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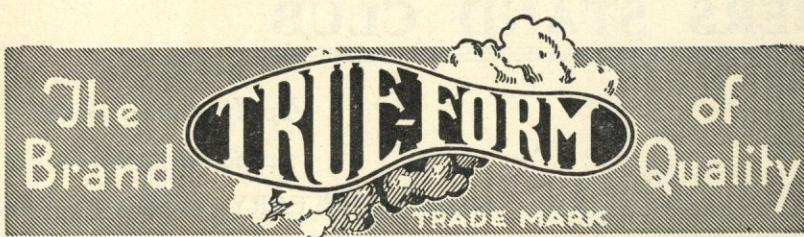
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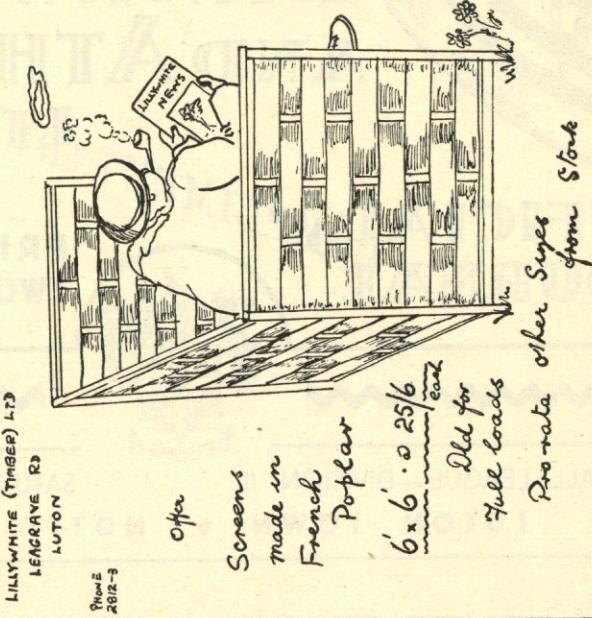
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CLUB NOTES

To come away from Deepdale last Saturday with only one goal scored against us was a very good achievement especially when seen Preston's splendid isolation at the top of the Table at the moment. Particularly is this better appreciated when the fact is taken into consideration that Bud Aherne was off the field for quite a time and when he did return it was to take up a wing position, for after his knock he did not know much about the rest of the game at all. Therefore with only ten effective men for such a large part of the game on the present leader's own ground and then to be defeated by the only goal is very creditable. Much credit for such a narrow defeat must go to Bernard Stretton for a very fine exhibition of custodianship, but all fought well and it was very pleasing to note that when Jacky Taylor took up the right half position when Bud had his accident he played very well and certainly did not appear out of position. We do lament the chance which was not taken by George Stobart when right through, his shot missing the upright by inches, and again when a Stobart "special" hit the back of the net from the edge of the penalty box only for the Referee to give him offside, a decision we strongly disagreed with, for it seemed to us to be a perfectly good goal. However a decision had been made and we had to abide by it, but it was very disappointing and of course we would have been well away if those two incidents had resulted in goals being credited to us. Week after week we are told by our successful opponents that we are playing too well to go down, but the fact remains that we continue to lose precious points week after week and now we are again holding everybody else up. We did think that the turn of the New Year would bring a change in our fortunes, but so far they have not materialised, but we keep hoping. The players certainly have not resigned themselves to appearing in a lower division next season.

The game here last week against Birmingham Reserves did us all good. Birmingham had by no means a poor team on the field, most of them having first team experience, but our lads in the second half especially played magnificent football and altogether we saw six lovely goals. If only the news from Preston had been better we who saw the Stiffs' match would have had a very nice week-end, despite the weather. A record of fifteen goals against seven in four matches, three of those away from home, is very good going, and the way these lads are playing at the moment is good entertainment. If they can avoid defeat at Ipswich today we hope to see a good crowd here next Saturday when the Stiffs play Leicester City Reserves.

We have a very attractive match here this afternoon when we have the pleasure of entertaining Notts. County in a League II fixture. After a very uncertain start the County seem to have found a good combination and are playing quite well just now. Last week at home, despite the absence of Lawton for quite a long time through a kick on the head in the first few minutes, they won comfortably against Sheffield United by three clear goals. The Notts. team for today's match was very uncertain

as these Notes were being penned, for Lawton was still in bed but was hopeful of being fit in time to play. We sincerely hope Tommy Lawton is here today for undoubtedly the County play much better to his leadership and he is still a good player whom spectators like to see. There is also Leon Leuty in the side whom some critics consider a better centre half these days than Franklin, and of course Jacky Sewell who has come right back into form and has been scoring quite a few goals lately. He and Sid Owen will be seeing quite a lot of each other soon, for both, as well as Frank Broome, have been selected to join the party travelling to Australia this next Close Season. With the weather at last showing signs of relenting after a long bad spell, we should see some very good football today on the former going.

We are very pleased to note that Ioerwerth Hughes has again been selected to play for his country against Ireland at Belfast on Wednesday next. Although Ivor has not been able to command a place in the senior side due to the brilliant displays of Bernard Stretton since his recall to the first team, it is very gratifying to note that the Welsh Selectors have not allowed this position to prejudice Ivor's chances of further recognition. We all at Luton sincerely hope he has a good match and further enhances his good reputation.

The Luton Band (most of us still think of it as the Luton Red Cross Band) is with us once more and we trust everybody will welcome their return. They are undoubtedly a very fine Band and everybody will be very happy if their return coincides with a return of our fortunes. A collection will be made by hand at half-time. Please all try and put something in the boxes. If each one of you merely places one penny in the box as it comes round the receipts of the Band will be increased by at least £50 each first team match. The lack of funds can be very stultifying to a Band of this size and so we ask you all to put something in the "kitty." The Band will be on duty here each first team match to the end of the season with the exception of our next home match against Bury in two weeks time. This is because of a previous engagement.

Next Saturday morning, kick-off 11 o'clock, the Bedfordshire County Schools F.A. are staging a match between Bedfordshire Boys and Berks., Bucks. and Oxon Boys. We hope quite a number of you will come down and see this match, for some very good football will undoubtedly be played by these youngsters. A strong side has been chosen to represent Bedfordshire, and Luton has not been overlooked, so that there will be some local interest in the match.

Another very interesting Boxing Tournament has been arranged by the Vauxhall Recreation Club for tonight, starting at 6.30. Some very good names appear in the Bill and those of you who saw the previous effort can be assured of seeing another one this evening equally as good. Tickets can be obtained at the Canteen Door, and the prices are Ringside Seats 10/-, Reserved Seats 6/- and Unreserved at 4/- and 2/- each.

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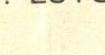
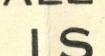
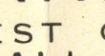
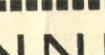
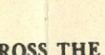
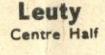
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- F SHEFFIELD UN GRIMSBY T.
- G SOUTHAMPTON CARDIFF C.
- H SWANSEA T. QUEEN'S P.R.
- K WEST HAM U. BURY
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- A COLCHESTER U. SOUTHERN U.
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- C NEWPORT CO' BRISTOL CITY
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FIRST XI Division II****F. A.**

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

**FIXTURES,
1950 - 51**

		1950 - 51	RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 19	Cardiff City	0 2 A 0 1		
Wed., "	Northampton Town	1 0 H 1 0		
Sat., "	Arsenal	2 0 0 1		
Sat., Sept. 2	Birmingham City	2 4 A 0 2		
Mon., "	Swansea Town	2 2 H 1 0		
Thurs., "	Millwall	0 0 H 1 2		
Sat., "	Swansea Town	1 1 A 2 0		
Sat., "	Crystal Palace	0 1 A 2 0		
Sat., "	Queens Park Rangers	3 2 A 3 7		
Sat., "	Fulham	3 1 H 5 1		
Tues., "	Southend United	1 0 A 0 1		
Sat., "	Southend United	0 0 H 2 1		
Thurs. Oct. 5	Northampton Town	3 3 A 3 3		
Sat., "	Leyton Orient	4 1 H 1 3		
"	Coventry City	2 3 A 0 2		
"	Leicester City	2 1 H 2 1		
Sat., Nov. 4	Reading	0 0 A 1 2		
"	Cardiff City	1 1 A 2 4		
"	Millwall	1 3 A 3 4		
"	Leicester City	0 3 H 2 1		
Sat., Dec. 2	Arsenal	4 0 A 1 1		
"	Birmingham City	0 2 H 2 1		
"	Bristol Rovers	0 0 A 4 5		
"	Coventry City	1 1 A 2 1		
Mon., "	Reading	4 1 H 1 1		
Tues., "	Fulham	2 3 A 1 1		
Sat., "	Crystal Palace	1 2 H 1 1		
Sat., Jan. 6	13	20 Queens Park Rangers	1 0 H 1 3	
Sat., Jan. 27	Combination Cup			
Sat., Feb. 3	Birmingham City	2 5 A 1 2		
"	Northampton Town	0 0 A 4 1		
"	Norwich City	1 3 A 4 4		
"	Birmingham City	3 2 H 6 0		
Sat., Mar. 3	Ipswich Town	2 3 A		
"	Leicester City	0 2 H		
"	Coventry City	1 5 A		
Fri., "	Northampton Town	0 3 H		
Sat., "	Watford	5 0 H		
"	Watford	0 3 A		
Sat., Apr. 7	Coventry City	2 0 H		
"	Leicester City	1 1 A		
"	Ipswich Town	0 0 H		
Sat., May 5				

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

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Preston North End	31	19	4	8	64	35	42
Blackburn Rovers	31	16	6	9	54	46	38
Manchester City	29	14	9	6	62	45	37
Cardiff City	30	13	11	6	44	32	37
Coventry City	31	15	5	11	60	43	35
Leeds United	30	14	6	10	49	42	34
Birmingham City	30	13	6	11	46	43	32
West Ham United	30	12	8	10	52	52	32
Doncaster Rovers	30	11	10	9	46	51	32
Leicester City	30	11	9	10	49	39	31
NOTTS COUNTY	30	12	7	11	55	47	31
Southampton	29	12	7	10	44	51	31
Sheffield United	29	11	8	10	49	43	30
Hull City	30	10	10	10	52	50	30
Barnsley	31	11	7	13	58	46	29
Brentford	32	11	7	14	49	61	29
Queens Park Rangers	30	10	7	13	51	63	27
Grimsby Town	30	6	10	14	49	70	22
Chesterfield	31	6	10	15	31	48	22
Swansea Town	30	10	2	18	37	60	22
Bury	31	8	5	18	42	63	21
LUTON TOWN	30	5	10	15	34	48	20

COMBINATION CUP — Section III

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Coventry City	4	2	1	1	5	2	5
LUTON TOWN	4	2	1	1	15	7	5
Norwich City	4	1	3	0	9	5	5
Ipswich Town	4	2	1	1	5	4	5
Birmingham City	5	2	1	2	7	13	5
Leicester City	4	1	2	1	5	4	4
Watford	4	0	2	2	3	9	2
Northampton Town	3	0	1	2	3	8	1

NEXT MATCHES

Wednesday, March 7th, 1951

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