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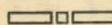
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It is more than a cordial welcome that we extend to our visitors today, Coventry City, for in so doing we wish to congratulate them heartily on the splendid position they have gained in the League this season. To head any League at this period of the Football Season is accomplished only by ability allied to whole hearted team work. Good fortune does at times enter into the accomplishment but to counterbalance this there are always the occasions when the opposite assumes the predominance. Therefore "Bantams" we do salute you on the fine feats you have gained this season and if you do prove to be ultimate champions of the Division, you will find that the "Hatters" of Luton will be the first to warmly congratulate you on the performance.

It is the home record of the "Bantams" that has made them such a power this season for the only points they have allowed to let slip at the Highfield Road Ground were on Christmas Day when Aldershot scored twice without reply. By this victory, Aldershot has also the proud honour of being the only club to find the City net on two occasions on the Midlanders ground. Not only has Coventry won eighteen of their nineteen home matches but they have done so handsomely, their goal record being 73 for, 11 against. This performance includes a tally of eight goals against Crystal Palace seven against Newport County, six against Queens Park Rangers and five against Brighton and Hove Albion, Cardiff City, Millwall and Notts County. Quite a formidable array don't you think? Away from home the City have not been so successful but they can claim successes at Aldershot (thus avenging their home defeat) Clapton Orient, Exeter City, Northampton and Swindon Town, whilst a division of the spoils was made at Bournemouth, Bristol City, Gillingham, Millwall, Queens Park Rangers, Southend and Torquay.

Now for a few remarks as to the personnel of the "Bantams." Nineteen players were retained from last season and newcomers to their ranks include Cecil McCaughey from Blackburn Rovers, George Fitton from Preston North End, our old player George McNestry from Bristol Rovers, Harold Webb from Exeter City, Bernard Smith from Birmingham, Jack Astley from Brentford, Thomas Crawley from Preston North End and John Hall from Sheffield United.

In passing we should like to convey to the "Bantams" our deepest sympathy in the loss they sustained during the season through the sudden passing of their Chairman, Councillor W. W. Brandish. Councillor Brandish was a well known figure in soccer circles and commanded the respect of all who had the honour of his acquaintance. He was one of the representatives of the Third Division Southern Section to the Football League and a man of the highest integrity. Not only Coventry City but football in general is the poorer by his passing.

Doubtless the best way to end this very insignificant attempt at reporting the capabilities of the Coventry City Club is to hope that the match today will be fought out in the best traditions of the game with the spoils ultimately going to the most deserving Club.

**№ 1228**

Next Match, Saturday, May 2nd.

LONDON COMBINATION

**LUTON TOWN RESERVES v. BRISTOL CITY RESERVES**  
KICK-OFF 3.15 p.m.  
USUAL PRICES OF ADMISSION

## ATTENDANCE BAROMETER

1934	1935		1934			1935		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Aug. 25		Southend United	12255	570	13 4			
Aug. 27		Tottenham Hotspur Reserves	3371	87	12 11			
Sept. 1		Southend United Reserves	4088	106	15 11			
	Aug. 31	Watford Reserves				6034	159	17 3
Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Cardiff City	9392	423	11 2	3639	92	3 6
Sept. 8	Sept. 7	Bournemouth Reserves				13992	635	19 4
	Sept. 9	Charlton Athletic	11226	528	2 8	9011	386	1 4
Sept. 15	Sept. 14	Southend United						
		Bournemouth	3140	83	10 4	4064	104	19 6
Sept. 17	Sept. 16	Charlton Athletic Reserves						
		Clapton Orient	2555	66	11 4	7878	331	12 0
Sept. 22	Sept. 21	Leicester City Reserves				12842	582	6 6
	Sept. 25	Queens Park Rangers	7233	392	10 0	2620	66	10 6
Sept. 29	Sept. 28	Queens Park Rangers				5582	146	19 11
Oct. 6	Oct. 5	Crystal Palace	4573	133	7 4			
	Oct. 12	Brentford Reserves				11950	538	16 6
Oct. 20	Oct. 19	Chelsea Reserves	7801	367	19 4	4755	125	14 3
Oct. 24		Northampton Reserves						
Oct. 27		Swindon Town	6107	164	19 1	10363	463	5 10
Nov. 3	Nov. 2	Cardiff City						
		Reading Reserves						
Nov. 10	Nov. 9	Arsenal Reserves	3509	92	17 9			
		Brighton and Hove				9788	441	12 2
Nov. 17	Nov. 16	Brighton Reserves	11260	557	17 10			
		Bristol City				3156	80	15 8
Nov. 24	Nov. 23	Bristol City	3038	80	17 5			
Dec. 1	Dec. 7	West Ham United Reserves				11893	540	3 6
		Northampton Reserves	8956	421	12 6			
Dec. 15	Dec. 14	Newport County				4256	111	0 4
		Watford	2965	78	12 2			
Dec. 22	Dec. 21	Leicester City Reserves				2912	76	5 11
		Brentford Reserves	2527	67	6 1			
Dec. 25	Dec. 25	Swindon Town				10842	484	13 4
		Millwall	9231	439	10 10			
Dec. 26	Dec. 26	Arsenal Reserves				3842	100	8 8
		Coventry City Reserves	2964	655	9 4			
Dec. 29	Dec. 28	Brighton & Hove Reserves				4206	114	4 6
		Bristol City Reserves	4996	136	9 11			
		Bristol City	2860	76	6 0	17835	940	13 8
		Coventry City						
		Brighton and Hove Albion	13289	665	8 1			
		Fulham Reserves						
		West Ham United Reserves	1935					
			1936					
1935	Jan. 5	Watford Reserves	8574	399	16 0			
	Jan. 4	Bristol Rovers				4568	118	18 3
	Jan. 19	Charlton Athletic Reserves						
	Jan. 18	Southampton Reserves	2585	69	0 11	12504	511	11 4
	Jan. 26	Northampton						
	Jan. 25	Crystal Palace	3410	149	4 6	3323	86	12 6
Feb. 2	Feb. 1	Southend United Reserves						
		Crystal Palace Reserves	2269	59	8 5			
Feb. 9	Feb. 8	Reading				15453	758	9 0
		Torquay United	6886	309	19 10			
Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Crystal Palace Reserves				3428	88	16 3
		Queens Park RangersReserves	1782	47	4 1			
Feb. 23	Feb. 22	Gillingham				11934	572	5 10
		Aldershot	6536	296	6 8			
Feb. 25	Feb. 29	Millwall Reserves				2605	71	9 4
		Clapton Orient Reserves	336	9	0 7			
Mar. 2		Watford				12890	653	6 0
Mar. 9		Exeter City	8383	381	16 8			
		Bournemouth Reserves	1585	40	11 3			
Mar. 16	Mar. 7	Swansate Town Reserves				3849	100	9 7
		Bournemouth	8497	390	5 2			
Mar. 23	Mar. 14	Exeter City				12349	567	17 4
		Reading Reserves	1074	28	5 5			
		Coventry City Reserves				4566	120	10 0
Mar. 30	Mar. 21	Torquay United				9602	409	12 0
	Mar. 25	Clapton Orient	7966	360	17 0			
	Mar. 28	Aldershot				12440	570	3 6

ATTENDANCE BAROMETER—Continued.

	1935	1936	Brought Forward	1935			1936		
				201481	8455	£ s. d.	292065	12026	£ s. d.
April 6		Fulham Reserves	...	...	1856	48 9 0			
	April 4	Southampton Reserves	...				3259	84 13 2	
	April 10	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves	...				5423	142 2 0	
	April 11	Millwall	...	...			12226	588 10 0	
April 13		Reading	...	...	11960	575 3 4			
	April 13	Bristol Rovers	...	...			13962	724 12 4	
	April 14	Portsmouth Reserves	...	...			1497	37 1 5	
April 20		Millwall Reserves	...	...	2300	60 8 5			
	April 18	Queens Park Rangers Reserves	...				4584	119 16 5	
				217597	9139 0 10	£ s. d.	333016	13723 1 6	

## CLUB NOTES by "Hatter"

I do not suppose that in the enthusiasm created by the boys' victory at Newport last Saturday many supporters realised that they had broken yet another record. Prior to this season our greatest tally of points on foreign soil in any one season was 21, created in season 1933/4. By their defeat of Newport the total gain of away points this season totals 22. The match at Somerton Park was a very hard fought game, but eventually skill overcame forceful but unmethodical football. The County appeared to favour the kick and rush tactics but met a resolute defence and a goalless first half resulted. The second half was more or less a repetition of the first until the closing stages when Joe Payne scored two opportunist goals and by so doing made himself the Club's highest individual goalscorer as regards Division III this term. Our boys did not give one of their best exhibitions, for the ground was very hard and barren and the ball exceedingly light, the defence was quite sound but the wing halves were

not too demonstrative and the inside forwards were prone to hang too far back. I can quite understand one of the inside forwards adopting himself as a fourth half back but if both of them do the same, what chance has the two wingers and centre forward against six defenders.

The result of our match last Saturday and also Coventry's defeat of Bournemouth makes our tussles today and on Monday more keener than ever. In fact the result of these two matches will decide the championship, but prior to today's match which club would you say will gain the honour? The fortunes are slightly in favour of Coventry, they have two home matches and one away together with a superior goal average as against our one home and two away games. Be that as it may, let us hope for two stirring games fought out in the best traditions of English football so that when the final whistle sounds on Monday evening next, we can say, "Well played, Coventry, Well played, Luton, you both fought well and you both deserve the spoils."

## PLAYERS' APPEARANCES

	League III		London Combination		F.A. Cup		Other Matches		Total	
	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Andrews, H. ....	...	1	33	8	3	2	2	2	36	10
Ball, J. T. ....	...	19	9	7	5		2	2	31	18
Beresford, F. E. ....	...	11	1	27	10		1		39	11
Booton, H. ....	...	7		4						11
Boyd, W. G. ....	...	13	11	7	3	3				20
Coen, J. L. ....	...	36		2						14
Colquhoun, D. W. ....	...	4		27						28
Cook, C. ....	...	4	4	32	22	3	1	2	38	28
Crompton, W. ....	...	21	6	5	2	3		2	31	11
Crook, M. S. ....	...	5	1	6			1			12
Dolman, H. W. ....	...	3		5						8
Fellowes, W. J. ....	...	28	1	7	1	3		1	39	2
Finlayson, J. ....	...	30	3	7	1	3	2	1	42	5
Fraser, C. R. ....	...									10
Godfrey, W. P. B. ....	...	5		5						12
Gooney, W. H. ....	...	4		8						4
Hodge, J. ....	...	2		2	1					1
Hubbard, A. ....	...	2		34				2		38
Kidd, G. I. ....	...	7		22	1			2		31
Kingham, H. R. ....	...	9		27						36
McGinnigle, H. ....	...	2		38	1					41
McIntosh, C. K. ....	...			35						37
Mackey, T. S. ....	...	22		8		3	1	1	38	13
Martin, G. S. ....	...	29	8	5	4	3		2	43	
Nelson, J. ....	...	35		3		3				33
Payne, J. ....	...	6	12	25	8					20
Rich, L. T. ....	...	9	3	3	3					6
Roberts, F. ....	...	36	9			3	2	2	41	11
Sloan, F. ....	...	1		11	6					12
Smith, T. S. ....	...	36		3		3		1	43	
Stephenson, G. H. ....	...	37	10			3	1	2	42	15
Stevens, R. F. ....	...			22	4					4
Thayne, W. ....	...	1		16	16			1	18	18
Turner, G. W. ....	...	4	1	28	17			1	33	18
Amateurs and Others ....	...		1	20	2			6	26	3

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#### FIRST LIST F.A. CUP Final

A	Arsenal v. Sheffield U.	.....
	LEAGUE III	
B	Bournemouth v. Swindon Town	.....
C	Bristol Rovers v. Exeter City	.....
D	Cardiff City v. Torquay United	.....
E	Clapton Orient v. Brighton	.....
F	Crystal Palace v. Bristol City	.....
G	Gillingham v. Aldershot	.....
H	Northampton Town v. Watford	.....
K	Notts Co. v. Newport Co.	.....
L	Reading v. Millwall	.....
M	Southend U. v. Queens Park R.	.....
N	Barrow v. Tranmere Rovers	.....

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#### SECOND LIST

A	Aston Villa v. Blackburn R.	.....
B	Brentford v. West Brom. A.	.....
C	Derby County v. Sunderland	.....
D	Everton v. Birmingham	.....
E	Huddersfield v. Manchester C.	.....
F	Middlesbrough v. Stoke City	.....
G	Portsmouth v. Grimsby Town	.....
H	Preston N. E. v. Leeds United	.....
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N	Lincoln City v. Halifax Town	.....

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4 Finlayson	Right Half	7 Hodge	Outside Right	11 Stephenson	Outside Left
8 Martin	Inside Right	9 Payne	Centre	12 Liddle	Outside Left
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17 Curtis	Left Half	15 Lauderdale	Inside Right	16 McNamestry	Outside Right
20 Smith	Left Back	18 Mason	Centre Half	19 Frith	Right Half
22 Morgan	Goal	21 Astley	Right Back		

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C	Burnley v. Leicester City	.....
D	Charlton Athletic v. Bradford	.....
E	Fulham v. Swansea Town	.....
F	Manchester United v. Bury	.....
G	Newcastle United v. Blackpool	.....
H	Plymouth A. v. Norwich C.	.....
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Wednesday evening saw the visit of the Luton Newsagents Federation under the leadership of Mr. H. Tripp. The "Newsboys" rolled up in force but in spite of their numerical strength did not lower our colours at games. At the end of the tournament Mr. Collier on behalf of the Club sincerely thanked Mr. Tripp for the enjoyable evening he had afforded the members and hoped they had had an equally pleasant time. He took this opportunity of announcing that the New Lounge would be opened quite shortly and to celebrate the event a dinner would be held, at which all the members, both male and female would be cordially invited.

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## FIXTURES 1935-6

## FIRST XI Division III (Southern)

			F. A.
Sat., Aug. 31	Clapton Orient	...	1 1 A 0 3
Wed., Sept. 4	Bournemouth	...	3 1 A 1 2
Sat., " 7	<b>Southend United</b>	...	1 1 H 1 2
Mon., " 9	<b>Bournemouth</b>	...	4 0 H 0 0
Sat., " 14	Northampton Town	...	1 2 A 0 0
Mon., " 16	<b>Queens Park Rangers</b>	...	1 1 H 2 0
Sat., " 21	<b>Crystal Palace</b>	...	2 2 H 6 0
Wed., " 25	Swindon (Southern Section Cup)	...	A 3 5
Sat., " 28	Reading	...	0 1 A 1 2
Sat., Oct. 5	<b>Cardiff City</b>	...	4 0 H 2 2
Sat., " 12	Gillingham	...	1 1 A 1 0
Sat., " 19	<b>Brighton &amp; Hove A.</b>	...	4 0 H 2 1
Sat., " 26	Exeter City	...	2 1 A 2 1
Sat., Nov. 2	<b>Newport County</b>	...	4 1 H 7 0
Sat., " 9	Watford	...	2 2 A 3 1
Sat., " 16	<b>Swindon Town</b>	...	2 0 H 2 1
Sat., " 23	Aldershot	...	1 0 A 1 0
Sat., " 30	<b>Biggleswade</b> (Beds. Premier Cup)	...	H 3 2
Sat., Dec. 7	Millwall	...	4 1 A 0 0
Sat., " 14	<b>Bristol City</b>	...	1 1 H 1 0
Wed., " 25	Notts County	...	(2 4) A 3 0
Thurs., " 26	<b>Notts C.</b>	...	(1 2) H 1 0
Sat., " 28	Clapton Orient	...	3 0 H 5 3
Sat., Jan. 4	Southend United	...	3 3 A 1 0
Sat., " 11	West Ham United (F.A. Cup)	...	A 2 2
Wed., " 15	<b>West Ham</b> (F.A. Cup Replay)	...	H 4 0
Sat., " 18	Northampton	...	2 2 H 3 3
Sat., " 25	Manchester C. (F.A. Cup)	...	A 1 2
Wed., " 29	Crystal Palace	...	1 2 A 1 5
Sat., Feb. 1	Reading	...	2 4 H 2 1
Sat., " 8	Cardiff City	...	0 1 A 3 2
Sat., " 15	Gillingham	...	2 2 H 1 2
Sat., " 22	Brighton & Hove A.	...	1 4 A 1 1
Sat., " 29	Watford	...	2 2 H 2 1
Sat., Mar. 7	Bristol City	...	2 0 A 2 1
Sat., " 14	Exeter City	...	4 0 H 3 1
Sat., " 21	Swindon Town	...	1 0 A 0 3
Wed., " 25	Torquay United	...	3 1 H 1 0
Sat., " 28	Aldershot	...	6 1 H 2 2
Sat., April 4	Torquay United	...	2 6 A 1 2
Fri., " 10	Bristol Rovers	...	1 1 A 2 2
Sat., " 11	Millwall	...	2 1 H 0 0
Mon., " 13	<b>Bristol Rovers</b>	...	6 2 H 12 0
Sat., " 18	Newport County	...	4 2 A 2 0
Sat., " 25	<b>Coventry City</b>	...	4 0 H
Mon., " 27	Coventry City	...	0 1 A
Sat., May 2	Queens Park Rangers	...	0 3 A

## LEAGUE TABLES

## LEAGUE III (Southern)

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Coventry City	39	23	9	7	99	43	53
LUTON TOWN	39	22	8	9	80	44	53
Queens Park Rangers	40	21	11	8	83	53	50
Reading	40	24	14	2	82	60	50
Watford	40	19	12	9	78	51	47
Crystal Palace	40	21	14	5	90	71	47
Brighton & Hove A.	40	18	14	8	68	58	44
Bournemouth	40	15	14	11	59	55	41
Torquay United	40	15	16	9	59	59	40
Aldershot	40	14	14	12	49	54	40
Millwall	40	14	14	12	56	64	40
Notts County	40	13	15	12	53	55	38
Bristol City	39	13	16	10	43	52	36
Cardiff City	40	13	17	10	58	69	36
Northampton	41	14	19	8	60	90	36
Gillingham	40	13	18	9	61	73	35
Southend United	39	12	17	10	59	59	34
Swindon Town	39	13	18	8	61	69	34
Clapton Orient	40	14	20	6	50	59	34
Bristol Rovers	40	12	19	9	61	93	33
Newport County	40	10	21	9	54	104	29
Exeter City	40	8	21	11	57	85	27

	RESERVE FIXTURES	London Combination	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 31	Watford	...	4 3 H 4 3
Mon., Sept. 2	<b>Bournemouth</b>	...	2 0 H 1 1
Sat., " 7	Charlton Athletic	...	2 4 A 3 4
Wed., " 11	Bournemouth	...	0 0 A 4 1
Sat., " 14	<b>Clapton Orient</b>	...	3 1 H 6 0
Sat., " 21	Southend United	...	1 5 A 3 0
Wed., " 25	<b>Brentford</b>	...	2 2 H 4 1
Sat., " 28	<b>Northampton Town</b>	...	3 0 H 7 2
Thurs., Oct. 3	Brentford	...	1 3 A 3 4
Sat., " 5	Crystal Palace	...	3 2 H 3 2
Wed., " 12	<b>Reading</b>	...	3 3 A 2 2
Sat., " 16	Bristol City	...	0 7 A 2 2
Sat., " 19	Millwall	...	3 1 A 1 4
Wed., " 23	Portsmouth	...	1 2 A 0 5
Sat., " 26	<b>West Ham</b>	...	3 0 H 5 2
Sat., Nov. 2	Swansea Town	...	1 1 A 2 3
Sat., " 9	<b>Leicester City</b>	...	3 0 H 6 1
Sat., " 16	Coventry City	...	0 1 A 1 3
Sat., " 23	<b>Arsenal</b>	...	1 2 H 3 2
Sat., " 30	Southampton	...	3 0 A 3 2
Sat., Dec. 7	<b>Brighton &amp; Hove A.</b>	...	2 1 H 7 0
Sat., " 14	Queens Park Rangers	...	1 1 A 0 1
Sat., " 21	<b>Chelsea</b>	...	2 4 H 0 1
Wed., " 25	<b>Fulham</b>	...	0 2 H 2 2
Thurs., " 26	Fulham	...	0 1 A 0 10
Sat., " 28	Watford	...	1 1 A 3 1
Sat., Jan. 4	<b>Charlton Athletic</b>	...	6 0 H 1 3
Sat., " 11	Clapton Orient	...	3 1 A 1 5
Sat., " 18	<b>Southend United</b>	...	3 1 H 2 2
Sat., Feb. 1	Northampton Town	...	1 0 A 1 2
Sat., " 8	<b>Crystal Palace</b>	...	5 2 H 5 0
Sat., " 15	Reading	...	1 4 A 2 7
Sat., " 22	Millwall	...	0 1 H 3 4
Sat., " 29	West Ham	...	1 4 A 1 6
Sat., Mar. 7	<b>Swansea Town</b>	...	5 0 H 3 1
Sat., " 14	Leicester City	...	0 3 A 1 0
Sat., " 21	<b>Coventry City</b>	...	1 2 H 5 0
Sat., " 28	Arsenal	...	0 5 A 2 0
Sat., April 4	<b>Southampton</b>	...	0 1 H 4 3
Fri., " 10	Tottenham Hotspur	...	3 1 H 3 0
Sat., " 11	Brighton & Hove A.	...	3 1 A 1 0
Mon., " 13	Tottenham Hotspur	...	1 5 A 3 9
Tues., " 14	<b>Portsmouth</b>	...	3 1 H 2 2
Sat., " 18	Queens Park Rangers	...	5 1 H 1 1
Sat., " 25	Chelsea	...	2 4 A
Sat., May 2	<b>Bristol City</b>	...	3 1 H

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