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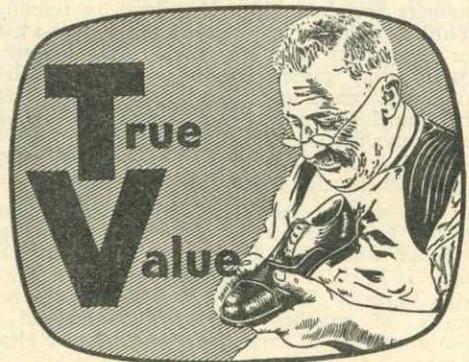


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5
Centre Half
D. ORES

6
Left Half
DOUGLAS FERR

7
Outside Right
M. OLDINGS

8
Inside Right
F. LORING

9
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S. ERVISS

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EVERYONE today is thinking can we prevent the "Wolves" from beating us. Yes, and why not, last week's game and result we leave behind. Dame Fortune isn't always unkind, and surely we ought to have a record crowd. One thing we are sure of is that a large following will be here from Hemel Hempstead, as one of our old Bobbers members, Mr. H. Floyd is running a double decker bus and a coach to our home games for Supporters Club members. Also to quite a lot of away games. He informs us that he is running a coach to Portsmouth and anyone from the Hemel Hempstead district who would like to take advantage of these Parties, or join the Supporters Club, should get in touch with Mr. H. Floyd, 19, Tensing Road, Hemel Hempstead.

We are not the largest Supporters Club, but we do hold the record of having the youngest member, who comes from Leighton Buzzard. His name is Michael Bunyan, 12 hours old. Mr. and Mrs. Miles of Plantation Road have now enrolled nearly 200 members from that district and they also are trying to enrol the oldest member also on record.

The Dance at the Assembly Hall was a full house, also the Dance at the "Warden Tavern"

was much enjoyed by all. Supporters from Baldock, Hitchin, Whitwell, Tring and Bedford came along to both of these dances.

Mr. D. Tingey, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee has booked 114 seats at the Empress Hall to see "Dick Whittington on Ice" on Saturday, December 17th. Coaches will leave Kenilworth Road at 6 p.m. Anyone wishing to join the Party can book now at the Bobbers Stand Club. Fare and Show 15/-. Don't let this opportunity pass by. Also a Coach Party will be run from Baldock by Mr. G. Turner of 10a, Weston Way, Baldock.

Games. If any of the districts would like to bring a Party to play the Supporters and Bobbers Club at Darts, Dominoes and Skittles please send a card to Mr. D. Tingey, c/o Bobbers Stand Club, who will be pleased to fix you up with a date. Bring your ladies with you, as we have a ladies' team.

As supporters our motto is still as ardent as ever—

TO HELP AND NOT TO HINDER

J.C.

CLUB NOTES

AT last we have the very great pleasure of receiving the celebrated and famous Wolverhampton Wanderers at Kenilworth Road. One of the privileges of being in the First Division is that one meets the cream of the English Clubs, and we are certainly doing that today. It is a match all you Luton fans here today have been looking forward to ever since our promotion was a fact, and our regret is that so many others would also like to be sharing the enjoyment with you but have been prevented from doing so because our Ground unfortunately is rather on the small side. We have returned well over £1,000 on this match alone to disappointed applicants, a task that we do assure you has given us no pleasure whatsoever if only from the disappointment undoubtedly caused. We are however getting down to the serious business of the best way of extending our Main Stand, and perhaps when we have the pleasure of receiving the "Wolves" again our accommodation and facilities will be much improved.

Wolverhampton Wanderers are one of the original twelve Clubs which formed the Football League in 1888. In that same season they were F.A. Cup Finalists, being beaten by Preston North End by three goals to nil at Kennington Oval. They also finished in third place in the League, a very satisfactory beginning for a Club which was Founded only the previous year. They remained in the First Division until 1905/6 season, when they were relegated to Division 2, and there remained until a further drop at the end of season 1922/23 found them in the Third Division (North). They were in the Third Division only one season, however, for they finished Champions and so were back in the Second Division at the commencement of Season 1924/25. At the end of Season 1931/32 they finished Champions of Division 2 and so were back in the company they had left twenty-six years earlier and there they have remained since. Their successes in the F.A. Cup were in Season 1892/93 when they beat Everton at Fallowfield by the only goal scored, 1907/08 beating Newcastle United at Crystal Palace by three goals to one, and the third and last occasion when they beat Leicester City at Wembley by three goals to one in Season 1948/49. Jesse Pye played for them that day and scored the first goal, a brilliant header from a cross by Johnny Hancocks. They were Cup Finalists on three other occasions besides the one mentioned 1888/89, these being 1895/96, 1920/21 and 1938/39.

We should see some excellent football today, for besides our own claims to International honours there are six full Internationals in the Wolves side in the names of Bert Williams, Billy Wright, Bill Slater, Johnny Hancocks, Denis Wilshaw and Jimmy Mullen, besides Royston Swinbourne who has appeared in the England 'B' side. Space prevents us from giving any more details about the Club or its players, except to mention Billy Wright, England's Captain and going the right way to finish the "Player of the Year." We can do no better than to print the following extract from the Official Wembley Programme of last Wednesday for the England versus Ireland match—"What more can be said of Billy? Every major honour in soccer has come the way of this truly magnificent player who has been at Wolverhampton since he was 14. At the start of the present season Wright had collected no fewer than 68 International Caps—26 in the home

championship tournament and 42 against foreign sides."

Congratulations to our own Ron Baynham for his very good game in his first home International on Wednesday last. His second half display in particular was excellent, and we feel the Selection Committee have been very sound in choosing him to join the party in preparation for the match with Spain at Wembley on November 30th. We are a little surprised that Bob Morton has not also been chosen to join the party, particularly as he was first reserve last Wednesday. Perhaps Bob's turn will come very soon, and it is nice to know that he is on the short list for he has been selected to play for the F.A. XI against the Army at Newcastle, on Wednesday next.

Alan Collier is playing at Norwich today for England against Holland in a Youth International Match. Another honour well deserved by this youngster who is shaping extremely well and playing with just the right amount of confidence.

Our last Floodlight Match this side of the New Year will be played on Monday week, November 14th, when Manchester United Youth XI, winners of the Youth League, challenge the Bedfordshire Youth XI, winners of the County Youth Championship, for the honour of receiving the Tomlinson Trophy. This trophy has been won by the Manchester United lads these two past seasons. We were hoping to give you some details in these notes of the United side but unfortunately these were not to hand in time to be included.

Bedfordshire Schools had the honour of providing the Ball Boys for the International Match at Wembley, last Wednesday, and they all carried out their duties so well that we felt it would be nice to mention the fact in these notes. The nine boys were chosen from those who had played for their County Association and were as follows: Bedford District—T. Evans, Stewartby and M. Lack, Willington; S.E. Beds.—R. Widdish, Gravenhurst and G. Burr, Lower Standon; Dunstable and South Beds.—G. House, Priory School and A. Herbert, Northfields; Luton—C. Parkes, Surrey Street and J. Lovell, Beech Hill, with A. Clark, Houghton Regis, as reserve. After the match they all had the honour of being allowed in the England side's Dressing Room and each player obliged with his autograph. Altogether a most interesting and never-to-be-forgotten day for these very lucky lads.

Remembrance Day is tomorrow. The service in Luton will be held at the War Memorial, at 10.30 a.m., and all are invited to attend. The 5th Bedfs. and Herts. Regiment will provide the four buglers to form the Guard of Honour, the 1st Battalion Bedfs. and Herts. Regiment will lead the Parade to and from the service, and the hymn singing will be led by the Salvation Army Band. Let us not forget the Supreme Sacrifice made by so many.

Mr. W. J. 'Bill' Hicks is broadcasting a report on this game at about 5.30 tonight, in the Light Programme. We trust he has a very good match to report and that he can say it was played in the very best spirit of the game.

Mr. Pat Butler of the "News of the World" will also be reporting this match in tomorrow's edition. Last time he came down we had a very nice win. Let us hope his presence is again a good omen.

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Right Back

4
Pemberton
Right Half

7
Cullen
Outside Right

Referee :

Mr. A. E. MOORE
(Lowestoft)

11
Mullen
Outside Left

6
Flowers
Left Half

3
Shorthouse
Left Back

WOLVERHAMPTON W.

Shirts Gold
Knickers Black
Stockings Gold and Black Hoops

Baynham
Goal

5
Owen
Centre Half

9
Morton
Centre



9
Wilshaw
Centre

5
Wright
Centre Half

Williams
Goal

Football League—Div. 1

3
Aherne
Left Back

6
Shanks
Left Half

10
Cummins
Inside Left

11
Adam
Outside Left

Linesmen :

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Mr. P. J. Smyth (London)

8
Broadbent
Inside Right

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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	Birmingham	Chelsea
B	Burnley	Aston Villa
C	Charlton Ath.	Manchester C.
D	Everton	Huddersfield
E	Manchester U.	Arsenal
F	Newcastle U.	Blackpool
G	Preston N. E.	Sunderland
H	Sheffield Utd.	Portsmouth
K	Tottenham H.	Cardiff City
L	West Brom.	Bolton W.
M	Barnsley	Sheffield Wed.
N	Bristol City	Hull City

SECOND LIST

A	Bury	Doncaster R.
B	Fulham	Bristol Rovers
C	Leeds United	Stoke City
D	Middlesbro'	Notts. Forest
E	Notts. County	Plymouth A.
F	Port Vale	Lincoln City
G	Rotherham U.	Leicester City
H	Swansea T.	Liverpool
K	West Ham U.	Blackburn R.
L	Aldershot	Leyton O.
M	Brighton & H.	Southend Utd.
N	Crystal Palace	Exeter City

THIRD LIST

A	Ipswich Town	Watford
B	Newport Co.	Gillingham
C	Northampton	Colchester
D	Q.P.R.	Norwich City
E	Shrewsbury T.	Brentford
F	Southampton	Coventry City
G	Swindon T.	Bournemouth
H	Torquay Utd.	Millwall Ath.
K	Walsall	Reading
L	Bradford City	Gateshead
M	Crewe	Grimsby T.
N	Oldham Ath.	Accrington

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**Excursion
Aston Villa**

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FIXTURES - - - 1955-1956

1955	FIRST XI—Division 1	Attendance	F. A.
Aug. 20 Sat.	Charlton Athletic	28,800	A 2 2
.. 24 Wed.	Preston N. E.	30,738	A 1 2
.. 27 Sat.	Tottenham H.	21,143	H 2 1
.. 31 Wed.	Preston N. E.	24,174	H 2 1
Sept. 3 Sat.	Everton	44,237	A 1 0
.. 5 Mon.	Burnley	19,350	A 1 3
.. 10 Sat.	Newcastle Utd.	25,814	H 4 2
.. 17 ..	Birmingham C.	31,000	A 0 0
.. 24 ..	West Brom.	24,440	H 0 2
Oct. 1 ..	Manchester Utd.	34,000	A 1 3
.. 8 ..	Blackpool	24,493	H 3 1
.. 15 ..	Huddersfield T.	19,621	A 2 0
.. 22 ..	Arsenal	24,009	H 0 0
.. 29 ..	Bolton W.	28,104	A 0 4
Nov. 5 ..	Wolves	..	H
.. 12 ..	Aston Villa	..	A
.. 19 ..	Sunderland (1)	..	H
.. 26 ..	Portsmouth	..	A
Dec. 3 ..	Cardiff City	..	H
.. 10 ..	Manchester C. (2)	..	A
.. 17 ..	Charlton Ath.	..	H
.. 24 ..	Tottenham H.	..	A
.. 26 Mon.	Sheffield United	..	A
.. 27 Tues.	Sheffield United	..	H
.. 31 Sat.	Everton	..	H
1956			
Jan. 7 Sat.	F.A. Cup—3	..	A
.. 14 ..	Newcastle United	..	H
.. 21 ..	Birmingham C.	..	A
.. 28 ..	F.A. Cup—4	..	H
Feb. 4 ..	West Brom.	..	A
.. 11 ..	Manchester Utd.	..	H
.. 18 ..	Blackpool (5)	..	A
.. 25 ..	Huddersfield T.	..	H
Mar. 3 ..	Sunderland (6)	..	A
.. 10 ..	Bolton W.	..	H
.. 17 ..	Wolves	..	A
.. 24 ..	Aston Villa	..	H
.. 30 Fri.	Chelsea	..	H
.. 31 Sat.	Arsenal	..	A
April 2 Mon.	Chelsea	..	A
.. 7 Sat.	Portsmouth	..	H
.. 14 ..	Cardiff City	..	A
.. 21 ..	Manchester C.	..	H
.. 28 ..	Burnley	..	H

1955	Reserve XI Fixtures	Attendance	1954/55	F. A.
Aug. 20 Sat.	Birmingham C.	1,920	2 2	H 2 8
.. 24 Wed.	Cardiff City	..	..	A 1 4
.. 27 Sat.	Brighton	2,539	3 1	A 2 2
Sept. 3 ..	Ipswich Town	..	..	H 2 1
.. 7 Wed.	Cardiff City	1,023	3 1	H 5 2
.. 10 Sat.	..	..	..	..
.. 15 Thurs.	Northampton T.	539	..	A 4 0
.. 17 Sat.	Southend Utd.	2,041	..	H 1 5
.. 24 ..	Swansea Town	..	..	A 0 1
Oct. 1 ..	Bournemouth	1,633	2 3	H 3 3
.. 8 ..	Bristol Rovers	4,554	..	A 1 3
.. 15 ..	Leyton Orient	1,498	..	H 3 4
.. 22 ..	Brentford	1,091	..	A 3 7
.. 29 ..	Chelsea	1,742	2 2	H 3 0
Nov. 5 ..	Norwich City	..	2 3	A
.. 12 ..	Leicester City	..	1 3	H
.. 19 ..	Millwall Athletic	..	..	A
.. 26 ..	Coventry City	..	7 0	H
Dec. 3 ..	Plymouth Argyle	..	..	A
.. 10 ..	Portsmouth	..	4 1	H
.. 17 ..	Birmingham C.	..	1 1	A
.. 24 ..	Brighton	..	1 1	H
.. 26 Mon.	Aldershot	..	..	H
.. 27 Tues.	Aldershot	..	..	A
.. 31 Sat.	Ipswich Town	..	..	A
1956				
Jan. 7 Sat.	Queens Park R.	..	..	H
.. 14 ..	Tottenham H.	..	2 2	H
.. 21 ..	Southend United	..	..	A
.. 28 ..	Crystal Palace	..	..	A
Feb. 4 ..	Swansea Town	..	..	H
.. 11 ..	Bournemouth	..	4 0	A
.. 18 ..	Bristol Rovers	..	..	H
.. 25 ..	Leyton Orient	..	..	A
Mar. 3 ..	Brentford	..	..	H
.. 10 ..	Chelsea	..	2 1	A
.. 17 ..	Norwich City	..	6 1	H
.. 24 ..	Leicester City	..	..	A
.. 30 Fri.	Arsenal	..	..	A
.. 31 Sat.	Millwall Athletic	..	1 1	H
April 2 Mon.	Arsenal	..	1 6	H
.. 7 Sat.	Coventry City	..	3 1	A
.. 14 ..	Plymouth A.	H
.. 21 ..	Portsmouth	..	5 2	A
.. 28
May 5

NEXT MATCHES

Saturday, 12th November, 1955
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League Table : 1955-56

Up to and including Saturday, October 29th, 1955

	Pld.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Manchester United	15	8	4	3	31	23	20
Sunderland	13	9	1	3	35	23	19
Charlton Ath.	15	7	4	4	32	29	18
Blackpool	14	7	3	4	32	25	17
Everton	15	7	3	5	18	17	17
West Bromwich	14	7	3	4	18	16	17
Bolton W.	13	7	2	4	26	15	16
Burnley	14	6	4	4	17	14	16
WOLVERH'AMPTN	13	7	1	5	37	21	15
Birmingham C.	15	5	5	5	27	22	15
LUTON TOWN	14	6	3	5	19	21	15
Preston N.E.	15	6	2	7	32	25	14
Portsmouth	13	6	2	5	26	28	14
Chelsea	14	5	4	5	19	21	14
Manchester City	13	4	5	4	22	24	13
Newcastle Utd.	14	5	2	7	27	32	12
Sheffield United	14	5	2	7	20	24	12
Aston Villa	15	2	7	6	18	25	11
Arsenal	14	3	5	6	16	25	11
Cardiff City	14	4	1	9	17	34	9
Huddersfield	13	2	4	7	12	27	8
Tottenham H.	14	2	1	11	16	31	5

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