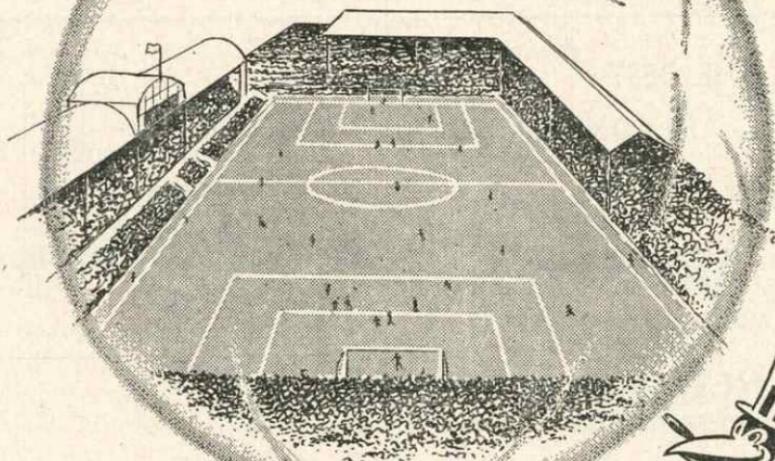


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The floodlight game against Hibernians gave United a chance to put their forward line in order after a series of failures and the outcome was the introduction of Jackie Milburn as leader and George Eastham and Len White in the line.

United after a shaky start settled down to show vast improvement and as a result the team that defeated the Scots 2-1, lines up against the lads from Luton this afternoon.

So George Eastham, signed from Ard's for a fee of £8,000, makes his League debut. He should do well and improve with experience. Against Hibs, once he had settled down, he played with promising skill and displayed a grand football brain. Let's give the teenager the "Geordie" encouragement he deserves today.

For Len White, too, the match is a vital one for Len has been out of the game since that practice match injury.

With the two Georges, Hannah and Eastham, as inside forwards, both strange to relate English players signed by United as they played for an Irish club, Jackie Milburn should be assured of a first class service to give him a grand opportunity to show he is still the Jackie of old.

Bobby Mitchell, too, showed better form to suggest a speedy return to his old self as the team, with Dick Keith undoubtedly the "star" of the night match playing his best game ever. The Irish player was perfection to once again emphasise that the "Magpies" have made one of their best buys ever.

If United can play as well for the 90 minutes this afternoon as they did in the last half hour on Wednesday against Hibs then all should be well and the still to be defeated at home in League encounters this season record retained.

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Goal Simpson				
2 (Right-back) Keith		3 (Left-back) Batty		
4 (Right-half) Keery		5 (Centre-half) Stokoe	6 (Left-half) Crowe	
7 (Outside-right) White	8 (Inside-right) Eastham	9 (Centre-forward) Milburn	10 (Inside-left) Hannah	11 (Outside-left) Mitchell

Referee:
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 Bolton



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Adam (Outside-left) 11	Cummins (Inside-left) 10	Gregory (Centre-forward) 9	Turner (Inside-right) 8	Davies (Outside-right) 7
Groves (Left-half) 6	Dunne (Left-back) 3	Owen (Centre-half) 5	Morton (Right-half) 4	Jones (Right-back) 2

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE				CENTRAL LEAGUE					
		F	A			F	A		
1956				1956					
Aug. 18	Portsmouth	h	2	1	Aug. 18	West Bromwich Albion	a	2	5
" 22	Cardiff City	a	2	5	" 22	Huddersfield Town	h	3	3
" 25	Sunderland	a	2	1	" 25	Barnsley	h	1	1
" 27					" 27	Huddersfield Town	a	2	4
" 29	Cardiff City	h	1	0	" 29				
Sept. 1	Sheffield Wednesday	a	0	4	Sept. 1	Sheffield Wednesday	h	2	3
" 5	Birmingham City	a	1	6	" 5	Stoke City	h	1	1
" 8	Manchester United	h	1	1	" 8	Manchester United	a	1	3
" 10					" 10	Stoke City	a	2	2
" 15	Arsenal	a	1	0	" 15	Liverpool	h	2	1
" 22	Burnley	h	1	1	" 22	Preston North End	a	2	0
" 29	Preston North End	a	0	1	" 29	Burnley	h	1	1
Oct. 6	Luton Town	h			Oct. 6	Sheffield United	a		
" 13	Aston Villa	a			" 13	Manchester City	h		
" 20	Manchester City	h			" 20	Blackburn Rovers	a		
" 27	Charlton Athletic	a			" 27	Blackpool	h		
Nov. 3	Leeds United	h			Nov. 3	Everton	a		
" 10	Tottenham Hotspur	a			" 10	Leeds United	h		
" 17	(1) Everton	h			" 17	Bolton Wanderers	a		
" 24	Blackpool	a			" 24	Aston Villa	h		
Dec. 1	Wolverhampton Wand'rs	h			Dec. 1	Derby County	a		
" 8	(2) Bolton Wanderers	a			" 8	Wolverhampton Wand'rs	h		
" 15	Portsmouth	a			" 15	West Bromwich Albion	h		
" 22	Sunderland	h			" 22	Barnsley	a		
" 25	West Bromwich Albion	a			" 25	Chesterfield	h		
" 26	West Bromwich Albion	h			" 26				
" 29	Sheffield Wednesday	h			" 29	Sheffield Wednesday	a		
1957				1957					
Jan. 1	Birmingham City	h			Jan. 1				
" 5	(3)				" 5	(3)			
" 12	Manchester United	a			" 12	Manchester United	h		
" 19	Arsenal	h			" 19	Liverpool	a		
" 26	(4)				" 26				
Feb. 2	Burnley	a			Feb. 2	Preston North End	h		
" 9	Preston North End	h			" 9	Burnley	a		
" 16	(5) Luton Town	a			" 16	Sheffield United	h		
" 23	Charlton Athletic	h			" 23	Manchester City	a		
Mar. 2	(6) Manchester City	a			Mar. 2	Blackburn Rovers	h		
" 9	Bolton Wanderers	h			" 9	Blackpool	a		
" 16	Leeds United	a			" 16	Everton	h		
" 23	(S. F.) Tottenham H.	h			" 23	Leeds United	a		
" 30	Everton	a			" 30	Bolton Wanderers	h		
April 6	Blackpool	h			April 6	Aston Villa	a		
" 13	Wolverhampton Wand'rs	a			" 13	Derby County	h		
" 19	Chelsea	h			" 19	Bury	a		
" 20	Aston Villa	h			" 20	Wolverhampton Wand'rs	a		
" 22	Chelsea	a			" 22	Bury	h		
" 27					" 27	Chesterfield	a		
May 4	Final				May 4				

NEXT HOME MATCHES

English School's Shield Comp.

Kick-off 11 p.m.

Newcastle Schoolboys v Carlisle Schoolboys

Saturday, 13th October, 1956

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E	Cardiff City	Leeds United	E	Liverpool	Blackburn R.
F	Chelsea	Tottenham H.	F	Middlesbrough	Port Vale
G	Manchester U.	Charlton A.	G	Notts Co.	Bristol City
H	Portsmouth	Aston Villa	H	Stoke City	Rotherham U.
J	Preston N.E.	Everton	J	Accrington S.	Darlington
K	Sheffield W.	Sunderland	K	Carlisle U.	Bradford
L	West Brom.	Wolves	L	Hartlepoons U.	Derby Co.
M	Bristol Rovers	Sheffield U.	M	Stockport Co.	Gateshead
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(Matches up to and including 29th September)

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES AND GOAL SCORERS

	Appearances	Goals		Appearances	Goals
Simpson	10	-	Taylor	3	1
Batty	8	-	Davies	9	3
Lackenby	2	-	Hughes	1	-
McMichael	6	-	Milburn	7	2
Keith	4	-	Keeble	9	3
Scoular	6	-	Hannah	10	1
Stokoe	10	-	Mitchell	9	-
Crowe	8	1	Prior	2	-
Casey	2	-	Punton	2	-
Keery	4	-			

FIRST TEAM ATTENDANCES TO DATE

Home	Away
v. Portsmouth	v. Cardiff City
v. Cardiff	v. Sunderland
v. Manchester Utd.	v. Sheffield Wed.
v. Burnley	v. Birmingham
	v. Arsenal
	v. Preston

(Compiled up to and including 29th September)

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester U.	10	8	2	0	25	11	18
Leeds United	11	7	2	2	22	13	16
Tottenham	10	7	1	2	30	14	15
Burnley	11	5	4	2	20	13	14
Blackpool	10	7	0	3	30	21	14
Birmingham	10	6	1	3	24	16	13
Bolton Wand.	11	5	2	4	16	15	12
Luton Town	10	5	2	3	20	21	12
Wolves	10	5	1	4	24	18	11
Preston N. E.	11	5	1	5	21	19	11
Aston Villa	10	3	4	3	13	11	10
Sheff. Wed.	11	4	2	5	27	26	10
Newcastle	10	4	2	4	11	20	10
Arsenal	11	4	1	6	18	20	9
West Brom	10	3	3	4	15	18	9
Cardiff	11	2	4	5	15	23	8
Chelsea	10	2	4	4	8	14	8
Sunderland	10	3	1	6	24	22	7
Everton	11	3	1	7	14	27	7
Man City	11	2	2	7	12	23	6
Portsmouth	10	1	3	6	17	24	5
Charlton Ath.	11	2	1	8	14	31	5

CENTRAL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Huddersfield	10	8	2	0	32	12	18
Sheffield W.	11	8	1	2	22	11	17
Liverpool	9	6	2	1	23	6	14
Blackpool	11	6	2	3	31	16	14
Everton	10	6	2	2	30	14	14
Man. City	9	5	3	1	18	6	13
Sheffield Utd.	10	5	2	3	11	14	12
Wolves	10	3	5	2	24	19	11
West Brom	11	4	3	4	27	26	11
Stoke City	10	4	2	4	16	16	10
Manchester U	9	4	2	3	26	17	10
Newcastle U.	11	2	5	4	18	24	9
Burnley	10	3	2	5	12	12	8
Derby County	10	3	2	5	19	27	8
Bolton W.	10	3	2	5	19	23	8
Preston N. E.	11	3	1	7	10	26	7
Bury	11	3	2	6	13	19	8
Aston Villa	8	3	1	4	18	22	7
Chesterfield	10	2	2	6	16	30	6
Blackburn R.	10	1	3	6	12	26	5
Barnsley	10	0	5	5	16	30	5
Leeds United	7	2	0	5	10	20	4

LEAGUE DIVISION I. RESULTS 1956-57

(Compiled up to and including 29th September)

HOME CLUB	Arsenal	Aston Villa	Birmingham	Blackpool	Bolton Wanderers	Burnley	Cardiff City	Charlton Athletic	Chelsea	Everton	Leeds	Luton Town	Manchester City	Manchester United	Newcastle United	Portsmouth	Preston North End	Sheffield Wednesday	Sunderland	Tottenham Hotspur	West Brom.	Wolverhampton W.
Arsenal	...					2-0	0-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	0-1	-	-	-	0-0	-	-	4-1	-
Aston Villa		...				-	-	3-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-4	0-0	-
Birmingham			...			-	2-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6-1	3-1	3-0	-	-	4-1	-	-
Blackpool				...		-	-	3-2	-	5-2	-	4-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolton Wanderers					...	-	2-0	2-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	1-0	-	-
Burnley						...	-	-	2-0	2-1	-	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	4-1	-	-	-	-
Cardiff City						-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	-	-	0-0	-
Charlton Athletic							-	1-2	1-2	1-0	-	-	-	-	4-4	-	-	-	-	-
Chelsea								-	-	-	-	-	-	3-3	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
Everton								2-1	-	-	-
Leeds									6-2	-	-	-
Luton Town										3-1	2-2	-	1-0
Manchester City												-	-	-	-
Manchester United													-	-	-	-
Newcastle United														-	-	-	-
Portsmouth															-	-	-	-
Preston North End															-	-	1-4	3-2
Sheffield Wed.															-	-	4-2	-
Sunderland															-	-	0-2	-
Tottenham Hotspur															-	-	-	4-1
West Bromwich Alb.															-	-	-	-
Wolverhampton W.															-	-	-	-

Who's Who

LUTON TOWN

BAYNHAM, RON (goalkeeper).—Birmingham-born, signed from Worcester City. Made first-team debut in 1952-53, and last season developed into one of the best goalkeepers in the country. Played for England against Denmark, Spain and Ireland in 1955-56.

JONES, LESLIE (right back).—Kept out of the first team by the consistency of Dunne and Aherne, but, in turn, displaced each towards end of last season. Welsh-born, he has been on the verge of international honours. Height 6 ft. Weight 12 st. 10 lbs.

DUNNE, SEAMUS (right back).—Born Wicklow, arrived at Luton in 1950 from Shelbourne. Eire international, with the polish of a younger Alf Ramsey. Height 5 ft. 8½ ins. Weight 11 st. 6 lbs.

AHERNE, THOMAS (left back).—Completes a pair of Irish international full-backs. Better known as "Bud," he is a native of Limerick, but played for Belfast Celtic. Joined Luton in 1949 and has since justified every penny paid for him. Height 5 ft. 8 ins. Weight 11 st. 10 lbs.

PEMBERTON, JIM (right half).—Came from Stourbridge in 1949 as inside forward, but has since played full-back, wing-half and outside-left.

OWEN, SID (centre half).—Signed from Birmingham for a modest fee, and from wing-half developed into one of the strongest stopper centre-halves in the First Division. Won many representative honours, including full internationals against Hungary, Yugoslavia and Belgium in 1954. Height 6 ft. Weight 11 st. 12 lbs.

SHANKS, WALLY (wing half).—Born in Valetta, Malta, of Scottish parents. Shanks joined Luton as outside-right and has also played inside-forward. Height 5 ft. 8½ ins. Weight 11 st. 4 lbs.

CULLEN, MICHAEL (outside right).—Tricky Scots winger, at home on left or right, gained his first international cap last season against Austria. Joined Luton from Douglasdale Juniors in 1952. Height 5 ft. 7 ins. Weight 10 st. 6 lbs.

TURNER, GORDON (inside right).—Goal-scoring forward from Hull and son of a former Hull City winger. Played for Football League last season and has also been reserve for England "B" team. Height 5 ft. 9 ins. Weight 11 st.

MORTON, BOB (centre forward).—Real utility player who seems to play equally well at centre-forward, centre-half or wing-half. England "B" selection and reserve for full England side. Local from Aston Clinton, Bucks.

PEARCE, REG (inside forward).—Another of Luton's utility players, occupied every forward position last season and also played wing-half. Signed in 1955 from Winsford United for £1,000. Height 5 ft. 10 ins. Weight 11 st. 8 lbs.

CUMMINS, GEORGE (inside left).—Comes from Dublin and went to Everton before joining Luton for a big fee in 1953. Clever ball manipulator. Capped several times for Eire. Height 5 ft. 7 ins. Weight 10 st. 2 lbs.

ADAM, JIMMY (outside left).—Speedy Scot who looked as good as any left-winger in the First Division in the early part of last season. Cost a big North Eastern League fee when signed from Spennymoor United three seasons ago. Height 5 ft. 8 ins. Weight 12 st.

Newcastle United Playing Strength

GOALKEEPERS				Previous Club
Name	Height	Weight		
S. MITCHELL	5 9½	11 6		Benburgh
R. SIMPSON	5 9½	10 9		Third Lanark
J. H. THOMPSON	5 9½	10 12		N.'s
FULL BACKS				
R. BATTY	5 9½	13 3		West Stanley
R. KEITH	5 11	12 0		Linfield
A. McMICHAEL	5 9	11 1		Linfield
R. WAUGH	—	—		Film Renters
HALF BACKS				
C. CROWE	5 9	10 9		Byker and Heaton
T. CASEY	5 8½	11 2		Bournemouth
G. LACKENBY	5 11½	13 11		Junior
J. NESBITT	6 1½	13 10		Ashington
W. PATERSON	6 1	12 12		Doncaster Rovers
J. SCOULAR	5 7½	11 13		Portsmouth
R. STOKOE	6 0½	12 0		Spennymoor Juniors
FORWARDS				
R. DAVIES	5 8½	9 7		Southend
G. HANNAH	5 8½	9 12		Linfield
V. KEEBLE	6 0	12 3		Colchester
S. KEERY	5 8	10 3		Shewsbury
G. EASTHAM	5 7½	9 9		Ards
J. MILBURN	5 11½	12 12		Ashington
R. MITCHELL	5 11½	11 6		Third Lanark
L. WHITE	5 7½	11 9		Rotherham
K. PRIOR	5 7	9 12		Millwall
PART TIMERS AND AMATEURS				
GOALKEEPER				
C. J. HARKER	—	—		—
FULL BACKS				
R. FERGUSON	—	—		—
J. MIDDLEMASS	5 10½	11 0		N.'s
R. WHITEHEAD	—	—		—
HALF BACKS				
J. COOPER	—	—		— (Forces)
A. FRANKS	—	—		— (Forces)
W. READHEAD	5 8½	9 12		Junior
M. SCOTT	6 0½	12 1		—
FORWARDS				
A. BARTLE	—	—		Seaton Burn Juniors
R. CUMMINGS	—	—		New Hartley
W. CURRY	5 7½	11 0		N.'s
R. EVANS	5 8½	10 5		—
J. HALL	—	—		Junior
B. HERBERTSON	5 7½	9 9		N.'s
W. PUNTON	—	—		Portadown (Forces)
K. READHEAD	5 6½	9 3		Junior
A. TAIT	5 9	10 2		N.'s
J. TAYLOR	5 7½	10 6		N.'s
W. MCKINNEY	5 10½	11 10		N.'s
J. WHITFIELD	5 6	10 11		—
J. THEWLES	5 7½	9 12		—
A. SPEARS	5 7½	10 4		—
G. HUGHES	—	—		Tow Law

News & Views

Even though the standard of play at Deepdale was anything but good the sportsmanship of both Tom Finney and Ron Batty deserves a special mention. Tom after the incident completely exonerated Batty and explained that his injury was a pure accident. Then we had Ronnie Batty with his arm around Tom saying "Sorry". The crowd went wild at the Finney incident but even referee Mr. Gavin Black did not award a foul and he was right up with the play at the time.

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It was good to see Tommy Thompson retaining his form. The former United inside man was full of pep and fire and headed a wonderful goal.

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The big lesson of the game from United's viewpoint was that the attack must find more penetration. They could easily have saved a point and indeed as poor as they played they could have, on chances, snatched a shock win. United have been getting a bad Press recently but make no mistake about it they will come back into favour. Remember they have not yet been defeated at home in League battles and remember how they more than matched Manchester United.

Every team strikes a bad patch and that is what United have done away from home this season although they won at highbury and Roker Park.

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Make a note of October 13 for on that morning Newcastle Schoolboys meet Carlisle Schoolboys in an English Schools Shield Competition. The kick off will be at 11 a.m. and real entertainment should be the outcome.

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Congratulations for Alf McMichael and Tommy Casey who both play for Ireland against England at Belfast today.

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It should not be long before Dick Keith joins them in the international team for he has already proved himself a great full back.

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The form of Bobby Stokoe suggests his selection for the League team that is to meet the Irish League at Gallowgate in a floodlight match on October 31. Bobby is having his best season ever and few centre forwards are making much headway against him. He well deserves to be chosen.

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