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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Good afternoon everybody!

Welcome once again to Kirkhall Lane for this afternoon's match against Oldham. I would like to take this opportunity to pass on to all supporters the best wishes of your committee for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Id. on the Ball.

One of the prizes for the ball draw on Xmas Day, Leigh v. St. Helens, has not yet been claimed — if the holder of ticket No. U0212 will come forward after to-day's game, the prize will then be paid.

To-day's Collection.

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Saturday, January 8th, 1955
at KIRKHALL LANE, LEIGH

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v.
OLDHAM

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CLUB COMMENTARY

For today's game we welcome the leaders of the League, Oldham, who are having their best season for many years.

Of the 21 games played to date they have won 19, lost one and drawn one. They were also in the final of the Lancashire Cup which they lost to Barrow. This imposing record signifies that our boys will have to make an all-out effort if we are to consolidate our chances of finishing in the first four. As Oldham have played most of their hardest away fixtures it is obvious that only a complete loss of form would prevent them from figuring in the final play off.

Our last two games have been big set backs to our hopes, we had twenty-seven points scored against us at both both Warrington and St. Helens when we met both these

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teams on their best form. Our chances at St. Helens were reduced when we had to take the field without Baxter and Kitchen, both players having their best season with us to date. On top of this we lost the services of Foster and Chadwick at a time when we still had a good chance of winning.

Some consolation can be gained from these games however, as our style of play left a good impression behind us and if our young players can maintain the good form that has been shown this season experience will make them top-class players.

News About Players.

The luck that we have enjoyed this season in keeping a clean bill of health seems to have left us of late and we have on the injured list at present, Malcolm Davies, fractured elbow; Peter Foster, cartilage; Brian Chadwick, knee ligaments and Mick Martyn with a twisted ankle.

The transfer fee on Harry Edden was reduced from £500 to £250.

Challenge Cup Final.

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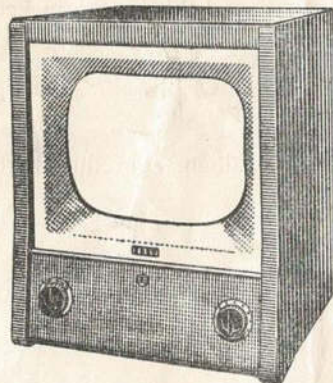
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LEIGH (Blue)

- 1—LOWE
- 2—KITCHEN
- 3—HOLDEN
- 4—MOORE
- 5—KINDON
- 6—BAXTER
- 7—McGURRIN
- 8—ROBINSON
- 9—TABERN
- 10—OWEN
- 11—PAWSEY
- 12—DAVIES, P.
- 13—McFARLANE

OLDHAM (Red and White)

- 1—Ganley or Stirrup.
- 2—CRACKNELL
- 3—BARROW
- 4—DAVIES
- 5—O'GRADY
- 6—DALY
- 7—PITCHFORD
- 8—OGDEN
- 9—KEITH
- 10—JACKSON
- 11—WINSLADE
- 12—Tomlinson or Little
- 13—GOLDSWAIN

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(Before Saturday, January 8th).

Player	App.	Goals	Tries	Pts.
LEDGARD, J.	20	111	3	231
KITCHEN, F.	18	—	27	81
DAVIES, M.	18	—	18	54
CHADWICK, B.	25	—	10	30
HOLDEN, K.	20	—	10	30
LOWE, J.	14	7	3	23
KINDON, W.	13	—	7	21
DAVIES, P.	15	6	3	21
McFARLANE, W.	24	—	5	15
ROBINSON, W.	24	—	5	15
TABERN, W.	25	—	4	12
BAXTER, K.	20	—	3	9
OWEN, S.	21	—	2	6
CROOK, J.	3	—	1	3
PAWSEY, C.	14	—	1	3
MOORE, A.	4	—	1	3

Includes all representative games but no Charity or Friendly games.

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(Before Saturday, January 8th).

	P	W	L	D	Pts.
Warrington	18	14	2	2	30
Oldham	16	14	1	1	29
St. Helens	17	13	3	1	27
Wigan	15	11	4	—	22
Workington	18	11	7	—	22
LEIGH	16	10	5	1	21
Rochdale	16	7	7	2	16
Whitehaven	17	6	8	3	15
Barrow	13	7	6	—	14
Widnes	15	6	9	—	12
Swinton	16	5	11	—	10
Belle Vue	14	4	10	—	8
Salford	14	3	9	2	8
Liverpool	14	3	11	—	6
Blackpool	17	0	17	—	0

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