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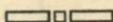
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CLUB NOTES by "Hatter"

After three weeks we again stage a League II match and receive as our guests the "Blades" of Sheffield United. Our visitors made a desperate effort last term to secure promotion and were only beaten on the post by Manchester United who won the coveted honour on goal average only. That they intend to be somewhere near the top again this term can be seen by the way they have commenced the season, for at the present they are the only unbeaten team in the Division. The following is a brief summary of the players who will wear the red and white shirt today.

Jack Smith (goalkeeper). In his ninth season with the club. A brilliant player. Born at Stocksbridge, near Sheffield, he spent a few years with his family in America and, as a youth, first played as a forward. Has graduated through the Sheffield club's "A" team. Member of the Cup Final team of 1936.

Harry Hooper (right back). Sound and reliable defender, admirable placer of free kicks. Stands 5 ft. 10 ins. and weighs 11 st. 6 lbs. Has speed and tackles well. Born at Nelson, he used to be a tailor's assistant. He became a professional with the Nelson team and was transferred to Sheffield United in February, 1930. Also member of the Cup Final team of 1936.

Albert Cox (left back). Came into prominence when he made his debut in first class football with the United against Fulham in the Cup semi-final at Wolverhampton in 1936 when only 18 years old. Very fast, a tenacious tackler and somewhat unorthodox. Hard to pass. Was found in the village of Treeton, Rotherham, and developed in United's "A" team.

Ernest Jackson (right half back). One of the best wing half backs in the Second Division, indeed in the League. Still another "home product" of the Sheffield club, for he is a

Sheffield native. Began as a colt in 1932. Speedy, a skilful tackler and feeder of forwards, he is a grand worker. Before joining Sheffield United had a trial with Sheffield Wednesday.

George Tootill (centre half back). Native of Walkden, near Bolton, and joined Sheffield United in the middle of last season from Plymouth Argyle. Got his chance with the League team this season owing to an injury to the regular centre half back, Tom Johnson. Tootill has filled the breach admirably. He is a player of style and effectiveness and covers a tremendous amount of ground. Well built.

Alfred Settle (left half back). A product of Barnsley minor football. His father used to be a Sheffield Wednesday player at the same time as Mr. J. E. Davison, the Sheffield United manager, who once kept goal for England. Drafted into the League side last season from the reserves and has done well. Strong and resourceful half back and like so many of the Sheffield players did not cost a penny. Non-stop worker.

Harold Barton (outside right). Born at Leigh in Lancashire and a former Liverpool forward. He was outstanding as a boy football player while living at Blackpool and signed for Liverpool in 1928. He was transferred to Sheffield United in June, 1934. He has a fine turn of speed and has good ball control. A powerful shot. Another player who represented the club in the Cup Final in 1936.

Harold Hampson (inside right). Was obtained during the close season from Southport. A brother of the ill-fated Jimmy Hampson, the international star of Blackpool, who died so tragically in Morecambe Bay when on a fishing expedition. Born at Little Hulton, near Walkden, Bolton. Only 20 years of age and full of promise. Not easily knocked off the ball and a good shot.

Emphraim Dodds (centre forward). Joined Sheffield United on a free transfer just over four years ago from Huddersfield Town and has proved to be a wonderful bargain for the Sheffield club. In four seasons has scored 100 League goals for the team. Tall, with corresponding poundage, he is a hard centre forward to keep in hand. One of the outstanding centre forwards in the game. Shoots readily from any angle. Was born in Fifeshire, but went to live in Durham at the age of 12 and played all his football there until signed by Huddersfield Town in 1932. Played at Wembley in 1936.

Jack Pickering (inside left). Notable schemer in the attack. A player of fine control; a thinker and maker of opportunities for others, though he has a terrific shot in both feet when he likes to produce it. He joined the club in his teens and although in his 13th season with the club is far from being a veteran. He has played for England against Scotland at Hampden Park. Cost nothing. Played at Wembley. Sheffield product.

George Jones (outside left). Developed in the Sheffield United "A" team as a youngster, for he is another Sheffield native. Not 20 years old yet, but a lad of great promise and is making the most of his opportunities on promotion to the League side again in place of Leyfield. Has been with the club three years. He is fast and spirited, centres a ball well and can shoot hard.

The "Stiffs" are due at Shepherds Bush where they will do well to retain their unbeaten certificate whilst on Monday the "A" team are due at Rushden, not being in action today.

GEORGE HENRY STEPHENSON

George Stephenson is a name well known in the North East of England not only on account of the famous railway engineer of that name, but also through its association with our left winger.

George was born at Stillington, County Durham, on the 29th November, spending his schooldays at the local Council School. Curiously enough this emporium of learning did not run a football team so George had to look elsewhere for an outlet for his football craft and at the age of 13½ he was found wearing the colours of Stillington Juniors. His first game with them was at centre forward, but afterwards he was given the left full back berth, subsequently his regular position was inside left and it was in this position that for three consecutive years he represented the Stockton Junior League against the Middlesbrough Junior League. Intermingled with his games for Stillington Juniors he also played for Stillington St. Johns in the local Church League. At the age of 18 he accepted an invitation to play for Durham City and played altogether one season for them in the North Eastern League. He had not reached his nineteenth birthday when he was transferred to Aston Villa, with whom he remained 3½ years before joining the "Hatters" 5 seasons ago. A bricklayer by trade. Height 5 ft. 9 in. Weight 12 stones.

The "Blades" are with us again,
The team that's cut a great name.
Last time they cut ice
By cutting us twice
And they're hoping to do cutting again.
But though they're a team of great fame,
We've a winger with great name the same,
With runs most dashing
And shots most slashing
His cut in has won many a game.
Though honours this great team have won
And justified their place in the sun,
We must agree
That equally
Is the fame of GEORGE STEPHENSON.

Now a splendid fellow is Steve,
To club he's been loyal and true.
By the way, we do believe
His benefit soon will be due.
For one whose speed is terrific
And whose kick is so mighty strong,
May the turnstiles merrily click
When his benefit comes along.
Then when old, he can repeat the story
Of promotion and how it was won.
And say in truth—"There'd have been no glory
If there'd been no GEORGE STEPHENSON." H.B.

The story of Sheffied United
Has often been recited,
So let us be terse
And with the reverse
Of last year's result be delighted.
George Stephenson, who today appears
As he's done for nearly five years,
At outside left fast and clever,
Left outside hardly ever,
When he scores there's always loud cheers.

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Matches will be played at Ford End Road, Bedford.

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Sat., Aug. 27	Wellingborough	...	A 3 1
Sat., Sept. 3	Stewart and Lloyds	...	H 0 0
Sat., " 17	Wisbech	...	A 2 2
Mon., " 26	Rushden	...	A
Sat., Oct. 8	Spalding	...	H
Sat., Nov. 5	Bedford	...	A
Sat., " 12	St. Neots	...	H
Sat., " 19	Biggleswade	...	A
Sat., Dec. 3	Wellingborough	...	A
Sat., " 24	Rushden	...	H
Mon., " 26	St. Neots	...	A
Sat., " 31	Stewart and Lloyds	...	A
Sat., Jan. 7	Biggleswade	...	H
Sat., " 21	Desborough	...	A
Sat., Feb. 4	Kettering	...	A
Sat., " 11	Stamford	...	H
Sat., " 18	Wisbech	...	H
Sat., Mar. 4	Bedford	...	H
Sat., " 18	Wellingborough	...	H
Sat., April 1	Kettering	...	H
Fri., " 7	Stamford	...	A
Sat., " 8	Spalding	...	A
Sat., " 15	Desborough	...	H

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1937	1938	1937			1938		
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		Southend United Reserves			
Sept. 1	Aug. 31	Newcastle United	25349	1299	14 4
		Aston Villa			
Sept. 4	Sept. 3	Norwich City	...	...	20610	994	1 2
		Manchester United	...	...	
Sept. 8	Sept. 7	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves	...	...	4823	93	6 7
		Clapton Orient Reserves	...	...	
Sept. 11	Sept. 10	Watford Reserves	...	...	7725	175	7 7
		Chelsea Reserves			
Sept. 18	Sept. 17	Southend Reserves	23788	1235	7 8
		Tottenham Hotspur			
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The Gate Receipts of the three practice matches held this season on Saturday, 13th August and Wednesdays the 17th and 24th August totalled £184/14/6. This is a decrease of £70/10/3 compared with last year when the receipts amounted to £255/4/9, but it must be remembered that in 1937 the two games were played on Saturdays, whilst this year, Saturday, 20th August was taken up by the Jubilee game with Watford. Consequently our donations to charities are lower, with the Bute Hospital receiving the largest share. The Directors have promised, at a cost of £800, to endow a bed in the New Hospital in the name of the Club and the amount now forwarded towards this object totals £370. The following shows how the amount of £184/14/6 has been disbursed.

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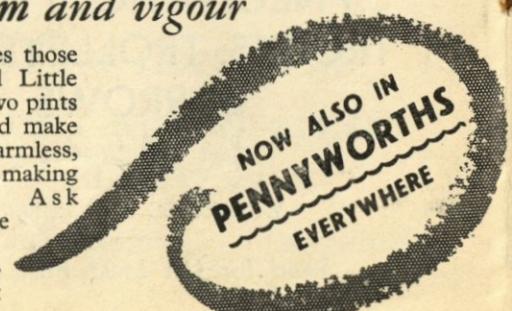
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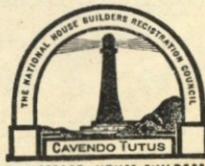
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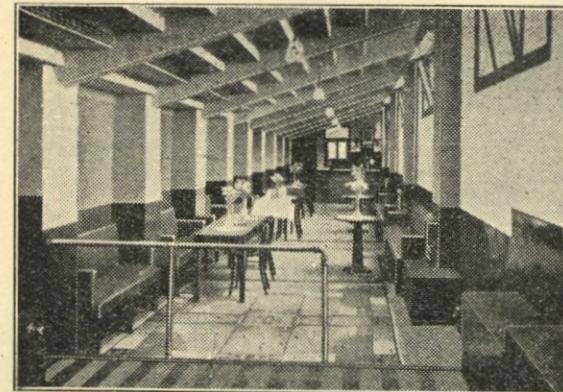
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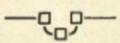
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		F. A.
Sat., Aug.	27	West Bromwich Albion
Wed., ..	31	Newcastle United
Sat., Sept.	3	Norwich City
Mon., ..	5	Coventry City
Sat., ..	10	Manchester City
Sat., ..	17	Plymouth Argyle
Sat., ..	24	Sheffield United
Sat., Oct.	1	Burnley
Sat., ..	8	Tottenham Hotspur
Sat., ..	15	Bradford
Sat., ..	22	Swansea Town
Sat., ..	29	Blackburn Rovers
Sat., Nov.	5	Tranmere Rovers
Sat., ..	12	West Ham United
Sat., ..	19	Bury
Sat., ..	26	Sheffield Wednesday
Sat., Dec.	3	Fulham
Sat., ..	10	Chesterfield
Sat., ..	17	Millwall
Sat., ..	24	West Bromwich Albion
Mon., ..	26	Nottingham Forest
Tues., ..	27	Nottingham Forest
Sat., ..	31	Norwich City
Sat., Jan.	7	Manchester City
Sat., ..	14	Plymouth Argyle
Sat., ..	21	Sheffield United
Sat., ..	28	
Sat., Feb.	4	Burnley
Sat., ..	11	Tottenham Hotspur
Sat., ..	18	Bradford
Sat., ..	25	Swansea Town
Sat., Mar.	4	Blackburn Rovers
Sat., ..	11	Tranmere Rovers
Sat., ..	18	West Ham United
Sat., ..	25	Bury
Sat., April	1	Sheffield Wednesday
Fri., ..	7	Southampton
Sat., ..	8	Fulham
Mon., ..	10	Southampton
Sat., ..	15	Chesterfield
Sat., ..	22	Millwall
Sat., ..	29	Newcastle United
Sat., May	6	Coventry City

		RESERVE FIXTURES	London Combination	F. A.
Sat., Aug.	27	Brighton & Hove A.	6 2	H 2 1
Mon., ..	29	Millwall	0 3	A 5 1
Sat., Sept.	3	Bournemouth	1 1	A 3 1
Wed., ..	7	Tottenham Hotspur	0 2	H 1 2
Sat., ..	10	Watford	2 0	A 2 2
Sat., ..	17	Southend United	3 1	H 4 0
Mon., ..	19	Tottenham Hotspur	3 5	A 2 2
Sat., ..	24	Queens Park Rangers	0 4	AA
Wed., ..	28	Southampton	2 0	A
Sat., Oct.	1	Chelsea	1 1	H
Wed., ..	8	Leicester City	0 1	H
Sat., ..	10	Charlton Athletic	0 4	AA
Mon., ..	15	Leicester City	1 4	AA
Sat., ..	15	Fulham	1 5	AA
Sat., ..	22	Brentford	0 0	H
Sat., ..	29	Arsenal	0 1	A
Sat., Nov.	5	Clapton Orient	3 0	H
Sat., ..	12	Portsmouth	0 0	AA
Sat., ..	19	West Ham	0 1	H
Sat., ..	26	Northampton Town	1 1	A
Sat., Dec.	3	Bristol City	3 1	H
Sat., ..	10	Swansea Town	1 0	H
Sat., ..	17	Crystal Palace	6 1	AA
Sat., ..	24	Brighton & Hove A.	1 1	AA
Mon., ..	26	Southampton	2 1	H
Sat., ..	31	Bournemouth	2 1	H
Sat., Jan.	7	Reading	3 1	H
Sat., ..	14	Watford	2 3	AA
Sat., ..	21	Southend United	0 4	AA
Sat., ..	28	Queens Park Rangers	2 2	H
Sat., Feb.	4	Chelsea	2 6	A
Sat., ..	11	Charlton Athletic	2 0	H
Sat., ..	18	Fulham	3 0	AA
Sat., ..	25	Brentford	0 3	A
Sat., Mar.	4	Arsenal	1 2	H
Sat., ..	11	Clapton Orient	7 0	AA
Sat., ..	18	Portsmouth	1 2	H
Sat., ..	25	West Ham	1 1	A
Sat., April	1	Northampton Town	3 3	H
Fri., ..	7	Coventry City	0 1	AA
Sat., ..	8	Bristol City	2 3	AA
Mon., ..	10	Coventry City	4 0	AA
Sat., ..	15	Swansea Town	1 1	H
Sat., ..	22	Crystal Palace	3 1	AA
Sat., ..	29	Millwall	5 1	H
Sat., May	6	Reading	4 1	A

LEAGUE TABLES

LEAGUE DIVISION II

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Blackburn Rovers	7	6	1	0	18	7	12
Fulham	7	4	1	2	9	5	10
Sheffield United	6	3	0	3	12	5	9
Sheffield Wednesday	6	4	1	1	14	8	9
Millwall	6	3	1	2	13	6	8
West Brom. A.	7	4	3	0	19	15	8
Tottenham Hotspur	6	3	1	2	11	9	8
Burnley	7	3	2	2	9	9	8
Bradford	6	3	2	1	12	11	7
Newcastle United	7	3	3	1	13	12	7
Plymouth Argyle	6	3	3	0	12	8	6
Coventry City	6	2	2	2	7	7	6
LUTON TOWN	6	3	3	0	7	11	6
West Ham United	7	2	4	1	15	15	5
Notts Forest	6	2	3	1	6	10	5
Manchester City	6	2	4	0	14	16	4
Tranmere Rovers	6	2	4	0	7	9	4
Bury	6	1	3	2	6	10	4
Swansea Town	6	0	2	4	4	13	4
Southampton	6	1	4	0	8	15	3
Chesterfield	6	1	4	1	5	12	3
Norwich City	6	1	5	0	6	14	2
Reading	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Watford	...	8	6	0	2	16	8
Chelsea	...	7	6	0	1	19	5
Arsenal	...	7	5	1	1	30	10
Queens Park Rangers	8	5	2	1	22	8	11
Tottenham Hotspur	7	4	1	2	15	6	10
LUTON TOWN	7	4	1	2	18	8	10
West Ham United	8	4	3	1	20	18	9
Southend United	7	4	2	1	14	13	9
Fulham	8	3	2	3	11	11	9
Coventry City	7	4	3	0	18	8	8
Portsmouth	7	3	2	2	18	12	8
Brentford	7	3	2	2	13	9	8
Leicester City	8	3	3	2	17	16	8
Charlton Athletic	8	3	3	2	11	13	8
Bristol City	8	4	4	0	15	20	8
Crystal Palace	6	2	1	3	15	9	7
Swansea Town	8	2	4	2	8	13	6
Bournemouth	8	1	4	3	13	19	5
Northampton	8	2	6	0	8	16	4
Millwall	8	1	5	2	8	25	4
Southampton	7	1	5	1	10	24	3
Brighton & Hove A.	6	1	5	0	6	15	2
Clapton O.	8	0	6	2	6	22	2
Reading	7	0	6	1	8	31	1

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