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CLUB NOTES by "Hatter"

LAST week end might well be dubbed "Surprise" Saturday, for I do not think—yes let us be quite candid about it—that only very, very, few supporters expected us to bring away a point from Bramall Lane. We all hoped we would do so, but few thought that we should. Then the "Stiffs," who had been doing excellently in the Combination, failed here against Queens Park Rangers Reserves. I know the ground was in a shocking state, and that this materially helped the Rangers, who possessed greater physical strength than ourselves. But even so the "Stiffs" did not take their chances and were prone to dally in the mud instead of making more use of the wings where the ground was much firmer. They should have taken a leaf from the Rangers book. And then we come to the "A" team. They were defeated for the first time of the season at Biggleswade. We all realise that someone had to do it sooner or later, and Biggleswade have had more opportunity in this respect than anyone else, for it was the fourth meeting with them this season. As we had however inflicted defeat on them on the three previous occasions, to say the least, their victory was unexpected. George Martin informs me it was the worst display the "A" team had given this term, for besides failing to score from a penalty several other easy chances were missed.

Now to return to the first team. Undoubtedly the hero of the match was Hugh Billington, whose two goals produced a new record this season at the Bramall Lane Ground, for previous to our visit no team had scored more than one goal there. The team as a whole played remarkably well and if that little bit of good fortune had been on our side we might have won, although perhaps on the run of the ball a drawn game was a fair result. The defence was much tighter than in the debacle against Plymouth Argyle and Gordon Dreyer never gave Dodds an inch of rope; in fact the centre forward was almost subdued. Well it was a good performance and let us hope they will continue the good work today.

Burnley our visitors this afternoon, are quite a good side, and play a type of game very similar to ourselves. I remember seeing them play against Fulham at Craven Cottage earlier in the season, when the "Cottagers" were going great guns, and a goalless draw resulted. They possess quite a nippy forward line who have some delightful touches and accordingly we should witness some first class entertainment. Naturally we all hope we shall be successful as we have our defeat at Burnley to wipe out, but if we are not, then let us hope the spoils have gone to the better team.

The "Stiffs" have a stiff task—joke over—at Stamford Bridge this afternoon and at the time of writing their team has not been definitely selected. If we are to keep in the running for the Combination championship we shall have to improve on last Saturday's result. The "A" team also face their most difficult hurdle being opposed to Kettering Town, the present League leaders. A victory here will aid them greatly in their championship effort. May they pull it off.

Many people have asked me whether it is not possible to have one of these "A" team matches at Luton, and it therefore gives me great pleasure to announce that we have arranged for Rushden Town to visit us here on Wednesday, 26th April next. This will be an evening kick-off, somewhere about 6.30 p.m. and a glance at the League table will show that the "Russians" are no mean opponents. It should be a very interesting game and I hope you will all make a note of the date.

FOUND

A Battery Set was picked up at the match on Saturday last. This can be claimed at the office providing a correct description of the article named is given.

A Gent's right hand glove was brought to the office after the game with Plymouth Argyle on 21st January. This can also be claimed here, on a correct description of the article being given.

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		1937		1938		1937		1938	
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Aug. 28	Aug. 27	Brighton & Hove Reserves	7346	167 0 3	6356	144 15 3
	Aug. 31	Southend United Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 1	Sept. 3	Newcastle United ...	...	...	...	25349	1299 14 4	17689	811 11 4
	Sept. 7	Aston Villa ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 4	Sept. 10	Norwich City ...	...	...	...	20610	994 1 2	16547	747 0 6
	Sept. 17	Manchester United ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 8	Sept. 24	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves ...	...	...	...	4823	93 6 7	5955	131 1 7
	Oct. 1	Clapton Orient Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 11	Oct. 5	Watford Reserves ...	...	...	...	7725	175 7 7	7256	163 5 10
	Oct. 8	Chelsea Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 18	Oct. 15	Sheffield Reserves ...	...	...	...	23788	1235 7 8	5826	126 10 7
Sept. 22	Oct. 22	Tottenham Hotspur ...	...	...	...	3626	69 19 2	...	...
	Oct. 29	Leicester City Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept. 25	Nov. 5	Sheffield United ...	...	...	...	6558	142 1 11	17436	808 7 6
	Nov. 12	Queens Park Rangers Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oct. 2	Nov. 19	Chelsea Reserves ...	...	...	...	17650	821 19 0	7831	182 7 4
	Nov. 26	Bury ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oct. 9	Dec. 3	Leicester City Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	1300	33 14 8
	Dec. 10	Tottenham Hotspur ...	...	...	...	...	...	21061	1067 7 8
Oct. 16	Dec. 17	Brighton and Hove Reserves ...	...	...	...	5236	107 4 10	...	...
	Dec. 24	Bradford ...	...	...	...	...	...	14955	684 3 8
Oct. 23	Dec. 31	Swansea Town Reserves ...	...	...	...	6592	141 16 2	6698	151 14 7
	Jan. 7	Brentford Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oct. 30	Jan. 14	West Ham United ...	...	...	...	17757	897 18 10	16819	782 12 4
	Jan. 21	Blackburn Rovers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nov. 5	Jan. 28	Reading Reserves ...	...	...	...	5571	116 1 10	5744	129 16 4
	Feb. 4	Clapton Orient Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nov. 13	Feb. 11	Blackburn Rovers ...	...	...	...	16776	818 16 6	18331	910 7 10
	Feb. 18	West Ham United ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nov. 20	Feb. 25	Millwall Reserves ...	...	...	...	6929	149 18 5	6208	137 11 9
	Mar. 4	West Ham United Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nov. 27	Mar. 11	Chesterfield ...	...	...	...	17088	802 11 10	15936	744 9 0
	Mar. 18	Sheffield Wednesday ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec. 3	Mar. 25	Arsenal Reserves ...	...	...	...	7116	158 2 0	5264	112 13 4
	Mar. 31	Bristol City Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec. 11	Apr. 7	Fulham ...	...	...	...	13529	653 13 6	12747	574 15 0
	Apr. 14	Chesterfield ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec. 18	Apr. 21	West Ham United Reserves ...	...	...	...	5487	114 16 2	4006	82 0 10
	Apr. 28	Crystal Palace Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec. 25	May 5	Norwich City ...	...	...	...	14492	680 2 6	8887	382 8 10
	May 12	West Bromwich Albion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec. 27	May 19	Barnsley ...	...	...	...	15829	756 3 8	3247	66 8 8
	May 26	Southampton Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	17125	809 3 6
Dec. 29	May 31	Notts Forest ...	...	...	...	9178	223 9 9	5465	119 14 0
	Jun. 7	Coventry City Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jan. 1	Jun. 14	Bournemouth Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jan. 8	Jun. 21	Stockport County ...	...	...	...	14138	644 7 8	...	...
	Jun. 28	Northampton Town Reserves ...	...	...	...	6672	148 19 9	16163	765 15 6
Jan. 15	Jul. 5	Manchester City ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jul. 12	Portsmouth Reserves ...	...	...	...	4941	101 0 8	13120	603 3 2
Jan. 22	Jul. 19	Plymouth Argyle ...	...	...	...	...	...	4291	89 18 1
	Jul. 26	Queens Park Rangers Reserves ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jan. 29	Jul. 31	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves	4814	96 19 1
	Aug. 7	279620	11561 0 10	282273	11363 1 4

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	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Kettering Town ...	12	9	3	0	31	16	21
Luton "A" ...	11	8	3	0	33	9	19
Rushden ...	7	6	1	0	30	15	13
Stamford Town ...	8	4	1	3	19	19	9
Bedford Town ...	9	3	2	4	21	22	8
Wisbech Town ...	8	2	4	2	24	25	6
Desborough ...	10	2	2	6	18	21	6
Wellingborough ...	8	2	1	5	19	29	5
Spalding United ...	6	2	0	4	14	17	4
Biggleswade ...	10	2	0	8	24	42	4
St. Neots ...	9	2	0	7	16	34	4
Corby ...	4	1	1	2	6	6	3

PLAYER'S APPEARANCES

	League II		London Comb.		Utd. Counties League		F.A. Cup		Other Matches		Total	
	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Billington, H. J. R. ...	14	16	15	14	...	...	1	...	1	1	31	31
Burgess, W. W. ...	...	...	13	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	1
Campbell, R. ...	...	...	9	1	9	...	...	...	2	...	20	1
Carr, G. M. ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2	...
Carroll, J. ...	4	...	5	3	3	2	...	...	3	...	15	5
Carte, R. ...	2	...	9	...	4	...	...	...	6	...	21	...
Clark, C. ...	13	5	8	4	4	2	1	...	...	...	26	11
Coen, J. L. ...	16	...	14	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	32	...
Connelly, E. ...	25	10	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	27	10
Dolman, H. W. ...	10	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	5	...	20	...
Dreyer, G. ...	7	...	14	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	24	1
Dunsmore, T. H. ...	24	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	26	...
Ferguson, C. ...	9	1	4	...	6	4	...	...	4	2	23	7
Finlayson, J. ...	26	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	28	...
Fletcher, H. H. ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	3	...
Gager, H. E. ...	...	...	28	9	1	...	...	...	1	...	30	9
Gardiner, D. ...	...	...	12	...	5	...	...	...	3	1	20	1
Goodyear, G. ...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	4	...	10	...
Hogg, F. ...	...	...	10	...	6	5	...	...	6	7	22	13
Kidd, G. I. ...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	7	...
King, T. P. ...	10	...	13	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	25	...
Laing, J. F. ...	...	...	9	2	7	3	...	...	3	...	19	5
Lewis, J. ...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	19	...
Loughran, J. ...	16	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	25	...
Lutterloch, B. R. ...	...	...	29	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	31	...
Mayberry, S. ...	...	...	15	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	21	...
Nelson, J. H. ...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	20	...
Redfern, W. J. ...	17	7	14	11	...	...	1	...	1	2	33	20
Roberts, F. ...	21	...	5	3	...	...	1	...	1	1	28	4
Smith, T. S. ...	16	...	6	1	3	...	...	...	2	...	26	1
Stephenson, G. H. ...	24	6	1	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	27	7
Stevens, R. F. ...	1	...	23	11	2	4	...	...	2	...	29	15
Strathie, J. ...	...	...	6	...	7	1	...	...	5	...	18	1
Vinall, E. J. ...	12	5	13	13	...	...	...	...	1	1	26	19
Wale, J. ...	...	...	10	...	6	1	...	...	5	...	21	1
Amateurs and Others	1	...	2	...	38	8	17	12	57	21

Saturday—Football Match**Monday—Rent Day**

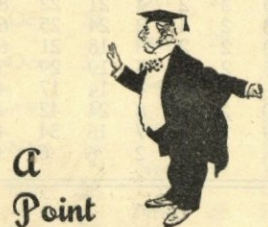
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A	ARSENAL	v.	SUNDERLAND	1-1
B	BIRMINGHAM	v.	CHARLTON A.	2-1
C	BLACKPOOL	v.	DERBY CO'NTY	1-1
D	BRENTFORD	v.	GRIMSBY T.	1-1
E	HUDDERSFIELD	v.	WOLVES	1-1
F	LEICESTER C.	v.	LEEDS UNITED	1-1
G	LIVERPOOL	v.	EVERTON	1-1
H	MANCH. UN.	v.	PRESTON N. E.	1-1
K	MIDDLESBRO'	v.	BOLTON WAN.	1-1
L	PORTSMOUTH	v.	ASTON VILLA	1-1
M	STOKE CITY	v.	CHELSEA	1-1
N	BLACKBURN	v.	MILLWALL A.	1-1

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A	BURY	v.	SWANSEA T.	1-1
B	FULHAM	v.	MANCH. CITY	1-1
C	NEWCASTLE	v.	COVENTRY C.	1-1
D	NORWICH C.	v.	TOTTENHAM	1-1
E	NOTTS. FOR.	v.	TRANMERE R.	1-1
F	PLYMOUTH	v.	SHEFFIELD UN.	1-1
G	WEDNESDAY	v.	BRADFORD	1-1
H	WEST BROM.	v.	SOUTHAMPTON	1-1
K	WEST HAM U.	v.	CHESTERFIELD	1-1
L	BOURNEMOUTH	v.	EXETER CITY	1-1
M	BRIGHTON & H.	v.	CARDIFF C.	1-1
N	BRISTOL ROV.	v.	IPSWICH T.	1-1

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B	MANSFIELD T. v. QUEEN'S P. R.	2-1
C	NEWPORT CO' v. BRISTOL CITY	2-1
D	NORTHAMPT'N v. ALDERSHOT	2-1
E	READING v. NOTTS. CO'TY	2-1
F	SWINDON T. v. PORT VALE	2-1
G	TORQUAY U. v. WATFORD	2-1
H	WALSALL v. SOUTHEND U.	2-1
K	BRADF'D CITY v. BARNSELY	2-1
L	CHESTER v. OLDHAM A.	2-1
M	DONCASTER v. CARLISLE UN.	2-1
N	LINCOLN C. v. STOCKPORT C.	2-1

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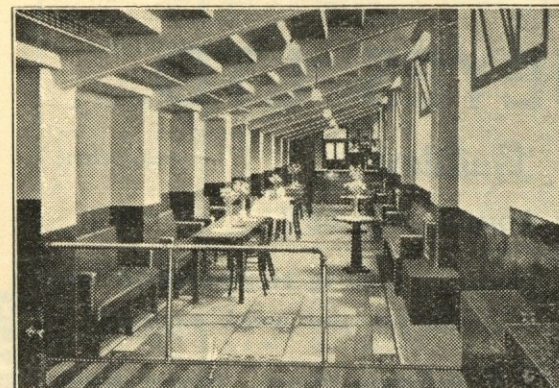
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Football League Division II — RESULTS AT A GLANCE

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FIXTURES, 1938 - 9

FIRST XI Division II		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 27	West Bromwich Albion	A 0 3	
Wed., " 31	Newcastle United	H 2 1	
Sat., Sept. 3	Norwich City	H 2 1	
Mon., " 5	Coventry City	A 0 1	
Sat., " 10	Manchester City	A 2 1	
Sat., " 17	Plymouth Argyle	A 1 4	
Sat., " 24	Sheffield United	H 2 0	
Sat., Oct. 1	Burnley	A 2 3	
Sat., " 8	Tottenham Hotspur	H 0 0	
Sat., " 15	Bradford	H 2 2	
Sat., " 22	Swansea Town	A 3 2	
Sat., " 29	Blackburn Rovers	H 1 1	
Sat., Nov. 5	Tranmere Rovers	A 3 2	
Sat., " 12	West Ham United	A 5 2	
Sat., " 19	Bury	A 5 2	
Sat., " 26	Sheffield Wednesday	H 1 5	
Sat., Dec. 3	Fulham	A 1 2	
Sat., " 10	Chesterfield	A 1 2	
Sat., " 17	Millwall	A 1 2	
Sat., " 24	West Bromwich Albion	H 3 1	
Mon., " 26	Nottingham Forest	A 4 2	
Tues., " 27	Nottingham Forest	H 1 0	
Sat., " 31	Norwich City	A 1 2	
Sat., Jan. 7	Liverpool (F.A. Cup)	A 0 3	
Sat., " 14	Manchester City	H 3 0	
Sat., " 21	Plymouth Argyle	H 3 4	
Sat., " 28	Sheffield United	A 2 2	
Sat., Feb. 4	Burnley	H 3 1	
Sat., " 11	Tottenham Hotspur	A 3 0	
Sat., " 18	Bradford	A 1 1	
Sat., " 25	Swansea Town	H 5 1	
Sat., Mar. 4	Blackburn Rovers	A 2 2	
Sat., " 11	Tranmere Rovers	H 0 1	
Sat., " 18	West Ham United	A 0 1	
Sat., " 25	Bury	H 0 1	
Sat., April 1	Sheffield Wednesday	A 0 4	
Fri., " 7	Southampton	H 1 3	
Sat., " 8	Fulham	H 4 0	
Sat., " 10	Southampton	A 6 3	
Mon., " 15	Chesterfield	A 2 5	
Sat., " 22	Millwall	H 1 1	
Sat., " 29	Newcastle United	A 3 1	
Sat., May 6	Coventry City	H 1 4	

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

LEAGUE TABLES

LEAGUE DIVISION II

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Sheffield United	27	12	4	10	46	29	35
Blackburn Rovers	28	16	9	3	68	43	35
Coventry City	25	14	7	4	43	28	32
Newcastle United	26	13	8	5	44	28	31
Sheffield Wednesday	25	13	7	5	63	43	31
Fulham	25	12	6	7	42	31	30
West Brom. A.	26	13	9	4	65	52	30
Burnley	28	11	9	8	38	38	30
Manchester City	25	13	9	3	67	52	29
Tottenham Hotspur	25	10	7	8	42	37	28
LUTON TOWN	26	12	10	4	51	45	28
Chesterfield	25	11	9	5	40	37	27
West Ham United	25	10	9	6	46	35	26
Millwall	25	8	9	8	40	35	24
Bradford	27	8	11	8	46	58	24
Plymouth Argyle	25	9	11	5	33	38	23
Bury	27	7	11	9	38	47	23
Southampton	25	7	12	6	34	49	20
Swansea Town	25	4	11	10	28	48	18
Notts Forest	25	5	14	6	31	60	16
Norwich City	24	7	16	1	28	59	15
Tranmere Rovers	27	4	20	3	30	71	11

LONDON COMBINATION

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Arsenal	30	20	7	3	115	45	43
Brighton & Hove A.	30	19	7	4	59	38	42
LUTON TOWN	29	16	7	6	75	36	38
Queens Park Rangers	28	15	6	7	68	35	37
Coventry City	28	16	8	4	69	33	36
Brentford	28	15	8	5	82	50	35
West Ham United	27	15	7	5	81	51	35
Chelsea	26	15	7	4	52	34	34
Tottenham Hotspur	28	14	10	4	69	38	32
Watford	29	14	11	4	51	58	32
Swansea Town	32	14	14	4	46	74	32
Southend United	27	11	7	9	56	40	31
Crystal Palace	30	12	14	4	69	70	28
Millwall	29	11	12	6	52	62	28
Portsmouth	28	10	11	7	57	58	27
Charlton Athletic	27	9	11	7	40	39	25
Bournemouth	29	8	13	8	52	67	24
Leicester City	31	10	17	4	56	81	24
Fulham	27	8	13	6	37	64	22
Bristol City	32	10	20	2	51	97	22
Clapton O.	31	6	19	6	40	96	18
Reading	28	5	16	7	50	92	17
Southampton	28	6	18	4	40	74	16
Northampton	28	5	21	2	36	81	12

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