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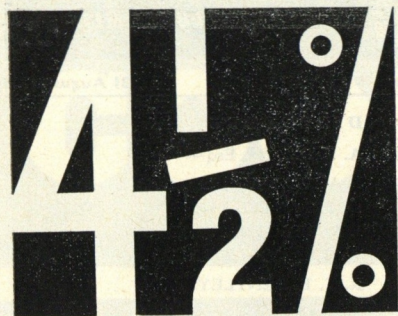
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From the Team Manager's Office...

Good Afternoon, Ladies and Gentlemen.

On Wednesday last we entertained Crystal Palace and a goal-less draw resulted. Changes were made in the side when Colin Meldrum was unfit to play and David High took his place, whilst Dougie Webb came in on the left wing in the place of Jimmy Loft.

After some five minutes play David High received an ankle injury and after treatment returned to the field of play on the left wing for the remainder of the game, obviously in pain.

It was a hard, entertaining game with chances falling to both sides, but neither took advantage of them and generally speaking defenders on both sides gave nothing away.

On Saturday last, we opened our Football League programme at Millwall and were defeated by two goals to nil.

This was a disappointing result for us, more especially after seeing the match versus Oxford United. We played the same team that had opposed the Oxford club, which included four players who were making their first-team debut, Peter Kerr, Rodney Thornhill, Alan Morris and Jimmy Loft.

The opening exchanges were fairly even, and the first real chance of the game came when Peter Kerr sent Alan Morris away on the wing, but the winger shot over the bar as the goalkeeper came out.

The home side took the lead after some nine minutes' play when Haverty cut in from the left wing and beat Michael Dixon with a cross shot.

Within a few minutes of the resumption, Peter Kerr made a great effort to equalise from Alan Morris's corner kick, whilst at the other end, Michael Dixon saved well from McLaughlin.

At this stage it was anybody's game and with more punch in the attack we must surely have equalised for our approach work was equal to that of the home side.

In the closing minutes, the home side went further ahead when McLaughlin scored.

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They have a well appointed ground at Kenilworth Road, with accommodation for 30,000 spectators.

Manager: Mr. W. Harvey. Secretary: Mr. P. Coley.

Appended are Pen Pictures of the Club's Players.

Ron Baynham—Has been with Luton Town since 1951. Was secured from Worcester City. He has represented England on several occasions.

Alan Daniel—A player of considerable promise who signed Professional for Luton in January 1958 when 18.

John Bramwell—Joined Luton in October, 1960 from Everton and has proved a very capable player.

Bob Morton—Local born and has been with the Club since 1948. Played for England "B" once. Was chosen as Reserve for England at Wembley in 1955 and again when they played Ireland in 1958.

Gordon Fincham—Transferred from Leicester to Plymouth four years ago and then to Luton in July, 1963.

David Pacey—Born in Luton, signed for the Club in 1956. Was a member of the England under 23 team against Germany and Italy.

Harry Walden—Joined Luton from Kettering in January 1961. Severely injured at a crucial part of last seasons programme. It is hoped he has lost none of his skill as a result of that injury.

Gordon Turner—Represented the English League against the Scottish League in 1955 and also played for the F.A. XI in 1958. The Town's leading goalscorer for eight seasons.

Ron Davies—Obtained from Chester in October, 1962 and was an immediate success. Scored 21 goals, including four against Norwich City at Luton last April.

Gareth Salisbury—Played for Norwich City last season. When found he was not being retained we immediately jumped in and signed him.

Fred Jardine—Born in Edinburgh. Played for Dundee for two seasons before coming to Luton at the end of season 1960-61.

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List of Professional Players SEASON 1963-64

Name & Position	Birthplace	Previous Club	Date Signed
GOAL			
Arthur Wilkie	Woolwich	1st Pro. Club	8.10.1959
Michael Dixon	Reading	1st Pro. Club	9.8.1961
Michael Walker	Colwyn Bay	1st Pro. Club	18.1.1961
FULL BACKS			
John Walker	Glasgow	Southampton	12.12.1957
David High	Reading	1st. Pro. Club	24.2.1958
Gordon Neate	Reading	1st Pro. Club	17.3.1958
Colin Meldrum	Glasgow	Watford	4.4.1963
HALF BACKS			
Maurice Evans	Didcot	1st Pro. Club	22.9.1953
Ralph Norton	Aylesham	1st Pro. Club	12.10.1959
Richard Spiers	Benson	1st Pro. Club	3.10.1955
Michael Travers	Camberley	1st. Pro. Club	26.10.1959
David Bridger	Hartley Wintney	1st Pro. Club	5.3.1963
John Petts	Edmonton	Arsenal	10.10.1962
Rodney Thornhill	Reading	1st Pro. Club	27.5.1963
FORWARDS			
James Wheeler	Reading	1st Pro. Club	5.8.1952
Peter Shreeves	Neath	1st Pro. Club	19.1.1959
Denis Allen	Dagenham	Charlton	9.6.1961
Douglas Webb	Stokenchurch	1st Pro. Club	26.11.1956
James Martin	Dundee	Blackpool	29.5.1962
Ronnie Tindall	Streatham	West Ham United	10.10.1962
James Loftly	Farnham Royal	1st Pro. Club	1.5.1963
NEW PLAYERS—FORWARDS			
Peter Keer	Paisley	Third Lanark	20.5.1963
David Grant	Edinburgh	Third Lanark	20.5.1963
Fred Jones	Pen-y-Bryn, Glam.	Grimsby Town	1.7.1963
Alan Morris	Swansea	Swansea Town	13.8.1963



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Jimmy Wheeler

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Dick Spiers

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Colin Meldrum

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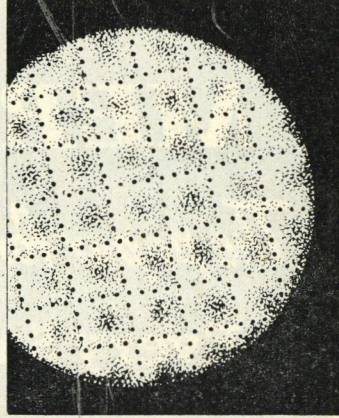
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FIXTURES 1963-64

Football League

1963

Aug.	24—Millwall	A	0	2
"	28—Crystal Palace	H	0	0
"	31—Luton	H		
Sept.	7—Coventry	A		
"	11—Crystal Palace	A		
"	14—Mansfield	H		
"	18—Walsall	H		
"	21—Brentford	A		
"	28—Shrewsbury	H		
Oct.	1—Walsall	A		
"	5—Bristol City	A		
"	9—Notts County	H		
"	12—Hull	H		
"	17—Notts County	A		
"	19—Southend	A		
"	23—Port Vale	H		
"	26—Peterborough	H		
"	28—Port Vale	A		
Nov.	2—Oldham	A		
"	9—Bristol Rovers	H		
"	16—F.A. Cup (1)			
"	23—Wrexham	H		
"	30—Bournemouth	A		
Dec.	7—F.A. Cup (2)			
"	14—Millwall	H		
"	21—Luton	A		
"	26—Colchester	A		
"	28—Colchester	H		

1964

Jan.	4—(3) Q. P. Rangers	A		
"	11—Coventry	H		
"	18—Mansfield	A		
"	25—(4) Watford	H		
Feb.	1—Brentford	H		
"	8—Shrewsbury	A		
"	15—(5) Bristol City	A		
"	22—Hull	A		
"	29—(6) Barnsley	H		
Mar.	7—Peterborough	A		
"	14—(S.F.) Oldham A.	H		
"	20—Barnsley	A		
"	27—Crewe	A		
"	28—Q. P. Rangers	H		
"	30—Crewe	H		
April	3—Wrexham	A		
"	11—Bournemouth	H		
"	18—Watford	A		
"	21—Bristol Rovers	A		
"	25—Southend	H		
May	2—(Final)			

Combination

1963

Aug.	24—Brighton & Hove	H	3	4
"	31—Birmingham City	A		
Sept.	4—Birmingham City	H		
"	11—Brentford	H		
"	14—Southampton	A		
"	25—Southend United	H		
Oct.	2—Fulham	H		
"	8—Charlton Athletic	A		
"	12—Chelsea	A		
"	16—Aldershot	H		
"	26—Watford	A		
Nov.	6—Millwall	H		
"	9—Bournemouth	A		
"	20—Portsmouth	H		
"	25—Q. P. Rangers	A		
Dec.	4—Swindon Town	H		
"	7—Aldershot	V		
"	14—Brighton & Hove	A		

1964

Jan.	8—Leyton Orient	H		
"	14—Brentford	A		
"	22—Southampton	H		
"	25—Leyton Orient	A		
Feb.	1—Southend United	A		
"	12—Fulham	A		
"	19—Charlton Athletic	H		
"	26—Watford	H		
Mar.	3—Millwall	A		
"	11—Bournemouth	H		
"	18—Portsmouth	A		
"	25—Q. P. Rangers	H		
"	28—Swindon Town	A		
April	8—Chelsea	H		
"	15—Coventry City	A		
"	22—Coventry City	H		

N.B.—Hampshire League "A" Team matches will be played at Elm Park, on Saturday afternoons, on dates to be announced.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to Elm Park for the start of yet another Football season and we all hope this will be a good one.

I know you will all join me in welcoming the new lads Mr. Roy Bentley has introduced to Elm Park, we wish them well, also best wishes for Roy after all the hard work he is putting into his job.

Our Football Club starts the season with a new Chairman. Mr. A. E. Smith was elected to this position, we wish him well and today I ask you one and all please give him your loyal support throughout this season.

By the way we are the only Club still charging a minimum of one shilling so if you can spare more please give. Our Chairman, Alderman H. V. Kersley, handed to Mr. A. E. Smith a cheque for £1,000. What a grand start to the season. Thanks to all our members, keep this up.

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**Today's
Half
Time
Score
Board**

A	Fulham v Birmingham City
B	Leicester City v Arsenal
C	Sheffield United v Chelsea
D	Tottenham v Nottingham Forest
E	Charlton v Middlesbrough
F	Grimsby Town v Southampton
G	Norwich City v Leyton Orient
H	Portsmouth v Swindon Town
J	Sunderland v Northampton Town
K	Barnsley v Millwall
L	Bournemouth v Watford
M	Bristol Rovers v Oldham
N	Crewe Alexandra v Brentford
P	Crystal Palace v Mansfield Town
Q	Hull City v Colchester
R	Notts County v Shrewsbury Town
S	Port Vale v Bristol City
T	Q.P.R. v Peterborough United
U	Walsall v Coventry City
V	Wrexham v Southend United

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