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## EDITORIAL

**A**LL 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 Collindridge'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

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| CLUBS    |                      |            | CLUBS    |                      |            |
|----------|----------------------|------------|----------|----------------------|------------|
|          | Half                 | Time Final |          | Half                 | Time Final |
| <b>A</b> | Aston Villa          |            | <b>A</b> | Chesterfield         |            |
|          | Fulham               |            |          | Plymouth Argyle      |            |
| <b>B</b> | Burnley              |            | <b>B</b> | Grimsby Town         |            |
|          | Bolton Wanderers     |            |          | Coventry City        |            |
| <b>C</b> | Charlton Athletic    |            | <b>C</b> | Leicester City       |            |
|          | Manchester City      |            |          | Hull City            |            |
| <b>D</b> | Chelsea              |            | <b>D</b> | Preston North End    |            |
|          | Derby County         |            |          | Leeds United         |            |
| <b>E</b> | Everton              |            | <b>E</b> | Queen's Park Rangers |            |
|          | Liverpool            |            |          | Southampton          |            |
| <b>F</b> | Huddersfield Town    |            | <b>F</b> | Tottenham Hotspur    |            |
|          | Middlesbrough        |            |          | Blackburn Rovers     |            |
| <b>G</b> | Manchester United    |            | <b>G</b> | West Ham United      |            |
|          | West Bromwich Albion |            |          | Barnsley             |            |
| <b>H</b> | Portsmouth           |            | <b>H</b> | Bristol Rovers       |            |
|          | Blackpool            |            |          | Notts County         |            |
| <b>I</b> | Stoke City           |            | <b>I</b> | Nottingham Forest    |            |
|          | Birmingham City      |            |          | Walsall              |            |
| <b>J</b> | Sunderland           |            | <b>J</b> | Accrington Stanley   |            |
|          | Arsenal              |            |          | Rotherham United     |            |
| <b>K</b> | Wolverhampton W.     |            | <b>K</b> | Doncaster Rovers     |            |
|          | Newcastle United     |            |          | Chester              |            |
| <b>L</b> | Bury                 |            | <b>L</b> | Mansfield Town       |            |
|          | Brentford            |            |          | Carlisle United      |            |
| <b>M</b> | Cardiff City         |            | <b>M</b> | Wrexham              |            |
|          | Swansea Town         |            |          | Lincoln City         |            |
| <b>N</b> | Bradford             |            | <b>N</b> | Barnsley Reserves    |            |
|          | WEDNESDAY            |            |          | UNITED 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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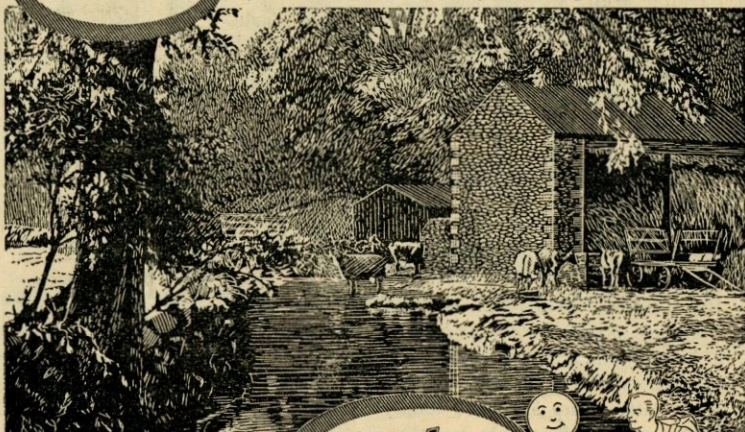
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## OUR VISITORS

**A**FTER an absence of several years  
Luton visit Bramall Lane this after-  
noon. 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 profes-  
sionals, 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 be-  
tween 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 trans-  
ferred to Birmingham City their up-  
standing 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 to-  
gether 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 attend-  
ance of 68,287.

1936, of course, was the year when  
Sheffield United reached the Cup Final.  
Happy days. Well, they'll come again.  
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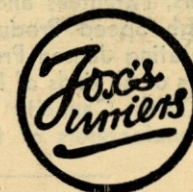
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## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION II

## CENTRAL LEAGUE

| DATE<br>1949 |    | OPPONENTS                  | G'D | F | A | DATE<br>1949 |    | OPPONENTS                 | G'D | F | A |
|--------------|----|----------------------------|-----|---|---|--------------|----|---------------------------|-----|---|---|
| Aug. 20      | S  | Coyentry 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 .....         | a   |   |   | 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 .....                 | h   |   |   | 12           | S  | BURY .....                | h   |   |   |
| 12           | S  | Tottenham Hotspur .....    | a   |   |   | 19           | S  | Wolverhampton W. ....     | h   |   |   |
| 19           | S  | CARDIFF CITY .....         | h   |   |   | 26           | S  | CHESTERFIELD .....        | h   |   |   |
| 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  | BARNLEY .....             | 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  | BARNLEY .....              | h   |   |   | Jan. 2       | M  | Liverpool .....           | a   |   |   |
| 1950         |    |                            |     |   |   | 7            | S  |                           |     |   |   |
| Jan. 7       | S  | F.A. Cup—(3rd Rd.) .....   |     |   |   | 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.) .....   |     |   |   | Feb. 4       | S  | Stoke City .....          | a   |   |   |
| Feb. 4       | S  | GRIMSBY TOWN .....         | h   |   |   | 11           | S  |                           |     |   |   |
| 11           | S  | F.A. Cup—(5th Rd.) .....   |     |   |   | 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 .....           | h   |   |   |
| 4            | S  | F.A. Cup—(6th Rd.) .....   |     |   |   | 18           | S  | Everton .....             | h   |   |   |
| 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) ..   |     |   |   | 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) .....     |     |   |   |              |    |                           |     |   |   |
| May 6        | S  |                            |     |   |   |              |    |                           |     |   |   |

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