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OLDHAM	3	2-12
ST. HELENS	1	0-2
ROCHDALE	1	
NEWPORT	1	
HORNETS	2	2-10
LEIGH	1	1-5

DIVISION I

Aston Villa 2, Bolton 1.
Blackburn 4, Arsenal 2
Blackpool 1, Everton 1
Chelsea 5, Leicester 2
Manchester Utd. 1, West Brom 2
Newcastle 4, Manchester City 1
Notts Forest 0, Preston NE 1
Tottenham Hotspur 2, Leeds 3
West Ham 1, Burnley 0
Wolverhampton 3, Birmingham 1

DIVISION II

Barnsley 3, Ipswich 0
Brighton 2, Leyton Orient 2
Cardiff 2, Stoke 1
Grimsby 1, Scunthorpe 1
Huddersfield 3, Swansea 2
Middlesbrough 2, Fulham 3
Rotherham 3, Bristol Rovers 3
Sheffield Utd. 1, Derby 2

DIVISION III

Bournemouth 4, Bradford City 0
Chesterfield 2, Doncaster 0
Colchester 1, Hull 3

DIVISION IV

Bradford 2, Gillingham 0.
Northampton 3, Shrewsbury 3.
Southport 2, Millwall 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Cup Final)

Hearts 5, Partick Thistle 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Division 1)

Aberdeen 5, Falkirk 0
Celtic 3, Third Lanark 1.
Hibernian 2, Airdrie 3.
Raith 1, Kilmarnock 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Division II)

Albion 4, Brechin 3
Arbroath 3, East Fife 2.
Ayr 6, Alloa 2.
East Stirling 1, St. Johnstone 0.
Montrose 4, Hamilton 0
Stranraer 2, Dumbarton 3
Stenhousemuir 5, Morton 1

RUGBY LEAGUE

Barrow 26, Dewsbury 7
Batley 11, Featherstone E. 14.
Bradford Nth 17, Hull KE 20
Castleford 10, Blackpool B 8
Halifax 39, Doncaster 5
Hull 30, Huddersfield 7
Leeds 17, Wigan 8
Warrington 26, York 17
Wakefield Trinity 39, Workington 12
Whitehaven 19, Salford 10
Widnes 11, Keighley 14

RUGBY UNION

Cheshire 3, Durham 9
Gloucestershire 6, Somerset 13
Northumberland 12, Cumberland and Westmorland 9.

Amateur International

England 2, South Africa 2

St. Helens failed to break the sequence

OLDHAM will again bring home the Lancashire Cup tonight. At Swinton this afternoon, a try by Alan Davies started Oldham on the victory path against the eager St. Helens side, which, unfortunately, had to carry a "passenger" after McKinney was hurt.

OLDHAM: Ganley; Cracknell Davies, Noon, Eddy; Kellett, Pitchford; Rowbottom, Keith, Jackson, Winslade, McKeown, Turner.

ST. HELENS: Fearis; Van Vollenhoven, Greenall, Large, Carlton; Howard, Murphy; Terry, McKinney, Brown Briggs, Delves, Karalius.

Referee: Mr. R. Gelder (Wakefield).

OLDHAM were forced to make a shock change for their Lancashire Cup final tie with St. Helens at Swinton. Second-row forward Roger Duff reported a throat infection and was replaced by Des McKeown. Ron Rowbottom came into the team on the open side of the front row and Ken Jackson moved over to the blind side. St. Helens were as selected.

St. Helens were the first in action. A Ganley kick went to Carlton and a second later Oldham were penalised for off-side. Then the Saints lost the ball for Ganley to try a drop-kick. It went too far,



ALAN DAVIES—he scored the first try.

kick he took the ball and put in a high return. It beat Ganley and bounced back to Fearis—but he had one foot in touch.

Still piling on the pressure, Murphy tried to drop-kick a goal for St. Helens, but the ball went wide.

A Fearis mistake gave Oldham their first try in the 35th minute. Winslade broke through, moved to the right wing and turned the ball inside for DAVIES to go over. GANLEY kicked the goal.

Half-time:—

OLDHAM	2	1-7
ST. HELENS	1	0-2

What a first half! It had been packed with incidents, with St. Helens doing most of the attacking, despite carrying their hooker, McKinney, as a passenger. Delves had taken the ball 13-6 from the scrum.

Vollenhoven was soon flying up the wing on the resumption. St. Helens won a scrum in Oldham's quarter and Greenall sent the winger away. He looked impressive but a copybook tackle by Kellett sent him hurtling into touch just inside Oldham's half.

Oldham replied with a run down the left. Noon sent Eddy racing away but the winger was forced into touch outside the St. Helens "25."

Saints shocked

Pitchford gave St. Helens a shock when he intercepted a pass 20 yards from the line. The defence had to move fast to bring him down.

In the 46th minute St. Helens were penalised for off-side, 40 yards out. From near touch Ganley sent the ball just wide of the posts.

From the "25" yard line Vollenhoven got away again. Noon brought him down first time, but the referee had already blown for a forward pass from Greenall.

More action from Oldham followed. Pitchford broke away on the left and sent the ball out to Noon. Eddy was brought into the play but he was crashed into touch five yards out.

Oldham lost the advantage a minute later when Rowbottom was cautioned following an incident with urphy. Fearis found touch on the halfway line.

There was more trouble for Oldham when Keith was penalised for feet-up. With this advantage, St. Helens moved into Oldham's half.

Oldham got some relief when Karalius lost the ball but they were in trouble again following a scrum. Oldham were penalised and it looked an easy kick at goal for Fearis, but he sent the ball wide.

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UNITED IN POOR FORM

MANCHESTER UNITED'S forwards failed to take their chances when they were on top at the start, but Albion's defence improved with Setters and Barlow doing excellent things under pressure.

After 39 minutes, West Bromwich deservedly took the lead, ROBSON finding the net after a movement on the left wing had been beaten out by goalkeeper Gregg, and a header by Kevan kicked off the goal line by full-back Greaves. Half-time: United 0, WBA 1.

Right from the restart, with West Brom forward playing the ball, Burnside was unlucky to have a shot put over the bar by Gregg.

United now had Violet a passenger on the right wing. Following two corners, taken by Quixall, United drew level when GOODWIN headed home after 55 minutes. Then the game sprang into life with United doing somewhat better.

But Charlton seemed to be having his worst game ever.

Goal in six seconds

Mundy, the Aldershot inside-right, put his side in the lead within six seconds of the League Four game at Hartlepool today.

Not a Hartlepool player touched the ball.



MEET THE ALL-ROUNDER

He's quite a lad—equally at home as jerseyed footballer or rugger man, grasping a cue or wielding a racket. You'll see him on the badminton court and in the hockey field, throwing a nifty dart, and scooping a celluloid ball over the table-net. We know; we supplied his equipment, and he wants the best!

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DIVISION II

Bristol City 4, Sunderland 1.

Charlton 3, Lincoln 2.

Liverpool 3, Sheffield W. 2.

DIVISION III

Bury 3, Accrington 1.

Norwich 2, Wrexham 2.

Reading 3, Brentford 1.

Stockport 2, Swindon 0

Southead 1, Southampton 1

Tranmere 2, Mansfield 2

Plymouth 3, Notts County 0

Queen's Park Rangers 3, Halifax 1

DIVISION IV

Crystal Palace 2, Barrow 2

Crewe 2, Darlington 1.

Hartlepool 0, Aldershot 3.

Port Vale 1, Carlisle 1.

Torquay 1, Walsall 2.

Watford 5, Gateshead 1

York 0, Exeter 2.

Workington 2, Coventry 2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. I)

Motherwell 1, Clyde 0.

Queen of South 2, Dunfermline 3

St. Mirren 2, Dundee 2.

Stirling Albion 2, Rangers 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. II)

Cowdenbeath 1, Forfar 2

Dundee United 4, Berwick 1.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Cornwall 18, Devon 9

OTHER MATCHES

Windsor United 6, Mossley 2.

Manchester Amateur Cup, first round: Bardsley 1, Abbey Hey 2.

Oldham District Union League

Platt Bros. 3, St. Anne's 6.

Townfield 1, Chadderton 8.

St. Mary's 10, Chadwick's 0

WHO IS GOLFER OF THE YEAR?

GOLF writers will be hard put to decide who has achieved the most for British golf in the eventful season now drawing to a close. But decide they must, for soon they have to award their "Golfer of the Year" trophy.

The trophy can be presented to a team or an individual (either player or administrator) and is held at the moment by Dai Rees who, as captain, led Great Britain and Ireland to the brilliant Ryder Cup victory at Lindrick.

MR. NORMAN SELWAY, the chairman of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club championship committee, would certainly be a worthy recipient. This great administrator has infused a refreshing new spirit into the governing club in the game.

His new-look amateur championship, with its seeding and its stroke-qualifying tests proved a big success.

And, of course, it was his immediate support for the American idea, and the wholehearted manner in which he carried out his duties, which made the first Amateur World Team Championship at St. Andrews recently the greatest amateur "show" of all time.

Britain's Curtis Cup women again merit the honour for being the first side to retain the cup in America.

AND then there is Peter Alliss, that enigma of British golf. Just when he seemed to have slumped into mediocrity and the public were beginning to forget, he has won the Italian and Spanish open championships inside three weeks, in each case by a margin of ten strokes.

In nine British tournaments this season he averaged 72.24 strokes a round and finished behind eight rivals in the final Order of Merit.

Yet in Madrid, on a 6,000 yards course which was certainly not his line of country, he beat 70 three times and finished with a smashing 62 to spread-eagle the field.

Perhaps Alliss spends too much time at home. He should venture overseas more often and turn his eyes to the West. A few months this winter in the United States might put Alliss where he always ought to have been—at the top of British professional golf.



MIDLANDER IS WELL FANCIED BUT THERE'S A speedy outsider can beat big Cambridge field

DESPITE the furore for Aggressor, I am opposing him for next Wednesday's big race, the Cambridgeshire at Newmarket, writes The Ringer. I think he has a little too much weight this time.

My fancies are Midlander, now at the top of his form, and one of the fastest horses in training in Radioppe. Both, strange to relate, are on the 7st. 11lb. mark which is all to their benefit.

Midlander has two successive wins and a second for his last three races and Radioppe claims two seconds and a win. Which is certainly consistency in form.

Another we cannot leave out of calculations is Carbon Copy, which did not race until he was a three-year-old this season, and has already won four of his six races.

At Ripon he beat Midlander a length, Carbon Copy receiving 7lb., but he now has to give 10lb. and it should be Midlander's turn this time.

Carbon Copy, which was well-backed at a recent call-over on the Cambridgeshire, is a half-brother of the Cesarewitch winner, Morecambe. It would certainly be most unusual if two half-brothers should win big handicaps within a fortnight. Perhaps the stock of the dam, Clara Barton, have inherited some liking for the Newmarket course, for it was there that she gained her last and most profitable success, easily winning the final three-year-old Handicap over the last two miles of the Cesarewitch course in 1951.

I find it difficult to split the pair, but now I decide to support Radioppe but give Midlander and Carbon Copy good places behind A. Smyth's fast mover.

Radioppe's form will bear close inspection. The filly ran Lineshooter to a head over six furlongs when giving 23lb. in September and in August, carrying 9.4, she won a mile race from Puffin (7-3) which next time out was also a winner over the mile distance.

Radioppe's speed and stamina should be turned to good effect by her jockey. S. Clayton, who, as his Doncaster hat-trick showed, is on top of his form.

There will be no flat racing on Monday, but there should be plenty of runners and interesting racing

at both Nottingham and Wye which put on jumping meetings, as a prelude to Cambridgeshire week.

P. V. F. Cazalet, whose horses are running into form earlier than usual, runs three horses at Nottingham and could easily win with two of them. They are Ballycastle in the Ruddington Handicap Chase and Zucarelli in the Plodders' Chase. Both will be ridden by A. Freeman.

Ballycastle has had the benefit of a recent race which many of his rivals have not had, and he seems reasonably well weighted in Monday's race on his best form last season.

Next week's flat racing.—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: Newmarket. Saturday: Kempton Park. There will be National Hunt racing at Nottingham and Wye (Monday), Nottingham (Tuesday), Ludlow (Wednesday and Thursday), Catterick Bridge, Stratford-on-Avon and Taunton.



By THE STUDENT

YOU might be able to win a few bets on the first teaser. Score two points each for numbers one and two and one for number three. Four is a good score.

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Number Four on the official racecard won the race. There was no objection lodged and no disqualification, nor was there a dead-heat, yet the bookies paid out on Number One and the Tote paid out—win only—on Number One and Number Four. Why?

TEASER NUMBER TWO

Which present-day international FORWARD has played in GOAL in each of the last three games against the same league club?

TEASER NUMBER THREE

Which player holds the record for the highest number of goals scored for England at soccer?

Answers on Page 11.

BRIDGE QUIZ

YOU are West; love all; dealer East.

♠ AKJ109 N ♠ 632
♥ KJ94 W E ♥ Q10
♦ J9 S ♦ AQ64
♣ 102 ♣ AK84

Against silent opposition West reached a contract of four spades after East had opened with one diamond.

Three no-trumps may look a better contract at first glance but against club leads it might be impossible to make.

North led the five of diamonds. How should West plan the play?

My solution: The temptation to take the diamond finesse should be resisted. The ace of diamonds should be followed by the ace and king of spades.

If the adverse trumps are divided three and two and the queen has not fallen, the obvious three tricks are conceded.

It might well be that this play loses two tricks, for North might have the king of diamonds and South the queen of spades, but West's is the safest method.

Here is the full deal:—

♠ 74
♥ 853
♦ 5
♣ QJ97653
♠ AKJ109 N ♠ 632
♥ KJ94 W E ♥ Q10
♦ J9 S ♦ AQ64
♣ 102 ♣ AK84
♠ Q85
♥ A762
♦ K108732
♣ —

Taking the diamond finesse at Trick 1 allows South to make the king of diamonds and then defeat the contract by leading the two of diamonds.

North trumps and leads a club. It is doubtful if West would ever recover.

Green nets caught more herrings

Trawlers of the Latvian herring fleet in the North Atlantic have doubled their catches after painting their nets green, reported Tass today. Previously the nets were blue.

Angling Notes

By KB

CATCHING LOB-WORMS

HAVE you ever been lob-worming? Not only is it a way of getting one of the best baits, but it is an extremely amusing occupation. Requisites for the job are a lawn, a dark damp night, two quick hands and a torch.

On damp nights the big lob-worms creep partly out of their holes and rest with half their bodies on the surface and half down the hole. At the slightest provoca-

Quick hands on dark, damp night

tion they shoot backwards down the hole, and if you think worms are slow, just try catching one between two fingers.

The knack is to place the left hand on the part of the worm nearest to the hole and press gently. This prevents the worm going back down the hole. Still holding this position, the visible part of the worm must be gripped firmly in the right hand and pulled from the hole.

ONE night this week two Chadderton Anglers captured over 200 worms in about half an hour by this method. Quite a profitable time, considering that lob-worms are advertised in some angling books at 10s. a 100.

THE Central Pike Club enjoyed perfect sunny weather last Sunday, and if no fish had been caught, the glorious autumn day would itself have afforded much satisfaction. Fish, however, were caught in abundance.

Mr. J. Johnson, for instance, had 9lb. of small roach and two pike. Plenty of small pike were caught over 14—and one of Mr. Johnson's, a pike of 5½lb., was the best of the day.

Next week the club will be fishing at Kirkstead, Martin Delph, Tattersall and Chapel Hill. Entries should be sent to Mr. N. Whitworth, 3 Stottfield, Royton.

Chadderton Angling Club will visit Leven Canal, East Yorkshire, tomorrow. There are still a few vacancies and entries may be

given to the secretary, Mr. J. R. Goodwin, 117 Cowhill, Chadderton.

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THE East Yorkshire area is a district rarely fished by local clubs, yet on examination of a map, there appears to be any amount of good fishing spots.

The Leven Canal is a disused stretch of about two miles, joining the village of Leven with the River Hull. The canal is badly overgrown in parts, but the clear spots boast a good mixture of coarse fish and pike.

The River Hull nearby can be fished free by holders of a Hull and East Yorkshire River Board Licence. It holds plenty of coarse fish, including good dace, chub and pike—also trout in the higher stretches.

Around the villages of Leven and Brandesburton are over 30 ponds, some a ¼-mile long, and here again some decent fishing is to be found. A recent capture in one of these ponds was a perch of 3½lb.

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THE Rochdale Road Pike Club visited Tattersall last Sunday and they, too, enjoyed another successful day. Mr. J. Willerton caught four pike, along with several roach and perch. The best catch of the day was by Mr. J. Cartledge, who landed a pike of 9lb.

Tomorrow the club hope to visit a new venue, famed for its excellent pike fishing—names to Mr. T. Scarisbrick, 121 Rochdale Road, Oldham. The coach will leave the Trap Inn at 4 a.m. and travel by Gibraltar Street, Cross Street, Chadderton Town Hall, Werneth Fire Station, Chapel Road, Falls-

Chance to prove Halimi is not good enough

PETER KEENAN, whose time as a world boxing title contender is running out, gave his opinion last week that the bantam-weight champion, Alphonse Halimi (France) is the worst title holder he has ever seen.

It sounds like fighting talk—and Keenan gets his chance to prove his words, or eat them, when he meets Halimi in an overweight match at 8st. 8lb. in Paris, on November 17.

Why does the 30-year-old Glasgow man, Britain's best champion, take on Halimi on his own home ground, in front of his own partisan crowd, and not even for the title he has coveted since his first professional fight ten years ago?

Simply because here is Keenan's chance to prove he is worth a title fight with Halimi, and because if he

beats him this time, the Frenchman may be prevailed-upon to give him a second chance, if only to put the record straight.

Carson stopped him

There are a great many people in Britain who would readily agree with Keenan's assessment of Halimi's worth. The world champion made one appearance in London, soon after winning his title, when he met Jimmy Carson (Belfast) in June last year. To say that Halimi was unimpressive would not be overstating the case.

Carson, whose previous record included defeats by some quite ordinary British bantams, certainly had greatness thrust upon him that night. Far from being "murdered," as one or two of the critics suggested beforehand, Carson beat the world champion.

He not only beat him, he stopped him. Two cut eyes caused Halimi's downfall, and the referee intervened in the ninth round.

Yet in America Halimi won immense popularity, when he went to Los Angeles five months later and hammered out a points win over Raton Macias, the man all Americans regarded as the best bantamweight in the world.

Which Halimi will Keenan face in November? If it is the one who lost to Carson, the little Glasgow man's chances must be bright. If he subsequently gets the world title fight and the other Halami turns up, Keenan will have his work cut out.

4th USA opponent

Dave Charnley, the British lightweight champion faces his fourth American opponent at Harringay next Tuesday, and this one, Carlos Ortiz, looks like being the fiercest of the lot.

Charnley, whom even the Americans regard as the third or fourth best lightweight in the world, has already beaten Johnny Gonsalves, Don Jordan and Joe Lopes, and sees no reason why he should not add the Puerto Rican-born Ortiz to the list.

Charnley wears the confident look of a potential champion these days. Alas, he is about the only British boxer who does.

Tropical diseases expert dead

The death is announced today at Hawkhurst, Kent, of Major-General Sir John Megaw (84), former Director-General of the Indian Medical Service, and an expert on tropical diseases. From 1930 to 1934 he was honorary physician to the King.



Oldham United Anglers restocked Strinesdale Reservoir last week-end with 800 rainbow trout. Today another consignment will be put in Castleshaw Reservoir.

THE LION OF VIENNA

Nat Lofthouse



NAT LOFTHOUSE

SIX years ago Nat Lofthouse of Bolton Wanderers and England, became "The Lion of Vienna." The Austrians saw him shatter their dreams of soccer conquest over England on May 25, 1952.

Let me set the scene. At that time Austrians believed they had the finest soccer team in Europe—and need only a victory over England to confirm their right to the unofficial championship.

A few months earlier having drawn 2-2 at Wembley, Austria had left England convinced of their superiority. A week before the return match in Vienna smiling Austrian officials saw nothing to upset their confidence as England drew 1-1 against Italy in Florence. So the odds were against England

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and the task of our men was not made easier by political tension. As England's players reached the Prater Stadium in the Soviet sector of Vienna they noticed it was ringed by armed Russian troops. And they soon found out that in addition to Austrians there were Russians, Germans, Poles, Swiss, Frenchmen and even Americans inside the ground.

But there were also about 2,000 British, most of them soldiers, and their presence inspired England on

that wet Sunday. Billy Wright and his men knew victory would make life happier for the boys in khaki.

They were also well aware of the ridicule British servicemen would have to put up with after an English defeat.

So eleven grimly determined Englishmen marched out of their dressing room ready to give everything they had to boost the morale of their fellow countrymen.

How they fought! and how those lads in uniform cheered them on! Austria's confidence began to melt as England, giving blow for blow, battled for every yard of ground. With the crowd at screaming pitch the struggle swayed back and forth until, with only ten minutes to go, the score was 2-2.

Then the Austrians gathered themselves for the final assault, for a series of hammer blows meant to crush the resistance of these stubborn Englishmen.

7 minutes to go

Nine minutes to go, eight minutes, seven minutes—now every minute seemed like an age to the British contingent. But England chose that moment, when Austria were attacking with such fury, to deliver a staggering and decisive counter-punch.

As Melchior lashed a corner kick across the England goal the great crowd roared for the kill, then groaned as they saw goalkeeper Gil Merrick pull the ball down safely.

Even the groans died in the throats of the pro-Austrian on-lookers as they saw Merrick's long throw land at the feet of Tom Finney. Lofthouse was there, too, and only full-backs Roeckl and Happell stood between the two Englishmen and the Austrian goal.

Never spares himself

Coolly and precisely Finney floated the ball to Lofthouse in the centre circle and he was away on his long, thrilling, journey, between the full-backs.

Straight for goal he went and the goalkeeper came out. They collided just inside the penalty area as Lofthouse shot. The ball sailed into the net for the winning goal.

When club or country looks to Nat for a special effort he doesn't count the physical cost. No wonder the people of his native Bolton are so proud of this sturdy, good-tempered man who has remained faithful to one club and played 31 times for England.

Of course, it took more than sheer guts to make Nat one of England's best-ever centre-forwards. Ideal temperament, a great sense of sportsmanship, a high standard of skill and expert marksmanship are other qualities which have helped place Lofthouse among the really great footballers.

Before Wednesday's match at Wembley, Nat, voted "Footballer of the Year" in 1953, had not been selected to play for England since 1956.

Is Lofthouse too far "over the hill" to make a comeback at 33? Not if his recent form is any guide. No-one would fight harder for the soccer prestige of England than "The Lion of Vienna."

JIM GAUGHAN.

Wrestling surprise MAN MOUNTAIN UPSET CROWD LAST NIGHT

AT the Majestic Ballroom last night, Man Mountain Benny (USA) lived up to his reputation as a problem for any referee and after being disqualified in the fifth round proceeded to punch the referee all round the ring before walking out in disgust and being booed all the way to the dressing-room.

After treating Ian Wallace (Aberdeen) with disdain and putting on body-holds which Wallace couldn't shake off, Benny started to use all the tough tactics in the wrestling game, and the crowd shouted for his disqualification. Both, for heavyweights, did some good stuff but it was the clowning that got the crowd's ire and Benny's disqualification.

There was not much wrong with the other three bouts as regards entertainment value. The first, Dave Ireland (London) and Ellis Morgan (Flint) did as was expected for seven rounds. Mostly good clean wrestling with Ireland displaying great improvement since his last appearance in Oldham. He was testing Morgan to the full with some fine judo throws, holds and defensive get aways.

Ireland gained the first fall in the sixth round and came out for the seventh to run Morgan allround the ring. Morgan slipped him on the third attempt and threw Ireland out of the ring, and as he failed to beat the count Morgan was a lucky winner. This is the first time I have seen Morgan fully extended.

Unpopular win

Kennet Elser (Austria) and Rab Hannah (Glasgow) had a real crowd-pleasing bout with Rab gaining a most unpopular win. He put himself in the bad books of the crowd when, intermingled with some good wrestling, Rab indulged in some not-in-the-book tactics and was booed. Plenty of fireworks described the bout, with Rab gaining a fall in the fourth round.

In the sixth Rab pitched Elser out of the ring and he won the bout—but the method used didn't please the crowd and he was booed. Elser wanted to have another round, but not Rab and it ended with Rab punching the referee, who in turn knocked Rab out of the ring and sent him to the dressing-room. Good entertainment.

Best bout of the night, and it was good wrestling, was that between Tommy Bailey (Oldham) and Frankie Sparks (Birmingham) which ended with Bailey gaining a fall in the third round and then winning by a submission in the fifth. The crowd applauded all the way through this bout because it was good wrestling, good judo and good clowning.

Next week that return match, which had to come, between "Lord" Bertie Topham and George Bullock will be staged and all the fun of the fair is promised.

CENTENARY DARTS

Results of the Oldham Centenary Darts League matches last Wednesday: Hare and Hounds Ladies 2, Salisbury 5; Derker 0, N. Chadderton SC Men 7; Hope 1, Lord Nelson 6; Australian 1, Royal George 6; N. Chadderton SC Ladies 3, Spinners 4.

BOBBY DAZZLER . . . By Tom Kerr



GREEN FINAL DARTS: LANCAS COUNTY FIXTURES

MIRROR OF SPORT

LANCASHIRE'S first home match next season will be the tense Roses battle against Yorkshire, starting on Whit Saturday, May 16. This, in fact, will only be their second championship match of the season.

As usual, they start the season with friendly matches against both Universities followed by the first championship game against Northants at Rushden.

Again there will be a "friendly" match between the rival Roses counties, this time at Middlesbrough starting on June 3. Lancashire will also oppose next season's tourists, the Indians, twice—once at Old Trafford (June 24) and later in the season at Blackpool (September 5).

The Old Trafford Test against India will start on July 23 and will be the fourth of the series. The others will be at Trent Bridge (June 4), Lord's (June 18), Leeds (July 2) and finally at The Oval (August 20). Edgbaston misses a Test match next summer.

Middlesex break with custom for the first time since the war by playing a home county match away from Lord's. They meet Hampshire at Hornsey on July 8, 9 and 10.

THE Green Final Darts Championship is coming round again, but with a difference. For the first time, all rounds up to the semi-finals will be played on the home and away basis, with the result to be decided on the aggregate number of games over the two matches.

League secretaries have now received entry forms and cards containing the new rule, but they are also obtainable at the Chronicle Office.

The prizes are: winners £20; runners-up £12; each losing semi-finalist £6; and £1 for the player who wins his game with the least number of arrows throughout the competition. No entry will be accepted without the fee and must be received by 12 p.m. noon on Saturday, November 22.

GRAHAM SHAW is never likely to forget his first full-scale FA banquet. There sat England's newest international after playing a worthy part in the crushing 5-0 victory over Russia.

Near him were veterans of such occasions like skipper Billy Wright (38 caps), Tom Finney (76) and Nat Lofthouse (81). Chairman of electors Joe Mears had welcomed

the Russian Ambassador and high-ranking soccer officials.

Then—and you could have knocked the Yorkshire lad over with a feather—he looked across the room at Shaw and said: "I would like to congratulate you on your first international and on the game you played."

"I hope we shall see you with us for many years."

Rarely has such an official tribute been paid to a player a few hours after his international debut.

STARTING at noon tomorrow, Clarksfield will again be staging an invitation merit bowling competition with a draw for each round. The usual well-known players will be taking part: V. Lee, B. Armitage, F. Ford, H. Barlow, J. Bates, E. Hall, S. Garthwalte, E. Lee, W. Norcliffe, M. Berry, F. McCulloch, W. Worthington, B. Denham, R. Hadfield, T. Timmins, J. Wilson. The referee will be Roy Travis.

In last Sunday's competition, Jimmy Wilson beat F. Berry 21-16.

GOLF is "out" for the MCC cricketers touring Australia. Peter May is telling his men that they should not play golf on Sundays.

A golf match against a local club side, including Sir Donald Bradman, handicap three, was agreed for tomorrow before arrival. But Manager Freddie Brown declares it will be the last of the present tour.

Maybe he recalls that time 26 years ago, when he scored under 30 against Western Australia and gave about six chances. England captain, the late Douglas Jardine, sent for young Brown and said: "You're playing too much golf. Bring your clubs to my room at 9 a.m. tomorrow and leave them there."

Brown secretly got round the problem. He borrowed clubs while his own were confiscated.

THE AMATEUR BOXING ASSOCIATION would do well to follow the example of the Ghana ABA who have commissioned ten

silver belts to be made in London for the winner of each of their championships.

The first of them—the heavy-weight belt—has been completed and will be flown to Accra on Tuesday (October 7). The other nine will be delivered by the end of the year.

Designed and made by Mr. Frank Nevill, the belts are insured for £300 each. The finished one was on exhibition at a London silversmith's last week, and the splendid design brought high praise from the sporting personalities who saw it.

Mr Nevill acknowledges the help he received from the British Boxing Board of Control who gave him some of the measurements that go in to the manufacture of the treasured Lonsdale belts.

But the British ABA have no such token of their champions. A look at this British craftsmanship would be worth their while.

SPEEDWAY dying? Here's an answer from Norwich. Despite a dripping summer, attendances were well up on the previous year. Almost a quarter of a million people watched the sport on the Norwich track this season!

"MY big ambition now is to sit beside Billy Nicholson at Wembley and see Spurs win the FA Cup." So said Jimmy Anderson when interviewed about his retirement after 51 years with Spurs—the last three as manager.

"Nothing pleases me more," he said, "than the fact that Billy, whom I have known since he was a boy with the nursery club at Northfleet, is following me. He has been a wonderful player, coach and assistant-manager. I know it will continue to do a great job."

What of the future? "The first thing is to get myself well again," said Jimmy. "My legs have been bothering me for some time. After a good holiday, and when I am right again I shall be only too happy if I can do anything to help this great club. There will never be any other club for me, and I feel I am still a part of it."

Looking back over more than half a century with Spurs, Jimmy recalled that as a boy he used to climb into the ground from the garden of his home.

That was before the New Stand was built. And in those days—the early 1900s—Spurs' men used to play baseball as well as soccer.

WILSON'S BREWERY DARTS AND CRIB

Wilson's Brewery darts results last Monday (crib results in brackets): Musicians 3 (2), New Inn 4 (5); Eleven Ways 3 (2), Talbot 4 (5); Hope 3 (3), Queen's 4 (4); Whip 6 (3), Duke of York 1 (4); Wheatheaf 0 (5), Spinners 7 (2); Plough 2 (4), Five Ways 5 (3); Albert 4 (4), Greaves 3 (3); Central Labour 1 (4), White Hart 6 (3).

DARTS

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Whip Inn	7	6	1	37	12	12
Plough	7	6	1	33	16	12
Old White Hart	7	6	1	31	18	12
Spinners	7	5	2	32	17	10
Talbot	7	5	2	30	19	10
Albert	7	5	2	30	19	10
Five Ways	7	4	3	28	23	8
Eleven Ways	7	4	3	26	23	8
Hope Hotel	7	3	4	26	23	6
Queen's	7	3	4	18	31	6
New Inn	7	3	4	17	32	6
Greaves Arms	7	2	5	24	25	4
Central Labour	7	2	5	16	33	4
Wheatheaf	7	1	6	16	33	2
Duke of York	7	1	6	12	37	2
Musicians	7	0	7	15	34	0

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	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Musicians	7	6	1	30	19	12
Duke of York	7	5	2	27	22	10
Queen's	7	5	2	25	24	10
Greaves Arms	7	4	3	28	21	8
Talbot	7	4	3	28	21	8
New Inn	7	4	3	27	22	8
Wheatheaf	7	4	3	25	24	8
Plough	7	4	3	25	24	8
Whip	7	3	4	26	23	6
Five Ways	7	3	4	24	25	6
Albert	7	3	4	24	25	6
Spinners	7	3	4	21	28	6
Hope Hotel	7	2	5	23	26	4
Eleven Ways	7	2	5	22	27	4
Old White Hart	7	2	5	21	28	4
Central Labour	7	2	5	18	31	4

Delegates' meeting on November 5 at the Wheatheaf Hotel, off Shaw Road.

They're after a few more bargains

SEAN QUINLAN will not be the last player Oldham get from Ireland. The club have got the full fixture list of the Irish Rugby Union, and the big search for two forwards is to start soon. Quinlan cost Oldham almost £3,000, but at present-day prices that is a bargain Oldham would not mind repeating several times.

The president, Mr. W. Howard, told me yesterday that there is not a particular player in mind. "Our deputations to Ireland have revealed quite a lot of potential talent, but we haven't got as far as names yet." In this respect, Quinlan can be of extra use. As an international playing for one of the classier clubs in Dublin, he will be in touch with several players.

And Ireland is still one country that is not too much involved with the bitterness between the two codes. The right fee could interest the right man.

'In time for Cup'

When will the Irish search start? "We would like some talent in time to play first-class Rugby League by the start of the Challenge Cup competition," said Mr. Howard. "But

there is no decision yet on when we will be going over again.

"Quite a lot depends on the games that are being played over there. We will wait for the right matches before officials go scouting."

Incidentally, the arrival of Quinlan poses something of a problem. He is booked for the left-wing, which means that before very long, lion-hearted John Etty will be given the chance to find another club.

Good news for two Oldham players next week—the end of a spell of plaster-casing. Off come the plaster from Frank Daley's finger and from around Len Mee's cracked shoulder.

'Call me dad'

Daley told his pals in the "A" team dressing-room this week that he would be back playing with them

of the TV team to Watersheddings means that Oldham must be one.

I am told that any money paid by the BBC will go into a pool and be shared out among everybody in the League at the end of the season.

More important to the League is the invaluable publicity television will give to the game. It is possible that the parts will go on the national network.

All the best!

Oldham reserve scrum-half LOUIS LAVERTY did not reckon with the Lancashire Cup final when he fixed his wedding day for October 25. And today 21-year-old Louis was a double bag of nerves as he said "I will" to pretty Eileen Hall—and wondered how Oldham were making out at Swinton.

Still, for young Laverty there was some consolation—he will have a first-class view of Oldham's return to the Town Hall tonight.

The couple chose a hotel right opposite for their reception and tonight the wedding celebrations get a break while Louis and wife cheer their team back home.

Rovers next week

Next week Oldham go to Featherstone Rovers and the "A" team were to have played Blackpool "A" at home. The first-team still travel but the reserves match has been cancelled in favour of the schoolboys.

For the stay-at-homes, Lancashire Schoolboys will play Yorkshire in what promises to be a thriller. Thanks to generous Oldham, the game will be started at 3 p.m., and the schoolboys have all the facilities available to professionals.

All they want now is for lots of people to turn up and give the lads plenty of encouragement.

HE CAN MAKE THEM FASTER

YOU will find him sitting in the corner of the tea-room at Watersheddings every Tuesday and Thursday quietly watching the players chatting and eating. And although they haven't a lot to say to the little man wearing glasses, every man has a deep respect.

He is HERBERT WINTER-BOTTOM, and without consulting any notes he can tell you just what speeds every player at Watersheddings is capable of.

Current talking-point with Herbert is young Geoff Sims, who is getting first-rate tuition in sprinting. Herbert has no favourites, but he likes Geoff very much.

"Give this boy another 12 months," he told me on Thursday, "and he will be a world-beater. He has a lovely action and he has football ability to back his speed up."



GEOFF SIMS

WHAT WILL WIN THE 'CAMBRIDGE'? AGGRESSOR'S STABLE IS FULL OF CONFIDENCE

THE Cambridgeshire, the last leg of the popular "autumn double," will be run at Newmarket next Wednesday, and speculation on the race has been particularly heavy. Covering money from Morecambe, the Cesarewitch winner, has caused a tightening of the odds about the chief public fancies, but most of the acceptors have been well supported.

Among owners, trainers and jockeys opinions on their chances are the following:—

Aggressor—Sir Harold Wernher (owner): "Aggressor, the favourite, is extremely well, and seems to have recovered the form he lost during the summer. Naturally I have great hopes that he will run well, and it will take a good horse to beat him. He will be ridden by his usual jockey, J. Lindley. J. M. Gosden (trainer): "I consider that Aggressor has a good chance, in spite of the fact that he has been allotted a big weight for a three-year-old. Soft going would be favourable to him."

Weighted too highly?

Babur and Guersillus—Captain Elsey (trainer): "They are both very nice horses, but are weighted up to the hilt. I expect them to run really well, and I am full of hope." D. Smith (jockey): "After Babur's great race with Major Portion at Ascot, he must have a good chance, but bear in mind that soft going is essential."

E. Hide (jockey): "I do not know yet whether I ride Guersillus or Carbon Copy. Guersillus wants fast conditions, and if he gets the right sort of going he will take a lot of beating. Carbon Copy, on the other hand, needs soft going and he would go very close on suitable going."

Cash and Courage—S. Hall (trainer): "Cash and Courage met with a lot of interference at Stockton, and in the circumstances by finishing sixth, he ran an excellent trial for the Cambridgeshire. With better luck in running next week, he must hold an excellent chance."

Cool Debate and Master of Boyden—W. Stephenson (trainer): "I run both my horses, Cool Debate and Master of Boyden and they should both run well."

Empire Way—E. Mercer (jockey): "There is none gamier or more honest than my mount, who is sure to go well."

'Sound prospects'

Epaulette and Funchinello—F. Armstrong (trainer): "Epaulette's chance is governed by the state of going. He must have it good to firm. F. Durr will ride. Funchinello is a certain runner, and as he is such a genuine horse he must have a chance at the weights. He will be well suited by the fast gallop which is always set in the Cambridgeshire, for he is a front runner."

Falls of Shin: Mr. E. J. Parker (owner-trainer): "He is a wonderfully consistent horse and possesses

a big asset, a fine turn of late speed. On all his running this year he must have sound prospects in the Cambridgeshire." W. H. Carr (jockey): "I give my mount a really good each-way chance."

Judicature: Mr. Claude Leigh (owner): "Judicature has had a good preparation, and I have every hope that he will run exceedingly well." W. Snaith (jockey): "My mount has an outside chance on his best form."

London Cry: A. Breasley (jockey): "London Cry has a lot of weight, but his excellent form in the champion stakes, gives him a reasonably good chance."

Loppylugs: Mr. J. Beary (owner-trainer): "As K. Butler will be claiming the full allowance, I regard Loppylugs as being well handicapped. The boy rode a particularly nice race to win on him at Sandown Park, and evidently gets on very well with my horse. In my opinion, Loppylugs is as good as ever he was, and I think that he has a fair chance of winning his second Cambridgeshire."

Midlander and Amos: Mr. S. Mercer (owner-trainer): "At the moment, Midlander is well, and if he keeps his form now, he will, in my opinion go very near to winning the Cambridgeshire. I consider Midlander the better of the two at the weights. He has been improving all the summer and has not stopped yet. On the other hand, Amos is certain to run well because he is most consistent."

Brilliant speed

Radlopye A. Smyth (trainer): "The mare has the brilliant speed to be up with the leading group from the start, which is what you need in a race like the Cambridgeshire. She has a second burst, too, and as she has never been better, I think that Radlopye has a good outside chance." S. Clayton (jockey): "Although she has never been raced over the distance, she has a very consistent record, and if she stays the course, she might get into the first three."

Faith Healer, Cheviot Hills, Legal Tie and Allwood. Rufus Beasley (trainer): "Legal Tie (E. Britt) and Faith Healer (J. Sime) are both fit and well, but with the exception of Sayan, no three-year-old has won the race with more than 8st. 6lb. since 1898. Cheviot Hills (T. Stringer) and Allwood also run, and are very well. I am more hopeful than confident."

Well Spoke. D. Candy (trainer): "He has given every satisfaction in his work since winning at Newmarket, and I am hoping for the best in what is a very difficult race." E. Smith (jockey): "Although I shall have to put up about 2lb. overweight, I am hopeful, because he struck winning form again at Newmarket recently, and is well handicapped on his best juvenile performances."

W D REPORTS

in a couple of weeks, "What, aren't you packing in, yet?" asked one of the boys.

Daley's typical reply was: "Listen, son, I'm likely to be playing when your football days are over. Meanwhile, I don't mind you calling me Dad."

While Oldham carried out special daylight training on Thursday, an outside unit of BBC Television tested for reception up at Watersheddings.

Next month the Rugby League have agreed to have three matches televised for half-an-hour each, and although the clubs chosen are not to be named in advance, the visit

Halifax after Brennan: Southward has teething troubles

CLEAN-SWEEP Halifax may spend around £6,000 next week—of Blackpool Borough will take the money from them. The man they want is out-half JACKIE BRENNAN.

Led by their chairman, Mr. Ted Horsfall, the Yorkshire club are bent on getting things very straight at Thrum Hall. For too long they feel they have let a lot of matters build up to create an impossible situation.

Now they can see the top of the hill, and determined to spend plenty of money and time getting to the top again. Brennan could be the first big start.

DON VINES, Oldham's former forward, was a spectator at the Yorkshire Cup final between Wakefield Trinity (his new club) and Leeds. Cup-tied, he had a seat on the bench and he did not have a very good impression of either team after the game. "Oldham could have licked them both," he said.

But Don, when he settles in with Wakefield, is likely to supply some of the missing drive the Trinity forwards so badly needed in this match.

Leeds are not likely to let this county cup win go to their heads. "We must not be too complacent. Remember Huddersfield won the cup last year; look where they are today," said an official.

2—THAT PUZZLING RULE

A reader asks why there is a difference in bringing the ball into play after it has gone dead. There is the five-yard scrum, a drop-out from under the posts, and a drop-out from the 25-yard line.

It all depends on who takes or sends the ball dead. If an attacking player kicks or runs dead with the ball, then there is a drop-out from the 25-yard line.

If the ball is kicked over the try-line by an attacking player, and then kicked or carried dead by a defending player, then the game is restarted by a drop-out from under the posts.

If the ball is taken or kicked over the try line by a defending player from the field of play, and is then kicked or carried dead by a defending player, then a five-yard scrum restarts play.

RUGBY LEAGUE GOSSIP

IKE SOUTHWARD, Workington's international winger, might be tempted to try wearing a boxer's gumshield when he plays. It's those front teeth of his that are worrying him. Three times in four months he has had them dislodged and had to have them put back again.

He first had them loosened playing for the tourists in the match at Cairns. Another blow in the face loosened them in the third Test match in Australia, and this week he has just had them put back again following the match against St. Helens.

A JOB for Salford's groundsman next week—painting two sets of goalposts in the club's colours. They are wanted for the floodlit league match with Leeds, to be played on Manchester United's soccer ground on Guy Fawkes's night.

Instead of uprooting their own posts and moving them to Old Trafford, Salford have arranged to borrow a spare set which have been lying on the Swinton ground several years.

They are the former Belle Vue Rangers' posts, so often used for League Championship finals on the

Manchester City ground. They now belong to the Rugby League and they are kept at Swinton for use in emergencies.

Should fog blot out the match on November 5, the game will be played the following night on the same ground. Salford are arranging to have the stand tickets marked accordingly.

A CASE soon to go through the courts could have an effect on the finances of nearly every Rugby League club. It is a test case to be heard between the Football League and Littlewood's Pools Ltd. The Football League claim their fixtures are copyright and pools firms must pay to publish them.

If the League wins, then the bob-a-nob pools which help to keep Rugby League Clubs going could be affected. A number of club officials are a little concerned—among them Mr. Ted Horsfall, the chairman of the RL Management Committee.

"It could be that we should have to pay for the use of the Football League fixtures," he said.

THERE is no finer "bush telegraph" in the League than the network around Wigan. Barely had KEITH HOLDEN, Leigh's Lancashire County centre three-quarter, told the local pressman on Thursday night that he intended staging a one-man strike than Wigan had his transfer all buttoned up.

Tipped off that Keith had told his club he would not play for them if they picked him, Wigan fixed on a fee just short of £7,000 and within two hours had signed him.

To see Ken Broome, Tom Hesketh and another Wigan director standing on his doorstep took Keith by surprise. Wigan moved fast because of a whisper that Leeds were interested in the player.

Leeds officials who travelled to Leigh with their reserve team to play a floodlit game on Wednesday did sound Leigh about the former Lancashire star. St. Helens, too, were interested, but Wigan were the team who jumped in.

Wanted—a man with the goal touch

Penalty puts league leaders out of cup

LAST Saturday's second-round Coronation Cup games resulted in victories for six out of the eight away teams. Littleborough Parish and Sacred Heart, leaders and runners-up respectively, in "A" Division, were two of the teams to go down at home.

The defeat of Littleborough Parish by near-neighbours Wardle Parish, was their first of the season and while they lost through a late penalty goal, victory went to the better team on the day's play. Sutcliffe's put Littleborough ahead in the third minute and Smith made the score 1-1 18 minutes later. The deciding goal came 17 minutes from the end when Picken converted a penalty.

Sacred Heart received a shock when their "B" Division visitors, Milnrow Parish, quickly established a two-goal lead. They settled down, however, and after reducing the lead before the interval, scored twice more in the early part of the second half to go in front. Milnrow now appeared a beaten team but a penalty equaliser gave them new life and five minutes from the end they got the deciding goal. Flaherty and B. Butterworth shared Milnrow's goals, Cannon (2) and Hammond scoring for Sacred Heart.

Thornham had to fight hard for their home win over St. Patrick's, who never gave up. They led 2-1 at half-time and then made it 3-1, but St. Patrick's fought back to reduce the lead. Despite an all-out effort, the visitors could not draw level and Thornham put the result beyond doubt with a fourth goal two minutes from time. Halliwell (2), Butterworth and Emerson scored for Thornham and Kershaw and Starkey for St. Patrick's.

There was little to choose between Whittles and Brights on Whittle's ground, the defenders of both sides being masters of the forwards. Wolfenden gave Brights the lead in the first minute and it was not until early in the second half that Lokos equalised. It was a lucky goal by Ruddy 12 minutes from the end which gave Brights a 2-1 win.

Outgate Baptists were well beaten at home by St. Aidan's, who gave a fine all-round display, with Scott their inside-right the outstanding player of the game. Encouraged by two early goals, Cutgate held their own in the first half, but after the interval the visitors dominated the play to score four more goals and win 6-2. Scott (4), Hemmings and Shaw scored for St. Aidan's and Aughey and Rosindale for Cutgate. After leading Facit Parish 3-1 at half-time, Shawforth, the holders, had a comfortable 7-2 win and at no time did they appear in any danger of defeat. Lumb (2), Mills, Dawson, Ashworth, Povey and Fell scored their goals, K. Jackson and Stott scoring for Facit.

Spotland Methodists had the better of the first half of their home game with St. Gabriel's and deserved their 1-0 interval lead. A quick equaliser by St. Gabriel's on the resumption gave them the initiative and they went on to establish a 3-1 lead. Spotland got a second goal from a penalty a few minutes from the end. Bellew, Collins and V. Mullane scored for St. Gabriel's and Humphries and Boocock for Spotland.

Milton were soon two goals up in their home game with YMCA Old Boys, but the visitors reduced the lead before half-time. A penalty restored Milton's two-goal lead, but in an all-out attack the visitors dominated the closing stages to score four times and win 5-3. Bentley (4) and Wilkinson scored for YMCA Old Boys, B. M. Ashworth getting all three Milton goals.

LEAGUE TABLES (to October 18 inclusive)

Lindwall and Harvey

Fast bowler Ray Lindwall, who is hoping to force his way back into Australia's Test team, took four wickets for 71 runs in New South Wales's first innings of 500 against Queensland in the Sheffield Shield match at Brisbane today.

Nell Harvey, 154 not out overnight, scored 160 and Alan Davidson, another Test prospect, hit 70. Queensland were 25 for one wicket at the close.

ROCHDALE'S first aim in their search for a new forward should be the signing of a player with the goal touch. It's far easier said than done, but, as an attacker who can put the ball in the net would be worth his weight in gold, one at least should be sought.

If the team had scored three goals against Newport this afternoon, and it would surprise me as much as anybody if they had, it would be for the first time this season.

At Chesterfield, they failed to net one from many opportunities. Yet this was only their third blank of the campaign. Eleven times they have scored a single goal; only on two occasions have they scored twice in 90 minutes.

Fifteen goals in 16 matches is a regrettably low figure and the goal-scoring list is hardly impressive. Les Spencer has four goals, Jim Dailey four (two of them penalties), Brian Green three and the other four have come in singles from Lord, Wainwright, McBain and Ferguson (penalty).

Need more be said about the need for a forward with the goal touch? What a difference there would be to this Rochdale side with a man such as Tranmere's Keith Williams, Bury's John Parker or Accrington's Stewart who had the knack of being in the right spot in front of goal and not missing.

Rare birds

The first away point of the season was well-earned at Chesterfield and the football was pretty good, yet so easily could the game have been won had there been an accurate shot after the openings had been created.

This ability to pop up regularly with the goals is not given to every player. Often the less skilful still have the goal touch. Dave Pearson and Jock Lockhart had it although their general football ability was not of a very high standard.

Lockhart's goals from the wing last season were a great help in getting into the Third Division. This time, goals from the wing have been as rare as good support at Spotland. Only one goal has come from the two wingers in 15 matches—at Tranmere—and that was a "fluke" centre.

The endeavours to accommodate Jim Dailey, who wants to move, have not been successful. An exchange deal would suit Rochdale best, but as Manager Jack Marshall says: "We have to pick carefully in our position."

New ideas

Meanwhile, the gate average drops and is now at 5,899 for home matches. This compares with 13,729 for away games.

Whereas Rochdale have drawn £4,418 in total gate money before paying out the percentages, the

SEEL PARK NOTES

Mossley hit form at last

MOSSLEY beat Stalybridge Celtic 6-1 last Saturday at Seel Park. This was one of the biggest margins in any match between the local clubs for some years, and it should have been bigger.

This was one day that Mossley hit the form you would expect from such well-known players.

Stalybridge were given a gift goal by the Mossley goalkeeper, Batty, when he threw the ball to a forward on the edge of the penalty area, but Mossley hit back with a goal by Worthington. A few minutes later he scored again and just before half-time Smith made it 3-1.

Early on in the second-half, Quigley scored two more goals and Smith made it 6-1 five minutes from time. In between, Kapler hit the bar and Binnie had a shot cleared off the line.

There were even more League club scouts watching 21-year-old centre-half Gordon Westby, who had another excellent game.

Next Saturday Mossley are at home to Runcorn (3.0 p.m.).

The Ministry of Education does not at present approve the proposals to improve and extend the accommodation at the Castleshaw Camp School.

SPOTLIGHT ON SPOTLAND by CRITIC

clubs they have visited have drawn £10,850. One needs only to digest these figures to realise the ease with which one club can strengthen and another cannot. Manager Marshall has introduced fresh ideas already into the training system and the way the team moved at Chesterfield indicated that having a manager in charge again was having some effect.

The team generally was livelier. More ideas were shown particularly in attack where there was mobility and a pleasing desire to switch positions and look for the ball.

In other spheres, too, Manager Marshall is making an impression. When he turned up at a local junior match last week he must have been the first Rochdale manager to show his face on a junior ground in town for many a long day.

That he was welcomed must have given him encouragement and when he approached the club secretary for permission to talk to a couple of the players there would be a feeling abroad that things have changed a little at Spotland.

The two players were invited to go to Spotland for training and a trial and one, who had received an injury, was told he could have treatment from the Rochdale training staff if he wished to attend the ground.

Open invitation

"Junior players in town who are needing treatment for an injury," said Mr. Marshall, "will get it at Spotland if they wish, although if a hospital queue started forming, we couldn't manage it."

"I want all the junior players in town to look on Rochdale as their club. I want them to look on Spotland as the place where they will get help and assistance and every opportunity to break into League football if they have the necessary ability."

To establish good relations with the junior leagues, Mr. Marshall will be contacting the secretaries of the Sunday schools, Amateur and Intermediate Leagues to tell them that whatever co-operation he can offer will be willingly given.

The penalty awarded in Rochdale's match at Chesterfield was the eighth in Rochdale games this season. It was also the first that has been missed.

At the moment the awards are running against Rochdale. They have had three themselves and have conceded five.

Boots wreck an unbeaten run

IN the Benevolent Cup, Turner Brothers qualified to visit Rochdale Athletic in the next round when they defeated Industry FC 5-2.

After being the better side in the first half, Turner's led 3-1 at the interval. Industry played much better in the second half but could not make up the leeway. Whitehead (2), Dean, Merrick and Ayton scored for Turner's and Hill and Heron for Industry.

In the First Division, Haggate Lads received Tudor Rose and won 4-2 after leading 2-1 at the interval. Tudor Rose equalised five minutes after the restart, but Haggate netted another two. Buckley (2), Harris and Greaves scored for Haggate, Hawksworth and Hardman for Tudor Rose.

Rochdale Athletic visited Boots Social and suffered their first defeat of the season by the odd goal of five. Athletic opened the score after 32 minutes through Sinkinson and held their lead at the interval. Boots equalised immediately after the restart through Hodson and after 70 minutes, Athletic again took the lead. The visitors appeared to tire added two further goals through Hodson and Gilroy to earn victory

SUCCESSFUL RUN COULD HELP NOW

MANY Hornets' supporters are in the pondering mood just now, and I feel sure that some among them will be interested in a bit of figure juggling in which I indulged during the week—a diversion which was not aimed at conjuring up excuses for a run of defeats, but to find, if possible, if there is anything unusual about it.

By a close comparison with last season's records I discover that if the Hornets gain a total of two points from today's match against Leigh and next Saturday's against Widnes they will have done just as well as they did a year ago from the same set of matches—although at this period a year ago from a different list of games the Hornets claimed 14 league points from a possible 22.

The clubs the Hornets have met this season have conceded only two points in eleven games against four taken from the same teams in 1957-8. There is a striking similarity in the scoring record where we find that for the same eleven matches the Hornets have an adverse balance of 77 points against 72. They have scored 137 points against 214; last year it was 118 against 190. And when it comes to support there is very little difference. What there is has resulted mainly from the drop from 13,800 to 9,500 in the crowd for the Oldham game at the Athletic Grounds.

So far despite the lack of success the Hornets' gates have averaged 7,087 (receipts £743) and for the same fixtures last season the average was 7,146 (£789). The inference from these comparisons is that events are following the same old pattern, but with things as they are there is no guarantee that the team will begin to make up lost ground by, at least, doing as well as they did in the more remunerative fixtures still to come.

More cover now

There should be the prospect of a more successful run, but we are fast approaching the period when the weather will have its influence on attendances. Thanks to the erection of extra cover on the popular side (the entire cost of which has now been met) the outlook for spectators has improved. Even so a crowd of 4,000 on a bad day will be as large as anyone can expect.

RESERVE DIVISION

To prevent support falling to that figure on good days is something that should be occupying the minds of the directors. The Grosvenor Thomas signing is a start, but it is something that "cannot be put in the shop window" right away.

CAHILL'S BENEFIT

This is to be Ted Cahill's benefit season. The Rugby League have given the go-ahead, and an understanding was reached this week between the officials and player for an immediate start to the effort.

It is expected that negotiations will be completed tomorrow with the Rugby Union prop forward who has been found a job in this area and has agreed to other terms, etc. Without belittling Thomas's capa-

In the HORNETS' NEST by Touchjudge

ilities (I have heard plenty of commendation for his play from "A" team colleagues) I see a distinct possibility of the prop forward being as quickly in the running for first-team selection—an opinion influenced by the team's needs and to a lesser extent by watching both players against Oldham "A."

COINCIDING with my pat on the back for Mr. Jack Kershaw (secretary) and his teacher colleagues who have done a grand job in building up the Rugby League game in the schools of Rochdale and district was an ill-founded criticism from another quarter that ground is not being gained.

Mr. Kershaw leaves facts to speak for themselves. It is ten years since the Rugby League section of the Rochdale Schools' Sports Association was formed with Mr. Peter Wilmot (later a senior referee) as chairman and Mr. George Keely as secretary. Mr. W. Coulston (now head at Lloyd Street, Whitworth) and Mr. Ken Hamer (now head at Brimrod Secondary Modern School) were among the founders who managed to recruit teams from Brimrod, Heybrook, Lowerplace, Newbold and Norden.

Since Mr. Kershaw joined the committee in 1950 steady progress has been made until today 13 local schools each have two Rugby League teams, one for boys under 13 years of age and another for those 13 and over. Clubs which have been added since the formation are St. John's, St. Patrick's, Kirkholt, Redbrook, Boys' Technical, Regent Street (Heywood), Milnrow and St. Gabriel's.

A good programme

The RL programme alternates weekly with soccer. A championship competition is played before Christmas, a knock-out competition afterwards, and an end-of-the-season seven-a-side competition is staged for both groups.

Rochdale boys have played with the county schoolboys and several former lads of the competition are now in senior ranks.

Mr. Kershaw is pleased with the expansion and is now striving for an improvement in the standard of play. Towards this end 30 selected boys will attend a special course next Monday and Tuesday at the Athletic Grounds, conducted by Mr. Bryn Goldswain, now teaching in Rochdale, and the course will conclude with a full-scale trial match on Tuesday afternoon, after which the town team to play Halifax on November 29 will be named.

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which, on the day's play, they just deserved.

Gravelhole entertained Heymain Recs. and deservedly won 6-1. Had the young Heymain forwards not been shot-shy they would have made a closer game of it. As a result of some fine keeping by Heymain goalie, Gravehole led only 2-0 at half-time, but in the second half turned on the heat to add four goals, before Pollard notched a consolation goal for Heymain just before the end. Gravelhole's goals were scored by Carr (4), Walsh and Ashton.

Goals by Howley (3) and Rolfe enabled Walsden to earn a 4-0 victory when receiving A. and A. Crompton.

Since the first game of the season, Whitworth do not seem to have clicked and when receiving Railway Street, they were defeated 6-2 after the visitors had led 4-1 at half-time. Halstead and Grogan scored for Whitworth and Lomax (3), Booth (2) and Clarke for Railway Street.

In the Second Division, Rochdale Athletic Reserves would appear to be trying to emulate their seniors by becoming champions.

In their latest game they were successful 4-2 when entertaining Shiloh Spinners. Despite their efforts, shiloh could not tame the Athletic forwards. Tattersall (2), Murphy and Ashworth scored for Athletic and Ratcliffe and Wall scored for Shiloh.

An even game at Middle, resulted in Pattronouex FC defeated Dunlop SC by the odd goal of five. Goals for the winners were scored by Morgan, Hynes and Harter with McNiffe and Crossley scoring for Dunlop.

Three goals in each half gave Ash Mill a 6-0 victory when receiving E. Clogg and Son. Goals were scored by Hopkinson and Abbey (2 each), Sherratt and Taylor.

Last Saturday's results:—Benevolent Cup first round: Turner Bros. 5, Industry FC 2. First Division: Haggate Lads 4, Tudor Rose 2; Whitworth FC 2, Railway Street 6; Gravelhole FC 6, Heymain Recs. 1; Boots Social 3, Rochdale Athletic 2; Walsden AFC 4, A. & A. Crompton 0. Second Division: Ash Mill 6, E. Clegg & Son 0; Industry FC 1, Turner Bros. 0 (abandoned after 80 mins.); Rochdale Athletic 4, Shiloh Spinners 2; Pattronouex FC 3, Dunlop SC 2.

HALF-TIME SCORES

DIVISION I
 Aston Villa 1, Bolton 1.
 Blackburn 3, Arsenal 1.
 Blackpool 0, Everton 0.
 Chelsea 3, Leicester 0.
 Manchester Utd. 0, West Bromwich 1.
 Newcastle 2, Manchester City 0.
 Notts Forest 0, Preston 1.
 Tottenham 2, Leeds 1.
 Portsmouth 2, Luton 0.
 West Ham 1, Burnley 0.
 Wolves 1, Birmingham 1.

DIVISION II
 Barnsley 2, Ipswich 0.
 Brighton 1, Leyton Orient 2.
 Bristol City 3, Sunderland 1.
 Cardiff 1, Stoke 0.
 Charlton 2, Lincoln 1.
 Grimsby 0, Scunthorpe 1.
 Huddersfield 0, Swansea 1.
 Liverpool 0, Sheffield Wednesday 2.
 Middlesbrough 1, Fulham 3.
 Rotherham 2, Bristol Rovers 2.
 Sheffield Utd. 1, Derby County 2.

DIVISION III
 Bournemouth 1, Bradford City 0.
 Bury 2, Accrington 1.
 Chesterfield 1, Doncaster 0.
 Colchester 0, Hull City 1.
 Norwich 1, Wrexham 1.
 Plymouth 0, Notts County 0.
 Queen's Park Rangers 1, Halifax 1.
 Rochdale 0, Newport 1.
 Reading 1, Brentford 1.
 Southend 1, Southampton 1.
 Stockport 1, Swindon 0.
 Tranmere 1, Mansfield 1.

DIVISION IV
 Bradford 1, Gillingham 0.
 Crewe 1, Darlington 1.
 Chester 3, Athletic 0.
 Crystal Palace 1, Barrow 1.
 Hartlepool 0, Aldershot 3.
 Northampton 2, Shrewsbury 1.
 Port Vale 0, Carlisle 0.
 Southport 2, Millwall 0.
 Torquay 0, Walsall 1.
 Watford 3, Gateshead 0.
 Workington 0, Coventry 1.
 York 0, Exeter 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP FINAL
 Hearts 4, Partick Thistle 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. I)
 Aberdeen 4, Falkirk 0.
 Celtic 2, Third Lanark 1.
 Hibernian 1, Airdrie 1.
 Motherwell 1, Clyde 0.
 Queen of South 1, Dunfermline 2.
 Raith 0, Kilmarnock 0.
 St. Mirren 1, Dundee 2.
 Stirling Albion 1, Rangers 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (Div. II)
 Albion 0, Brechin 1.
 Arbroath 1, East Fife 0.
 Ayr 5, Alloa 1.
 Cowdenbeath 1, Forfar 1.
 Dundee Utd. 2, Berwick 0.
 East Stirling 0, St. Johnstone 0.
 Montrose 1, Hamilton 0.
 Stranraer 1, Dumfries 0.
 Stenhousemuir 2, Morton 0.

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL
 England 0, South Africa 0.

Sports queries

NEW INN.—Alec Givvons signed for Oldham on January 17, 1953.

ROYTONIAN.—The attendance at the League Championship final of 1954-5 between Oldham and Warrington at Maine Road was 49,434. The receipts amounted to £11,516.

Soccer player hurt

Collis Roberts (24), of Gladys Street, Moston, was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary this afternoon with a suspected fracture of the left ankle. He was injured while playing football on the Chamber Colliery ground.

LOST. Green BUDGIE, answers to Peter, Ringed. Reward.—7 Walton Street, Chadderton.

CLARKSFIELD Conservative Club.—Bowling, Sunday, Oct. 26, 16 Star players. Commencing 12 o'clock. Adm. 1/-, by programme.

CHADDERTON SNOOKER LEAGUE

Reform won at Cot and are now the only unbeaten team

REFORM, by winning at the Cot on Monday, are now the only unbeaten team in the Chadderton Snooker League. The first frame was drawn, and although Cot won the second, Reform took the last three frames, E. Leach and H. Clegg winning by the big margins of 43 and 39.

Fallsworth Co-op won their local derby with Fallsworth Cycle. Eric Hall made a 36 break and won by 14 in the fourth frame, but W. Blackwell beat B. Campbell 67-44 to gain Co-op the match points.

Hollinwood Cons., at home to Royton Cons., lost by four points, despite E. Lockett winning the first frame by 60. Royton took the final three frames, A. Horsfall winning the last one 83-44 against A. Shoebridge.

Chadderton Conservatives and Springbank both won four frames in their home matches. N. Riley and A. Jeffries were centurions for Springbank, and H. Howarth for Platt's—their only winner.

Another team to take four frames was Beanweb at Shaw Road Conservatives, E. Clarke being the biggest winner, by 38. Land's End won three frames at Avro's, but lost by 53 points. J. Borsbey and A. Jackson won by 53 and 45 for Avro's.

Many stars tilt for titles at Rochdale baths

IT seems unlikely that competitors from Division Two—Lancashire, Cheshire, Cumberland and Westmorland—will take more than four individual titles (six at the outside) out of a possible 20 in the English Schools' Swimming and Diving Championships at Rochdale next Friday and Saturday.

DIANA WILKINSON appears the most certain to retain her 18-15 freestyle title without being seriously challenged, but she could still reduce her 12-month-old record of 60.3sec.

Diana's 15-year-old brother **CHRIS** is a favourite for the same age group's breaststroke title, and even at this late stage in the season stands an excellent chance of reducing Aldo Longega's championship record, which stands at 71sec.

Another Division Two boy **BOB BAXTER**, who holds the British and English junior 110-yd. records is likely to give senior breaststroke title-holder, **RICHARD MANNING** (Division One) a close race, although this event is unlikely to produce a record, as Brian Day's 67.5sec. at Gateshead two years ago still holds good. Bob Baxter's best time for the distance this season is 70sec. I have no times for Manning, but he carried off this title last year with 69.9sec.

Val Brown's chances

Former Oldhamer **VAL BROWN** will stake a strong claim for the senior age group backstroke title left vacant by Sylvia Lewis. Val will meet a formidable opponent in the national junior champion and senior finalist, **BEVERLEY TYRER** (Division Ten), who made her international debut for Britain against Sweden at Malmoe a fortnight ago, registering 76.5sec. for 100 metres.

However, my faith is in the Oldham-born youngster to bring this title North. Val is one of the most determined swimmers that I have ever met, and thrives on top-class opposition.

Don't expect a record in this event, for Margaret Edwards's 66sec. at Gateshead two years ago still stands, and it is a little too late in the season to expect Val or Beverley to equal, or get under this figure.

CAROL HUSSEY (Division Four), who was runner-up to Beverley Tyrer in the national junior race at Blackpool, and gained what many people regarded as an unlucky decision, fights it out with **JEAN TAYLOR** (Division Ten) who finished third a narrow one-tenth behind, for the 13-15 title.

The senior age group boys' freestyle championship looks like developing into a three-cornered struggle—**DAVID LAWTON**, a former holder of the 13-15 title and one-time possessor of the English junior 220-yard record; **MALCOLM**

BARNES (Div. Nine), present holder of this record and senior sprint finalist in the National Championships; and **EDWIN PETTETT** (Div. Ten) who acted as senior sprint reserve at Blackpool.

The times separating these boys over 110 yards (long-course) is negligible, and this race could go any way. Here again a record is highly improbable as Neil McKechnie's 53.2sec. will take some beating.

BERYL NOAKES (Div. Nine), who claimed third position in both the junior and senior sprint finals at Blackpool and was a member of England's Empire Games freestyle team, looks good enough to take the girls' title in this same age group, and is capable of beating Angela Barnwell's record of 62.3sec.

One event that the North has only a slender chance of capturing is the girls' 15-18 breaststroke championships. Here the regulations allow entry into only one individual swimming event.

JACKIE DYSON (Div. 11), who swam butterfly last year, moves into the senior ranks this time, and turns out on breaststroke. Jackie appears certain to carry off this title without any challenging to her supremacy from Lancashire's Dorothy Wilson, who has also moved into the senior age bracket. Dorothy is only a shadow of the swimmer she was. Jackie is an Empire Games silver medalist and British junior record holder, and should get under Margaret Grundy's event record of 77sec.

Unknown Carolyn Barber (Div. Ten), who caused a minor sensation at the Nationals by edging Dorothy Wilson out of second place in the junior race by two-tenths is the person most likely to win the girls' 13-15 title. Dorothy Wilson holds this record with 76.6sec.

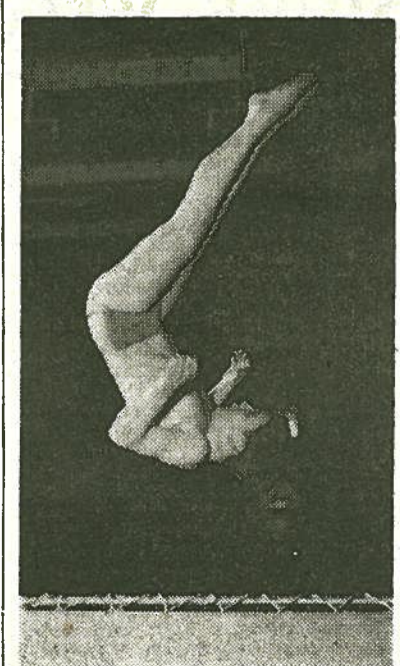
New records perhaps

National junior butterfly champion and British record-holder **JEAN OLDROYD** (Div. Three) has also moved into the senior ranks after holding the junior title for the last two years, Jean is almost a certainty for the title left vacant by Christine Gosden and could break Gosden's record of 69.2sec.

Jan has returned times under this figure earlier this season, but whether she can repeat her record-breaking feats at this late stage remains to be seen.

Fourteen-year-old **PAT BAINES** (Div. Eight) starts as a favourite for the 13-15 event. Pat held the British and English junior butterfly records early in the year, and her times were under the championship record of 71.6sec. held by Jean Oldroyd. Pat Baines appeared for Britain against Holland at Blackpool in May.

Amazing little **BRIAN PHELPS**, who shook the sporting world to its



BRIAN PHELPS practises on a trampoline for his attempt to win the schools' springboard diving title.

GREEN FINAL SNOOKER

Entries for the Green Final Team Snooker Championship close in a fortnight, and it is hoped that last year's record entry of 71 teams will be surpassed. This competition is open to any team of four players in the circulation area of the Green Final (including Middleton and Rochdale).

Prizes are valued at £17 17s. for first prize, £12 12s. for the runners-up and £6 6s. each for the losing semi-finalists, with the usual £1 for the highest break during the competition.

All players are handicapped individually in this competition, so any team of four thus has a chance of winning. Each match is over four frames, with one point awarded for each frame, and one point for aggregate if the match is level on frames at the finish.

The entrance fee is 10s. per team and entry forms (obtainable from league secretaries or from the Chronicle Office) should be sent to the Sports Editor, Oldham Chronicle, Union Street, Oldham.



JACKIE DYSON (above) and **JEAN OLDROYD**, two of Britain's internationals, expect to win school titles at Rochdale next week.



EXHIBITION SNOOKER

The Oldham Clubs' Snooker League promoted exhibition snooker at Phoenix Bowling Club last night, and with the pockets of the table tight, there were some remarkable pots pulled off, the climax being a brilliant 69 break by Eric Hall completed with nine pinks and a blue.

What made this an exhibition with a difference was that Austin White-side, Stan Haslam, Jack Rainford and Eric Hall had a foursome at volunteer snooker (Manchester v. Oldham) and followed this with a game of cricket, the "bowlers" potting the reds and the "batsmen" potting the colours for their runs.

Next Tuesday, there is another exhibition, this time from one of the leading professionals, Walter Donaldson. The venue is North Chadderton Social Club.

REFEREE'S POWER UNDER RULE 15

By FRED MAYALL

SINCE my reference recently to General Rule 15 of billiards and snooker, I have been frequently asked what it constitutes. In addition to setting out the duties of the referee and marker it also states: "The referee shall decide all questions arising between players on the interpretation of these rules, and on any point arising thereunder for which he considers there is no direct provision."

"He shall be careful to see that a player is not better situated by reason of a contravention of these rules than he would be by their strict observance."

This covers any eventuality that may arise not already covered by the rules, and gives the referee full authority to use his discretionary powers to restore the balance of the game after a foul stroke.

Although there are too many possibilities to attempt to give them all, the rest of my article gives three examples of the use of this rule.

THE striker makes a miss in a frame of snooker. The referee's duty is clear: if the table position has not been disturbed, or if he is not satisfied with the stroke, he may replace the cue ball and direct the striker to play again—with the usual penalty for each miss.

If the referee thinks the miss was intentional, he would take similar action but also warn the player about his next stroke.

It may happen that the table position HAS been disturbed, making the replacing of the cue ball and the replaying of the stroke impossible. Then, under Rule 15 the referee has

the authority to direct the striker to play the next stroke from where the cue ball has come to rest if he considers the non-striker is at a disadvantage.

THE striker commits a foul and leaves his opponent snookered. Normally the "free ball" provides a sufficient solution, but sometimes, even with the "free ball," the non-striker may still be at a disadvantage.

Here again the referee can replace the cue-ball and ask the striker to play again, or instruct him to play from the position left, whichever seems to be the better decision.

THE REFEREE MUST ALWAYS TRY TO RESTORE THE BALANCE OF THE GAME AFTER A FOUL STROKE THAT LEAVES THE NON-STRIKER AT A DISADVANTAGE.

THE third example shows the wide powers invested in General Rule 15. The striker pots the last red and commits a foul. His opponent has thus been placed at a disadvantage by the loss of the red. Normally, reds are not replaced, once pocketed.

But in such an instance the referee can replace the last red in a neutral but playable position and so restore the balance of the game.

MCC FOUND O'NEILL IN TODAY'S RACING GREAT FORM



Left to right: J. Brierley, B. Layman, C. Jacques.

Table tennis cup tie OLDHAM TEAM SMASHED WAY TO VICTORY

OLDHAM Table Tennis League's "big-three"—Jack Brierley, Colin Jacques and Bernard Lamén—took the town's name into the second round of the English Championships last night. They beat Southport 5-2 in the opening round of the Wilmott Cup—and this is the first time the Oldham League has ever entered the competition.

The match, played at the Hartford Youth Centre, began on the wrong foot for Oldham when Southport's No. 1, Bernard Hand, convincingly beat Jack Brierley 21-17, 21-13. But Hand, a former Lancashire County player, was to prove the seaside's only winner.

Colin Jacques's solid defence and fierce forehand attack levelled the issue when he beat Chris Coogan 21-10, 21-13. Then, in a grim defensive battle, Bernard Lamén pushed Oldham in front with a narrow 21-18, 21-19 win over Daryl Shaw.

Back came Hand with some powerful table tennis to crush Jacques 21-6, 22-20 and again level the issue at two-all.

It was Jack Brierley who put the Oldham side back on the winning trail with a comfortable 21-16, 21-15 win over Shaw; the Southport man finding no answer to Brierley's half-volley drop-shot followed up with some deadly smashing.

On came Lamén to increase the lead in another neck-and-neck battle—this time with Coogan. He won 21-18, 21-19 and it was left to Jacques to apply the finishing touch. This he did with a vengeance, literally hitting Shaw right off the table in a 21-15, 21-14 blitz.

Everything that Shaw returned was cracked back even harder, and the final forehand smash of the night for game and match, almost flattened the ball against the Hartford Club wall. A promising cup debut for the Oldham's team.

Collapsed in bank

Mrs. Sarah Ann Jones, of Grundy Street, Oldham, who collapsed in a bank in Yorkshire Street, Oldham, today, was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary, but was allowed home after treatment.

Continuation rugby Greenacres let no chances go

Greenacres 5 1-17
St. Mary's 1 1-5

ST. MARY'S gave an improved display at Manor Flatts and despite the score against them they were not so inferior to Greenacres. Playing with the slope, Greenacres used the touch-kick to advantage but it was defensive lapses that let them in for tries by Gerrard, Whitehead, Isaacs and Wardle. Gerrard also kicked a penalty goal and Greenacres led 14-0 at half-time.

St. Mary's attacked for most of the second half but faulty handling lost them many chances. Good defensive work by Greenacres kept St. Mary's out for most of the second half but Higgins reduced the arrears with a fine try to which Murray added the goal.

Rochdale YO 2 2-10
Shawside 7 2-25

This was a fine open game under ideal conditions. Both teams played clever rugby and in T. Gillespie, a fast centre, J. Breenin and G. Sydnik, forwards, Rochdale YO possess players who have a good future.

For Shawside, Laverty at centre and Adams, a good full-back, were outstanding.

Matches for next Saturday—Howell Cup (first round): Shawside v. St. Mary's, at Shawside (3 p.m.) Semi-final: Greenacres v. St. Anne's, at Manor Flatts (3 p.m.)

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pt.					
Greenacres	3	3	0	0	30 16
Shawside	3	2	0	1	69 17
St. Anne's	2	1	0	1	39 12
St. Mary's	3	0	0	3	11 79

* No result received for October 18

NEWBURY

1 30—RADLEY MAIDEN PLATE for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs.
8 12 ROGATION DAY D Rickaby 1
8 12 SALLY LOVERIDGE E Mercer 2
8 12 DEODOTA II E J Cracknell 3
Twenty-two runners: Sally Loveridge, Winter Charm, Winning Sunset, Cloudy Shore, Alpine Flower, Arcosena, Courttesina, Voltto, Golden Thistle, Foresail, Game Lady, Felmoosa, Coralwort, Kavouri, Iona's Girl, Minnie, Magnani, Upper Crust, Rogation Day, Deodota II, Lavabo, Erie.
13/8 Minnie; 5 ROGATION DAY; 7 Sally Loveridge, Deodota; 10 Voltto, Game Lady; 100/6 Kavouri; 20 Cloudy Shore, Coralwort; 33 others. 1 1/2 lengths, same.
Tote: Win £11/1/8; places 8/4, 10/8, 12/6.

2 0—HEDGE HOPPERS' HURDLE for three-year-olds, 2 miles.
11 4 MEON VALLEY W Rees 1
11 8 MULLEY F Winter 1
11 4 BLACKHEATH M Scudamore 1
↑ Deadheat for second place.
Fourteen runners: Mulley, Le Petit Roi, Meon Valley, Blackheath, Milk Shake, Liar Dice, Hindu Flame, Avenue Neully, Master Sands, Long John Silver, Inkerman, Dambuster, Richard of Bordeaux, Marmoset.
13/8 Le Petit Roi; 4 Mulley; 15/2 Long John Silver; 9 Marmoset; 10 Blackheath; 100/7 Master Sands, Inkerman, Dambuster; 100/6 MEON VALLEY; 20 others. 8 lengths, deadheat.

2 30—WILLIAM CLARK HANDICAP. 1 1/2 miles.
7 4 VALUE 5yrs S Millbanks 1
7 8 BUFFER 4yrs T Stringer 2
8 6 TINTINABULUM 5yrs J Lindley 3
Ten runners: Jock's Lodge, Tintinabulum, Roman Sand, Midwest, Athenien II, Fair Victory, Pollenizer, Buffer Value, Glenborne, 3 Buffer; 9/2 Pollenizer; 6 Tintinabulum; 13/2 Midwest; 8 Roman Sand; 10 Jocks Lodge, Fair Victor; 100/8 Athenien; 100/7 Value; 20 Glenborne. Neck, 2 lengths

3 0—DICK DAWSON NURSERY HANDICAP for two-year-olds, 1 mile.
8 9 SPICE T Stringer 1
7 4 ANGAZI R P Elliott 2
9 0 THE CALIPH E Mercer 3
Nine runners: The Caliph, Spice, Michaels Oak, Babucon, Angazi, Vendaway, Evans Thomas, Trigger; 100/8 Angazi; 100/6 others. 4 lengths, 3.
Tote: Win £11/2/10; places 8/2, 14/10, 15/8; dual forecast £9/0/6.

3 30—CRESLOW STEEPCHASE. 2 miles and 160 yards.
11 5 CARDINAL WOLSEY 5yrs .. D Rees 1
12 1 KAYENNE 5yrs H J East 3
12 1 MILITAIRE 7yrs P Cowley 2
Fourteen runners: Militaire, Kayenne, Floater, Classebaun, Owens Image, Helvetian, Sarah's Boy, Hypolytas, Caca Dora, Cu Culhan, Royal Preserve, Le Capitaine II, Cardinal Wolsey, Lamsallos.
10 Classebaun, Floater; 100/7 Sarah's Boy; 100/6 Royal Preserve; 20 CARDINAL WOLSEY and others. 4 lengths, 3.

4 0—READING STAKES for three-year-olds, 1 1/2 miles.
9 0 THE DELL E J Cracknell 1
9 0 ILBARITZ A Breaaley 2
9 0 VENEER E After 3
Nine runners: The Dell, Longway, Ilbaritz, Veneer, Combwell, Beeches, Ginger Beer, Mythida, Bastille, Wonderful Guy; 13/2 Bastille; 15/2 Mythida; 8 Veneer; 10 THE DELL; 20 others. 1 length, 5.

Bury director dies

Mr. Charles Dean, chairman until recently of Bury Football Club, died at Birkenhead today, aged 82. He was still a director of the club and an optician at Blackburn.

Benny Cunliffe (16), of Stout Street Leigh, was taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary today after injuring his left leg playing football at Hulme Grammar School. He was allowed to go home after treatment.

DONCASTER

1 30—ALLENDALE HANDICAP for three-year-olds, 6 furlongs.
7 3 GOGOL B Henry 1
8 10 LIGHT OF THE ROAD E Larkin 2
7 2 MARGARET'S FOLLY R Singer 3
Eighteen runners: Nick of Time, Banister Gate, Light of the Road, Risby, Lynn's Fairy, Diagonal, Channel Rock, Althrig, Asiago, Arastar, Sunny Times, Ulup's Sister, Our Joke, Gogol, Margaret's Folly, Strawberry Tart, Lamina, Nereld.
7 Light of the Road, Sunny Times, Diagonal, Our Joke; 8 Arastar; 10 Lynns Fairy; 100/8 GOGOL; 100/7 Banister Gate; 100/6 Althrig, Margaret's Folly; 20 others. 1 1/2 lengths, same.
Tote: Win £11/17/4; places 12/10, 11/8, 16/-.

2 0—CHILDERS SELLING HANDICAP. 2 1/2 miles.
7 2 ARCTIC NONEEN 5yrs ... L C Parkes 1
9 7 JOCKATIA 4yrs E Hide 2
7 11 WHERE IS IT 5yrs ... D W Morris 3
Nineteen runners: Jockatia, Pettipar, Birkan Burn, Renardeau, Swiftly, Tangyloou, Volcanic, Jetborne Lideus, Where Is It, Captain's Companion, Glen Kinchie, Sun Monarch, Rannock Moor, Paradise Beach, Arctic Noneen, Kathlawar, Chantall, First of the Moore's.
6/4 Pettipar; 8 Jockatia, Birkan Burn; 10 Where Is It, Sun Monarch, Rannock Moor; 100/6 Renardeau, Swiftly; 20 Lideus, Paradise Beach; 33 ARCTIC NONEEN and others. 1 1/2 lengths, same.
Tote: Win £16/15/8; places £3/2/4, 15/4, 12/6.

2 30—OCTOBER TWO-YEAR-OLD STAKES. 1 mile.
8 2 CHANTER E Britt 1
8 5 MACQUARIO L Piggett 2
8 10 LINDRICK J Egan 3
Eight runners: Sutton Harbour, Lindrick, Macquario, Gymkhana, Gaymoss, Freelight, Tantrum, Chantler.
5/6 CHANTER; 5 Lindrick; 15/2 Sutton Harbour; 8 Gaymoss; 100/8 Macquario; 20 others. 2 lengths, 4.

3 0—IRWIN HANDICAP. 1 1/2 miles.
9 7 GAY FINALE 5yrs J Clayton 1
8 3 NAUTICAL SCOT 4yrs E Britt 2
8 6 DOCTOR F 4yrs J Etherington 3
Eleven runners: Gay Finale, Courtlier, Philodendron, Gluivien, Doctor, Laurino, Nautical Scot, Nominate, Hard As Nails, Blue Cliff, Guercina.
7/2 Blue Cliff; 4 Courtlier; 8 GAY FINALE, Philodendron, Gluivien; 9 Nautical Scot; 10 Laurino Nominate; 100/8 Doctor F; 100/7 Guercina; 25 Hard As Nails. 1 1/2 lengths, 1.
Tote: Win £2/11/-; places 13/8, 17/6, 15/4.

3 30—BEAMONT NURSERY HANDICAP for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs and 152 yards.
8 11 HELEN ROSA J Sime 1
8 13 PRINCESS ANTOIPE ... G Littlewood 2
7 5 SNOWFRAY T Hyde 3
Eighteen runners: Euphorbia, Princess Antiope, Coronella, Helen Rosa, Charmalaine, Local, Nigarda, Linda Sue, Second Attempt, Crystal Bar, Commence, Timous, My Little Lady, Hades, Snowspear, Hard Summer, Gay Fun, Emley Moore.
9/4 Euphorbia; 4 HELEN ROSA; 10 Snowspray; 100/8 Princess Antiope, Nigarda; 100/7 Crystal Bar; 100/6 Coronella, Charmalaine, Local, Linda Sue; 25 others. 8 lengths, 3.

4 0—FEVERSHAM PLATE. 1 mile.
7 11 FREYA 3yrs T Lappin 1
8 7 PUFFIN 3yrs F Durr 2
7 11 ICENI 3yrs B Henry 3
Twelve runners: Puffin, Tropicana, Swanland Prince, Ben Gets Busy, Hampole, Lady Seyle, Fair Flyer, Icent, Nice Morning, Freya, Black Rage, Pequeen.
15/8 Puffin; 4 Tropicana, Icent; 10 Fair Flyer, FREYA; 100/8 Ben Gets Busy; 100/6 Hampole; 20 Black Rage; 25 others. 3 lengths, 1.

Quinlan says he'll like the Rugby League

SEAN QUINLAN fulfilled a long-standing desire today. Earlier this week Oldham Rugby Club signed the 24-year-old Rugby Union winger from Blackrock (Dublin) Rugby Union Club and one of the first questions he asked Oldham's officials was: "When will I be able to watch my new club in action?"

This morning at the club's invitation, Quinlan flew into Manchester from Dublin and was taken to the Lancashire Challenge Cup final between Oldham and St. Helens.

Winger Quinlan talked to the Chronicle's Rugby League reporter about the move he had made. "I don't know an awful lot about League rugby, but it strikes me as a pretty slick game."

"Although I have been to England on two or three occasions, I have never had the chance to watch the renegade code. But, from what I have read, I think I will like it."

When Wales won

Quinlan said that his last international appearance was in Dublin last year against Wales. "We lost, but the explanation lies in the fact that our scrum-half was taken off injured," he said.

Talking in a pleasant Irish brogue, Sean explained that he was anxious to get into the game as quickly as possible but work was providing a small problem. "I still have to arrange things with my oil company. Oldham are helping me in this matter and as soon as something is fixed up I will leave Dublin to come and live in Oldham."

Quinlan is a native of Cork, but for the past few years has been working and living in Dublin. He is not married, but is engaged to an air hostess.

SADDLEWORTH LEAGUE DINNER

Lack of playing fields is a stumbling block

THE Welfare State was making us into numbers instead of characters—and that was bad for cricket, Mr. Herbert Robinson, president of the Huddersfield League, said at the annual Saddleworth League dinner in Oldham on Friday.

"I realise the trials and tribulations that various clubs are going through now, but remember they are nothing compared with the struggles of our forefathers. After all it is much easier to maintain a ground rather than build it as they did.

"Cricket is a part of England, a part of the British Empire. We must keep it going and one of the ways is to get the characters back into the game," he said.

Mr. Robinson wanted to see village cricket carry on. He therefore pleaded with the Saddleworth League to keep the game alive, and he hoped the league would prosper.

Mr. C. R. Davies, chairman of the Lancashire League and a Lancashire County committee member, mentioned the efforts during the last few years to maintain a better contact between the county and the leagues.

He thought there was still a bright future for the game now that the Cricket Youth Council was "increasing interest and possibilities" among youngsters. "The only trouble is that the local authorities are not keeping pace with this

progress by providing sufficient playing fields," he said.
On the topic of gamesmanship, Mr. Davis, a former player with the East Lancashire team, was convinced that no amount of rule changing would improve the game unless the players were prepared to play the game in the right spirit.

"I am sure that a side can bowl for a draw as easily as bat for a win. There can be good cricket in a draw—if it is the right sort of draw. But not when a side plays for a draw too early," he said.

The prizes were presented by Mr. Harry Potter, the former Micklehurst professional, and Mr. W. Shaw. They were won by—

Hollingworth Cup (first division championship): Micklehurst.

Tanner Cup (first division knockout): Heyside.

Bruzaud Shield (second division championship): Greenfield.

Wilkinson Cup (third division): Staley.

Moore Cup (aggregate, first and second divisions): Micklehurst.

William Shaw Prize (batting, first division): E. J. Morris (Micklehurst) 748 runs, average 57.53.

J. Hamer Trophy (bowling, first division): H. Guest (Micklehurst) 74 wickets, average 6.95.
R. J. R. Tanner prizes (second division). Batting: A. Tapsfield (Uppermill), Bowling: N. Hopwood (Flowery Field, Third Division). Batting: J. Sullivan (Staley), Bowling: H. Pilling (Staley).

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Tuesday League HAT-TRICK BY KELLY MADE VICTORY SURE

OLDHAM INDUSTRIAL took full points in their match against Ashton Traders at Westwood Park. It was a hard-fought game, with both defences playing well at the start. Then the forwards got into full attack. Oldham fully deserved their victory. Kelly getting the hat-trick. Oldham's other goals were scored by Hoyle (2). Cuerden, Thompson and Preece netted for the visitors.

Lancashire Fusiliers suffered their second defeat in as many weeks when they met RPO (Ashton), who are a greatly improved team and should do very well if their present form can be maintained. They were the stronger team all round and attacked consistently. Daniel (3), Thompson and Champion scored for RPO and Fletcher and Cockley for Lancashire Fusiliers

Rochdale Pioneers played Army Pay Office at Firgrove. It was a good game, although ground conditions were all against open play. Pioneers were leading 2-1 at half-time. On the resumption, the visitors took command and won 6-3. Reeves (3), Hill (2) and Ferguson scored their goals. Hill, Thompson and Schofield netted for the Pioneers.

On a greasy pitch, Rochdale Trades took the field against Bury Co-operative full of confidence, but there was a tendency for too much individual play and Bury were playing the long ball. Finnigan opened the scoring for Trades and then Walker scored from a penalty given for hands. At half-time the score was 2-1. In the second half it was all Trades and but for a grand display of goalkeeping by Mercer the score could have been far greater. In the 75th minute Baron scored a well-deserved goal for Trades and this completed the scoring.

LEAGUE TABLE

Table with 5 columns: Team, P, W, D, L, Pts. Rows include Rochdale Trades, Lancs. Fusiliers, APO, Bury Co-op, Oldham Industrial, RPO, Ashton Trades, Rochdale Pioneers.

Matches next Tuesday: Ashton Trades v. Rochdale Trades; Bury Co-op v. Rochdale Pioneers; RPO v. Oldham Industrial

AMATEUR FOOTBALL Goals galore—as Roundthorn

Ashton League

UPPERMILL CHASE RECORD

Uppermill had another good win in the Ashton League last Saturday, beating Ashton National 6-0. Uppermill, still unbeaten in League and Cup games, look like completing a record, as they have won the League twice and shared the title once in the last three seasons.

They are being hard-pressed by Lees, Roundthorn and Ashton St. Mary's, who have only dropped two points each so far. Lees beat Patricieux 3-1 after a hard-fought game. L. Garlick in the 'patts' goal and Lees inside-left H. Kremmer, were the outstanding players.

Roundthorn did well to beat Droylsden St. Martin's 6-3, for their goalkeeper, F. Smith, had to go to the infirmary after 20 minutes with a badly-cut knee.

Denton Railways had their best game of the season, losing only 2-1 to Hurst Amateurs. In a sporting game Cooke and Ferguson's lost 5-3 to the Army Pay Office. No results to hand from Ashton St. Mary's v. Denton Nomads and Mossley Amateurs v. Hurst Nook.

Fixtures next Saturday: Beaverbrook Cup (2nd round)—Mossley Amateurs v. Roundthorn; Uppermill v. Hurst Nook; Ashton St. Mary's v. Hurst Amateurs; Denton Nomads v. Droylsden St. Mary's. White Cup: Denton British Railways v. Lees. League: Patricieux v. Army Pay Office; Cooke and Ferguson's v. Ashton National.

3 Test men to oppose MCC

Test players Barry Jarman, Les Favell and John Drennan, are included in the South Australian team to meet the MCC in the match starting at Adelaide next Friday. All three toured South Africa in 1957-8.

can tell

NO shortage of goals in the Oldham Amateur League last Saturday—54 times the goalies picked the ball out of the net. Top of the day's high scorers were Chadderton United with 13 goals against last season's treble-honour winners, Roundthorn, who are finding things difficult this trip.

Buckley-Taylor's slammed ten goals past Kirkham-Mannock to continue their fantastic scoring rate—in seven League games and one cup-tie they have averaged nine goals a match.

J. Stott's notched seven in their clash with Fallsworth Lads who replied with four. Then Fallsworth Amateurs put half-a-dozen past Block Lane, who are finding things hard these days with three defeats in a row.

Strinesdale held the high-scoring Fallsworth Lads' second string to a one-goal draw 1-1, a remarkable achievement, despite the fact that Hibbert, their crack forward, was missing.

Dronsfeld's 3, J. Chadwick's 3. First point of the season for Dronsfeld's who snatched a late equaliser and managed to hold the Chadwick attack. In the first half Dronsfeld's levelled an early Chadwick goal and on the resumption went ahead, but the visitors fought back and took a 3-2 lead. Taylor netted all three of the home goals, while Costello (2) and Gartside scored for Chadwick's.

NW Gas Board 2, Chadderton U. 0. Gas Board went in front inside five minutes, but Chadderton gradually settled down and provided good midfield soccer. Their forwards failed to finish, although Schofield tried hard and was often unfortunate.

Late in the second half, Gas Board scored again, and Chadderton were discouraged and play deteriorated. Morrissey, Cooper, Brierley and Jones were excellent for Gas Board. Scorers were Coward and Mallam.

Buckley-Taylor's 10, Kirkham-Mannock 2.

With the B-T scoring machine in top gear, young Cromwell in the Kirkham-Mannock goal played a blinder. Showing good sense of positioning, he made many excellent saves and had no chance with the ones that beat him. The K-M team never gave up, except near the end and were rewarded with a good goal in each half against a Buckley defence that was determined to give nothing away.

Spencer, leading the forwards, was in rare form and took his personal total for the season to 23 goals. After a fairly even first half with the score 3-1 at the interval, B-T improved and Mannock's faded. Scorers: Buckley-Taylor's, Spencer (5), Gaunt (2), Newman, Jump, P., Jump, K.; Kirkham-Mannock's, Whitmore, Buckley.

Fallsworth Lads 1, Strinesdale 1. An even game with a goal in each half. Dawson put the home side in front after 20 minutes, following an error by Bowers—a most unusual occurrence. After 55 minutes Dale were level, Derbyshire taking an unexpected chance which Lewis had missed.

Lads had a clever ball player in outside-left Dawson, but they did not give him as much of the ball as they should have done. Burgess, the home 'keeper, also was outstanding. For Dale Phipps, Wrigley and Whitehead were best.

Fallsworth Am. 6, Block Lane 2. Lane started off strongly and got in front with a penalty goal by Jackson. Forder equalised within five minutes but Lane scored again, Rogerson heading through a well-placed cross.

Changing over with this 2-1 lead, Lane had looked the better side, but Fallsworth got right on top when Forder hit two more goals to complete his hat-trick. Nedderman, Taylor and a final goal from Forder ended the scoring. Some nasty incidents near the end are better forgotten.

J. Stott's 7, Fallsworth Lads 4. Probably one of the best games seen at the J. Stott's ground this season, with the home side scoring after three minutes with a great goal by Wrigley. Fallsworth got level, Rigby converting a penalty,

and the game swung end to end. Half-time it was three goals each.

Immediately afterwards, Fallsworth took the lead for the third time but Stott's gradually took the initiative and crashed four goals past the Fallsworth keeper for a well-deserved victory. Billington and Hibbert scored twice, Holmes, Wrigley and Wood one each. Bond, Rigby and two by Handley were the Fallsworth marksmen.

Chadderton Un. 13, Roundthorn 0.

For the second successive week, Roundthorn found themselves thoroughly mauled, but this time the score was much worse. Goals came regularly and the match was too one-sided. At the interval it was 7-0 and just a question of how many Chadderton would get.

The inside trio of Bowers, Gorog and Moore scored all the goals, the latter netting five, the others four each. Roundthorn even missed a penalty. What has become of the wonderful team which swept the board last season?

OLDHAM SUNDAY SCHOOLS' LEAGUE SURPRISE—BUT OH SO WELL EARNED

DIVISION I

Roundthorn Meths. 1, Millgate Meths. 6.

THIS was a surprise result, though thoroughly deserved by Millgate. Roundthorn's defence was hesitant and the forwards lacked ideas. When they did get within range, the Millgate goalkeeper was in grand form. The visitors built up a 5-0 lead in the first half. Roundthorn's highlights in the second half were two great shots from a half-back, both hitting the upright. Scorers.—Roundthorn: Farrand. Millgate: Crabtree (4), Oldham and Wells.

Hollinwood United Meths. 7, Edge Lane Meths. 7.

A very one-sided first half. Edge Lane had a 4-goal lead at half-time and continued to dominate play. They led 7-3 at three-quarter time. Then Hollinwood rallied, scoring 4 goals in the last 15 minutes and drawing level. Scorers.—Hollinwood United: A. Batham (4), Bird, D. Batham and Royales. Edge Lane: Kenworthy (3), Grinrod (2) and Berry (2).

Eaves Lane Meths. 1, Emmanuel PC 2.

Eaves Lane were one up at three-quarter time when an injury to Cooper knocked them off balance. It was a delightful game and a draw would have been a fair result. Scorers.—Eaves Lane: Hulme. Emmanuel: Heathcote and Kenworthy.

Watersheddings Meths. 0, Springhead Congs. 3.

This match was so keenly contested that the result was in the balance until almost the end. Springhead scored in the first half but later Watersheddings piled on pressure but lacked a finisher. Springhead added two more in the last five minutes. Scorers.—Springhead Congs.: Atkinson (2) and Neal.

George St. Meths. 4, St. Peter's 0.

George St. were well on top in the first half when they led 4-0. They profited from an overplayed St. Peter's defence. In the second half, St. Peter's, reduced to 10 men, made a good recovery and prevented further scoring. Scorers.—George St.: Moffatt (3) and O'Neill.

Westwood Mor. 1, St. Aidan's 5.

Though not a classic, this match provided good football. Despite having only 10 players for most of the game Westwood did not deserve to be 4-1 down at half-time. They put up a hard but unavailing struggle to save the game. Scorers.—Westwood Mor.: Young. St. Aidan's: Mundy (2), Little, Humphries and Crowther.

DIVISION TWO

St. Thomas's Res. 2, Saddleworth Church 0

A very entertaining game, with fast and clean attacks. Saddleworth could not hold out, though the goalie made three brilliant saves. Scorers.—St. Thomas's: Kirkman and Atkin.

Hollinwood Congs 1, Hope Congs. 9

Hollinwood went ahead in the first

Second replay is needed

In a Pettitt Cup replay last Saturday at Timperley, W. H. Smith's and Chadderton drew once again, 2-2. Smith's took the lead after ten minutes when a Chadderton defender misplaced a back-pass to 'keeper Griffiths.

This goal did not upset the Chadderton side; gradually they gained assurance and equalised with as good a goal as one could see. Wing-half Haughton placed a beautiful pass to Burns, and the winger chipped a ball to Middlebrook, who volleyed the ball home.

Smith's unexpectedly took the lead following a bounce-up in the Chadderton penalty area. This goal stung Chadderton into action and the Smith's goal was subject to great pressure.

Smith's become desperate and their reputation somewhat tarnished with a succession of time-wasting tactics and over-robust play. With the seconds running out, Sweeney put Middlebrook through to score. Extra time was played with no further score—still no decision after four hours of football.

few minutes but Hope equalised shortly afterwards and led 5-1 at the interval. Hope deserved to win, but Hollinwood didn't play as bad as the 9-1 defeat might suggest. Scorers.—Hollinwood: Burton. Hope: Greenwood (5), Mills (2), Perrin and Swain.

Alford Street Mission 4, King Street Pres. 4

A fast end-to-end game, with both teams having difficulty in controlling the light ball on the hard ground. King Street were leading 2-1 at half-time and had the advantage of the slope in the second half. Alford Street, however, pulled out a little extra and at one period led by 4-3. The final result was a true reflection of the game. Scorers.—Alford Street: Lawton (2), Brooks and Lingard. King Street: Dearden (2), Hague and Pass.

St. Stephen's 11, Royton Congs 1

Royton started by playing the better football, but failed to hold St. Stephen's fast forwards. St. Stephen's left half was injured just before half-time, and for the rest of the game played with 10 men. Royton's consolation goal came when the keeper misjudged a lob. Scorers.—St. Stephen's: Hartley (7), Elcock (2), Birchall and Mayall. Royton: Woodhead.

St. Thomas's, Leesfield 0, Hollinwood Bible Mission 2

Both teams, taking time to settle down, played some grand attacking football. The early part of the second half was all St. Thomas's but from a breakaway Hollinwood opened the scoring and added a goal in the 85th minute. On this form, they should soon rise from their lowly position. Scorers.—Hollinwood: Hilton and Kitchener.

St. Aidan's Res. 1, Ashton Road Congs. 2

Both sides played entertaining football. Ashton Road failed to convert a penalty award in the first half and the game was well on when they opened the scoring, quickly followed by goal No. 2. St. Aidan's reduced the lead, and might easily have equalised to make a draw, which would have been a fair result. Scorers.—Ashton Road: Travis and Buxton. St. Aidan's: McDermott.

Emmanuel Res. 5, Christ Church 4

Christ Church just failed to gain their first point of the season when they pulled out all the stops in this very close game. Scorers.—Emmanuel: Hill (3), Warhurst and Woodcock. Christ Church: Prince (2), Fox and Cockcroft.

6 soldiers hurt in jeep

Six British soldiers were seriously injured when their jeep hit a tree near Muenster today, the West German news agency, DPA, reports.

Cup win will be tonic for A & A Crompton's

WHEN the draw for the first round of the Moore Cup was made it seemed as if every match would be a close affair except Chloride v. Ostram. As it turned out the only draw was that between C.W.S. (Radcliffe) and Dukinfield Victoria. Most of the other matches gave clear wins to Northern Nomads, Urmston, Marsden, Heys, Chloride and the surprise in A. & A. Crompton who disposed of a Dukinfield St. Mary side which is not living up to its early hopes by 4-2. Apart from A. & A. the next round will feature clubs in the top half of the table.

Marsden rely on centre-forward Jack Pennington too much, and at the moment he's on form for he followed last week's hat-trick with another four in Marsden's 7-1 win against AVRO. That sounds a big margin, but AVRO are quite happy about it for they tell me it was a great game, with the score not representing their opponents superiority. R. Lee (2) and D. Oakes were other Marsden scorers, and T. Martin scored for AVRO.

Northern Nomads are warming up as their 6-1 win over Bardsley underlines, but self admission by Nomads is that they were not as good as the score suggests, for it was a weak Bardsley side, and the old problem that ruins a lot of games, "offside or not?" had a big hand in two goals. Bardsley are beginning to regret relying on young players for they are saying "what's the use if they play a few games and then leave for higher circles?"

Heys Old Boys usually get the better of any match with neighbouring Prestwich Borough and on Saturday they hit top form and Prestwich for six. Goals by Williams (2), Martin (2), Hughes and Kay made up the six, to a solitary Hibernian effort for the Borough. Urmston had a good win over Robinson's Rec. thanks to "on leave again Lewis" who hit in two of his specials assisted by J. Reade and J. Whitelegg. Good reports are

coming in on young Urmston goalkeeper C. Jones who was brought into the side temporarily at the beginning of the season and has stayed on and improving each week.

Chloride were expected to pile up a big score against Ostram, but although there was never any doubt about the result Chloride had to fight hard and it was only late goals by Allington (2), Molyneux and Corfield that put them into the next round with little more punch in front of goal Ostram might have made it a much closer result.

In the match at Dukinfield St. Mary, the home team had the better of the early stages and went into an early lead. A. and A. Crompton's gradually came into their own and R. Ashton equalised just before half-time.

After the interval, Crompton's continued to dominate the play and although Dukinfield did score again, goals by D. Lord, F. Bolton and C. Whittle made the result 4-2 in A. and A's favour. This was a win which should give them confidence to get away from their lowly league position.

In the only league match, English Steel (in round two owing to Block Lanes defaulting) beat Ashton National 3-2. They were coasting to an easy 3-0 win when a penalty gave Ashton fresh encouragement and two goals from Hargreaves made the closing minutes rather exciting.

Table with 11 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, F, A, P. Rows include Chloride, Heys Old Boys, English Steel, Marsden, Robinson's, Urmston, Northern Nomads, Bardsley, CWS (Radcliffe), Prestwich, Dukinfield St. Mary, Ostram, Dukinfield Victoria, A. & A. Crompton's, Ashton National.

PETER PHOENIX Always did want to be professional

A FOUR-INCH covering of snow lay on Bury's ground in February this year when Peter Phoenix made his first Football League appearance. Oldham Athletic were beaten 4-0 and it is a game that this 21-year-old Stretford-born player will never forget.

Since the day he was big enough to kick a football, Phoenix wanted to be a professional footballer, and he was given every encouragement by his father. After playing for his school team and Stretford Schoolboys, he went to Manchester City and there he stayed until he was 18 years old.

But there was no future at Maine Road for Peter, and he moved into the Mid-Cheshire League with the Lostock Gralam club. The move was a success. He was spotted and brought to Boundary Park in December of last year, and two months later he was in the League side.

Call-up into the Army threatened to put a stop to his football career again, but a medical discharge after only six weeks in uniform saw him return to Athletic on full-time terms.

The reason for discharge? "Bad feet," laughed Peter.

Since then, he has made the outside-left berth his own. "I prefer to play centre-forward, but if the club want me on the wing, then its all right by me," commented Peter.

Keen rugby fan

Now courting a Stretford girl, Peter has few interests outside football. "That's my life," he says, but he is quite a keen filmgoer. His favourite star? Rod Steiger, without a doubt—he's the greatest."

But Phoenix has one other interest which will perhaps surprise soccer lovers in Oldham. He is a keen rugby fan and a former member of Salford rugby club. "I'm a fanatical Salford fan, but I'm afraid I don't have much opportunity to watch them now."

And which soccer club does he support? "Manchester City every time; I'm a true blue," he says—not surprising after his own experiences there and now that his younger brother is wearing the City colours.

But Peter's last word is for Athletic. "I am very happy at Boundary Park and will always be indebted to the club for the break they gave me in football."



Three Athletic forwards—Hall, Bourne and Duffy—threaten the Crystal Palace goal, but keeper Hopgood stops the scramble by dropping on the ball. An incident in Athletic's 3-1 victory at Boundary Park.

YOUTH POLICY PURSUED

WHEN Mr. George Howarth, Oldham Athletic's chairman, said that the future of the club lay in a "youth policy," they were not idle words. To become a football force again, Athletic have to look to youth and I am pleased to report that Manager Norman Dodgin has already turned his attention to this important matter.

Already a number of trial matches have been played and many more are arranged. Promising young local

Trial games arranged: Scouts on the watch

boys are coming under the manager's watchful eye, all hoping for the break that will put them in the glamour world of professional football.

But as Mr. Dodgin said to me this week: "It is a tremendous job and one which will not bear fruit for many many years."

"To carry out a youth policy everybody at the club—directors, manager and officials—must all be prepared to give everything and suffer setbacks.

"Of the hundreds of boys who pass through your hands you know that only an odd one or two will make the grade. It is like looking for a diamond—but you can't give up because the chance is always there.

"If you find one boy who can be groomed to take a higher place in football, the money he will bring in will cover all the expense of the numerous trials."

Difference in ages

I agree with Mr. Dodgin emphatically on one point: the trial games organised by a football club are not ideal for finding promising youngsters. Too often the ages of the boys vary tremendously, and once the lads turn up for trial, you discover that nine of the 22 all like one position.

Recently I watched one of these

trial games with Manager Dodgin and Mr. Howarth. Amateurs of 20 were pitted against 16-year-olds—and naturally the younger lads were rarely in the game.

By far the better way to find your young player is to see him in action in his own side, in his own position. Once you are satisfied he

has some ability, then he can be included in a trial game along with ten other lads who have been watched in their own team.

Put this side up against the present third team, and the young players' values can really be judged.

But to see the boy play in his own team also involves many problems. Rarely can the manager himself see a junior game, and he must rely entirely on the word of his scout.

Percentage system

That is why Mr. Dodgin commented at the recent annual meeting that a good scouting system was essential to any club.

At the moment, Mr. Dodgin is happy with the set-up at Boundary Park. There are no paid scouts at

the club, but there are many men who go out watching young players on a form of "percentage" basis.

If they bring a youngster to the club and he makes the grade, they are financially rewarded. And added to the men on Athletic's scout list before Mr. Dodgin arrived are now many of the new manager's contacts in the football world.

It is reassuring to know that Athletic can have youngsters watched almost anywhere in the country right now. Obviously it is difficult for Athletic to compete in the areas of bigger clubs, so Mr. Dodgin comments: "Simply, we must look elsewhere."

Shortage of pitches

Still the greatest stumbling block to any youth policy at Boundary Park is the lack of playing pitches. It has been difficult enough this season for the club to find a ground for the third team to play on.

They now have that ground, but it can only be used on certain dates. This means that trial matches for young local boys must also be played at Boundary Park. And that does not improve the pitch very much.

Until Athletic have a second-pitch—and one has been generously promised by director Mr. Jack Clayton on the new Clayton Playing-fields—they will have to put up with the hardship.

The manager believes that three teams are enough for a club of Athletic's standing, so the need for even further pitches will not arise. Any youngsters discovered will be ample reward for the hours and expense involved, and they can easily be accommodated in the current Lancashire League side.



PETER PHOENIX

AGW REPORTS

FOOTBALL LEAGUE GOSSIP

England have a cheap side!

of the ordinary for one to do so at 40. One who will have done so soon is former Manchester United and England inside-left Stan Pearson, schemer-in-chief of Chester's attack nowadays. He will be 40 in January.

HOW much variety and how many club changes can a player crowd into just over three years. Little Liverpool-born outside-right Walter Hughes has packed this tour into his travels since July, 1955: Liverpool, Stockport County, Winsford United, Sheffield United, Wisbech Town, Bradford, Southport, Bangor City and now, back to Winsford.

ENGLAND'S international championship side this season has contained two Macs—Colin McDonald and Wilf McGuinness—for the first time in history. Only four other Macs have previously represented England in the home tournament—Preston centre-half Joe McCall, Huddersfield right-half Bill McGarry, Sunderland goalkeeper Albert McNroy, and West Brom left-half Bobby McNeale.

WHAT is it about London life that tends to abnormally long service by one club goalkeepers?

Remember how York City manager Sam Bartram put in over 20 years between the Charlton Athletic posts?

Well, two First Division goalkeepers who now have also completed 20 years each in their present quarters are Spurs' Ted Ditchburn and West Ham's Ernie Gregory. Service like that merits a special award.

ASTON VILLA'S Ken Roberts, the latest of all too many players who, in recent years, have had to quit the game because of injury, will always have cause to remember his League debut. It was made as Wrexham's inside-right when he was 15 years and 158 days old, and that still leaves him as having been only two days older than the youngest peacetime League debutant of all time—Albert Geldard, with Bradford in September, 1929.

OUTSIDE-RIGHT Tony McNamara has become the first player in history to function in all four Football League divisions in less than 12 months—Everton (First), Liverpool (Second), Crewe Alexandra (Fourth), and Bury (Third).

It reminds us that in nine months of a period of 1925 centre-forward Harold Crockford turned out with four Third Division clubs, Chesterfield, Gillingham, Accrington, and Walsall.

JOHN'S EDUCATED FEET GRADUATE WIN!

UP FROM BANGOR UNIVERSITY CAME STUDENT John Bazley TO BOUNDARY PARK TO FIGURE AT OUTSIDE RIGHT FOR Oldham Athletic v Crystal Palace.

BLIMEY! I WISH HE'D STAYED IN BANGOR!

Palace LEFT BACK NOAKES HAD GRAVE MISGIVINGS ABOUT JOHN'S JOURNEY

IF HE KEEPS THIS UP THERE'S A CHANCE HE'LL HEAR SOME LANGUAGE THAT ISN'T IN ANY UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM!

LANGUAGES STUDENT BAZLEY LED MR NOAKES SUCH A MERRY DANCE THAT IT CALLED FOR SELF RESTRAINT FROM THE HAPLESS DEFENDER.

BUT JOHN HAD THE LAST WORD AS BEFITS A STUDENT WHO DOES NOT CONFINE HIS STUDIES TO THE ACADEMIC CLASSROOM, FOR HIS TWO GOALS IN ATHLETIC'S 3-0 WIN WERE THE RESULT OF INTELLIGENT HOMEWORK ON THE BOUNDARY PARK DITCH!

HUGHES'S

OLDHAM DISTRICT DARTS AND CRIB

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Darts results last Tuesday (crib in brackets): Vaults 4 (6), Westwood 3 (1); St. Paul's 3 (5), Westbourne 4 (2); Royal 3 (2), King William 4 (5); White Hart 4 (6), Beethoven 3 (2); Corporation 2 (4), Flag 5 (3); L.L.L. 1 (4), Spinners 6 (3); Freemasons v. Ivy Leaf result not to hand.

HOLLINWOOD DARTS

Last Tuesday's results in the Hollinwood Darts League (crib results in brackets): NMBL (4) 4, Spinners (3) 3; Colliers (4) 2, Bridgewater (3) 5; Gardeners Rest (4) 5, Kings Arms (3) 2; Yew Tree (4) 4, Ferranti (3) 3; Commercial (5) 4, Fallsworth CC (2) 3; Royal Oak (3) 1, White Hart (4) 6.

KNOCK-OUT first round

Darts: White Hart v. Gardeners Rest; Kings Arms v. NMBL; Royal Oak v. Spinners Arms; Fallsworth CC v. Ferranti; Commercial v. Yew Tree; Colliers Arms v. Bridgewater. Crib: Yew Tree v. NMBL; Kings Arms v. Colliers Arms; Spinners Arms v. Commercial; Gardeners Rest v. Royal Oak; White Hart v. Fallsworth CC; Bridgewater v. Ferranti. (Away teams are to arrange dates for playing crib matches).

Oldham Junior Rugby League Notes Ferranti were game but Saints won well

St. Mary's 3 8-30 Ferranti 0 1-3

A VERY entertaining game was seen at Moss Fields last Saturday. St. Mary's received Ferranti. The Saints, the more experienced side, soon had ten points lead. One of their first tries was a spectacular length-of-the-field move in which Mills and Cunningham combined before Mills scored. Ferranti, with Lill and Cook playing well, hit back with a magnificent blind-side movement from a scrum in their own half, Lill and Attersall combining well for Attersall to score an unconverted try. Just before half-time, Kenny was presented with an easy try when a Ferranti player failed to gather the ball. The kick at goal was wide, and the half-time score was 13 points to three for the Saints.

With their left-wing pair producing speedy runs, the home side raced away to a convincing win. For St. Mary's, Pauley and Kenny did the constructive work and Johnson and Leden provided the finishing touches, while Mills and Cunningham worked hard in the forwards. For Ferranti, Lill was outstanding and received good support from Clise and Cook.

Waterhead 5 5-25 Spotland Rangers ... 1 0-2 Waterhead suffered a setback after only ten minutes play when they lost their hooker with a broken collar-bone. Despite this handicap they defeated Spotland after a very keenly contested game in which both sides made and took heavy tackles with the spirit of the game. Walsh, the Waterhead scrum-half, was the mainspring

behind the Waterhead attack, and his partner, Rennie, was the top scorer with five goals and two tries. Smith was the most outstanding forward, but he blotted his copy book by receiving marching orders just before the end of the game.

Also outstanding in the home forwards was Grasham. He made fine openings in the Spotland defence with his clever handling and running. Alberinshaw scored Spotland's only goal and their outstanding players were Berry, Rush and Bossam.

Higginshaw 3 12-42 Avro 1 5-5

When Avro visited visited Higginshaw last Saturday they found the home side in a very lively mood. Top scorer was Geff Needham with four very good tries, while Reid, on the left-wing, ran in three tries. Although Avro put up a good performance they were never in the same class as the home side. Meller was in brilliant form for Higginshaw. Although he did not score he was the brains behind the attacking power. Williams was the try scorer for Avro and Wright added the goal points, while J. Laverty (2), L. Laverty, Cheetham and Gledhill also scored tries for the whippers and Cheetham kicked three goals.

Royton visited Langworthy Juniors and came away winners by 26 points to 12 after a very fast open game. The Royton backs laid the foundation to this victory with clever passing and running.

In the intermediate section, Greenacres defeated Salford Juniors by 29 points to two. The game was played in a good clean sporting manner and the better side won the day.

Next Saturday the Oldham League play the Liverpool League in the first round of the Lancashire Intermediate Inter Town Competition. The Oldham League side will be selected at the Roebuck Hotel tomorrow and it will report at 12.30 next Saturday.

Next Saturday's fixtures (kick-off 3 o'clock): Lancashire Junior Cup area semi-final, Waterhead v St. Anne's (R. L. Thomas).

League fixtures: Egerton v Saddleworth Rangers; Spotland Rangers v St. Mary's; Avro v Langworthy Juniors; Royton v Salford Juniors; Swinton Juniors v Higginshaw.

Intermediate League: Langworthy Juniors v Whipp & Bourne; Folly Lane v Spotland Rangers; Greenacres v St. Anne's; Salford Juniors v Ferranti; Broadwater v Hopwood.

Junior Schools Soccer Notes Werneth now top of league

DIVISION 1

Alexandra Park 1, Werneth 3. WERNETH are going great guns in this division, and this latest win puts them at the top of the league for the junior schools, and Alexandra opened the scoring, but just could not hold this skilful Werneth side in which BOYD played a brilliant part, scoring twice and making another for GOULDEN.

Hathershaw 1, Alexandra Park 1.

This was a good even match, with Alexandra leaving it till the last minute to equalise through Prestwich after Brown had scored off the post for Hathershaw.

DIVISION 2

Derker 4, Roundthorn 0.

These old rivals met at Stoneleigh Park and after a slow start Neal crowned a good solo run with a good goal for Derker, and Jump made it 2-0 at half-time. Fenton continued to play well for Roundthorn but Derker went further ahead with goals from Derbyshire and Pritchard, after much good work by Stott.

Fitton Hill 0, Roundthorn 0.

After a goalless draw against Roundthorn, Fitton Hill went on, two days later, to defeat Northmoor in a keenly-fought game. On a muddy field, Sunderland, after hitting the post three times, scored twice for Fitton Hill, and with Hulme playing an outstanding part, Mills got the winner. The Northmoor captain, Whittaker, was an inspiration, but could only spur his team on to the two goals from Needham and Taylor.

DIVISION 3

St. Anne's 0, St. Stephen's 0.

This was an even game and a draw was a very just result, each of the 22 players giving of his best. Cowell shone for St. Stephen's and O'Brien, in his first game, played very well for St. Anne's.

DIVISION 4

Greenacres 6, Higginshaw 1.

St. Hugh's 1, Greenacres 2. Greenacres have gone to the top of the table. Although winning most convincingly against Higginshaw, Greenacres had to fight all the way against St. Hugh's. Goals scored by Price and Waddington gave Greenacres both points after Ogden had opened the scoring for

DIVISION 5

Waterhead 0, Bardsley 4.

Bardsley were more powerful, but a 4-goal margin flattered them a little. They scored through Edge (2), Lucas and Lyon. Waterhead missed a penalty.

Bardsley 2, Werneth 2nd 1.

Playing at home this time, Bardsley showed Werneth that their victory at Waterhead was no fluke by winning by the odd goal in three. Jackson and Truelove were their scorers and Allen replied for Werneth.

T.M.J.

SCHOOLS RUGBY NOTES Clarksfield player's seven goals in a 44-0 victory

LEAGUE "B"

Hollinwood 13, Hollins 5.

Hollinwood played together better as a team and in the second half were pressing continually. Sandiford scored an opportunistic try round the blind side of the scrum, Denson ran strongly to increase the lead and Samuels ran from the Hollinwood "25" to score a fine try. Beard, at stand off, was often prominent with some good running and he kicked a magnificent goal from the touch-line.

Higginshaw 20, Robin Hill 5.

Higginshaw gradually got on top and tries came from individual bursts. Howarth was first to score and he converted himself. Further tries came from Tupman, Lorne and Walsh to make it 14-0 at half-time. On the resumption Robin Hill were first to score with a great 75-yard run by Ward who finished up under the posts for Jordan to convert. Wood played a very strong game for Robin Hill and deserved to score. Tries by Lowe and Howarth completed the scoring.

LEAGUE "C"

Clarksfield 44, Higginshaw 0.

A fast open game with plenty of good handling movement. The fact that both prop forwards, Lockwood and Peter Williamson each scored three tries suggests that it was a forward game, but it was not so. The forwards got the ball away smartly at play-the-ball and backed each other up well.

Loose forward Smallwood kicked seven goals, besides hitting the

posts. Higginshaw had two or three lightweights who showed some good touches but they received no support from their forwards.

Higginshaw 18, Hollins 3.

This match was played the previous week at Higginshaw where the home team made full use of the slope to run in tries by their heavier players.

St. Anselm's 21, Hollinwood 0.

The Merton Avenue ground was muddy and St. Anselm's adapted themselves better to conditions. Both sides tackled well, Hollinwood with the more enthusiasm, St. Anselm's with more effect. Hollinwood were pinned in their own half for long periods. Hollinwood had hard-working players in prop-forward and captain Pendry, Denson at stand-off, and Goddard, hooping and in the loose.

LEAGUE "D"

Hollins 9, Clarksfield 0.

In a very hard fought game, Hollins were always looking for the ball in the loose for they were unable to push off the Clarksfield hooker who consistently gave his side the ball. Hollins were fortunate to score their first try by Kershaw. Sutherland, the Hollins loose-forward, was responsible for the other two tries and also for many very strong runs. Gartside supported him well and Weems could always be relied upon to make a grand tackle when necessary. Kitson, Clarksfield's hooker, was in form and Bowden worked hard in the loose.

W.H.

PROGRAMMES

Tonight

- BBC 6 0: News. Weather. 6 5: Six-Five Special. 7 5: Boots and Saddles. 7 30: Dixon of Dock Green. 8 0: Ted Ray Show. 9 0: News. 9 5: Playhouse. 10 5: Bach. 10 25: Sports Special. 10 55: News Summary. 11 0: Australian Walkabout. 11 25: Weather.

- ABC 1 35: Weather. 1 36: Afternoon Out. 4 30: Looking Around. 4 50: Robin Hood. 5 15: Bee for Birthday. 5 35: Rugby League results. 5 37: Weather. 5 40: Sports Results and News. 6 0: Oh, Boy! 6 30: Mary Britten, M.D. 7 0: Maverick. 7 55: Paul Robeson. 8 25: Frankie Vaughan. 8 55: News. 9 0: Double Bill. 11 10: O S S. 11 40: News. 11 45: Epilogue.

- HOME 434m. 6 0: News. 6 15: Northern News. 9 20: Sport Spotlight. 6 55: Those Were The Days. 7 30: HMS Pinafore. 8 0: Variety Playhouse. 9 0: News.

and Tomorrow

- BBC 1 0: O Sul I Sul. 1 10: Y Tir Dymunol. 2 0: Farming: The Dairy Show. 2 35: News Review. 3 0: Whack-o! 3 30: Look Here. 4 15: Brains Trust. 5 0: Children. 7 0: Meeting Point. 7 25: News. 7 30: What's My Line? 8 0: Theatre. 9 25: Lost City. 10 10: News. 10 15: Monitor. 11 0: Weather; Epilogue.

- ABC 11 15: Service. 1 30: Motor-cycle Scramble. 2 35: Weather. 2 36: The Other Man's Farm. 3 0: Dial 999. 3 30: Errol Flynn Theatre. 4 0: Bid For Fame. 4 45: Time Out For Peggy. 5 15: Hawkeye. 5 45: What's in Store. 6 5: News. 6 15: The Sunday Break. 7 0: About Religion. 7 25: News. 7 30: M Squad. 8 0: London Palladium. 9 0: Dotto. 9 30: News. 9 35: African Patrol. 10 5: The Terrorist (play). 11 10: After Hours. 11 35: Epilogue.

- LUXEMBURG - 208 metres 6 0: Beaver Club. 6 15: Tommy Trinder. 6 45: Accordion Time. 7 0: Time for a Song. 7 30: Sinatra. 7 45: Winifred Atwell Show. 8 0: Opportunity Knocks. 8 30: Take Your Pick. 9 0: Ward Sister. 9 30: This I Believe. 10 0: Record Rendezvous. 10 30: Humphrey Lyttelton Show. 11 0: Top Twenty.

- HOME - 434 metres 7 50: Lift Up Your Hearts. 7 55: Weather. 8 0: News. 8 10: Programmes. 8 18: British Melody. 8 55: Weather. 9 0: News. 9 10: Home for the Day. 9 45: Service. 10 30: Music Magazine. 11 20: Your Concert Choice. 12 10: The Critics. 1 0: News. 1 10: Coast and Country. 1 40: Opera a la Carte. 2 0: Gardeners' Question Time. 2 30: Symphony Concert. 3 11: A Novice in Rome. 3 31: Concert (Part 2). 4 15: Can I Help You? 4 30: Talking About Music. 5 0: Children. 5 50: Money Matters.

- 9 15: The Constant Star (play). 10 45: Lighten Our Darkness. 11 0: News. 11 6: Music at Night.

- LIGHT 1,500m. 6 0: Guitar Club. 6 30: Just Jazz. 7 0: Radio Newsreel. 7 24: Association Football. 7 30: Saturday Night on the Light. 10 30: Dancing Club. 10 30: News. 10 40: Dancing Club. 11 0: Pick of the Pops. 11 55: Late News.

- THIRD 464m. 4 0: Background to Music. 4 30: World of Books. 5 0: Record Review. 5 45: Bridge Forum. 6 0: Debussy and Hindemith. 6 30: The Rough and Ready Lot. 8 5: Concert. 8 50: The World of Industry. 9 10: Concert (part 2). 9 55: The Iliad. 10 25: Music of the English Renaissance.

- LUXEMBURG 208m. 6 0: Non-Stop Pops. 6 30: Requests. 7 30: Ranch House Serenade. 8 0: Jamboree. 9 45: Mario Lanza Sings. 10 0: Irish Requests. 10 30: Spin With the Stars. 11 0: Bringing Christ to the Nations. 11 30: Record Round-Up.

- 6 0: News. 6 15: Radio Newsreel. 6 45: Grand Hotel. 7 30: Letter from America. 7 45: The Way of Life. 8 25: Week's Good Cause. 8 30: The Old Curiosity Shoppe. 9 0: News. 9 15: Claudio Arrau. 9 50: With Courage. 10 50: Epilogue. 11 0: News. 11 6: Music at Night.

- LIGHT - 1,500 metres 9 0: Silver Chords. 9 30: A Sequence of Music. 9 45: Archers. 10 30: Simple Melody. 11 0: Have a Go! 11 30: Service. 12 0: Two-Way Family Favourites. 1 15: Billy Cotton Band Show. 1 45: Educating Archie. 2 15: Ray's a Laugh. 2 45: Movie-Go-Round. 3 30: Melody Hour. 4 30: Duchess Don't Allow. 5 0: Alma Cogan. 5 30: The Flying Doctor. 6 0: Sing It Again! 6 30: Al Read Show. 7 0: Mr. Fentley and Mr. Braden. 7 30: News. 7 35: Just for You. 8 30: Sunday Half Hour. 9 0: London Lights. 10 0: Semprini Serenade. 10 30: News. 10 40: Pete Murray. 11 30: Moonglow. 11 50: The End of the Day. 11 55: Late News.

- THIRD - 464 metres 5 0: The Trial of Lucullus. 6 0: Siegfried. 7 35: Prospect. 7 55: Siegfried. 9 20: Seventeenth-Century Poetry. 9 35: Siegfried.

Duke attends regimental ball

The Duke of Edinburgh stayed until after midnight at a regimental ball for 200 guests in the Officers' Mess of the Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, stationed at Hohne Camp near Bergen, West Germany.

The ball marked the formation of the Queen's Royal Irish Hussars by the amalgamation of the Fourth and Eighth Hussars.

The Duke danced first with the wife of the Commanding Officer of the new regiment, Lieut-Colonel W. G. Butler, and joined in Scottish reels to the pipes of the First Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders. The Duke is Colonel-in-Chief of the new regiment. The Duke of Edinburgh left later for London in a Heron plane of the Queen's Flight.



A farcical TV chiller

ALTHOUGH the Brian Rix team is cut in force tomorrow night, their play on BBC television cannot come under the heading of a Whitehall farce.

It is a play which has only been seen on tour and at one or two repertory theatres. Its name is "Wanted—One Body" and it has been described as a farcical chiller. In the team for this appearance is Dora Bryan (seen in the photo) who will be seen as a nervous housemaid.

The plot concerns the reading of a will at a lonely country house. The body of the supposedly dead man vanishes. So do certain other people. Brian Rix (left) and Leo Franklyn (right) are two not-very-bright solicitors.



Which of these two is the real policeman? The one on the left is easily recognisable as JACK WARNER who uses the alias Dixon of Dock Green. The other day he left his car outside a studio while he went to change into his Dixon rig for a photograph to be taken standing beside his car. When he came out he found this real "bogey" waiting to book him for parking. "It's a fair cop," says Dixon.

Rep company celebrates its jubilee

A REPERTORY company celebrates its silver jubilee by putting on a 60-minute play for BBC viewers tonight. The rep is the one at Colchester (Essex), and the play is "Four for Solitaire."

Colchester Rep has been a nursery for such stars as Derek Bond, Trevor Howard and Peggy Mount.

The play is set in a small hotel in the North Wales mountains. The drama centres on four women whose husbands are involved in a dangerous climb. Two of the women happen to be in love with one man.

P. G. WODEHOUSE'S books have amused more than one generation. For many years this humorous author has lived on Long Island, New York, and he has been interviewed by David Wheeler of the "Panorama" team for tomorrow's edition of "Monitor."

TOMORROW, at that sadly-late hour of 10.5 p.m. for starting drama, ABC is presenting a new play, "The Terrorist," which is topical in view of the big French drive against the Algerian rebels.

John Kruse, the young English author who wrote the film, "Hell Drivers," has set this thriller in a farmhouse overlooking an Algerian valley. In the farmhouse live a plastic surgeon, his wife, and their daughter-in-law, who has been widowed by a terrorist leader.

The terrorist re-enters their lives when he demands that the plastic surgeon should change his face—or see, his daughter-in-law die.—A.J.S.

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Fender Legs (5), Mike Flash (6), Wild
Nora (7).

7-45: Tim, Automation, Gowran Lad,
Carpet Prince, Anna's Wonder.

8-0: Strong Arm (scr.), Nauru (2),
Bobtail (4), Kevin's Pal (4), Turmoil (5).

8-15: Grand Duke, Black Pet, Joe,
Stephen, Hollerith.

8-30: Lucky Fool (scr.), Another Blue
(2), Mad Fun (2), Silver Starlight (3),
No Fancy (3).

8-45: Cousin Rachael (scr.), Lucky Jim
(scr.), Double Dee (1), Wise Boy (3),
Catapult (4).

9-0: David's Girl (scr.), Susan's Delight
(5), Connie's Pal (6), Monica (7), Jinks
(7).

9-15: Susan's Wish, Sweet Sue, Fly
Captain, Blaydon, The Camel.

Next Meeting: THURSDAY, OCT. 30
at 7-30 p.m.

Boys' Clubs' own show

FRANKIE VAUGHAN is a staunch supporter of the Boys' Clubs movement. He has presented it with the royalties from two of his best-selling records—amounting to more than £3,250.

Tonight he is to appear in a 30-minute excerpt from the Boys' Clubs' own show which is being held to celebrate their special week.

The show features unknown performers chosen by Frankie from clubs around the country, and it is backed by such established artists as the King Brothers, Max Geldray, Peter Cavanagh and Ted Lume.

PAUL ROBESON tonight makes his third TV appearance in this country and he will sing a number of requested songs on ABC, including "Drink to me only," "Curley-headed baby" and the canoe song from "Sanders of the River."

On his ten personal appearances in his current tour of this country he has packed halls with an aggregate audience of 30,000.

The BBC has another "TED RAY SHOW." The comedian is joined in this production by Margot Henderson, who has just completed her own series of shows on BBC Scottish TV. Kenneth Connor is again a thorn in Ted's side and Pearl Carr, Teddy Johnson and Lester Ferguson join in.

Caveman weds cavewoman

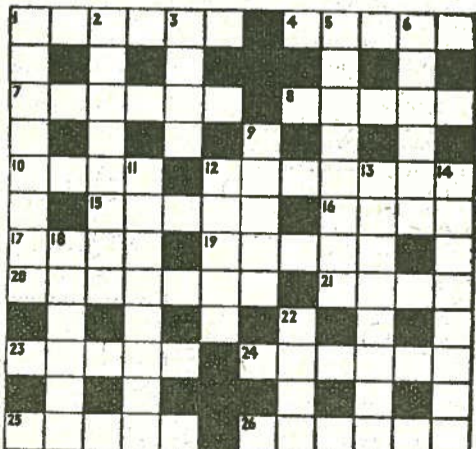
A couple who make a hobby of exploring caves were married in one near New York, while witnesses in steel helmets equipped with miners' lamps looked on. The ceremony took place 155 feet below ground.

A Nationwide Register of people suspended or disqualified from driving and mandatory endorsement of licences for every speeding offence are advocated by the Commissioner of Transport, Mr. H. B. Smith.

CROSSWORD No. 1613

ACROSS

- The uncertain have them (6).
- It will, if shortened, be suitable for sheeting (5).
- Wipe up the favourite, dear (6).
- Garden oest (6).
- They're often dear in correspondence (4).
- Learned (7).
- Twist some string (5).
- Singles (4).
- Brain - wavy - possibly (4).
- Concerning a party a neat finish (5).
- In this is certainly touching (7).
- Barnese eagle (4).
- Tea-time is it? Then pop in! (5).
- Gun dogs? (6).
- For handling coal or sugar (5).
- Not deceitful (6).



DOWN

- Servant in the home (8).
- How few are the real aristocracy! (5, 3).
- Frontier row (4).

- Praise for a boring job completed? (4, 4).
- Ambassador (6).
- Last case river (5).
- Killing flies (4).
- Establish by law (5).
- Early airmen were often so-called (8).
- Highly considered (3).
- Spotted or facial disguise (6).
- Road girl? Might be (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.—Across: 3, Crossing. 8, Callao. 9, Slacking. 11, Impotent. 12, Bell. 13, Newts. 18, Soaks. 19, Even. 22, Seawards. 24, Opulence. 25, Trudge. 26, Mattress. Down: 1, Acrid. 2, Clips. 3, Castles. 4, Role. 5, Sect. 6, Trises. 7, Gaggles. 10, Anita. 14, Women. 15, Skewers. 16, Re-form. 17, Result. 20, Pride. 21, Aspen. 22, Sear. 23, Acts.

Athletic wilt under fiery Chester's snap goalstorm

Hornets in tough fight for win

BILL HANSON'S absence from the Hornets pack in the Athletic Grounds game with Leigh was a shock for supporters. The visitors included second row man Mick Martyn, after injury, and had Fisher at centre in place of Keith Holden, whose transfer to Wigan on Thursday enriched Leigh.

HORNETS: Cahill; Smith, Buxton, Short, Ralph, Chisnall, Fishwick; Scholes, Sivill, Wareing, Parsons, Bailey Parr.
LEIGH: Hosking; E Hutson, Fisher, Gibson, Kindon; W Hutson, Dickenson; Robinson, Tabern, Owen, W McFarlane, Martyn, Foster.
Referee: Mr. C. F. Appleton (Warrington).

In the first movement, W. Hutson slipped the Hornets defence, but when he kicked Buxton beat E. Hutson in the chase for the touch down.

Breaks by Fishwick and Parr switched play to the Leigh quarter, where the loose forward, by delaying his pass to Buxton and Smith on the right, closed up a promising scoring chance.

Following a Martyn dash, Short and Chisnall made progress into the visitors' half, but an infringement lost them hard-won ground.

Another bid failed as Bailey knocked on Parson's pass inside the Leigh quarter, but next time a well-timed Parsons pass sent CHISNALL in at the post. SMITH kicked the goal.

Passing bouts

Leigh hit back with great enthusiasm and staged several passing bouts inside the home quarter, in one of which Gibson was injured in a tackle by Smith. It was amazing how the home line held on at this stage. When Hornets managed to move up field, Wareing got the ball to the right, but Dan Smith, with room to move, dropped the final pass.

But in the next minute from a similar move, Smith not only took the pass but returned the ball inside to BAILEY who scored at the post.

Smith failed at goal from straight in front.

Almost on the interval, in scrambling play on the Hornets line, W. HUTSON gained possession and touched down for HOSKING to goal.

Half-time:—
HORNETS 1 2-3
LEIGH 1 1-5

Leigh continued to have possession in the second half but they made little headway until a plunging run by Robinson carried play into the home half. Hornets did not touch the ball for close on five minutes. Then it was from a free kick and it was lost again when Bailey missed a pass.

A dropped Leigh pass enabled Chisnall to pick up and sprint away, but his inside pass at the "25" line was fumbled by Buxton, who next fell to a tackle after sailing through a wide gap.

At the play-the-ball, Leigh were penalised and SMITH landed a goal.

There was a further period of Leigh in constant possession, in which Fisher was halted by a spectacular tackle by Smith, and Martyn was recalled for a forward pass as he approached Cahill.

Final:
HORNETS 2 2-10
LEIGH 1 1-5
Attendance 4,268. Receipts £409.

MCC tour

Overnight: MCC 280-5.
MCC—First innings (cont.)
May c McDonald b Strauss 113
Evans c Watson b Strauss 55
Laker b Strauss 2
Trueman c Simpson b O'Neill 13
Statham c sub b Rutherford 16
Leader not out 11
Extras 11
Total 349
Bowling: Slater 28-7-81-2; Hoare 9-2-33-0; O'Neill 11-1-47-1; Strauss 22-1-99-5; Germaine 6-0-32-0; Rutherford 11-2-5-17-2; Mackay 9-2-23-0.
COMBINED XI—First innings
McDonald c Cowdrey b Laker 27
Rutherford c Evans b Statham 34
O'Neill not out 30
Simpson not out 17
Extras 1
Total (for 2 wks) 159
Bowling: Trueman 10-0-44-0; Statham 10-4-16-1; Leader 8-0-31-0; Laker 15-1-44-1; Milton 1-0-23-0.
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NEWPORT'S EARLY LEAD PROVED A TEASER FOR DOGGED ROCHDALE

ROCHDALE had Eddie Wainwright making his first home appearance for two months. He had been out with a leg injury. Since he came back into the team Rochdale had played two away matches without defeat. Young Jimmy Brown was given another chance on the right wing and transfer-listed Dailey was preferred for centre-forward.

ROCHDALE: McCready; Ferguson, Whiston; McGuigan, Glover, McGlennon; Brown, Wainwright, Dailey, Spencer, McBain.

NEWPORT: Weare; Holliman, Sherwood; Riggs, Wilcox, Rowland; McSeveney, Graham, McPherson, Singer, G Brown.
Referee: Mr. T. Coultas (Hull).

Rochdale had the chance of going in front in the first five minutes but squandered it and a mistake at the other end put them one down instead of one up.

Rochdale were off with a raid in which McBain put across a great centre, but Brown could not get his head to it.

Newport could have been in front in the next minute when McSeveney could not reach a ball which passed along the Rochdale goal-line with nobody at home.

Rochdale celebrated with an attack which certainly should have put them in front.

Riggs headed against his own crossbar and the ball dropped all set and ready for Spencer to head into an untenanted net, but by some mischance Spencer's header went over the top.

McPHERSON got the better of Glover just over 40 yards out and crashed in a shot which caught McCready napping and the ball sailed into the top of the net.

McGlennon deserved to put his side level with a free kick, but Weare was on his toes.

A determined bid by Dailey had the Welshmen bobbing, but they survived. Rochdale were getting on top, but they wanted goals to show for their efforts.

Towards half-time Rochdale stepped up the pressure but there were no dividends for them. Wainwright was slow to bring down a ball from chest height when standing three yards out, and Sherwood came across and robbed him.

The full-back had the same treatment stored up for Spencer who waited too long before shooting and altogether it was Rochdale's unlucky day in front of goal.

A couple of determined bids by Dailey brought nothing better than good saves by Weare. Rochdale were playing well up to a point but things were going wrong when they got into the Newport penalty area.

Weare saved Newport again when Dailey tried a long, hard, ground shot and altogether it seemed that Rochdale would never score until their luck changed.

Half-time:
ROCHDALE 0
NEWPORT 1

Rochdale began the second half as if they might make amends for their first-half failings. Brown made a glorious chance for Wainwright but Wainwright was off the target.

Newport troubled Rochdale with a raid in which McPherson got the better of Glover, but his shot was wide. Weare saved Newport again by holding a high shot from Dailey.

Welshmen's luck

Towards the end Rochdale were by far the better side and against an over-robust Newport defence they often causing trouble. But the Welshmen's luck held.

Dailey made Weare save but only just, and the goalkeeper lost the ball when McBain tried a long shot.

Another chance came when Weare saved a high shot and Dailey knocked him down with a charge. But he was not over the line.

Rochdale appealed for a spot kick when Sherwood brought Brown down, but there was no dividend. It was the last straw when Spencer missed an open goal, allowing Weare to save what was only half a shot.

Final:
ROCHDALE 1
NEWPORT 1

WAINWRIGHT for Rochdale after 87 minutes. Attendance 5,000.

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'A' TEAM HIT BACK AFTER ROCKY START

AT Workington the home side took an early lead through a penalty goal by STEPHENSON. Workington "A" now had the upper hand and after Ryan had twice been stopped, inches short of the line EDEN went over in the corner, STEPHENSON adding the goal points.

All the play was now confined to Oldham's half and Workington further increased their lead when Keough made a grand kick through for HARRIS to dive on the ball over the line.

Oldham "A" were now coming more into the game and they reduced Workington's lead with a breakaway try by BYRNE, JONES adding an easy conversion.

Close on half-time HATHERALL ran 50 yards to score under the posts. JONES converted.

Half-time:
Workington 'A' 10, Oldham 'A' 10

On the restart, Workington went close when Charters threw out a long pass to Bethwaite, who gained 40 yards down the touchline before he was crashed into touch.

Oldham "A" nearly took the lead when Ayres broke clear of all opposition only to be brought back for an earlier offence. This put Oldham on the attack, and they should have scored by Needham missed a pass with the line at his mercy.

Further scorers for Workington: Bethwaite (2), Harris and Armstrong tries, Stephenson (2) goals. For Oldham: Jones goal.

Final:—
Workington "A" 26
Oldham "A" 12

RESERVES TIRE IN 2nd HALF

ATHLETIC RESERVES nearly went ahead straight from the kick-off. A strong shot from centre-forward Crossley flew off the boot of a Prescott defender and goalkeeper Patience just managed to tip the ball over the bar.

Crossley was proving a lively leader for the Reserves and his long centre from the left again tested Patience, but the goalkeeper held the ball underneath the crossbar.

After 16 minutes, however, CROSSLEY was rewarded. He found a gap in the Prescott defence ten yards out and easily beat Patience.

Reserves new keeper Norris created a good impression when he brilliantly saved a strong shot from centre-forward Gannon after a bad clearance by Booth. Prescott came more into the game and pressure brought an equaliser four minutes before half-time.

After a free-kick, left-back GRESSEDALE tried a long shot and it floated over the head of a surprised Norris.

Half-time:—
Reserves 1
Prescott Cables 1

A combined move by Clarke, Robinson and Walker, ended in a corner. Clarke found Robinson but his header went over the top. Robinson fed Clarke with a lovely through pass but the winger was stopped by the full-back. Next Robinson tried a shot from a pass from Walker but there was no sting behind it.

Reserves paid the penalty for their poor shooting when Prescott went ahead after 75 minutes. Right-half FORSHAW scored from a pass by right-winger Quinn.

Final:—
Athletic Reserves 1
Prescott Cables 3
Late scorer, — Prescott: Mercer (pen.) 80min.

ONCE again a number of Athletic supporters were at Sealand Road, Chester, this afternoon to see Athletic bid for their first away victory since Easter. Both teams were as selected, Chester fielding the side which won away at Gateshead last week.

CHESTER: Howells; Hughes, Souter; Hunt, Saunders, Mason; Foulkes, Bullock, Jepson, Richards.
ATHLETIC: Teece; Taylor, West; Hobson, Murphy, Thompson; Bazley, Bourne, Duffy, Hall, Phoenix.
Referee: Mr. J. S. Pickles (Stockport).

Wearing their red and white strip, Athletic soon had their backs to the wall with Taylor deflecting a Bullock shot for a corner. Then Pearson lobbed a shot just over the top and Athletic went away with Bourne pushing out a long pass to Phoenix. The winger cut in and chanced his luck, but his shot was well over the top. A swift interchange on the left gained Chester their second corner but Hobson dribbled the ball clear.

In Athletic's first real bid which was prompted by Hobson as he sent

By AGW

Bazley away, the winger's centre was too close and Howells easily collected.

The Athletic attack was making little headway so far and there was a third corner for Chester when West intercepted a Jepson pass intended for Bullock.

Bazley again darted through for Athletic, but instead of trying a shot he tried to find Bourne and the ball ran dead.

In the 15th minute Chester burst into the lead. Yet another corner on the right saw RICHARDS chance a shot through the crowded goalmouth, and with Teece unsuspected the ball spun off West's foot, hit the upright, and rolled in.

It was a setback for Athletic—but worse was yet to come. Within seconds the Chester forwards were back again and this time Pearson fed RICHARDS for the winger to crash in a second.

Stunned

Athletic were stunned by this two-goal storm and only a despairing Murphy tackle halted Foulkes as he cut through. Then Teece fisted out a strong Richards centre, but Bullock banked it back, the ball crashed against the bar, and Athletic's keeper had to leave his ground to retrieve.

Foulkes went off for attention and upfield swept Athletic with Duffy banging in a fine drive from Hall's pass. Howells collected at the second attempt and as Foulkes came back on to the field Athletic were away again with Duffy and Phoenix breaking through on the left.

Bourne could only half-hit the final pass, however, and it was Chester who came nearest to scoring again from a free kick just outside the area. Richards took it and Jepson cleverly flicked it towards goal. But Teece, who was going the wrong way, twisted round and got his hand to the ball right on the line.

Another Chester corner saw Teece pick the ball from Jepson's toes, but Athletic could not get away. Full-back Hughes came up to crash a shot into the side netting and then a minute before the interval, Chester increased their lead.

Foulkes made a break down the right to feed BULLOCK and cleverly beating West, the inside man crashed in a brilliant left-footed shot on the turn which left Teece helpless.

Half-time:—
CHESTER 3
ATHLETIC 0

Athletic had really run into a load of trouble at Sealand Road, where the home forwards were full of fire—and shots. The two goals in a minute had stunned Athletic, and just as they were recovering, Bullock went through to snatch the brilliant third goal. It was a tough reward for the fighting defence, but the forwards were really well out of it, and had not even looked like scoring.

Chester began just where they had left off and within a minute of the re-start had collected their fourth goal. Again BULLOCK was the scorer, even bettering his first-

half goal with a 25-yard-shot which rocketed home into the corner.

Athletic were in a flat spin, and only a brilliant Teece save prevented the home side from collecting a fifth.

A corner on the left gave Pearson a chance a couple of yards out, but with a brilliant dive the Athletic 'keeper flicked away the inside man's header. When Athletic did get away, Duffy sent Bourne through, but the inside man finished weakly and the ball ran dead.

BUT IN THE 55TH MINUTE ATHLETIC DID GET SOME REWARD. THE TIRELESS DUFFY SHOT AWAY DOWN THE RIGHT AND AS HOWELLS BADLY MISJUDGED HIS LOW CROSS PHOENIX RAN IN TO TAP THE BALL INTO THE EMPTY NET.

A clever interchange between Hall and Bazley saw the inside man crack a rising shot just over the top, and for the first time in the game Chester were reeling. A Taylor lob saw Phoenix flick the ball on to Duffy, but a yard out, the centre-forward missed the easiest of chances by falling over the ball.

Three corners in succession reflected Athletic's supremacy at this stage but Richards flew away again down the left wing to crack in a 25-yard shot which Teece could not hold. Fortunately, Murphy was there to clear, but Athletic were fighting and up came Hobson to put the ball across the face of an empty goal with all the Athletic forwards just out of distance.

Athletic certainly deserved a goal for their work and it came from JOHN BAZLEY. Playing at inside-right now, he collected a ball in the centre circle, beat three men in a brilliant run through, and from the edge of the area crashed the ball past the advancing Howells.

Attendance: 7,000 approx.
HUGHES penalty, 90 minutes for Chester.

Final:—
CHESTER 5
ATHLETIC 2

Continued from Front Page OLDHAM RUGBY

Two quick penalties followed—but this time they were for Oldham. In a minute they were back in the St. Helens quarter where again they gave away the advantage, Jackson being pulled out by the referee.

St. Helens found touch and when Murphy was penalised at the scrum Ganley went wide with his goal attempt from 45 yards.

Oldham almost scored a try a minute later. It was brilliant Pitchford who took the ball and battled through the Saints' defence, which just managed to pull him down two yards short of the line.

IN THE 59th MINUTE ST. HELENS WERE AGAIN PENALISED FOR OFF-SIDE, AND WITH A GREAT KICK FROM 50 YARDS GANLEY LANDED A GOAL.

Final:—
OLDHAM 3 2-12
ST. HELENS 1 0-2
KELLETT scored a try for Oldham.
Attendance 38,780.
Receipts £6,933 (record).

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