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## CLUB GOSSIP.

### BATTLES WITH LUTON THAT LED TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

**W**E should like to pay our modest but sincere tribute to the great loss the nation and the Empire have sustained by the death of King George.

His Majesty was a patron of the Football Association and in addition to attending two of our Cup Finals, he conferred upon us the great honour of visiting our old ground at Hyde Road on the occasion of our League match with Liverpool on March 27, 1920. It was the first time he had ever been present at a match in the provinces.

#### OLD TIMES RECALLED.

**T**HE Cup often brings strange play-mates, and so far as the national competition is concerned,

we are meeting new opponents this afternoon.

As Cup fighters we have never met Luton Town before, and we have never had the pleasure of entertaining them at this ground in any game, but as clubs we are not strangers.

We ran up against them in our young days in the League. When we were in the Second Division we met them on four occasions, and we beat them each time.

The first meeting was at Luton, on New Year's Day, 1898, when we won by three clear goals, and in the return game at Hyde Road the following March we prevailed by 2-1. We finished third

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## CLUB GOSSIP—CONTINUED.

in the table that season, and Luton were eighth.

## OUR FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP

THE following season we achieved another "double" against them, winning by 3-0 at Luton and 2-0 at home, and we wound up the campaign by carrying off the championship for

and Luton, who were fourth from the bottom, had a total of 23. The following year they finished next to the last, and they lost their place to Stockport County.

## LUTON'S WONDERFUL REVIVAL

THEY returned to the Southern League, of which competition they



W. DALE, Manchester City.



J. BALL, Luton Town.

the first time and with the highest aggregate of points that had ever been obtained up to that period.

It was the year the League was extended after the abolition of the Test Matches, and our record was as follows:

P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
34	23	5	6	92	35	52

We had a clear lead by six points over Glossop, who were second in the table,

had been runners-up for the championship in the first two years of its existence, and when it was taken over by the League in 1920-21, and became the Southern Section of the Third Division, they were one of the original members.

Though they have never figured in the honours list, they have maintained a very good standard of merit, and it has never been higher than it is at present.

Up to a week ago they had been at the

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## CLUB GOSSIP—CONTINUED.

top of the table since Boxing Day, and it was only a slightly inferior goal average to Coventry City that brought them down to second place.

From a bad start they have made a wonderful recovery. Of their first eight matches they only won two, but since then they have never been beaten, either at home or away, their record from September 28th being:

P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
15	12	0	3	34	12	27

## FINE AWAY RECORD

IN addition to that, they have drawn with West Ham United at Upton Park in the Third Round of the Cup Competition (2-2), and beaten them at Luton by the very convincing margin of four clear goals in the replay.

Their away performances in League engagements are well worth looking at. Here they are:

Aug. 31.	Clapton Orient	0-3
Sept. 4.	Bournemouth	1-2
" 14.	Northampton	0-0
" 28.	Reading	1-2
Oct. 12.	Gillingham	1-0
" 26.	Exeter City	2-1
Nov. 9.	Watford	3-1
" 23.	Aldershot	1-0
Dec. 7.	Millwall	0-0
" 25.	Notts County	3-0
Jan. 4.	Southend United	1-0

P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
11	6	3	2	13	9	14

## CONQUERORS OF CHELSEA

SUCH is the calibre of the opposition we are up against this afternoon—an opposition which, we might recall, removed Chelsea from the Cup Competition last season, after a drawn game at Stamford Bridge, and which it has been said is without a weak spot.

Naturally we are hoping that we shall win, but we are quite prepared for a big struggle.

On another page of this programme we give some pen pictures of the Luton Town players, which we are sure will be of interest.

## THE ARSENAL MATCH

WE would like to draw the attention of our supporters to the fact that we have provisionally arranged to play our League game with the Arsenal—which was in the fixture list for this afternoon—at Maine Road on Wednesday.

It will have to be further postponed if either ourselves or the Arsenal make a draw this afternoon, or if Manchester United have a replay with Stoke City at Old Trafford.

Should all be clear, the kick off will be at 3 p.m.

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## CLUB GOSSIP—CONTINUED.

### THE LEAGUE.—Division 1

#### RESULTS TO DATE.

		Home.				Away.				Goals	
		P.	W.	L.	D.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A. Pts.
Sunderland.....	(2)	25.12	1	0..	6	4	2..	71	38..	38	
Derby County.....	(6)	25.10	0	3..	2	6	4..	37	25..	31	
Huddersfield T.....	(16)	25..7	0	4..	5	7	2..	37	37..	30	
Arsenal.....	(1)	24..6	2	3..	4	5	4..	53	29..	27	
Stoke City.....	(10)	25..7	3	2..	5	7	1..	38	37..	27	
Liverpool.....	(7)	25..8	4	1..	2	5	5..	42	33..	26	
Leeds United.....	(18)	24..7	2	4..	2	5	4..	40	32..	26	
Birmingham.....	(19)	25..6	2	4..	3	6	4..	35	35..	26	
Wolverh'pton W.....	(17)	25..9	1	2..	1	9	3..	51	45..	25	
Portsmouth.....	(14)	24..9	1	2..	1	8	3..	33	39..	25	
Middlesbrough.....	(20)	25..8	2	3..	2	9	1..	54	39..	24	
West Brom. A.....	(9)	25..9	3	1..	2	9	1..	57	46..	24	
Preston N.E.....	(11)	25..9	2	2..	1	10	1..	38	40..	23	
Manchester City.....	(4)	25..7	4	2..	3	8	1..	38	41..	23	
Grimsby Town.....	(5)	25..7	4	2..	3	8	1..	36	42..	23	
Bolton Wan.....	(—)	24..6	3	3..	2	6	4..	39	49..	23	
Chelsea.....	(12)	24..6	2	3..	3	8	2..	33	44..	23	
Brentford.....	(—)	25..5	4	3..	3	8	2..	41	43..	21	
Sheffield W.....	(3)	24..7	3	2..	1	8	3..	43	50..	21	
Blackburn R.....	(15)	25..8	3	2..	1	10	1..	37	62..	21	
Everton.....	(8)	24..5	3	4..	1	8	3..	41	55..	19	
Aston Villa.....	(13)	26..4	7	2..	3	8	2..	47	80..	18	

### CENTRAL LEAGUE

#### RESULTS TO DATE.

		Home.				Away.				Goals	
		P.	W.	L.	D.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A. Pts.
West Bromwich.....	25..13	4	8	70	38	34					
Wolverhampton W.....	26..15	7	4	69	46	34					
Derby County.....	25..16	8	1	50	40	33					
Newcastle United.....	25..14	7	4	66	43	32					
Everton.....	24..14	7	3	58	47	31					
Birmingham.....	26..13	8	5	46	44	31					
Blackpool.....	24..11	6	7	43	36	29					
Sheffield United.....	24..11	8	5	62	46	27					
Aston Villa.....	24..12	9	3	44	36	27					
Blackburn Rovers.....	25..10	9	6	44	40	26					
Burnley.....	26..8	8	10	35	36	26					
Preston North End.....	24..10	9	5	48	43	25					
Manchester United.....	24..10	11	3	51	49	23					
Bury.....	24..8	8	7	34	35	23					
Liverpool.....	25..8	12	5	45	46	21					
Bolton Wanderers.....	25..8	13	4	46	55	20					
Stoke City.....	25..7	12	6	48	60	20					
Leeds United.....	24..7	12	5	36	53	19					
Sheffield W.....	25..6	14	5	48	64	17					
Huddersfield Town.....	25..5	14	6	28	45	16					
Manchester City.....	25..6	15	4	39	66	16					
Oldham Athletic.....	24..7	15	2	29	73	16					

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  - 4—Cornet Solo: "ABIDE WITH ME".....Liddle
  - 5—"LARGO".....Handel
  - 6—Chorus: "HALLELUJAH".....Handel
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1  
SWIFT  
Goal

2  
DALE  
Right Back

3  
BARKAS  
Left Back

4  
PERCIVAL  
Right Half-Back

5  
MARSHALL  
Centre Half-Back

6  
BRAY  
Left Half-Back

7  
TOSELAND  
Outside Right

8  
HERD  
Inside Right

9  
MCLEOD  
Centre

10  
TILSON  
Inside Left

11  
BROOK  
Outside Left

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12  
STEPHENSON  
Outside Left

13  
ROBERTS  
Inside Left

14  
BALL  
Centre

15  
MARTIN  
Inside Right

16  
CROMPTON  
Outside Right

17  
FELLOWES  
Left Half-Back

18  
NELSON  
Centre Half-Back

19  
FINLAYSON  
Right Half-Back

20  
SMITH  
Left Back

21  
MACKEY  
Right Back

22  
COEN  
Goal

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1936

	Goals	Goals
A—Stoke City v. Manchester United.....		
B—Leeds United v. Bury.....		
C—Tottenham Hotspur v. Huddersfield Town...		
D—Liverpool v. Arsenal.....		
E—Bradford City v. Blackburn Rovers.....		
F—Port Vale v. Grimsby Town.....		
G—Fulham v. Blackpool.....		
H—Preston North End v. Sheffield United.....		
I—Derby County v. Notts Forest.....		
J—Sheffield Wednesday v. Newcastle United.....		
K—Bradford v. West Bromwich Albion.....		
L—Middlesbrough v. Clapton Orient.....		

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## OUR CUP RIVALS. LANCASHIRE PLAYERS IN THE LUTON TOWN TEAM.

WE take the liberty of reproducing the following snapshots of the Luton Town players from last Saturday's *Football Chronicle*, to which we have added the birthplace, heights, and weights:

**JOSEPH COEN** (goalkeeper).—Is a native of Glasgow, and was employed in the shipyards until signing for Clydebank as a professional. He played for Celtic, Guildford City, and Boscombe before joining Luton two seasons ago, after giving a brilliant display against them in a Southern Section match. Height, 5ft. 8½ins. Weight, 12st.

**T. S. MACKEY** (right full-back).—Had three seasons at Hillsborough following a spell with Hartlepool United as a centre half-back. He can play on the left, if necessary. Born Durham. Height, 5ft. 10in. Weight, 12st.

**T. S. SMITH** (left full-back).—Is a school teacher from Higham, for which club he played prior to putting in two seasons with Rochdale and playing some football while studying at the Leeds Training College. Lancashire lad from Burnley. Height, 5ft. 9½ins. Weight, 11st. 7lbs.

**JACK FINLAYSON** (right half-back).—A Scot, from Renfrew, who played for a local Thornlebank club and later for Motherwell and Cowdenbeath. His full-back displays for Clapton Orient last season attracted Luton "spotters," who have since converted him into a most capable wing half-back. Height, 5ft. 10½in. Weight, 11st. 7lbs.

**J. NELSON** (centre half-back).—He can, indeed, be called the pivot and guiding-star of the side. A native of Chorley, where he worked in the cotton mills. But for the slump he might have refused Preston's offer to turn professional. From Deepdale he went to Wolverhampton Wanderers, to whom Luton paid a big fee for his transfer. As cool as the proverbial cucumber. Height, 6ft. 1½ins. Weight, 12st.

**W. FELLOWES** (left half-back).—Like his colleagues on the opposite flank, is an acquisition from Clapton Orient, for whom he used to play at centre half-back. A Yorkshireman from Bradford. Height, 5ft. 9ins. Weight, 12st.

**WILF CROMPTON** (outside right).—Another Lancastrian. Comes of real footballing stock, his father being none other than the famous "Bob" Crompton. Played for Blackburn Rovers, Burnley, and for a short time with Gillingham. He is a motor mechanic. Height, 5ft. 8ins. Weight, 11st.

**G. MARTIN** (inside right).—Hails from Glasgow and played in Scottish football for Hamilton Academicals before arriving at Luton four years ago via Hull, Everton, and Middlesbrough. Height, 5ft. 9ins. Weight 10st. 10lbs.

**JACK BALL** (centre forward).—Well known in Manchester and the North generally. A native of Southport. Has played for several clubs, including Southport, Manchester United, Sheffield Wednesday, and Huddersfield Town. Well endowed physically, he is most difficult to move off the ball. Scored 30 League goals for Luton last season. Height, 5ft. 9½ins. Weight, 11st. 10lbs.

**F. ROBERTS** (inside left).—The first player secured when Luton decided to invest their Cup earnings in team building. Native of West Bromwich, he played for a works team and did so well that they got to hear about him at St. Andrew's. Birmingham parted with him to Luton about the middle of last season. Height, 5ft. 9ins. Weight, 11st.

**G. STEPHENSON** (outside left).—Had two seasons at Villa Park following a promising start to his career with Durham City. Comes from Stillington, Durham, and fears nothing. Height, 5ft. 9ins. Weight, 11st. 7lbs.

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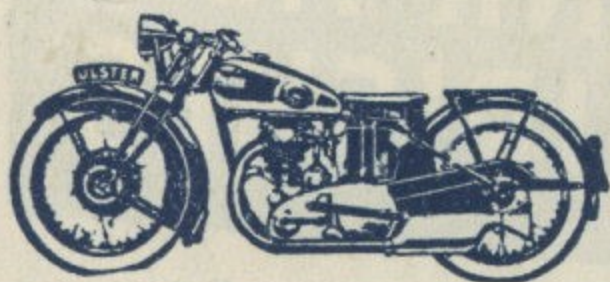
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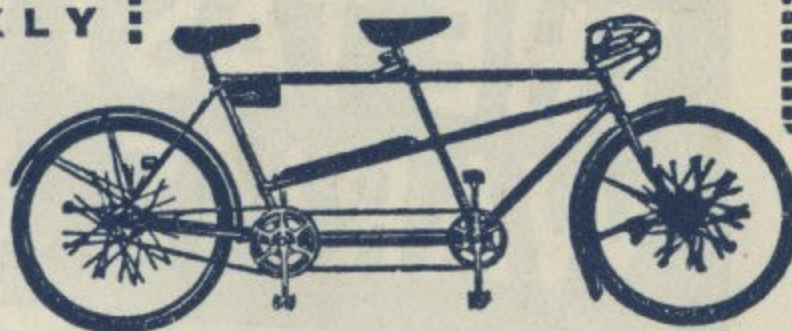
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