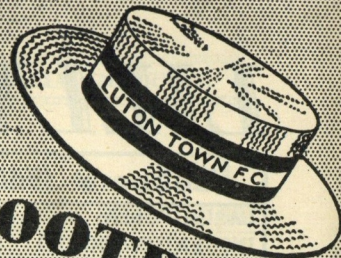




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CLUB NOTES

AFTER our very successful opening match of the season when we so decisively beat Notts. Forest here at Kenilworth Road by three clear goals we have since struck some very heavy weather and have nothing to show for the two further matches played. Admittedly they were both played "away," but we were hoping we would be successful in at least avoiding defeat in view of the splendid display our lads gave us here. If all the chances at both the away matches had been accepted a quite different story would be told for we should certainly have come away from Bury last Tuesday with at least a point and at Ipswich last Saturday, although the home team had most of the play, there were four occasions when Parry the goalkeeper knew little about how the ball was kept from entering his net. Their second goal was scored while Bernard Streten was lying on the ground after being knocked unconscious while going up to collect a high ball on his goal line. We were absolutely amazed to find that the goal was allowed to stand, particularly as some Referees will not even allow goalkeepers to be charged. We would not deny Ipswich their glory of a win on their very first game at home in the Second Division for they played with great enthusiasm and no little skill, but the result might easily have gone the other way when taking into consideration all the chances offered throughout the match.

These last two matches have caused the Manager to wonder if we are adopting the right policy by the centre forward lying deep to distribute the ball from somewhere near the centre of the field. Against Notts. Forest it proved successful and the system as we play it certainly provides some very entertaining football but at the moment it leaves the Manager wondering whether to give the policy more time in which to settle down, in which case—like Chattaway's race last Sunday—it may be too late to catch up the leeway, or to go boldly now for a more orthodox field which has proved quite successful in the past although not as successful as we would have

wished. It is, of course, quite early in the season yet and it could be that the effectiveness of our present policy will take time to settle down into a really effective force but those two defeats do give the Manager room for thought. It must not be forgotten too that already injuries have hit us rather badly, although thank goodness not nearly so severe as they were this time last year.

Our Reserves, after their splendid and very satisfying win over Northampton Reserves here last Saturday when we won by eight goals to two with two splendid hat tricks by Terry Kelly and 'Sos' Allen, went to Coventry last Monday night to try and get back the point they dropped to Coventry here, last Wednesday, when being held to a draw, but our youngsters found the task a bit beyond them and in the end were defeated by three clear goals. A very pleasing thing about these three Reserve team matches however is that Alan Collier, not yet seventeen years old, and who was called in because of Ron Baynham's injury received during the Practice Match, proved himself to be a goalkeeper of the future. His positioning and anticipation are very good for one so young, and he fully deserved the very warm-hearted ovation he received at half time last Saturday. Ron Baynham must, of course, come back now that he is fit, but it is gratifying to know that we have a boy gaining experience all the time in the Metropolitan League, ready to fill the breach in this last line of defence when required to do so.

On the front cover for this match we have the photograph of our Captain and International player Sid Owen. Apart from the many representative honours which have come his way in the past Sid gained his first full professional cap versus Yugoslavia in May this year and was further capped against Belgium and Hungary in the World Cup matches in Switzerland. These honours were richly deserved by this great hearted player and we are confident that further recognition will come his way.

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Inside Right

Streten
Goal

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Owen
Centre Half

9
Pye
Centre

Referee—

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11
Law
Outside Left

10
Pearson
Inside Left

6
Bardsley
Left Half

3
Massey
Left Back

12
Kelly
Centre

5
Neilson
Centre Half

Goram
Goal

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Football League—Division II

3
Aherne
Left Back

6
Smith
Left Half

10
Cummins
Inside Left

11
Adam
Outside Left

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Clarke
Inside Right

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Simm
Outside Right

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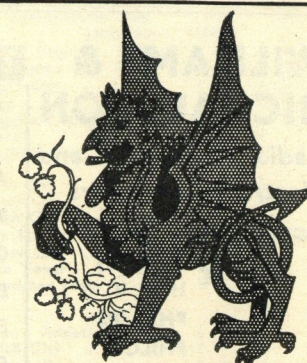
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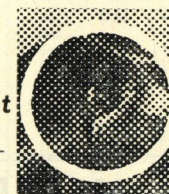


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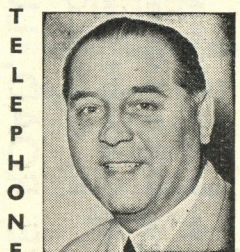
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Sat., Aug. 21	Notts. Forest	19,832	0 1 H	3 0
Tues., " 24	Bury	15,535	1 0 A	1 2
Sat., " 28	Ipswich Town	20,265	... A	1 3
Wed., Sept. 1	Bury	...	3 2 H	
Sat., " 4	Birmingham City	...	2 0 H	
Wed., " 8	Lincoln City	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 11	Middlesbrough	...	... A	
Wed., " 15	Lincoln City	...	1 0 H	
Sat., " 18	Stoke City	...	0 1 H	
Sat., " 25	Rotherham United	...	1 2 A	
Sat., Oct. 2	Derby County	...	2 1 H	
Sat., " 9	Bristol Rovers	...	3 3 A	
Sat., " 16	Plymouth Argyle	...	2 1 H	
Sat., " 23	Fulham	...	1 5 A	
Sat., " 30	Swansea Town	...	2 0 H	
Sat., Nov. 6	Notts. County	...	2 1 A	
Sat., " 13	Liverpool	...	... H	
Sat., " 20	West Ham United (1)	...	0 1 A	
Sat., " 27	Blackburn Rovers	...	2 1 H	
Sat., Dec. 4	Port Vale	...	... A	
Sat., " 11	Doncaster Rovers (2)	...	2 0 H	
Sat., " 18	Nottingham Forest	...	1 2 A	
Sat., " 25	Hull City	...	3 1 H	
Mon., " 27	Hull City	...	2 1 A	
Sat., Jan. 1	Ipswich Town	...	... H	
Sat., " 8	F.A. Cup—Round 3	...	...
Sat., " 15	Birmingham City	...	1 5 A	
Sat., " 22	Middlesbrough	...	... H	
Sat., " 29	F.A. Cup—Round 4	...	...
Sat., Feb. 5	Stoke City	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 12	Rotherham United	...	1 1 H	
Sat., " 19	Derby County (5)	...	2 1 A	
Sat., " 26	Bristol Rovers	...	1 1 H	
Sat., March 5	Plymouth Argyle	...	2 2 A	
Sat., " 12	Fulham (6)	...	1 2 H	
Sat., " 19	Swansea Town	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 26	Notts. County	...	2 1 H	
Sat., April 2	Liverpool	...	... A	
Fri., " 8	Leeds United	...	1 1 H	
Sat., " 9	West Ham United	...	3 1 H	
Mon., " 11	Leeds United	...	1 2 A	
Sat., " 16	Blackburn Rovers	...	0 2 A	
Sat., " 23	Port Vale	...	... H	
Sat., " 30	Doncaster Rovers	...	3 1 A	

RESERVE FIXTURES	Combination Cup	Attendance	1953/54	F. A.
Wed., Aug. 25	Coventry City	2,833	2 0 H	2 2
Sat., " 28	Northampton T.	3,045	1 2 H	8 2
Mon., " 30	Coventry City	...	1 4 A	0 3
Sat., Sept. 4	Watford	...	1 2 A	
Wed., " 8	Birmingham City	...	4 0 H	
Sat., " 11	Watford	...	2 1 H	
Wed., " 15	Birmingham City	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 18	...	...	...
Wed., " 22	Norwich City	...	0 0 A	
Sat., " 25	Leicester City	...	2 1 A	
Wed., " 29	Norwich City	...	2 0 H	
Sat., Oct. 2	Ipswich Town	...	4 1 A	
Wed., " 6	Leicester City	...	3 4 H	
Sat., " 9	Ipswich Town	...	1 2 H	
Thurs., " 14	Northampton Town	...	3 1 A	
Football Combination				
Sat., Oct. 16	Charlton Athletic	...	1 1 A	
Sat., " 23	Norwich City	...	2 1 H	
Sat., " 30	Bournemouth	...	2 2 A	
Sat., Nov. 6	Arsenal	...	5 3 H	
Sat., " 13	West Ham United	...	0 1 A	
Sat., " 20	Coventry City	...	... H	
Sat., " 27	...	...	...
Sat., Dec. 4	Portsmouth	...	4 2 H	
Sat., " 11	Tottenham Hotspur	...	0 0 A	
Sat., " 18	Birmingham City	...	... H	
Sat., " 25	Norwich City	...	1 1 A	
Mon., " 27	Bristol City	...	... A	
Sat., Jan. 1	Brighton & Hove	...	... A	
Sat., " 8	Charlton Athletic	...	3 2 H	
Sat., " 15	Cardiff City	...	4 0 H	
Sat., " 22	Portsmouth	...	2 2 A	
Sat., " 29	Millwall Athletic	...	5 1 H	
Sat., Feb. 5	West Ham United	...	2 1 H	
Sat., " 12	Arsenal	...	3 2 A	
Sat., " 19	Bournemouth	...	2 2 H	
Sat., March 5	Birmingham City	...	... A	
Sat., " 19	Tottenham H.	...	2 1 H	
Sat., April 2	Bristol City	...	... H	
Fri., " 8	Coventry City	...	... A	
Mon., " 11	Leicester City	...	5 2 H	
Sat., " 16	Chelsea	...	2 2 H	
Sat., " 30	Millwall Athletic	...	3 1 A	
Sat., May 7	Leicester City	...	4 3 A	
To be arranged				
	Brighton & Hove H	
	Cardiff City	...	2 1 A	
	Chelsea	...	0 0 A	

NEXT MATCHES

Saturday, 4th September, 1954

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Usual Reserve Team Prices of Admission

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Up to and including Monday, 30th August, 1954

LEAGUE DIVISION II

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Stoke City	4	4	0	0	9	2	8
Hull City	4	3	0	1	6	2	6
Fulham	3	3	0	0	12	5	6
Blackburn Rov.	4	3	0	1	15	10	6
Rotherham Utd.	4	3	0	1	11	7	6
Birmingham C.	4	2	1	1	7	5	5
Ipswich Town	3	2	0	1	6	4	4
Derby County	3	2	0	1	9	8	4
Bristol Rovers	4	1	2	1	5	5	4
Lincoln City	4	2	0	2	6	9	4
Doncaster Rov.	3	1	1	1	6	6	3
Plymouth A.	3	1	1	1	3	3	3
Port Vale	3	1	1	1	2	2	3
LUTON TOWN	3	1	0	2	5	5	2
Swansea Town	3	1	0	2	7	8	2
BURY	3	1	0	2	5	7	2
Leeds United	4	1	0	3	6	10	2
Liverpool	3	1	0	2	5	6	2
West Ham U.	4	1	0	3	9	15	2
Middlesbrough	3	0	1	2	3	5	1
Notts. County	3	0	1	2	3	7	1
Notts. Forest	4	0	0	4	0	9	0

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