

Future matches where you can see the Kiwis in action.

Oct. 29, Wednesday	HUNSLET
Nov. 1, Saturday	HULL
„ 4, Tuesday	BATLEY
„ 8, Saturday	SECOND TEST—Swinton
„ 12, Wednesday	LEEDS
„ 15, Saturday	WARRINGTON
„ 20, Thursday	HALIFAX
„ 22, Saturday	HUDDERSFIELD
„ 27, Thursday	WIDNES
„ 29, Saturday	DEWSBURY
Dec. 6, Saturday	WAKEFIELD TRINITY
„ 13, Saturday	BELLE VUE RANGERS
„ 20, Saturday	THIRD TEST—Bradford

The Famous War Cry.

Ka mate, ka mate, ka ora ka ora,
ka mate, ka mate, ka ora ka ora,
Tenei te tangata, Puhuru huru,
Nana e piki mai, Whaka whiti te,
ra, Hupanei, Hupanei, Hupanei,
Hipanei, Whiti te ra.

It Means—

There is going to be a fight between us,
May it mean death to you and life to us,
We will fight on until one side is vanquished,
So long as the daylight lasts we are here to continue
the battle.
To be either killed or victorious.

OLDHAM v NEW ZEALAND

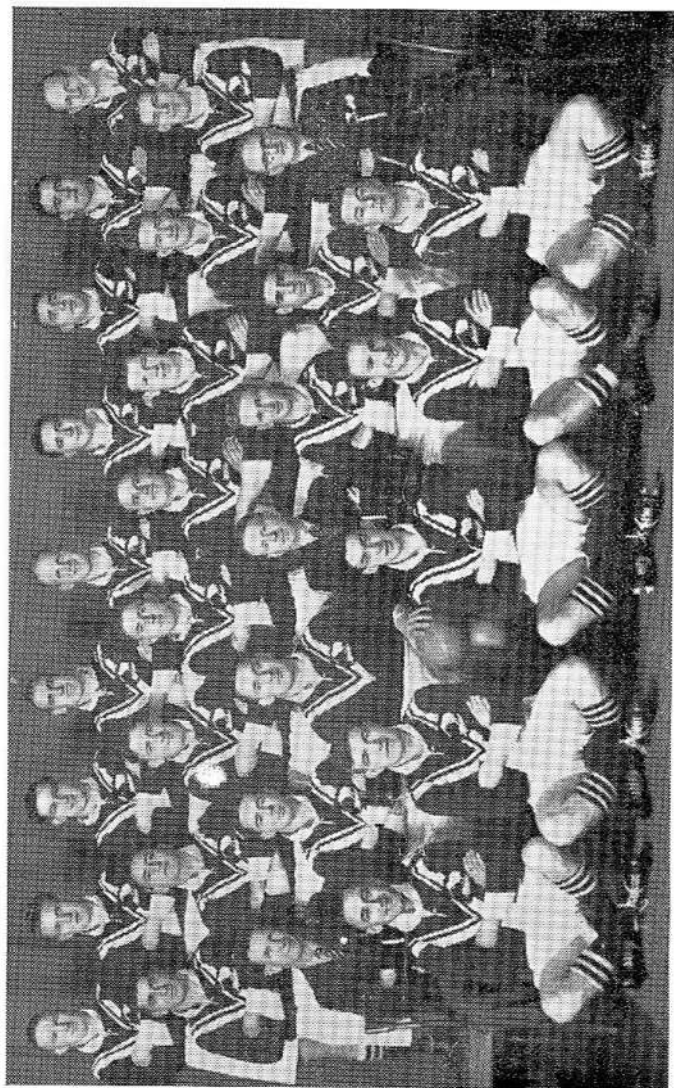
Saturday, 25th October 1947

at

**WATERSHEDDINGS,
OLDHAM.**

Kick-Off 3 p.m.

Official Souvenir Programme 6d.



THE NEW ZEALAND TOURISTS, 1947

Back Row:—R. Clark, K. Mountford, D. Anderson, A. W. McKenzie, G. Davidson, R. Nuttall, C. McBride, L. Jordan
 Third Row:—R. Aynsley, L. Pye, J. Johnson, A. Gillman, C. Hancox, J. Newton, T. Hardwick, M. Robertson
 Second Row:—L. Hunter, A. McInmarney, P. Smith, J. A. Redwood, A. Graham, J. Forrest, T. A. McClymont
 Front Row:—W. S. Clarke, J. Haig, R. McGregor, R. Cunningham, D. Barchard.

Coach.

Vice-Captain.

Manager.

Captain.

OUR GUESTS.

In 1907, a memorable year in the history of professional Rugby football, a band of New Zealanders carefully selected by the late A. H. Baskerville, came to challenge Northern Union teams in England. It was for these hardy "All Blacks" a venture into the unknown. They were unfamiliar with the rules in regard to those essentials of play which differ from the Rugby Union, but they came, and shall I say they conquered.

In 1907, the fortunes of our game were at a very low ebb. Our players were extremely orthodox, they concentrated more on defence than attack, and public patronage in consequence weakened.

AN IMPETUS TO THE CODE.

The advent of Baskerville's "All Blacks" gave a wonderful impetus to the game. These Colonials quickly demonstrated the wonderful possibilities of modern Rugby and before the tour was a month old, our players smartened up their latent resource and following the New Zealand players' example, indulged more in spectacular combination and resourceful defence. The Rugby League owes an inestimable debt of gratitude to the New Zealand pioneers of 1907.

THE ONLY TOUR WHICH FAILED.

The majority of the players returned to the Dominion at the conclusion of their tour, but several remained behind and joined our clubs. Their skilful play was undoubtedly a great factor in the further successes of their new clubs and of considerable benefit to the game generally.

The New Zealand success was quickly followed by the first visit of an Australian team in 1908, but this, unfortunately, was a financial failure, not due to lack of merit on the part of the tourists, but because the interval between the two visits was much too brief.

CODE ESTABLISHED IN THE COLONIES.

Our game, however became firmly established in both Australia and New Zealand. Each and every tour has proved an unqualified success, and public patronage here and in Australia and New Zealand has been such that the financial gain to the several Leagues has been considerable.

STRENUOUS OPPONENTS.

Our teams will give their visitors a hearty welcome, but every minute until the final whistle sounds, will do their utmost to attain playing success.

New Zealand is out to win every match, and is likewise also determined to play the game on and off the field. I hope we have a feast of football, and when the tour is finished and our "Kiwi" friends return to New Zealand, they will have reason to look back upon their visit to England in 1947-48 as the "time of their lives."

THE NEW ZEALAND TOURISTS.

The two managers of the party are **MR. J. A. REDWOOD**, of Auckland, Chairman of the New Zealand Rugby Football League, and Mr. Lance Hunter, of Greymouth, West Coast of New Zealand. Mr. Redwood is an experienced Tour manager, and has taken teams to Australia, and also accompanied the Kiwis who arrived here in 1939, and who returned after playing St. Helens and Dewsbury. He is both respected and admired by the players.

MR. LANCE HUNTER is enjoying his first visit to this country and his initiation into the responsibilities of Managership. Although Australian by birth, he has lived over 40 years in New Zealand, and can be regarded as a typical product of the West Coast, where our 1946 Tourists enjoyed very generous hospitality.

MR. A. J. McCLYMONT is the official coach of the team; he possesses a great knowledge of Rugby League football, having played as out side half for New Zealand against Australia and England from 1914 to 1924. He is almost a fanatic on physical fitness, and can be relied upon to get the best possible efforts from his players. A hard task master he may be, but he has the main quality required by a Coach in that he has captured the affection of his players.

Details of the players are as follows:—

PAT SMITH—(Captain) 30 years, height 5ft. 10½in., weight 15st. Pat was a Wellington Rugby Union representative before the war, and since has played for the South Island, and also against Gus Risman's Tourists last year.

A. GRAHAM—(Vice Captain) 28 years, height 5ft. 9in., weight 12st 11lbs. Represented the Pakehas (White Man) against the Maoris, and after four years on active service, returned to New Zealand to be reserve against England. He was Captain of the Northern Island this year.

R. NUTTALL—West Coast, 25 years, height 5ft. 11in., weight 13st. From the Blackball Club, he stepped into the South Island team of 1945 when the regular full back was injured. He won selection in the West Coast team which defeated England at Greymouth where he surprised the Tourists with his handling and kicking of the wet ball.

W. S. CLARKE—26 years, height 5ft 9in., weight 11st. 12lbs. An Auckland who has won his representative cap ever year since 1943, and was in the New Zealand side that defeated Gus Risman's Tourists last season. He established a New Zealand record for either Union or League by kicking 111 goals in the season—a big feat in a country where the season is so much shorter than in England.

A. McINNARNEY—Auckland, 28 years, height 5ft. 7in. weight 12st. 6lbs. is the only member of the 1939 Kiwis who has won a place in the present team. Spent four years overseas during the war.

J. Forrest—West Coast, 23 years, height 5ft. 9½in., weight 12st. 6lbs. A great tackling left winger who helped to beat our Tourists at Greymouth.

R. MCGREGOR—Auckland, 23 years, height 5 ft 9in., weight 10st. 8lbs. Played against our Tourists twice in 1946.

H. W. McKENZIE—Canterbury, 22 years, height 5ft. 11in., weight 12st. 7lbs. Comes from a football family, and has played on the wing for South Island. Is also a good track runner.

D. ANDERSON—Auckland, 20 years, height 5ft. 9in., weight 11st. 12 lbs. Played for the Pakehas v. the Maoris.

L. JORDAN—Auckland, 27 years, height 5ft. 9ins. weight 12st. Played for the Pakehas and for New Zealand v. England in the 1946 Test Match.

M. ROBERTSON—Auckland, 22 years, height 5ft. 11½in., weight 11st. 7lbs. Played for Auckland v. the British twice in 1946, and in the Test, facing Willie Davies with distinction.

R. CLARK—Auckland, 27 years, height 5ft. 10in., weight 12st. Captained Auckland twice against England, and also played in successful Test Match against the British.

D. BARCHARD—Auckland, 24 years, height 5ft. 7 in., weight 12st 4lbs. Famous New Zealand All Black of last year against Kiwi Army team and Australia. A great centre who came into Rugby League this season.

K. MOUNTFORD—Greymouth, 23 years, height 5ft. 8in., weight 12st. 4 lbs. Hardest forward on West Coast, who played leading part in beating Gus Risman's boys. He is the brother of Cecil who is doing well at Wigan.

T. H. HARDWICK—Auckland, 24 years, height 6ft., weight 13st. A great loose forward. Has played in four representative teams for the Pakehas against the Maoris, also three times against the English Tourists, twice for Auckland and once in successful New Zealand Test Team.

R. AYNSLEY—West Coast, 25 years, height 5ft. 11in., weight 13st. Hooker from Greymouth, who played well against the Tourists in winning team.

C. HANCOX—Auckland, 28 years, height 6ft. 2in., weight 16st. 2lbs. Represented Rugby Union for King County before joining Rugby League this season.

R. CUNNINGHAM—Auckland half back, 24 years, height 5ft. 8in., weight 11st. 2lbs.

A. GILLMAN—West Coast, forward, 27 years, height 6ft. 1 in., weight 14st. 6lbs. Played in winning Test against the British.

C. McBRIDE—West Coast, 22 years, height 5ft. 9 in., weight 13st. 6lbs. Great second row forward.

L. PYE—Auckland, 30 years, height 6ft. 1in., weight 15st. 4lbs. Forward who played against the British in 1946

J. NEWTON—West Coast, 27 years, height 6ft. 1½in., weight 14st. 3lbs. Was in the team which defeated our Tourists at Greymouth.

J. JOHNSON—Auckland, 27 years, height 6ft., weight 15st. Forward who played against Maoris 1945/46 and against England 1946.

G. DAVIDSON—Auckland, 21 years, height 5ft. 10½in., weight 12st. 9 lbs. New to big football, played well in the trials.

J. HAIG—Canterbury, 22 years, height 5ft. 7in., weight 12st. 4lbs. A very recent convert from Rugby Union, and a scrum-half of great ability.

THE TEAMS

OLDHAM

COLOURS—Red and White

Full Back—	GRIFFITHS, W.
Threequarter Backs—	INCLESFIELD, S. HARRIS, N. MAHONEY, J. B. LARGE, E.
Half Backs—	KENNY, V. SMITH, R. A.
Forwards—	OGDEN, H. FROST, W. TAYLOR, J. THOMAS, L. M. THOMPSON, N. AYRES, T.
Reserves—	MITCHELL, W. S. ROSTRON, T.
Referee—	F. SMITH (Barrow).

NEW ZEALAND

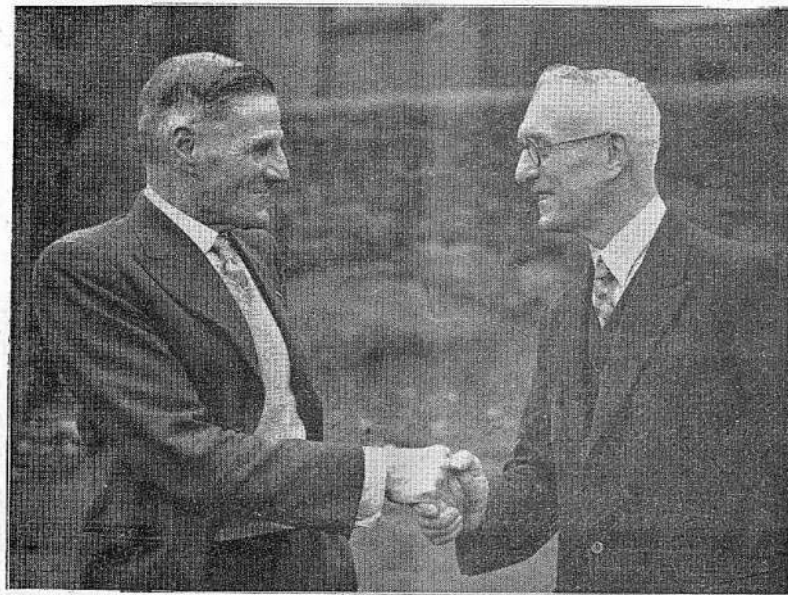
COLOURS—Black Jerseys, White Shorts, Black and White Stockings

Selected from—

1	R. NUTTALL (West Coast)	Full Back
2	W. S. CLARKE (Auckland)	Full Back
3	R. MCGREGOR (Auckland)	Threequarter
4	A. W. MCKENZIE (Canterbury)	Threequarter
5	A. MCKINNARNEY (Auckland)	Threequarter
6	J. FORREST (West Coast)	Threequarter
7	L. JORDAN (Auckland)	Threequarter
8	D. ANDERSON (Auckland)	Threequarter
9	M. ROBERTSON (Auckland)	Five-eighth
10	R. CLARK (Auckland)	Five-eighth
11	A. GRAHAM (Auckland)	Five-eighth
12	D. BARCHARD (Auckland)	Five-eighth
13	R. CUNNINGHAM (Auckland)	Scrum-half
14	J. HAIG (Canterbury)	Scrum-half
15	T. HARDWICK (Auckland)	Lock Forward
16	K. MOUNTFORD (West Coast)	Lock Forward
18	C. HANCOX (Auckland)	Lock Forward
19	C. McBRIDE (West Coast)	Lock Forward
20	A. GILLMAN (West Coast)	Lock Forward
21	L. PYE (Auckland)	Prop Forward
22	P. SMITH (Canterbury)	Prop Forward
23	J. NEWTON (West Coast)	Prop Forward
24	J. JOHNSON (Auckland)	Prop Forward
25	R. AYNSLEY (West Coast)	Hooker
26	C. DAVIDSON (Auckland)	Hooker

The selected players will wear the numbers indicated.

NEW ZEALAND IN ENGLAND, 1907-1908.



G. W. SMITH.

A. F. KELLY.

The "King Pin" of the Touring Teams.

G. W. SMITH.

After touring Gt. Britain with the Amateur "All Blacks" in 1905, confided with sportsmen about the possibility of a professional Rugby Touring team to come and play the Northern Union teams. Was Captain of the first professional Touring Team to play in this country, at Bramley, October 9th 1907.

A selected team of New Zealand Union players made the great adventure paying £50 each as a deposit, to come to England, and today's visiting team is the outcome of these great pioneers who paved the way for the Tours that have been made between this country and Australia and New Zealand.

A. F. KELLY.

Another pioneer and still resident in this town. After the 1907-8 tour joined St. Helens along with two other pioneers, H. S. Turtill and W. Trevarthan.

Always ready to talk about football and a good companion to have alongside of you.

Opponents		New Zealand			Opponents		
		G.	T.	P.	G.	T.	P.
Oct. 9.—Bramley	.....	5	5	25	0	2	6
" 12.—Huddersfield	.....	2	5	19	1	2	8
" 16.—Widnes	.....	4	6	26	1	3	11
" 19.—Broughton Rangers	.....	4	4	20	4	2	14
" 23.—Wakefield Trinity	.....	1	1	5	1	1	5
" 26.—Leeds	.....	1	2	8	1	0	2
" 30.—St. Helens	.....	3	6	24	1	1	5
Nov. 2.—Merthyr Tydvil	.....	3	7	27	0	3	9
" 5.—Keighley	.....	0	3	9	2	1	7
" 9.—Wigan	.....	1	2	8	0	4	12
" 14.—Barrow	.....	0	1	3	0	2	6
" 16.—Hull	.....	3	4	18	2	3	13
" 20.—Leigh	.....	3	1	9	3	3	15
" 23.—Oldham	.....	2	1	7	1	2	8
" 27.—Runcorn	.....	0	0	0	0	3	9
" 30.—Dewsbury and Batley	.....	3	4	18	1	2	8
Dec. 4.—Swinton	.....	4	1	11	1	0	2
" 7.—Rochdale Hornets	.....	2	5	19	0	0	0
" 10.—Bradford	.....	1	0	2	2	1	7
" 14.—Halifax	.....	2	0	4	0	3	9
" 18.—Yorkshire	.....	7	3	23	2	0	4
" 21.—Warrington	.....	2	1	7	1	2	8
" 26.—Hunslet	.....	4	1	11	4	1	11
" 28.—Salford	.....	0	3	9	1	0	2
Jan. 1.—Wales	.....	1	2	8	6	3	9
" 4.—Hull Kingston Rovers	.....	0	2	6	0	1	3
" 9.—Cumberland	.....	3	1	9	3	5	21
" 11.—England	.....	2	4	16	3	4	18
" 18.—Lancashire	.....	2	0	4	1	6	20
" 25.—England	.....	0	2	16	1	4	14
" 29.—York	.....	0	1	3	1	1	5
Feb. 1.—Ebbw Vale	.....	0	1	3	1	0	2
" 8.—England	.....	3	4	18	0	2	6
" 15.—England	.....	1	2	8	1	1	5
" 22.—St. Helens	.....	3	5	21	2	2	10
		72	90	414	42	70	294

Played 35. Won 19. Lost 14. Drawn 2.

MEMBERS OF TEAM AND POINTS SCORED.

C. Byrne (6), A. H. Baskerville (3), T. Cross (3), A. Callam (0), C. Dunning (0), D. G. Frater (0), D. Gilchrist (0), J. G. Gleeson (0), W. Johnston (15), A. F. Kelly (3), A. Lile (6), J. A. Lavery (6), W. Mackrell (0), D. McGregor (6), H. H. Messenger (146), C. J. Pearce (0), H. F. Rowe (30), G. W. Smith (18), W. Trevarthan (3), W. T. Tylor (12), H. S. Turtill (9), H. Tyne (9), L. B. Todd (24), H. R. Wright (15), E. Wrigley (37), E. Watkins (0), R. Wynyard (45), W. T. Wynyard (18).

NEW ZEALAND IN ENGLAND, 1926-1927.

Our Visitors To-day.

Opponents	Result	New Zealand			Opponents
		T.	G.	P.	T. G. P.
Dewsbury	Won	3	2	13	1 3 9
Leigh	Won	5	4	23	4 2 16
Halifax	Lost	3	2	13	5 2 19
Rochdale	Won	1	4	11	3 0 9
Barrow	Won	5	2	19	4 2 16
Widnes	Won	3	3	15	1 1 5
First Test. At Wigan	Lost	4	4	20	6 5 28
York	Won	3	5	19	3 1 11
Warrington	Lost	1	1	5	5 1 17
Bramley	Won	9	4	35	2 3 12
Hull	Won	3	3	15	3 2 13
Bradford	Won	10	4	38	3 4 17
Oldham	Lost	2	2	10	3 3 15
Leeds	Won	3	2	13	3 1 11
St. Helens Recs.	Lost	4	1	14	6 5 28
Salford	Won	4	3	18	2 2 10
Huddersfield	Lost	2	2	10	2 3 12
Second Test. At Hull	Lost	3	1	11	5 3 21
Wigan Highfield	Won	4	1	14	0 1 2
Batley	Lost	4	3	18	5 2 19
Keighley	Won	5	3	21	1 0 3
Swinton	Lost	4	1	14	2 5 16
Wales	Lost	2	1	8	8 5 34
St. Helens	Lost	4	0	12	4 5 22
Wigan	Lost	5	0	15	10 3 36
Yorkshire County	Lost	4	2	16	3 4 17
Hunslet	Lost	2	3	12	3 2 13
Pontypridd	Won	5	1	17	2 1 8
Broughton	Won	8	4	32	2 1 8
Wakefield	Won	7	4	29	4 6 24
Hull K. R.	Lost	3	3	15	4 4 20
Lancashire County	Lost	1	0	3	8 2 28
Cumberland County	Won	4	3	18	1 0 3
Third Test. At Leeds	Lost	3	4	17	8 4 32
Played 34. won 17, lost 17	Totals	133	82	563	126 88 554

To-day is one of the red-letter days in the history of our club and we are privileged in securing a Saturday fixture against the cream of the New Zealand League, the Kiwis.

This day we have been looking forward to for a considerable time and we cannot be disappointed with the display which the Kiwis are capable of giving.

They arrived a month late according to the schedule which was planned for them, meeting all sorts of difficulties with regard to transport, but here they are, and we welcome them.

We are going to entertain them to the best of our abilities, knowing well what austerity we have to put up with and they realise our difficulty.

These boys represent a far outpost of the British Empire, New Zealand, and are members of a loyal nation to this Mother Country, proof of this by their Country giving gold and food to us in these difficult days.

They are all amateurs and play the Rugby League game without fee or reward for their respective clubs in New Zealand.

This evening we entertain them to a dinner at the Town Hall when the Mayor of Oldham (Councillor J. Berry, Esq.) will present each member of the Touring party with a silver serviette ring with the Town's coat of arms embossed and the initials of each manager and player inscribed thereon.

Later they proceed to Hill Stores as the guests of our Supporters' Club to the dance they have arranged in their honour.

Later they return to their headquarters at Ilkley and we hope they will leave us, with pleasant memories of their visit to Oldham.