

HALF-TIME SCORES

The Half-time Scores in the Matches given below will be shown on the Score Board immediately they are received—

A	SALFORD v. AUSTRALIANS	D	LEEDS v. HALIFAX
B	WAKEFIELD v. WIGAN	E	ST. HELENS v. HUNSLET
C	HUDDERSFIELD v. DEWSBURY	F	WREXHAM v. OLDHAM ATHLETIC

NEXT HOME MATCH
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th,

OLDHAM
v.
WAKEFIELD TRINITY

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

OLDHAM
FOOTBALL CLUB

0
OLDHAM

v.

WARRINGTON

3.7
Saturday, 2nd October, 1948

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

Official Programme - 2d.

WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS & VIEWS.

Our last three matches have had a disastrous result so far as we are concerned, all three have been lost, and the points being six for and ninety-six against. This form is all wrong, and is not in keeping with our good intentions.

Our display at Warrington in the semi-final of the Lancashire Cup, which match was lost by 55 points to nil, appears to the person who did not witness the match the last straw as far as this club is concerned, but then again we had all the misfortune that was going. Our scrum half was injured (damaged shoulder) after ten minutes play, but one can only say that it would have kept the score to something reasonable which resulted from Warrington's brilliant open football had he been available for the whole match.

We had to make several changes before the match, and when one realizes that we had Harris, Ogden, Rostron, Taylor and Batten all indisposed, the magnitude of our task was not lessened against the might of Warrington, and weakened as our side was we had no hope against an avalanche which would have overwhelmed any team in the Rugby League.

Whilst humiliating as this defeat is, we must pay compliment to the brilliant combination of the Warrington team, and I doubt if there is a more brilliant winger in the game to-day, or ever has been, than Bevan, the right winger of Warrington.

However the lesson is learned, and the Committee, in view of strengthening the team, have signed on two forwards in Jonathan Pilkington, front row forward of St. Helens, and Thomas H. Leyland, second row or loose forward, also of St. Helens.

Both have been recognised first teamers of the St. Helens Club, and we trust that their acquisition will give added strength to our pack. Pilkington will make his debut to-day, and Leyland a week to-day against Wakefield Trinity, at Watersheddings.

Coming so close on our defeat at Warrington on Tuesday last, we are to-day glad to have the Warrington club as visitors, and are hoping to achieve our revenge and prove that our form in the semi-final was all wrong. We are up against it we know, as the Warrington team can be described as the best in the league, and will show to the general public that Rugby League CAN be played and attractive.

OUR CASUALTY LIST.

Our list of injuries and sickness amongst our players still continues, in the first place Norman Harris is still in Boundary Park General Hospital, under observation for stomach trouble, and we shall miss the services of this clever centre for a few weeks at least. Harry Ogden is confined to bed this last 14 days with severe throat trouble. Jack Taylor is still confined to the house with flu. Tom Rostron is having considerable trouble with the back injury he received against Widnes on Sept. 21st, Glan Jones, scrum half, will be out of the game a few weeks with the shoulder injury he received on Tuesday last, and Selwyn Evans is slowly recovering from a dislocated shoulder, and will be several weeks before he becomes available for selection.

CUP FINAL at Wembley, 7th May, 1949. Kick-off 3 p.m.

It has been the policy of the Rugby League and its Clubs to give the first chance to regular supporters of our code to purchase tickets for the Cup Final. This can only be done by supplying up-to-date information re the sale of Tickets. On the 24th September, it was announced from the Rugby League Offices that all the 10/6 and 7/6 tickets had been sold, and very few remained of the 2/- and 4/6 seats. There is also a strong demand for 2/6 tickets and you are advised to book now in order to avoid disappointment.

Application for these tickets to be made to Mr. W. Fallowfield, 180, Chapeltown Road, Leeds 7.



TO-DAY'S TEAMS

OLDHAM

(RED & WHITE)

1. ~~A. N. OTHER~~ (INGLESFIELD) S.
2. TATE, L. M.
3. MITCHELL, W. S.
4. MAHONEY, J. B.
5. ~~BATTEN, R.~~ SPENCER W.
6. CHALMERS, J. D.
7. TYNAN, J. V.
8. PILKINGTON, J.
9. BROOKS, E.
10. ANTHONY, L. M.
11. THOMPSON, N.
12. WELSBY, G.
13. SHEARMAN, J. W.

WARRINGTON

(PRIMROSE & BLUE)

1. JONES, L. TRY 1
2. BEVAN, B. " 5
3. PIMBLETT, A.
4. PEAKE, O. " 1
5. JOHNSON, A. E. " 1
6. FLEMING, J.
7. HELME, G. J. " 1
8. DERBYSHIRE, W.
9. COTTON, D.
10. RILEY, W.
11. BATH, H.
12. FEATHERSTONE J.
13. PALIN, H. (Capt.) 5 Goals

Reserve :

SPENCER, W.

Referee : Mr. G. S. PHILLIPS, Widnes.

Touch Judges : Mr. J. G. EVANS, Salford.

Mr. W. FITZHENRY, Wigan.