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No. 11.

9th December, 1950.

From the Board Room

THE successes gained in our earlier games this season, and the standard of football which had been reached has not been maintained in recent games, but this kind of thing happens to all teams at times for no apparent reason. The same players who brought those early successes still represent the Club apart from our regular left half-back, Noel Simpson, whose injury in the match against Doncaster Rovers lost us the services of this valuable player. He has started light training, but is still not ready to take his place in our senior eleven, and at the moment it is not possible to say when he will be. A player of Simpson's ability is bound to be missed, but his deputies, Alderton and Cook, in their turn, have given of their best, and we are confident that the present spell will be quickly overcome. The players who fought their way to the top of the league table can do so again.

We are fortunate that our nearest rivals, Manchester City and Blackburn Rovers have fared little better than ourselves in recent games, and the margin between us is therefore very small, one point only separating us from these two teams, who lead jointly with twenty six points to our twenty five. The season is still early, but it has reached a stage when a fairly accurate idea can be formed of the respective merits of the clubs. It has also shown, however, that the margin of difference between the twenty-two teams is not great, and that whichever clubs are ultimately successful in winning promotion have some hard games ahead of them.

Referring to our recent games, we could not begrudge Barnsley the home point they took from us, for they showed themselves to be an extremely well-balanced side, with a forward line as good as any seen here this season. The match was well-fought and even, and a draw a fair result. The game at Sheffield last Saturday was not so satisfactory, and the United were good value for their win. With some exceptions, our players were much below their usual form.

LUTON TOWN are well known to supporters for the many dour games that have been played between us in the past, and we welcome them to Coventry for today's game. Our visitors are experiencing their worst season since winning promotion to Division II in season 1936-37, and at the moment occupy bottom place in the league table with twelve points from nineteen games. Six of their nine away matches have been lost, but they have made creditable draws at Manchester, Nottingham, and Chesterfield. Honours were even between us last season, points going to the home side in each game.

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Thursday 14th December, 1950

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Saturday 16th December, 1950

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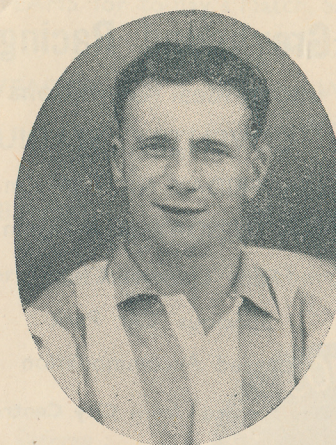
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League Tables

DIVISION I.										DIVISION II.									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.				P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.		
Arsenal	20	13	4	3	45	19	30	Manchester City	19	10	6	3	44	28	26				
Middlesbrough	20	11	6	3	45	25	28	Blackburn Rovers	20	11	4	5	33	27	26				
Newcastle United	20	11	6	3	37	27	28	COVENTRY CITY	20	11	3	6	41	23	25				
Tottenham H.	19	11	4	4	49	27	26	Barnley	20	9	5	6	47	27	23				
Wolverhampton W	19	10	3	6	40	25	23	Southampton	20	9	5	6	29	31	23				
Manchester United	20	9	5	6	22	15	23	Hull City	19	8	6	5	36	28	22				
Blackpool	20	8	5	7	36	29	21	Birmingham City	20	9	4	7	29	27	22				
Bolton Wanderers	19	9	3	7	35	33	21	Preston North End	20	9	3	8	34	29	21				
Burnley	19	6	8	5	25	21	20	Doncaster Rovers	19	7	7	5	26	23	21				
Derby County	19	8	3	8	37	32	19	West Ham United	19	9	3	7	33	33	21				
Liverpool	19	6	7	6	26	27	19	Sheffield United	19	7	6	6	34	27	20				
Portsmouth	19	6	7	6	32	35	19	Cardiff City	19	5	10	4	21	19	20				
Stoke City	20	5	9	6	22	27	19	Leeds United	19	7	5	7	28	26	19				
Fulham	20	7	5	8	27	35	19	Leicester City	19	6	6	7	30	29	18				
Huddersfield Town	20	7	4	9	31	51	18	Notts County	19	6	5	8	26	26	17				
Charlton Athletic	19	6	4	9	30	44	16	Swansea Town	19	7	2	10	28	36	16				
West Brom. Albion	20	5	5	10	26	29	15	Queen's Park R.	19	6	4	9	30	43	16				
Aston Villa	20	4	7	9	34	38	15	Chesterfield	20	4	8	8	21	33	16				
Sunderland	19	4	7	8	23	34	15	Brentford	20	6	4	10	26	46	16				
Chelsea	19	5	2	12	22	29	12	Bury	19	5	4	10	23	31	14				
Sheffield Wed.	20	4	4	12	29	49	12	Grimsby Town	19	3	6	10	31	47	12				
Everton	20	4	4	12	27	49	12	Luton Town	19	3	6	10	20	31	12				

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Section A.										Goals									
	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.				P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.		
Arsenal	20	13	4	3	44	16	30												
Southend United	22	13	4	5	50	25	30												
Swansea Town	22	9	8	5	40	26	26												
Northampton T.	24	11	3	10	38	32	25												
Queen's Park R.	22	9	5	8	38	41	23												
COVENTRY CITY	21	8	6	7	23	22	22												
Millwall	21	9	4	8	30	34	22												
Reading	22	8	5	9	25	23	21												
Luton Town	22	9	3	19	35	38	21												
Birmingham City	20	9	2	9	23	22	20												
Fulham	22	9	2	11	37	41	20												
Cardiff City	20	8	3	9	30	29	19												
Bristol Rovers	20	7	5	8	24	30	19												
Leicester City	22	6	5	11	30	45	17												
Crystal Palace	21	5	5	11	15	33	15												
Leyton Orient	21	3	6	12	21	46	12												

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Fixtures

League Division II.

1950	Opponents	F	A
Aug. 19	Notts County a	2	0
" 21	Leeds United h	1	0
" 26	Preston North End h	1	0
" 30	Leeds United a	0	1
Sept. 2	Bury a	0	1
" 6	Birmingham City a	1	1
" 9	Queen's Park Rangers h	3	0
" 11	Birmingham City h	3	1
" 16	Chesterfield a	1	1
" 23	Leicester h	2	1
" 30	Manchester City a	0	1
Oct. 7	Brentford a	4	0
" 14	Blackburn Rovers h	6	1
" 21	Hull City a	2	0
" 28	Doncaster Rovers h	3	1
Nov. 4	West Ham United a	2	3
" 11	Swansea Town h	3	1
" 18	Southampton a	4	5
" 25	Barnsley h	3	3
Dec. 2	Sheffield United a	0	2
" 9	Luton Town h		
" 16	Notts County h		
" 23	Preston North End a		
" 25	Cardiff City a		
" 26	Cardiff City h		
" 30	Bury h		
1951			
Jan. 6	3rd Round F.A. Cup		
" 13	Queen's Park Rangers a		
" 20	Chesterfield h		
" 27	4th Round F.A. Cup		
Feb. 3	Amateur International England v Ireland h		
" 3	Leicester City a		
" 10	5th Round F.A. Cup		
" 17	Manchester City h		
" 24	Brentford (6th Round) h		
Mar. 3	Blackburn Rovers a		
" 10	Hull City h		
" 17	Doncaster Rovers a		
" 23	Grimsby Town a		
" 24	West Ham United h		
" 27	Grimsby Town h		
" 31	Swansea Town a		
April 7	Southampton h		
" 14	Barnsley a		
" 21	Sheffield United h		
" 28	Luton Town a		

Football Combination

1950	Opponents	F	A
	League		
Aug. 19	Northampton Town h	1	2
" 23	Crystal Palace a	1	1
" 26	Queen's Park Rangers a	2	1
" 28	Leyton Orient h	3	0
Sept. 2	Arsenal h	2	1
" 4	Millwall h	1	1
" 9	Reading a	1	0
" 13	Birmingham City a	0	3
" 16	Leicester City h	2	0
" 21	Millwall a	1	2
" 23	Swansea Town a	1	2
" 25	Leicester City a	0	1
" 30	Cardiff City h	1	0
Oct. 5	Leyton Orient a	2	2
" 7	Southend United a	0	2
" 14	Luton Town a	3	1
" 21	Bristol Rovers h	0	0
Nov. 4	Crystal Palace h	0	0
" 11	Northampton Town a	1	0
" 18	Swansea Town h	0	0
" 25	Bristol Rovers a	1	1
Dec. 2	Fulham h	1	3
" 9	Fulham a		
" 23	Luton Town h		
" 25	Queen's Park Rangers h		
" 26	Cardiff City a		
" 30	Arsenal a		

1951			
Jan. 6	Southend United h		
" 13	Reading h		
	CUP COMPETITION		
Jan. 27	Ipswich Town a		
Feb. 10	Birmingham City h		
" 17	Leicester City a		
" 24	Northampton Town a		
Mar. 3	Norwich City h		
" 17	Luton Town h		
" 23	Watford h		
" 24	Norwich City a		
" 26	Watford a		
" 31	Northampton Town h		
April 7	Luton Town a		
" 14	Ipswich Town h		

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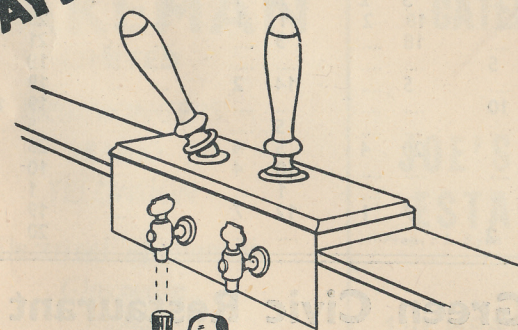
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	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G
Goalkeepers										
Gilbert, W. A.	1	9	10
Matthews, R. D.	9	9
Taylor, P. T.	21	21
Wood, A. R.	20	20
Full Backs										
Bell, J.	....	....	21	....	....	....	....	....	21	....
Crilly, A. O.	....	....	1	....	18	....	....	....	19	....
Jones, R. K.	....	....	15	....	3	....	....	....	18	....
Mason, R. J.	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....
Quinney, J.	....	....	6	....	15	3	....	....	21	3
Timmins, C.	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....
Half-backs										
Allderton, J. H.	5	....	12	1	....	....	....	....	17	1
Austin, J. F.	....	....	3	....	18	....	....	....	21	....
Barratt, H.	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	....
Begley, T. E.	....	....	1	....	14	1	....	....	15	1
Cook, L.	1	....	13	1	....	....	....	....	14	1
Cox, R. B.	....	....	9	....	7	....	....	....	16	....
Gray, W. M.	....	....	2	....	4	....	....	....	6	....
Mason, G. W.	....	....	19	....	1	....	....	....	20	....
McDonnell, M.	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....
Simpson, N. H.	15	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	2
Snape, J.	....	....	9	....	9	1	....	....	18	1
Forwards										
Allen, B. W.	18	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	7
Bradbury, W.	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	4	....
Chisholm, K. M.	20	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	14
Cresswell, P.	....	....	1	....	15	2	....	....	16	2
Evans, J. J.	1	....	12	7	4	1	....	....	17	8
Hart, H.	....	....	21	5	2	....	....	....	23	5
Hawkings, B.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....
Hill, J.	1	....	2	....	7	....	....	....	10	....
Hill, P.	1	....	5	2	3	1	....	....	9	3
Jamieson, J. W.	1	....	18	2	1	1	....	....	20	3
Lewis, T.	....	....	18	....	3	....	....	....	21	....
Lockhart, N.	19	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	5
Nutt, G. E.	5	14	2	19	2
Roberts, E.	19	10	19	10
Rollinson, W. K.	5	5
Shore, E.	20	4	5	4	25	8
Tallis, R.	10	4	10	4
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