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7 Outside Right <b>L. A. UREL</b> (Chile)	8 Inside Right <b>A. BURA</b> (African)	9 Centre Forward <b>P. O. PLAR</b> (French)	10 Inside Left <b>M. A. RITIMEPINE</b> (French)	11 Outside Left <b>B. IRCH</b> (Finland)

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*Miracles still happen every week on many grounds*

*Around the Country, up and down*

*Nothing is impossible in methods old or new*

*For miracles still happen and the wildest hopes come true*

*Believe, and dare to hope, the strangest chance is always there*

*Who knows, it may be our turn next to meet a miracle somewhere*

*But unhappy thinking brings us very low, it frays the mind and undermines our will*

*And casts a shadow over all we do, and in the end can even make us ill*

*Smiling fetches smiles and courage carries courage back*

*It pays to give cheers when games are dull and things look black*

*For when bickering begins it often takes an ugly trend*

*The results that are given can injure us in the end*

*Therefore we must not let this habit grow of brooding upon things we cannot change*

*But open our mouths and hearts to hopes uplifting range*

*As obstacles that seem immense and block the future way*

*Have a disappearing manner on another day*

*If we turn and face them with grim determination*

*And push them back with courage in the place of consternation*

*Think of the players and give them a cheer*

*Not only today but all through the year*

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## CLUB NOTES

It was a very nice and welcome point that we brought away with us from Doncaster last Saturday, especially after our lapse from grace the previous Saturday here at home against Brentford. It was a ding-dong struggle from first to last at the Belle View Ground, and although our goal was very fortunate in that it was scored direct from a corner kick taken by Roy Davies, who incidentally opened his account by so doing, we came away feeling that we had well-earned the point, and in fact might have brought home all the bacon if George Stobbart had connected properly with a chance only ten minutes from the final whistle. It would have been a brilliant goal if it had come off, and the Doncaster supporters heaved a sigh of relief when they found that the ball had passed just the wrong side (for us) of the post with the goalkeeper well beaten. The point kept us nicely in the running at the top of the Table, but if only we had bagged those two points against Brentford!

Everton, whom we have very much pleasure in welcoming here today, are breaking new ground in visiting Luton. The only other time apart from this season when Everton were in the Second Division was season 1930/31 when after being relegated at the end of the 1929/30 season they went straight back into the First Division after only one season in the Second. Apart from the season 1930/31 and the present, Everton have been members of the senior division since they were accepted as one of the original twelve members in 1888. Following their return to the First Division in 1931/32 they showed their return to the fold was no fluke by finishing as Champions, an honour they have experienced no fewer than five times. They have also figured five times in F.A. Cup Finals, twice successfully—against Newcastle United in 1905/6 when they won 1-0, and against Manchester City in 1932/33, the last time they appeared in a Final, when the "Toffees" won by three clear goals. Their other appearances in the Final, all on the losing side, were against Wolverhampton Wanderers 1892/93, when they lost 1-0, against Aston Villa 1896/97, when the score was 3-2, and against Sheffield Wednesday 1906/7 with the score 2-1. It will be noticed that each time they lost it was only by the odd goal, and another interesting point is that after winning the League Championship in 1931/32, following promotion from the Second Division, they won the Cup the following season. Everton therefore have a very fine tradition behind them and it gives us much pleasure to meet them. Perhaps today we will make some amends for that defeat we suffered at Goodison Park, on 4th March, 1933, when, on the only occasion our two Clubs have previously met, we were soundly trounced in 6th Round of the F.A. Cup to the tune of 6 goals to nil.

At the time these Notes were being prepared we were not sure what our line-up would be today. Sid Owen and Jack Taylor were still receiving treatment, but it was expected that they would be

playing and Bert Mitchell was just out of bed feeling very groggy after his bout of sickness; but we were hoping all would be passed fit at the test out on Friday morning. Wally Shanks is of course still experiencing difficulty in getting about due to the plaster on his leg, although this was changed last Monday and is a bit easier for movement. John Groves is almost fit and in fact could have played today if it was absolutely necessary, so that we should be seeing him playing on Saturday next here against Bristol Rovers. It was a very nasty injury that John suffered against Bristol City on 5th September last, but he has come through alright and now we hope that he will be able to escape any further injury and given a chance to really show his paces before he is called up.

We would like to draw your attention to a new publication this season called "Charles Buchan's Football Monthly." It is a most readable magazine, full of football lore, with articles by leading personalities in the game today and those of the past, an article by Charlie Buchan himself in serial form called "A life-time in Football," a little bit on Boxing, a few jokes, etc. and all for 1/6 a month, obtainable at all Newsagents.

We are sorry the Luton Band will not be with us today but they are competing in the National Brass Band Festival, at the Royal Albert Hall, this afternoon and therefore cannot be present here. The Committee apologise for their inability to play here this afternoon, but of course such an occasion cannot be missed. We wish them, if it is not too late, every success in their efforts this afternoon to win the Championship. We thought you would like us to send them a telegram wishing them all the best, and this has been done. It would be very nice to see the Luton Band win the Championship once more, but competition is very fierce and it is indeed an honour to whichever band is judged the winners.

Next Saturday morning the Luton Schoolboys meet North Bucks. Schoolboys, at Kenilworth Road, in the 2nd Round of the English Schools' Trophy Competition, kick-off 11 a.m. Our lads played very well to knock out the North Herts. Boys in the First Round, and we hope a lot more of you than on that occasion will see our boys win the privilege of appearing in the 3rd Round. They are well worth coming to see.

On Saturday morning last, unfortunately before a very poor crowd, Bedfordshire Youth beat Middlesex Youth by three goals to two in a County Trial Match in preparation for the F.A. County Youth Championship matches later. When it is remembered that the Middlesex side won the Championship last season after being runners-up in the previous two seasons, it will be realised that our lads' performance was no mean one. The Bedfordshire lads played some delightful football at times, and were well worthy of their win. We do hope that if these lads have the opportunity of again playing at Kenilworth Road that there will be more people to see them play and to encourage them in their efforts to go right through the various rounds to the final. As they played last Saturday such a possibility is not beyond their powers.



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2  
**Cooke**  
Right Back

4  
**Watkins**  
Right Half

7  
**Davies**  
Outside Right

8  
**Moore**  
Inside Right

Referee—

Mr. J. R. DUNBAR  
(Stapleford, Notts.)

11  
**Parker**  
Outside Left

10  
**Buckle**  
Inside Left

6  
**Farrell**  
Left Half

3  
**Lindsay**  
Left Back

### EVERTON

Shirts Royal Blue  
Knickers White  
Stockings Blue and White

Streten  
Goal

5  
**Owen**  
Centre Half

9  
**Stobbart**  
Centre

5  
**Hinson**  
Centre

5  
**Lindley**  
Centre Half

Leyland  
Goal

### Football League—Division II

3  
**Aherne**  
Left Back

6  
**Taylor, J.**  
Left Half

10  
**Davie**  
Inside Left

11  
**Mitchell**  
Outside Left

Linesmen—

Red Flag: Mr. D. R. Wildman  
(Kettering)

Orange Flag: Mr. N. ONLEY-WILDE  
(Blackheath)

8  
**Fielding**  
Inside Right

7  
**McNamara**  
Outside Right

4  
**Donovan**  
Right Half

2  
**Jones**  
Right Back

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