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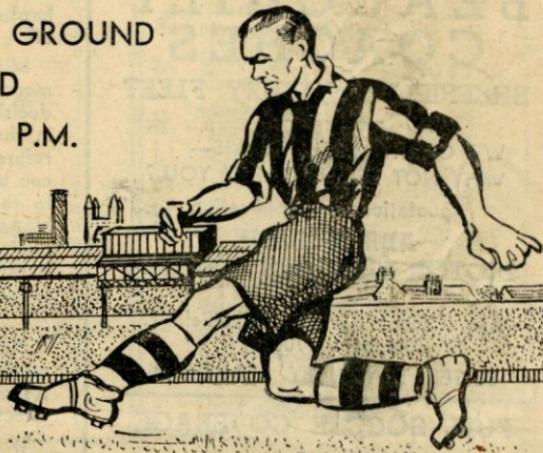
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# LUTON TOWN

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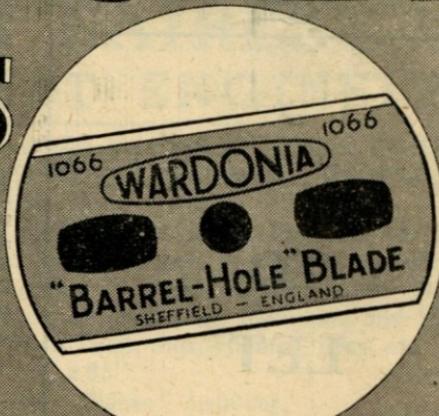
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## EDITORIAL

ALL the critics agreed last Saturday that United had played very well to win at Coventry. It was a good win and the scoring of four goals in an away match is outstanding at any time. We had reason to be satisfied. Then last Monday night came the draw with Swansea Town at Bramall Lane and we must confess that in the second half the team fell away rather badly.

The defence appeared to become nervous and Parkin had the disturbing experience of putting the ball into his own goal, thereby enabling Swansea to take away a point. At Coventry there had been similar nervousness in the rear. We must put it down to the men being too anxious to make amends for what happened last season. That should wear off.

Mind you it would have made a tremendous difference if the offside decisions against Hagan and McLaren in the first half had not occurred. The referee's decision is final and nothing can be done about it, but we are inclined to think that while the decision against Hagan may have been correct, that against McLaren was very much open to question, even though the referee consulted his linesman.

### SMITH'S GOOD GOAL.

Had only McLaren's effort counted, it would have put United two up. These disappointments are bound to have some effect on a team.

It was unfortunate, too, that there should be the heavy thunderstorm which produced dreary conditions. Besides which it kept down the attendance to below 25,000. One hopes for a bigger gate today for the match with Luton.

We thought that Fred Smith took his goal-scoring chance off Collardridge's centre very well. With a bit of luck, when the movement was repeated, he might have had another. Smith is certainly a trier and is worth encouraging.

Next Thursday, we play the return match with Swansea at the Vetch Field and the going will be warm, for enthusiasm at Swansea is at highwater mark. Which is not surprising in view of the team's winning of promotion last season.

On the following Saturday there is the first of the matches with neighbouring teams. United visit Barnsley at Oakwell. During the war years we had several stirring duels with Barnsley with varying results and we can be prepared for plenty of excitement next Saturday. Doubtless, we can rely on a body of our supporters taking a trip to Oakwell to give our boys some backing.

### THE RESERVES.

Although our reserves were pipped 3-2 by Derby County Reserves last Saturday, they played splendidly and Derby won only because Townsend, the Derby goalkeeper, was more experienced than Taylor. Chisholm played well. A pity that the position which has arisen between him and the club cannot be settled, whereby he would settle down here.

## SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

The Supporters' Club Officials welcome new Members. Enquiries should be made after the match to official on duty in the Pavilion.

## SCOREBOARD

### RED INDICATOR

	CLUBS	Half Time Final
<b>A</b>	Aston Villa	
	Fulham	
<b>B</b>	Burnley	
	Bolton Wanderers	
<b>C</b>	Charlton Athletic	
	Manchester City	
<b>D</b>	Chelsea	
	Derby County	
<b>E</b>	Everton	
	Liverpool	
<b>F</b>	Huddersfield Town	
	Middlesbrough	
<b>G</b>	Manchester United	
	West Bromwich Albion	
<b>H</b>	Portsmouth	
	Blackpool	
<b>I</b>	Stoke City	
	Birmingham City	
<b>J</b>	Sunderland	
	Arsenal	
<b>K</b>	Wolverhampton W.	
	Newcastle United	
<b>L</b>	Bury	
	Brentford	
<b>M</b>	Cardiff City	
	Swansea Town	
<b>N</b>	Bradford	
	WEDNESDAY	

### WHITE INDICATOR

	CLUBS	Half Time Final
<b>A</b>	Chesterfield	
	Plymouth Argyle	
<b>B</b>	Grimsby Town	
	Coventry City	
<b>C</b>	Leicester City	
	Hull City	
<b>D</b>	Preston North End	
	Leeds United	
<b>E</b>	Queen's Park Rangers	
	Southampton	
<b>F</b>	Tottenham Hotspur	
	Blackburn Rovers	
<b>G</b>	West Ham United	
	Barnsley	
<b>H</b>	Bristol Rovers	
	Notts County	
<b>I</b>	Nottingham Forest	
	Walsall	
<b>J</b>	Accrington Stanley	
	Rotherham United	
<b>K</b>	Doncaster Rovers	
	Chester	
<b>L</b>	Mansfield Town	
	Carlisle United	
<b>M</b>	Wrexham	
	Lincoln City	
<b>N</b>	Barnsley Reserves	
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## NEXT HOME MATCHES

Mon., 29th Aug.—United Res. v. Leeds United Res. Kick-off 6.0 p.m.  
Sat., 3rd Sept.—United Res. v. West Brom. Alb. Res. Kick-off 3.0 p.m.

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11 Waugh 10 Taylor 9 Armison 8 Shanks 7 Small  
6 Gardiner 5 Owen 4 Watkins  
3 Aherne 2 Cooke  
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## OUR VISITORS

After an absence of several years Luton visit Bramall Lane this afternoon. A few words about the club will not come amiss.

Luton Town club was founded in 1885, and in the early days the players wore blue and pink caps. They were amateurs for five years and then it was decided to offer each of three players 5/- a week. In 1891 the whole team became professionals, 2/6 being paid for a home match and 3/- for an away match. They also received payment for lost time up to 12 noon on a Saturday.

In this way Luton became the pioneers of professionalism in the South, though this distinction is often credited to Arsenal.

Luton were originally members of the old Southern League and of the Third Division South. They had, however, three seasons in the Second Division between 1897-8, 1898-9, and 1899-1900, but found the opposition too strong.

MANAGER "DALLY" DUNCAN.

Having won the Southern section championship in 1936-7 they returned to the Second Division, so that in the League they have only twice previously visited Bramall Lane.

During the close season they transferred to Birmingham City their outstanding inside-forward Bobby Brennan, at a five-figure fee. At the moment of writing Tommy Kiernan, the noted Scottish forward had not re-signed.

The manager is "Dally" Duncan, who succeeded Mr. George Martin when the latter became manager of Newcastle United. Duncan in his playing days with Derby and Scotland was an outstanding outside-left. With his talented feet he seemed to caress the ball and place it at will perfectly.

Despite departures of good men like Brennan and Gager, who went to Notts. Forest last year, Mr. Duncan has got together quite a good side.

SPLENDID GOALKEEPER.

In Streten, he has a grand goalkeeper. It will be recalled that Streten used to play for Shrewsbury Town in the Midland League and he gained several amateur International caps with England. He is not particularly tall but he is very agile and spectacular.

In their opening match, Luton drew 2-2 at home with West Ham. In this match Armison, the centre-forward, and Waugh, were outstanding.

The "Hatters" will be out to create a good impression and the pace is likely to be fast.

VISIT OF LEEDS UNITED.

A week next Monday, Leeds United are at Bramall Lane and Sheffield will have an opportunity of seeing how Major Buckley is getting on with his team building.

The visit of Leeds will remind you of the F.A. Cup-tie we had with Leeds in 1936, when we had our record attendance of 68,287.

1936, of course, was the year when Sheffield United reached the Cup Final. Happy days. Well, they'll come again. All clubs have their ups and downs.

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# Fixture List 1949/50

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION II

## CENTRAL LEAGUE

DATE 1949		OPPONENTS	G'D	F A	DATE 1949		OPPONENTS	G'D	F A
Aug. 20	S	Coventry City	a	4 2	Aug. 20	S	DERBY COUNTY	h	2 3
22	M	SWANSEA TOWN	h	1 1	24	W	Leeds United	a	1 1
27	S	LUTON TOWN	h		27	S	Barnsley	a	
Sept. 1	Th	Swansea Town	a		29	M	LEEDS UNITED	h	
3	S	Barnsley	a		Sept. 3	S	WEST BROM. ALB.	h	
5	M	LEEDS UNITED	h		10	S	Manchester United	a	
10	S	WEST HAM UNITED	h		13	Tu	Burnley	a	
14	W	Leeds United	a		17	S	SHEFFIELD WED.	h	
17	S	Sheffield Wednesday	a		24	S	STOKE CITY	h	
24	S	Grimsby Town	a		Oct. 1	S	Preston North End	a	
Oct. 1	S	QUEEN'S PK. RA.	h		8	S	Newcastle United	a	
8	S	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	h		15	S	BLACKBURN ROVERS	h	
15	S	Chesterfield	h		22	S	Blackpool	a	
22	S	BRADFORD	h		29	S	EVERTON	h	
29	S	Leicester City	a		Nov. 5	S	Huddersfield Town	a	
Nov. 5	S	BURY	a		12	S	BURY	a	
12	S	Tottenham Hotspur	a		19	S	Wolverhampton W.	a	
19	S	CARDIFF CITY	a		26	S	CHESTERFIELD	a	
26	S	Blackburn Rovers	a		Dec. 3	S	Aston Villa	a	
Dec. 3	S	BRENTFORD	h		10	S	MANCHESTER CITY	h	
10	S	Hull City	a		17	S	Derby County	a	
17	S	COVENTRY CITY	h		24	S	BARNSLEY	h	
24	S	Luton Town	a		26	M	LIVERPOOL	h	
26	M	Preston North End	a		31	S	West Bromwich Albion	a	
27	Tu	PRESTON N.E.	h		1950				
31	S	BARNSLEY	h		Jan. 2	M	Liverpool	a	
1950					7	S			
Jan. 7	S	F.A. Cup—(3rd Rd.)	a		14	S	MANCHESTER UN.	h	
14	S	West Ham United	a		21	S	Sheffield Wednesday	a	
21	S	SHEFFIELD WED.	h		28	S			
28	S	F.A. Cup—(4th Rd.)	a		Feb. 4	S	Stoke City	a	
Feb. 4	S	GRIMSBY TOWN	h		11	S			
11	S	F.A. Cup—(5th Rd.)	a		18	S	PRESTON N.E.	h	
18	S	Queen's Park Rangers	a		25	S	NEWCASTLE UN.	h	
25	S	Plymouth Argyle	a		Mar. 4	S	Blackburn Rovers	a	
Mar. 4	S	CHESTERFIELD	h		11	S	BLACKPOOL	a	
4	S	F.A. Cup—(6th Rd.)	a		18	S	Everton	a	
11	S	Bradford	a		25	S	HUDDERSFIELD T.	h	
18	S	LEICESTER CITY	h		April 1	S	Bury	a	
25	S	Bury	a		7	Fr	Bolton Wanderers	a	
25	S	F.A. Cup—(Semi-Final)	a		8	S	WOLVERHAMPTON	h	
April 1	S	BLACKBURN ROVERS	h		10	M	BOLTON WAN.	h	
8	S	Brentford	a		15	S	Chesterfield	a	
10	M	Southampton	a		22	S	ASTON VILLA	h	
11	T	SOUTHAMPTON	h		29	S	Manchester City	a	
15	S	TOTTENHAM HOT.	h		May 6	S	BURNLEY	h	
22	S	Cardiff City	a						
29	S	HULL CITY	h						
29	S	F.A. Cup—(Final)	a						
May 6	S								

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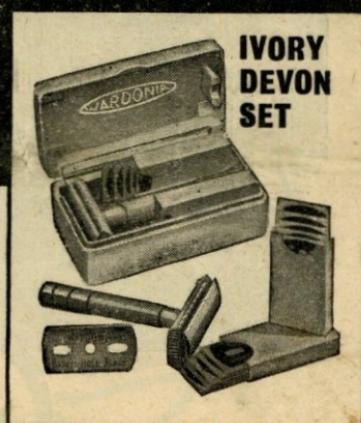
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