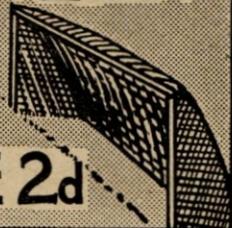


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WITH the Festive Season upon us once more, we should like to take this opportunity of wishing all supporters and friends of the Club a Very Happy Christmas and hope that our lads will brighten this week-end for you by securing at least a couple of points from their encounter with the Argyle here today and at least another at Plymouth on Monday.

The visit of the Argyle, whom we cordially welcome on this Christmas morning, brings to mind a point of interest concerning our visitors, which was told us by Mr. Harry Smart (a former Director of this Club).

It was on the occasion of the official opening of this ground at Kenilworth Road, on 4th September, 1905. The first Southern League match here was against our opponents of today, Plymouth Argyle, and Mr. Green of J. W. Green, Limited kicked off at the commencement of the game. The Referee for that match was also a Mr. Green from West Bromwich, and the Secretary of Luton Town at that time was Mr. Charlie Green; also as today the Argyle played in green shirts and of course the grass was green. We do not know if these peculiar circumstances of a particular colour proved too much for the players for both teams failed to score, but no doubt some of you here today remember the occasion very well. We are indebted to Mr. Smart for reminding us of an incident which occurred over

44 years ago and incidentally very pleased also to note that Mr. Charlie Green is up and about again after his very serious illness. Both these gentlemen have been very fine servants of the Luton Town Football Club and we hope to see them with us for many years to come.

What a fine Christmas present we received from the "Hatters" on Saturday last. Those of you who were present at Kenilworth Road saw the "Stiffs" pull off a fine victory over Queen's Park Rangers Reserves, with Joe O'Brien notching a hat-trick; while at Shepherds Bush our first team also proved to be too good for the Rangers. Our lads away win not only proved the critics of several of our daily newspapers to be wrong, but by doing so raised our position in the League Table by three places. This rise in the Table puts us in a comfortable position and (is it hoping too much?) if they give a good account of themselves in the game today and on Monday at Plymouth, then our prospects would indeed be bright. To complete the picture of last Saturday, the Colts also had a very fine win, beating the Vauxhall Motors second eleven by three goals to two, after a very interesting and hard-fought game.

Speaking of Christmas presents, Norman Day, one of our young professionals, has received a very welcome one this week in the shape of his demobilisation pass from the Royal Air Force. Unfortunately Norman is at present suffering from a torn ligament and will be unable to play for several weeks.

Next Match, Monday, December 27th, 1948

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10 Watkins Inside Left

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F. A.

Date	Home	Away	H	A
Sat., Aug. 21	Queens Park Rangers	...	0	0
Mon., " 23	Cardiff City	...	1	3
Sat., " 28	Leeds United	...	2	0
Mon., " 30	Cardiff City	...	1	3
Sat., Sept. 4	Bradford	...	2	2
Mon., " 6	Blackburn Rovers	...	2	0
Sat., " 11	Southampton	...	0	2
" 18	Barnsley	...	0	3
Mon., " 20	Blackburn Rovers	...	1	4
Sat., " 25	Grimsby Town	...	1	1
Sat., Oct. 2	Nottingham Forest	...	2	1
" 9	Leicester City	...	1	1
" 16	Brentford	...	3	0
" 23	Tottenham Hotspur	...	0	0
" 30	West Ham United	...	0	0
Sat., Nov. 6	Bury	...	1	1
" 13	West Bromwich Albion	...	0	1
" 20	Chesterfield	...	2	1
" 27	Lincoln City	...	1	4
Sat., Dec. 4	Sheffield Wednesday	...	1	1
" 11	Coventry City	...	1	4
" 18	Queens Park Rangers	...	1	1
" 25	Plymouth Argyle	...	0	0
Mon., " 27	Plymouth Argyle	...	3	1
Sat., Jan. 1	Leeds United	...	6	1
" 8	West Ham U. (F.A. Cup-3)	...	3	3
" 15	Bradford	...	3	3
" 22	Southampton	...	1	3
" 29	F.A. Cup (Round 4)	...	...	...
Sat., Feb. 5	Barnsley	...	2	1
" 12	F.A. Cup (Round 5)	...	...	...
" 19	Grimsby Town	...	...	...
" 26	Nottingham Forest	...	2	1
Sat., Mar. 5	Leicester City	...	2	3
" 12	Brentford	...	3	0
" 19	Tottenham Hotspur	...	1	0
" 26	West Ham United	...	0	0
Sat., Apr. 2	Bury	...	2	2
" 9	West Bromwich A.	...	1	1
Fri., " 15	Fulham	...	1	1
Sat., " 16	Chesterfield	...	0	2
Mon., " 18	Fulham	...	0	3
Sat., " 23	Lincoln City	...	...	...
" 30	Sheffield Wednesday	...	0	1
Sat., May 7	Coventry City	...	2	3

RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination F. A.

Date	Home	Away	H	A
Sat., Aug. 21	Queens Park Rangers	...	1	2
Mon., " 23	Leyton Orient	...	1	1
Sat., " 28	Ipswich Town	...	2	0
Wed., Sept. 1	Brentford	...	...	...
Sat., " 4	Swansea Town	...	...	...
Wed., " 8	Norwich City	...	3	4
Sat., " 11	Northampton Town	...	6	2
Mon., " 13	Northampton Town	...	...	...
Sat., " 18	Brighton & Hove A.	...	...	...
Wed., " 22	Brighton & Hove Albion	...	...	...
Sat., " 25	Northampton Town	...	4	1
Sat., Oct. 2	Leyton Orient	...	1	1
Thur., " 7	Swansea Town	...	...	...
Sat., " 9	West Ham United	...	1	2
" 16	Reading	...	6	0
" 23	Brentford	...	...	...
" 30	Birmingham City	...	0	3
Sat., Nov. 6	Ipswich Town	...	3	0
" 13	West Ham United	...	0	0
" 20	Birmingham City	...	0	6
Sat., Dec. 4	Chelsea	...	...	...
" 11	Plymouth Argyle	...	1	6
" 18	Queens Park Rangers	...	1	2
" 25	Swindon Town	...	0	4
Mon., " 27	Swindon Town	...	0	0
Fri., Apr. 15	Watford	...	...	...
Sat., " 16	Chelsea	...	...	...
Mon., " 18	Watford	...	...	...
Sat., " 23	Reading	...	2	3
" 30	Plymouth Argyle	...	1	0
To be arranged	Norwich City	...	3	0
Combination Cup				
Sat., Jan. 1	Ipswich Town	...	2	0
" 8	Birmingham City	...	2	0
" 15	...	...	...	...
" 22	Northampton Town	...	4	4
" 29	Watford	...	2	1
Sat., Feb. 5	Coventry City	...	5	0
" 12	Norwich City	...	0	1
" 19	Norwich City	...	4	3
" 26	Leicester City	...	1	5
Sat., Mar. 5	Ipswich Town	...	2	2
" 12	Watford	...	0	1
" 19	Leicester City	...	0	5
" 26	...	...	...	...
Sat., Apr. 2	Coventry City	...	2	1
" 9	Birmingham City	...	0	3
To be arranged	Northampton Town	...	1	3

LEAGUE TABLES, 1948-49

LEAGUE DIVISION II

Club	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
West Brom. Albion	22	13	5	4	39	19	31
Southampton	22	12	5	5	40	21	29
Tottenham Hotspur	21	10	7	4	41	21	27
Fulham	21	10	5	6	31	23	25
Sheffield Wednesday	22	10	5	7	43	33	25
Bury	21	10	4	7	34	31	24
Cardiff City	21	8	7	6	31	27	23
LUTON TOWN	22	8	7	7	29	31	23
Blackburn Rovers	21	9	4	8	32	31	22
Bradford	22	9	4	9	44	43	22
Chesterfield	22	7	8	7	30	30	22
Brentford	21	7	7	7	19	20	21
West Ham United	21	7	7	7	26	28	21
PLYMOUTH A.	22	8	5	9	26	31	21
Leeds United	21	6	8	7	35	34	20
Queens Park Rangers	22	8	4	10	22	36	20
Barnsley	22	6	7	9	36	37	19
Leicester City	22	5	8	9	33	43	18
Coventry City	22	7	3	12	30	38	17
Notts Forest	21	6	4	11	21	29	16
Grimsby Town	21	5	5	11	34	45	15
Lincoln City	22	3	7	12	29	54	13

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"

Club	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Chelsea	22	16	3	3	57	16	35
LUTON TOWN	22	15	2	5	53	30	32
Swansea Town	23	13	3	7	56	40	29
Birmingham City	22	12	4	6	40	23	28
Norwich City	22	12	3	7	36	24	27
Reading	22	11	3	8	45	39	25
Brighton & Hove A.	22	10	4	8	40	39	24
Queens Park Rangers	23	9	5	9	42	43	23
Plymouth Argyle	23	8	5	10	31	30	21
Ipswich Town	22	8	3	11	33	43	19
West Ham United	23	7	5	11	32	43	19
Leyton Orient	23	8	2	13	29	53	18
Watford	22	6	5	11	23	34	17
Brentford	22	6	2	14	22	34	14
Swindon Town	23	6	2	15	30	54	14
Northampton Town	22	4	5	13	20	44	13

Saturday, January 1st, 1949

KICK-OFF 2.30 p.m.

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