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1954-55	Opponents	Venue	K.O.	1954-55	Opponents	Venue	K.O.
Aug. 7—	Rochdale (Charity)	Home	3-0	Dec. 18—	Keighley	Away	
14—	Wakefield T.	Away		25—	Swinton	Home	2-30
21—	Batley	Home	3-0	27—			
25—	Salford (Wed.)	Away	7-0	Jan. 1—	Belle Vue R.	Home	2-30
28—	St. Helens	Away		8—	Leigh	Away	
Sept. 4—	Barrow	Away		15—	Warrington	Home	2-30
11—	1st Round Lanes. Cup			22—	Workington	Away	
14—	Liverpool (Tues.)	Home	7-0	29—	Rochdale Hornets	Home	3-0
18—	Batley	Away		Feb. 5—	Barrow	Home	3-0
25—	Wakefield T.	Home	3-0	12—	First Round R.L. Cup		
Oct. 2—	Blackpool	Away		19—	St. Helens	Home	3-0
9—	Workington	Home	3-0	26—			
16—	Rochdale Hornets	Away		Mar. 5—	Second Round R.L. Cup		
23—	Hull	Home	3-0	12—	Belle Vue Rangers	Away	
30—	Liverpool S.	Away		19—	Widnes	Home	3-0
Nov. 6—	Blackpool	Home	3-0	26—	Warrington	Away	
13—	Widnes	Away		Apl. 2—	Wigan	Home	3-0
20—	Whitehaven	Home	2-30	8—	Swinton (Friday)	Away	
27—	Wigan	Away		9—	Hull	Away	
Dec. 4—	Salford	Home	2-30	11—	Keighley (Mon.)	Home	3-0
11—	Whitehaven	Away		16—	Leigh	Home	3-0

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No. 6—Saturday, September 25th, 1954

Kick-off 3-0 p.m

OLDHAM v. WAKEFIELD TRINITY

WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

Our team is still on the upgrade and we continue our progress of match winning and playing football as it should be played.

Our match at Batley on Saturday last was a fine effort on the players behalf. In the first half, our team produced football of the highest class and our opponents had no counter move to stop our length-of-field movements. It is true that our players made mistakes in handling when the line was open to them after fine approach work, but then, mistakes will happen if you are doing things, and it is only by making mistakes that matters are corrected in the future. It is evident that the Batley team had received instructions to stop our progress in the second half and the game deteriorated somewhat as a spectacle, and our players fell into the trap of reducing themselves to their opponents' level, and the man with the ball was played more than the ball—both sides must be found guilty of this. If our team had kept to their open play, there is no doubt that we should have scored many more points. However, to individualize players on this performance would be rather unfair as they all did their duty and played as a unit—well trained and well coached in all phases of the game.

On Monday evening last, we had a splendid game in the Second Round of the Lancashire Cup against most worthy opponents, St. Helens.

The game was one of the best played at Watersheddings this season and we must congratulate both teams on the clean play that was shown. In the first half we gave away three silly infringements, and it was an easy matter for our opponents to register six points, against a previous three points which we had registered by a superb try by Cracknell. The second half was of a tense nature, for St. Helens were intent upon clinging to their slender lead by stopping us with some splendid tackling and they held on until the commencement of the last quarter. However, our team, thanks to the splendid fitness, turned on the "heat" in the last quarter, and ran out worthy winners against one of the best teams in our League.

A great win, and watched by 16,000 spectators who paid £1,600.

OUR VISITORS

To-day we welcome our visitors, Wakefield Trinity, in the return match.

We opened the season at Wakefield and secured a good victory by thirty-two points to twenty-two points. If to-days game proves as interesting—all should be satisfied. Our opponents will be keen to avenge their home defeat. They possess a good pack of forwards who know how to open up the way for their backs, and we must expect a hard game, but we hope to continue our run of success and still progress higher up the League table—and we hope to remain there.

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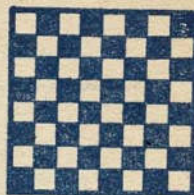
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2. CRACKNELL, R.
3. BARROW, R.
4. DAVIES, A. (Captain)
5. O'GRADY, T.
6. NOON, J.
7. PITCHFORD, F.
8. OGDEN, H.
9. KEITH, J.
10. TOMLINSON, A.
11. WINSLADE, C.
12. JARMAN, A.
13. GOLDSWAIN, B. V.

WAKEFIELD TRINITY

Red and Blue

1. CHALKLEY, D.
2. COOPER, E.
3. MORTIMER, F.
4. BELL, C.
5. BURTON, H.
6. LOCKWOOD, E.
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8. ASHALL, M.
9. SHAW, J.
10. LINDLEY, J.
11. KELLY, R.
12. ROBINSON, D.
13. CLIFFT, C.

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Referee: Mr. E. CLAY of Leeds

Touch Judges:

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Mr. H. Holland, St. Helens (Blue)

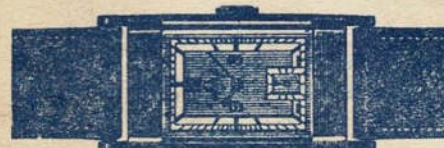
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LANCASHIRE CUP—SEMI-FINAL

The draw for the semi-final of the Lancashire Cup decrees that we have to play away at Workington.

This match will be played during the forthcoming week, and our players face this match with confidence in their ability to put up a show that will ultimately put them in the final. What we have accomplished away at St. Helens and Barrow, we are capable of producing on any ground in the Rugby League—We have the spirit to win and that is half the battle.

BRIEFS

Congratulations to Bernard Ganley, Alan Davies, and Terry O'Grady in once again being selected for Lancashire County to play against Yorkshire on Wednesday, 6th October, 1954, kick-off 6 p.m. We must also congratulate Frank Pitchford, who is on the verge of Lancashire honours, by being selected reserve scrum half.

This match will be played by floodlight.

Applications for tickets should be made to the Secretary, Yorkshire County Rugby League, 193 Bradford Road, Riddlesden, Keighley.

WORLD CUP COMPETITION

The selection of the team and reserves to represent Gt. Britain in France for the World Cup competition will be made shortly. The players will leave this country on the 25th October and return on the 16th November. All clubs are asked to report the availability of their players, as the selectors do not wish to select a team and then find that many changes are necessary owing to withdrawals because players are unable to leave their work for such a long period.

HALF-TIME SCORES

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

A ST. HELENS
HUDDERSFIELD

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C DEWSBURY
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