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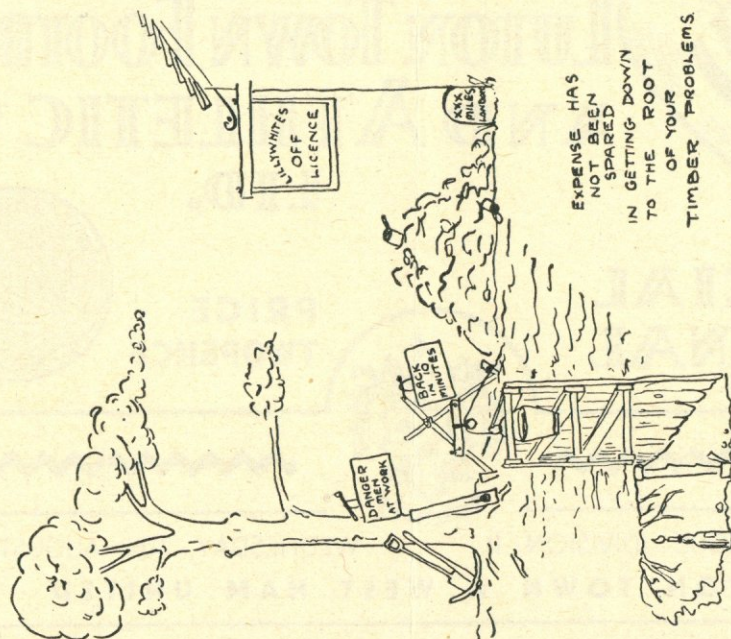
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CLUB NOTES

WE have not got off to a very auspicious start to the new season, at least as far as the records go, for we can show two points only out of the possible six obtainable, but the four points lost have been lost by the smallest possible margin. This is fair consolation for they were all lost at away matches. The galling thing about it all however is that with any luck at all we should at the moment still be unbeaten. Those of you who saw the game last Thursday at Upton Park will, we think, agree with us that we were very unfortunate to come away without at least a share of the spoils, for until those two very quick and most unexpected goals just before half-time we were holding our own very well. Last Saturday at Blackburn we again considered ourselves most unlucky to come away without any reward for twice our boys considered they had scored perfectly good goals and on another occasion, as at Barnsley last year, a back fisted the ball over the bar when it had "goal" written all over it, and only a corner-kick resulted. This is enough to upset any team, but our lads kept plugging away, unfortunately without any reward. We have the right spirit in the Dressing Room, and it is not for the want of trying that we cannot show so soon in the season maximum points, but the ball is not yet "running" our way and of course this does make a difference to the success or otherwise of a team.

The "Stiffs" put up a very good show against the Arsenal second string here on Saturday last, losing by the odd goal in three. Several times after the "Gunners" early goal our boys almost equalised and the game became quite exciting after Gordon Turner sent in a lovely shot halfway through the second half to bring the scores level. When the Arsenal regained the lead there seemed to be no immediate danger but the ball ran loose and the outside right running on to it unchallenged sent in a cracking shot which hit the underside of the crossbar and landed in the back of the net. Considering the age of four of our forward line it was generally agreed that they put up a very good show and had the Arsenal defence running the wrong way several times. Quite a few more than just over five thousand would have turned up if

they had known beforehand our lads were going to play so well. Jimmy Jinks in the centre played very well, holding the line together very nicely. The goal we scored was as a result of some good play by him on the left wing and a good centre which enabled Turner running up to place the ball well and truly in the net.

We once more give a welcome to the 'Hammers' to Kenilworth Road. It is a pity in a way that our meeting this season is a mid-week affair, for with Tottenham Hotspur now in higher circles we feel that Upton Park have now taken over their role and we could have expected a very big influx from London if the fixture had been arranged for a Saturday. However we expect quite a few stalwarts are here supporting West Ham and we trust they will witness a good exciting game. Our clashes in the past with West Ham have always been played in the most sporting manner and we trust to see another such sporting game this evening. It is noticed that there are four changes in the forward line compared with the team which did duty for them last Thursday evening, only Robinson at centre forward retaining his original position. The line up at Upton Park was Woodgate, Gazzard, Robinson, Foan and Betts. We notice that Parsons has been brought back for this game today and a newcomer to Kenilworth Road, Southren, takes the outside right berth.

After a lot of hard work by both Trainers we are able to field the same side which played at Upton Park last week. There were doubts at first about several players but the injuries have responded to treatment.

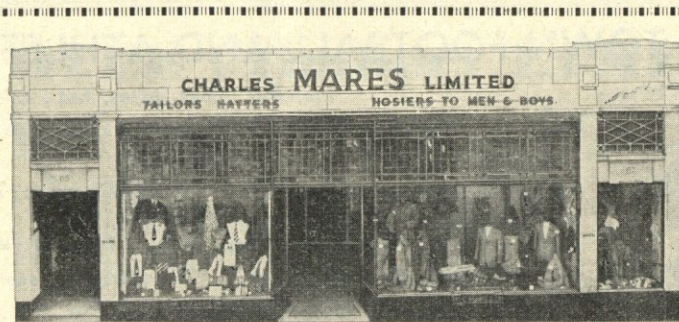
Next Saturday we entertain Southampton in a League II fixture. The 'Saints' have again started off well, having so far dropped only one point out of six. Kick-off will be as usual for this time of the year, that is 3.15 p.m.

On Wednesday evening next we are again at home with a League II fixture when we have Hull City as our opponents. Last season when they visited us the game was played in fog. There should not be this trouble this time however and so we hope to witness a very good game. Kick-off has been arranged for 6 o'clock.

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Right Back

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Right Half

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Outside Right

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Inside Right

Referee—

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11
Woodgate
Outside Left

6
Jackman
Left Half

10
Gazzard
Inside Left

3
Yeomanson
Left Back

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Shirts Claret and Blue
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Stockings Claret and Blue

Hughes
Goal

5
Owen
Centre Half

9
Stobbart
Centre



Robinson
Centre

Walker
Centre Half

Gregory
Goal

Football League—Division II

3
Aherne, T.
Left Back

6
Shanks
Left Half

10
Whent
Inside Left

11
Wylde
Outside Left

Linesmen—

Blue Flag: Mr. W. T. WAKEFIELD (Slough)

Red Flag: Mr. C. H. WHITE (Bourne End)

8
Parsons
Inside Right

7
Southren
Outside Right

4
Parker
Right Half

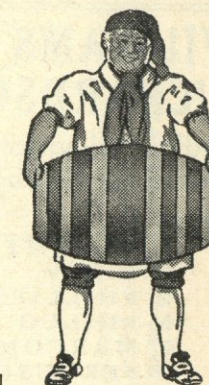
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Right Back

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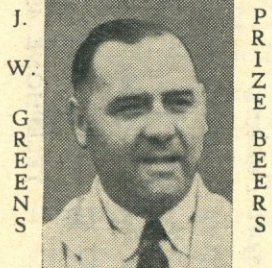
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FIXTURES, 1950 - 51**FIRST XI Division II**

			1949/50		F. A.
Sat., Aug. 19	Brentford	...	1 0 H	2 0	
Thurs., " 24	West Ham United	...	0 0 A	1 2	
Sat., " 26	Blackburn Rovers	...	0 0 A	0 1	
Wed., " 30	West Ham United	...	2 2 H		
Sat., Sept. 2	Southampton	...	1 1 H		
Wed., " 6	Hull City	...	0 3 H		
Sat., " 9	Barnsley	...	0 1 A		
" 16	Sheffield United	...	1 3 H		
" 23	Manchester City	...	...	A	
" 30	Leeds United	...	1 2 A		
Sat., Oct. 7	Preston North End	...	1 1 H		
" 14	Notts. County	...	...	A	
" 21	Queens Park Rangers	...	1 2 H		
" 28	Bury	...	2 5 A		
Sat., Nov. 4	Leicester City	...	1 0 H		
" 11	Chesterfield	...	1 0 A		
" 18	Grimsby Town	...	0 0 H		
" 25	Birmingham City	...	...	A	
Sat., Dec. 2	Cardiff City	...	0 0 H		
" 9	Coventry City	...	0 1 A		
" 16	Brentford	...	1 1 A		
" 23	Blackburn Rovers	...	5 2 H		
Mon., " 25	Swansea Town	...	0 0 A		
Tues., " 26	Swansea Town	...	1 2 H		
Sat., " 30	Southampton	...	1 2 A		
Sat., Jan. 6	F.A. Cup—Round 3	...	...
" 13	Barnsley	...	3 1 H		
" 20	Sheffield United	...	2 2 A		
" 27	F.A. Cup—Round 4	...	...
Sat., Feb. 3	Manchester City	...	...	H	
" 10	F.A. Cup—Round 5	...	...
" 17	Leeds United	...	1 0 H		
" 24	Preston North End (6)	...	1 0 A		
Sat., Mar. 3	Notts. County	...	...	H	
" 10	Queens Park Rangers	...	0 3 A		
" 17	Bury	...	2 1 H		
Fri., " 23	Doncaster Rovers	...	...	A	
Sat., " 24	Leicester City	...	2 3 A		
Mon., " 26	Doncaster Rovers	...	...	H	
Sat., " 31	Chesterfield	...	1 1 H		
Sat., Apr. 7	Grimsby Town	...	1 6 A		
" 14	Birmingham City	...	...	H	
" 21	Cardiff City	...	0 0 A		
" 28	Coventry City	...	2 0 H		
Sat., May 5	Hull City	...	1 1 A		

LEAGUE TABLE, 1950-51**LEAGUE DIVISION II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Coventry City	...	3	3	0	0	4	0 6
Blackburn Rovers	...	3	3	0	0	7	2 6
Manchester City	...	3	3	0	0	11	4 6
Birmingham City	...	3	2	1	0	4	1 5
Southampton	...	3	2	1	0	4	2 5
Leeds United	...	3	2	0	1	5	3 4
Leicester City	...	3	2	0	1	9	6 4
Hull City	...	3	1	2	0	8	7 4
Cardiff City	...	3	1	1	1	3	2 3
Doncaster Rovers	...	3	1	1	1	5	4 3
Barnsley	...	3	1	1	1	6	6 3
Grimsby Town	...	3	0	3	0	3	3 3
WEST HAM UNITED	...	3	1	1	1	5	7 3
Queens Park Rangers	...	3	1	1	1	4	7 3
LUTON TOWN	...	3	1	0	2	3	3 2
Chesterfield	...	3	0	2	1	4	5 2
Preston North End	...	3	1	0	2	4	5 2
Sheffield United	...	3	1	0	2	2	5 2
Brentford	...	3	0	0	3	3	7 0
Swansea Town	...	3	0	0	3	2	5 0
Bury	...	3	0	0	3	3	10 0
Notts. County	...	3	0	0	3	0	5 0

RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination

			1949/50		F. A.
Sat., Aug. 19	Cardiff City	...	0 2 A	0 1	
Wed., " 23	Northampton Town	...	1 0 H	1 2	
Sat., " 26	Arsenal	...	2 0 H		
Sat., Sept. 2	Birmingham City	...	2 4 A		
Mon., " 4	Swansea Town	...	2 2 H		
Sat., " 9	Millwall	...	0 0 H		
Thurs., " 14	Swansea Town	...	1 1 A		
Sat., " 16	Crystal Palace	...	0 1 A		
Thurs., " 21	Queens Park Rangers	...	3 2 A		
Sat., " 23	Fulham	...	3 1 H		
Tues., " 26	Southend United	...	1 0 H		
Sat., " 30	Southend United	...	0 0 H		
Thurs., Oct. 5	Northampton Town	...	3 3 A		
Sat., " 7	Leyton Orient	...	2 3 A		
" 14	Coventry City	...	4 1 H		
" 21	Leicester City	...	0 3 A		
" 28	Leyton Orient	...	2 1 H		
Sat., Nov. 4	Reading	...	0 0 A		
" 11	Cardiff City	...	0 0 H		
" 18	Millwall	...	1 3 A		
" 25	Leicester City	...	0 3 H		
Sat., Dec. 2	Arsenal	...	4 0 A		
" 9	Birmingham City	...	0 2 H		
" 16	Bristol Rovers	...	0 0 A		
" 23	Coventry City	...	1 1 H		
Mon., " 25	Reading	...	4 1 A		
Tues., " 26	Fulham	...	2 3 H		
Sat., " 30	Crystal Palace	...	1 2 H		
Sat., Jan. 6	Bristol Rovers	...	4 5 H		
" 13	Queens Park Rangers	...	1 0 H		
Sat., Jan. 27	Norwich City	...	2 4 H		
Sat., Feb. 3	Birmingham City	...	2 5 A		
" 10	Northampton Town	...	0 0 A		
" 17	Norwich City	...	1 3 A		
" 24	Birmingham City	...	3 2 H		
Sat., Mar. 3	Ipswich Town	...	2 3 A		
" 10	Leicester City	...	0 2 H		
" 17	Coventry City	...	1 5 A		
Fri., " 23	Northampton Town	...	0 3 H		
Sat., " 24	Watford	...	5 0 H		
" 31	Watford	...	0 3 A		
Sat., Apr. 7	Coventry City	...	2 0 H		
" 14	Leicester City	...	1 1 A		
" 21	Ipswich Town	...	0 0 H		
" 28		...			
Sat., May 5		...			

NEXT MATCHES

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