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FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION 1

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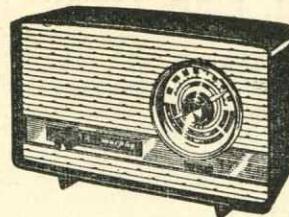
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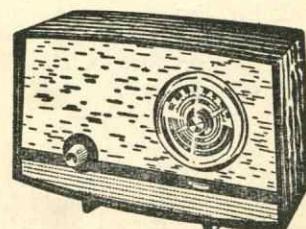
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Copy of a letter
from Luton Town Football Club
to Luton Bobbers Stand Club.

16th March, 1960

J. Collier, Esq.,
The Hon. Treasurer,
Luton Bobbers Stand Club,
6a, Cromwell Road,
Luton, Beds.

Dear Mr. Collier,

Your letter of the 14th instant enclosing cheque value £2,000 being a further Donation to this Club was placed before my Board at their Meeting held last evening. It was a most pleasant surprise, for my Directors are very much aware of the extensive repairs and alterations which have been carried out recently at the BOBBERS STAND CLUB so that a Donation from you at this stage was most unexpected. The donating

The ticket number for the ball on Saturday, 12th March, 1960 (West Bromwich Albion match) was 10981 and the supporter who had this number was:-

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of so handsome a sum is therefore we feel all the more praiseworthy, and under the circumstances I can assure you and your Committee who must have worked very hard to gather this money that it has acted as a great tonic at this difficult stage, giving us the incentive to really go out and make every endeavour to keep our place in the First Division.

My Chairman and the Manager at the time of this letter are on their way to Scotland where they hope to obtain the signature of a very promising left winger. They have gone with the knowledge that the BOBBERS STAND CLUB are very much behind them—your cheque could not have come at a more opportune moment.

Again many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

P. COLEY,
Secretary.

CLUB NOTES

We very nearly came away from St. James' Park last Saturday with a share of the spoils, and no doubt on the run of the play would have done so at least if Gordon Turner had not suffered an injury after only a quarter of an hour's play which left him a passenger for the rest of the match. Even then until Newcastle scored their third goal we more than held our own with only the ten men, despite the fact that we were a goal down after only three minutes' play. Why we were not awarded a penalty when Turner was so unceremoniously brought down by the goalkeeper when right through we do not know. We have had quite a few penalties against us for incidents no where near a violation of the Laws of the Game as this one, and yet nothing was done. This incident was, we feel, the turning point of the game for it came not many minutes after the very clever goal scored by Billy Bingham with his head from a well taken free kick by Ken Hawkes just inside the Newcastle half. The goal which won both points for Newcastle was scored by George Eastham, a wonderful goal but even more wonderful if he intended the shot as produced. Ron Bayham had his goal well covered, and only about ten minutes earlier had saved a shot from Ivor Allchurch under almost the same circumstances with consummate ease although it could quite easily have beaten many other goalkeeper. The shot from Eastham had some power behind it and was rising, yet after passing over Bayham's upstretched arms it zipped suddenly and dropped just underneath the crossbar into the net. As we say, if it was so intended it was a wonderful goal, but we have our doubts that it was so. However it was the effort which cost us at least a point, and so we came away from St. James' Park still further pressed into the relegation ooze. When your luck is out it is out with a vengeance.

We have as our opponents here this afternoon our near neighbours in distress Birmingham City. Three weeks ago the 'Blues' beat Notts. Forest at St. Andrew's by 4 goals to 1 while we were losing at Chelsea by three goals to nil. A week later Birmingham went to Fulham and drew two goals each, Fulham being very fortunate in salvaging a point after being two goals down. Birmingham no doubt were feeling a lot happier following these three points but last Saturday at home to Bolton all their hopes of a revival were smashed when they succumbed by no fewer than five goals to two, thus leaving them at the bottom of the Division next to ourselves, but with a better goal average and one match in hand. Today's match therefore is a very important one for us, for if we lose it there would seem very little hope indeed of avoiding the drop with only seven matches left to play, four of them away from home and all seven very hard matches. We shall keep pegging away but it is going to be a very near thing if we do avoid the big drop. A point last Saturday would have kept the lamp burning a bit brighter for us.

Although our Junior teams continue to do well, the Metropolitan League side winning their match last Saturday at Haywards Heath to continue as leaders of the League, our Reserve side leaves room for thought for they dropped another point at home to Southampton Reserves last Saturday to leave us rather badly placed in fourth place from the bottom. Our forwards had the chances to have won this game comfortably but again bad finishing, on two occasions with open goals, meant that the opposition had only to score one goal to obtain some reward. With only five matches left to play we could be in relegation trouble here if an improvement in finishing is not immediately forthcoming. The postponed fixture with Arsenal

Reserves has incidentally been arranged for Wednesday evening, April 27th, kick-off 6.30 p.m.

So far we have not received any further news regarding a Dutch team playing at Kenilworth Road in connection with the World Refugee Year effort. We are told that about half a dozen First Division Dutch Clubs are at present fighting for the leadership and are at this stage reluctant to break their concentration by coming over to England. We are therefore waiting the next move from that direction.

On Monday night next our Metropolitan League side play West Ham United at Upton Park in the Semi-Final of the Metropolitan League Cup. If we win, the first leg of the Final will be played at Kenilworth Road on Easter Saturday afternoon. On Good Friday we have been pleased to grant permission for the use of our ground to the Luton and South Beds. Football League to stage their Final Tie for the William Pease Jubilee Trophy. The two Finalists are Stockwood Athletic and Belle Vue Rangers of Dunstable, both teams having played very well to reach this stage, and an entertaining match with good football can be anticipated. The Centre Stand at 2/-, and the Wing Stand and Enclosure at 1/6 (Boys 1/-) will be ticketed, rest of ground pay at the turnstiles. Tickets will be on sale as from Saturday, April 2nd, at the Co-operative Stores, Manchester Street, where a display of the trophies and medals, etc. can also be seen. Tickets can also be obtained from any of the Luton Leagues Clubs or from the two Finalists. Mr. John Lake, Manager of the Savoy Cinema, takes a great interest in these boys' activities and is kindly advertising the match on his screen at all performances.

At the beginning of Easter Week, the Luton Schoolboys will be playing another team yet to be announced for the Seaward Trophy. Although the donor of this trophy has passed on his memory is still with us for the very good work he did, particularly for the Old Folks, and we are pleased to see that the Officials of the Luton Schools' F.A. intend to continue the good work. More details of this and the other matches will be given in our next programme in a fortnight's time when we have Manchester United as our visitors.

We received a very pleasant surprise last week when a cheque for £2000 was handed to us on behalf of the Bobbers Stand Club. In view of the fact that many improvements have been carried out lately at the Club we did not expect another Donation at this stage so that was all the more pleasurable to receive as it was so unexpected. We were hoping to use the money to help buy another player before the closing date for transfers on March 16th, but despite great efforts by our Chairman and Manager to bring the player to Luton they have had their sights set on for some little time he would not agree to the move, having just been demobbed and wishing to live at home after being away for the two years. It was a great disappointment for we are certain this player would have completed our forward line at Outside Left which position has caused us some worry for a long time. However although the Donation was not used after all in the way we had hoped it is nevertheless none the more acceptable, and we do wish to thank all of you who took part in getting together this sum for your continued valuable and generous support. Those of you who have not visited our Bobbers Club are invited to do so for it is a very homely Club, with facilities for most games, and a bar second to none. Annual Subscription for Membership is 1/2, or to be a Life Member the Subscription is One Guinea. Call in before or after a match if you are visitors to the Town, or ordinary Club times if you are residents here. You will be made most welcome.

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2 Dunne
Right Back

4 Morton
Right Half

7 Bingham
Outside Right

8 Turner
Inside Right

Referee:
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11 Hooper
Outside Left

10 Hume
Inside Left

6 Neal
Left Half

3 Allen
Left Back

Birmingham City 1 (1)

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Baynham
Goal

5 Pacey
Centre Half

9 McBride
(L Ben)

10 Cummins
Inside Left

11 Noake
Outside Left

Linesmen:

Red Flag:
Mr. R. H. Pearce (London)

Orange Flag:
Mr. M. R. Nester (Uxbridge)

8 Gordon
Inside Right

9 Weston
Centre

5 Smith
Centre Half

2 Farmer
Right Back

4 Watts
Right Half

8 Farmer
Right Back

7 Astall
Outside Right

Kick-off 3.15 p.m.

Schofield
Goal

Football League — Division 1

3 Hawkes, K.
Left Back

6 Brown
Left Half

10 Cummins
Inside Left

11 Noake
Outside Left

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FIRST LIST

A	Aston Villa	0	Wolverhampton	1
B	Sheffield Wed.	1	Blackburn R.	2
C	Arsenal	1	Leeds United	1
D	Blackpool	2	West Brom.	0
E	Bolton Wan.	3	Tottenham H.	1
F	Fulham	1	Manchester U.	5
G	Notts. Forest	1	Preston N.E.	1
H	Brighton	1	Rotherham U.	.....
K	Bristol Rov.	.....	Hull City	.....
L	Huddersfield	.....	Middlesb.	.....
M	Ipswich Town	.....	Sheffield Utd.	.....
N	Leyton O.	.....	Derby County	.....

SECOND LIST

A	Lincoln City	.....	Plymouth A.	.....
B	Portsmouth	.....	Bristol City	.....
C	Stoke City	.....	Scunthorpe U.	.....
D	Sunderland	.....	Charlton Ath.	.....
E	Swansea T.	.....	Cardiff City	.....
F	Accrington	.....	Southend Utd.	.....
G	Bournemouth	.....	Mansfield T.	.....
H	Bradford City	.....	Reading	.....
K	Chesterfield	.....	Brentford	.....
L	Coventry City	.....	Shrewsbury	.....
M	Grimsby T.	.....	Barnsley	.....
N	Newport Co.	.....	Colchester U.	.....

THIRD LIST

A	Q.P.R.	.....	Southampton	.....
B	Swindon T.	.....	Norwich City	.....
C	Wrexham	.....	Bury	.....
D	York City	.....	Port Vale	.....
E	Aldershot	.....	Exeter City	.....
F	Barrow	.....	Watford	.....
G	Darlington	.....	Stockport Co.	.....
H	Doncaster R.	.....	Crewe Alex.	.....
K	Gateshead	.....	Bradford	.....
L	Gillingham	Oldham Ath.
M	Millwall	Notts. County
N	Chelsea Res.	Luton T. Res.

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1959 FIRST XI—Division 1		Attendance	1958/9	F	A		1959 Reserve XI Fixtures	Attendance	1958/9	F	A	
Aug. 22 Sat.	Everton	38539	1 3	A	2 2		Aug. 22 Sat.	Ipswich Town	2143	1 5	H	3 4
" 26 Wed.	Blackpool	19095	1 1	H	0 1		" 26 Wed.	Brighton & H. A.	2827	1 1	A	2 2
" 29 Sat.	Leeds United	15822	1 1	H	0 1		" 29 Sat.					
" 31 Mon.	Blackpool	22008	0 3	A	0 0		Sept. 5 ..	Leyton Orient	2652	1 5	A	1 1
Sept. 5 Sat.	Bolton Wand.	15604	0 0	H	0 0		" 12 ..	Bournemouth	1255	1 4	A	0 2
" 9 Wed.	Manchester City	13122	5 1	H	1 2		" 19 ..	Nottingham Forest	1331	1 4	A	4 2
" 12 Sat.	Fulham	30100	1 1	A	2 4		" 26 ..	Portsmouth	1512	4 1	H	4 2
" 16 Wed.	Manchester City	29309	1 1	A	2 1		Oct. 3 ..	Arsenal	4618	1 1	A	3 5
" 19 Sat.	Notts. Forest	16634	5 1	H	1 0		" 10 ..	Leicester City	1266	0 2	A	1 1
" 26 ..	Sheffield Wed.	25138	1 1	A	0 2		" 17 ..	Bristol City	1971	0 1	A	1 0
Oct. 3 ..	Wolverhampton	22908	0 1	H	1 5		" 24 ..	Charlton Ath.	1419	1 1	A	2 2
" 10 ..	West Ham United	23500	0 0	A	1 3		" 31 ..	Tottenham H.	4333	0 1	A	1 3
" 17 ..	Chelsea	18831	2 1	H	1 2		Nov. 7 ..	Birmingham C.	2164	1 2	H	1 0
" 24 ..	West Brom. Albion	22400	0 2	A	0 4		" 14 ..	Southampton	1192	2 1	A	2 5
" 31 ..	Burnley	15638	6 2	H	1 1		" 21 ..	Chelsea	1991	2 1	A	1 2
Nov. 7 ..	Birmingham C.	19007	1 0	A	1 1		" 28 ..	West Ham United	2132	3 3	A	1 3
" 14 ..	Tottenham H. (I)	22528	1 2	H	1 0		Dec. 5 ..	Bristol City	1198	1 3	H	2 5
" 21 ..	Manchester United	40572	1 2	A	1 4		" 12 ..	Leicester City	815	1 4	A	1 5
" 28 ..	Preston N. End	17174	4 1	H	1 3		" 19 ..	Ipswich Town	2303	1 5	A	2 3
Dec. 5 ..	Leicester City (2)	16700	1 3	A	3 3		" 26 ..	Southend Utd.	1099	0	H	0 0
" 12 ..	Newcastle U.	14524	4 2	H	3 4		1960					
" 19 ..	Everton	9799	0 1	A	2 1		Jan. 2 Sat.	Southend United	1948	5 2	A	1 1
" 26 ..	Arsenal	31466	0 1	A	3 0		" 9 ..	Swansea Town	1008	2 1	A	1 3
" 28 Mon.	Arsenal	27055	6 3	H	0 1		" 23 ..	Bournemouth & B.	1688	5 2	A	1 5
Jan. 2 Sat.	Leeds United	19921	1 1	A	1 1		" 30 ..	Leyton Orient	2540	3 1	A	2 1
" 9 ..	Exeter C.—F.A. Cup-3	20000	0 0	H	4 1		Feb. 6 ..	Notts. Forest	3075	2 1	H	3 2
" 23 ..	Fulham	17876	0 0	H	2 0		" 13 ..	Portsmouth	1277	1 0	A	1 0
" 30 ..	Huddersfield—F.A. Cup-4	22500	0 0	A	1 0		" 27 ..	Charlton Athletic	1201	4 3	A	1 2
Feb. 6 ..	Nottingham Forest	22886	1 3	A	0 2		March 5 ..	Tottenham H.	2078	2 0	H	1 2
" 13 ..	Sheffield Wed.	14392	0 1	H	0 1		" 12 ..	Birmingham C.	2048	3 2	A	1 2
" 20 ..	Wolves — F.A. Cup-5	25619	4 2	A	1 4		" 19 ..	Southampton	1521	0 3	A	1 1
" 23 Tues.	Wolverhampton	30056	0 5	A	2 3		" 26 ..	Chelsea		0 3	A	
" 27 Sat.	Leicester City	18691	4 3	H	2 0		April 2 ..	West Ham Utd.			H	
March 5 ..	Chelsea	33679	3 3	A	0 3		" 9 ..					
" 9 Wed.	Bolton Wanderers	14791	4 2	A	2 2		" 16 ..	Swansea Town				
" 12 Sat.	West Brom. (6)	18285	1 1	H	0 0		" 23 ..					
" 19 ..	Newcastle Utd.	29050	0 1	A	2 3		" 27 Wed.	Arsenal				
" 26 ..	Birmingham (S.F.)	0 1	H				" 30 Sat.	Brighton & H. A.				
April 2 ..	Tottenham H.		0 3	A								
" 9 ..	Manchester Utd.		0 0	H								
" 15 Fri.	Blackburn Rov.		1 3	A								
" 16 Sat.	Blackburn		2 2	A								
" 18 Mon.	Blackburn Rov.		1 1	H								
" 23 Sat.	West Ham Utd.		4 1	H								
" 30 ..	Preston North End		0 0	A								
May 7 ..	F.A. Cup—Final											

LEAGUE TABLE 1959 - 60

Up to and including Saturday, 19th March, 1960

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tottenham Hotspur	34	18	10	6	73	40	46
Wolverhampton W.	34	19	5	10	83	60	43
Burnley	32	19	4	9	71	48	42

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