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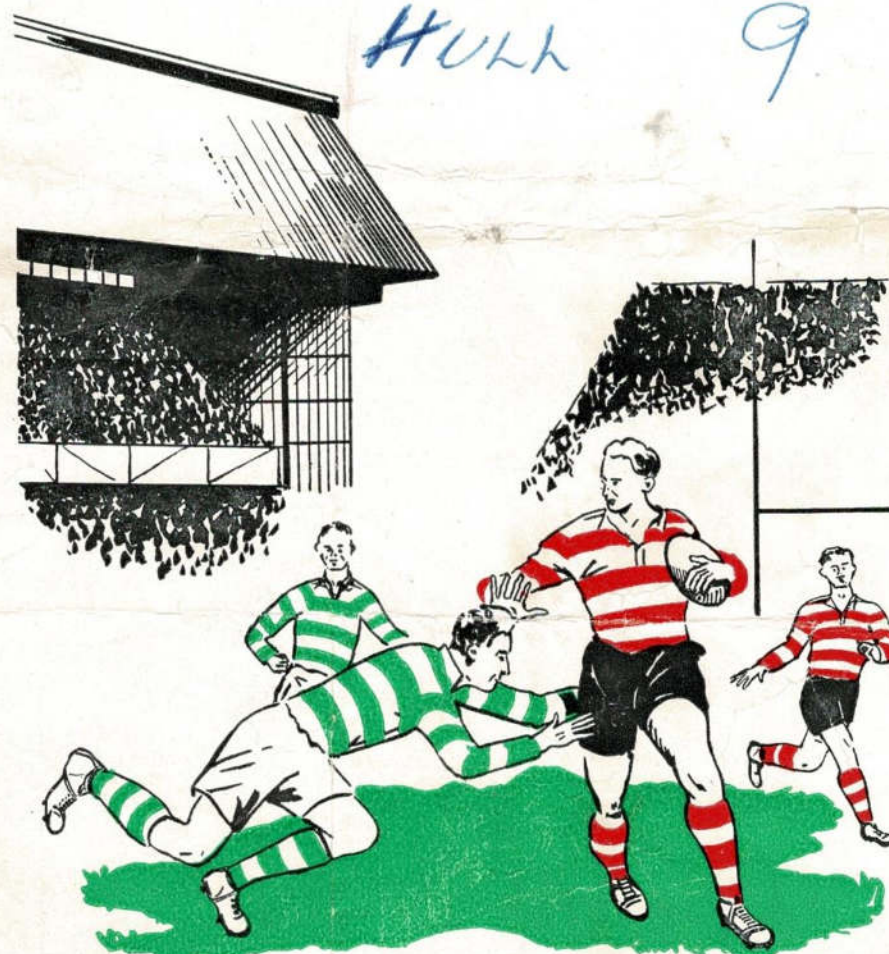
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Our last home match gave us the knock-out from the Rugby League Challenge Cup, and, much to the disappointment of our members and supporters, this is not to be our Wembley year.

The manner in which we lost the match was a tragedy, a glaring interception, or using a much better term, shall we call it a pass to an opponent, put paid to our ambitions. We had openings and opportunities to win the match, but failed at the finishing off point to take advantage of the openings which we had created, and finally we were "pipped at the post" by seven points to four.

Much as our deficiency was in not scoring tries, our opponents never appeared to be capable of driving home any scoring chances that came their way, the one fatal pass, or interception, proved our undoing, and our sympathy goes to the player who unfortunately made this error. Mistakes will happen on the field of play, and it will always be so, but it is poor consolation to us that we were dismissed from a cup-tie, especially with home advantage. A team that cannot win all its home matches, and win away in its turn, stands a very poor chance of the season's honours.

Our match at Barrow on Saturday last, although we lost by twelve points to six, gave us little consolation in knowing that our team gave a much improved display as against the previous week against Warrington. We did score two tries, but here, once again, if we had taken advantage of the scoring opportunities and with a little more steadiness in watching the forward pass, we should have returned with an away victory.

OUR VISITORS

To-day, we welcome our visitors from Hull—one of their infrequent visits, unfortunately, from a playing point of view. We are sure of a most attractive match, as our visitors are known for the open play which they always present.

On January 2nd, we visited Hull with a depleted team and lost the match 23 points to 3, so we have some leeway to make up. We hope that to-day's game will prove equal to our previous meetings with Hull at Watersheddings, then we shall have no cause for complaint.

Our team will have to give of their best as we are up against opponents who are very strong forward and have some very capable backs to finish off good movements.

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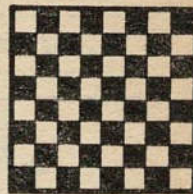
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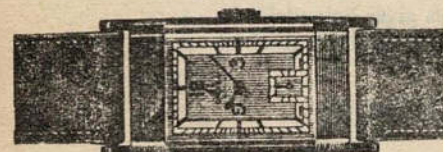
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T. O'GRADY

Congratulations to Terence O'Grady in being selected for the Tour of Australia and New Zealand—it is a great honour to the player and for the club.

O'Grady was born on April 10th, 1934, and is just going into twenty. He is, however, not the baby of the team—this falls to Billy Boston of Wigan, he will be twenty years of age on August 11th, next. O'Grady signed professional forms for this club on November 29th, 1951, and is a product of St. Mary's Schoolboys and St. Mary's Continuation teams. He played two games with our now defunct "B" team before turning out with the "A" team. He has played three times for Lancashire and once for England—a good record for a boy not yet twenty years of age.

In the early part of the season he appeared to lose form and was somewhat under a cloud, there may be several causes for this, it sometimes happens that a player is troubled in mind, he may be burdened by business or domestic grief, and sometimes such things have an overwhelming power. Such was his physical power that he fought his way back again in the eyes of the selectors and a rich prize has been awarded to him. One great asset in his favour is that he is the only winger going who can play on either flank.

We wish him every success on the playing fields of Australia and New Zealand, and a safe return.

RE-ARRANGED MATCH

The postponed first team match against Whitehaven on January 30th will now be played at Watersheddings on Monday, April 12th, kick-off 6 p.m.

In the event of Warrington being successful against York to-day, our first-team league match against Warrington scheduled to be played at Watersheddings on Saturday, April 3rd, will be postponed, owing to this date being allocated to the Challenge Cup semi-finals. An evening match will have to be arranged.

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