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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS, VIEWS & MEMORIES

A retrospect of the three matches played since our first team's last appearance at Watersheddings does not give pleasant reading. One of the matches gave us the knock out of the Lancashire Cup when we visited Workington, by 13 points to 10, after a game in which we were definitely on top, our midfield play and approach work was good but we lacked finish and the chances we had to draw the match, let alone win it, were not taken advantage of, and once again we had to retire a beaten team after the finer arts of the game and territorial advantages had been ours. A very disappointing match was this, as we fully expected going far for one of the honours that the Lancashire Cup offered to us.

Our match against Leeds at Headingley was won after a hard but not too entertaining game and the 7 points to 4 points in our favour did not do justice to a good win. However a win was registered and appeared to give the team confidence that had been shook by our cup-tie defeat at Workington, but again

on our second visit to Workington, last Saturday, we were once again beaten, 11 points to 8, after having the major part of the game and lost the match by our own mistakes. Mistakes like this must be corrected at all costs, all teams make mistakes, some greater than others. It was an unfortunate defeat, we know that our team is capable, and we rely on them to do justice to to-day's match and prove to our members and supporters that their lapse against Workington was of a temporary nature.



OUR VISITORS

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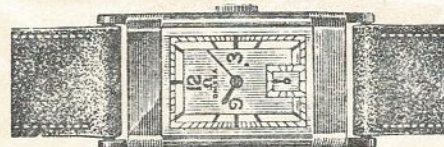
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except for the veteran South African forward G. Van Rooyen, received on a free transfer from Wigan. In the final of 1934, against Hunslet, they did battle with a complete team of Widnes born players, and again in 1937, all but one player was 'local.' In season 1932-33, one of their players, J. Hoey, played and scored in every game of his Club's matches—a feat unparalleled in Rugby League history. The Club has appeared at Wembley on three occasions, being successful twice. In the league they are level with us, played 7, won 4, lost 3, and our team will have to show the form they are capable of to register victory.



BRIEFS

Congratulations to Alan Davies, Terry O'Grady and Frank Stirrup on their selection to play for Lancashire on Wednesday last, also to Sid Little upon his 2nd selection for Cumberland.

Our old player, Jimmy Chalmers, turned up at Workington on Saturday last, having travelled the 70 miles to have a look at the boys. Jimmy is now working in his native Hawick and is much improved in health since returning home.

CHARITY MATCH DISTRIBUTION

The Charity Match against Rochdale Hornets at the beginning of the season, shows cash for distribution by our Club to amount to £432-19-7, and has been allocated as follows:—

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A sum of £2-19-7 is carried forward for next season.

Many thanks are due to all who patronised this match, the gross receipts being a record, for a Charity Match, amounting to £1,067-13-1. Next year's match will be played at Rochdale and we hope that the Hornets will go one better and top our gate receipts. Mention must be made that Rochdale Hornets share for distribution was £429-7-5.

HALF-TIME SCORES

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

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