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v. FYLDE. P.S.  
on TUES. APRIL 12<sup>th</sup> at LEA.

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Meet { Ground, Lea } at 2-30 prompt.  
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Kick-off 3-0 o'clock.

TEAR OFF PORTION AND POST IT.

Preston Senior Schoolboys (v. Fylde Public Schoolboys at Ansdell to-morrow): J. N. Roberts; K. R. Smith, K. Mather, J. Roche, J. Fidler; D. G. Guyer, J. Walsh; C. F. Ormsby, W. N. Baxter, G. Topping, P. F. Jolliffe, A. A. Macpherson, S. H. Wilcock, E. K. Wilson, D. W. Hurst.

Preston Junior Schoolboys (v. Fylde Public Schoolboys at Ansdell to-morrow).—R. Smith; J. Leeming, P. Hurst, J. Parker, A. Williamson; E. A. Halstead. J. Allaby; J. M. Marsden, J. R. Bannister, P. Watkinson, S. V. C. Parker, F. Thornber, G. E. Stronger, G. Stuart, R. T. Gaskell.

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**SCHOOLS**=====  
**SEVEN-A-SIDE**  
**COMPETITION**

Will be held at the

CLUB GROUND,  
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Wednesday, March 26th

1952. Kick-off 2-0 p.m.

PRICE 3d.

FIRST ROUND

SECOND ROUND

THIRD ROUND

SEMI-FINAL

FINAL

5 8	ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE I B'POOL GRAMMAR SCHOOL II Ground I - 2-0 p.m.	B'Pool 0	COWLEY 10	COWLEY 3	BARROW 5
	COWLEY I BYE	Ground II - 3-15 p.m. COWLEY I 13			
6 3	ARNOLD SCHOOL KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL II Ground I - 2-15 p.m.	arnold 0	LANCASTER 8	BARROW 6	
	LANCASTER R.G.S. I BYE	Ground II - 3-45 p.m. LANCASTER R.G.S. I 11			
0 11	PRESTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL AUDENSHAW G.S. I Ground I - 2-30 p.m.	Audenshaw ?	Audenshaw 5	BARROW 6	
	SALFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL I BYE	Ground II - 4-0 pm. SALFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL			
3 0	FLEETWOOD GRAMMAR SCHOOL ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE II Ground II - 2-30 p.m.	Fleetwood 0	BARROW 10		
	BARROW GRAMMAR SCHOOL BYE	Ground I - 3-30 p.m. BARROW GRAMMAR SCHOOL 3			
3 2	B'POOL GRAMMAR SCHOOL I BALSHAW'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL I Ground II - 2-15 p.m.	B'pools 0	UPHOLLAND 6	UPHOLLAND 0	
	UPHOLLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL BYE	Ground I - 3-15 p.m. UPHOLLAND G.S. 11			
6 5	KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL I MORECAMBE GRAMMAR SCHOOL Ground II - 2-30 p.m.	K E VII 3	ST. BEDE'S 3	K G V 3	
	ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE BYE	Ground II - 3-30 p.m. ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE 6			5-0 p.m.
0 8	LANCASTER R.G.S. II KING GEORGE V SCHOOL Ground I - 2-45 p.m.	K G V 9	K G V 6	K G V 5	
15 3	MANCHESTER G.S. COWLEY II Ground II - 2-45 p.m.	Manchester 3			Ground II - 4-30 p.m.
11 0	WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL AUDENSHAW G.S. II Ground II - 3-0 p.m.	Wallasey 3	HUTTON 3		
0 16	SALFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL II HUTTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL Ground I - 3-0 p.m.	Ground I - 4-0 p.m. Hutton 6			

The Captains of teams in the Semi-final Round will decide among themselves for choice of grounds.

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Wednesday, March 25th

1953. Kick-off 2-0 p.m.

PRICE 3d.

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	THIRD ROUND	SEMI-FINAL	FINAL
AUDENSHAW BYE	AUDENSHAW (Ground B—3-15 p.m.)	Audenshaw 0	Cowley 11	Cowley 13
PRESTON BYE	PRESTON	(Ground A—4-0 p.m.)		
WALLASEY BYE	WALLASEY (Ground A—3-15 p.m.)	Cowley 11	(Ground A—4-45 p.m.)	
COWLEY (1) ST. JOSEPH'S (2) (Ground B—2-0 p.m.)	Cowley 2			
KING GEORGE V (1) BARROW (1) (Ground A—2-0 p.m.)	Barrow 21	Barrow 11	Barrow 8	
ST. JOSEPH'S (1) ARNOLD (1) (Ground C—2-0 p.m.)	St. Josephs 5	(Ground B—4-0 p.m.)		
COWLEY (2) WIGAN (1) (Ground A—2-20 p.m.)	Wigan I 6	Wigan I 8	(Ground A—5-15 p.m.)	
WIGAN (2) FLEETWOOD (Ground B—2-20 p.m.)	Wigan II 0			
BARROW (2) UPHOLLAND (1) (Ground C—2-20 p.m.)	Upholland 5	Upholland 3	K.G.V II 8	
MANCHESTER ST. BEDES (Ground A—2-40 p.m.)	St. Bedes 3	(Ground C—4-0 p.m.)		
KING EDWARD VII (2) KING GEORGE V (2) (Ground B—2-40 p.m.)	K.G.V 14	K.G.V 5	(Ground B—4-45 p.m.)	
BALSHAW (2) SALFORD (2) (Ground C—2-40 p.m.)	Salford 2			
KING EDWARD VII (1) ARNOLD (2) (Ground C—3-0 p.m.)	K.E.VII 3	Balshaws 13	Balshaws 11	
SALFORD (1) BALSHAW (1) (Ground A—3-0 p.m.)	Balshaws 11	(Ground A—4-15 p.m.)		
UPHOLLAND (2) BLACKPOOL (2) (Ground B—3-0 p.m.)	Blackpool 11	Hutton 6		
BLACKPOOL (1) HUTTON (Ground C—3-15 p.m.)	Hutton 16			

# Balshaws' gallant schools' seven-a-side final bid

**C**OWLEY Grammar School, St. Helens, won the Parkes trophy in the schools seven-a-side Rugby competition at Ansdell yesterday. But the glory went to defeated finalists Balshaw's Grammar School.

Balshaws lost their captain, Kenneth Mather, with a broken ankle, when they were five points behind in the final. With six men they snatched a 6-5 lead through some brilliant Rugby by Smith, held the lead until A. Hall had to leave with a badly cut eye and then with five men they ended the game losers by 13-6.

Cowley last won the competition, which is organised annually by the Fylde club, in 1949. To reach the final this year they beat St. Joseph's, Blackpool, Wallasey Grammar School, Audenshaw (Manchester) and the holders Barrow Grammar School.

## 29 ENTRIES

Twenty-nine teams entered representing 18 schools from all over Lancashire. Some entered a first and second team.

King George V School, Southport entered two teams. The first team lost in the first round and the second team reached the semi-final, to be defeated by Balshaws 11-8 after extra time.

Preston Grammar School, who received a first round bye, lost the second round game against Audenshaw 5-0.

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Wednesday, March 24th

1954. Kick-off 2-0 p.m.

PRICE 3d.

FIRST ROUND

SECOND ROUND

THIRD ROUND

SEMI-FINAL

FINAL

COUNTHILL BYE	COUNTHILL	5	Wallasey 0		
0 WALLASEY (2)	(Ground C—3-15 p.m.)	8			
0 BLACKPOOL (2)	Wallasey				
(Ground A—2-0 p.m.)			(Ground B—4-0 p.m.)	Wigan 11	
13 WIGAN	Wigan	8			
3 ST. JOSEPH'S (1)	(Ground A—3-30 p.m.)		Wigan 14		
(Ground B—2-0 p.m.)	Stutton	3			
10 COWLEY (2)					
4 HUTTON					
(Ground C—2-0 p.m.)					
3 BARROW (1)	Barrow 16		Barrow 13		
0 AUDENSHAW	(Ground B—3-30 p.m.)				
(Ground A—2-20 p.m.)	KGV 0				
6 BLACKPOOL (1)					
14 KING GEORGE V (2)					
(Ground B—2-20 p.m.)	Walshaw 3				
3 UPHOLLAND (2)	(Ground C—3-30 p.m.)		St Bedes 0		
11 BALSHAW					
(Ground C—2-20 p.m.)	St Bedes 6				
6 ST. BEDES (1)					
3 SALFORD (2)					
(Ground A—2-40 p.m.)					
0 WALLASEY (1)	KGV 8		KGV 5		
6 KING GEORGE V (1)	(Ground A—3-45 p.m.)				
(Ground B—2-40 p.m.)	Cowley 5				
6 COWLEY (1)					
0 ARNOLD (2)					
(Ground C—2-40 p.m.)	Arnold 5		Arnold 6		
13 ARNOLD (1)					
0 KING EDWARD VII (2)					
(Ground A—3-0 p.m.)	Preston 3				
0 MANCHESTER					
6 PRESTON					
(Ground B—3-0 p.m.)	St Bedes 0				
6 ST. BEDES (2)	(Ground C—3-45 p.m.)		Salford 0		
0 UPHOLLAND (1)					
(Ground C—3-0 p.m.)	Salford 6				
6 SALFORD (1)					
3 KING EDWARD VII (1)					
(Ground A—3-15 p.m.)	St Josephs 10				
3 BARROW (2)					
8 ST. JOSEPH'S (2)					
(Ground B—3-15 p.m.)					
SALE					
BYE	SALE	0 6			
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PARKER      CAMPFORD      RIDING      KNOWLES  
BOURNE, ROBERTS

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Wednesday, March 23rd

1955. Kick-off 2-0 p.m.

PRICE 3d.

## FIRST ROUND

## SECOND ROUND

## THIRD ROUND

## FOURTH ROUND

## SEMI-FINAL

## FINAL

8 ST. ANSELMS  
3 SALFORD G.S.  
(Ground C—2-0 p.m.)

11 ARNOLD (1)  
0 BALSHAW (2)  
(Ground A—2-15 p.m.)

5 ARNOLD (2)  
19 SALE G.S.  
(Ground B—2-15 p.m.)

0 ST. EDWARDS  
13 KING EDWARD VII (1)  
(Ground C—2-15 p.m.)

0 ST BEDES (1)  
11 COWLEY (1)  
(Ground A—2-30 p.m.)

0 KING EDWARD VII (2)  
19 WALLASEY G.S.  
(Ground B—2-30 p.m.)

6 ST. JOSEPH'S (1)  
8 WIGAN G.S.  
(Ground C—2-30 p.m.)

0 PRESTON (2)  
11 MANCHESTER G.S.  
(Ground A—2-45 p.m.)

8 ST. JOSEPH'S (2)  
5 COUNTHILL  
(Ground B—2-45 p.m.)

3 ORMSKIRK (2)  
10 PRESTON (1)  
(Ground C—2-45 p.m.)

3 HUTTON  
0 BARROW (1)  
(Ground A—3-0 p.m.)

6 WALLASEY (2)  
0 ORMSKIRK (1)  
(Ground B—3-0 p.m.)

0 SIR JOHN DEANS  
5 KING GEORGE V (1)  
(Ground C—3-0 p.m.)

0 BARROW (2)  
3 BLACKPOOL G.S. (1)  
(Ground A—3-15 p.m.)

0 BALSHAW (1)  
13 AUDENSHAW  
(Ground B—3-15 p.m.)

0 COWLEY (2)  
0 ST. BEDES (2)  
0 KING GEORGE V (2)  
(Ground B—2-0 p.m.)

0 COWLEY II  
0 K.G.V. II  
(Ground C—3-15 p.m.)

12 St Anselms  
(Ground A—3-30 p.m.)

8 Arnold I  
(Ground B—3-30 p.m.)

6 Sale  
(Ground B—3-30 p.m.)

3 King Edward VII I  
(Ground C—2-15 p.m.)

11 Cowley I  
(Ground C—3-30 p.m.)

3 Wallasey  
(Ground B—2-30 p.m.)

0 Wigan  
(Ground A—3-45 p.m.)

3 Manchester  
(Ground A—2-45 p.m.)

0 St. Joseph's II  
(Ground B—3-45 p.m.)

13 Preston I  
(Ground C—2-45 p.m.)

11 Hutton  
(Ground C—3-45 p.m.)

0 Wallasey II  
(Ground B—3-0 p.m.)

13 King George V I  
(Ground A—4-0 p.m.)

0 Blackpool I  
(Ground A—3-15 p.m.)

11 Audenshaw  
(Ground B—4-0 p.m.)

0 Cowley II  
(Ground C—3-15 p.m.)

0 St. Anselms  
(Ground C—4-0 p.m.)

5 Sale  
(Ground A—5-0 p.m.)

16 Cowley I  
(Ground A—4-15 p.m.)

0 Manchester  
(Ground A—5-30 p.m.)

10 Preston I  
(Ground B—4-15 p.m.)

0 Hutton  
(Ground B—5-0 p.m.)

6 King George V  
(Ground A—4-30 p.m.)

3 Audenshaw  
(Ground B—4-0 p.m.)

3 Sale  
(Ground A—5-0 p.m.)

8 Cowley I  
(Ground A—5-30 p.m.)

3 Preston  
(Ground B—5-0 p.m.)

11 King George V  
(Ground B—5-0 p.m.)

11 Cowley

8 K.G.V.

63 80  
BLACKPOOL G.S. (2)  
COWLEY (2)  
(Ground A—2-0 p.m.)  
ST. BEDES (2)  
KING GEORGE V (2)  
(Ground B—2-0 p.m.)

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1956. Kick-off 2-0 p.m.

PRICE 3d.

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	THIRD ROUND	SEMI-FINAL	FINAL
COWLEY (2) MANCHESTER G.S. (Ground A — 2-0 p.m.)	Cowley I 10 ..... (Ground B — 3-20 p.m.)	Cowley II 3 .....	K.G.V II 13 ..... (Ground A — 5-20 p.m.)	K.G.V II 5 .....
ST. EDWARDS KING EDWARD VII (Ground B — 2-0 p.m.)	St. Edwards 8 .....	(Ground A — 4-30 p.m.)		
DE LA SALLE Bye	DE LA SALLE 6 ..... (Ground C — 3-20 p.m.)	K.G.V II 5 .....	..... (Ground A — 5-20 p.m.)	K.G.V II 5 .....
KING GEORGE V (2) WIGAN G.S. (1) (Ground C — 2-0 p.m.)	K.G.V II 8 .....	(Ground B — 4-30 p.m.)		
AUDENSHAW G.S. PRESTON G.S. (1) (Ground A — 2-20 p.m.)	Preston 0 ..... (Ground A — 3-40 p.m.)	Carlisle 16 .....	Carlisle 5 .....	..... (Ground A — 6-0 p.m.)
CARLISLE Bye	CARLISLE 3 .....	(Ground B — 4-30 p.m.)		
BALSHAW (2) BLACKPOOL G.S. (2) (Ground B — 2-20 p.m.)	Balshaw II 0 ..... (Ground B — 3-40 p.m.)	Hutton 0 .....	.....	.....
ST. JOSEPH'S HUTTON (Ground C — 2-20 p.m.)	Hutton 3 .....	(Ground A — 4-50 p.m.)		
FLEETWOOD (2) KING GEORGE V (1) (Ground A — 2-40 p.m.)	K.G.V 0 ..... (Ground C — 3-40 p.m.)	Sale 3 .....	Barrow 11 .....	Barrow 19 .....
BALSHAW (1) SALE G.S. (Ground B — 2-40 p.m.)	Sale 18 .....	(Ground A — 4-50 p.m.)		
ARNOLD (1) FLEETWOOD (1) (Ground C — 2-40 p.m.)	Arnold 0 ..... (Ground A — 4-0 p.m.)	Barrow 11 .....	..... (Ground B — 5-20 p.m.)	Barrow 19 .....
WIGAN G.S. (2) BARROW (1) (Ground A — 3-0 p.m.)	Barrow 17 .....	(Ground B — 4-50 p.m.)		
COWLEY (1) PRESTON (2) (Ground B — 3-0 p.m.)	Cowley 11 ..... (Ground B — 4-0 p.m.)	Cowley 13 .....	Cowley 0 .....	.....
BARROW (2) BLACKPOOL G.S. (1) (Ground C — 3-0 p.m.)	Blackpool 5 .....	(Ground B — 4-50 p.m.)		
ARNOLD (2) ST. EDWARDS (2) (Ground A — 3-20 p.m.)	Arnold II 6 ..... (Ground C — 4-0 p.m.)	Arnold II 0 .....	.....	.....
BURNAGE Bye	BURNAGE 3 .....	(Ground C — 4-0 p.m.)		

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3. In the event of a tie the teams change round, and the first team to score after that is the winner.
4. The reserve can be played in the next round if one of the team is injured. Once he plays he must continue to play in succeeding rounds.
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WEDNESDAY, 20th MARCH, 1957

KICK-OFF 1.40 p.m.

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PRICE : THREEPENCE

FIRST ROUND	SECOND ROUND	THIRD ROUND	SEMI-FINAL	FINAL
WIGAN G.S. (2) ..... ALTRINCHAM G.S. .... (Ground A—1.40 p.m.)	WIGAN ..... (Ground B—3.20 p.m.)	ST. EDWARDS ..... (Ground A—4.20 p.m.)	UPHOLLAND ..... 3	COWLEY ..... 29
ST. EDWARD'S COLL. (1) ..... BALSHAW'S G.S. (2) ..... (Ground B—1.40 p.m.)	ST. EDWARDS 11-5 ..... (Ground C—3.20 p.m.)			
MANCHESTER G.S. .... 13 HUTTON G.S. .... 0 (Ground C—1.40 p.m.)	MANCHESTER ..... (Ground C—3.20 p.m.)	UPHOLLAND		
UPHOLLAND G.S. (1) ..... BARROW G.S. (2) ..... (Ground A—2. 0 p.m.)	UPHOLLAND ..... (Ground A—3.40 p.m.)	COWLEY		
KING EDWARD VII (2) ..... COWLEY (1) ..... (Ground B—2. 0 p.m.)	COWLEY ..... (Ground C—2. 0 p.m.)	COWLEY		
ARNOLD (1) ..... ST. EDWARD'S COLL. (2) ..... (Ground C—2. 0 p.m.)	ST. EDWARDS ..... (Ground B—3.40 p.m.)	COWLEY		
SALFORD G.S. (2) ..... COWLEY (2) ..... (Ground A—2.20 p.m.)	SALFORD ..... (Ground B—3.40 p.m.)	SALFORD	8	
BLACKPOOL G.S. (3) ..... ST. JOSEPH'S (2) ..... (Ground B—2.20 p.m.)	BLACKPOOL ..... (Ground A—6. 0 p.m.)			
AUDENSHAW G.S. .... KING EDWARD VII (1) ..... (Ground C—2.20 p.m.)	KING EDWARD ..... (Ground C—3.40 p.m.)	KING EDW.		
UPHOLLAND G.S. (2) ..... PRESTON G.S. .... (Ground A—2.40 p.m.)	UPHOLLAND ..... (Ground A—4.40 p.m.)	BLACKPOOL		
DE LA SALLE ..... BLACKPOOL G.S. (1) ..... (Ground B—2.40 p.m.)	BLACKPOOL ..... (Ground A—4. 0 p.m.)	BLACKPOOL	13	
KING GEORGE V ..... SALE G.S. .... (Ground C—2.40 p.m.)	K.G.V. ..... (Ground A—5.20 p.m.)			
SALFORD G.S. (1) ..... ST. JOSEPH'S (1) ..... (Ground A—3. 0 p.m.)	SALFORD ..... (Ground B—4. 0 p.m.)	WIGAN		
WIGAN G.S. (1) ..... ARNOLD (2) ..... (Ground B—3. 0 p.m.)	WIGAN ..... (Ground B—4.40 p.m.)			
CHETHAM'S SCHOOL ..... BARROW G.S. (1) ..... (Ground C—3. 0 p.m.)	BARROW ..... (Ground C—4. 0 p.m.)	BALSHAW'S	5	
BLACKPOOL G.S. (2) ..... BALSHAW'S G.S. (1) ..... (Ground A—3.20 p.m.)	BALSHAW'S 3-0 .....			

SEVENS' COMPETITION — 19th MARCH, 1958

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# Cowley school win knock-out R.U. trophy

Cowley Grammar School won the Parkes Trophy in the schoolboys' R.U. seven-a-side competition at the Fylde ground at Ansdell yesterday, when they beat Blackpool Grammar School 29pts.—3 in the final.

Blackpool scored in the first minute through a try by Hodgson, but Cowley soon recovered and by half-time were leading 13—3. Their tries were scored by Ingham and Wilson, three each, and Middleton one. Birkett converted four.

In the semi-finals Cowley beat Upholland Grammar School third team 8pts.—3 and Blackpool beat Balshaws Grammar School 13pts.—5.

Balshaws knocked out the holders, Barrow Grammar School, in the second round, and Hutton Grammar School went out in the first round 13—nil to Manchester Grammar School.

Thirty-one teams from schools in the North-West took part.

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# Schoolboys R.U. teams chosen after trials

**P**RESTON GRASSHOPPERS' schoolboy trials, at Lea, resulted in wins for Blues over Reds in both the junior and senior games.

The junior game never rose to great heights although several players, through bright individual efforts, added colour to the match. The score was 9pts. to nil with Swift (2) and Wilcock, both of Kirkham Grammar School, scoring tries.

The senior trial was a keen affair, the Blues having the edge throughout. Their forwards, gluttons for work, dominated the loose play.

Their backs, too, threw the ball about well and although the Reds fought strongly they were not good enough. They did not give up trying.

Myerscough (Kirkham G.S.) 3, Cowley (Upholland) 2, Fletcher (Cowley), Hurst (Blackpool St. Josephs) and Edwards (Preston G.S.) crossed for Blues. Pickup (Kirkham) converting four. Paisley (Hutton G.S.) kicked a penalty goal for Reds.

## FOR TO-MORROW

The teams to represent Preston Schoolboys against Fylde Schoolboys, at Ansdell to-morrow are:—

**SENIORS:** R. Smith (Balshaws); W. R. Fletcher (Cowley), T. Hurst (Blackpool St. Josephs), A. Bourn (Balshaws), J. Cowley (Upholland); J. A. Pickup (Kirkham), P. B. Myerscough (Kirkham); K. Ridehalgh (Rydal), P. E. M. Oglethorpe (Uppingham), D. Collison (Hutton), D. Newton (Preston), G. Atkinson (Upholland), G. Bayley (Preston), A. Bayly (Preston) and J. Tittle (Blackpool St. Joseph's). Reserves: G. Smith (Lancaster R.G.S.), D. Heyes (Hutton), J. Paisley (Hutton), A. S. Olivine (Preston).

**JUNIORS:** R. Gaskell (Lancaster R.G.S.); F. H. Tattersall (Sedbergh), P. Booth (Wigan), J. Swift (Kirkham), P. J. Chester (H. M. Conway); M. Woods (Upholland), A. Roper (Upholland); J. W. Ashcroft (Upholland), T. Housley (Wigan), R. M. Wilcock (Kirkham), J. Entwistle (Balshaws), T. C. Dunn (H. M. Conway), A. G. Boothman (Rydal), K. Wilkinson (Wigan), W. Ashcroft (Upholland). Reserves: A. Lee (Wigan), D. Bethell (Hutton), F. H. Eccles (Blackpool St. Josephs).

Following the game at Ansdell a side will be chosen to represent Mid-Lancashire against North Lancashire at Lea on Thursday (2.30 p.m.). The North Lancashire XV is: Armistead (Friends School); Ellis (Barrow), Williams (Barrow), Birrell (Barrow), Burgess (Barrow); Barr (Barrow), Hurst (Ulverston); Clampton (Barrow), Davies (Lancaster), Harvey (Lancaster), Oliver (Barrow), Pattison (Ulverston), Threlfall (Friends School), Barlow (Lancaster), Taylor (Barrow).

Reserves: Dixon (Lancaster), Lakin (Morecambe).

The outcome of the North v. Mid-Lancashire game will be a fifteen to represent North and Mid-Lancashire against South-Lancashire and South-West Lancashire at Ansdell on Monday. The side chosen from that game will represent Lancashire Schoolboys against Cheshire.

Fylde

Jennings

Fleetwood G.S.

Taylor

Arnold

Parkinson

Kirkham G.S.

Short

Rossall

Cornish

Giggleswick

Webster (F.H.)

Arnold

Ogden OGDEN

N.E.S. Lytham

Bennett

Rossall

Battye

N.E.S. Lytham

Cowpe

Rossall

Cavanagh

Arnold

Robinson

Kirkham G.S.

Woodward

Arnold

Mico

Blackpool G.S.

Lees (Capt.)

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# Blues on top in 'Hoppers trial

Preston Grasshoppers' public schoolboy trials at Lea comprised two games. The junior match was won 9-0 by the Blues, SWIFT (Kirkham) scoring two tries and WILCOX (Kirkham) once.

In the senior trial, between Blues and Reds, Pickup (Kirkham) failed from a twice-taken penalty for the Blues.

After a long run by Fletcher (Cowley), COWLEY (Upholland) went over for Blues, the kick failing.

MYERSCOUGH (Kirkham) put Blues further ahead when he dived through a ruck of players to ground near the post.

The same player scored another fine try a few minutes later, PICKUP (Kirkham) converting. PAISLEY (Hutton) reduced Reds' arrears with a well-taken penalty, but MYERSCOUGH scored his third try for Blues.

Half-time—Blues 14ps., Reds 3ps.

# LANCASHIRE BOYS' FINE TRIAL

## From a Special Correspondent

South beat North by 21-14 in the final Lancashire public schoolboys trial at Ansdell yesterday. The game was fast and exciting and there was much splendid play both by forwards and backs.

Perhaps the most encouraging feature of the play from the selectors' point of view was the way in which the backs, particularly the wings, ran hard and tried to beat their men by skill. Burgess, on the North's right, and O'Donnell on the South's left, had a rare duel. Neither would stoop to kick to touch whatever situation with which he was faced. Burgess laid down the rules of this private battle early in the game when he pounced on a loose ball and sidestepped almost in the same movement. Near the end O'Donnell, after stumbling from a half-tackle by Burgess, refused to fall and, with a display of verve that would have shamed many senior county wings, sidestepped the full-back almost as soon as he had recovered and then out-paced his pursuers to the line. This was Rugby to cheer a schoolmaster's heart.

South well deserved to win. Their forwards packed the better and though each hooker won only one heel against the loose head, the speed of the North's heel was noticeably the slower. Storey propped well for the South, whose front received splendid support from its locks, Rushworth and Black. Edwards, the North's better lock, was most useful in the line-out and in support of Lees, a veritable ball of fire at wing forward. Five minutes from no-side just before O'Donnell's great run, Lees was within a few yards of snatching victory for his side, but the tackling of Beswick, who spent the second half at full-back, and the covering of Clare and O'Donnell defeated him.

## The Scrum Halves

There was little to choose between the scrum halves. Both played pluckily and at times gave their partners perfect passes. Crowe was the luckier in that he found opportunities on the blind side denied to Ogden and made use of them three times to make tries for Samuel. Rimmer, and Black. This was match-winning play and Crowe, sensibly, did not attempt to force his way over when it seemed a little extra thrust would have earned him personal glory. Ogden's best spell was early in the second half when he made a good break, an exceptionally quick pass from an awkward position, and a smart saving kick all within five minutes.

Ogden had the better stand-off half in Webster, who rarely failed to take a pass, no matter how difficult. Bourne, a centre, also distinguished himself by his handling under difficulty, and Short's try was the direct result of his ability to take a flicked pass when Webster was crash-tackled by the irrepressible O'Donnell. Bourne was there in support of his stand-off half when a cross-kick by Burgess had the South defence in a tangle and scored a good try. Neither Short, who hesitated too much, and Rimmer, who looked out of place on the right, was impressive as a wing. Wilson was injured early in the game, but before he went off he shaped well as a full-back. Armishead was sound, if not inspiring, and would not disgrace any schoolboy county side.

The South's other points were scored by O'Donnell, try, and by Beswick who converted two tries and Rimmer who converted one. For the North Parkinson scored a try after taking a smart reverse pass from Webster, and also converted a try. Teains.

**NORTH LANCASHIRE.**—D.—Armishead (Friends); W. Burgess (Barrow); K. Parkinson (Kirkham); A. R. J. Bourne (Balshaw's); W. R. E. Short (Rossall); D. A. Webster (Arnold); A. T. Oaden (K.E.S. Lytham); J. W. Cowpe (Rossall); P. G. Batty (K.E.S. Lytham); C. D. Collison (Hutton); D. A. H. Edwards (Preston); R. Lakin (Morecambe); A. E. Woodward (Arnold); A. Bayly (Preston); C. A. Lees (Arnold).

**SOUTH LANCASHIRE.**—K. T. Wilson (West Park); S. B. Rimmer (King George V Southport); R. M. Clare (Wade Deacons); J. Rogan (St Edward's); M. O'Donnell (De La Salle); F. Beswick (Manchester C.H.S.); W. N. Croke (King William I.O.M.); W. S. Richardson (Manchester G.S.); J. A. Ratchford (St Edward's); F. Storey (Salford G.S.); D. Black (Stonyhurst); V. Rushworth (Audenshaw G.S.); R. K. Neilson (Cowley G.S.); S. D. Quinn (Wade Deacons); M. F. Samuel (Liverpool College).

Also played: J. Bailey (Holt's G.S.).  
Referee: A. J. M. Jarrle (Manchester Society).

The Lancashire public schoolboys' team to meet Cheshire at Birkenhead Park on Saturday (11 a.m.) is:

D. Armishead (Friends); W. Burgess (Barrow); R. M. Clare (Wade Deacons); K. Parkinson (Kirkham); M. O'Donnell (De La Salle); D. A. Webster (Arnold); W. N. Croke (King William I.O.M.); W. S. Richardson (Manchester G.S.); J. A. Ratchford (St Edward's); J. W. Cowpe (Preston G.S.); A. E. Woodward (Arnold); A. Bayly (Preston); C. A. Lees (Arnold).

A.		B		C	
Smith	Balshaw's	Jennings	Fleetwood	Miller	Kirkham.
Taylor	Arnold	Willis	Blackpool	Tooley	Blackpool
Appleby	Fleetwood	Bond	Preston	Hayes	Hutton
Parkinson	Kirkham	Bourn	Balshaw's	Greenwood	Blackpool
Heyes	Balshaw's	Hurst	St. Joseph's	Roader	Fleetwood
Williamson	Hutton	Collier	Bolton	Webster	Arnold
Ogden	Lytham	Hodgson	Blackpool	Singleton	Balshaw's
Collinson	Hutton	Robinson	Accrington	Stott	Fleetwood
Bettye	Lytham	Fenton	Kirkham	Olivine	Preston
Bradbury	Blackpool	Wilcock	Kirkham	Fowell	St. Joseph's
Edwards	Preston	Snape	St. Joseph's	Newton	Preston
Cavanagh	Arnold	Mico	Blackpool	Swarbrick	Balshaw's
Woodward	Arnold	Hall	Balshaw's	Hoskisson	Lytham
Bayly. A.	Preston	McGlue	Lytham	Thomas	Arnold
Bayly. G.	Preston	Taylor	Hutton	Riley	Blackpool

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