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Football League, Div. 2.

# To-day's Half-Time Scores.

As shown on Score Board. Top figure Home Team.

Letter	Match	Half Time	Letter	Match	Half Time
A	Blackburn Rovers Norwich City		L	Arsenal Birmingham	
B	Bradford Nottingham Forest		M	Aston Villa Charlton Athletic	
C	Bury Sheffield United		N	Brentford Middlesbrough	
D	Chesterfield Southampton		P	Everton Chelsea	
E	Manchester City Newcastle United		R	Portsmouth Manchester United	
F	Millwall West Bromwich Albion		S	Clapton Orient Mansfield Town	
G	Sheffield Wednesday Plymouth Argyle		T	Crystal Palace Reading	
H	Swansea Town Coventry City		U	Newport County Queen's Park Rangers	
J	Tranmere Rovers Tottenham Hotspur		W	Northampton Town Southend United	
K	West Ham United Burnley		X	Watford Bristol Rovers	

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## FULHAM v. LUTON TOWN FOOTBALL LEAGUE, DIV. II.

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### TALES OF THE COTTAGERS.

The win against West Bromwich Albion took us to the top of the table again and the draw at Norwich enabled us to consolidate the position for we have played one more match away than have Newcastle United and West Bromwich Albion, who are one point behind us, but Sheffield United, who at present are second with a point less, have a match in hand away from home over us.

The results of our last two matches shows that compared with last season we show an advance of 4 points to date as follows:—

		Points.	
		Gains	Losses.
West Ham United	... Home	1	—
Bury	... Away	2	—
Tranmere (for Barnsley)	Away	1	—
Chesterfield	... Home	1	—
Burnley	... Away	—	—
Burnley	... Home	—	1
Swansea Town	... Away	1	—
Bradford	... Home	1	—
Manchester City (for Manchester United)	Away	2	—
Millwall (for Stockport County)	Home	—	—
Spurs	... Away	—	1
Southampton	... Home	—	1

		Points.	
		Gains	Losses.
Plymouth Argyle	... Away	1	—
Notts Forest	... Home	—	1
Newcastle United	... Away	—	2
West Bromwich Albion (for Aston Villa)	... Home	1	—
Norwich City	... Away	—	1

Net Gains 4 Points.

Our complete record since last January, which we propose issuing until 42 matches have been played, now reads as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agt.	P.
Home	18	12	0	6	44	12	30
Away	19	8	6	5	23	26	21
	37	20	6	11	70	38	51

51 points from 37 matches and a goal average of 70 against 38.

The comparison of the same number of matches played last season and this season reads as follows:—

THIS SEASON:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agt.	P.
Home	8	5	0	3	17	6	13
Away	9	3	3	3	13	12	9
	17	8	3	6	30	18	22

LAST SEASON:—

Home	.....	8...	2...	2...	4...	10...	9...	8
Away	.....	9...	1...	6...	2...	5...	16...	4
		17...	3...	8...	6...	15...	25...	12

An advance of 10 points in 17 matches.

AGAINST WEST BROMWICH ALBION.

In the match against our Midland visitors a fortnight ago the boys rose to their task in a gallant manner and a great victory by 3 clear goals was their reward. The entertainment provided was of a thrilling nature and everyone left the ground feeling that they had had their money's worth. The Albion fully lived up to their fine reputation and contested the issue to the final whistle, but our boys were definitely superior, particularly in the second half, and were well worthy of their splendid victory. The Albion are certain to be strong candidates for promotion and will win many matches before the Season has finished.

AT NORWICH.

The game with Norwich last Saturday can best be described as carefree and exhilarating. It is seldom that a Club at the top of the League can play in a carefree spirit, this was one of those occasions and the crowd thoroughly enjoyed the game, which was played at a thrilling pace throughout. The excitement spread to those spectators who were witnessing our Combination match with Southampton at Craven Cottage for they were kept in constant touch with the progress of the game at Norwich and towards the end of the game the atmosphere was tense. Many people will say that after leading by 3 goals to 1 we should have won and not permitted our opponents to draw level, but Norwich staged a dramatic revival, and although there was a certain amount of doubt about

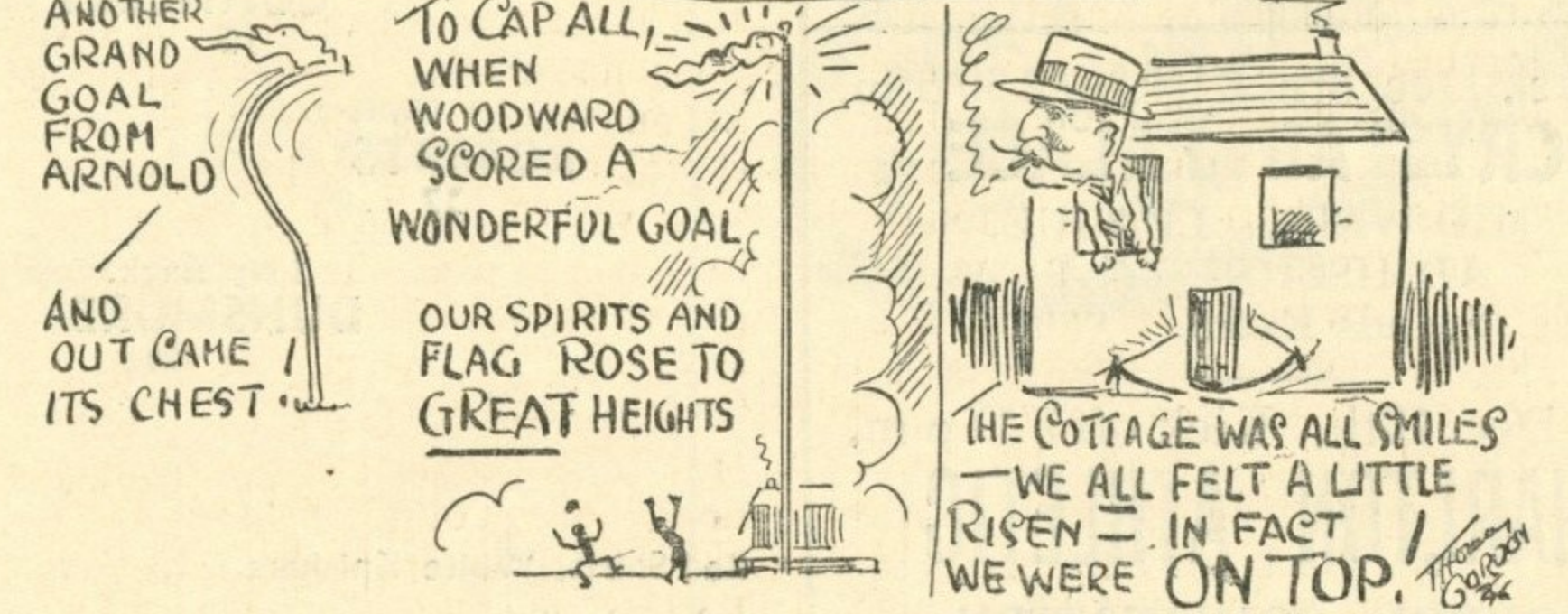
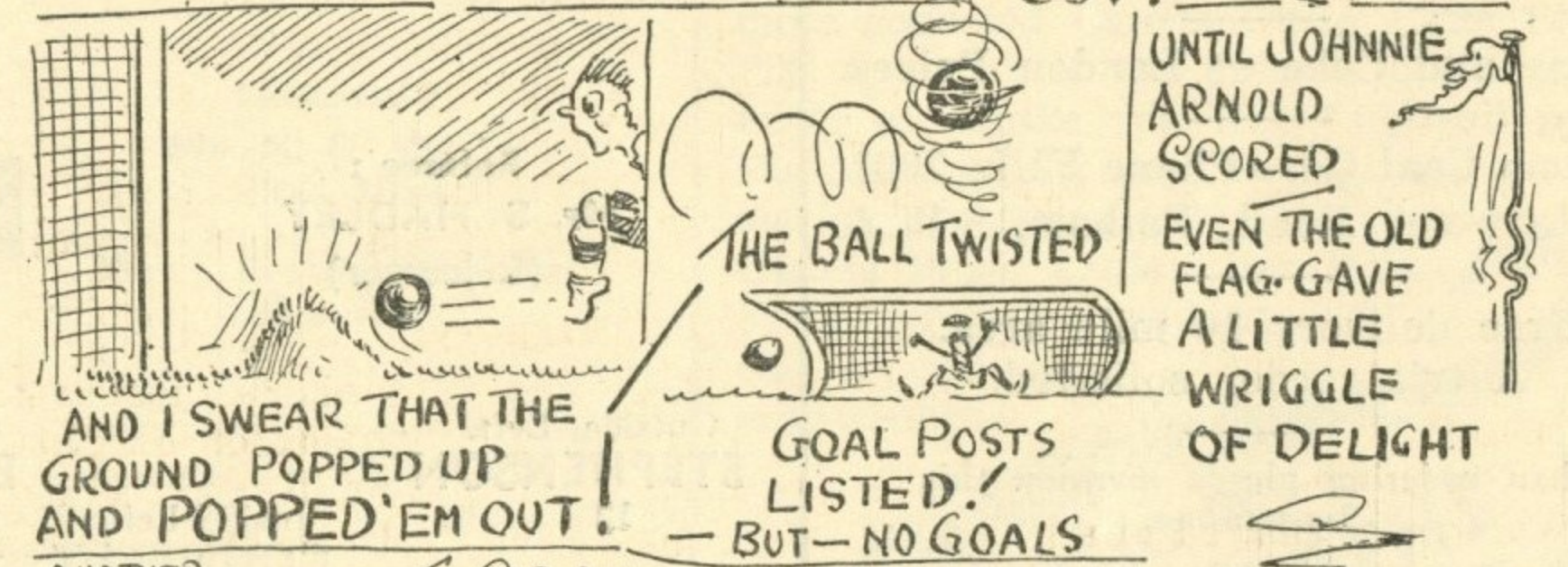
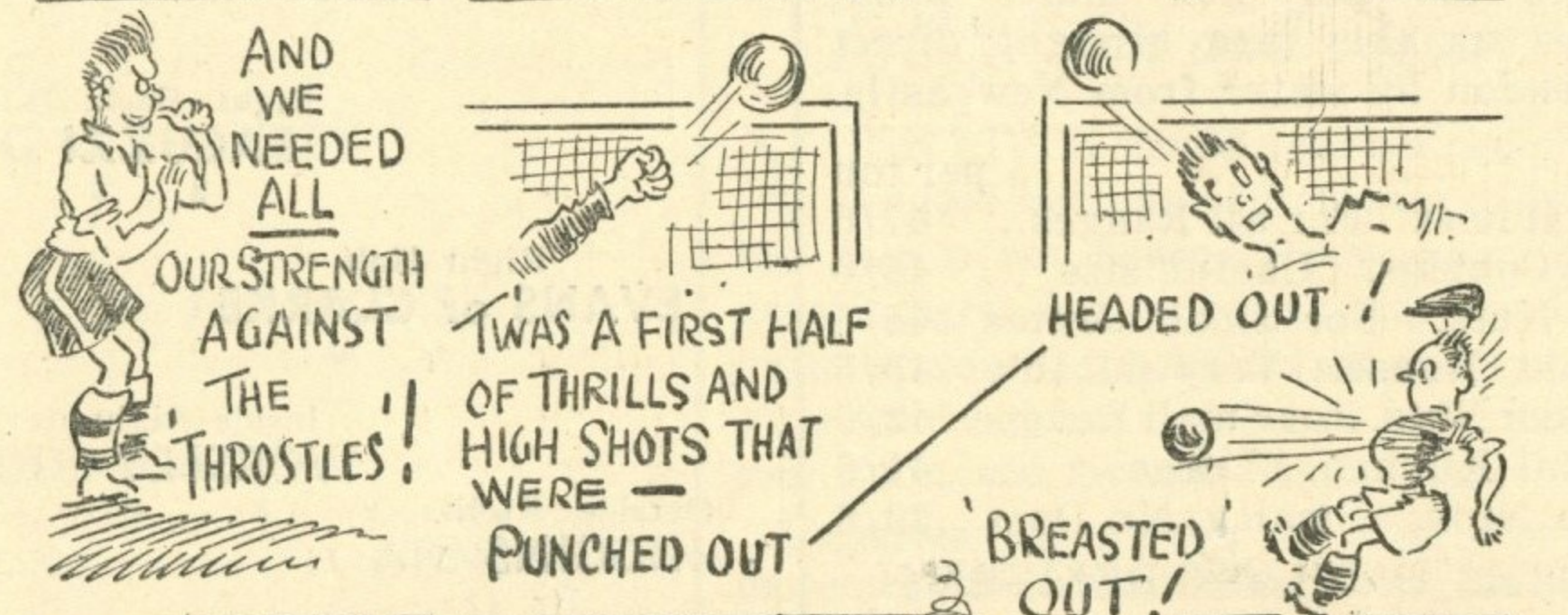
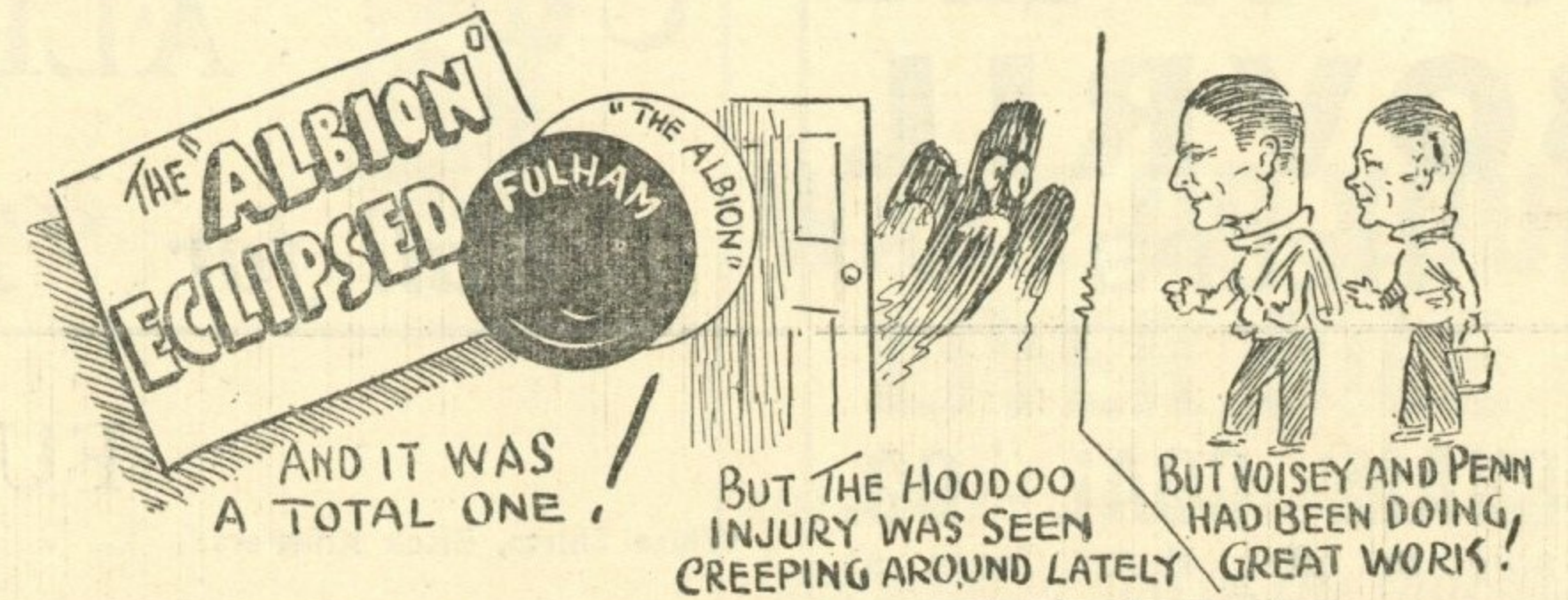
one of their goals we can say that they were worthy of their well earned point.

TO-DAY'S VISITORS.

This afternoon we welcome to Craven Cottage visitors from Luton, who invariably provide us with a hard game. In the 16 matches they have played this season our opponents have obtained 17 points and in their 8 away fixtures they have been on the winning side on no less than 4 occasions. Luton Town have been involved in some sensational matches this year. It will be recalled that at Bury a fortnight ago they were 2 goals down at half-time but staged a remarkable rally and found the net on five occasions after the interval. Last Saturday they crashed very heavily at home to Sheffield Wednesday, who won by 5 goals to 1. Let us hope that this afternoon will not provide them with another sensational away victory. Our Boys are certain to force the issue to the final whistle and spectators are promised a most enjoyable match. It will be recalled that last Season we were successful in the match at Craven Cottage by a margin of 4 goals to 1.

THE RESERVES.

Our Reserves had a most exciting game with Southampton on Saturday last, the result ending in a draw of 1 goal each. It is very pleasing to the Management to note the increased patronage that is being afforded our second team matches, and there is no doubt that the small admission fee is well worth the fare provided. It will be noticed that our young players are given games in the Combination team, and last Saturday Edwards and Thomas fully deserved their inclusion in the team. On Thursday afternoon our young Mid-Week League team will be on view against Crystal Palace, kick-off at 2.30 p.m. This young and talented team has



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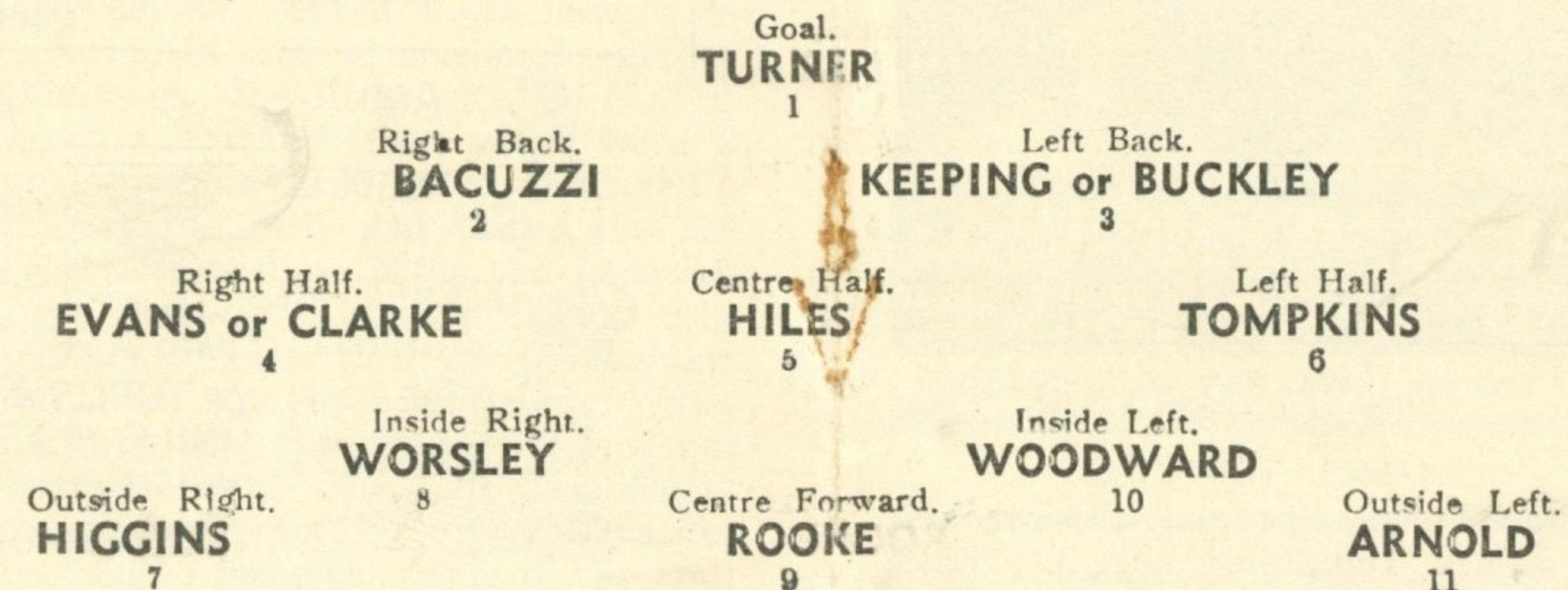
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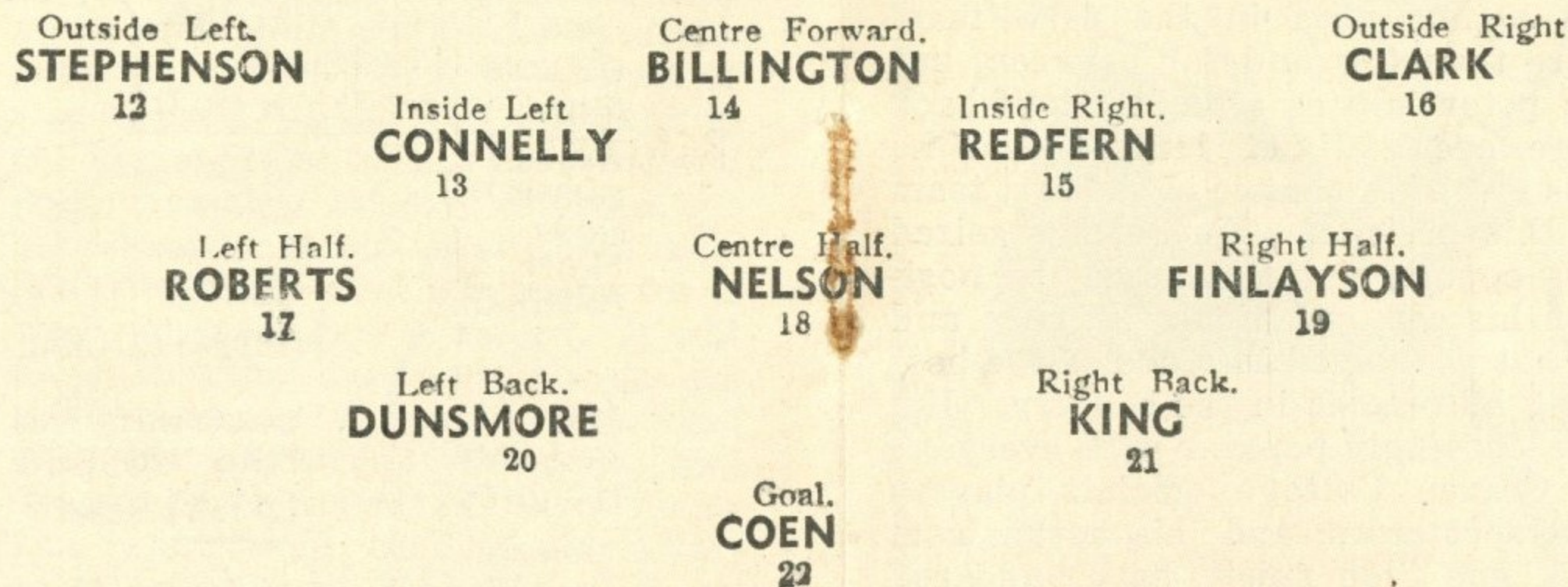
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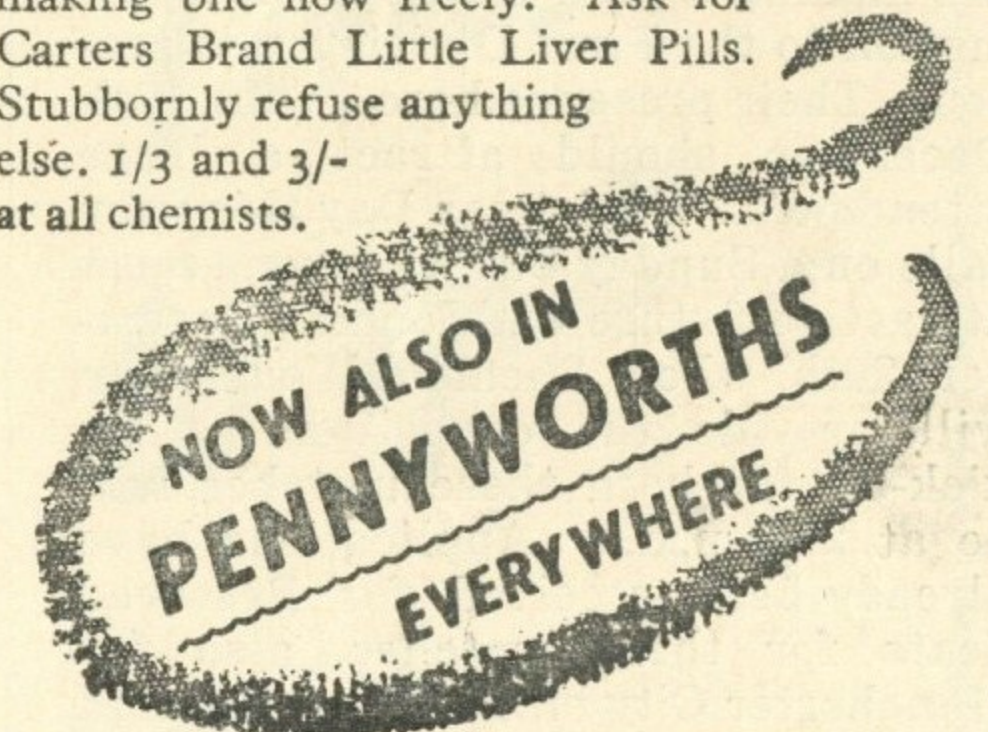
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attracted a great deal of attention and since last appearing at Craven Cottage has beaten the pick of the Royal Air Force at Uxbridge, and Hereford Town, the Birmingham Combination Team, at Hereford and forced a draw with a representative Brentford team in the Mid-Week League. Our supporters will thoroughly enjoy seeing this team in action, and for those people who like to see future Stars we commend these matches to their attention.

#### AN INVITATION.

We shall have a complete diversion from Football on Monday, the 12th of December, as the Management and Players of the Club have been invited to be the guests of Mr. Wylie Watson at the Adelphi Theatre, where he is appearing in "Bobby Get Your Gun." Mr. Watson is a very keen supporter of the Club and his generosity is greatly appreciated by all concerned.

#### PROSPECTIVE MATCHES.

Our next first team League match will be against Sheffield United, who are making a bold challenge for promotion to the First Division this season. Their presence here on the 17th December should attract a large attendance. Christmas Day this year falls on a Sunday but we have a most attractive fixture on Monday, December 26th, when Sheffield Wednesday will provide the opposition. The kick-off for both these matches will be at 2.30 p.m. Applications have already been received for Reserved Seats for these matches, also for Manchester City on February 4th and Tottenham Hotspur on February 18th next. Tickets for all these are now obtainable on application to the Secretary, price 5/- each. Application by post must be accompanied by remittance and stamped addressed envelope.

#### WEEKLY SPORTRAIT.



Photo by Page-Chancery Press.

JAMES TOMPKINS.

Our Weekly Sportrait this week is of James Tompkins, our left half-back.

Jim joined the Club as a professional on March 15th, 1932, but it is curious to note that he was an Amateur player for this Club whilst on the ground Staff of the Arsenal. For some time Jim was understudy to Syd Gibbons as a centre half-back, and his appearances in the first team were thus few and far between, but his potentialities as a left half-back were eventually recognised and he was given his chance in the first team in this position. He quickly seized this opportunity and made the position his own practically at once and he has developed into one of the best wing half-backs in the country. Jim is exceedingly popular with everyone at Craven Cottage, officials, players and spectators, and his enthusiasm and fine Club spirit have endeared him to everyone. In the absence of Mike Keeping from the team Jim has acted as Skipper and his fine example

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Player	Height	Weight st. lbs.	Birthplace	League App.	League Goals	Comb. App.	Comb. Goals
Arnold, John	5' 8 1/2"	11 12	Oxford.	14	6	—	—
Bacuzzi, Joseph	5' 8 1/2"	11 0	London.	17	—	—	—
Buckley, Ambrose	5' 10"	11 2	Eastwood, Notts.	—	—	14	1
Clarke, Bruce	6' 1 1/2"	13 5	Johannesburg, S. Africa.	—	—	15	—
Catlin, Sidney	5' 9"	12 0	Dartford.	—	—	4	2
Conroy, Maurice	5' 6"	10 6	Bradford.	—	—	1	—
Cranfield, Harry	5' 7 1/2"	10 6	Cambridge.	—	—	5	1
Dennison, Robert	5' 11 1/2"	12 7	Amble, Northumberland.	5	—	6	—
Edwards, Leonard	5' 6"	10 7	London.	—	—	1	—
Evans, James	5' 8"	11 0	Merthyr.	17	2	—	—
Finch, Jack	5' 7 1/2"	11 4	West Ham.	14	2	—	—
Freeman, Harry	5' 7"	11 0	Oxford.	—	—	5	2
Fairbairn, George	6' 0"	11 7	Carlisle.	—	—	2	—
Hammond, James	6' 2"	13 6	Brighton.	—	—	8	2
Higgins, Dennis	5' 6"	10 5	Leek, Staffs.	3	—	16	5
Hiles, Ernest	5' 10 1/2"	11 7	Hereford.	15	—	—	—
Hindson, James	5' 11"	11 0	Sunderland.	—	—	12	—
Hudson, Albert	5' 7"	11 0	Cwmrhydyceirw, S. Wales.	—	—	—	—
Kavanagh, Murty	5' 10"	11 7	Dublin.	—	—	3	1
Keeping, Michael	6' 1"	13 0	Milford-on-Sea, Hants.	15	1	—	—
Lawrence, William	6' 1"	12 7	Wombwell, Yorkshire.	—	—	7	—
Pitts, Harold	5' 8 1/2"	11 1 1/2	Leyton.	—	—	12	—
O'Callaghan, Eugene	5' 7 1/2"	10 7	Ebbw Vale.	3	—	11	2
Rooke, Ronald	5' 9 1/2"	12 4	Guildford.	17	10	—	—
Rozier, Alfred	5' 8 1/2"	13 5	Bexley Heath.	—	—	—	—
Shepherd, Ernest	5' 5 1/2"	10 0	Bradford.	—	—	4	—
Targett, Alfred	5' 9"	10 7	Southampton.	—	—	14	1
Taylor, James	5' 11"	11 0	Cowley, Middx.	—	—	14	2
Thomas, Sidney	5' 4 1/2"	9 8	Machynthleth.	—	—	3	—
Tompkins, James	5' 10 1/2"	11 4	Edmonton.	17	3	—	—
Tootill, Alfred	5' 10 1/2"	12 2	Bury.	—	—	12	—
Turner, Hughie	5' 9"	13 7	Huddersfield.	17	—	—	—
Tuckett, Ernest	5' 11 1/2"	12 0	Redcar.	—	—	15	—
Williams, Leonard	5' 9"	10 10	Leytonstone.	—	—	—	—
Woodward, Vivian	5' 6 1/2"	11 0	Troedyrhiw.	16	3	—	—
Worsley, Herbert	5' 6 1/2"	10 0	Stockport.	17	3	—	—
Harker, Jack	5' 9"	12 0	Amble, Northumberland.	—	—	12	8
Miller, John	5' 7"	10 11	Leyton	—	—	12	5
Scott, H. S.	Amateur	...	...	...	...	1	—

has been an inspiration to his colleagues. Jim is still only young and has every opportunity of further enhancing his already wonderful reputation.

ALFRED TOOTILL.

We offer congratulations to Alf Tootill on his transfer to Crystal Palace and trust that he will render to his new club as loyal and efficient service as he has given to us. Alf was transferred to us from Wolverhampton Wanderers on the 29th November, 1932, and until the advent of Hugh Turner was our recognised first team goalkeeper. Let it be understood that we are not embarking on transferring our players but we have a surfeit for certain positions, and it is only natural that players like Alf Tootill do not altogether relish sojourning in the reserve team.

F.A. CUP.

In reply to many enquiries we desire to point out that we do not come into reckoning in the Football Association Cup Competition until after the next round, played to-day week. We shall, however, be most vitally interested in the draw for the next round.

FIRST TEAM RESULTS, 1938-39.

Date.	Opponents.	Ground.	Goals For.	Goals Agt.
1938.				
Aug. 27	WEST HAM UNITED ...	H	3	2
" 29	Bury .....	A	2	0
Sept. 3	Tranmere Rovers .....	A	1	0
" 5	Burnley .....	A	0	2
" 10	CHESTERFIELD .....	H	2	0
" 12	BURNLEY .....	H	0	0
" 17	Swansea Town .....	A	1	1
" 24	BRADFORD .....	H	4	0
Oct. 1	Manchester City .....	A	5	3
" 8	MILLWALL .....	H	2	1
" 15	Tottenham Hotspur .....	A	0	1
" 22	SOUTHAMPTON .....	H	1	1
" 29	Plymouth Argyle .....	A	0	0
Nov. 5	NOTTINGHAM FOREST .....	H	2	2
" 12	Newcastle United .....	A	1	2
" 19	WEST BROMWICH A. ...	H	3	0
" 26	Norwich City .....	A	3	3
Dec. 3	LUTON TOWN .....	H		
" 10	Coventry City .....	A		
" 17	SHEFFIELD UNITED ...	H		
" 24	West Ham United .....	A		
" 26	SHEFFIELD WEDNES. ...	H		
" 27	Sheffield Wednesday ...	A		
" 31	TRANMERE ROVERS ...	H		
1939.				
Jan. 7*	.....			
" 14	Chesterfield .....	A		
" 21*	SWANSEA TOWN .....	H		
" 28	Bradford .....	A		
Feb. 4	MANCHESTER CITY .....	H		
" 11*	Millwall .....	A		
" 18	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR .....	H		
" 25*	Southampton .....	A		
Mar. 4*	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE ...	H		
" 11	Nottingham Forest .....	A		
" 18	NEWCASTLE UNITED ...	H		
" 25*	West Bromwich Albion ...	A		
April 1	NORWICH CITY .....	H		
" 7	BLACKBURN ROVERS ...	H		
" 8	Luton Town .....	A		
" 10	Blackburn Rovers .....	A		
" 15	COVENTRY CITY .....	H		
" 22	Sheffield United .....	A		
" 29*	BURY .....	H		
May 6				

\* F.A. Cup Dates.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE, DIV. II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agt.	P.
FULHAM	17	8	6	3	30	18	22
Sheffield United	16	8	5	3	26	16	21
Newcastle United	17	9	3	5	31	21	21
West Bromwich	17	10	1	6	42	32	21
Blackburn R.	17	9	2	6	35	26	20
Millwall	16	7	4	5	33	17	18
Sheffield Wed.	16	7	4	5	37	27	18
Tottenham H.	16	6	6	4	27	25	18
Coventry City	16	7	4	5	20	20	18
West Ham U.	17	7	3	7	35	27	17
Bradford	16	6	5	5	27	29	17
Luton Town	16	7	3	6	27	30	17
Burnley	17	6	5	6	24	27	17
Manchester City	16	7	2	7	36	36	16
Plymouth Arg.	16	6	3	7	21	20	15
Bury	16	5	5	6	22	27	15
Chesterfield	16	6	3	7	19	24	15
Southampton	16	6	2	8	26	29	14
Norwich City	16	5	1	10	22	36	11
Nottingham F.	16	3	4	9	18	33	10
Swansea Town	16	1	8	7	18	37	10
Tranmere R.	16	3	1	12	18	37	7

LONDON COMBINATION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agt.	P.
Arsenal	20	14	4	2	75	28	30
Luton Town	20	12	4	4	55	28	28
Chelsea	18	12	5	1	44	26	25
Tottenham H.	19	10	6	3	49	26	23
West Ham U.	18	10	5	3	51	34	23
Watford	19	10	6	3	31	36	23
Coventry City	17	11	6	0	52	24	22
Queen's Park R.	18	9	5	4	46	22	22
Brighton & H. A.	18	10	6	2	32	31	22
Brentford	19	8	6	5	48	36	21
Portsmouth	19	8	6	5	45	36	21
FULHAM	19	8	7	4	32	29	20
Swansea Town	21	8	9	4	26	41	20
Bournemouth	20	6	7	7	36	49	19
Crystal Palace	19	7	8	4	41	37	18
Southend United	16	7	5	4	26	24	18
Charlton Athletic	19	6	9	4	28	30	16
Millwall	19	6	10	3	27	44	15
Leicester City	20	6	12	2	35	54	14
Bristol City	21	7	14	0	31	57	14
Southampton	19	5	11	3	32	42	13
Northampton T.	18	4	12	2	20	41	10
Reading	18	3	11	4	31	68	10
Clapton Orient	20	2	15	3	16	66	7

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4. March "Knightsbridge" *Eric Coates.*
5. Fox Trot "I'm Gonna Lock my Heart" *Eaton and Shand.*
6. Selection "Old Timers" *R. S. Stoddon.*

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