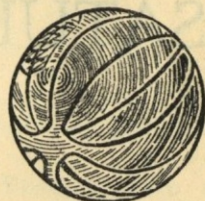




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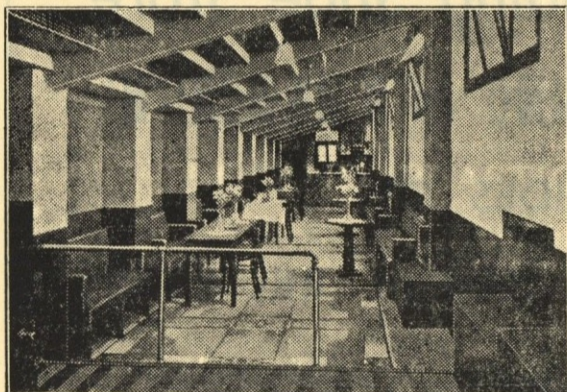
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**CLUB NOTES**

With last Saturday's match behind us we have embarked once more on another Football Season, with its many ups and downs for players and spectators alike. You have all by now analysed the game we had here last week-end with West Ham and the general consensus of opinion seems to be that we were unlucky to drop a point. They were two very fit teams and considering the two very big handicaps under which they played in the way of heat and a bone-hard ground, the football witnessed was very good indeed. It was a pity from our point of view that just as we had obtained a firm grip on the game that West Ham should be able to make that break away and score to make us a goal in arrears, but it only went to show what a splendid game our defence had put up for the only two chances the "Hammers" had throughout the game resulted in a goal each time. As usual with our encounters with West Ham the game was played without the slightest sign of ill-feeling from any player which just goes to prove that this game can be played with both sides striving for a win but at the same time played like sportsmen.

Congratulations to Sid Owen in being our opening scorer for season 1949/50. It was a splendidly taken goal and shows what can be done by a centre half who is not afraid sometimes to join in an attack. It is unfortunately seen all too seldom these days but how refreshing to see it done occasionally. The other goal scored by Jack Taylor was another very fine effort and fully deserved to score. There were other shots from the other forwards which against a less capable goalie than Gregory would have found a billet in the back of the net but luckily Jack was able

to find a way past him and so gain for us a valuable point.

The Stiffs at Reading were also involved in a drawn game, but there were no goals scored in this one. We should have won if all the chances had been taken but there again the conditions were all against good football. Unfortunately Charlie Burtenshaw and Peter Walsh sustained ankle injuries during the match, Peter's occurring after about only five minute's play. We were therefore prevented from assessing the true worth of Walsh but we are hoping it will not be long before we see him playing again for he looks the type we want in our forward line. It is an ill wind, however, which does not blow up some good for in this instance it gave the Team Manager the opportunity of playing Michael Cullen at outside right against Millwall Reserves last Monday evening, and from all accounts he gave a very promising display. Another of our new captures, Percy James, took over the position vacated by Charlie Burtenshaw at outside left and showed that with that extra training he will receive when he comes on full time that he will be quite an acquisition. Leslie Slatter also played and showed that he had not lost any of his cleverness and is settling down very nicely.

As the reserves lost by three goals to one you may well be asking how is it that with all this promising talent that we lost. The fact is that Millwall fielded four of their players who were in their first team on Saturday last and well though our lads played the little extra experience of the "Lions" carried the day. Our boys however were in no way disgraced and will be among the leaders again at the end of the season if they continue to play as well as they have done these two games.



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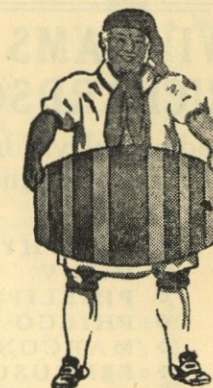
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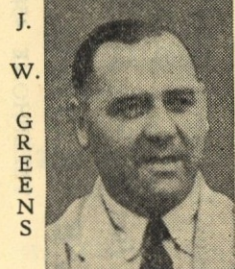
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Wed., " 24	Coventry City	...	2 0 H		
Sat., " 27	Sheffield United	...	...	A	
Mon., " 29	Coventry City	...	0 2 A		
Sat., Sept. 3	Grimsby Town	...	1 1 H		
Wed., " 7	Bradford	...	1 4 A		
Sat., " 10	Queens Park Rangers	...	3 0 A		
" 17	Preston North End	...	...	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		

**RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination**

F. A.

			1948/49		
Sat., Aug. 20	Reading	...	3 0 A	0 0	
Mon., " 22	Millwall	...	...	A	1 3
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		
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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 H		
" 19	Leicester City	...	...	A	
" 26	Bristol Rovers	...	9 0 H		
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**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

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