

RUGBY LEAGUEBRITAIN WINS RUBBER

Australia kick off at Swinton, Manchester, in the second match of their rubber against Great Britain for the Rugby League Ashes. They lost their first match so they'll be fighting hard today to keep the Ashes they won two years ago. Now Featherstone collects for Britain, but he's soon brought down.

Britain attack again and their three-quarter line goes like a well-oiled machine for the Australian line. Daniels can't get through. He passes back to Greenall who's over the line for Britain's first try!

Australia try to return the compliment, but full-back Churchill kicks up into the air straight into his opponents' hands ---

Now Ward, Britain's captain, kicks a penalty -- and over it goes!

Things don't look so good for the Aussies - though they're still fighting hard. But even their most dangerous attacks ends in failure against one of Britain's finest teams for years. The Aussie forwards nearly score this time but Great Britain get it away safely by a cross-field move. The ball goes to Ward who's away up-field (watch him closely after he's made his pass) he runs into a pack of trouble!

At half-time Great Britain are on top by eight points to nil - but Australians never give up a struggle until the final whistle. But they don't call this Swinton ground "The Aussies' graveyard" for nothing. They've never won here yet, and, once more, with the score twenty-one points to five, victory - plus the Ashes - go to Great Britain.