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Manager's Notes

What a disappointment the home game against Portsmouth turned out to be. After our terrific show at Southampton one might be forgiven if one expected a good win against Pompey, and at one time, early in the second half, we did seem to have taken the right turn and looked capable of beating an average-looking side.

Unfortunately things went wrong for us and a couple of goalkeeping errors prevented us from taking a couple of points which on balance we thought we deserved.

It seems strange how the team seems to keep their best performances for away matches, but we can only hope that against Luton we shall be luckier.

Sam Bartram, that well-known former Charlton goalkeeper, and ex-manager of York City, is a real personality in the game, and he has been working very hard at Luton to get them on the winning trail. Like a good many other club managers these days he's finding things difficult, but he's the sort of fellow who is driven on to greater effort by set-back.

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Supporters Club Notes

Slips by the last line of defence has cost City far too many points in recent weeks. Unfortunately Bill Heath has not been as confident and reliable of late.

City should have beaten Portsmouth easily, after gaining a 2-1 lead, they were getting on top at this period. Roger Holmes was giving the experienced Dickinson the run around, certainly he appeared to enjoy the outside right position, and had more time and space to kill and work the ball, which he did to great advantage, and with Derek Hawksworth playing well on the left we were much better served on the wings than for a long time. Then came those tragic goalkeeping errors followed by two lucky breaks by Portsmouth defenders, one from Roy Chapman and another from Andy Graver.

Nothing seems to go right when your luck is out but really City had only themselves to blame for this defeat.

These home defeats are having an adverse effect on attendances and until City can win a fair proportion of home games they are likely to further decline.

The Supporters Club extend a hearty welcome to Ian Greaves and family, may they have a long and happy stay with Lincoln F.C.

The sale of Cup-tie tickets is going well, all members of the Supporters Club and Pool have been allocated a ticket, so please contact your agent if you have not already done so.

A strongly represented reserve team picked up a point at Stockport last Saturday. Unfortunately reserve teams have to be chopped and changed about according to first team needs and therefore unable to play together for a lengthy time.

Our Match Draw (6 prizes of 50 Cigarettes or Boxes of Chocolates according to choice) is proving to be very popular amongst supporters. Tickets 2d. each are obtainable from sellers during the week or from outside the Ground on Match Days.

This afternoon we entertain Luton Town, yet another relegated First Division team. Only a season or two ago the "Hatters" were enjoying the sunshine of First Division football, and appearing in the Cup Final, but unfortunately for them the tide has turned against them and they like ourselves are struggling at the foot of Division II.

We hope for a good game this afternoon and may the best team gain the points.

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PEN PICTURES OF LUTON TOWN F.C. PLAYERS

JIM STANDEN. (*Goalkeeper*). Recent signing from Arsenal, when Luton were in trouble after Ron Baynham and Alan Collier had both suffered fractured bones. Born at Rickmansworth, he had a long spell at Highbury, during which he had much first team experience and earned a big reputation for his competence.

BRENDAN McNALLY. (*Right-back*). Has twice suffered serious knee damage, the second occasion being in the 1959 Cup Final and for much of last season he had to be content with reserve team service. Recalled recently in place of fellow countryman, Seamus Dunne. Recruit from League of Ireland football, in which, like Dunne, he played for Shelbourne.

JOHN BRAMWELL. (*Left-back*). Went to Luton in October as part of the deal which took Billy Bingham to Everton. Strong, fearless type of defender, he was born at Aston-in-Makerfield and played his first professional football with Wigan Athletic.

DAVE PACEY. (*Right-half*). A local who first showed his promise in Luton Schoolboys' team. Had a spell with Hitchin Town before beginning his army service, after which he joined Luton as a full-time professional. Played for England's under-23 team against Germany in the summer before last.

BOB MORTON. (*Right-half*). The club captain, who has had to fight to regain his first team place after losing it through injury at the end of September. Born near Luton, he has been with them since he was 17, and is regarded as most unlucky to have missed an England cap. He was reserve to England twice.

JOHN GROVES. (*Centre-half*). Son of Arthur Groves, former Derby County and Portsmouth inside-forward, it was as an inside man that John went to Luton after he left school. Has been something of a utility man, appearing in all the forward and half-back positions and has been the most successful centre-half Luton have tried since the retirement of Sid Owen.

Football League Division II Fixtures—Season 1960-61

1960		F	A	SCORERS
Aug. 20	Portsmouth	A	0	3
24	Rotherham United	H	0	1
27	Huddersfield Town	H	0	0
31	Rotherham United	A	0	2
Sept. 3	Sunderland	A	2	2
6	Swansea Town	A	2	1
10	Plymouth Argyle	H	3	1
14	Swansea Town	H	2	0
17	Norwich City	A	1	5
24	Charlton Athletic	H	2	2
Oct. 1	Sheffield United	A	1	2
8	Liverpool	H	1	2
15	Bristol Rovers	A	1	3
22	Derby County	H	3	4
29	Leyton Orient	A	2	1
Nov. 5	Scunthorpe United (1)	H	0	2
12	Ipswich Town	A	1	3
19	Brighton & Hove	H	2	1
26	Middlesbrough (2)	A	1	1
Dec. 3	Leeds United	H	2	3
10	Southampton	A	3	2
17	Portsmouth	H	2	3
26	Luton Town	A		Graver
27	Luton Town	H		Linnecor
31	Huddersfield Town	A		Wright

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1961		F	A	SCORERS
Jan. 7	West Brom. A. (F.A. Cup)	H		
14	Sunderland	H		
21	Plymouth Argyle	A		
28	(4)			
Feb. 4	Norwich City	H		
11	Charlton Athletic	A		
18	Sheffield United (5)	H		
25	Liverpool	A		
Mar. 4	Bristol Rovers (6)	H		
11	Derby County	A		
18	Southampton (S.F.)	H		
25	Scunthorpe United	A		
31	Stoke City	H		
April 1	Middlesbrough	H		
3	Stoke City	A		
8	Brighton & Hove	H		
15	Ipswich Town	H		
22	Leeds United	A		
29	Leyton Orient	H		
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ALWYN McGUFFIE. (*Left-half*). Was brought to Luton when in his early teens by their then wing-half Charlie Watkins, and showed immense promise, which was not really fulfilled until he completed his National Service. Born in Glasgow, he is a clever, accurate player.

LESLIE SPENCER. (*Outside-right*). Signed as an inside-forward from Rochdale during the close season, but now is looking the logical outside-right successor to Bingham. Was born in Manchester, and Rochdale secured him from local junior football.

ALEC ASHWORTH. (*Inside-right*). Like Bramwell, he made the journey south from Everton in the exchange deal for Bingham. Not yet 21, he is a tall, fast-moving player who looks like developing into a good one. Born at Southport, he went straight from amateur football to Everton.

GORDON TURNER. (*Centre-forward*). His total of goals for Luton is now nearing the 200 mark, the vast majority of them coming from the inside-right position. It is only recently that he has moved into the middle, where he has been a great success. Born at Doncaster, his father played for the Rovers, New Brighton and Hull City.

ALLAN BROWN. (*Inside-left*). Vastly experienced player who has given Luton good service at inside-forward and wing-half since he joined them from Blackpool nearly four years ago. A Scot, he had a spell with East Fife before going to Bloomfield Road.

MIKE TRACEY. (*Outside-left*). Former Amateur International inside-forward with Crook Town before he was persuaded to turn professional by Luton just over 12 months ago. Was switched to the left wing with quite considerable success.

North Regional League Fixtures—Season 1960-61

1960		F	A	SCORERS
Aug. 20	Stockport County	H	9	Commons (4) Wright (4) Harvey
24	Rotherham United	A	1	Commons
27	Bradford City	A	2	Holmes Wright
31	Rotherham United	H	2	Harvey Holmes
Sept. 3	Sunderland	H	5	Commons (3) Dunwell (2)
7	Hull City	H	4	Drysdale Commons (2) Holmes
10	Darlington	A	0	
14				
17				
24	Grimsby Town	A	0	Wright (2) Commons
Oct. 1	Doncaster Rovers	H	3	Linnecor
8	Bradford	A	1	Commons
15	Halifax Town	H	1	Chapman
22	Middlesbrough	A	1	Holmes Wright Dunwell
29	Accrington Stanley	H	3	
Nov. 5	Barrow	A	0	
12	Scunthorpe United	H	1	Wright
19	York City	A		
26	Port Vale	H	1	Dunwell
Dec. 3	Crewe Alexandra	A	1	Dunwell
10	Workington	H	2	Commons (2)
17	Stockport County	A	1	Green
24				
26	Hull City	A		
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12	Doncaster Rovers	A		
25	Bradford	H		
Mar. 4	Halifax Town	A		
11	Middlesbrough	H		
18	Accrington Stanley	A		
25	Barrow	H		
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