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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 1949

LUTON TOWN v. BLACKBURN ROVERS

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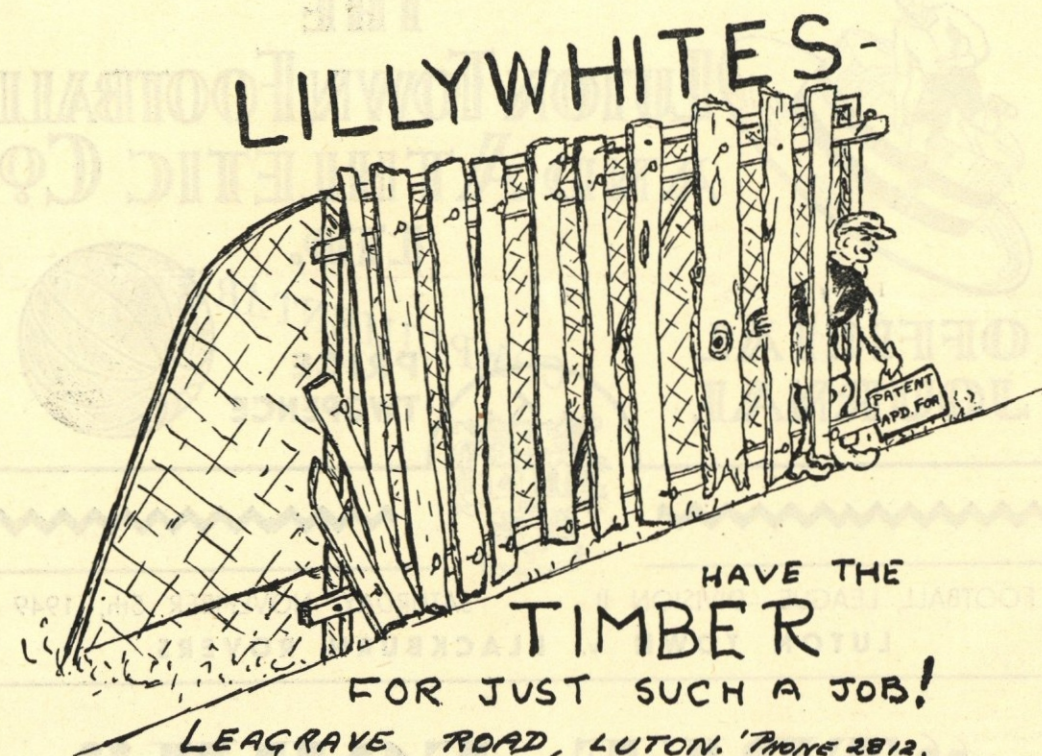
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Our boys would not think of defeat

And went prepared to stop any "Leek"

The same thing happened the year before

So thought it best to make another draw

But today it won't be all clover

To take up the battle with the Rovers

And as sure as the leaves in Autumn fall

So must one of you win the ball

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CLUB NOTES

By a strange coincidence both our matches with Cardiff City last week end resulted in draws, with not one goal being scored by either of the four teams. The First Team did well to return from their Welsh trip with a point and the Reserves at home, although not scoring, gave quite a good display and a draw was again a fair result. Our two trips to Wales this season have therefore proved quite satisfactory in that we have brought home a valuable point each time and although not scoring ourselves have prevented our hosts from finding the net. This, as will be seen from the results of matches played at Ninian Park and Vetch Field this season, is no mean performance and great credit is due to our defence for preventing a goal being scored against us on each occasion.

We extend a warm welcome this afternoon to our opponents from Lancashire, that great Cup fighting team, Blackburn Rovers. Blackburn's away record so far this season cannot give their supporters much hope of a victory here today for of seven matches played away this season they have lost all but two. Early in the season they surprised everyone by beating Tottenham, at White Hart Lane, by three goals to two and as this was their third victory in as many games it looked as though they meant business. Since then however they have only gained one point from six away matches and although they will no doubt be out to avenge their defeat last week at home against Coventry City, our lads have a very good chance of establishing themselves further in the League Table. It is by no means however a foregone conclusion as to the final result for we have always found Blackburn a hard nut to crack at Kenilworth Road and so there will have to be no let up.

We had some bad news on Wednesday, when it was learned that Billy Arnison will be out of the game for two or three weeks due to a bad wrench of the knee he received while playing in the practice match last Tuesday morning. With Tommy Kiernan still unfit but progressing as well as can be expected (we are hoping to see him on the field in two or three weeks time) and Percy James still suffering from the knee injury he received against the "Spurs" a fortnight ago, we seem to have struck another bad patch of injuries.

In view of the promising displays given by Bobby Wyldes for the Reserves the team manager has decided to give him a chance in the First Team

today. We all hope he will have a good game and if he produces the form he showed against Fulham Reserves then no doubt he will have a successful debut.

For their Combination League game this afternoon the Stiffs visit lowly placed Bristol Rovers, and a victory there will place our Reserve team in a good position in the League Table should either Birmingham or Fulham Reserves happen to slip up.

Did any of you notice that three of the participants in the match at the City Ground, Nottingham on October 22nd last in which Reading beat Nottingham Forest, by 2 goals to 1 had a connection with Luton. Both centre halves, Horace Gager for the Forest and Gordon Brice for Reading, were former Luton players and referee, Mr. Henry Pearce was also from Luton.

Following on the record crowd which watched the Luton v "Spurs" game on 22nd October, a record of a different kind was created 5 days later when only 60 people turned up to watch the Mid-Week League match versus Southend "A" team. Although played under very difficult conditions, some very good football was witnessed and our lads finally triumphed by 3-1. Considering the state of the weather that day we hope those 60 stalwarts enjoyed the game.

On Saturday morning next, the Luton Schoolboys play the Leicester Schoolboys, at Kenilworth Road in the 2nd Round of the English Schools' Trophy Competition. Kick-off 11 o'clock. The Luton Boys beat the Wellingborough Boys by six goals to one, when the 1st Round was played at Rushden, on October 8th. This win will undoubtedly give the Luton Boys every confidence to win their way through to the 3rd Round against the Leicester Boys, and so wipe out that 2-0 victory Leicester gained when playing our Boys in the Seaward Trophy two years ago. Gates will be opened at 10.30 a.m.

Due to the big demand for tickets for the Luton Town versus Hull City match on November 19th, we have extended the reserved portion to include Block E as in the "Spurs" match. These tickets are selling very quickly so those of you desirous of obtaining tickets for the match are advised to do so without delay. Tickets are at 5/- each and please accompany your application with a stamped addressed envelope.

Next Matches, Wednesday, 9th November, 1949

KICK - OFF 2.30 p.m.

LONDON MID-WEEK LEAGUE

LUTON TOWN "A" v. MILLWALL ATHLETIC "A"

Usual Reserve Team Prices of Admission

Saturday, 12th November, 1949

KICK - OFF 11 a.m.

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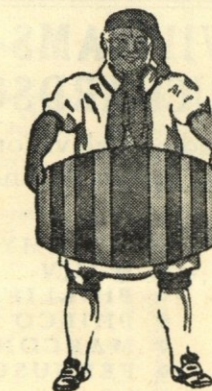
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5 Owen Centre Half
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Football League—Division II

3 Aherne, T. Left Back

6 Gardiner Left Half

10 Taylor Inside Left

11 Wyldes Outside Left

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G	ARSENAL	FULHAM
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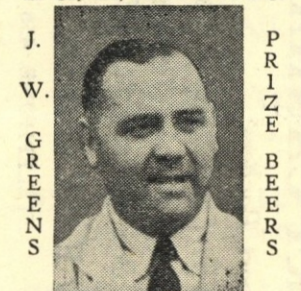
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E	LEEDS UNITED	WEDNESDAY
F	SHEFFIELD UN	BURY
G	SOUTHAMPTON	HULL CITY
H	PRESTON N.E.	CHESTERFIELD
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FIXTURES, 1949-50**FIRST XI Division II****F. A.**

Sat., Aug. 20	West Ham United	...	0 1	H	2 2	0
Wed., " 24	Coventry City	...	2 0	H	2 0	2
Sat., " 27	Sheffield United	...	3 0	A	2 2	2
Mon., " 29	Coventry City	...	0 2	A	0 1	1
Sat., Sept. 3	Grimsby Town	...	1 1	H	0 0	0
Wed., " 7	Bradford	...	1 4	A	0 1	1
Sat., " 10	Queens Park Rangers	...	3 0	A	0 3	3
" " 17	Preston North End	...	...	H	1 1	1
" " 24	Swansea Town	...	...	A	0 0	0
Sat., Oct. 1	Leeds United	...	0 0	H	1 0	0
" " 8	Leicester City	...	1 1	H	1 0	0
" " 15	Bury	...	1 3	A	2 5	5
" " 22	Tottenham Hotspur	...	1 1	H	1 1	1
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	3 3	A	0 0	0
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	...	...
" " 15	Brentford	...	2 1	H	...	...
Sat., " 22	Hull City	...	...	A	...	...
" " 29	Chesterfield	...	1 0	H	...	...
Tues., May 6	Bradford	...	0 1	H	...	...

RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination F. A.

Sat., Aug. 20	Reading	...	3 0	A	0 0	0
Mon., " 22	Millwall	...	...	A	1 3	3
Sat., " 27	Southend United	...	...	H	0 1	1
Wed., " 31	Coventry City	...	...	H	4 0	1
Sat., Sept. 3	Northampton Town	...	3 2	A	3 3	3
Wed., " 7	Queens Park Rangers	...	5 2	A	1 0	0
Sat., " 10	Northampton Town	...	5 2	H	1 0	2
Wed., " 14	Birmingham City	...	2 0	H	0 2	2
Sat., " 17	Swansea Town	...	0 3	A	1 1	1
Wed., " 21	Birmingham City	...	3 1	A	2 4	4
Sat., " 24	Arsenal	...	...	H	2 0	0
Mon., " 26	Coventry City	...	...	A	1 1	1
Sat., Oct. 1	Queens Park Rangers	...	2 1	A	3 2	2
" " 8	Southend United	...	...	A	1 0	0
" " 15	Fulham	...	...	H	3 0	1
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	...	A	0 0	0
" " 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	A	...	...
Sat., Dec. 3	Leyton Orient	...	3 2	A	...	...
" " 10	Leicester City	...	...	H	...	...
" " 17	Reading	...	3 2	H	...	...
Mon., " 24	Arsenal	...	...	A	...	...
Tues., " 27	Swansea Town	...	1 1	H	...	...
Mon., Apr. 10	Millwall	...	...	H	...	...
Sat., " 15	Fulham	...	...	A	...	...
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	...	H	...	...
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	...	A	...	...
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	...	3 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	...	...	A	...	...
Sat., " 8	Coventry City	...	1 0	H	...	...
To be arranged	Coventry City	...	2 2	A	...	...

LEAGUE TABLES, 1949-50**LEAGUE DIVISION II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Tottenham Hotspur	14	11	2	1	33	10	24
Sheffield Wednesday	14	9	2	3	27	15	20
Hull City	...	9	2	3	33	27	20
Barnsley	...	14	6	5	3	27	17
Chesterfield	...	15	7	2	6	17	20
Preston North End	15	5	5	5	20	16	15
Grimsby Town	14	6	3	5	31	28	15
Swansea Town	14	6	3	5	18	17	15
Southampton	13	6	3	4	15	15	15
Sheffield United	15	4	7	4	17	19	15
West Ham United	14	5	5	4	23	22	15
Bury	...	14	6	2	6	29	21
LUTON TOWN	14	3	7	4	12	16	13
BLACKBURN R.	15	6	1	8	21	24	13
Cardiff City	...	13	4	4	5	15	12
Leeds United	...	15	4	4	7	15	12
Bradford	...	14	4	4	6	22	30
Leicester City	...	15	3	5	7	22	26
Queens Park Rangers	15	3	5	7	16	21	11
Plymouth Argyle	...	14	4	2	8	15	26
Brentford	...	15	3	4	8	12	22
Coventry City	...	14	3	3	8	19	27

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Birmingham City	15	9	4	2	37	22	22
Fulham	...	16	9	3	4	29	21
LUTON TOWN	17	7	6	4	23	19	20
Crystal Palace	...	17	8	4	5	24	20
Millwall Athletic	...	17	7	5	5	31	23
Swansea Town	...	16	7	5	4	28	19
Cardiff City	...	16	6	5	5	25	16
Reading	...	16	6	4	6	28	27
Coventry City	...	16	6	4	6	27	32
Arsenal	...	16	6	3	7	30	19
Queens Park Rangers	16	5	3	8	21	24	13
Leyton Orient	...	16	4	5	7	24	31
Southend United	...	15	5	2	8	19	24
Leicester City	...	16	3	6	7	16	22
Bristol Rovers	...	15	4	3	8	19	40
Northampton Town	16	4	2	10	26	35	10

Saturday, November 12th, 1949

KICK-OFF 2.30 p.m.

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