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WIGAN WINS R. L. CUP

Mountford wins the toss at Wembley and a hundred-thousand full-house sees Barrow, playing from right to left, kick off in the Rugby League Cup Final. They're newcomers to Wembley, but it's Wigan's third visit since they won the first Final played at Wembley, when they beat Dewsbury. Victory today will give them three successes in four visits. And here's a Wigan attack developing as the ball comes through to Silcock.

Now it's skipper Mountford, but the New Zealander is downed.

Curren gets the ball and passes to Broom. The centre-three-quarter passes to Radcliffe, who punts ahead, but the attack fizzles out.

Later, a penalty is given against Barrow. Gee takes the kick. And it's over! At half-time, it's Wigan 2, Barrow nil. On the resumption, Wigan play from right to left. The new rule seems to make heeling through pay better dividends than the old style. It's becoming more like American football. Now here's Roughley passing to Nordgren - but the big New Zealander is brought down inches from the line.

Now the ball's gone to Hilton. Can he get through?

The kick failed, and now it's Wigan 5, Barrow nil.

Wigan attacking again. Barrow haven't played up to form - or maybe it's just Wembley nerves.

Back-heel to Gee - nearly 16 stone of him - and sheer weight and strength carries him over.

Mountford takes the kick. And - it's over!

And Wigan win by 10 points to nil. Well done, Wigan! Hard luck, Barrow.

It's a proud moment for skipper Mountford of Wigan as the Duke of Gloucester hands the Rugby League Challenge Cup to the winners.

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Five minutes before the kick-off, Barrow and Wigan line up for presentation to the Duke of Gloucester. Blue and white looks the same as cherry and white to the camera, so we're going to have trouble telling "together from which." Since the first final there in 1929 (in which Wigan beat Dewsbury) the Rugby League Cup match has grown to be one of Wembley's top attractions. Inspection over, now it's Horne of Barrow and Mountford to toss. Mountford wins and it's Barrow to kick-off, playing from right to left (remember that, because the colours won't help). Conditions are good, though the ground's a little soft.

Here's a Wigan attack developing as Silcock receives and starts a run but Barrow are quick in the tackle, and he's brought down. From the heel Wigan start a nice passing movement. Now Mountford's got the ball.

Curran to Broom and the right-centre passes to Ratcliffe; but the winger can't get through and punts ahead but the attack fizzles out.

A penalty gives Wigan a chance. Gee takes the kick ... and it's a goal!

Wigan are showing improved form; they're veterans at Wembley; this is their fourth visit. Barrow (newcomers) can't get going properly, but their defence is putting in some cracking good work.

At half-time it's Wigan 2, Barrow nil. Resuming, now it's Wigan playing from right to left.

Now Nordgren gets away, but Barrow pull the New Zealander down inches from the line. This is grand action stuff - plenty of excitement for the hundred-thousand crowd. Now here's Mountford starting a Wigan attack.

Hilton gets the ball and he's fairly streaking for the line. There he goes - and he's over! Wigan 5, Barrow nil.

Gee takes the kick, but his shot goes wide.

Barrow fight back, they're playing more to form, now. Grundy's stepped but the ball goes to Hartley. He passes to Horne and Barrow's captain and stand-off half tries to stern through but he's stepped. This is more like Barrow, but Wigan are tough ... Mountford heels to McKinnel, but the hooker is charged down by Barton. This is good hard stuff that keeps the crowd on its toes. A score by Barrow now would electrify the game.

Now Wigan are pressing again ... and that was a near one for Barrow!

Gea picks and runs for the line; and nearly 16 stoms of him bursts through the defences to make it Wigan 8, Barrow nil.

Mountford adds the extra two and Wigan win a grand game by 10 points to nil.

Barrow cheers the winners as Wigan's skipper Cecil Mountford steps up proudly to receive the Rugby League Challenge Cup from the Duke of Gloucester. It was a well-earned victory because Barrow made them fight every inch of the way. So let's say, "Hard luck, Barrow; it was a grand try," before we say "Well done, Wigan." Three victories in four trips to Wembley is a grand record.