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OLDHAM v. WIGAN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12th, 1946.

KICK-OFF 3-30 P.M.

CLUB CHAT

Here we are again at Watersheddings playing our second league game at home against our old friends and foes from Wigan.

Saturday last saw our team fall from its high pedestal in no mean manner and we were beaten by Castleford by 22 points to six.

There is no excuse for this defeat, our team had an off day and certain members of our team were feeling the effects of the strenuous five matches we have played in fifteen days; hard knocks our players have received and defeat must be faced some day, but let us hope not too often.

Our list of injured players is rather too big at the present, Tom Ayres is suffering from a cracked bone in the ankle, and will be at least a month before he is fit to resume; Ken Blan, our reserve scrum half, is awaiting admission to a private nursing home, having unfortunately ruptured himself whilst playing against Widnes "A"; John Flanagan has got a dislocated thumb and will be out of the "A" team for a period; T. Rostron has torn ligaments of the arm; F. Elson is awaiting operation

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for the removal of a cartilage; and N Pugh is suffering from a severe bruise at the bottom of the back, received in the game against Castleford. Such is our luck, but this is all in the game. Reverting back to the game at Castleford, this was the third game we had lost in the last eighteen played.

Season 1946-47 we have played eight matches, including cup-ties, won six and lost two, and there is an old saying that a good start gives a runner a better chance in the race, but early defeat does not forebode failure, and don't worry about early failures.

I have known a team lose its first four matches and win the championship, be at the bottom of the league table at Xmas and gain honours at the end of the season, play its first two games away from home and lose them, and then win the championship.

**THE LANCASHIRE
SENIOR CUP**

We have now entered the semi-final of the Lancashire Senior Cup, and the road has been a hard one to travel, having beaten Workington and Leigh twice. We now meet once again Wigan in the semi-final.

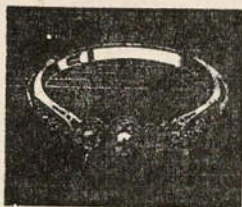
We are the only team so far to have won at Workington and Leigh and look forward with confidence to our big task to overcome clever opponents in Wigan in the match next Tuesday. The other semi-final is between Belle Vue Rangers and Widnes at Belle Vue, Manchester, on Wednesday next.

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| 5—LARGE, E.
INGLESFIELD, S. | 4—HARRIS, N. | 1—GRIFFITHS, W. | 3—GUMMER, G. | 2—DOUGHTY, V. |
| | 6—KERWICK, E.
KENNY, V. | | 7—REES, D. | |
| | | 13—THOMAS, L.
WOOD, W. | | |
| 8—OGDEN, H. | 12—SHAW, D. | 11—BROOKS, E. | 10—PARR, W. | |
| | | 9—FROST, W. | | |

Referee—

G. S. PHILLIPS



Linesmen—

A. Ford and N. C. Norrey

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| 10—WOOSEY, G. | 9—SHOVELTON, J. | 8—BANKS, W. G. |
| 12—BLAN, W. | 11—WATKINS, E. | |
| | 13—BLAN, J.
ATKINSON | |
| 7—BRADSHAW, T. | 6—MOUNTFORD, C. R. | |
| 2—RATCLIFFE, G. D. | 3—CUNLIFFE, J. | 4—FLEMING, J. |
| | 1—RYAN, M. | 5—JOLLEY, S.
NORDGREN, B. C. |

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One player may score all the tries and others make them possible. The player who paves the road for such efforts renders better service than the player who travels it in comfort.

THINK IT OVER!

I often think that if we took to heart the advice we offer to the referee it would be better for us and the game. Our eyes are always wide open to the good play of our players and the fouls committed against them, but do we exhibit the same interest in the good play of our opponents or the same vigilance in detecting the fouls committed by our own players.

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GROUND RENOVATIONS

Although we are making progress with the new stands A and B we ask our members and patrons to be a little longer tolerant of this upset. It is all unavoidable and another five or six weeks will see our ground in tip-top condition and made secure for the public safety.

PLAY-THE-BALL RULE

There appears to be a difference of opinion of what is meant by players being offside in the five yards area. The five yards allowed from the player playing the ball operates the whole width of the field, from touch line to touch line, therefore, a player can be thirty or forty yards away from "play the ball movement" but can be offside if he is inside the five yards line from the actual play-the-ball player; therefore, it is essential that all players should be five yards behind their own player who is in "play-the-ball movement."

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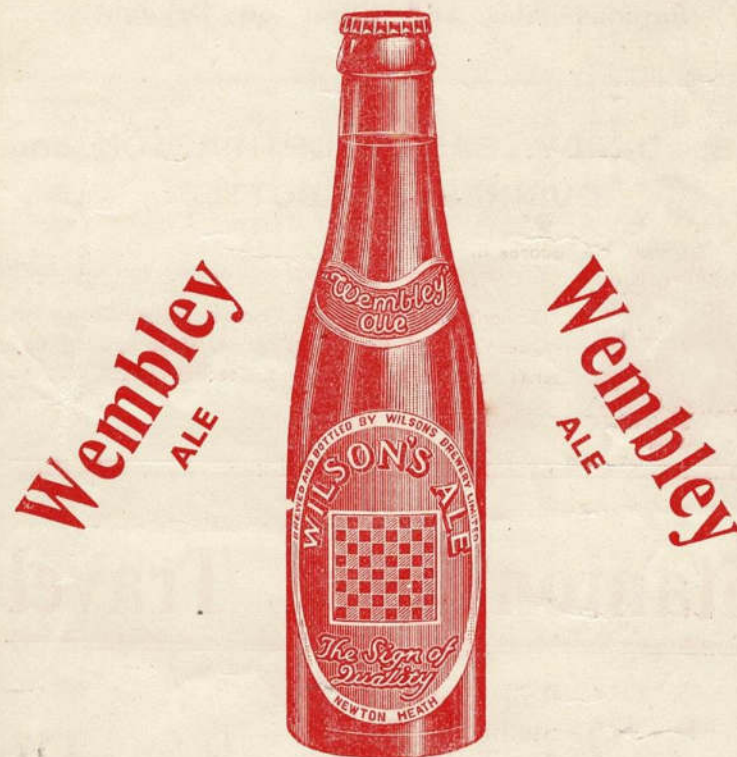
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