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SATURDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>st</sup>, 1953

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J. COLLIER, *Hon. Treasurer*

## CLUB NOTES

WHAT a magnificent performance our lads gave before you here last Saturday, in beating that great Cup fighting team, Blackburn Rovers, by such a resounding margin. We fully expected a great battle, and to some extent it was, for not until Bernard Moore had popped in the fourth goal did we feel at all safe, but at the same time our defence always appeared to have the measure of their opponents and were never drawn much out of position. The start of the match was one of which all home supporters dream, that is to be a goal up in the first few minutes, and thanks to a very well taken goal by Arthur Taylor in the very first minute we enjoyed that advantage. This was a dream debut if you like for Arthur, for it was from his very first kick in the senior side that he scored, and when he repeated the performance fifteen minutes later following a very fine goal by Jesse Pye the fans indeed had something to shout about, of which they took full advantage. Jesse went on to score a very well-earned hat trick, the second against Blackburn in less than two months. His second goal was a wonderful effort, for he completely beat the Centre Half in most clever fashion inside the centre circle and despite the attentions of Backs and Goalkeeper, as well as being somewhat handicapped by the thick mud, put the ball most calmly into the back of the net. And then when he scored his hat trick a few minutes later there never was such a cheer as rent the air around Kenilworth Road. Altogether a great performance by all concerned, for we must not forget that the defence played their part in this great victory most manfully—many another defence would have gone under against the furious onslaughts the Rovers mounted up against them—but they stood steadfast right through and deserve the highest praise.

Although we shall not be receiving our allocation of tickets from Manchester until next Friday at the earliest we do know the number we can expect, and have decided that all Season Ticket Holders shall be entitled to **one** ticket only if applied for personally by noon on Wednesday, 28th January on production of Green Slip marked "Round 4." Do not however tear this slip out of your book in case it is required in the event of a replay. No ticket will be issued without the production of the said Green Slip at the time of your application. After taking out these tickets and a few for Officials and Players the balance is being sent to the Bobbers Club for distribution by them. Anyone therefore, apart from season ticket holders, desirous of obtaining a ticket is advised to contact the Bobbers Club direct, as quickly as possible. Any applications received at the Football Club Offices will be returned as there will be no tickets available to meet them. A further point we must mention here is that our allocation of 7/6 and 5/6 tickets together are not enough to cover our season ticket holders alone. Therefore quite a few season ticket holders will have to be satisfied with 4/6 tickets, but the Board is being as fair as it can and have decided that tickets to all sources shall be on a percentage basis. The Office will be open each day except Saturdays and Sundays from 9.30 a.m. until 6 p.m., but please do not call before Friday.

January 23rd, as the Staff cannot take orders from season ticket holders before the tickets are received. We are sorry we cannot make any concession in the way of an allocation of tickets to parties travelling by coach. The matter has received much consideration but the whole of our allocation would not be sufficient to meet the needs of enquiries so far made and it has therefore been decided that as we cannot satisfy all—and it would be most unfair to try and satisfy just a few—no tickets be set aside for this purpose. But there will no doubt be plenty of room apart from seats, for the ground capacity at Maine Road is 86,000, only 8,000 of which is seating accommodation. There is also a counter attraction in that the United are at home to Walthamstow Avenue, so there will be plenty of elbow room. We did not like making this decision for we realise quite an appreciable amount of our support comes from outlying districts served by these Coaches, but circumstances forced the final decision and we trust you will all accept it in that light.

We welcome Fulham to Kenilworth Road again after an absence of three seasons. This match today is an important one for them, for a win would bring them once again reasonable hopes of promotion but we ourselves have similar aspirations and it is therefore a crucial needle match for both of us. Fulham's F.A. Cup match, at Bolton, last Saturday, was postponed, but when it was played last Wednesday, at Bolton, the "Wanderers" ran out winners by three goals to one. There have however been four changes made in the Fulham side which did duty last Wednesday, as compared with the line up today, and it is noticed that Arthur Stevens is back again after a few weeks absence through injury, allowing our old player, Bobby Brennan, to resume his normal position of Inside Left. Fulham's two away wins to date are against Birmingham, who were beaten 4 goals to 1 and at Nottingham, where the Forest were beaten by the only goal scored.

Besides the special arrangements British Railways are making for the journey to Manchester on January 31st, they have agreed to run a Special Excursion to Upton Park next Saturday, when we are due to meet West Ham United. Times of departure, etc. will be announced as soon as possible but we do know that the return fare will be 6/-. Anyone desirous of making this journey please contact the Station Booking Office as soon as possible and so give them some idea before the day of the number for which they are expected to cater.

Before closing these Notes we feel we must mention that Luton Schoolboys will be playing at Plymouth on the Home Park Ground next Saturday, kick-off 11 a.m., when they meet Plymouth Schoolboys in the Fifth Round of the English Schools' Shield. This is the longest trip our Schoolboys have ever made, and of course means them leaving home fairly early on Friday. These boys have done remarkably well to reach the present stage of this Competition, having beaten S.E. Beds. (away) 6-0, Barnet (home) 6-1, Peterborough (home) 3-0 and Watford (away) 3-0 to do so. Our thoughts will be with you, boys, and we hope to give the result of this match over the "mike" during the afternoon when we will have Leicester City Reserves as visitors.

## THE COVERMAN

**Arthur Alexander Taylor**

Arthur Taylor was born in Lambeg, only eight miles from Belfast, on 5th April, 1931. Played for his School, then on to a Belfast Youth Team, being chosen on 10 occasions to appear in Youth Internationals for Ireland, as an Inside Forward. Signed for Glentoran F.C., season 1948/49, spotted by Luton Directors and Manager when playing against Doncaster Rovers in the close season, 1950. Signed for Luton Town, 9th June, 1950.

Converted from Inside Forward to Outside Left, season 1951/52, where he has settled down and played some brilliant games on the wing, scoring 10 goals in the Combination side this season. Made his first appearance in the senior side at Outside Left, against Blackburn Rovers in the F.A. Cup, on 10th January, 1953, and within one minute had scored his first goal with his very first kick of the ball. Fifteen minutes later scored another brilliant goal and altogether had a most successful debut.



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11 Mitten  
Outside Left  
6 Hill  
Left Half  
10 Brennan  
Inside Left  
3 Lowe, R.  
Left Back

## FULHAM

Shirts Blue  
Knickers White  
Stockings Blue

Baynham  
Goal

5 Owen  
Centre Half

9 Pye  
Centre



1 Jezard  
Centre

Taylor  
Centre Half

FLACK  
Black  
Goal

## Football League—Division II

3 Aherne  
Left Back

6 Shanks  
Left Half

10 Turner  
Inside Left

11 Taylor  
Outside Left

Linesmen—  
Red Flag: Mr. C. A. JACKS  
(Birmingham)  
Orange Flag: Mr. D. H. HOWELL  
(Birmingham)

8 Robson  
Inside Right

7 Stevens  
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4 Lowe, E.  
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2 Wilson PAVITT  
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NOTE: The letter in the Programme corresponds with the letter on the Board—thus A 0-1 means that the first-named club has scored 0 and their opponents 1.

**FIRST LIST**

A ARSENAL	.....	WOLVES	.....
B BLACKPOOL	.....	ASTON VILLA	.....
C CARDIFF C.	.....	TOTTENHAM	.....
D CHARLTON	.....	WEDNESDAY	.....
E CHELSEA	.....	BOLTON W	.....
F DERBY CO'	.....	SUNDERLAND	.....
G LIVERPOOL	.....	MANCH. CITY	.....
H MANCH. UN.	.....	PORTSMOUTH	.....
K MIDDLESBRO'	.....	STOKE CITY	.....
L NEWCASTLE	.....	BURNLEY	.....
M WEST BROM.	.....	PRESTON	.....
N BARNLEY	.....	HUDDERSFIELD	.....

**SECOND LIST**

A BIRMINGHAM	.....	WEST HAM	.....
B BLACKBURN	.....	BRENTFORD	.....
C BURY	.....	LEICESTER C.	.....
D HULL CITY	.....	DONCASTER	.....
E LEEDS UNITED	.....	ROTHERHAM	.....
F LINCOLN C.	.....	SWANSEA T.	.....
G NOTTS. FOR.	.....	EVERTON	.....
H SHEFFIELD UN.	.....	PLYMOUTH	.....
K SOUTHAMPTON	.....	NOTTS. CO'TY	.....
L BRISTOL CITY	.....	NEWPORT	.....
M CRYSTAL PAL.	.....	MILLWALL A.	.....
N GILLINGHAM	.....	BRISTOL ROV.	.....

**THIRD LIST**

A IPSWICH T.	.....	BOURNEM'UTH	.....
B LEYTON O.	.....	SOUTHEND	.....
C NORTHANTS	.....	WATFORD	.....
D QUEEN'S P.R.	.....	NORWICH C.	.....
E READING	.....	ALDERSHOT	.....
F SHREWSBURY	.....	COVENTRY	.....
G SWINDON T.	.....	COLCHESTER	.....
H TORQUAY	.....	BRIGHTON	.....
K WALSALL	.....	EXETER CITY	.....
L MANSFIELD	.....	YORK CITY	.....
M OLDHAM A.	.....	GRIMSBY T.	.....
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F. A.

		1951/52		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 23	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	A	1 2
Wed., .. 27	Birmingham City	...	2 4	H	0 1
Sat., .. 30	Rotherham United	...	1 1	H	2 1
Wed., Sept. 3	Birmingham City	...	1 3	A	2 2
Sat., .. 6	Fulham	...	...	A	0 2
Wed., .. 10	Swansea Town	...	2 2	H	3 1
Sat., .. 13	West Ham United	...	6 1	H	0 0
Thurs., .. 18	Swansea Town	...	3 0	A	2 4
Sat., .. 20	Leicester City	...	3 3	A	1 1
Sat., .. 27	Notts County	...	6 0	H	5 1
Sat., Oct. 4	Southampton	...	3 2	A	3 1
Sat., .. 11	Huddersfield	...	...	A	0 3
Sat., .. 18	Sheffield United	...	2 1	H	4 1
Sat., .. 25	Barnsley	...	2 1	A	3 2
Sat., Nov. 1	Lincoln City	...	...	H	4 0
Sat., .. 8	Hull City	...	2 1	A	2 0
Sat., .. 15	Blackburn Rovers	...	1 1	H	6 0
Sat., .. 22	Nottingham Forest	...	0 2	A	3 4
Sat., .. 29	Everton	...	1 1	H	4 2
Sat., Dec. 13	Doncaster Rovers	...	1 4	H	1 2
Sat., .. 20	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	H	1 0
Fri., .. 26	Leeds United	...	2 1	H	2 0
Sat., .. 27	Leeds United	...	1 1	A	2 2
Sat., Jan. 3	Rotherham United	...	1 0	A	3 1
Sat., .. 10	Blackburn (F.A. Cup-3)	...	...	H	6 1
Sat., .. 17	Fulham	...	...	H	...
Sat., .. 24	West Ham United	...	0 3	A	...
Sat., .. 31	Manchester C. (F.A. Cup-4)	...	...	A	...
Sat., Feb. 7	Leicester City	...	1 2	H	A
Sat., .. 14	Notts. County (5)	...	4 5	H	A
Sat., .. 21	Southampton	...	2 1	H	A
Sat., .. 28	Huddersfield (6)	...	...	H	A
Sat., Mar. 7	Sheffield United	...	0 3	A	A
Sat., .. 14	Barnsley	...	4 2	H	A
Sat., .. 21	Lincoln City	...	...	A	A
Sat., .. 28	Hull City	...	1 1	H	A
Fri., April 3	Bury	...	1 0	A	A
Sat., .. 4	Blackburn Rovers	...	1 2	A	A
Mon., .. 6	Bury	...	2 1	H	A
Sat., .. 11	Nottingham Forest	...	3 3	H	A
Sat., .. 18	Everton	...	3 1	A	A
Sat., .. 25	Brentford	...	0 2	H	A
Sat., May 2	Doncaster Rovers	...	1 1	A	A
To be arranged	Brentford	...	3 3	A	A

**LEAGUE DIVISION II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Sheffield United	27	16	6	5	64	38	38
Huddersfield	25	14	7	4	45	18	35
Leicester City	25	13	5	7	61	49	31
LUTON TOWN	24	13	4	7	54	33	30
Birmingham City	25	11	7	7	42	39	29
Notts Forest	25	13	2	10	54	41	28
West Ham United	25	9	10	6	37	31	28
Rotherham Utd.	26	13	2	11	51	43	28
Plymouth Argyle	25	11	6	8	37	34	28
FULHAM	25	11	5	9	49	43	27
Leeds United	25	8	10	7	40	33	26
Notts County	25	9	5	11	39	50	23
Blackburn Rovers	26	10	3	13	35	46	23
Everton	24	8	6	10	39	36	22
Brentford	24	8	5	11	35	43	21
Doncaster Rovers	24	6	9	9	32	42	21
Swansea Town	25	6	9	10	43	58	21
Hull City	25	8	4	13	36	45	20
Lincoln City	24	4	12	8	31	44	20
Bury	25	7	6	12	32	48	20
Southampton	26	5	7	14	44	58	17
Barnsley	25	5	4	16	32	60	14

Saturday, 24th January, 1953

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

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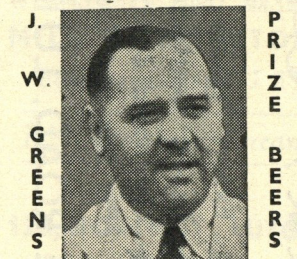
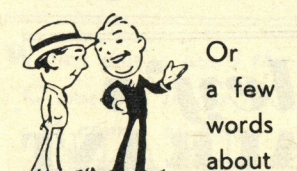
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		1951/52		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 23	Bristol Rovers	...	2 7	H	5 1
Thurs., .. 28	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	A	1 0
Sat., .. 30	Watford	...	1 1	A	1 1
Wed., Sept. 3	Brighton & Hove A.	...	2 3	H	4 4
Sat., .. 6	Southend United	...	...	H	4 1
Thurs., .. 11	Leyton Orient	...	...	A	2 1
Sat., .. 13	Bournemouth & B.	...	0 4	A	3 3
Wed., .. 17	Leyton Orient	...	...	H	7 2
Sat., .. 20	Aldershot	...	...	H	2 0
Sat., .. 27	Leicester City	...	...	A	2 1
Wed., Oct. 1	Brighton & Hove Albion	...	4 4	A	6 3
Sat., .. 4	Bristol City	...	5 2	H	4 2
Wed., .. 8	Swindon Town	...	1 1	A	2 1
Sat., .. 11	Swansea Town	...	...	H	1 1
Wed., .. 15	Swindon Town	...	3 3	H	5 1
Sat., .. 18	Ipswich Town	...	1 1	A	2 0
Sat., .. 25	Crystal Palace	...	...	H	1 0
Sat., Nov. 1	Brentford	...	...	A	7 1
Sat., .. 8	Brentford	...	...	H	4 1
Sat., .. 22	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	H	4 1
Sat., .. 29	Bristol City	...	0 1	A	3 0
Sat., Dec. 13	Crystal Palace	...	...	A	2 3
Sat., .. 20	Bristol Rovers	...	3 2	A	5 3
Thurs., .. 25	Aldershot	...	...	A	4 0
Sat., Jan. 3	Watford	...	2 1	H	3 0
Sat., .. 10	Swansea Town	...	...	A	...
Sat., .. 24	Leicester City	...	...	H	...
To be arranged	Southend United	...	...	A	...
"	Bournemouth & B.	...	2 1	H	...
"	Ipswich Town	...	1 2	H	...
Combination Cup					
Sat., Jan. 31	Watford	...	0 2	H	...
Sat., Feb. 7	Coventry City	...	1 1	A	...
Sat., .. 14	Coventry City	...	2 2	H	...
Sat., .. 21	Leicester City	...	2 4	A	...
Sat., .. 28					
Sat., Mar. 7	Northampton Town	...	5 3	H	...
Sat., .. 14	Ipswich Town	...	1 3	A	...
Sat., .. 21	Norwich City	...	1 1	A	...
Sat., .. 28	Watford	...	1 2	A	...
Fri., April 3	Norwich City	...	6 2	H	...
Sat., .. 4	Ipswich Town	...	4 0	H	...
Sat., .. 11	Northampton Town	...	1 1	A	...
Sat., .. 18	Birmingham City	...	3 3	H	...
Sat., .. 25					
To be arranged	Birmingham City	...	3 3	A	...
"	Leicester City	...	1 1	H	...

**LEAGUE TABLES, 1952-53**Up to and including  
Thursday, 15th January, 1953**FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Division II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
LUTON TOWN	25	19	5	1	84	30	43
Leicester City	25	19	3	3	77	30	41
Ipswich Town	25	12	7	6	40	27	31
Swansea Town	28	12	7	9	48	33	31
Bournemouth	28	9	10	9	38	31	28
Brighton & Hove A.	29	10	8	11	70	63	28
Queens Park Rangers	26	11	5	10	26	32	27
Aldershot	27	10	7	10	35	43	27
Bristol Rovers	27	7	12	8	42	49	26
Crystal Palace	28	10	6	12	36	46	26
Watford	28	8	8	12	36	40	24
Leyton Orient	27	8	6	13	32	45	22
Brentford	26	8	4	14	28	51	20
Swindon Town	26	8	4	14	26	56	20
Southend United	27	7	3	17	39	62	17
Bristol City	26	6	5	15	29	48	17

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