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LUTON TOWN

v.

Wolverhampton Wan.



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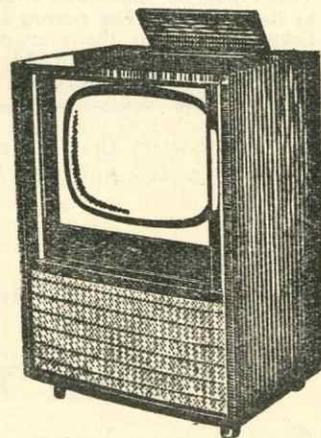
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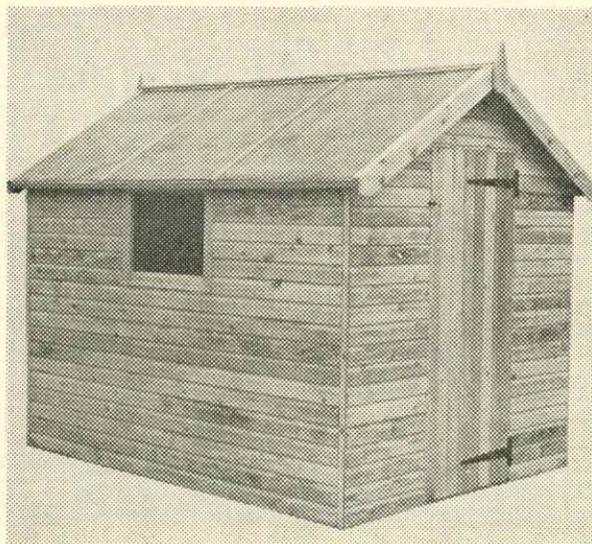
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CLUB NOTES

IT IS with much pleasure that we receive Wolverhampton Wanderers to Kenilworth Road today in a League 1 fixture. It is curious that the Wolves who, since our promotion to the First Division in Season 1954/55, having finished in third position, sixth position and last season as Champions, have had the satisfaction only once of beating us in our six encounters to date, and that was in that memorable match at Molineux on Wednesday evening, 29th August, 1956, when we were beaten by the odd goal in nine. In our other two matches played at Molineux we won the first by two goals to one, drawing the other played in January this year one goal each. On the three occasions we have met at Luton we have won in each case, with an aggregate of nine goals to two, and we all remember very vividly our first encounter here in November 1955 when we won by no less than five goals to one. The following season we won by one goal to nil, and last year won by three goals to one. There is a saying that all good things must come to an end, which makes us wonder how long we can keep up our excellent home record against this very good team. To defeat us, however, we feel the Wolves will have to play a lot better than they did last Saturday when they lost their second home match of the season to Bolton Wanderers, who won by two goals to one, to put the Lancashire side in second position in the Table.

Wolves had the honour of having three of their players taking part in the International match played at Villa Park last Wednesday against Wales, and even then the choice of Ron Flowers at left half meant the dropping of another Wolves' half back, Bill Slater, who had previously been chosen for his country. Billy Wright of course we all know for his consistently high standard, both for his Club and his country. He has now taken part in 99 International matches, and barring injury will undoubtedly be called upon to play for England next April against Scotland at Wembley to make a century of appearances, a wonderful record. As goal average is not taken into consideration in the International Table, Scotland have only to draw next April to ensure being at least Joint-Champions as with only one match each to play Scotland have three points to England and Ireland two each and Wales one. Wembley will most certainly be nowhere big enough to hold the people who would like to see that match on April 11th.

We had to leave both points behind at Old Trafford last Saturday, but we felt we earned at least a draw and consider ourselves most unfortunate to leave without any reward. Billy Bingham could easily have put the ball into the empty net after being fouled by the United goalkeeper but the referee had already whistled for a penalty. Gregg undoubtedly moved as the kick was being taken, fortunately for him in the right direction, and the linesman waved his flag for fully ten seconds in an attempt to draw the referee's attention to the fact but without avail. The offending team was therefore given every advantage in this incident. A goal at that stage when we were definitely playing the better football after having reduced a two-goal deficit could

easily have meant the turning point of the game. In the end it was another game lost by the odd goal, the third on the trot.

The injury David Pacey received has responded to treatment, but not sufficient to enable him to take part in today's match. We are therefore playing John Groves at left half, a position he has filled very successfully before and is, we feel, his best position. Syd Owen has had a dreadful cold all the week, spending the best part of Monday to Wednesday in bed. He is feeling a lot better today and so we can expect his usual dominating game.

Our Reserve side won their match against Chelsea Reserves here last Saturday but were very lucky to finish on the winning side. Until Tony Gregory's goal ten minutes from the end we did not look like getting past the Chelsea rearguard so well were they blocking every avenue to goal, but Tony in possession on the edge of the penalty area saw quickly that the Chelsea goalie had advanced from his goal slightly, and with a beautiful lob put the ball in the far corner of the net. And then one minute from time Jackie Walker sent in one of those awkward zipping shots which the Chelsea goalie just could not get to and the ball was in the net to leave our lads jubilant and the Chelsea side wondering how it was they had lost the match. Frank Blunstone at outside left, just recovered from a nasty injury, played very well indeed and from his work alone the Chelsea forwards should have had a hatful of goals.

The Luton Schoolboys went out of this season's English Shield Competition to a much better side from Peterborough, who won by five clear goals. The Luton side however was under a great handicap throughout the match as Tom Wilson, the Luton centre half, had a recurrence of an injury when the match had been in progress only a few minutes which cut down appreciably his effectiveness and put a big strain on the rest of the defence. The Peterborough centre forward scored four goals and his side would we feel have won in any case for they played much better as a team, but we wonder just how much that injury of Wilson's affected the Luton side. Barry Leggetter in the Luton goal had a very good match, on at least four occasions saving well when all looked lost. He had no chance with the shots which did go past him. Better luck next year Boys.

A Collection was being made outside the Ground today by the South Bedfordshire Society for the Blind, and we trust all of you made some contribution as you entered. It is an entirely voluntary organisation, consequently the service amongst the four hundred blind persons who reside in this area is governed by the financial assistance received. If any of you did not have an opportunity of making a contribution before the match the Collectors will be on duty again as you leave the Ground. We hope it has been a bumper Collection.

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7
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8
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11
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10
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Inside Left

6
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Left Half

3
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Baynam
Goal

5
Owen
Centre Half

9
Brown
Centre



9
Murray
Centre

5
Wright
Centre Half

Finlayson
Goal

Football League — Div. 1

3
Hawkes, K.
Left Back

6
Groves
Left Half

10
Cummins
Inside Left

11
Adam
Outside Left

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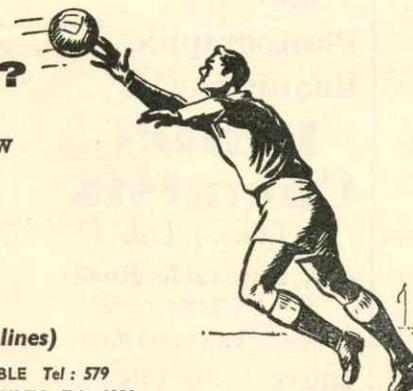
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FIRST LIST

A	Arsenal	Blackpool
B	Birmingham	Manchester U.
C	Bolton Wan.	Portsmouth
D	Burnley	Aston Villa
E	Everton	Chelsea
F	Leeds United	Newcastle U.
G	Leicester City	Notts. Forest
H	Manchester C.	Blackburn R.
K	Preston N.E.	West Ham U.
L	West Brom.	Tottenham H.
M	Bristol Rov.	Middlesbro'
N	Derby County	Charlton Ath.

SECOND LIST

A	Fulham	Barnsley
B	Ipswich Town	Liverpool
C	Leyton O.	Bristol City
D	Lincoln City	Rotherham U.
E	Scunthorpe U.	Cardiff City
F	Sheffield Wed.	Huddersfield
G	Stoke City	Brighton & H.
H	Sunderland	Sheffield Utd.
K	Swansea T.	Grimsby T.
L	Accrington	Tranmere R.
M	Bradford City	Rochdale
N	Brentford	Bury

THIRD LIST

A	Chesterfield	Colchester U.
B	Halifax Town	Stockport Co.
C	Hull City	Q. P. R.
D	Mansfield T.	Norwich City
E	Newport Co.	Reading
F	Notts. County	Bournemouth
G	Southampton	Plymouth A.
H	Swindon T.	Southend Utd.
K	Wrexham	Doncaster R.
L	Darlington	Port Vale
M	Millwall Ath.	York City
N	Notts F. Res.	Luton T. Res.

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1958	FIRST XI—Division 1	Attendance	1957/8	F	A
Aug. 23	Sat. West Brom.	24425	5 1	H	1 1
" 26	Tues. Leeds United	25498	2 0	A	1 1
" 30	Sat. Birmingham City	32000	1 1	A	1 0
Sept. 3	Wed. Leeds United	13497	1 1	H	1 1
" 6	Sat. West Ham Utd.	25715	2 2	H	4 1
" 10	Wed. Manchester City	30771	2 2	A	1 0
" 13	Sat. Bolton Wand.	19699	1 0	H	1 0
" 17	Wed. Manchester City	18160	1 2	H	5 1
" 20	Sat. Burnley	23760	2 1	A	2 2
" 27	Sat. Preston N. End	23056	1 3	H	4 1
Oct. 4	" Leicester City	32017	1 4	A	1 3
" 11	" Nottingham Forest	30187	0 1	A	1 3
" 18	" Chelsea	24864	0 2	H	2 1
" 25	" Portsmouth	24831	0 5	A	2 2
Nov. 1	" Aston Villa	18714	3 0	H	2 1
" 8	" Newcastle United	53420	2 3	A	0 1
" 15	" Tottenham H. (1)	23592	0 0	H	1 2
" 22	" Manchester United	41195	0 3	A	1 2
" 29	" Wolves	...	3 1	H	...
Dec. 6	" Blackpool (2)	...	2 1	A	...
" 13	" Blackburn Rov.	...	...	H	...
" 20	" West Brom. Albion	...	2 4	A	...
" 26	Fri. Arsenal	...	4 0	H	...
" 27	Sat. Arsenal	...	0 2	A	...
1959					
Jan. 3	Sat. Birmingham C.	...	3 0	H	...
" 10	" F.A. Cup—3	...	...	A	...
" 17	" West Ham United	...	...	A	...
" 24	" F.A. Cup—4	...	...	A	...
" 31	" Bolton Wanderers	...	2 1	A	...
Feb. 7	" Burnley	...	3 2	H	...
" 14	" Preston N. End (5)	...	0 1	A	...
" 21	" Leicester City	...	2 1	H	...
" 28	" Notts. Forest (6)	...	3 1	H	...
March 7	" Chelsea	...	3 1	A	...
" 14	" Portsmouth (S.F.)	...	2 1	H	...
" 21	" Aston Villa	...	0 2	A	...
" 27	Fri. Everton	...	0 1	H	...
" 28	Sat. Newcastle U.	...	0 3	H	...
" 30	Mon. Everton	...	2 0	A	...
April 4	Sat. Tottenham H.	...	1 3	A	...
" 11	" Manchester Utd.	...	2 2	H	...
" 18	" Wolves	...	1 1	A	...
" 20	Mon. Blackburn Rov.	A	...
" 25	Sat. Blackpool	...	2 0	H	...

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League Table 1958/59

DIVISION ONE

Up to and including Saturday, 22nd November

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Arsenal	19	11	3	5	50	27	25
Bolton Wan.	18	9	5	4	36	25	23
WOLVES	18	10	2	6	37	23	22
West Bromwich	18	8	6	4	43	28	22
Preston North End	19	9	4	6	33	27	22
Nottingham Forest	18	9	2	7	35	26	20
LUTON TOWN	18	6	7	5	30	24	19
Blackburn Rov.	18	7	5	6	40	35	19
Newcastle Utd.	18	9	1	8	35	32	19
Blackpool	18	5	9	4	20	19	19
West Ham United	18	8	3	7	34	34	19
Manchester United	19	6	5	8	38	37	17
Portsmouth	18	6	5	7	35	39	17
Chelsea	18	8	1	9	39	46	17
Tottenham H.	18	6	4	8	37	44	16
Burnley	18	6	4	8	28	30	16
Birmingham C.	18	6	4	8	26	34	16
Everton	18	6	3	9	34	49	15
Manchester City	18	5	5	8	31	43	15
Leeds United	18	4	7	7	21	30	15
Leicester City	18	5	4	9	34	47	14
Aston Villa	19	5	3	11	30	50	13

NEXT MATCH

Saturday, 6th December, 1958

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