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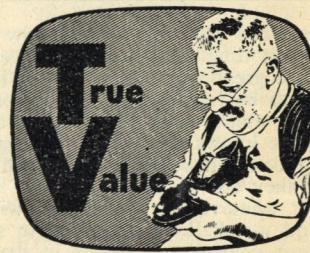
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But you appear to be heading for promotion rather than the Cup

You won a great victory in London against the O's
And no one knows today how this game may go
Your supporters have done well from Cumberland to follow you South
We trust they see a good game and that we put you out

But whatever the result you will have made some friends
And we shall be interested to see where you finish when the season ends
Your colours and rattles in the town have been on show
But our Boys will watch each movement made from head to toe
If it should be a draw our supporters can get there by train
Then your crowd would hear the Lutonians refrain
We are sure whichever team wins there will be a great applause
And that all supporters will be most anxious to know the next draw
For the Players, Managers and Trainers Cup Ties are a great strain
And for those not victorious—well who can one blame?
So all you supporters do your part and leave the Players to the rest
You can then be sure that the Boys and the Ref. will do their best
And whoever wins they can say they won in gracious style
Also those that lose let them do it with a smile
And no matter whether things went right or wrong
Make sure you manage to be courteous all along
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The ticket number for the ball on Saturday, 1st January, 1955, was 95047, and the supporter who had this number was :—

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CLUB NOTES

WORKINGTON were drawn next out of the Hat after Luton when the draw for the Third Round of the Football Association Challenge Cup Competition was being made and so they are our visitors today. We give them a great welcome on their very first visit to Kenilworth Road in Cup or League. The "Reds," as they are called, have already in this Competition beaten Hyde United, the Cheshire League side by five goals to one, and Leyton Orient at Leyton by the only goal scored on that occasion. They appear to be a team of fighters who blend class football into their play and we have no doubt that our lads will have to fight all the way if this Club from the West Cumberland coast is to make no further progress in the Cup competition this season. Workington were elected to membership of the Football League in June, 1951, taking the place of New Brighton, one of the four retiring Clubs at that Meeting. At the end of their first season the "Reds" finished in the bottom position, and so had to seek re-election, which was granted. The following season, 1952/53 they finished one place better, but again had to seek re-election which again was carried. Season 1953/54 saw them finish in the more respectable position of fifth from the bottom with the same number of points as Hartlepools and Rochdale but with a slightly poorer goal average so finishing below them. This season however they are doing much better, for despite losing at home on Christmas Day so dropping two valuable points which has cost them at the moment two places, the "Reds" are at present placed in seventh position in the Third League (North) with bright prospects of promotion on the horizon. Dour Cup fighters in their non-League days, when they played in the North Eastern League, Workington have on several occasions caused "the surprise of the Round," and in 1934 went as far as the Fourth Round, only to be finally beaten by the odd goal in three by Preston North End. Present in that side was a young player of the name of Bill Shankley, destined to play for his native Scotland and to make a name famous throughout the football world. Since his appointment as Manager of Workington they have gone from success to success and are this season one of the outstanding sides in the Third Division. Here are Pen Portraits of the players who have made this team the talking point of Cumberland :—

Malcolm Newlands (Goalkeeper). Former St. Mirren and Preston North End custodian who has been giving brilliant performances for Workington since he joined them from Preston in 1952.

Jimmy Fleming (Right Back). A close season free transfer signing from Stirling Albion who has made the right full back position his own since he was given his chance shortly after the beginning of the season. Tackles effectively and seldom wastes the ball.

Jack Vitty (Left Back). One of a family of footballing brothers Jack first made a name for himself with Charlton Athletic. Later went to Brighton from where Workington signed him. In almost three seasons has only missed playing through injury and this season has played in every match. Is captain of the side.

Dennis Stokoe (Right Half). Has not missed a game for Workington since he was signed from neighbouring Carlisle United in October 1953. A clever, hard working player who never gives up, he was formerly with Chesterfield when they were in the Second Division.

George Aitken (Centre Half). Cost Workington a record fee of £5,000 when they secured his services from Middlesbrough during the 1953 close season, but has since more than paid it back with some magnificent displays. Blond haired and solidly built he has missed only one game since joining Workington and has a hundred per cent record for this term. Several prominent clubs are interested in him.

Rex Dunlop (Left Half). Completes the strong point of the Workington team, the half back line. Rex had plenty of experience with Glasgow Rangers before joining Workington at the same time as his partner Stokoe. A tricky, progressive type of player he also has not missed a game this season.

Desmond Jones (Outside Right). Another free transfer player who has won a place for himself in the first team. Signed for Workington during the last close season from Bristol Rovers having had previous experience with Swansea Town.

Jackie Bertolini (Inside Right). A young player who arrived at Workington from Stirling Albion as an outside right. Lost favour in that position but is back in the team now playing strongly at inside forward. Scored the goal which put Leyton Orient out of the Cup in the Second Round.

Jim Dailey (Centre Forward). An energetic leader who has played in all four sections of League football. Started with Third Lanark across the Border and came to England to join Sheffield Wednesday and later Birmingham City. Next club was Exeter City from where he moved to Workington during the middle of last season.

Ernie Whittle (Inside Left). Hard hitting pocket sized attacker and leading goalscorer with 13 goals to his credit. A grand schemer he joined Workington from Lincoln City at the end of last season after playing his last game for them at the Kenilworth Road ground.

Hughie Cameron (Outside Left). Like Dailey, Hughie has played in all sections of League football. A Scotsman who first made his name with Torquay United, his displays there attracted Newcastle United who soon acquired his signature. His next club was Bury in the Second Division, joining Workington from there in October 1953 at the same time as Stokoe and Dunlop.

Two hard-earned points against lowly Ipswich Town here last Saturday kept us nicely in second place in the Table, but it was a hard struggle and there was much relief when the final whistle sounded. The Reserves continued their successful way with a well-earned victory at Brighton, where the score could easily have been six in our favour such was our undoubted superiority. The whole team played lovely football which was a joy to watch.

Bedfordshire has been drawn at home to Middlesex in the Third Round of the F.A. County Youth Championship, and we have been pleased to grant permission for the match to take place on this Ground. This has been arranged for Saturday next, January 15th, kick-off 11 a.m. Admission to Grand Stand and Enclosure only being 1/- Adults, 6d. Boys.

We have been asked by the Luton Band to express their grateful thanks to the many people who contributed towards the collection made on this ground when Birmingham City Reserves were our visitors recently. The sum of £25. 14. 3d. was collected, which has been sent to the National Children's Home at Harpenden towards their Christmas expenses. To all those who contributed we say on behalf of the Children "Thank you."

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Right Half

7 Davies
Outside Right

8 Turner
Inside Right

Referee:

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11 Cameron
Outside Left

10 Whittle
Inside Left

6 Dunlop
Left Half

3 Vitty
Left Back

WORKINGTON

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Baynham
Goal

5 Owen
Centre Half

9 Morton
Centre

10 Cummins
Inside Left

11 Cullen
Outside Left

Linesmen:

F.A. CUP—Round 3

3 Aherne
Left Back

6 Shanks
Left Half

10 Cummins
Inside Left

11 Cullen
Outside Left

Red Flag:
Mr. D. W. Bradley (Croydon)

Orange Flag:
Mr. C. F. Woodward (Coombe, Oxon.)

8 Bertolini
Inside Right

7 Jones
Outside Right

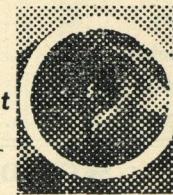
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FIRST LIST

F.A. CUP—Round 3

A	Arsenal	Cardiff City
B	Blackburn R.	Swansea T.
C	Blackpool	York City
D	Bolton W.	.....	Millwall Ath.	.....
E	Bournemouth	.....	West Brom.	.....
F	Brentford	.....	Bradford City	.....
G	Brighton & H.	.....	Aston Villa	.....
H	Bristol Rovers	.....	Portsmouth	.....
K	Bury	.....	Stoke City	.....
L	Chelsea	.....	Walsall	.....
M	Derby County	.....	Manchester C.	.....
N	Everton	.....	Southend Utd.	.....

SECOND LIST

A	Fulham	.....	Preston N.E.	.....
B	Gateshead	.....	Tottenham H.	.....
C	Grimsby T.	.....	Wolverh'pton	.....
D	Hartlepools	.....	Darlington	.....
E	Huddersfield	.....	Coventry City	.....
F	Hull City	.....	Birmingham	.....
G	Ipswich Town	.....	B. Aukland	.....
H	Leeds United	.....	Torquay Utd.	.....
K	Lincoln City	.....	Liverpool	.....
L	Middlesbro'	.....	Notts. County	.....
M	Plymouth A.	.....	Newcastle U.	.....
N	Reading	.....	Manchester U.	.....

THIRD LIST

A	Rochdale	.....	Charlton Ath.	.....
B	Rotherham U.	.....	Leicester City	.....
C	Sheffield Utd.	.....	Notts. Forest	.....
D	Sheffield Wed.	.....	Hastings Utd.	.....
E	Sunderland	.....	Burnley	.....
F	Watford	.....	Doncaster R.	.....
G	West Ham U.	.....	Port Vale	.....

LEAGUE MATCHES

H	Aldershot	.....	Shrewsbury T.	.....
K	Bristol City	.....	Norwich City	.....
L	Crystal Palace	Gillingham
M	Northampton	Leyton O.
N	Southampton	Colchester

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					Wednesday	Friday				
Sat., Aug. 21	Notts. Forest	19,832	0 1	H 3 0						
Tues., ..	Bury	15,535	1 0	A 1 2						
Sat., ..	Ipswich Town	20,265	...	A 1 3						
Wed., Sept. 1	Bury	13,654	3 2	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Birmingham City	16,347	2 0	H 1 0						
Sat., ..	Lincoln City	13,390	1 1	A 2 1						
Sat., ..	Middlesbrough	15,891	...	A 2 0						
Sat., ..	Lincoln City	11,972	1 0	H 2 1						
Sat., ..	Stoke City	17,325	0 1	H 3 1						
Sat., ..	Rotherham United	17,114	1 2	A 0 2						
Sat., Oct. 2	Derby County	17,156	2 1	H 2 0						
Sat., ..	Bristol Rovers	30,623	3 3	A 2 3						
Sat., ..	Plymouth Argyle	15,059	2 1	H 3 1						
Sat., ..	Fulham	33,500	1 5	A 1 3						
Sat., ..	Swansea Town	15,555	2 0	H 1 2						
Sat., Nov. 6	Notts. County	10,395	2 1	A 3 3						
Sat., ..	Liverpool	15,887	...	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	West Ham United	23,034	(1) 0 1	A 1 2						
Sat., ..	Blackburn Rovers	17,314	2 1	H 7 3						
Sat., Dec. 4	Port Vale	14,052	...	A 1 1						
Sat., ..	Doncaster Rovers	14,541	(2) 2 0	H 3 0						
Sat., ..	Nottingham Forest	11,943	1 2	A 5 1						
Sat., ..	Hull City	15,853	3 1	H 1 1						
Sat., ..	Hull City	39,890	2 1	A 4 0						
Sat., Jan. 1	Ipswich Town	16,581	...	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Workington (F.A. Cup—3)	...	...	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Birmingham City	...	1 5	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Middlesbrough	...	...	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	F.A. Cup—Round 4	...	...	H 3 2						
Sat., Feb. 5	Stoke City	...	1 1	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Rotherham United	...	...	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Derby County (5)	...	2 1	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Bristol Rovers	...	1 1	H 3 2						
Sat., March 5	Plymouth Argyle	...	2 2	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Fulham (6)	...	1 2	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Swansea Town	...	1 1	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Notts. County	...	2 1	H 3 2						
Sat., April 2	Liverpool	...	...	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Leeds United	...	1 1	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	West Ham United	...	3 1	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Leeds United	...	1 2	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Blackburn Rovers	...	0 2	A 3 2						
Sat., ..	Port Vale	H 3 2						
Sat., ..	Doncaster Rovers	...	3 1	A 3 2						

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—Division 2										
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Blackburn Rov.	25	16	2	7	80	46	34	Chelsea	10	8 2 0 29 11 18
LUTON TOWN	25	15	3	7	58	36	33	Portsmouth	13	6 4 3 27 16 16
Rotherham Utd.	25	14	3	8	58	42	31	Tottenham H.	11	6 3 2 26 15 15
Stoke City	25	12	6	7	38	27	30	Bristol City	13	5 4 4 21 18 14
Fulham	25	12	6	7	54	46	30	West Ham U.	12	5 4 3 22 24 14
Notts. County	25	13	4	8	44	38	30	LUTON TOWN	11	5 2 4 30 18 12
Leeds United	25	13	4	8	42	39	30	Coventry City	12	5 2 5 15 25 12
Birmingham C.	24	11	5	8	48	26	27	Arsenal	11	4 3 4 24 18 11
West Ham U.	25	10	7	8	46	48	27	Norwich City	12	5 1 6 21 21 11
Bristol Rovers	25	11	4	10	50	43	26	Millwall	13	3 3 7 20 28 9
Bury	25	9	8	8	49	45	26	Charlton Ath.	11	3 2 6 14 21 8
Swansea Town	25	10	6	9	53	50</				

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