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PRICELOW

3
Left Back
P. ROMPTERMS

4
Right Half
H. E. M. LOCK

5
Centre Half
D. ORES

6
Left Half
DOUGLAS FERR

7
Outside Right
M. OLDINGS

8
Inside Right
F. LORING

9
Centre Forward
S. ERVISS

10
Inside Left
P. LYEWOOD

11
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CLUB NOTES

OUR VICTORY at Highbury last Saturday when we beat Arsenal by three glorious goals to one was one of our finest achievements for some little time, but on the run of the play one well deserved and warranted. When Tapscott firmly planted the ball in our net after only fifteen minutes play the hearts of our many fans who were present visibly sank, and there were further groans when the referee reversed his decision and awarded a free kick to the Arsenal after Allan Brown had scored what seemed to everybody else on the ground to be a perfectly good goal. It was a beautifully taken goal and it was a great disappointment that such a splendid effort should not be allowed to be recorded. However there it was, but the joy was merely being delayed for Brown came along with two of the slickest goals anyone could wish to see—no power in the shots but beautifully placed with the minimum of effort—to put our fans in right good humour. Then when ten minutes from the end Gordon Turner was called upon to do his usual from that small spot only 12 yards in front of the goal he did not disappoint us, and so we left Highbury the winners for the very first time apart from that occasion when we played Brentford there in an F.A. Cup second replay. Excuses have been made on behalf of the Arsenal that it was the aftermath of the Cup defeat they had suffered earlier in the week, also that right back Charlton had pulled a muscle early in the game which necessitated him playing in the forward line, but whatever the excuses put forward, Arsenal on their own ground are a team which very few other teams can beat, but our lads were without a doubt the better team on this occasion.

Following on this very fine performance our lads put up another very fine show when they brought a point away with them from Fratton Park last Wednesday evening. It was a very hard struggle for Pompey already knew (as of course we did ourselves) that both Sunderland and Cardiff City had lost their matches played earlier in the day and so Portsmouth saw a good chance of getting a bit further from the bottom of the Table. Every point dropped now can make such a difference to a Club's position in the League that each match for the bottom half dozen Clubs is a matter of the greatest importance, consequently players are apt to become over-anxious and their normal play suffers. Sunderland, the Club which has never played in any other Division but the First, lost at home last Wednesday so Pompey knew one point gained against us would take them above the North Easters. Pompey did gain a point against us—they felt they should have had them both—but one is better than none and so part of their hopes were fulfilled. Considering the fact, however, that Gordon Turner was just a passenger for best part of the match (and is likely to be out of action for at least two weeks), our lads pulled off another good performance in earning a draw, especially with Pompey in such desperate mood. At the time these Notes were being prepared other injuries received made the prospect of our team this afternoon look a vastly different set-up compared with the one which did duty at Highbury last Saturday, but the way in which players respond to the treatment they receive is sometimes nothing short of miraculous and so a much more settled side will probably take the field this afternoon than at one time looked even remotely possible.

We of course face another very hard nut this afternoon when we have Burnley as our opponents. Noted for their very good defence, having conceded only 24 goals on opponents' grounds this season in the 16 matches played away from home, only winning once however and drawing five, the lads from Lancashire always give their opponents a very hard fight with very rarely more than two goals for the home fans to cheer over. They have yet to be beaten at Turf Moor this season—the only First Division Club with that honour—but we hope that the extra confidence which our lads have found since Allan Brown came into the side will stand them in good stead this afternoon and so help us to get into an even more comfortable position than that showing on the inside back cover.

Next Wednesday we receive Portsmouth in our League 1 match with them, kick-off having been arranged for 7.15 p.m. in case it should be a very light night which might affect the Floodlights. Tickets which were purchased for the original date on Boxing Day still hold valid for this new date.

Last Saturday our Reserve side were much too good for the Watford second string and won comfortably in the end by five clear goals although the "Blues" did early in the game give as good as they received. But gradually they were worn down until for the last twenty minutes it was a case of how many would we score. The Watford lads however played the game in a very sporting manner and never gave up trying.

In the morning another very meritorious win by the lads of our own County was gained when the Bedfordshire Schoolboys beat the Essex Schoolboys by no less than six goals to three in the Home Counties' Competition—Northern Section. Essex are the reigning Champions of this Competition, so that our lads did very well indeed to beat this team, and especially by such a margin. The Essex Officials were most complimentary at the luncheon after the match on the display of the Bedfordshire lads, saying that without a doubt the better side won, and wishing them every success in their match with Middlesex which, if our lads win, will give them the Championship of the Northern Section and so entail them to play Hampshire, the winners of the Southern Section, to see who will have the honour of becoming Champions of the Competition. Why there are not more people to see these matches we just do not know. There was everything in this match for even the most fastidious student of football—nine very good goals, good goalkeeping on both sides, and the way in which both sets of forwards gathered and used the ball was a pleasure to see. We do hope that if these lads play again at Kenilworth Road that a bigger crowd will be present if only to show these youngsters that their efforts in getting so far in this very good Competition are appreciated.

Permission has been granted to the Luton Schools' F.A. for the use of our Ground during week commencing April 8th, to enable the Luton Boys play West Ham Boys for the Seaward Trophy. This match will be played under the Floodlights, the first time a schoolboys' match in Luton has been played under these conditions, and so we hope quite a few tickets will be bought prior to the match to give the officials every encouragement in their efforts.

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4
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Right Half
7
Cullen
Outside Right
8
Brown
Inside Right

Referee :

Mr. T. Jepson
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11
Pilkington
Outside Left
10
Cheesebrough
Inside Left
6
Shannon
Left Half
3
Winton
Left Back

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Baynham
Goal

5
Owen
Centre Half
9
Groves
Centre



9
Shackleton
Centre
Miller
Centre Half

McDonald
Goal

Football League — Div. 1

3
McNally
Left Back
6
Smith, R.
Left Half
10
Cummins
Inside Left
11
McLeod
Outside Left

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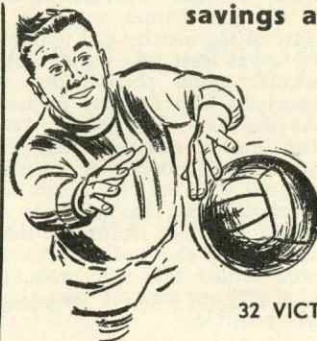
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NOTE. The letter in the Programme corresponds with the letter on the Board—thus A 0-1 means that the first named club has scored 0 and their opponents 1.

FIRST LIST

A	Aston Villa	Arsenal
B	Blackpool	Birmingham
C	Bolton W.	Sheffield Wed.
D	Charlton Ath.	Chelsea
E	Everton	West Brom.
F	Leeds United	Newcastle U.
G	Manchester C.	Cardiff City
H	Sunderland	Preston N. E.
K	Tottenham H.	Portsmouth
L	Wolverh'pton	Manchester U.
M	Barnsley	Leyton O.
N	Blackburn R.	Grimsby T.

SECOND LIST

A	Bristol City	Bury
B	Fulham	Middlesbro'
C	Lincoln City	Bristol Rovers
D	Notts. Forest	Stoke City
E	Port Vale	Liverpool
F	Rotherham U.	Notts. County
G	Sheffield Utd.	Huddersfield
H	Swansea T.	Leicester City
K	West Ham U.	Doncaster R.
L	Colchester U.	Brighton & H.
M	Coventry City	Swindon T.
N	Crystal Palace	Watford T.

THIRD LIST

A	Exeter City	Aldershot
B	Newport Co.	Millwall Ath.
C	Northampton	Walsall
D	Norwich City	Gillingham
E	Plymouth A.	Bournemouth
F	Q. P. R.	Ipswich Town
G	Reading	Torquay Utd.
H	Southampton	Brentford
K	Southend Utd.	Shrewsbury T.
L	Derby County	Accrington
M	Halifax Town	Hartlepoons
N	Swindon Res.	Luton T. Res.

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Aug. 18 Sat.	Sunderland	23,049	8 2	H 6 2
" 22 Wed.	Wolves	26,715	5 1	H 1 0
" 25 Sat.	Charlton Athletic	19,014	2 2	A 2 1
" 29 Wed.	Wolves	46,781	2 1	A 4 5
Sept. 1 Sat.	Manchester City	21,648	3 2	H 3 2
" 5 Wed.	Aston Villa	21,171	2 1	H 0 0
" 8 Sat.	Blackpool	32,112	2 3	A 0 4
" 15 "	Everton	18,076	2 2	H 2 0
" 22 "	Tottenham H.	58,960	1 2	A 0 5
" 29 "	Leeds United	20,949	...	H 2 2
Oct. 6 "	Newcastle United	36,491	0 4	A 2 2
" 13 "	Sheffield Wed.	19,202	...	H 2 0
" 20 "	Birmingham City	32,000	0 0	A 0 3
" 27 "	West Brom.	16,786	0 2	H 0 1
Nov. 3 "	Burnley	22,891	1 3	A 1 1
" 10 "	Preston N. E.	18,721	2 1	H 1 1
" 17 "	Chelsea (1)	30,823	0 0	A 1 4
" 24 "	Cardiff City	13,674	3 0	H 3 0
Dec. 1 "	Manchester United	34,736	1 3	A 1 3
" 8 "	Arsenal (2)	19,871	0 0	H 1 2
" 15 "	Sunderland	28,473	2 1	A 0 1
" 22 "	Charlton Ath.	9,922	2 1	H 4 2
" 29 Sat.	Manchester City	27,253	2 3	A 2 3
1957				
Jan. 5 Sat.	Aston Villa F.A. Cup—3	20,108	H 2 2	
" 7 Mon.	Aston Villa (Replay)	28,356	A 0 2	
" 12 Sat.	Blackpool	16,589	3 1	H 0 2
" 19 "	Everton	29,017	1 0	A 1 2
" 26 "	F.A. Cup—4	...	...	...
Feb. 2 "	Tottenham H.	22,586	2 1	H 1 2
" 9 "	Leeds United	25,500	A 2 1	
" 16 "	Newcastle U. (5)	21,007	4 2	H 4 1
" 23 "	West Bromwich A.	21,880	1 3	A 0 4
Mar. 9 "	Arsenal	41,288	0 3	A 3 1
" 13 Wed.	Portsmouth	22,438	0 0	A 2 2
" 16 Sat.	Burnley	...	2 3	H
" 20 Wed.	Portsmouth	...	1 0	H
" 23 Sat.	Preston N. E. (S.F.)	...	1 2	A
" 30 "	Chelsea	...	2 2	H
April 3 Wed.	Birmingham	...	0 1	H
" 6 Sat.	Cardiff City	...	0 2	A
" 13 "	Manchester U.	...	0 2	H
" 19 Fri.	Bolton Wanderers	...	0 4	A
" 20 Sat.	Sheffield Wed.	...	...	A
" 22 Mon.	Bolton Wand.	...	0 0	H
" 27 Sat.	Aston Villa	...	0 1	A
May 4 "	F.A. Cup—Final	...	...	...

1956 Reserve XI Fixtures Attendance 1955/56 F. A.

Aug. 18 Sat.	Queens Park R.	2,079	...	A 7 1
" 25 "	Tottenham H.	2,320	0 1	H 4 1
" 29 Wed.	West Ham Utd.	1,890	...	H 0 2
Sept. 1 Sat.	Crystal Palace	2,737	1 3	A 2 0
" 8 "	Bristol City	2,285	...	A 4 1
" 15 "	Plymouth Argyle	3,199	2 1	A 0 2
" 22 "	Southend United	1,746	1 5	H 2 2
" 29 "	Reading	1,588	...	A 0 1
Oct. 6 "	Chelsea	1,675	3 0	H 1 0
" 13 "	Bournemouth & B.	4,094	3 1	A 3 4
" 20 "	Arsenal	2,480	2 2	H 5 1
" 27 "	Watford	1,643	...	A 1 0
Nov. 3 "	Swindon Town	1,600	...	H 0 2
" 10 "	Brentford	1,421	3 7	A 2 1
" 17 "	Portsmouth	1,314	2 3	H 5 1
" 24 "	Ipswich Town	2,269	2 2	A 1 1
Dec. 1 "	Leicester City	1,622	2 2	H 7 0
" 15 "	Queens Park R.	1,314	3 1	H 5 0
" 22 "	Tottenham H.	3,546	...	A 2 3
" 29 Sat.	Crystal Palace	2,290	...	H 8 1
1957				
Jan. 5 Sat.	Coventry City	2,524	1 2	A 0 4
" 12 "	Bristol City	2,804	...	A 1 3
" 19 "	Plymouth A.	1,695	6 6	H 5 2
" 26 "	Coventry City	1,740	7 0	H 3 1
Feb. 9 "	Reading	2,275	...	H 4 0
March 2 "	Arsenal	7,093	0 2	A 2 3
" 9 "	Watford	1,514	...	H 5 0
" 14 Thurs.	Leyton Orient	...	3 4	A 4 3
" 16 Sat.	Swindon Town	...	...	A
" 20 Wed.	Birmingham C.	...	1 3	A
" 23 Sat.	Brentford	...	5 2	H
" 27 Wed.	Birmingham C.	...	2 8	H
" 30 Sat.	Portsmouth	...	1 4	A
April 6 "	Ipswich Town	...	2 1	H
" 13 "	Leicester City	...	1 1	A
" 17 Wed.	Southend United	...	...	A
" 19 Friday	Norwich City	...	0 1	H
" 20 Sat.	Leyton Orient	...	3 4	H
" 22 Mon.	Norwich City	...	0 2	A
" 24 Wed.	Bournemouth	...	3 3	H
" 27 Sat.	Swansea Town	...	0 1	A
To be arranged	Chelsea	...	0 4	A

LEAGUE TABLE : 1956-57

Up to and including Wednesday, 13th March, 1957

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Manchester United	32	22	5	5	85	46	49
Preston N.E.	33	18	8	7	76	51	44
Tottenham H.	32	17	8	7	82	47	42
Blackpool	32	17	7	8	75	54	41
Wolverhampton W.	32	17	5	10	82	59	39
Arsenal	33	17	5	11	72	60	39
Leeds United	34	13	12	9	63	49	38
Bolton W.	33	13	9	11	52	53	35
BURNLEY	32	12	10	10	45	38	34
Birmingham C.	31	13	6	12	54	48	32
Newcastle Utd.	34	13	6	15	58	70	32
West Bromwich	31	11	10	10	47	44	32
Chelsea	33	9	12	12	54	61	30
Everton	33	12	6	15	48	63	30
Aston Villa	30	9	12	9	45	41	30
Sheffield Wed.	32	12	4	16	63	71	28
LUTON TOWN	31	11	6	14	51	60	28
Manchester City	33	9	7	17	60	73	25
Cardiff City	32	9	6	17	46	71	24
Portsmouth	30	5	12	13	50	74	22
Sunderland	32	8	5	19	54	74	21
Charlton Ath.	34	6	2	26	48	103	14

NEXT MATCHES*Wednesday, 20th March, 1957***FOOTBALL LEAGUE—Division 1**

Floodlight Match Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

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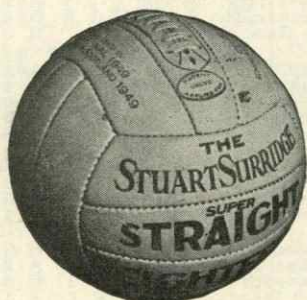
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Brentford Reserves

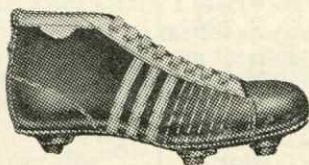
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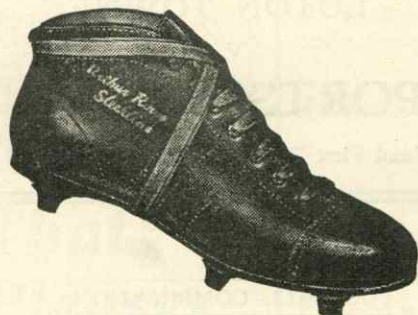
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