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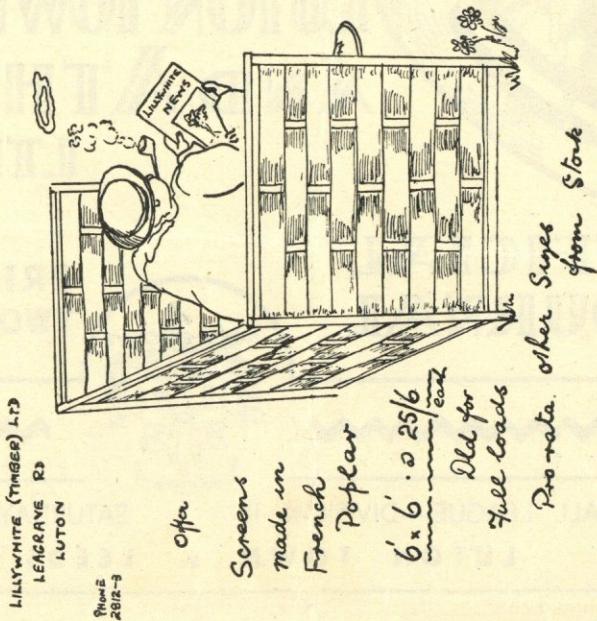
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## CLUB NOTES

QUITE an enjoyable game was seen here last Saturday when we had the pleasure of playing Aston Villa in a Friendly Match. As a rule these matches are not played with much zest but last Saturday both sides put into it all they had and a very interesting game was the result, despite the very muddy conditions under which it was played. With the final result always in the balance not many spectators had left the ground before the end, a tribute to both sides for the football they played. On this showing certainly Aston Villa, as well as ourselves, should not be occupying such lowly positions in our respective spheres.

Another hard game faces our lads today. Leeds United are our visitors and we welcome them once again to Kenilworth Road. Although at present placed eighth in the Table they are lying very handy should any of those above them come into a bad patch, and therefore a win for them today would be very useful. When we went to Elland Road earlier in the season we were beaten in the closing stages by the odd goal in three. Those who saw this match had resigned themselves to a drawn game when, as so often has happened to us this season, a goal was scored against us a few minutes from the end and so we returned from Leeds pointless, when we felt we at least had earned a share of the spoils. The previous week to that at Manchester if you remember a goal was scored against us in the closing minutes, but on that occasion we did share the two points. Leeds unfortunately for them will be without their regular Welsh International centre half, John Charles, who has been chosen to play for the Army against the French Army, at Lille today. This is a blow to them no doubt, but they were also deprived of his services last Saturday and Roy Kirk was promoted from the reserve side to fill the gap against Blackburn Rovers. We are told that although on the losing side this 20 year old making his League debut did not let his side down. Although Charles is a very strong defender his absence may not be such a blow to them after all.

We are very pleased that Pat McAuley has now reported fit and is able to take his place on the field today. His ankle has proved very troublesome but

now that he is fit again we are hoping there will be no further recurrence of the trouble. The point then arose as to which of the Wing Halves we should leave out for both have been playing very well lately. In the end it was decided to give Charlie Watkins a rest, for we felt a rest would do him no harm. Another change we have made from the team which did duty these last two home games is the substitution of Jack Taylor for newcomer Bernard Moore. Jack played Centre Forward last Saturday at Northampton and had a very good match, scoring two very fine opportunist goals. He has come back to the form he showed earlier, and with Moore finding the step from Southern League football to Second Division a little stiffer than he anticipated, we felt a time in the Stiffs would help to acclimatise him to the higher grade and so Taylor will take his place. We know Jack can do it—we all hope he takes this opportunity of proving it. Give him encouragement and we are sure he will not disappoint you.

Sid Owen has again been playing very well this season and so it is nice to know that his consistent good displays have not passed unnoticed by the Representatives of the Football Association for he has been invited to join the Australian Tour, which of course he has accepted. This Tour is intended to spread goodwill as well as to help in the development of the game of football in the Commonwealth and as we all know the great reputation the "Aussies" have for entertaining their guests, the players chosen will no doubt have a most enjoyable time. We are sure you will all wish Sid great success on this Tour.

The Stiffs these last two weeks have been playing some very attractive football, beating Northampton Reserves last Saturday by four goals to one, and although finishing on the losing side the previous Saturday at Birmingham by the odd goal in three were very unfortunate to come away empty of any reward in the shape of points. If they can hold their own at Norwich today it will be a splendid achievement. If they have then we trust a good few of you will come down here next Saturday when we hope to take our revenge on Birmingham City Reserves for that defeat of two weeks ago.

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	1949/50			
Sat., Aug. 19	<b>Brentford</b>	1 0	<b>H</b> 2	0 0
Thurs., "	West Ham United	0 0	<b>A</b> 1	2
Sat., "	Blackburn Rovers	0 0	<b>A</b> 0	1
Wed., "	West Ham United	2 2	<b>H</b> 1	1
Sat., Sept. 2	<b>Southampton</b>	1 1	<b>H</b> 0	1
Wed., "	<b>Bull City</b>	0 3	<b>H</b> 1	2
Sat., "	Barnsley	0 1	<b>A</b> 1	6
"	<b>Sheffield United</b>	1 3	<b>H</b> 0	0
"	Manchester City	1	<b>A</b> 1	1
"	Leeds United	1 2	<b>A</b> 1	2
Sat., Oct. 7	<b>Preston North End</b>	1 1	<b>H</b> 1	2
"	Notts. County	1	<b>A</b> 2	2
"	<b>Queens Park Rangers</b>	1 2	<b>H</b> 0	0
"	Bury	2 5	<b>A</b> 1	4
Sat., Nov. 4	<b>Leicester City</b>	1 0	<b>H</b> 0	2
"	Chesterfield	1 0	<b>A</b> 1	1
"	<b>Grimsby Town</b>	0 0	<b>H</b> 4	0
"	Birmingham City	...	<b>A</b> 0	3
Sat., Dec. 2	<b>Cardiff City</b>	0 0	<b>H</b> 1	1
"	Coventry City	0 1	<b>A</b> 1	4
"	Brentford	1 1	<b>A</b> 0	1
"	<b>Blackburn Rovers</b>	5 2	<b>H</b> 1	1
Tues., "	Swansea Town	0 0	<b>A</b> 2	0
Sat., "	<b>Swansea Town</b>	1 2	<b>H</b> 3	1
Sat., "	Southampton	1 2	<b>A</b> 1	1
Sat., Jan. 6	<b>Portsmouth (F.A. Cup—3)</b>	<b>H</b> 2	<b>0</b>	
"	Barnsley	3 1	<b>H</b> 1	1
"	Sheffield United	2 2	<b>A</b> 1	2
"	Bristol Rov. (F.A. Cup—4)	<b>H</b> 1	<b>A</b> 2	
Sat., Feb. 3	<b>Manchester City</b>	<b>H</b> 2	<b>2</b>	
"	Aston Villa (Friendly)	<b>H</b> 1	<b>2</b>	
"	Leeds United	1 0	<b>H</b>	
"	Preston North End (6)	1 0	<b>A</b>	
Sat., Mar. 3	Notts. County	0 3	<b>A</b>	
"	Queens Park Rangers	2 1	<b>H</b>	
Fri., "	Bury	...	<b>A</b>	
Sat., "	Doncaster Rovers	2 3	<b>A</b>	
Mon., "	Leicester City	2 3	<b>A</b>	
Sat., "	Doncaster Rovers	1 1	<b>H</b>	
Sat., "	Chesterfield	1 1	<b>H</b>	
Sat., Apr. 7	Grimsby Town	1 6	<b>A</b>	
"	Birmingham City	0 0	<b>H</b>	
"	Watford	2 0	<b>H</b>	
Sat., "	Coventry City	2 0	<b>H</b>	
Sat., May 5	Hull City	1 1	<b>A</b>	

	1949/50		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 19	Cardiff City	0 2	<b>A</b> 0	1
Wed., "	Northampton Town	1 0	<b>H</b> 1	2
Sat., "	Arsenal	2 0	<b>H</b> 1	2
Sat., Sept. 2	Birmingham City	2 4	<b>A</b> 0	2
Mon., "	Swansea Town	0 0	<b>H</b> 0	1
Thurs., "	Millwall	0 1	<b>A</b> 1	0
Sat., "	Swansea Town	0 1	<b>A</b> 1	0
Thurs., "	Crystal Palace	3 2	<b>A</b> 3	7
Sat., "	Queens Park Rangers	3 1	<b>H</b> 5	1
Tues., "	Fulham	3 1	<b>A</b> 2	2
Sat., "	Southend United	1 0	<b>A</b> 1	0
Sat., "	Southend United	0 0	<b>H</b> 2	1
Thurs., Oct. 5	Northampton Town	3 3	<b>A</b> 3	3
Sat., "	Leyton Orient	2 3	<b>A</b> 4	1
"	Coventry City	4 1	<b>H</b> 1	3
"	Leicester City	0 3	<b>A</b> 0	2
"	Leyton Orient	2 1	<b>H</b> 2	1
Sat., Nov. 4	Reading	0 0	<b>A</b> 1	2
"	Cardiff City	0 0	<b>H</b> 1	2
"	Millwall	1 3	<b>A</b> 3	4
"	Leicester City	0 3	<b>H</b> 2	1
Sat., Dec. 2	Arsenal	4 0	<b>A</b> 1	1
"	Bristol Rovers	0 0	<b>A</b> 4	5
"	Coventry City	1 1	<b>A</b> 2	2
Tues., "	Reading	4 1	<b>H</b> 1	1
Sat., "	Fulham	2 3	<b>A</b> 1	1
Sat., "	Crystal Palace	1 2	<b>H</b> 1	1
Sat., "	Queens Park Rangers	1 0	<b>H</b> 1	3

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	Jan. 27		Feb. 3		Birmingham City		Northampton Town		Norwich City		Birmingham City		Ipswich Town		Leicester City		Coventry City		Northampton Town		Watford		Watford		Coventry City		Leicester City		Ipswich Town		
Sat.,	27		19		2	5	A	1	2		0	5	A	4	1		17		15	2	3	A	1	2		23		20	A	4	1
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Sat.,			24		17		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
Sat.,			24		16		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
Sat.,			24		15		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
Sat.,			24		14		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
Sat.,			24		13		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
Sat.,			24		12		1	1			0	3	A	1	2		23		21	0	3	A	1	2		17		15	A	1	2
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