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1. *Knock-on.* With the hands in front of the body, slightly apart and below the waist, make a repeated movement with the hands.

2. *Forward pass.* Make a forward movement with the straight arm indicating the line of flight of the ball.

3. *Scrum half not putting the ball in the centre of the scrum.* With the hands and arms mime the gesture of the scrum half putting the ball in and outline the movement towards the scrum half's own pack of forwards.

4. *Dummying by the scrum half when putting the ball in the scrum.* Mime the gesture of the scrum half, emphasising the backward motion of the hands.

5. *Scrum half failing to retire behind the scrum.* Point to the offending player and then make a circular motion with the hand following the direction which the scrum half should have followed after putting the ball into the scrum.

6. *Scrum half putting the ball into the scrum with an upward motion.* Mime the gesture of the scrum half, emphasising the upward motion of the hands.

7. *Premature striking by hooker.* Point to the offending hooker and raise a foot from the ground in front of the body with the leg straight.

8. *Prop forward raising a foot to strike for the ball.* Point to the offending player

and raise a foot from the ground by extending the leg sideways from the body.

9. *Handling in the scrum.* If possible point to the offending player and make a backward scooping action with the hand.

10. *Deliberate falling down in the scrum.* Point to the offending player and make a lifting motion with the hand.

(More signals to be given next week)

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NOTES



TO-DAY sees the first round (first leg) of the Lancashire County Cup tournament, and our friends from Oldham are our guests. The first round is played on the two-match system, the second leg being decided at Oldham on Wednesday next, kick-off 6.30 p.m. Subsequent rounds up to the final are played in mid-week. Wigan are the present holders of the Lancashire Cup, and have held the trophy for the last three years, and the season before that, in 1945, we reached the final only to be beaten by Widnes.

The first round of the Yorkshire Cup is to be played on September 10th. It would perhaps have been better for both counties to play the cup-ties on the same day, and in all probability next season the County officials will arrange for such an arrangement to be put in operation.

Wigan has commenced the League competition with two wins. That at Batley was quite a good victory. We venture the opinion Batley will win the majority of their home matches on their sloping pitch. They have a good team and play nice open football. Our win against Rochdale was not so convincing, despite the comfortable final margin in our favour. Allowance must be made, however, for the weather conditions. To play in such terrific heat must have been a great ordeal for the players, and they will be well pleased when playing conditions become more normal.

Last week Wigan transferred Johnny Lawrenson to Workington Town. He has rendered good service to the club, particularly in wartime football, when he secured International honours in both R.L. and R.U. codes. Last season he played in all three Test matches against the Australians. He could not, however, assure himself of a regular place in our first team. We wish him the best of luck with his new

club. This week, we were prepared to receive offers for Ted Ward, and negotiations were in hand with other clubs. It was, however, decided to retain him at Wigan.

During this week, we have signed on professional forms two very promising players from the Leigh district. The first is Ronnie Raines, a loose forward who created a very good impression in the first of our trial matches. He is 19 years of age, 13 stone, 5ft. 11in. The other player is Eric Johnson, winger or centre, who has also done well in the trials and in our "A" team. He, too, is a well-built youth who might easily develop into an outstanding player. His father, "Abe" Johnson, was a great player in his playing days, who assisted Leigh and Halifax. We now have several young players on our books from the Leigh district—John Alty, Ron Hurst, Ronnie Raines and Eric Johnson. The Leigh officials have rather mixed feelings over our activity in "their" district.

Oldham v. Wigan, at Oldham, Wednesday, August 31st, 1949, kick-off 6.30 p.m. 1st round (2nd leg) Lancashire Cup. We have received a limited number of stand tickets for this match. These will be on sale to-day, both before and after the match, to **Shareholder Season Ticket Holders**. Any residue will be on sale to non-shareholders on Monday. The price of the tickets is 5/- each.

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6—H. WARD *T.M.*

Half Backs:

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7—T. BRADSHAW *T.M.*

Forwards:

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9—H. MCINTYRE *T.M.*
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12—W. BLAN *T.M.*
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4—MITCHELL, W. S. *T.M.*
5—WARHAM, J. *T.M.*

Half Backs:

6—HEYES, F. *T.M.*
7—TYNAN, J. V. *T.M.*

Forwards:

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9—BROOKS, E. *T.M.*
10—TOMLINSON, H. *T.M.*
11—WELSBY, G. *T.M.*
12—LEYLAND, T. H. *T.M.*
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