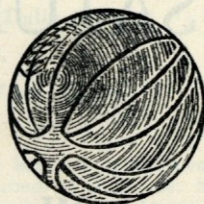




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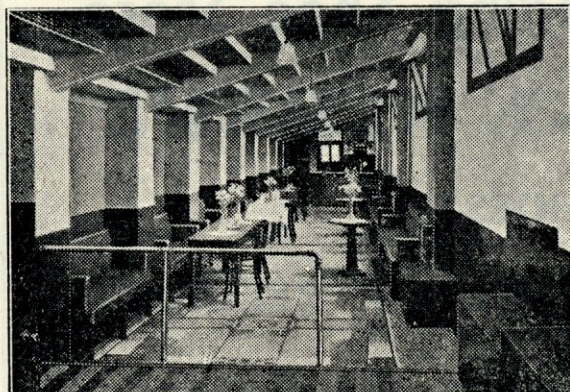
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After our rehearsal last Saturday we come today to the real thing and have as our visitors our old friends the "Hammers" with which to open the season. We would all like to know what this season has in store for us but if the game today reaches the high standard when we played the "Hammers" in January this year in the Third Round of the F.A. Cup, then we shall feel quite satisfied that we are going to see some good football this season. West Ham, like us, have not entered the transfer market during the close season and paid high prices for players in order to strengthen their team but are relying mainly on those who did duty for them last year. They finished last season with six points more than we and if they can start off this season with a win at Kenilworth Road they will feel justified in thinking they will finish in an even better position next May than last. We hope however to start off with a very good win ourselves and so it should be an interesting battle.

There has been much activity behind the scenes since last Saturday for since then we have signed on no fewer than five players. These are Peter Walsh, Ron Henderson, Michael Cullen, Peter Baxter and the Amateur International Percy James. With the signature of William Aherne late last week it will be seen that we have not been idle and have considerably increased our playing strength as compared with the position when training was resumed on 25th July last. Of course these are the names of those we have been successful in obtaining, but if we were to give a list of those we had hoped to bring here and on whom much time etc. was spent before the final decision was reached that they would not be coming to Luton, then it would indeed be a very long one. However for the time being we will see how the present players settle down and then if an opportunity occurs to strengthen an apparent weakness more ink will be used. But all the lads seem in very good spirits and confident that we shall have a very successful season and so every opportunity will be given them to carry out their

hopes. We welcome very heartily to Kenilworth Road all those who have joined us since last May and wish them the best of luck and good fortune in their new colours.

Those of you who are interested may now be able to obtain the F.A. Pocket Diary for season 1949/50. It shows many improvements on last season's diary, showing all the important fixtures listed in date order among the information pages, the directory of names and addresses useful to Club Officials has been extended and the minor leagues' results are now included. Because of Purchase Tax difficulties the Diary is not available through the usual stationery and book channels but special facilities have been provided for Clubs and other bodies who can place an order for twelve or more at the very reasonable price of 2/6 each, postage paid, or for those who only require single copies the price is 2/9 each, including postage, by making application to The Naldrett Press Limited of 29, George Street, London, W.1., who are the Official Publishers to the Football Association.

We think you will all agree that the ground looks a lot better for all the work that has been put into it during the close season. The roof to the main stand is certainly a big improvement and Season Ticket Holders should not experience any more of those discomforts such as rain falling down the back of their necks. The playing pitch too looks well although not quite as well as it did two or three weeks ago for in that time it has been used fairly extensively. Considering what a difficult summer it has been for young grass we consider the ground staff has done very well and congratulate them on their achievement.

At the time these notes were being prepared there was every indication of today being another "scorcher." We do hope however it is not as hot as last Saturday for it was then too warm to watch football never mind play it. However, whatever the conditions we hope you all thoroughly enjoy your baptism to the 1949/50 Season.

**Next Match, Wednesday, 24th August, 1949**

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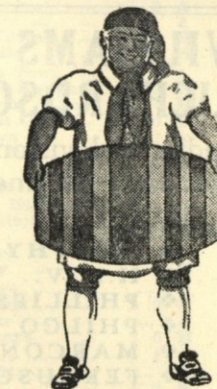
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11 Bainbridge Outside Left  
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Goal

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Centre



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Centre

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Centre Half

Gregory  
Goal

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3 Aherne  
Left Back

6 Gardiner  
Left Half

10 Taylor  
Inside Left

11 Waugh  
Outside Left

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8 Gazzard  
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2 Devlin  
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Kick - Off 3.15 p.m.

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A ARSENAL	BURNLEY
B BIRMINGHAM	CHELSEA
C BLACKPOOL	HUDDERSFIELD
D LIVERPOOL	SUNDERLAND
E MANCH. CITY	ASTON VILLA
F MIDDLESBRO'	EVERTON
G BOLTON WAN	STOKE CITY
H DERBY CO'NTY	MANCH. UN.
K FULHAM	WOLVES
L NEWCASTLE U.	PORTSMOUTH
M WEST BROM.	CHARLTON A.
N BARNLEY	CHESTERFIELD

**SECOND LIST**

A BLACKBURN R.	CARDIFF C.
B BRENTFORD	TOTTENHAM
C PLYMOUTH AR.	BRADFORD
D WEDNESDAY	LEICESTER C.
E SOUTHAMPTON	GRIMSBY T.
F COVENTRY C.	SHEFFIELD UN.
G HULL CITY	BURY
H LEEDS UNITED	QUEEN'S P. R.
K SWANSEA T.	PRESTON N. E.
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N EXETER CITY	CRYSTAL PAL.

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B NOTTS. CO'TY	SOUTHEND U.
C PORT VALE	BRISTOL ROV.
D IPSWICH T.	BOURNEM'UTH
E LEYTON O.	WATFORD
F MILLWALL A.	TORQUAY U.
G SWINDON T.	READING
H WALSALL	ALDERSHOT T.
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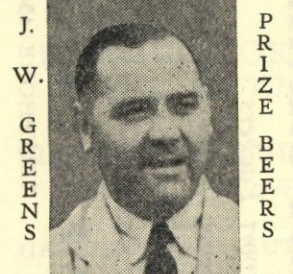
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			1948/49	
Sat., Aug. 20	West Ham United	...	0 1 H	
Wed., " 24	Coventry City	...	2 0 A	
Sat., " 27	Sheffield United	...	...	A
Mon., " 29	Coventry City	...	0 2 A	
Sat., Sept. 3	Grimsby Town	...	1 1 H	
Wed., " 7	Bradford	...	1 4 A	
Sat., " 10	Queens Park Rangers	...	3 0 A	
Sat., " 17	Preston North End	...	...	H
" " 24	Swansea Town	...	...	A
Sat., Oct. 1	Leeds United	...	0 0 H	
" " 8	Leicester City	...	1 1 H	
" " 15	Bury	...	1 3 A	
" " 22	Tottenham Hotspur	...	1 1 H	
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	3 3 A	
Sat., Nov. 5	Blackburn Rovers	...	2 0 H	
" " 12	Brentford	...	0 2 A	
" " 19	Hull City	...	...	H
" " 26	Sheffield Wednesday	...	0 0 A	
Sat., Dec. 3	Plymouth Argyle	...	3 1 H	
" " 10	Chesterfield	...	0 1 A	
" " 17	West Ham United	...	1 0 A	
" " 24	Sheffield United	...	...	H
Mon., " 26	Southampton	...	1 1 H	
Tues., " 27	Southampton	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 31	Grimsby Town	...	1 2 A	
Sat., Jan. 7	F.A. Cup—Round 3	...	...	
" " 14	Queens Park Rangers	...	0 0 H	
" " 21	Preston North End	...	...	A
" " 28	F.A. Cup—Round 4	...	...	
Sat., Feb. 4	Swansea Town	...	...	H
" " 11	F.A. Cup—Round 5	...	...	
" " 18	Leeds United	...	0 2 A	
" " 25	Leicester City	...	1 1 A	
Sat., Mar. 4	Bury	...	1 0 H	
" " 11	Tottenham Hotspur	...	1 2 A	
" " 18	Cardiff City	...	3 0 H	
" " 25	Blackburn Rovers	...	1 4 A	
Sat., Apr. 1	Sheffield Wednesday	...	2 1 H	
Fri., " 7	Barnsley	...	1 0 H	
Sat., " 8	Plymouth Argyle	...	1 1 A	
Mon., " 10	Barnsley	...	2 1 A	
Sat., " 15	Brentford	...	2 1 H	
" " 22	Hull City	...	...	A
" " 29	Chesterfield	...	1 0 H	
Tues., May 6	Bradford	...	0 1 H	

F. A.

**RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination**

F. A.

			1948/49	
Sat., Aug. 20	Reading	...	3 0 A	
Mon., " 22	Millwall	...	...	A
Sat., " 27	Southend United	...	...	H
Wed., " 31	Coventry City	...	...	H
Sat., Sept. 3	Northampton Town	...	3 2 A	
Wed., " 7	Queens Park Rangers	...	5 2 H	
Sat., " 10	Northampton Town	...	5 2 H	
Wed., " 14	Birmingham City	...	2 0 H	
Sat., " 17	Swansea Town	...	0 3 A	
Wed., " 21	Birmingham City	...	3 1 A	
Sat., " 24	Arsenal	...	...	H
Mon., " 26	Coventry City	...	...	A
Sat., Oct. 1	Queens Park Rangers	...	2 1 A	
" " 8	Southend United	...	...	A
" " 15	Fulham	...	...	H
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	...	A
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	...	H
Sat., Nov. 5	Bristol Rovers	...	...	A
" " 12	Leyton Orient	...	5 0 A	
" " 19	Leicester City	...	...	H
" " 26	Bristol Rovers	...	9 0 H	
Sat., Dec. 3	Leyton Orient	...	3 2 A	
" " 10	Leicester City	...	...	H
" " 17	Reading	...	3 2 H	
" " 24	Arsenal	...	...	A
Mon., " 26	Swansea Town	...	1 1 H	
Tues., " 27	Swansea Town	...	...	A
Mon., Apr. 10	Millwall	...	...	H
Sat., " 15	Fulham	...	...	A
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	...	H
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	...	A
<b>Combination Cup</b>				
Sat., Dec. 31	Northampton Town	...	2 1 H	
Sat., Jan. 7	Birmingham City	...	3 2 A	
" " 14	Norwich City	...	2 3 A	
" " 21	Watford	...	2 0 H	
" " 28	...	...	...	
Sat., Feb. 4	Leicester City	...	0 0 A	
" " 11	Birmingham City	...	3 0 H	
" " 18	Norwich City	...	3 1 H	
" " 25	Ipswich Town	...	2 2 H	
Sat., Mar. 4	Leicester City	...	1 1 H	
" " 11	...	...	...	
" " 18	...	...	...	
" " 25	Northampton Town	...	2 1 A	
Sat., Apr. 1	Watford	...	1 0 A	
Fri., " 7	Ipswich Town	...	0 0 A	
Sat., " 8	Coventry City	...	1 0 H	
To be arranged	Coventry City	...	2 2 A	

**LEAGUE TABLES, 1948-49 — Final Positions****LEAGUE DIVISION II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Fulham	42	24	9	9	77	37	57
West Brom. Albion	42	24	8	10	69	39	56
Southampton	42	23	9	10	69	36	55
Cardiff City	42	19	13	10	62	47	51
Tottenham Hotspur	42	17	16	9	72	44	50
Chesterfield	42	15	17	10	51	45	47
West Ham United	42	18	10	14	56	58	46
Sheffield Wednesday	42	15	13	14	63	56	43
Barnsley	42	14	12	16	62	61	40
LUTON TOWN	42	14	12	16	55	57	40
Grimsby Town	42	15	10	17	72	76	40
Bury	42	17	6	19	67	76	40
Queens Park Rangers	42	14	11	17	44	62	39
Blackburn Rovers	42	15	8	19	53	63	38
Leeds United	42	12	13	17	55	63	37
Coventry City	42	15	7	20	55	64	37
Bradford	42	13	11	18	65	78	37
Brentford	42	11	14	17	42	53	36
Leicester City	42	10	16	16	62	79	36
Plymouth Argyle	42	12	12	18	49	64	36
Notts. Forest	42	14	7	21	50	54	35
Lincoln City	42	8	12	22	53	91	28

**FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Chelsea	30	21	5	4	74	24	47
LUTON TOWN	30	20	3	7	78	38	43
Swansea Town	30	18	5	7	72	46	41
Norwich City	30	16	6	8	43	29	38
Birmingham City	30	15	7	8	48	27	37
Queens Park Rangers	30	13	6	11	51	51	32
Reading	30	12	5	13	53	55	29
Brighton & Hove A.	30	11	6	13	44	49	28
Ipswich Town	30	11	5	14	42	51	27
West Ham United	30	10	7	13	39	48	27
Watford	30	8	8	14	35	47	24
Plymouth Argyle	30	9	6	15	35	49	24
Leyton Orient	30	10	3	17	38	70	23
Northampton Town	30	6	10	14	28	49	22
Swindon Town	30	8	4	18	41	68	20
Brentford	30	8	2	20	28	48	18

Saturday, August 27th, 1949

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