

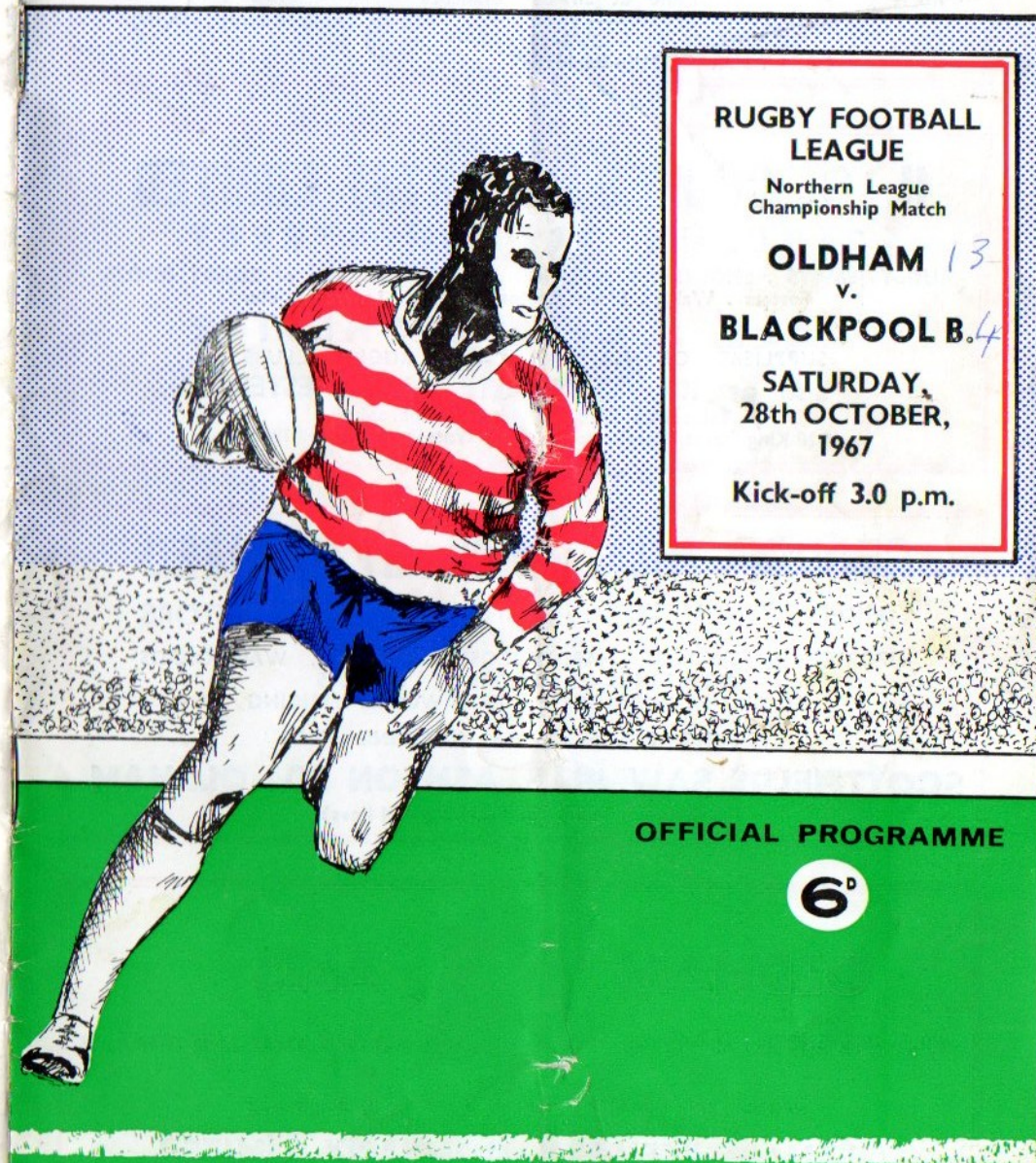
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A WIN STILL BADLY NEEDED

Against Bradford Northern two weeks ago, Michael Kelly, a young winger recently signed by Bradford, was voted 'man of the match' by Oldham committee man Jack Errock, and it would be unfair to say that it was not deserved. His strong running throughout, particularly for his three tries, certainly had our team worried and it would appear that Mike has an outstanding career ahead.

Admitted, there appeared to be one or two forward passes allowed to go unnoticed and this certainly affected the scoreline slightly but it must be admitted that it did not have a bearing on the result. Bradford were the better team and deserved their success.

THE SALFORD MATCH

The team travelled to Salford on Friday evening confident of success, but again luck was not on our side and we again finished on the wrong side of two points. A lot of fans turned up mainly to see Salford's new Rugby Union capture from Wales, David Watkins. He had, to say the least, a very promising debut. He is a clever footballer and exceptionally fast for a stand-off half.

A Salford official judged Watkins as the 'man of the match' for the Player's No. 6 award of £6. Personally, I disagreed with this view, because Watkins was only seen in the first half and the best all-round performance was given, in my opinion, by Salford's Jackie Brennan and our own Martin Murphy.

I was disappointed with the attitude of some of the Salford fans, who took it upon themselves to post their 'player of the match' slips into the boxes provided before the game even started. I asked one of them who he had voted for, but on receiving the reply, "David Watkins," I realised I had wasted my time asking in the first place.

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Injuries to Warburton, Broomhead, Taylor, Shelton and Wilson, almost half the team, again proved our undoing.

Warburton was limping badly near the end. Broomhead was a passenger on the wing, Wilson and Shelton had retired at half-time with bad bruises, and Taylor's hooking was affected by an injured shoulder.

Warburton, Shelton and Taylor are absentees this afternoon, but it is hoped that we will be able to get out of our lowly League position with a good win against Blackpool.

OUR VISITORS

Today, we offer a warm welcome to the 'Seasiders'. We are still smarting from a defeat earlier in the season when the 'Borough' defeated us after a hard fight, 19-15, at Borough Park. Our team on that date in September was a depleted one, which read as follows: Curry; Holroyd, Shelton, McCormack, Elliott; Donovan, Canning; Ogden, Wood, Bamford, Maders, Hill and Mooney.

Blackpool have recently acquired the services of Brian McTigue, the former Wigan player, who has recently returned from Australia. No doubt, Brian will be in the Blackpool team for this afternoon's encounter and should provide the guile that is needed in the Borough pack.

Blackpool have recently taken Tommy Dickens on loan from Leigh, and in exchange, Leigh have got Alan Whitworth, a prop-forward. Tommy has joined his brother Martin at Blackpool. Up to the signing of Brian McTigue, Martin was Blackpool's pack leader but he is on transfer at a fee of £2,750.

Blackpool always provide attractive opposition and only recently they defeated Barrow at Craven Park, 15 points to seven, so we shall have to be on our toes if we are to turn the corner today.

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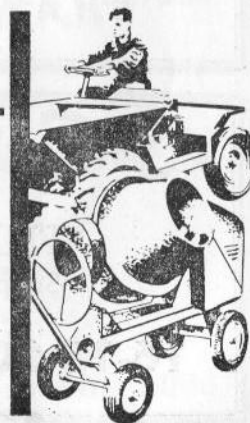
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Sept. 30	Warrington	...	...	...	Won	16 7
Oct. 4	Yorkshire, at Wakefield (Floodlit)	...	...	...	Lost	14 15
7	Hull Kingston Rovers	...	...	...	Lost	15 27
11	Lancashire, at Salford (Floodlit)	...	...	...	Won	14 2
13	Wigan (Floodlit)	...	...	...	Lost	6 12
16	Rochdale Hornets (Floodlit)	...	...	...	Won	25 2
21	FIRST TEST, at Headingley, Leeds	...	...	...	Lost	11 16
24	St. Helens (Floodlit)	...	...	...	Lost	4 8
28	Wakefield Trinity	...	...	...	WON	33 7
Nov. 3	SECOND TEST, at White City, London (Floodlit)	...	...	...	WON	17 11
8	Castleford (Floodlit)	...	...	...	WON	18 8
11	Oldham	...	...	...	WON	18 8
13	Widnes (Floodlit)	...	...	...		
16	Barrow (Floodlit)	...	...	...		
18	Cumberland County	...	...	...		
22	Swinton (Floodlit)	...	...	...		
24	Leeds (Floodlit)	...	...	...		
29	Halifax (Floodlit)	...	...	...		
Dec. 2	Bradford Northern	...	...	...		
9	THIRD TEST, at Swinton	...	...	...		

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Aug. 15	(Tu) Liverpool City	Home L	12-13	Jan. 1	(M) Workington T.	Away	
" 19	(S) Leigh (Lancs Cup - 1)	Home W	17-11	" 6	(S) Batley	Away	
" 23	(W) Bradford Northern	Away L	10-28	" 13	(S) Wigan	Away	
" 26	(S) Hull	Away L	20-29	" 20	(S) St. Helens	Home	
Sept. 2	(S) Whitehaven	Home W	34-14	" 27	(S) Barrow	Away	
" 4	(M) Blackpool Borough	Away L	19-15	Feb. 3	(S) (1)		
" 7	(Th) Swinton (Lancs C - 2)	Away L	8-11	" 10	(S) Batley	Home	
" 9	(S) Warrington	Away L	2-28	" 17	(S) Widnes	Home	
" 16	(S) Rochdale H.	Home W	13-12	" 24	(S) (2)		
" 23	(S) Whitehaven	Away W	24-12	Mar. 1	(F) Rochdale H.	Away	
" 30	(S) Wigan	Home L	13-17	" 9	(S) Workington T.	Home	
Oct. 3	(Tu) Hull K.R.	Home L	7-9	" 23	(S) Leigh	Home	
" 14	(S) Bradford N.	Home L	14-25	Apr. 12	(F) Swinton	Home	
" 20	(F) Salford	Away L	6-12	" 15	(M) Hull K.R.	Away	
" 28	(S) Blackpool Boro'	Home W	13-4				
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