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v.

MANCHESTER CITY



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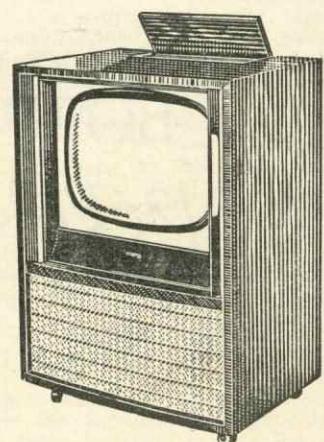
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Right Back
DOUG. FURR

4

Right Half
M. ATCHINS

7

Outside Right
N. U. STOCKS

8

Inside Right
F. LORINGS1
Goal
P. ROFFIT5
Centre Half
S. PRUCE9
Centre Forward
S. ERVISS3
Left Back
H. E. M. LOCK6
Left Half
D. ORES10
Inside Left
B. ATTENS11
Outside Left
P. LYB

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CLUB NOTES

AT a meeting held in Manchester recently under the Chairmanship of the Lord Mayor of Manchester a Management Committee was appointed to administer the Munich Air Disaster Appeal Fund, which has become the Central Fund, with the primary object of granting assistance to the dependants of those who have suffered from that terrible disaster. Clubs have been asked to take part by making collections at their grounds and so we have made arrangements for such a collection to take place today. In this respect we are greatly indebted to the Committee and Members of the Bradwell Silver Band (whom we are very pleased to see, and hear, today) for their spontaneous and ready offers of assistance when informed that we had decided to hold this collection today in view of the fact that Manchester City were our opponents and it would be another fortnight hence before another opportunity occurred. When the Bradwell Band was invited in the first place as soon as we knew the Luton Band had decided to take part in the "Daily Herald" Area Contest we little knew, of course, that a collection would be taken on March 8th other than the usual one to be placed to the funds of the Band performing that day. It is unfortunate for the Bradwell Band for the collection they take here is most useful to them but we have promised to try and invite them again later in the season and so give you all the opportunity of showing your appreciation for their very generous action in forfeiting today's collection and also for putting at our disposal their Collectors and collecting boxes. Members of the Bobbers Stand Club are also assisting in the collection and so we hope there is a very nice cheque to send next week to the Lord Mayor of Manchester. The amount sent will, of course, be given to the Press and will be shown in our next programme.

We trust the Luton Band will be successful in their attempt today to win the Area Contest of the All-Britain Championship. They have a very stiff piece to play, but if they play it anywhere near as well as they play "Abide with me" then there should be no doubt as to the result of their efforts this afternoon.

Today we are hosts to this season's most free-scoring team in the First Division, Manchester City. They have to date found the back of the net on no fewer than 82 occasions, a feat which promises to present a fine display of attacking football here, at Kenilworth Road, this afternoon.

Although this mammoth total may seem to dwarf our own team's efforts, which have resulted in 58 goals being scored, we must not overlook the fact that the City defence has conceded as many goals as their forwards have scored! For a team so high in the table this is a most peculiar goal average, but it does portend that the football they will produce here this afternoon will be full of thrills with plenty of goals and near misses.

Manchester City will be remembered by many soccer fans for their great win over Birmingham City in the 1955/56 Cup Final when their courageous goalkeeper Bert Trautmann played on after suffering the misfortune of receiving a severe neck injury. This unhappy event kept him out of action for quite a long time and although he is back between the posts once again, he does not seem to have recaptured the headlines with those wonder saves with which his name was so often associated.

Reflecting on the past two matches we are sure that our game against Preston North End is one we will all wish to forget as soon as possible. Under appalling conditions it was Tom Finney who was the 'man-of-the-match' and we can only conclude that being a plumber must help his soccer, for he certainly found and exploited any leaks which appeared in the Town's defence! Preston are a fine team and it will only take a brief spell of off-form by the Wolves for the Lancashire side to jump ahead. While not attempting to become involved in the rights or wrongs of the referee's penalty decision in favour of Preston, it did seem that this was the turning point of the game for it took away the confidence our lads had gained from Jimmy Adam's equalizer, and of course that third goal coming so soon afterwards, a fluke if ever there was one, made our lads' task an unenviable one, especially with the Preston defence being in their most dominant mood.

Our 2-1 defeat at Sheffield was very disappointing. The first half lead we had gained through a grand goal by Gordon Turner was not enough for Wednesday's after the interval revival. Their spectators need have no fears of relegation if they continue the second half form they produced against us.

In an effort to fill the gap caused by John Groves being moved into the half back line we have taken a bold step today in introducing to the 1st eleven and the 1st Division a very promising youngster in 17½ year old David Rowland from Stotfold. This player is having a phenomenal rise to success. Following his goal scoring feats in the Metropolitan League he was only recently promoted to the "Stiffs" and here again he has proved his ability to score goals. He is a full 90 minute trier, is fast off the mark and quick to spot the slightest opportunity of scoring a goal. We wish him every success in this new sphere and call upon you all to give him all the verbal encouragement you can muster this afternoon.

This young player took part in what was quite a remarkable match here, at Kenilworth Road, last Saturday. Our "Stiffs" met Charlton Athletic Reserves in a match which had the spectators agog as the goals came fast and furious. It was amazing. In what seemed no time at all our lads had built up a 4-0 lead with goals by McGuffie, Dixon and two from Rowland. All were great goals and there could easily have been several more in the first half hour. We were fielding a very young team against what was indeed a strong and experienced Charlton eleven. Soon the score was pulled back to 4-2 before Rowland completed a brilliant hat-trick to make the half time score 5-2 in our favour. The second half was a grim struggle with Charlton's experience beginning to have its effect and it was no injustice when they equalised to finish the game at 5-5. Those spectators who think these reserve fixtures have no skill or thrills should have been here to see this game.

For those of you who enjoy watching the youngsters play we would like to bring to your attention the match to take place on Wednesday, 19th March, under the Kenilworth Floodlights when Bedfordshire Schoolboys are to play Essex Schoolboys. Kick-off 7.15 p.m. We hope you can spare an evening to watch these lads; we are sure you will not be disappointed by its entertainment value.

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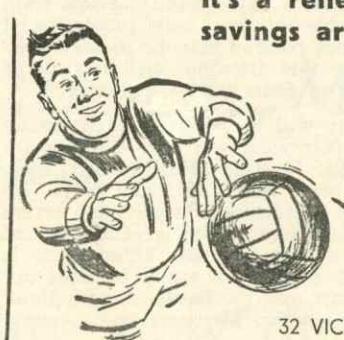
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Outside Right
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Referee :
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F 1-2
11 Sambrook
Outside Left
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Inside Left
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Left Half
3 Sear
Left Back

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HART
Johnstone
Centre
5 Ewing
Centre Half

Trautmann
Goal

3 Hawkes
Left Back
5 Owen
Centre Half
9 Brown
Centre
10 Rowland
Inside Left
11 McLeod
Outside Left

Linesmen :
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Orange Flag :
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Centre
8 Hayes
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Centre Half
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FIRST LIST

A	Arsenal	Chelsea
B	Aston Villa	Burnley
C	Blackpool	Notts. Forest
D	Bolton Wan.	.....	Birmingham	.....
E	Everton	.....	Preston N. E.	.....
F	Leeds United	.....	Tottenham H.	.....
G	Leicester City	.....	Portsmouth	.....
H	Manchester U.	.....	West Brom.	.....
K	Sunderland	.....	Sheffield Wed.	.....
L	Wolverh'pton	.....	Newcastle U.	.....
M	Barnsley	.....	Doncaster R.	.....
N	Blackburn R.	.....	Grimsby T.	.....

SECOND LIST

A	Bristol Rov.	.....	Liverpool	.....
B	Derby County	.....	Middlesbro'	.....
C	Fulham	.....	Charlton Ath.	.....
D	Ipswich Town	.....	Stoke City	.....
E	Lincoln City	.....	Cardiff City	.....
F	Notts. County	.....	Bristol City	.....
G	Sheffield Utd.	.....	Huddersfield	.....
H	Swansea T.	.....	Leyton O.	.....
K	West Ham U.	.....	Rotherham U.	.....
L	Aldershot	.....	Torquay Utd.	.....
M	Brighton & H.	.....	Shrewsbury	.....
N	Exeter City	.....	Bournemouth	.....

THIRD LIST

A	Gillingham	.....	Norwich City	.....
B	Millwall	.....	Colchester U.	.....
C	Newport Co.	.....	Northampton	.....
D	Plymouth A.	.....	Crystal Palace	.....
E	Port Vale	.....	Watford	.....
F	Q. P. R.	.....	Walsall	.....
G	Southampton	.....	Reading	.....
H	Southend Utd.	.....	Coventry City	.....
K	Swindon T.	Brentford
L	Bradford City	Bury
M	Crewe Alex.	Hartlepools
N	Birm'gham Res.	Luton T. Res.

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SAT., 15th MARCH, 1958

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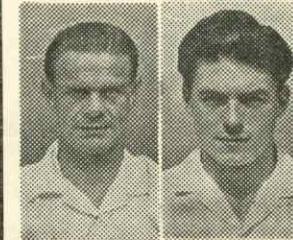
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1957 FIRST XI - Division 1 Attendance 1956/57 F A

Aug.	4 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.	...	17316	0	0	H	3	0
"	9 "	Chelsea	...	34102	1	4	A	3	1
"	16 "	Newcastle U. (I)	...	19703	4	1	A	0	3
"	23 "	Tottenham H.	...	41242	0	5	A	1	3
"	30 "	Notts. Forest	...	18391	...	H	3	1	

Dec.	7 "	Portsmouth (2)	...	17782	2	2	A	0	5
"	14 "	West Brom.	...	15365	0	1	H	5	1
"	21 "	Bolton Wanderers	...	16754	2	2	A	2	1
"	25 Wed.	Manchester United	...	39594	1	3	A	0	3
"	26 Thurs.	Manchester Utd.	...	26478	0	2	H	2	2

"	28 Sat.	Arsenal	...	27493	1	2	H	4	0
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1958									
Jan.	4 Sat.	Stockport C.-F.A. Cup-3	...	18162	A	0	3		
"	11 "	Wolves	...	30805	4	5	A	1	1
"	18 "	Aston Villa	...	16619	0	0	H	3	0
"	25 "	F.A. Cup-4	...						

Feb.	1 "	Everton	...	26908	1	2	A	2	0
"	8 "	Sunderland	...	15932	6	2	H	7	1
"	15 "	Burnley (5)	...	16260	1	1	A	2	1
"	22 "	Preston N. E.	...	22549	1	1	H	1	3
March 1	"	Sheffield Wed. (6)	...	17747	0	3	A	1	2

"	8 "	Manchester City	...	3146	3	2	A	2	0
"	15 "	Birmingham City	...	3146	3	2	A	2	0
"	22 "	Tottenham H.	...	29	2	A	1	1	
"	29 "	Newcastle United	...	22	2	A	1	1	

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

"	26 "	West Bromwich A.	...	0	4	A			

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