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CHARLTON ATHLETIC



Official Programme

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SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER, 1955

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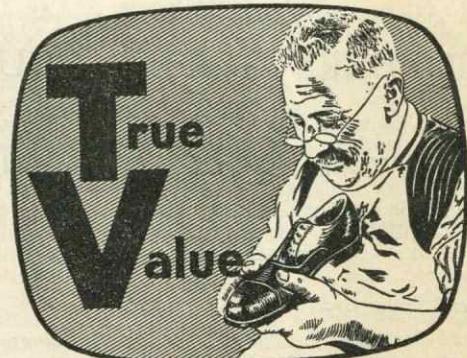
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2  
Right Back  
PRICELOW

4  
Right Half  
H. E. M. LOCK

7  
Outside Right  
M. OLDINGS

8  
Inside Right  
F. LORING

5  
Centre Half  
D. ORES

9  
Centre Forward  
S. ERVISS

3  
Left Back  
P. ROMPTERMS

6  
Left Half  
DOUGLAS FERR

10  
Inside Left  
P. LYEWOOD

11  
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The holders of the winning numbers will be able to purchase one 3/6 Cup Final Ticket from the Secretary, at the rear of the Main Stand, after the match.

No. 4153

### CLUB NOTES

WHAT a travesty of justice we experienced last week at the Maine Road Ground. Despite being a goal down within ninety seconds of the kick-off, one of those surprise moves which had obviously been well planned beforehand, our lads fought back brilliantly after having to withstand terrific City pressure for a further ten minutes after they had scored their goal. Gradually it could be seen that our lads were getting on top, and for the rest of the half there was practically only one team in it. When Jim Pemberton put through a very astute pass to Bob Morton who took it on like an International to crack in a shot which even Trautman could not save properly, the City fans must have been very worried indeed as to the probable result of the match. Bob ran onto the rebound from Trautman and promptly banged the ball into the back of the net to level the scores. From then on until twelve minutes from the end the "Hatters" were without a doubt much the better side, and it seemed just unbelievable that when the final whistle had blown our lads had to troop off the field a beaten side. Beaten perhaps as regards the score but most certainly not regarding the football played. Under ordinary circumstances Manchester's second goal would never have been scored for Ron Bayham had the ball in his arms, but the conditions—which were deplorable—had made the ball very slippery and while Ron was in the act of gathering it properly Clarke, running in from the left wing, kicked the ball out of the goalie's hands to the waiting Hayes who had little to do except put it into the net. For his pains in this incident Bayham has a lovely graze all down his right thigh with stud marks clearly showing. We felt a free kick should have been given in our favour, particularly in view of some previous decisions mostly against us which appeared to us to be rather harsh, particularly some of the "offside" decisions, but it was not to be, and before our lads had got over their disappointment a long ball down the middle only a minute afterwards found Spurle in a favourable position from which he took full advantage. And there it was. One minute we were coasting along to a comfortable victory. Two minutes later in arrears, and despite every effort to get back onto at least level terms the City defence managed to keep the ball from entering their net a third time and so win the match, two very valuable points to them.

We are very pleased to welcome Charlton Athletic to our ground today, the first since we put them out of the Cup four years ago next month. Of that team the evergreen Sam Bartram is here again today, together with Jim Campbell, Derek Ufton, Cyril Hammond, Gordon Hurst and Bill Kiernan, and of course in charge as usual will be Jimmy Seed, who has been Manager of Charlton Athletic now for 23 years. For some reason very difficult to understand Charlton have never been one of the glamour Clubs of London, yet they always play attractive football, usually doing well (see their position today), and are a difficult team to beat. Their attendances however are very ordinary for a London Club, which must be very disappointing for a ground capable of holding 80,000 spectators. Charlton were F.A. Cup Finalists in Season 1945/46 when, after extra time they were beaten by Derby County by four goals to one, "Dally" Duncan scoring the first of the goals. The following season Charlton went one better when they beat Burnley by the only goal scored, again in extra time. These two Finals apart from the one of 1937/38 when Preston North End beat Huddersfield Town by an only goal are the only occasions when extra time has been required at

Wembley since it was used for staging the Cup Final in the 1922/23 season. Charlton's successes this season "away" have been wins at Arsenal, Bolton and Tottenham, with draws at Preston, Sheffield United and West Bromwich, quite a useful bag. They have scored 19 goals, in their 11 "away" matches, conceding 27, compared with our record of 10 goals "for" with 18 "against" in the same number of matches played. Only Sunderland in the First Division have scored more goals than Charlton on opponents' grounds, which seems to imply that these London lads believe in attack, which is what the customers like to see. We should therefore see a most interesting match this afternoon, and may the spoils go to the team most deserving of them.

Drawn at home yet again in the F.A. Cup we have our old sparring partners Leicester City as our opponents in the Third Round this season, and what a match it will be. We remember very vividly our last meeting in the Cup at Kenilworth Road for it was the match of matches and will live in our memories for a very long time to come.

Due to the unprecedented number of Season Ticket Holders in our Main Stand this season it just is not possible for any Tickets for seats to be available to the general public after Leicester have had their quota and the Season Ticket Holders have received one each. There will be very few indeed in fact for Players and Officials of the Club. In view of the number of Season Tickets sold it will not be possible to arrange for each one to obtain a ticket for his own particular seat, but each Main Stand Season Ticket Holder is assured of obtaining one Ticket for a seat if he applies correctly before Monday, January 2nd. The Bobbers Club have very kindly agreed to help us out of the task of dealing with applications by Bobbers Stand Season Tickets Holders. These Tickets will be available at the Bobbers Stand as from 6 p.m. on Monday next—one each to every holder of a Bobbers Stand Season Ticket. We are not ticketing the Terrace, only the parts of the ground under cover, entrance to the Terrace being by paying cash at the turnstiles in the normal way. Prices for Tickets are as follows:—

Main Stand 7/6; Enclosure 5/-, Boys 3/-.  
Bobbers Stand 3/-, Boys 2/-.

Terrace—cash only—2/-, Boys 1/-.

All applications except the Bobbers Stand Season Ticket Holders must be in writing, accompanied by the correct remittance and a stamped addressed envelope, together with the appropriate pink slip marked "Round 3." Envelopes to be marked either "Season Ticket Holder" or "Cup Application," whichever applies.

Having been given permission by the Football Association to allow Cup Final Tickets to anyone purchasing a Programme with a lucky number, we are starting today with this scheme, and if any person holding a Programme of today's match bearing the number which will be broadcast over the mike at half time will see the Secretary, at the rear of the Main Stand, after the match, he will be able to purchase one 3/6 Cup Final Ticket when they are available. We are doing this at each First team match until the end of March so there will be twenty lucky people with tickets for Wembley who perhaps would not have been able to obtain them any other way. We hope the scheme proves successful in every way for it is something we have been waiting to do in view of the very small number of tickets allocated to us.

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Right Back

4 Pemberton  
Right Half

7 Cullen  
Outside Right

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11 Kiernan  
Outside Left

6 Hammond  
Left Half

3 Ellis  
Left Back

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**Baynham**  
Goal

3 Aherne  
Left Back

5 Owen  
Centre Half

9 MacEwan  
Centre

**NEWS OF THE WORLD**

9 Leary  
Centre

5 Utton  
Centre Half

Bartram  
Goal

Football League—Div. 1

6 Shanks  
Left Half

10 Pearce  
Inside Left

11 Adam  
Outside Left

Orange Flag :  
Mr. J. A. Hanger (Rushden)

8 Ryan  
Inside Right

7 Hurst  
Outside Right

4 Hewie  
Right Half

2 Campbell  
Right Back

Kick-Off 2.15 p.m.

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# FIXTURES - - - - - 1955 - 1956

1955 FIRST XI—Division 1		Attendance	F. A.	1955 Reserve XI Fixtures		Attendance	1954/55	F. A.
Aug. 20 Sat.	Charlton Athletic	28,800	A 2 2	Aug. 20 Sat.	Birmingham	C. 1,920	2 2	H 2 8
.. 24 Wed.	Preston N. E.	30,738	A 1 2	.. 24 Wed.	Cardiff City	694	..	A 1 4
.. 27 Sat.	Tottenham H.	21,143	H 2 1	.. 27 Sat.	Brighton	2,539	3 1	A 2 2
.. 31 Wed.	Preston N. E.	24,174	H 2 1	Sept. 3 Wed.	Ipswich Town	2,042	..	H 2 1
Sept. 3 Sat.	Everton	44,237	A 1 0	.. 7 Wed.	Cardiff City	1,023	3 1	H 5 2
.. 5 Mon.	Burnley	19,350	A 1 3	.. 10 Sat.	..	..	..	A 4 0
.. 10 Sat.	Newcastle Utd.	25,814	H 4 2	.. 15 Thurs.	Northampton T.	539	..	A 1 5
.. 17 ..	Birmingham C.	31,000	A 0 0	.. 17 Sat.	Southend Utd.	2,041	..	A 0 1
.. 24 ..	West Brom.	24,440	H 0 2	.. 24 ..	Swansea Town	2,787	..	A 0 1
Oct. 1 ..	Manchester Utd.	34,661	A 1 3	Oct. 1 ..	Bournemouth	1,633	2 3	H 3 3
.. 8 ..	Blackpool	24,493	H 3 1	.. 8 ..	Bristol Rovers	4,554	..	H 3 4
.. 15 ..	Huddersfield T.	19,621	A 2 0	.. 15 ..	Leyton Orient	1,498	..	A 3 7
.. 22 ..	Arsenal	24,009	H 0 0	.. 22 ..	Brentford	1,091	..	H 3 0
.. 29 ..	Bolton W.	28,104	A 0 4	.. 29 ..	Chelsea	1,742	2 2	H 3 0
Nov. 5 ..	Wolves	27,911	H 5 1	Nov. 12 ..	Leicester City	1,537	1 3	H 2 2
.. 12 ..	Aston Villa	29,761	A 0 1	.. 19 ..	Millwall Athletic	1,096	..	A 4 3
.. 19 ..	Sunderland (1)	25,802	H 8 2	.. 26 ..	Coventry City	1,176	7 0	H 7 0
.. 26 ..	Portsmouth	27,758	A 0 0	Dec. 3 ..	Plymouth Argyle	2,568	..	A 2 1
Dec. 3 ..	Cardiff City	21,827	H 3 0	.. 10 ..	Portsmouth	1,279	4 1	H 2 3
.. 10 ..	Manchester C. (2)	14,449	A 2 3	.. 17 ..	Birmingham C.	1 1	..	A 1 3
.. 17 ..	Charlton Ath.	..	H	.. 24 ..	Brighton	..	..	H
.. 24 ..	Tottenham H.	..	A	.. 26 Mon.	Aldershot	..	..	A
.. 26 Mon.	Sheffield United	..	A	.. 27 Tues.	Aldershot	..	..	A
.. 27 Tues.	Sheffield United	..	A	.. 31 Sat.	Ipswich Town	..	..	A
.. 31 Sat.	Everton	..	H	1956				
Jan. 7 Sat.	F.A. Cup—3	..	A	Jan. 7 Sat.	Queens Park R.	..	..	H
.. 14 ..	Newcastle United	..	H	.. 14 ..	Tottenham H.	..	..	H
.. 21 ..	Birmingham C.	..	H	.. 21 ..	Southend United	..	..	A
.. 28 ..	F.A. Cup—4	..	H	.. 28 ..	Crystal Palace	..	..	A
Feb. 4 ..	West Brom.	..	A	Feb. 4 ..	Swansea Town	..	..	H
.. 11 ..	Manchester Utd.	..	H	.. 11 ..	Bournemouth	..	..	H
.. 18 ..	Blackpool (5)	..	A	.. 18 ..	Bristol Rovers	..	..	H
.. 25 ..	Huddersfield T.	..	H	.. 25 ..	Leyton Orient	..	..	A
Mar. 3 ..	Sunderland (6)	..	A	Mar. 3 ..	Brentford	..	..	H
.. 10 ..	Bolton W.	..	H	.. 10 ..	Chelsea	..	..	A
.. 17 ..	Wolves	..	A	.. 17 ..	Norwich City	..	..	H
.. 24 ..	Aston Villa	..	H	.. 24 ..	Leicester City	..	..	A
.. 30 Fri.	Chelsea	..	H	.. 30 Fri.	Arsenal	..	..	A
.. 31 Sat.	Arsenal	..	A	.. 31 Sat.	Millwall Athletic	..	..	H
April 2 Mon.	Chelsea	..	A	April 2 Mon.	Arsenal	..	..	H
.. 7 Sat.	Portsmouth	..	H	.. 7 Sat.	Coventry City	..	..	A
.. 14 ..	Cardiff City	..	A	.. 14 ..	Plymouth A.	..	..	A
.. 21 ..	Manchester C.	..	H	.. 21 ..	Portsmouth	..	..	A
.. 28 ..	Burnley	..	H	.. 28 ..	To be arranged	Norwich City	..	2 3 A

## NEXT MATCHES

Saturday, 24th December, 1955

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Luton Res. v. Brighton Res.

Kick-Off 2.30 p.m.

Usual Reserve Team Prices of Admission

Monday, 26th December

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Luton Res. v. Aldershot Res.

Kick-Off 2.30 p.m.

Usual Reserve Team Prices of Admission

Tuesday, 27th December

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—Division 1

LUTON v. SHEFFIELD UTD.

Kick-Off 2.15 p.m.

Usual First Team Prices of Admission

## League Table : 1955 - 56

Up to and including Saturday, December 10th

	Pld.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Blackpool	..	20	11	5	4	43	28 27
Manchester United	21	10	6	5	40	31	26
Sunderland	..	19	11	3	5	50	43 25
CHARLTON A.	21	10	4	7	47	41	24
Burnley	..	20	9	6	5	30	25 24
Bolton W.	..	19	10	3	6	38	22 23
LUTON TOWN	20	9	4	7	37	28	22
Wolverhampton W.	19	10	1	8	45	31	21
Birmingham C.	21	8	5	8	40	32	21
West Bromwich	20	9	3	8	25	23	21
Everton	..	21	8	5	8	28	31 21
Chelsea	..	20	8	5	7	27	31 21
Preston N.E.	21	8	4	9	40	31	20
Newcastle Utd.	20	9	2	9	44	39	20
Portsmouth	..	19	8	3	8	32	40 19
Arsenal	..	20	6	6	8	22	32 18
Manchester City	19	5	7	7	32	38	17
Aston Villa	..	21	4	8	9	25	36 16
Cardiff City	..	20	7	2	11	26	45 16
Sheffield United	..	20	5	3	12	27	38 13
Tottenham H.	..	20	5	3	12	24	36 13
Huddersfield	..	19	4	4	11	19	47 12

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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	Blackpool
B	Aston Villa	Manchester C.
C	Bolton W.	Chelsea
D	Burnley	Tottenham H.
E	Manchester U.	Birmingham
F	Portsmouth	Huddersfield
G	Preston N. E.	Everton
H	Sheffield Utd.	Newcastle U.
K	Sunderland	Cardiff City
L	Wolverh'pton	West Brom.
M	Bristol Rovers	Port Vale
N	Fulham	Bury

### SECOND LIST

A	Leeds United	Barnsley
B	Leicester City	Hull City
C	Lincoln City	Blackburn R.
D	Liverpool	Notts. Forest
E	Notts. County	Middlesb'.
F	Plymouth A.	Sheffield Wed.
G	Rotherham U.	West Ham U.
H	Stoke City	Doncaster R.
K	Swansea T.	Bristol City
L	Aldershot	Reading
M	Bournemouth	Coventry City
N	Colchester	Exeter City

### THIRD LIST

A	Gillingham	Brentford
B	Leyton O.	Walsall
C	Millwall Ath.	Watford
D	Newport Co.	Shrewsbury T.
E	Northampton	Crystal Palace
F	Norwich City	Southend Utd.
G	Q.P.R.	Brighton & H.
H	Swindon T.	Southampton
K	Torquay Utd.	Ipswich Town
L	Gateshead	Accrington
M	Rochdale	Grimsby T.
N	Birm'h'm Res.	Luton T. Res.

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