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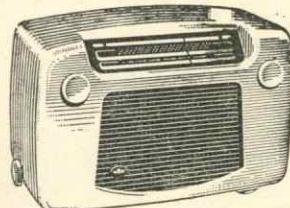
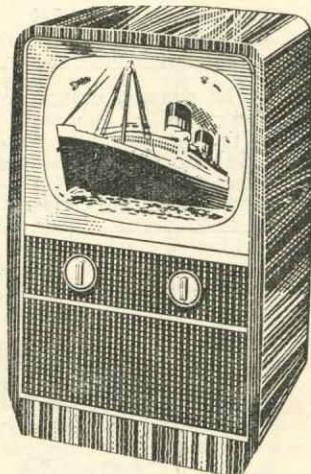
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A. LONGSTOKING1
Goal
P. ROFFT5
Centre Half
S. PRUCE9
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S. ERVISS3
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CLUB NOTES

OUR opponents last Saturday, Manchester City, boast an unbeaten record at home this season, but they will never again be nearer to losing their first match at home in any season as they were last Saturday and yet leave the field still to be defeated. At the end of normal time of ninety minutes we were leading by two clear goals, both scored during the first half, and how they managed not to fall further into arrears immediately on the resumption when Gordon Turner had two bangs at goal only for each one to somehow be kept from going over the line no-one can say, for each one looked a certainty as they left Turner's foot. But the ball was kept out, and there were other occasions when goals should have been the outcome of really splendid approach work which had the City defenders not knowing what to do to check our lads who were masters from start to finish, even when Shay Dunne had to leave the field only after six minutes of the second half and was not able to return. The two goals scored against us last Saturday were scored in the extra time of four minutes allowed for injuries, which is a mighty long time. Thus after enjoying a two goal lead for best part of the game, and undoubtedly being the better side, we had to leave the field in the end content with one point instead of the two we were morally entitled to. The pleasing thing, however, is the fact that our lads played some glorious football, and were the complete masters in every department of the game.

We have the lads from Birmingham as our guests today, and give them once again a warm welcome to Kenilworth Road. Somehow and whatever position the "Blues" are in they always give us a hard game when we meet, and as they seem to have found a new confidence these last two weeks we can fully expect a continuance of those mighty struggles in our meeting today. When our two teams last met here, an evening match last April, the result was a no-goal draw, both defences being much too good for the opposing forward line. Gil Merrick, their international goalkeeper, had the 'flu last week and so was not able to take part in the "Blues" five to one win over Bolton at St. Andrews, despite the fact that Bolton were one up after only 30 seconds play. John Schofield the "Blues" reserve goalkeeper deputised for Merrick in that match, and thus Birmingham were forced to play Withers, their third goalkeeper, in their match with our Reserves here last Saturday. Schofield could not have played any better, for on at least two occasions Withers brought off magnificent saves which certainly played a big part in the "Blues" leaving the field victors by three goals to two.

Next Monday evening, November 4th we are staging a match which should prove one of the highlights of the season for our First team will be in opposition to the "All Star XI" comprising Sam Bartram in goal; Wally Barnes and Alf Sherwood, full backs for Wales for many years; Eddie Boot of Huddersfield, George Young of Glasgow Rangers and Scotland fame, and Willie Watson of Sunderland, half backs; Jackie Milburn of Newcastle now player/manager of Linfield), Jimmy Hagan of Sheffield United, Jessie Pye (need we say more) Peter Docherty (same remark) and Charlie Mitten (player/manager of Mansfield Town, late of Fulham and still going strong), forwards. With such a wealth of talent together in one team, albeit (more's the pity) now passed their peak, we should see a most excellent game of football on Monday. All proceeds after deduction of expenses will go to the local spastic children, and we shall be very surprised if a quite

substantial cheque is not passed on to the Governors after this match. Kenneth Wolstenholme has very kindly agreed to come down and kick-off, and the No. 1 Technical Apprentices School Pipe Band of the Royal Air Force, Halton will be playing before the match and at half time. Kick-off is at 7.30 p.m. Tickets to all parts, including reserved seats, can still be obtained from the Bobbers Club, Messrs. Seamarks Bros., Messrs. S. Farmer & Co., and the Luton Town F.C. office. Even if some of you cannot attend this match do buy a ticket to aid this very worthy cause where much is being done to relieve the drawbacks suffered by these unfortunate children. Whether you who purchase tickets see the match or not you can rest assured your money has been well spent.

We have had two excellent matches played here at Kenilworth Road during this week, both to a most disappointing number of spectators. The first, played last Monday between the lads picked to play for their County, and Pegasus (one of the three leading amateur teams of the country), was staged for the honour of receiving the A. E. Ansell Memorial Trophy. The result was football of a very high standard, and the Bedfordshire lads are without a doubt to be congratulated upon beating such worthy opponents. Only 592 spectators however were present for such a match, only 592. Again last Wednesday evening our Youth XI, comprising youngsters on our books all under the age of 18 as at 1st September, played a similar set of youngsters from Leyton Orient in the First Round of the Southern Junior Floodlight Cup, and what a splendid match the 461 spectators saw. Both sides played some excellent football, despite the mud following heavy rain, and although the final score read Luton Youth 4, Leyton Orient Youth 1, the score does not give a true impression of the play, for it was cut and thrust for the whole time by both sides. We feel our lads just had the edge, and a score of 3 to 2 would have been a truer indication of the match, although our youngsters took their chances very well indeed. We were very pleased with their performance. There is some very good talent here for the future and Jack Crompton and Syd Owen are to be congratulated also for their part in the training of these youngsters. Both Jack and Syd must have been very gratified to see their hard work bearing fruit.

Our win at Southampton last Monday in the First Round of the Southern Floodlight Cup was also meritorious, for the "Saints" are playing very well and they fully expected to hold our lads to a draw on their own ground. We do not yet know who our opponents will be in the next Round.

Next Saturday morning, kick-off 11 a.m., the Luton Schoolboys will be playing Southend Schoolboys in the Second Round of the Corinthian Shield. Southend Boys beat East Ham Boys in the First Round, a very worthy achievement by all accounts, and so our youngsters, who had a bye in the First Round, will do well if they beat this Southend team.

On November 16th, when we have Newcastle United as our opponents, Butlin's Young Ladies will be giving a Pre-match Display on this Ground. They were very well received on their last visit here, and so we hope the weather is kind on the 16th to enable these talented young ladies to present their display under suitable conditions. We are indebted to Captain Bond, their Director of Physical Recreation, for offering to bring this Display "Youth in Rhythm" to Kenilworth Road once more. They are all young business ladies who give these Displays entirely without charge, and we know we shall enjoy watching them in action again.

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Left Back

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Baynam

Goal

5 Owen
Centre Half
9 Brown
Centre

**NEWS
WORLD**

9 Brown
Centre
5 Smith
Centre Half

Merrick
Goal

Football League — Div. 1

3 Jones
Left Back
6 Pearce
Left Half
10 Cummins
Inside Left
11 McLeod
Outside Left

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FIRST LIST

A	Arsenal	Manchester C.
B	Aston Villa	Portsmouth
C	Blackpool	Chelsea
D	Bolton Wan.	.....	Sheffield Wed.	.....
E	Everton	.....	West Brom.	.....
F	Leeds United	.....	Preston N. E.	.....
G	Leicester City	.....	Newcastle U.	.....
H	Manchester U.	.....	Burnley	.....
K	Sunderland	.....	Tottenham H.	.....
L	Wolverh'pton	.....	Notts. Forest	.....
M	Barnsley	.....	Rotherham U.	.....
N	Blackburn R.	.....	Stoke City	.....

SECOND LIST

A	Bristol Rov.	.....	Middlesbro'	.....
B	Derby County	.....	Leyton O.	.....
C	Fulham	.....	Doncaster R.	.....
D	Ipswich Town	.....	Bristol City	.....
E	Lincoln City	.....	Liverpool	.....
F	Notts. County	.....	Cardiff City	.....
G	Sheffield Utd.	.....	Grimsby T.	.....
H	Swansea T.	.....	Charlton Ath.	.....
K	West Ham U.	.....	Huddersfield	.....
L	Aldershot	.....	Brentford	.....
M	Brighton & H.	.....	Reading	.....
N	Exeter City	.....	Walsall	.....

THIRD LIST

A	Gillingham	.....	Bournemouth	.....
B	Millwall	.....	Norwich City	.....
C	Newport Co.	.....	Watford	.....
D	Plymouth A.	.....	Torquay Utd.	.....
E	Port Vale	.....	Crystal Palace	.....
F	Q. P. R.	.....	Coventry City	.....
G	Southampton	.....	Northampton	.....
H	Southend Utd.	.....	Shrewsbury	.....
K	Swindon T.	Colchester U.
L	Bradford City	Accrington
M	Workington	Bury
N	Coventry Res.	Luton T. Res.

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SAT., 9th NOVEMBER

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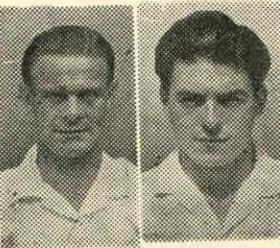
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1957 FIRST XI—Division 1 Attendance 1956/57 F A

Aug. 24 Sat.	Bolton Wand.	...	17591	1	0	H 1 0
" 26 Mon.	Blackpool	...	21099	0	4	A 4 0
" 31 Sat.	Arsenal	...	50111	3	1	A 0 2
Sept. 4 Wed.	Blackpool	...	19567	0	2	H 2 0
" 7 Sat.	Wolves	...	22030	1	0	H 3 1
" 11 Wed.	Leeds United	...	21972	2	1	A 2 0
" 14 Sat.	Aston Villa	...	28962	3	1	A 0 2
" 18 Wed.	Leeds United	...	16887	2	2	H 1 1
" 21 Sat.	Everton	...	19797	2	0	H 0 1
" 28 "	Sunderland	...	36734	0	1	A 0 3

Oct. 5 "	Burnley	...	15179	0	2	H 3 2
" 12 "	Preston North End	...	25403	0	2	A 0 1
" 19 "	Sheffield Wed.	...	14473	2	0	H 2 0
" 26 "	Manchester City	...	36333	2	3	A 2 2

Nov. 2 "	Birmingham C.	...	0	0	H	
" 9 "	Chelsea	...	1	4	A	
" 16 "	Newcastle U. (1)	...	4	1	H	
" 23 "	Tottenham H.	...	0	5	A	
" 30 "	Notts. Forest	...			H	

Dec. 7 "	Portsmouth (2)	...	2	2	A	
" 14 "	West Brom.	...	0	1	H	
" 21 "	Bolton Wanderers	...	2	2	A	
" 25 Wed.	Manchester United	...	1	3	A	
" 26 Thurs.	Manchester Utd.	...	0	2	H	

Jan. 4 Sat.	F.A. Cup - 3	...				
" 11 "	Wolves	...	4	5	A	
" 18 "	Aston Villa	...	0	0	H	
" 25 "	F.A. Cup - 4	...				

Feb. 1 "	Everton	...	1	2	A	
" 8 "	Sunderland	...	6	2	H	
" 15 "	Burnley (5)	...	1	1	A	
" 22 "	Preston N. E.	...	1	1	H	

March 1 "	Sheffield Wed. (6)	...	0	3	A	
" 8 "	Manchester City	...	3	2	H	
" 15 "	Birmingham City	...	0	3	A	
" 22 "	Tottenham H.	...	1	3	A	
" 29 "	Newcastle United	...	2	2	A	

April 5 "	Chelsea	...	0	4	H	
" 7 Mon.	Leicester City	...			H	
" 8 Tues.	Leicester City	...			A	
" 12 Sat.	Notts. Forest	...			A	
" 19 "	Portsmouth	...	1	0	H	

" 26 "	West Bromwich A.	...	0	4	A	
May 4 Fri.	West Ham Utd.	...			H	
" 5 Sat.	Chelsea	...			A	
" 7 Mon.	West Ham United	...			A	
" 12 Sat.	Bournemouth	...			H	

" 19 "	Brentford	...			A	
" 26 Sat.	Ipswich Town	...			A	
Jan. 4 Sat.	Fulham	...			H	
" 11 "	Southampton	...			A	
" 18 "	Swansea Town	...			H	

" 25 "	Queens Park R.	...			H	
Feb. 1 "	Leicester City	...			A	
" 8 "	Bristol Rovers	...			H	
" 15 "	Arsenal	...			A	
" 22 "	Norwich City	...			H	

March 1 "	Charlton Ath.	...</td

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