor 18; C Daniels 10, F Wood 21.

Havelock Inn 11 (199), Oldham Hospitals 2 (184). Havelock Inn scores first: G Ripley 17, H Mitchell 21; W Greenwood 21, W Charlesworth 20; A Bewick 21, W Hague 17; A Ford 21, F Shackleton 13; H Ford 21, R Wade 7; F Mills 21, H Ashton 15; J Stone 14, H Lowe 21; W Pemberton 21, J Cooper 20; D Truelove 21, J Hernon 5; R Bancroft 21, H Gaynon 16.

Darlington British Railways band has gained a first prize in the concert competition at the World Music Contest at Kerkrade, Holland, where about 180 bands from 25 countries are taking part.

Parks Bowling League

Up to and including August 11

"A" SECTION

	P.	H.	A.	H.	A.
Stoneleigh	16	8	...	3512	3155
Dunwood	16	8	...	3372	3280
Royton	15	8	...	3115	3997
Copster	14	7	...	2907	2823
Coalshaw	13	6	...	2851	2501
Fitton	13	7	...	2778	2735
Westwood	14	7	...	2753	3024
Alexandra	13	6	...	2610	2623
Waterhead	14	7	...	2379	3159

"B" SECTION

	P.	H.	A.	H.	A.
Springhead Libs.	14	7	...	3138	2678
Limeside	13	6	...	2820	2471
Coalshaw	13	6	...	2721	2775
Chadderton C&B	12	6	...	2650	2340
Stoneleigh	12	7	...	2542	2383
Fitton	12	6	...	2488	2436
Deaf Institute	11	5	...	1979	2548
Ferranti (Moston)	11	6	...	1848	2558

"C" SECTION

	P.	H.	A.	H.	A.
Dunwood	12	6	...	2873	2245
High Crompton	11	5	...	2318	2278
Westwood	10	4	...	2103	2074
Foxkenton	10	5	...	2077	1987
Copster	10	4	...	1959	2140
Limeside	10	4	...	1947	2128
Royton	9	4	...	1784	1963

"B" SECTION

Stoneleigh Park 245, Ferranti 174. Stoneleigh Park scores first: A Jones 21, W Kelly 9; W Hurst 21, R Lester 6; J Bardsley 21, S Nuttall 18; C Hague 21, G Blomley 15; H Cooper 21, A Chadderton 15; F Marsden 21, R Cooper 14; C Harvey 21, W Pilkington 17; A Chadwick 21, R Siddall 16; A Fletcher 17; F Seal 17; H Wrigley 21, S Whittaker 13; E Barras 21, T Strand 13; E Navesey 14, W Ardern 21.

Limeside Park 227, Ferranti (Moston) 110. Limeside Park scores first: J Smith 8, F Seal 21; E Halford 21, R Siddall 4; L Walters 21, R Cooper 8; C Ridgeway 21, W Pilkington 4; S Barker 14, H Goodbrand 21; E Pennington 18, S Nuttall 21; F Oldham 21, A Nixon (ab.) 0; E Miller 21, W Kelly (ab.) 0; L Coward 21, A Chadderton 15; O Mayhew 21, W Muff 8; H Bedford 21, T Strand (ab.) 0; E Peart 21, J Hopwood 8.

Fitton Park 218, Coalshaw Green Park 183. Fitton Park scores first: G Wood 21, T Robinson 13; J Lord 21, S Buckley 11; D Bowker 4; C Higginson 21; G McDonach 7; J Thompson 21; G Ingram 41, J Chadwick 15; W Beff 21, F Mills 7; F Hands 21, A Whitlam 19; W Furness 21, A Jackson 12; F Taylor 21, H Halford 20; S Knowles, Junr. 21, J Robinson 11; G Furness 21, F Taylor 12; J Townson 18, B Halford 21.

Limeside Park 252, Deaf Institute 122. Limeside Park scores first: J Smith 21, H Travis 9; E Halford 21, R Hughes 10; O Mayhew 21, F Foulds 20; H Bedford 21, W Edden 14; L Walters 21, R Pennington 21, Ridgeway 21, A McCann 8; E Munro 12; C Westwood Park scores first: G Phillips 20, F Oldham 21, W Collingwood 18; S Barker 21, J Brown (ab.) 0; L Coward 21, L Roberts 6; H Hutchinson 21, J Stepney 12.

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Westwood Park 228, Limeside Park 220. Westwood Park scores first: G Phillips 20, H Scholes 21, A Nuttall 21, R Byrne 15; J Wild 21, F Holt 18; H Kershaw 21, R B Halford 18; H Ogden 13, F Sandford 21; W McKenzie 16, A Lovett 21; E Walsh 19, G Guiney 21; H Bradbury 21, H Barnes 18; T Grime 18, W Jones 21; W Worrall 21, A Holden 20; G Wells 20, J Houghton 21; H Hinchcliffe 21, R Cooper 6.

Chance for referees

The Saddleworth and District Football League commences on September 6. Any referees wanting fixtures may contact the secretary, Mr. Harold Flint, of 70 Stamford Road, Mossley.

ALL SET TO SMASH RECORD Evans, the Peter Pan of cricket

THOMAS GODFREY EVANS—"Godfrey" to everyone—is all set to break a record—and a big one, too. When, and if, he walks out with the England team against New Zealand at The Oval on August 21, he will be playing in his 86th Test, more than anyone in the history of the game. He beats the 85 of Walter Hammond, the great Gloucestershire batsman, who played for England from 1927 to 1947.

Godfrey Evans may well be described as the man who never grows old. Take a look at him behind the stumps for England. See his bubbling enthusiasm, his joy of life, his sense of fun and, with it all, his tremendous skill.

See him throw himself full length to the ground and pick a ball up an inch from the turf at full stretch. Watch him keeping the crowd in fits of laughter by his antics while batting. See his running between the wickets when he leaves men half his age panting to keep up with him.

Who could imagine that Evans is 38 next month? It is really astonishing that a player can retain his vitality and form for so long.

No rivals

Evans has never seriously been challenged as England's top wicket-keeper since he first played Test cricket in 1946. There have been odd occasions when Evans has temporarily slipped from his highest peak and someone else has taken over, but he is quickly brought back.

The England side is not the same without him. Even now, there is



GODFREY EVANS

"profession," the jewellery trade. Evans is a man Middlesex missed, for he was born in Finchley, but perhaps they never had a chance, for from his early days he went to his present county, being educated at Kent College, Canterbury.

He made his debut in 1939, and immediately created an impression. So much so that when cricket was resumed after the war he became an immediate choice for England, making his first appearance against India at The Oval in 1946.

Since then he has been on seven tours, with his eighth coming up.

All told, Evans has claimed nearly 1,000 victims in first-class cricket. His record to the start of the present season was 694 catches and 219 stumpings—913 in all. His Test record is worth studying. Before the start of the present series it was:—

Test figures

	Runs	H.I.	Ct.	St.
1946-47 in Australia	90	28	9	-
1946-47 in N. Zealand	21	21*	2	-
1947 v. S. Africa	209	74	10	4
1947-48 in W. Indies	128	37	6	1
1948 v. Australia	188	50	8	4
1948-49 in S. Africa	49	27	5	5
1949 v. N. Zealand	61	27	8	4
1950 v. W. Indies	224	104	8	6
1950-51 in Australia	144	49	11	0
1950-51 in N. Zealand	32	19	2	1
1951 v. S. Africa	7	5	4	1
1952 v. India	242	104	4	6
1953 v. Australia	127	44*	14	5
1954 v. W. Indies	73	28	5	1
1954-55 in Pakistan	63	31	6	1
1954-55 in Australia	102	37	13	0
1955 in N. Zealand	0	0	8	1
1955 v. S. Africa	82	36	9	1
1956 v. Australia	116	47	7	2
1956-57 in S. Africa	164	62	18	2
1957 v. W. Indies	201	82	14	1

Totals 2,911 104 158 44

* Not out.

Nearly 1,000 victims

Millions of television viewers saw the other side of Evans a few months ago. Evans, the business man, who won a large amount of money on a quiz programme by answering questions about his other

UPPERMILL OPEN BOWLS HANDICAP

Uppermill OB & T Club's £100 Open Bowling Handicap results last Sunday.—Second round: B. Denham (Liversedge) 31, R. Berry (Hyde) 21. Third round: T. Broadbent (Oldham) 31, R. Clegg (Ashton) 30; V. Lee (Chadderton) 31, J. Asprey (Stalybridge) 28; H. Kenyon (Middleton) 31, L. Swallow (Huddersfield) 30; J. H. Smith (Fallsouth) 31, C. H. Taylor (Huddersfield) 21.

Tomorrow afternoon (2 p.m.).—Second round: F. Goodwin (Oldham) v. F. Hill (Marple); F. Brierley (Springhead) v. R. Woolley (Middleton). Third round: G. Ellwood (Stockport) v. D. Jenkinson (Huddersfield); S. Gill (Greenfield) v. L. Gill (Romiley); L. Harrison (Royton) v. J. Wilson (Chadderton); F. Cullen (Dobcross) v. A. Howarth (Royton); W. Wolfenden (Uppermill) v. H. Wheelhouse (Brighouse); F. Radcliffe (Diggle) v. H. Yearn (Oldham); J. Barker (Lees) v. A. Hemmings (Ashton); H. Hargreaves (Fallsouth) v. G. Beaver (Chadderton).

Evening (6 p.m.).—Third round: F. Goodwin (Oldham) or F. Hill (Marple) v. S. Castle (Huddersfield) or R. Hill (Chadderton). Fourth round: G. Ellwood (Stockport) or D. Jenkinson (Huddersfield) v. F. Radcliffe (Diggle) or H. Yearn (Oldham); W. Wolfenden (Uppermill) or H. Wheelhouse (Brighouse) v. H. Hargreaves (Fallsouth) or G. Beaver (Chadderton); H. Kenyon (Middleton) v. F. Cullen (Dobcross) or A. Howarth (Royton); J. Barker (Lees) or A. Hemmings (Ashton) v. J. H. Smith (Fallsouth).

Army teams in Liege-Rome rally

The Standard Motor Company's challenge for major awards in the Liege-Rome-Liege Rally has been further strengthened by the addition of a team of three TR3s representing the British Army.

This experienced team is being assisted by The Standard Motor Company Limited, and between them the six competitors share an aggregate of 11 Monte Carlo rallies, Five Tulip rallies, Five R.A.C. rallies and Three German rallies.

The teams are—1. Lt. Col. M. G. M. Crosby, O.B.E., M.C., Major R. W. Holmes, 2. Capt. P. Scarf, Capt. T. Simmonds, 3. Major J. E. T. Raper, Major J. O. Parry.

Disputed 7ft 1in jump is now 'official'

Among the world records ratified this week was the high jump of 2.16 metres (7ft. 1in.) by Yuri Stepanov, of the Soviet Union, in Leningrad, on July 18, 1957. Stepanov's performance had been questioned because he used a "built-up" shoe.

Altogether 38 records were passed—22 for men and 16 for women. Among the women's records ratified was that set as recently as August 2 by English girl Miss Molly Hiscox, who clocked 55.6sec. for the 440 yards at London's White City.

THE 64,000-DOLLAR QUESTION— Are star pros killing CLL clubs?

North-Western League Late start spoiled top two's match

IN spite of the terrible weather, indeed perhaps even because of it, there was a great deal of most interesting cricket in the North-Western League on Saturday. The two matches which had a great bearing on the championship both resulted in draws, but what a hectic struggle took place at Droylsden.

No play was possible until 4 p.m., after which Droylsden batted and put together 88 for nine and then declared their innings closed. Woodhouses, requiring 63 in order to claim extra time, had a really hectic struggle and only failed to obtain their target by two runs, their closing score being 61 for three.

The match of the day between Denton West, second in the table, and Burnage, the leaders, was also delayed until 3.30 p.m. At 2.30 p.m. the ground seemed to be in a shocking state and one would have thought that any play at all was out of the question.

However, the home players must be congratulated on their efforts, they all went out into the middle, armed with sacks, and they performed yeoman service in absorbing a great deal of the moisture. The scene later was reminiscent of a circus, as the sacks were placed over the boundary fence to dry and a number of cows resented their intrusion and did their best to remove them.

Inevitable draw

Denton West rallied after losing two wickets for 9 runs, and batting well against some good bowling and extra keen fielding, scored 138 for nine before declaring. (Frank Williams 40, Bill Robinson 25).

Burnage never had a chance of obtaining the runs (they had only one and three-quarter hours batting), particularly after losing Graham in the second over of their innings. However, they were never really in difficulty and played out time with 70 for two. Roberts, the captain, concentrated on every ball, and minding everything, stayed there the whole time with 24 not out.

Thanks to a sensational bowling performance by Jack Rigby—his five wickets cost only 4 runs—Greenmount recorded a four-wicket victory over Oldhams. At Woodbank play was not possible until 4.30 p.m. and the inevitable draw was recorded.

Newton Heath visited Newton Mill, and after scoring 116, despatched their opponents for 45. For the victors, Bastin took five for 18, Langley three for 3, and Lawton scored 34.

1st defeat in 2 years

In the Second Division, there was a real sensation at Failsworth, where Avro entertained and defeated Fieldhouse by six wickets. This is Fieldhouse's first defeat in two years, and while one must sympathise with them for being under strength, it was, nevertheless, a splendid achievement by Avro. Tomlinson took six wickets for 28 runs for the winners.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Division I: Greenmount 58-6, Oldhams 56; Droylsden 88-9 dec., Woodhouses 61-3; Woodbank 79-9 dec., Thornham 46-6; Denton West 138-9 dec., Burnage 70-2; Newton Mill 45, Newton Heath 116.
Division II: Oldhams 53-6, Greenmount 46; Burnage 102-7, Denton West 101; Avro 68-4, Fieldhouse 67.

DIVISION I				
P	W	L	Pts	Pts
Burnage	18	11	3	37
Denton West	18	10	2	36
Woodhouses	18	9	1	35
Fieldhouse	18	8	4	30
Droylsden	18	6	6	24
Newton Heath	18	6	7	23
Thornham	18	5	6	22
Avro	18	5	8	20
Woodbank	18	4	9	17
Oldhams	18	3	10	14
Greenmount	18	3	10	14
Newton Mill	18	2	10	12

DIVISION II					
	P	W	L	D	Pts
Fieldhouse	18	13	1	4	43
Woodhouses	18	11	2	5	38
Avro	18	8	6	4	38
Woodbank	17	7	4	6	27
Oldhams	18	7	6	5	26
Burnage	18	6	7	5	23
Denton West	18	6	7	5	23
Newton Heath	18	5	7	6	21
Droylsden	18	4	9	5	17
Thornham	17	4	9	4	16
Greenmount	18	4	11	3	15
Newton Mill	18	3	9	6	15

EVEN if Tom Everett does not make history in the CLL by becoming a "penny-professional," his offer to his hard-hit club spotlights an acute problem: Are costly professionals slowly killing league cricket clubs?

Crompton think so. The club for which Everett, one of the league's leading amateur bowlers, is willing to turn professional for the nominal sum of 1d. a week simply to comply with the "You MUST have a professional rule," are in such dire straits financially that they are prepared to swallow their pride and turn out what in effect would be an all-amateur side.

"We might not be an attractive side to have as visitors in the future," they say, "but we are going to stop this business of high-priced stars."

And the pride that Crompton have had in their past stars needs a lot of swallowing. For, remember, this is the club that once turned out nearly a full side of "professionals."

But those days have gone—at least temporarily—for Crompton, and I don't think it is an answer to their plight to throw it in their

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faces that "they were one of the clubs that helped to prompt big-money business among clubs."

Headaches

There is a problem here, and not one that can be dismissed lightly, for the answer to it is not easy to find.

Since the war, imports from overseas and county cricket have amply repaid the high prices paid for their services with attractive cricket.

And for a time the ends justified the means. Clubs DID make money out of their stars as Rochdale will vouch during their Pepper and Barnett years.

In recent seasons, however, the business of making ends meet has become an increasing burden.

A combination of bad weather and general dwindling interest in league cricket has contributed to headaches varying in size from Rochdale's struggle to recapture their lost glory by issuing a public appeal, to Crompton's mammoth deficiency of over £1,300.

Clubs have now reached the stage where the only way to balance the annual budget is to organise football pools and other social efforts. It's these, and not gates that have paid for star professionals during the last three watery seasons.

Even football pools, though, cannot keep clubs like Crompton, Oldham, and Ashton in the big-name swim. The prices are too high for these hard-pressed clubs.

Up to the League

But while Heywood, Radcliffe and Middleton can afford their star men, there will continue to be a "free-for-all" for professionals.

As Heywood have pointed out:

SADDLEWORTH LEAGUE Micklehurst increased lead to 8

PLAY was possible in only four of the seven Saddleworth League games last Saturday, but Micklehurst won one of them and now lead Flowery Field by eight points, with Heyside a further seven points behind.

Micklehurst, however, were very hard pressed at English Steel. Having dismissed Steel for 57 (A. Marlor seven for 19), Micklehurst won by only two wickets, G. Barlow (23) being the only player to make double figures.

Hollinwood collapsed at Stayley. They were none for two, 13 for three, 14 for four, and 20 for eight. At this point W. De Lacy joined B. A. Bates, and these two took the score to 50. Hollinwood were then all out 53, of which Bates had made 23 not out—a very enjoyable innings in which he never put foot or bat wrong. A pity that Hollinwood now lose him to Hyde United and football. Stayley won the match by nine

"Crompton might get a professional for 1d.-a-week, but that would not stop another club paying £1,000 a season."

So long as a club thinks it is getting value for money from its professional—and, of course, so long as it can continue to find that money—it will carry on regardless of the plight of other clubs. After all it is a reasonable bet that given a warm season the fee will be repaid with interest in gate money.

Only the League can stop this. If there was sufficient sympathy for Crompton's plea that professionals' fees should be limited, the League could introduce restrictive rules. But I cannot visualise any half-measures.

If the League were to place such a low limit on professionals that only third-rate players could be tempted to take the jobs, then clubs would be in the embarrassing position of having better amateur talent than their professional.

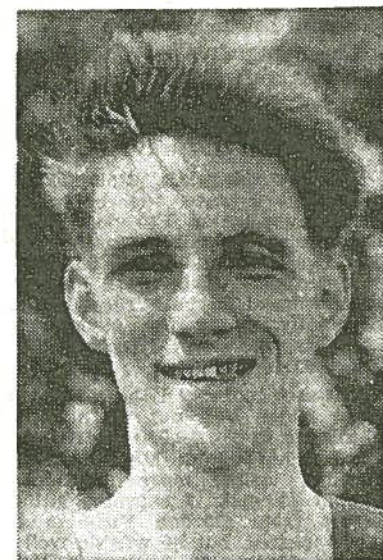
SO IT MUST BE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. EITHER THE HIGH-PRICED PROFESSIONALS REMAIN OR THE CLL BECOMES AN ALL-AMATEUR LEAGUE.

Women's bowls: final games on tonight

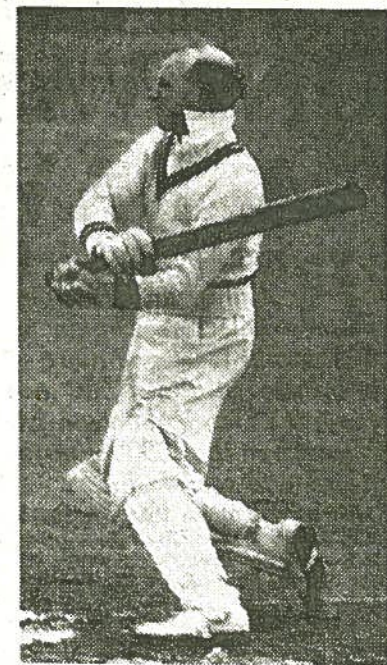
The semi-finals and final of the Oldham and District Women's Bowling Handicap will be played at Alexandra Park tonight.

Mrs. M. Salisbury (Coalshaw, scr.) plays Mrs. E. Bramfitt (Broadhurst, owes 2) and Mrs. F. Bamford (Buersil, scr.) is opposed by Mrs. A. Davies in the semi-final games.

America's poaching of athletes



PETER RADFORD



G. BISPHAM of Royton CC

CLL AVERAGES PROFESSIONALS AMATEURS

Qual: 200 runs, 20 wkts

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
G. Sobers (Radcliffe)	20	6	127	1080	77.14
D. G. Phadkar (R'dale)	17	5	88	706	58.83
Haniff (Crompton)	18	3	144	749	49.93
C. G. Pepper (Oldham)	18	6	88	462	38.50
V. L. Manjrekar (C.M.)	19	5	72	535	38.21
E. D. Denison (Royton)	19	4	85	573	35.70
V. Mankad (Stockport)	18	2	97	524	32.75
C. W. Bartels (Ashton)	21	3	122	526	29.22
C. G. Borge (W'neth)	19	4	103	372	28.61
Israr Ali (Littleboro')	17	2	68	365	24.33
R. Gilchrist (Middleton)	17	0	52	202	11.88
V. Newton (Walsden)	21	1	37	227	11.35
S. P. Gupta (Heywood)	17	1	55	179	11.18
J. McMahon (Millrow)	17	4	24	98	7.53

Bowling	U.	M.	A.	W.	Aver.
C. G. Borge (W'neth)	208.4	44	522	78	6.69
R. Gilchrist (M'ton)	304.4	48	989	111	8.90
C. G. Pepper (O'm)	269.4	45	800	79	10.12
C. W. Bartels (A'ston)	325.5	57	727	68	10.68
D. G. Phadkar (R'e)	333.2	100	712	66	10.78
J. McMahon (M'w)	268.3	48	889	78	11.39
Haniff (Crompton)	335.3	66	786	68	11.55
Israr Ali (L'boro')	254.4	71	712	61	11.67
V. Mankad (St'port)	164.3	34	457	39	11.71
S. P. Gupta (Heyw'd)	268.7	46	802	68	11.79
G. Sobers (R'dale)	340.1	72	1050	78	13.46
E. Denison (R'ton)	108.4	30	374	25	14.96
V. Manjrekar (C.M.)	136	8	554	24	23.08
V. Newton (W'sden)	104.2	10	497	17	29.05

ASHTON				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
T. L. Wood	22	3	85	327
A. Booth	21	1	79	325

CASTLETON MOOR				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
J. Wood	18	3	52	246
G. V. Gowland	19	2	51	319
W. McDonough	18	1	31	218

CROMPTON				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
H. Jackson	16	1	71	278
R. V. Vijayarathay	18	2	60	280

HEYWOOD				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
S. Smith	20	6	85	606
R. Purser	21	1	52	351
J. Wilson	19	1	32	285

LITTLEBOROUGH				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
L. Warburton	13	3	41	226
R. Jackson	14	0	50	220
R. Hawkard	15	1	45	212

MIDDLETON				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
J. M. Hyde	19	2	100	622
P. Fawkes	18	1	54	257
K. Crook	18	4	64	311
H. McDougall	19	1	54	293

MILNROW				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
K. Leach	21	1	65	385
B. Fittion	19	2	43	231
L. Jones	19	0	56	244

OLDHAM				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
R. A. Acton	18	3	51	427
F. Molyneux	17	1	89	338
W. Lawton	15	1	71	219

RADCLIFFE				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
B. Moores	17	1	37	216

ROCHDALE				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
J. Hunter	18	1	70	438
K. Mitter	12	1	53	240
G. Holland	19	2	56	301

ROYTON				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
G. Bispham	10	2	68	225
D. Longbottom	17	7	34	231
K. Lees	19	1	42	280

STOCKPORT				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
A. Lashkari	11	2	89	260
W. Arrowsmith	16	0	41	213

WALSDEN				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
K. Walker	20	3	68	348
W. Barker	21	7	37	242
A. Sutcliffe	21	0	67	325
A. L. Moss	19	2	43	252
W. Connor	21	2	77	304

WERNETH				
Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.
A. Alker	19	4	49	335
D. B. Heywood	18	3	41	329
D. Meynell	18	1	62	345

AMERICA'S poaching of athletes from other countries must be halted. The problem has reached serious proportions in Canada, and Australia have expressed concern about it. It is due to be thrashed out in the International Amateur Athletics Federation congress in Stockholm next week.

Britain are keenly affected. The University of California, Los Angeles, are making a strong bid for the services of our fastest sprinter, 18-year-old Peter Radford—an attractive bait, but sickening that the US should resort to these kidnapping tactics.

Radford is the only British sprinter ever to record 9.6 sec. If he went to the United States he would be in competition with at least 40 other sprinters able to run this time or faster, whereas he is likely to be able to win any race in this country without being fully extended.

Moreover, he has to think of making the most of his opportunities. It would broaden his educational background to spend three years in the States.

But these American scholarships hit at the very foundation of athletics in the countries in which they do their poaching. As Britain's chief coach, Geoff Dyson has already pointed out:

"If you take away the top performers we cannot hope to raise our standards."

The official AAA attitude is that they raise no objection to the US sports scholarships provided the athlete's education will primarily benefit.

One final work for Radford. If he does go to the US he must make it clear that he will be available for Britain in the Rome Olympic Games in 1960. Scottish swimmer Jack Wardrop, in similar circumstances, returned from the US to compete for Britain at Melbourne in 1956.

Australia's Rugby Union team now touring New Zealand beat Taranaki 12-0 at New Plymouth today, scoring all their points in the first half.

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Bowling						
K B Smith	209.3	51	517	53	9.75	
G Frair	87.4	24	237	23	10.30	
ROYTON						

Britain can win six gold medals at Stockholm

IBBOTSON WAS GIVEN A RAW DEAL

ROYTON HARRIERS

All three may compete in last event

WITH school and general holidays in full swing, members of Royton Harriers and Athletic Club at home are trying to train under difficult conditions. With wet terrain and foothold insecure, keeping one's balance (especially in the field events) is a work of art.

It is also a time of change, for with a road race at Stalybridge on September 13 and one at Bradford the following Saturday, different training is required. This places Don Pilkington and Stuart Lowe in between two stools, for both have designs on the senior track and field event championship. And Jim Payne, field events expert, now states he may come back from his holidays to compete in the last championship event.

This will completely alter the position as outlined in these notes last week for Don Pilkington has been quick to point out, "What about Stuart Lowe?" It is true that Stuart, who has been absent from training for a while has enough points to challenge Don seriously, but Jim Payne could pip both if he competes.

Needle finish

If all three compete, it could be a needle finish, with the result in the balance until the final event—which is, of course, ideal. With two keen track men in Stuart and Don, and Jim possessing a more than useful knowledge of track-racing to aid his clear superiority in field events—all three are very good friends and alike in determination—the club will possess a good track and field champion.

If things are quiet for members, the secretary is hard at it preparing the club fixtures, due to be published next month. This year, at the commencement of the cross-country season, the club proposes to be "At Home" to teachers, friends and anyone interested in viewing the facilities offered—on Saturday, September 27.

This is a time for would-be athletes to make up their mind to take the plunge and join a club. Cross-country running is an easy way to begin, and to prepare for stern track struggles, as Pirie, Ibbotson, Eldon, etc., have found out.

Answers To Sports Teasers

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Yes. W. E. Midwinter, Gloucestershire county player, went to Australia as a member of the England team in 1881 and returned in 1884 as a member of the Australian Test team. He is the only man in cricket history who has played in Tests for both countries.

TEASER NUMBER TWO

In 1770, at Chester, although it is doubtful if the stewards of the Jockey Club had any hand in it. Certain people were warned off. "Conway, Nantwich and Holywell courses."

TEASER NUMBER THREE

When Limb rode Fine Wire to victory in a race a few days ago for trainer Ryan Jarvis, he claimed 5lb. allowance to which he was not entitled under the conditions of the race. The horse was subsequently disqualified, but as this did not affect bets, those who backed this loser won their money and those who backed the winner lost.

Storm stops Davis Cup match

Ham Richardson, former Oxford University student, can give the United States a 2-0 lead over Argentina in the American zone final of the Davis Cup at Rye, New York, today.

Richardson led Enrique Morea 6-1, 6-2, 4-5, in the second singles match when a thunderstorm stopped play yesterday. Barry Mackay (US) had earlier beaten Eduardo Soriano, 6-2, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

BRITAIN can win half a dozen gold medals at the European Championships at Stockholm. But for the selectors, Britain would have stood a good chance of winning at least one more—in the 800 metres—and probably a bronze in the 1,500 metres. The reasoning which has excluded Derek Ibbotson from the British team and put Brian Hewson in the 1,500 metres and not the 800 metres, is indeed weird and wonderful.

Frankly, I think Ibbotson has had a raw deal from Britain's athletic bosses. Few men have done more for the sport, and all the thanks he gets is to be ordered around like a naughty schoolboy at the White City on August Bank Holiday Monday.

Team manager Les Truelove said that he ordered Ibbotson to run merely to keep faith with the 45,000 spectators. It sounds fine, but let's look at the situation logically.

After his eclipse in the Empire Games three miles, Ibbotson appreciated what some of us had been saying for some time. This was that he had done too little training and too much racing to be match-fit for top-class class running at this distance, and that he would do better to concentrate on the mile in the immediate future.

RUN, OR ELSE

So at the White City meeting he entered for the Emsley Carr mile. When he gained third place in a slowish, but exciting, race he seemed to have confirmed his place in the 1,500 metres at Stockholm. But for the severe, but accidental, bumping he got from Merv Lincoln when entering the final straight, he might well have won.

Having, as he thought, done his bit by the British team selectors and by the crowd, Ibbotson prepared to sit out Monday's White City events, and run a mile race at Watford that evening.

Then, having barely digested a big lunch, he was ordered to run in the two miles. No wonder that the furious and over-fed Ibbotson finished last.

I agree that athletes should consider the spectators, but equally, officials should consider the athletes. There is too much of this "Run, or else" attitude.

ILLOGICAL

The logic of the whole business is reduced to complete absurdity when you consider that instead of Ibbotson lining up for the 1,500 metres, Britain will have Brian Hewson.

Brian's whole training programme this season has been directed mainly at the half-mile—and pretty successfully. True, he was outrun and outsmarted by Herb Elliott at Cardiff, but gaining second place to wonderboy Elliott is hardly abject failure.

Hewson's earlier 1min. 47.8sec. for the half mile (equivalent to 1min. 47.1sec. for 800 metres) has been beaten this season only by Olympic champion Tom Courtney (America). Hewson could well have won the European 800 metres. And Ibbotson, although lacking the fire of last season, had the strength to gain a place in the 1,500 metres.

When I saw Hewson at Cardiff I told him that he should toughen up by doing more distance work. I hope he can take up the offer of Percy Cerutti, Herb Elliott's coach, to spend some time with him in Australia. The spartan life that Cerutti submits his men to could make Hewson a changed athlete.

HARD WORK

Where, then, are Britain's half a dozen gold medals coming from at Stockholm? Look for the athletes who have been working harder than ever, and I think you will find the successes.

Star man Peter Radford can get into third place in the 100 metres. The competition in this event is so tough that any one of half a dozen competitors could win. My hunch is that German ace Manfred Germer will win. He could complete a brilliant double by winning the 200 metres as well.

Britain's women sprinters have also reaped the reward for hard work, individually through athletes like Madeline Weston, June Paul

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and Heather Young, and collectively through the relay team. I think they can pick up three titles—the 100 metres, 200 metres and the relay.

The rest of Britain's hopes seem to lie mainly with the quarter-milers. Again, Wrighton or Salisbury could win the individual 300-metre title and help in a 4 x 400 metres relay win.

POLAND'S CHANCES

With no Hewson and no world champion Roger Moens (he has had a row with the Belgian authorities), the 800 metres now looks far more open. An inspired burst, such as he revealed in the Olympics, could put Britain's Derek Johnson up in front.

But Johnson has little 800 metres training behind him this year, and my fancy is that the final challenge will be between Makomaski and Kazimielski (Poland), and the Hungarians, Kovacs and Szentgall.

The Czech, Stanislaw Jungwirth, who has returned the fastest 1,500 metres in athletics history, 3min 38.1sec, will be there. Jungwirth's time has not yet been ratified as a world record, but the official world champion, Istvan Rozsavolgyi (Hungary), will also be present. He has recently beaten his own world record with a time of 3min 40.3sec.

Ronnie Delany, Olympic 1,500 metres champion, will carry all Eire's hopes—and they will be considerable. Another who may match Delany in a sprint finish is Dan Waern (Sweden). And Poland, who I think will be a big force in Stockholm, will be represented by the powerful Lewandowski.

I hesitantly forecast a Rozsavolgyi victory, with Kovacs as my next best bet.

DISTANCE EVENTS

In Krzyszowskiak, Poland have the man I rate the best 5,000 metres runner in Europe. But in Stockholm he will compete in the 10,000 metres and the 3,000 metres steeplechase. This gives Poland a strong hand in both these events, especially as in the steeplechase they also have world record-holder, Jerzy Chromik.

Given a cool day I think Britain's Stan Eldon will put up a strong challenge in the 10,000 metres. And Cardiff hero John Merriman, now running with more confidence, should do well. I expect a gallant effort from Gordon Pirie in the 5,000 metres, but he will do well to get a place. If new star Peter Clark is not overawed by the tough competition he can finish high among the leaders.

The marathon could be another triumph for Olympic victor Alain Mimoun (France). Britain's Fred Norris will be in with a good chance, but he has been troubled by stomach upsets.

RUSSIA'S WOMEN

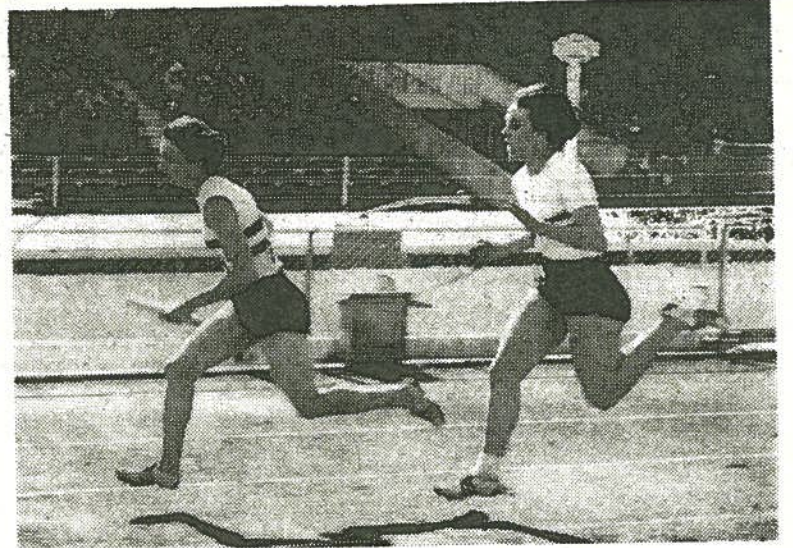
Russia should lead the way in most field events. But with their hammer-throwers not showing top form, Britain's Mike Ellis could sneak in to gain a place.

Russia's women look like being still more dominant in women's track and field events. But Molly Hiscox and Diane Leather can upset the Russian monopolies in both the 400 metres and 800 metres by gaining a bronze medal apiece.

Don't expect too much of Molly Hiscox because of her recent world record 440 yards of 55.6sec. The Russian girl, Itkina, is 13sec. faster. She does not hold the record because the Russians run over 400 metres.

A final word. Competition is going to be tough, really tough, so don't "shoot" expected winners who do not win. And please don't shoot your humble forecaster.

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HEATHER YOUNG (left) taking the baton from JUNE PAUL during a 4 by 100 metres relay race. They will be two of the four girls expected to gain a gold medal for Great Britain in this event at the European Athletic Championships, in Stockholm from August 19 to 24.

STOTT JUST FAILED: ELLIOTT IS BAULKED

THE Clarksfield Conservative Club invitation bowls handicap last Sunday was won by Stan Garthwaite, of Huddersfield. He beat local bowler H. Stott 21-14 in the final. Over 400 spectators were treated to some fine bowling, particularly by Stott in the first round, when he thrashed the well-known Droydsden bowler, W. Worthington, 21-4.

It rained very hard after the second round and the green was flooded. The semi-finals were eventually played under atrocious conditions, with the woods throwing up water, but Stott played magnificently to beat Vernon Lee (Chadderton) 21-9.

Garthwaite and J. Timmins (Oldham) were level at eight, but Garthwaite then ran out 21-8 with a corner-to-corner game.

The green had dried up a little for the final, and Garthwaite jumped into a 7-1 and a 13-3 lead. Stott then gained the jack and had a run of eight. In trying to get a pair to

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draw level, he knocked the jock off the green, and Garthwaite took command to win 21-14.

Second round: E. Raynor 17, J. Timmins 21; H. Stott 21, V. Denham (Huddersfield) 16; W. Dawber (Wigan) 16, V. Lee 21; S. Garthwaite 21, V. Sugden (Huddersfield) 13.

Semi-finals: Stott 21, Lee 9; Garthwaite 21, Timmins 8; Final: Garthwaite 21, Stott 14.

★ ★ ★
FEW British footballers who were not actually with their country's World Cup team missed a minute, if they could help it, of the matches televised from Sweden. They saw some wonderful play, particularly from the Brazilians, who won the tournament.

The question many followers of the game are asking now, with the Football League season just a week away, is: "Will what they saw have any effect on football in this country?"

The president of the Football League, Mr. Joe Richards, recently referred to the challenge of the Continental style of play, as perfected by the Brazilians, to British football. He did not see any reason for copying it.

"I do not think it would be a success in our leagues," he said. "I think it is a question of playing our style of football with determination and the will to win."

★ ★ ★
MR. RICHARDS is probably right. The relentless chase for league points would leave stranded any team who chose to play in an undiluted Continental - cum - Brazilian style, for, sadly, we just have not got the players for it.

But television, so often blamed for the decline in attendances, may have done British soccer a good turn after all. Thousands of soccer-mad schoolboys, among them our future professional players, watched the World Cup series, too.

They will be modelling their game on the brilliant Brazilians, and very soon we may see a renaissance in British soccer, a return to the good old days when British footballers

were masters of their craft, when ball-artists of the Reich Carter, Wilf Mannion, Alex James class dominated the play and were supported by colleagues not far behind them in skill.

★ ★ ★
HERB ELLIOTT, Australia's world record-breaking miler, is affected by a get-tough policy on overseas tours which was announced this week by the Australian AA Union. Mr. Arthur Hodson (secretary) said that Elliott would not be allowed to run in the United States in December because he was not entitled to any extension this year to the 28-day travel and expense rule for amateur athletes.

They would also defer another invitation for Elliott to compete in the United States in April. They would insist in future that other countries repaid visits by Australian athletes. The Union might also frame a rule preventing Australian athletes at American universities from competing for Australia.

"If we agree to Elliott going to America for the Drake relays next year, we shall want an assurance from the American union that it will send athletes to Australia," said Mr. Hodson.

"America and other countries have made big money out of our athletes. We have languished because of the refusal of nations, particularly America, to co-operate with us. We are not going to allow all the traffic to be one-way."

"We are not prepared to accept the excuse of Americans that their athletes are not available for trips to Australia because they are required for indoor competitions."

★ ★ ★
AUSTRALIA may be tempted to "do a Tyson" on England during next winter's Test series. Former Aussie Test star Keith Miller, writing to a friend in England, gives this tip: "Watch the name Gordon Rorke."

According to Miller, Rorke's frightening speed could be as effective against England as was Frank Tyson's bowling against Australia on the last tour. Rorke, who plays for New South Wales, is extremely fast. He's also erratic and that's not a bad thing thinks Miller.

Such England batsmen as Peter May, Colin Cowdrey and Peter Richardson are not likely to agree with him, however. They would welcome any Australian attempt to intimidate them with an erratic speed merchant.

★ ★ ★
TOP professional tennis players like Pancho Gonzales and Lew Hoad can earn fabulous sums in a comparatively short time, but the hard work involved is worth every penny.

That is the opinion of Jack Arkin-stall, an Australian who has played at many Wimbledon, but is now a professional, coaching in Austria.

Arkin-stall has been playing in the Siazenger tournament at Eastbourne this week and he says he finds professional tennis far more exacting than his constant globe-trotting in his amateur days.

He is full of praise, too, for the run-of-the-mill professionals who hold ordinary club coaching positions. "They work five times as hard at the amateurs, and get a lot less money," he says.

WEEKEND TELEVISION

A GIRL descendant of a head-hunting chieftan of Fiji will take part in the second edition—by popular demand—of the BBC's "Black and White Minstrel Show" tonight. She is Carmita, a 22-year-old singer from the South Pacific.

Fiji girl star singer

Therese Burton will be given the job of wallpapering a room in a given time, and Hazel Court will be playing quarts. Michael Medwin, of "The Army Game," will be playing darts.

CONNIE FRANCIS, the "Who's Sorry Now" girl, will be making her British TV debut in the Saturday Spectacular. On the bill with her will be Ronald Shiner, Glyn Owen (who could own to a strong connection with a certain hospital programme) and Earle and Vaughan.

Frankie Howard has had a show written specially for him for the ITV Prince of Wales Theatre production tomorrow. It includes several new sketches and will be Frankie's last engagement before he starts rehearsals for his first musical, "Mr. Venus," which incidentally, is due to open in Manchester next month, prior to a West End run.

With Frankie in sketches will be stage stars Margaret Rutherford (making her first TV appearance for a year) and Michael (Boyd QC) Denison. Sabrina is also billed.

STILL on films for Sunday night drama material, ABC is running "The Concert" in which Barbara Kelly and Bernard Braden co-star.

Roman families had settled there. But they lived under the protection of the legions and when these were withdrawn, the settlers were defenceless against the many invaders who had cast envious eyes on this pleasant land.

From the departure of the legions, Britain faded out of history for 150 years and then the Roman settlers were seen to have disappeared. Mr. Sheriff has tried to reconstruct the life of a typical Roman family during the time that the break-up occurred.

WHETHER it is proper to portray Christ on the cinema screen is a topic for discussion by three speakers in "Meeting Point." They will discuss the way the Bible story was portrayed in such films as "The Ten Commandments," "Samson and Delilah" and "The Robe." There will also be an excerpt from the film "David and Bathsheba."

TABLE TENNIS played in a darkened studio with a luminous ball is one of the attractions in "Can Do" (ABC tonight). The players will be Johnny Leach and Brian Kennedy.

Her great-grandfather was a Spaniard who was wrecked off the island of Bau in the Fiji group, and he married Carmita's great-grandmother, who was a daughter of King Cakabau.

Carmita was first discovered by Gladys Moncrieff, Australia's leading comedy star for many years. Miss Moncrieff advised that Carmita should be sent to New Zealand for voice training and the girl's mother scrubbed floors to raise the necessary money.

At the end of her training as an aria singer, Carmita did an Antipodean tour and created a sensation.

IF you like a play with an unusual setting you could hardly do better than see R. C. Sheriff's "Autumn Sunset" (BBC tomorrow) which plunges far back into history to the times just after the Roman legions had left Britain.

Southern England had been made a pleasant place to live in, and many

Tonight

BBC.

- 6 0: News.
- 6 5: Six-Five Special.
- 6 50: Sport.
- 7 0: Boots and Saddles.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: Charlesworth at Large (serial).
- 8 0: Black and White Minstrel Show.
- 9 0: Dr. Angelus (play).
- 10 30: News.
- 10 45: News Review.
- 11 15: Faraway Look.

ITV.

- 6 0: Holiday Town Parade: Colwyn Bay.
- 6 30: Can Do.
- 7 0: Maverick.
- 8 0: Saturday Spectacular.
- 9 0: Wrestling.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 35: Medic.
- 10 5: Nurse Edith Cavell (film).
- 11 45: Drive In.
- 12 0: Epilogue.

NORTH 434m.

- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: News of the North.
- 6 25: Sports Digest.
- 6 45: Those were the Days.
- 7 30: Prom.
- 8 15: Holiday Playhouse.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: Mediterranean Blue (play).
- 10 45: Lighten Our Darkness.
- 11 0: News.

LIGHT 1,500m., 247m.

- 6 35: Just Jazz.
- 7 0: Radio Newsreel.
- 7 30: Saturday Night on the Light.
- 10 0: Dancing.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 40: Dancing.
- 11 0: Pick of the Pops.
- 11 55: News.

THIRD 464m., 194m.

- 6 15: World of Books.
- 6 45: Record Review.
- 7 25: Vanessa.
- 8 30: The Condor and the Guests (story).
- 8 50: Vanessa.
- 10 0: The Skin Game.
- 10 20: Brahms and Debussy.

LUXEMBURG 208m.

- 7 0: Requests.
- 8 0: Jamboree.
- 9 30: Scottish Requests.
- 10 0: Irish Requests.
- 10 30: Spin with the Stars.
- 11 0: Bringing Christ to the Nations.
- 11 30: Record Round-Up.

AFN 344m.

- 7 0: News. Music in the Air.
- 8 0: News.
- 8 5: Grand Ole Opry.
- 8 30: Ozark Jubilee.
- 8 55: Johnny Lee Wills.
- 9 0: America's Popular Music.
- 9 55: Ebony and Ivory.
- 10 0: Music Views from Hollywood.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 35: Fiesta.
- 11 0: Sports Night Cap.
- 11 5: Club Date.
- 11 30: Late Request Show.
- 12 0: News.
- 12 5: Late Request Show.
- 1 0: News.

BBO.

- 10 45: Open-air Services.
- 1 0: O Sul i Sul.
- 1 5: Cefndir.
- 2 30: I Married Joan.
- 2 55: A Breath of Fresh Air.
- 3 30: A Holiday in August.
- 4 15: Brains Trust.
- 5 0: Children.
- 6 9: Sunday Special.
- 7 0: Meeting Point.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: Harry Belafonte.
- 8 0: The Long Sunset (play).
- 9 30: Così Fan Tutte.
- 10 20: British Art and Artists: Walter Sickert.
- 10 50: News.
- 11 0: Weather; Epilogue.

ABC

- 11 15: Church.
- 3 0: Weather.
- 3 5: The Other Man's Farm.
- 3 35: We'll Smile Again (film).
- 5 0: Noddy.
- 5 15: Hawkeye.
- 5 45: Fare Play.
- 6 5: News.
- 6 15: Sunday Break.



ITA

- 7 0: About Religion.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: African Patrol.
- 8 0: Dial 999.
- 8 30: Prince of Wales.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 35: The Honeymooners.
- 10 5: Playhouse: The Concert.
- 11 5: Look Ahead!
- 11 30: Epilogue.

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: Organ Recital.
- 9 30: Talk.
- 9 45: Service.
- 10 30: These Foolish Things.
- 11 0: Your Concert Choice.
- 12 10: The Critics.
- 12 55: Weather.
- 1 0: News.
- 1 10: Coast and Country.
- 1 40: Singing Stars.
- 2 0: In Your Garden.
- 2 30: Concert.
- 3 45: Favourite Characters.
- 4 15: Ernst Haefliger (tenor).
- 4 30: Talking About the Proms.
- 5 0: Children.
- 5 55: Weather.
- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: Radio Newsreel.
- 6 45: Grand Hotel.
- 7 30: Letter from America.
- 7 45: Service.
- 8 25: Appeal.
- 8 30: Eustace and Hilda.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: Talk.
- 9 30: Chamber Music.
- 10 25: The Legend of Nameless Mountain.
- 10 50: Epilogue.
- 11 0: News.

LIGHT — 1,500m., 247m.

- 9 0: Chapel in the Valley.
- 9 30: Morning Memories.
- 9 45: The Archers.
- 10 30: Songs from the Shows.
- 11 0: As I Roved Out.
- 11 30: People's Service.
- 12 0: Family Favourites.
- 1 15: Billy Cotton.
- 1 45: Meet the Huggetts.
- 2 15: Good Evening, Each.
- 2 45: Movie-Go-Round.
- 3 30: Melody Hour.
- 4 30: Ambrose in Paris.
- 5 0: Down Your Way.
- 6 0: Play It Again!
- 6 30: Just for You.
- 7 0: Does the Team Think?
- 7 30: News.
- 7 35: The Tenth Hour.
- 8 30: Sunday Half-Hour.
- 9 0: Follow the Stars.
- 10 0: Simple Melody.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 40: Pete Murray.
- 11 50: The End of the Day.
- 11 55: News.

THIRD — 464m., 194m.

- 5 0: Corruption in the Palace of Justice (play).
- 7 15: Beethoven.
- 7 50: The Origin of the Etruscans.
- 8 35: Bach.
- 9 45: Poems by John Donne.
- 10 15: Chamber Music.

LUXEMBURG — 208m.

- 7 0: Request.
- 7 45: Mr. and Mrs. Music.
- 8 0: Mario Lanza.
- 8 15: Calling the Stars.
- 8 45: The Duke's Discs.
- 9 15: Sinatra.
- 9 30: Cream of the Pops.
- 10 0: Record Rendezvous.
- 10 30: Humphrey Lyttelton Show.
- 11 0: Top Twenty.

AFN — 344m.

- 7 0: Biography in Sound.
- 7 55: Absentee Voting.
- 8 0: News.
- 8 5: People Are Funny.
- 8 30: CBS Radio Workshop.
- 8 55: World Fair Report.
- 9 0: Howard Barlow.
- 9 30: Playhouse of Favourites.
- 10 0: Mitch Miller.
- 10 30: News and Sports.
- 10 45: Strange.
- 11 0: Portraits in Music.
- 11 45: Who's Your Girl?
- 12 0: midnight: Castle Concert.
- 1 0: News.

Sarong industry in danger

Sarong-making is in danger of becoming a lost art in Malaya, the President of the North Malaya Sarong Industries Association, Mr. Lee Hock Seng, said at Penang.

Mr. Lee said Malayan manufacturers were facing stiff competition from imported Indonesian, Chinese and Japanese sarongs.

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NEWBURY

2 0-POLAR JEST APPRENTICE PLATE 1 mile.
 8 9 CAUGHT OUT byrs ... J Friar 1
 10 DOCTOR TADGH 4yrs ... D Deeping 2
 7 5 MONGOL WARRIOR; 5yrs ... T Dye 3
 Eleven runners: Caught Out, Silver Sovereign, Pardonez Moi, Friend, Tudor Sovereign, Experience II, Perhaps, Mongol Warrior, Buck's Fizz, King Lion, Doctor Tadgh.
 11/8 CAUGHT OUT; 2 Doctor Tadgh, Experience II, Mongol Warrior; 10 Pardonez Moi, Friend, Tudor Sovereign; 100/8 Silver Sovereign; 100/7 Perhaps; 25 others. 3 lengths; 5.
 Total: Win 11/2; places 6/10, 9/10, 17/-.

2 30-YATTENDON PLATE for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 12 TENEUI ... J Purtell 1
 8 12 PURPLE LEGEND ... B Swift 2
 8 9 SOLAR SONG ... E J Cracknell 3
 Twenty-six runners: Stavro, Starliner, Purple Legend, King Magnus, A.B.P., Tai Ming, Li Kin, Hurry By, Teneui, Prime Mover, Tenerville, Nerophe, Solar Song, Planetta, Bridge of Clyde, Lord Chief, My Alladdin, The Finn, Rocky Coast, Fireguard, Propane, Tritonia, Temerity, Popsy, Sheesmine, Donna Camillo.
 15/8 Purple Legend; 4 Stavro; 7 King Magnus; 8 TENEUI, Solar Song; 100/9 Planetta; 100/7 Hurry By, Prime Mover, Sheesmine; 100/5 Nerophe; 20 Popsy; 33 others. 3 lengths; same.
 Total: Win 11/17/8; places 11/4, 7/2, 9/4.

3 0-OXFORDSHIRE STAKES for three-year-olds. 1 mile, 5 furlongs and 60 yards.
 8 9 OWEN GLENDOWER ... G Lewis 1
 8 9 ROYAL HIGHWAY ... W Rickaby 2
 8 9 ALL SERENE ... A Bressley 3
 Four runners: All Serene, Royal Highway, Owen Glendower, Chinese Sun.
 13/8 OWEN GLENDOWER; 7/4 Royal Highway; 100/30 All Serene; 100/9 Chinese Sun. 1 1/2 lengths; 5.
 Total: Win 10/8; forecast 11/0/10.

3 30-WASHINGTON SINGER STAKES for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 5 DEAR GAZELLE ... W H Carr 1
 9 2 KINDLING CHIPS ... A Bressley 2
 8 13 SWISS ROAD ... E Mercer 3
 Seven runners: Kindling Chips, Swiss Road, King's Courier, Smoke Haze, Court Ruler, Dear Gazelle, Orphan.
 9/4 DEAR GAZELLE; 5 Swiss Road; 4 Orphan; 5 Kindling Chips; 9 Court Ruler; 100/8 Smoke Haze; 3 lengths; 3.
 Total: Win 10/8; places 7/2, 9/10; dual forecast 11/7/8.

4 0-ABINGDON HANDICAP for three-year-olds. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 5 DECEIVER ... G Lewis 1
 8 4 PHILODENDRON ... E Mercer 2
 8 4 PINK PARROT ... F Barlow 3
 Seven runners: Crystal Bay, Deceiver, Philodendron, Pink Parrot, Drover's Way, Quentin Durward, Badmash.
 9/4 DECEIVER; 5 Pink Parrot, Quentin Durward, Crystal Bay; 6 Drover's Way; 8 Philodendron; 100/7 Badmash. Short head; 3 lengths.

'A' TEAM FALL BEHIND IN THE SWINTON GAME

BOTH Swinton "A" and Oldham "A" fielded trialist wingers for today's game at Swinton. Only five minutes had elapsed before Swinton took the lead. Scrum-half STOP-FORD broke away and ran through Oldham's defence before scoring. ROBSON added the goal point.

Oldham "A" had hardly got over the shock of this when BERRY intercepted a pass and raced 40 yards before scoring. ROBSON kicked the goal and shortly afterwards landed a penalty goal.

Oldham "A" fought back hard, Stirrup especially trying to rally his team but lack of finish let the Watersheddings side down.

Just before the interval ROBSON kicked his fourth goal to give Swinton "A" a good lead.

Half-time:—
 Swinton "A" 4 2—14
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Rogers, Oldham's loose forward, was brought down inches from the Swinton line immediately on the resumption. This was only a "flash-in-the-pan" however, for afterwards the Swinton side got into gear again and were constantly worrying the Oldham "A" defence.

Swinton "A" 6 5—27
 Oldham "A" 1 1—5
 Swinton "A", ROBSON goal.

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2 0-HOLIDAY PLATE for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 8 9 CHARMED LIFE P Robinson 1
 8 4 KESTIVEN D Smith 2
 8 1 MATURRU J Mercer 3
 Ten runners: Charmed Life, Kestiven, Decoy, Mazaner, Maturru, Heddon Girl, Starfax, Herdswick, Gay Madonna, Star Chamber.
 9/4 CHARMED LIFE; 10 Decoy, Maturru; 100/9 Heddon Girl; 20 Star Chamber; 25 others. Short head; 1 1/2 lengths. An objection to the winner was overruled.
 Total: Win 16/8; places 5/8, 4/10, 8/6.

2 30-PADDOCK SELLING PLATE for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 6 SHANNON RIPPLE F Durr 1
 8 6 LOCAL R Reader 2
 8 6 MISS WITTS D Forte 3
 Four runners: Staton, Miss Wiggs, Local, Shannon Ripple.
 11/8 SHANNON RIPPLE; 6/4 Local; 7/2 Miss Wiggs; 100/8 Staton. 3 lengths; same.
 Total: Win 6/8; forecast 13/-.

3 0-AYLESTON STAKES. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 7 DALNAMEIN 3yrs D Smith 1
 8 4 SURPASS 4yrs E Smith 2
 8 0 BONNIE BRACKEN 5yrs ... D Forte 3
 Four runners: Bonnie Bracken, Dalnamein, Surpass, Cauliflower.
 7/100 DALNAMEIN; 100/7 Surpass; 25 Bonnie Bracken; 33 Cauliflower. 6 lengths; 3.
 Total: Win 4/4; forecast 7/-.

3 30-MIDLAND HANDICAP PLATE. 6 furlongs.
 7 4 PRAIRIE MAIDEN 5yrs ... T Carter 1
 7 5 LINE SHOOTER 4yrs ... J Lynch 2
 7 3 RED KING 4yrs T Lappin 3
 Six runners: Our Rosie, Line Shooter, Prairie Maiden, Red King, Silver Wish, Suburb.
 13/8 Our Rosie; 3 PRAIRIE MAIDEN; 100/30 Line Shooter; 5 Red King; 100/6 Silver Wish; 33 Suburb. 3 lengths; same.
 Total: Win 14/2; places 8/-, 12/4; forecast 13/4/8.

4 0-FUGBY PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 mile.
 8 9 BRIEFED D Smith 1
 8 8 KIAURA P Tulk 2
 8 8 BEN GETS BUSY E Smith 3
 Six runners: Briefed, Double Leaf, Dreadnought, Amalia, Kiaura, Ben Gets Busy.
 15/4 BRIEFED, Amalia; 7/2 Ben Gets Busy; 4 Dreadnought; 9 Double Leaf; 10 Kiaura. Head; 1 length.

4 30-OAKHAM HANDICAP PLATE. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 6 BUCAMA 3yrs E Smith 1
 7 13 CALEDONIAN MARKET 4yrs P Robinson 2
 8 12 FIRST FOLLY 3yrs R Fawdon 3
 Five runners: Caernarvon, First Folly, Bucama, Caledonian Market, Romance of the Abbot.
 Betting: 11/8 (fav.), 4/1, 7/2.

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2 30-MANDALE SELLING PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 mile 1 furlong.
 7 6 FERNCLIFFE J Sims 1
 8 1 NEON LIGHT B Connorton 2
 7 3 NICOLAOT P Foyall 3
 Six runners: Langton Belle, Candy, Neon Light, Ferncliffe, My Sally, Nicolat.
 6/4 Neon Light; 3 Candy; 4 FERNCLIFFE; 11/2 My Sally; 100/7 Langton Belle; 33 Nicolat. 3 lengths; 5.
 Total: Win 15/8; places 6/8, 6/6; forecast 12/0/8.

3 0-LAMBTON STAKES for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 12 YGA E Hide 1
 8 7 GLADHOUSE G Littlewood 2
 8 7 GAY ROCK A J Russell 3
 Nine runners: Madam Alice, Yga, Tehrani, Royal Visit, Gazeaway, Boston Girl, Big Girl, Gladhouse, Gay Rock.
 6/4 Madam Alice; 13/8 Gladhouse; 100/30 YGA; 25 others. Neck; 6 lengths.
 Total: Win 11/4; places 5/-, 6/4, 15/8; dual forecast 17/6.

3 30-MIDDLEBROUGH HANDICAP for three-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 7 5 VANDOULAY L C Parkes 1
 8 0 GOLDEN MONARCH E Hide 2
 7 10 ROCK BAR A Clayton 3
 Seven runners: Tingle, Golden Monarch, Sufi, Rock Bar, Vandoulay, Lovely View, Nereid.
 3 VANDOULAY; 100/30 Tingle, Sufi; 7/2 Golden Monarch; 10 Rock Bar; 33 others. 2 lengths; head.
 Total: Win 11/-; places 7/-, 11/2; dual forecast 11/0/0.

4 0-STOCKTON SUMMER HANDICAP. 1 1/2 miles.
 7 7 RESURGE 4yrs B Henry 1
 7 13 BURLINGTON BERTIE B Connorton 2
 7 12 DUTTON 5yrs B Mooney 3
 Eight runners: Clarendon Boy, Burlington Bertie, Dutton, Wild Times, Resurge, Spotless, Best Intentions, Poet's Crown.
 5/2 Best Intentions; 4 RESURGE; Burlington Bertie; 7 Poet's Crown; 8 Dutton; 100/8 Clarendon Boy, Wild Times; 33 Spotless. 5 lengths; 1.

4 30-WYNARD STAKES for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 9 3 SIGNAL BOY P Boothman 1
 8 6 ANNE OF HOLLINS E Hide 2
 7 13 ABERGWILI G Littlewood 3
 Five runners: Signal Boy, Anne of Hollins, Synnford Lad, Flodden's Flickie, Abergwili.
 Betting: 9/2; 30/100 (fav.), 7/1.

5 0-ZETLAND PLATE. 1 1/2 miles.
 Five runners: Theory, Vigla, Kif Kit, Mozle Law, Fluck Regal.

Hornets tenacity

HORNETS ran into bad luck for their opening League game at Castleford. Chisnall having pulled a muscle in practice. This caused Dan Smith to be called in as out-half.

CASTLEFORD: Lunn; East, Sheridan, Burton, Battye; Walsh, Evans; Hirst, Corban, K. Pye, Howard, Wright, Tomkinson.

HORNETS: Cahill; Buxton, Short, Jones, Ralph; Smith, Fishwick; Scholes, Dagnall, Haason, Parsons, Bailey, Parr. Referee: Mr. D. T. H. Davies (Manchester).

Castleford had the help of a strong wind and within two minutes this aided LUNN in kicking a penalty goal from 35 yards.

He kicked another fine goal three minutes later and the home side were four points up before the small crowd had seen a passing movement.

When Hornets moved into the home half Pye snatched the ball from Fishwick and put Buxton on the run, but there was a three-man barrier.

Jones hit an upright with a good effort from a penalty award. Frequent infringements made play scrappy and Jones was wide with another goal kick.

Lunn's hat trick

Mishandling by Fishwick twice broke down movements and when Castleford went into the Hornets' half again, LUNN landed his third penalty goal with a kick which went in off an upright.

Ralph was brought into the game after 15 minutes but it was to cover a long kick. Lunn scrambled the ball away from Buxton and Jones as they chased Short's kick.

One of the best efforts followed a run by Jones, but when the ball had gone to the left and Ralph had crossed, the referee ruled a forward pass.

First encouragement for Hornets came when SHORT intercepted a passing movement and shot away on a 25-yard run for a try which JONES scored.

Smart passing by the Castleford backs pushed Hornets back and again this brief raid meant two more points, LUNN putting over a fourth goal.

There was a scare as Buxton was tackled over his own line after chasing back to gather a kick, and Les Jones went down to an ankle tackle before Hanson wasted a fine chance with a poor pass to Short.

A fifth goal to LUNN resulted from the next home raid. PARSONS scored a try from Dagnall's play-the-ball.

Half-time:—
 CASTLEFORD 5 0—10
 HORNETS 1 2—8

Play was scrappy and mainly in midfield but there was more fire in the work of the Castleford backs.

Fishwick could not find close support in a lineside break but Hornets went ahead by one point when Ralph took a pass from Fishwick at the scrum and gave to SMITH, who scored, Jones again hitting the upright with the goal-kick.

Another rousing attack saw half a dozen players handle from 25 line to 25 line.

Ralph was roughly handled and had to receive trainer's attention just before Bailey pushed forward a raid in which Short and then Hanson were grounded a few yards from the home line.

Offside eventually forced back this strong attack.

Ralph held

Playing more enterprising rugby, Hornets tried hard to extend their slender lead and for a third time Jones hit the upright in kicking at goal. Next he was wide from straight in front.

FINE OPENING PARTNERSHIP BY ROCHDALE

WEAKENED by holiday calls, Rochdale, after winning the toss, opened with their two Indians, professional Dattu Phadkar and amateur Kal Mitter at Oldham. After half an hour, Oldham's opening attack of Geoff Fletcher and Lal Vohra had made no impression on the new combination.

Mitter was the more aggressive at the start, pushing the score along with fluent offside shots. He took a three to mid-off off Vohra's bowling and then drove Fletcher for the first boundary through extra cover.

Then Phadkar caught up to his partner when he edged Fletcher through the slips for four but in the same over, with the score 19, he almost got an edge when he swung outside the off-stick at Fletcher—but the confident appeal for a catch behind was turned down.

Final:
 CASTLEFORD 6 1—15
 HORNETS 1 4—14
 Late scorers: LUNN goal, BATTYE try for Castleford.
 Attendance: 2,000 (approx.).

Spin twins

Oldham's spin twins Cec Pepper and Bill Lawton came into the attack but they could not get any response from the sodden-wicket and the Rochdale pair continued collecting runs steadily.

They put the 50 up at almost a run-a-minute; the rate would have been pepped up but for the sluggish outfield.

With his score at 33, Phadkar was nearly out when Frank Molyneux made a valiant attempt to take a hard catch in the gully off Pepper's bowling. He got one hand to the ball but could not hold on.

It was now a race between the two Indians for their personal fifties. Mitter got to 46 with another delightful cover drive for four and then Phadkar reached 49 with a four and a single off Pepper. Mitter added another run to his score but then Phadkar won the race with a single to the deep mid-on boundary.

Fast bowler Alcock had a successful day, taking three important wickets early on, those of Meynell, Borde and Langton.

Opening batsman Meynell had a six and a four in his total of 25, gained in an enterprising innings lasting a little over half-an-hour. After he was bowled, no Werneth batsman came along who could treat the bowling forcefully, and the Radcliffe attack slowly took the initiative.

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HEYWOOD'S RECOVERY AT THE PADDOCK

YOUNG Trevor Turner, 21 last week, got his first chance to field for Royton against Heywood at The Paddock. John Cleary had not returned from holiday.

Opening batsmen Barry Lee and Sydney Smith took a long time to hit even the loose ball from Donald Longbottom and Royton professional Eric Denison. When they did, Heywood lost two quick wickets.

First, Lee was stumped by wicketkeeper Tombs before he reached the batsmen's wicket after a call from Smith. Then Brian Hopkinson scooped Denison to silly mid-on after scoring five.

Fish sent in fast for Denison to take the balls off before he could reach the bowler's end.

Then Heywood's hit-out policy began to pay off. Gordon Hazel joined Smith and helped himself to 21 runs in 15 minutes, including two successive fours off Longbottom.

Man, 83, collapsed

An 83-year-old club collector, Mr. Harry Kennedy, of Garforth Street, Chadderton, collapsed at a house in Library Lane, Oldham, this afternoon and was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary.

After falling off a motor-cycle, 17-year-old George Bryson, of Elm Road, Oldham, was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary this afternoon suffering from abrasions to his left leg and right arm. The accident occurred in Hollins Road.

FINAL SCORES

BLUES 6, REDS 2. (Late scorer, Bazley for Reds).
 RUGBY LEAGUE
 Barrow 25, Bramley 4.
 Dewsbury 22, Swinton 32.
 Featherstone 16, Wakefield T 44.
 Hull 52, Doncaster 6.
 Keighley 22, Hull KR 14.
 Leigh 20, Workington T 15.
 Liverpool C 9, Batley 14.
 Salford 13, Bradford N. 15.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP

Whitehaven 51, York 12
 Widnes 25, St. Helens 16.
 Wigan 13, Hunslet 13.
 ABERDEEN 5, Falkirk 1.
 Airdrie 2, Clyde 3.
 Arbroath 6, Dumbarton 3
 Ayr 4, Forfar 0
 Celtic 3, St. Mirren 0.
 Dundee United 1, Morton 4.
 Dunfermline 4, Brechin 1.

East Stirling 1, Stranraer 2.
 Glentoran 2, Derby 2.
 Hibernian 0, Kilmarnock 3
 Montrose 2, Hamilton 3.
 Motherwell 2, Partick Thistle 5
 Stenhousemuir 0, Berwick 1
 St. Johnstone 1, Cowdenbeath 2.
 Raith 1, Hearts 3
 Rangers 2, Third Lanark 2
 Queen of South 1, Dundee 0
 Queen's Park 5, Alloa 2.

NOTTS 207—5. M Hill n.o. 58.
 Goosenesena run out 4, Harvey n.o. 7.
 LANCOS 178—5. Marner c Booth b Aldridge 44, Grieves n.o. 6, Wilson n.o. 2.
 DERBY 45—3. Hamer n.o. 24, Morgan b Illingworth 0, Carr n.o. 2.
 MIDDLESEX 197 all.
 ESSEX 173—5.

KENT 142—5
 GLOUCESTER 195—7
 GLAMORGAN 163—6
 SOMERSET 183—7
 Rochdale 173—1. Phadkar 100 n.o. Littleborough 41 all; Ashton 4—0 Werneth 82—4
 Heywood (v Royton) 97—4
 Castleton Moor 105—5.
 Milnrow 54 all, Middleton 12—0
 NEWBURY 4 30. Result: Silver Robert (D Keith) 1, Magic Boy (D Greening) 2.