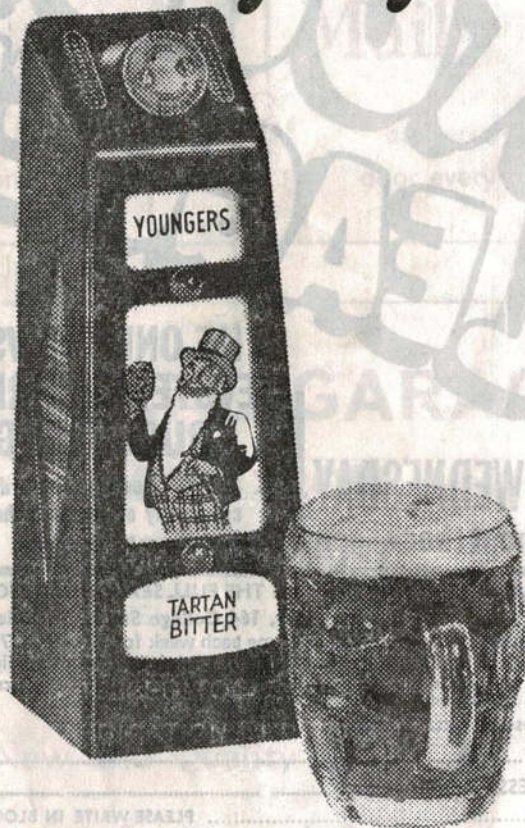


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6—CASSIE		3	6
7—MADDISON			
8—PRINGLE			
9—McCRACKEN			
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15—DAVIDSON			

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Tries Goals Pts.

1—MURPHY			
2—ELLIOTT			
3—LARDER	1	2	7
4—COLLINS			
5—HODGKINSON			
6—HILL			
7—DAVIES			
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IN MY OPINION

League leaders toppled, Lions tamed by the lion tamers, Lions have no success in Cumberland. This is how the head lines should have read, it's ironical that I should have to write them in the programme notes, because you wouldn't find them in the National Press.

Fans couldn't have received a better Christmas present than the present provided by 13 gallant 'Haven players on Boxing Day when they made Christmas fare of Swinton. The match provided plenty of spills and thrills, and wasn't won by luck or chance. 'Haven's superior skills outshone those of Swinton's (except ball possession) and although Swinton fought back all the way to the final whistle they just couldn't equal our performance. I can't recall this season seeing 'Haven tackle so magnificently or running so fast, ten out of ten lads, for a first class performance.

After Swinton we won our first match of the season away from home at Hunslet, we were unfortunate when we then went to Blackpool. Although we established a nine point lead early in the game Blackpool came back through lack of our possession to win 10-9. I think from what I've heard we were unlucky not to win this one, even a Blackpool player thought the first try of their's was forward, and the second one was touched down on Bob MacLean's chest, who was attempting to stop the player from scoring.

The first draw of the Cup had 'Haven away to Oldham. I wonder how many times we have been drawn away to play a team we have met a couple of weeks before the Cup tie? On the second drawing we came out of the bag first and meet in a repetition of last year's 1st round the mighty Castleford. Although Castleford won the cup in 1969, 1970 and knocked us out in the 1st round last year, I feel some quiet premonition that, if we get scrum possession, and don't flag in the last 20 minutes, then we could surprise quite a few followers of the game.

Looking back, what can be said for the year 1971. I shall remember 1971 as the year the marketing consultants were called in by the Rugby League Council to give a now blue print for Rugby League. The year we were told that Rugby League was played against backgrounds of slag heaps and watched by little men in cloth caps, the year they said two divisions, take Rugby League off television, the year I was so brilliantly conned by George Nixon to take an active part and write the programmes, the year the Editor of the Rugby Leaguer, Mr. Ken Ashton took me to task, and finally the year

of gloom and despondency by the sensationalists who state that Rugby League is dead or dying.

Isn't it time someone said stop, stop, stop, to all the back-biting arguments that go on that Rugby League is dying. What amazes me are the people who make these statements, they are the so-called devoted fans to rugby. If the same effort was put into recording all that is good in the game by these same people then I'm sure it would ease their ulcers and do the game good. I'm sure the recorders are either sensationalists or the cloth cap brigade, and unless they are eliminated they stand a good chance of brainwashing the remaining fans. I'm sure that one starts the ball rolling and then everyone else jumps on the band wagon shouting "the game is dead." Oh brothers have I got news for you, rugby league has been dying for a long, long time, you don't think so? Then let me recall on arguable facts, go back a good few years when the Borough Band paraded each Saturday match day through town, arrived at the Recreation Ground half an hour before the kick-off and played on the pitch, while the earlier fans staked their claims to their own little patch, while they drank tea, coffee and soup from thermos flasks. Can you recall when the terraces had to be extended to increase the ground capacity for a cup match, can you remember when the Borough Band were requested not to play at matches any more? Well if you can that's when Rugby League started to die, not 1971, but in "the good old days" so called.

Next television coverage of live matches. Let's get it into perspective for you, all the to-ing and fro-ing of should the B.B.C. show matches as it affects gate receipts, as many people stay away from games to watch television. What everyone forgets is that the B.B.C. pay money for matches, a good source of revenue. If the B.B.C. didn't show rugby they wouldn't show a blank screen or a test card which says support your local rugby team, of course they wouldn't, what we should do is accept the revenue with good grace, spread it around the clubs and appeal for better coverage, especially results, mid-week and Sundays.

NEXT MATCH

HAVEN versus BLACKPOOL

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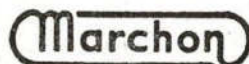
Welcome to the Recreation Ground this afternoon, and as you are the first team to play here this year may I on behalf of all the fans wish you health, wealth and prosperity for the year ahead.

Not so very long ago Oldham were the pride of Lancashire, and figured prominently in many awards.

Today, like many other clubs they face the usual outcrop of problems, the biggest of these being the usual one of money. They had a substantial loss last season, although they played well enough to scrape into the top 16 of the league. This season they have paid the penalty of playing the 'big' teams with regard to the number of wins they have notched up. From 21 games they have won 6, drawn 1 and lost the rest, although it is interesting to note that 3 of the 6 wins were away matches at Widnes, Bradford Northern and Barrow.

Chairman Arthur Walker and coach Graham Starkey, assisted by Alan Kellett have a formidable task in getting the team back to the standards of yesteryear, and I'm quite sure they will achieve their objectives and give the 'Watershedding' fans what they deserve. This won't happen right away, but with young talent in the form of Stuart Bottom, Gareth Owen (son of Stan), Johnnie Green, former English Schools international, Geoff Munro, Keith Jackson, John Blair who has already had a smattering of first team work, and Roger O'Mahoney Oldham can look forward to building a team worthy of great honours.

In the meantime Oldham are shopping around for established players to give immediate impact to their team. Terry Fogerty has been viewed by Arthur Walker and at the present moment Oldham are negotiating with Barrow for Frank Foster. On Sunday the 14th of November, 'Haven played Oldham in the first round of the Player's No. 6 Competition. On that occasion 'Haven were victorious 5-0, the points coming from Kenny Gallacher, a quick dashing try down the left wing in the opening minutes, and a goal by Peter Donnelly. After the match I spoke to a couple of Oldham supporters, I say I spoke, but in actual fact they asked the questions and I attempted to give answers, I was very surprised to find that they considered a season wasn't complete until they had visited 'Haven or Workington. Although they were disappointed Oldham didn't win, they were nevertheless pleased with both teams performance and skill.



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21—Batley	H 0 32	11—Huddersfield	A 20 5
25—Warrington	A 29 9	18—York	H 22 8
28—Bradford N.	53 11	25—	
30—Barrow	H 15 13	27—Swinton	H
September		January	
4—Hunslet	H 9 30	1—Hunslet	A
8—Bramley	H 8 2	8—Blackpool	A
11—Batley	A 13 4	15—Oldham	H
15—York	A 30 9	22—Blackpool	H
18—Widnes	H 10 12	29—1st Round R.L. Cup	
25—Featherstone	A 28 10	February	
October		5—Hull K.R.	A
2—New Zealand	H 21 8	12—Huddersfield	H
9—Rochdale	A 22 7	19—2nd Round R.L. Cup	
16—Hull K. R.	H 5 25	26—Widnes	A
23—Rochdale H.	H 6 14	March	
30—Swinton	A 20 12	4—Huyton	A
November		11—Featherstone	H
6—Bradford N.	H 18 8	18—	
14—Oldham (No. 6)	H 0 5	25—Oldham	A
20—Bramley	A 24 5	31—Barrow	A
27—St. Helens (No. 6)	H 12 0	April	
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		3—Huyton	H
		8—Doncaster	A
		15—Warrington	H

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