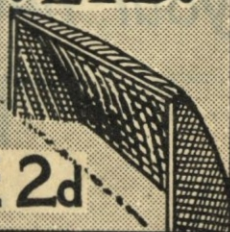




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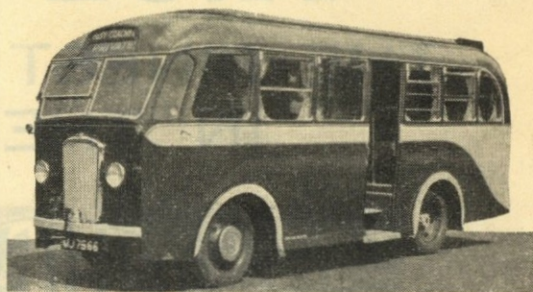
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### CLUB NOTES by "Hatter"

OWING to Blackburn drawing their Cup game with Huddersfield Town last Saturday, we did not make the trek to Lancashire on Monday last, consequently our boys have had a fortnights rest. Today we break new ground, for we have as our guests Tranmere Rovers, the Birkenhead club, who gained promotion from the Northern Section at the end of last season. I think I am right in saying this is the initial appearance of Tranmere at Luton and accordingly we offer them a cordial welcome to our town.

The Tranmere Rovers club was formed in the year 1883, one of its founder members being Mr. Richard Mayor, who was also present at the Club's Golden Jubilee Dinner in 1933. I do not know much about their early history, but they operated for some years in various minor competitions including the Liverpool and Wirral League. A crisis occurred in the club in 1899, when over some matter the committee became divided, the larger number leaving the Rovers club and forming a new one under the name of Birkenhead F.C. But there were several who still remained loyal to the Rovers and under their guidance the flag was kept flying. The record of Tranmere Rovers from that time onwards has been one of progress, while those who left the club went down, as the Birkenhead F.C. lasted only six or seven years and died a natural death. The Rovers joined the Lancashire Alliance and afterwards the old Combination. Their next step was into the Lancashire Combination and by that time they were getting into good company, especially when promotion from the Second to the First Division was obtained. After the war admission to the Central League was obtained and the subsequent two years were the best in their history. They commanded support and as a result were elected to the Northern Section of the Third Division on its formation. Many noted players have began their association with the Birkenhead club including W. R. (Dixie) Dean, T. (Pogo) Waring, Ellis Rimmer, Tommy Jones, W. Redding and V. Matthews. Their ground record was an F.A. Cup Tie against Barnsley on January 25th, 1936, when 22,217 people were present. A present member of the Rovers club is our old player (Nobby) Clark. When he left here to join Everton he had

several years with the "Toffeemen" before he joined the Tranmere ranks. Last season he skippered the side that won promotion and has played in several matches this season too. I am sure all Lutonians will wish to send him their regards if he is not present this afternoon.

The "Stiffs" game with Arsenal Reserves last Saturday, produced the highest London Combination attendance this season, 8,304 passing through the turnstiles. It was an extremely good game, although our lads suffered defeat and in this it must be considered we had Campbell, Vinall and Carroll all injured at various periods of the game. Today they are at Clapton Orient's ground, where last season they won by the mammoth score of seven goals to nil.

**The Directors earnestly trust that all spectators will appreciate the privilege obtained by the sale of intoxicating liquors on the occasions of matches on this ground. They appeal to everyone concerned to endeavour to obviate any abuse of this privilege.**

By order of the Board of Directors,

ARCHIE E. WICKSON,

24th February, 1939.

Secretary.

### LUTON TOWN v. COVENTRY CITY

Saturday, 6th May, 1939

Numerous applications have already been received from Coventry requesting Stand Tickets for the above match. In addition to the 320 seats available in the Centre Stand at 5/- each it has been decided to issue reserved and numbered tickets at 3/6 each for the seats in the remainder of the stand.

Local supporters are asked to give this their immediate attention in order to avoid disappointment, as already large parties from Coventry have intimated their presence here that day. Applications for tickets **must be accompanied by the remittance and stamped addressed envelope** and forwarded to the Secretary, 70/72, Kenilworth Road, Luton.

N.B. Tickets will not be sent out until nearer the date of the match.



ATTENDANCE BAROMETER

1937		1938		1937			1938				
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Aug. 28	Aug. 27	Brighton & Hove Reserves ...	...	6356	144	15	3				
	Aug. 31	Southend United Reserves ...	...	7346	167	0	3				
Sept. 1	Sept. 3	Newcastle United ...	...	17689	811	11	4				
	Sept. 7	Aston Villa ...	...	25349	1299	14	4				
Sept. 4	Sept. 10	Norwich City ...	...	16547	747	0	6				
	Sept. 17	Manchester United ...	...	20610	994	1	2				
Sept. 8	Sept. 24	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves ...	...	5955	131	1	7				
	Oct. 1	Clapton Orient Reserves ...	...	4823	93	6	7				
Sept. 11	Oct. 8	Watford Reserves ...	...	7256	163	5	10				
	Oct. 15	Chelsea Reserves ...	...	7725	175	7	7				
Sept. 18	Oct. 22	Southend Reserves ...	...	5826	126	10	7				
Sept. 22	Oct. 29	Tottenham Hotspur ...	...	23788	1235	7	8				
	Nov. 5	Leicester City Reserves ...	...	3626	69	19	2				
Sept. 25	Nov. 12	Sheffield United ...	...	17436	808	7	6				
	Nov. 19	Queens Park Rangers Reserves ...	...	6558	142	1	11				
Oct. 2	Nov. 26	Chelsea Reserves ...	...	7831	182	7	4				
	Dec. 3	Bury ...	...	17650	821	19	0				
Oct. 9	Dec. 10	Leicester City Reserves ...	...	1300	33	14	8				
	Dec. 17	Tottenham Hotspur ...	...	21061	1067	7	8				
Oct. 16	Dec. 24	Brighton and Hove Reserves ...	...	5236	107	4	10				
	Dec. 31	Bradford ...	...	14955	684	3	8				
Oct. 23	Jan. 7	Swansea Town Reserves ...	...	6592	141	16	2				
	Jan. 14	Brentford Reserves ...	...	6698	151	14	7				
Oct. 30	Jan. 21	West Ham United ...	...	17757	897	18	10				
	Jan. 28	Blackburn Rovers ...	...	16819	782	12	4				
Nov. 5	Feb. 4	Reading Reserves ...	...	5571	116	1	10				
	Feb. 11	Clapton Orient Reserves ...	...	5744	129	16	4				
Nov. 13	Feb. 18	Blackburn Rovers ...	...	16776	818	16	6				
	Feb. 25	West Ham United ...	...	18331	910	7	10				
Nov. 20	Mar. 4	Millwall Reserves ...	...	6929	149	18	5				
	Mar. 11	West Ham United Reserves ...	...	6208	137	11	9				
Nov. 27	Mar. 18	Chesterfield ...	...	17088	802	11	10				
	Mar. 25	Sheffield Wednesday ...	...	15936	744	9	0				
Dec. 3	Mar. 22	Arsenal Reserves ...	...	7116	158	2	0				
	Mar. 29	Bristol City Reserves ...	...	5264	112	13	4				
Dec. 11	Apr. 5	Fulham ...	...	13529	653	13	6				
	Apr. 12	Chesterfield ...	...	12747	574	15	0				
Dec. 18	Apr. 19	West Ham United Reserves ...	...	5487	114	16	2				
	Apr. 26	Crystal Palace Reserves ...	...	4006	82	0	10				
Dec. 25	Apr. 23	Norwich City ...	...	14492	680	2	6				
	Apr. 30	West Bromwich Albion ...	...	8887	382	8	10				
Dec. 27	May 7	Barnsley ...	...	15829	756	3	8				
	May 14	Southampton Reserves ...	...	3247	66	8	8				
Jan. 1	May 21	Notts Forest ...	...	17125	809	3	6				
Jan. 8	May 28	Coventry City Reserves ...	...	9178	223	9	9				
	Jun 4	Bournemouth Reserves ...	...	5465	119	14	0				
Jan. 15	Jun 11	Stockport County ...	...	14138	644	7	8				
	Jun 18	Northampton Town Reserves ...	...	6672	148	19	9				
Jan. 22	Jun 25	Manchester City ...	...	16163	765	15	6				
	Jul 2	Portsmouth Reserves ...	...	4941	101	0	8				
Jan. 29	Jul 9	Plymouth Argyle ...	...	13120	603	3	2				
Feb. 5	Jul 16	Queens Park Rangers Reserves ...	...	4291	89	18	1				
	Jul 23	Tottenham Hotspur Reserves ...	...	4814	96	19	1				
Feb. 12	Jul 30	Sheffield United ...	...	8414	378	17	8				
	Aug 6	Burnley ...	...	13547	617	2	10				
Feb. 19	Aug 13	Burnley ...	...	14957	678	14	8				
	Aug 20	Charlton Athletic Reserves ...	...	4715	101	0	8				
Feb. 26	Aug 27	Fulham Reserves ...	...	5808	129	2	11				
	Sep 3	Coventry City ...	...	17188	819	10	6				
Mar. 5	Sep 10	Swansea Town ...	...	11264	528	16	0				
	Sep 17	Bradford ...	...	14494	655	6	2				
	Sep 24	Arsenal Reserves ...	...	8304	207	1	1				
	Sep 31	Crystal Palace Reserves ...	...	4551	88	4	5				
				339224	14181	14	3	325911	12946	4	10

N.B. The attendance figures for both League II and London Combination matches, include the number of Season Tickets issued. The gate receipts are the net amounts received after Entertainment Tax has been deducted.

UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Kettering Town ...	15	11	3	1	40	22	25
Luton "A" ...	15	10	4	1	46	17	24
Rushden ...	11	9	1	1	44	20	19
Bedford Town ...	14	5	3	6	33	31	13
Stamford Town ...	13	4	3	6	29	40	11
Wisbech Town ...	11	4	2	5	32	31	10
Desborough ...	12	3	2	7	23	27	8
Wellingborough ...	11	3	2	6	24	36	8
Biggleswade ...	13	3	2	8	33	50	8
Spalding United ...	7	3	0	4	17	18	6
Corby ...	7	2	2	3	12	14	6
St. Neots ...	13	2	0	11	19	46	4

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PLAYER'S APPEARANCES

	League II		London Comb.		Utd. Counties League		F.A. Cup		Other Matches		Total	
	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Billington, H. J. R. ...	18	20	15	14			1		1	1	35	35
Burgess, W. W. ...			18	1					1		19	1
Campbell, R. ...			14	1		9			2		25	1
Carr, G. M. ...						3			2		5	
Carroll, J. ...		7		6	3	2			3		19	5
Carte, R. ...		2		9	6	1			6		23	1
Clark, C. ...		14	6	11	5		4	2			30	13
Coen J. L. ...		20		14				1			36	
Connelly, E. ...		29	10					1			31	10
Dolman, H. W. ...		10				6			5		21	
Dreyer, G. ...		11		14	1			1		2	28	1
Duke, G. E. ...						4			2		6	
Dunsmore, T. H. ...		28						1		1	30	
Ferguson, C. ...		9	1	4		10	5		5	2	28	8
Finlayson, J. ...		30						1		1	32	
Fletcher, H. H. ...						6			3		9	
Fullarton, C. ...						1			3	2	4	2
Gager, H. E. ...				32	10				1		34	10
Gardiner, D. ...				17		5			3	1	25	1
Goodyear, G. ...				1		9			5		15	
Hogg, F. ...				10		9	7		7	7	26	15
Kidd, G. I. ...				6					1		7	
King, T. P. ...		14		13		1		1			29	
Laing, J. F. ...				14	3	7	3		4		25	6
Lewis, J. ...				18		2			1		21	
Loughran, J. ...		16		7		5	2		1		29	2
Lutterloch, B. R. ...				34					2		36	
Mayberry, S. ...				20		5			1		26	
Nelson, J. H. ...		19		5					1		25	
Redfern, W. J. ...		21	7	14	11			1	1	2	37	20
Roberts, F. ...		25		5	3			1	1	1	32	4
Smith, T. S. ...		16		11	1	3			2		31	1
Stephenson, G. H. ...		28	9	1	1			1	1		31	10
Stevens, R. F. ...		1		25	12	5	6		2		34	18
Strathie J. ...				6		10	2		6	1	22	3
Vinall, E. J. ...		12	5	18	18				1	1	31	24
Wale, J. ...				10		9	1		6		25	1
Amateurs and Others		2		2		42	12		24	14	68	28

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**FIRST LIST**

A	BIRMINGHAM	v.	WOLVES	1-1
B	BOLTON WAN.	v.	BRENTFORD	1-1
C	CHARLTON A.	v.	BLACKPOOL	2-0
D	LEEDS UNITED	v.	ARSENAL	1-1
E	LEICESTER C.	v.	HUDDERSFIELD	0-1
F	LIVERPOOL	v.	PORTSMOUTH	2-1
G	MANCH. UN.	v.	ASTON VILLA	0-0
H	MIDDLESBRO'	v.	EVERTON	4-2
K	PRESTON N.E.	v.	DERBY CO'NTY	0-1
L	STOKE CITY	v.	SUNDERLAND	2-1
M	BURNLEY	v.	BRADFORD	0-2
N	COVENTRY C.	v.	BLACKBURN	0-1

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**To-Day's Half-Time Scores**

**SECOND LIST**

A	NEWCASTLE	v.	WEDNESDAY	0-1
B	NORWICH C.	v.	WEST HAM U.	0-3
C	NOTTS. FOR.	v.	FULHAM	1-0
D	PLYMOUTH	v.	CHESTERFIELD	0-0
E	SHEFFIELD UN.	v.	SWANSEA T.	0-0
F	SOUTHAMPTON	v.	MILLWALL A.	0-1
G	TOTTENHAM	v.	MANCH. CITY	1-0
H	WEST BROM.	v.	BURY	3-0
K	BOURNEM'UTH	v.	NORTHAMPT'N	2-0
L	BRIGHTON & H.	v.	NEWPORT CO'	0-0
M	BRISTOL ROV.	v.	CLAPTON O'	0-0
N	CARDIFF C.	v.	PORT VALE	2-2

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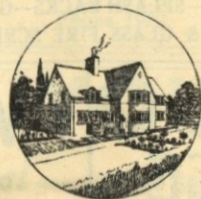
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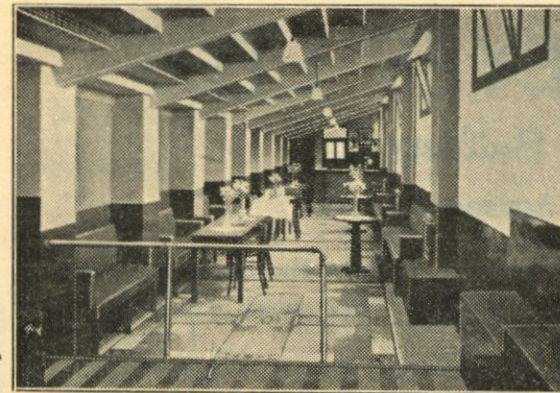
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FIRST XI	Division II	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 27	West Bromwich Albion	... A 0 3
Wed., .. 31	Newcastle United	4 1 H 2 1
Sat., Sept. 3	Norwich City	... 1 1 H 2 1
Mon., .. 5	Coventry City	... 1 2 A 0 1
Sat., .. 10	Manchester City	... .. A 2 1
Sat., .. 17	Plymouth Argyle	4 2 A 1 4
Sat., .. 24	Sheffield United	2 3 H 2 0
Sat., Oct. 1	Burnley	2 3 A 2 3
Sat., .. 8	Tottenham Hotspur	2 4 H 0 2
Sat., .. 15	Bradford	4 2 H 2 2
Sat., .. 22	Swansea Town	1 1 A 3 2
Sat., .. 29	Blackburn Rovers	4 1 H 1 1
Sat., Nov. 5	Tranmere Rovers	... A 3 2
Sat., .. 12	West Ham United	2 2 H 1 2
Sat., .. 19	Bury	4 3 A 5 2
Sat., .. 26	Sheffield Wednesday	2 2 H 1 5
Sat., Dec. 3	Fulham	1 4 A 1 2
Sat., .. 10	Chesterfield	1 1 H 5 0
Sat., .. 17	Millwall	... A 1 2
Sat., .. 24	West Bromwich Albion	... H 3 2
Mon., .. 26	Nottingham Forest	0 1 A 4 0
Tues., .. 27	Nottingham Forest	2 2 H 1 0
Sat., .. 31	Norwich City	4 0 A 1 2
Sat., Jan. 7	Liverpool (F.A. Cup)	... A 0 3
Sat., .. 14	Manchester City	... H 3 0
Sat., .. 21	Plymouth Argyle	1 1 H 3 4
Sat., .. 28	Sheffield United	0 2 A 2 2
Sat., Feb. 4	Burnley	3 1 H 1 0
Sat., .. 11	Tottenham Hotspur	0 3 A 1 0
Sat., .. 18	Bradford	1 1 A 1 2
Sat., .. 25	Swansea Town	5 1 H 6 3
Mon., Mar. 6	Blackburn Rovers	2 2 A
Sat., .. 11	Tranmere Rovers	... H
Sat., .. 18	West Ham United	0 0 A
Sat., .. 25	Bury	0 1 H
Sat., April 1	Sheffield Wednesday	0 4 A
Fri., .. 7	Southampton	1 3 H
Sat., .. 8	Fulham	4 0 H
Mon., .. 10	Southampton	6 3 A
Sat., .. 15	Chesterfield	2 5 A
Sat., .. 22	Millwall	... H
Sat., .. 29	Newcastle United	3 1 A
Sat., May 6	Coventry City	1 4 H

RESERVE FIXTURES	London Combination	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 27	Brighton & Hove A.	6 2 H 2 1
Mon., .. 29	Millwall	0 3 A 5 1
Sat., Sept. 3	Bournemouth	1 1 A 3 1
Wed., .. 7	Tottenham Hotspur	0 2 H 1 2
Sat., .. 10	Watford	2 0 H 4 1
Sat., .. 17	Southend United	3 1 H 4 2
Mon., .. 19	Tottenham Hotspur	3 5 A 2 2
Sat., .. 24	Queens Park Rangers	0 4 A 0 2
Wed., .. 28	Southampton	2 0 A 2 1
Sat., Oct. 1	Chelsea	1 1 H 2 1
Wed., .. 5	Leicester City	0 1 H 6 2
Sat., .. 8	Charlton Athletic	0 4 A 3 5
Mon., .. 10	Leicester City	1 4 A 5 3
Sat., .. 15	Fulham	1 5 A 1 0
Sat., .. 22	Brentford	0 0 H 3 2
Sat., .. 29	Arsenal	0 1 A 4 4
Sat., Nov. 5	Clapton Orient	3 0 H 5 0
Sat., .. 12	Portsmouth	0 0 A 2 2
Sat., .. 19	West Ham	0 1 H 2 1
Sat., .. 26	Northampton Town	1 1 A 4 1
Sat., Dec. 3	Bristol City	3 1 H 3 1
Sat., .. 10	Swansea Town	1 0 A 0 2
Sat., .. 17	Crystal Palace	6 1 H 5 0
Sat., .. 24	Brighton & Hove A.	1 1 A 0 3
Mon., .. 26	Southampton	2 1 H 6 0
Sat., .. 31	Bournemouth	2 1 H 5 0
Sat., Jan. 14	Watford	2 3 A 0 0
Sat., .. 21	Southend United	0 4 A 1 1
Sat., .. 28	Queens Park Rangers	2 2 H 0 1
Sat., Feb. 4	Chelsea	2 6 A 0 2
Sat., .. 11	Charlton Athletic	2 0 H 4 2
Sat., .. 18	Fulham	3 0 H 3 1
Sat., .. 25	Brentford	0 3 A 2 2
Sat., Mar. 4	Arsenal	1 2 H 0 1
Sat., .. 11	Clapton Orient	7 0 A
Sat., .. 18	Portsmouth	1 2 H
Sat., .. 25	West Ham	1 1 A
Sat., April 1	Northampton Town	3 3 H
Fri., .. 7	Coventry City	0 1 A
Sat., .. 8	Bristol City	2 3 A
Mon., .. 10	Coventry City	4 0 H
Sat., .. 15	Swansea Town	1 1 H
Sat., .. 22	Crystal Palace	3 1 A
Sat., .. 29	Millwall	5 1 H
Wed., May 3	Reading	3 1 H
Sat., .. 6	Reading	4 1 A

LEAGUE TABLES

LEAGUE DIVISION II

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Blackburn Rovers	31	18	10	3	75	48	39
Sheffield United	31	14	6	10	48	34	39
Sheffield Wednesday	29	16	8	3	68	44	37
Newcastle United	32	16	11	5	50	35	37
Coventry City	30	16	9	5	49	37	37
West Brom. A.	31	15	10	6	74	59	36
Tottenham Hotspur	31	14	9	8	51	43	36
Fulham	30	14	8	8	48	37	35
Chesterfield	30	14	10	6	50	41	34
LUTON TOWN	30	15	11	4	60	50	34
Burnley	33	13	12	8	41	41	34
Manchester City	29	13	12	4	72	61	30
Bury	32	10	12	10	51	51	30
Millwall	30	10	11	9	52	41	29
West Ham United	30	11	12	7	54	43	29
Plymouth Argyle	30	12	13	5	42	43	29
Bradford	32	10	14	8	52	68	28
Southampton	31	10	14	7	42	56	27
Swansea Town	30	6	14	10	35	61	22
Notts Forest	31	6	17	8	36	71	20
Norwich City	29	9	19	1	33	70	19
Tranmere Rovers	32	4	23	5	33	82	13

LONDON COMBINATION

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Arsenal	35	22	8	5	119	47	49
Brighton & Hove A.	37	21	9	7	69	44	49
Queens Park Rangers	33	19	6	7	78	39	46
Coventry City	33	20	9	4	88	40	44
LUTON TOWN	34	18	9	7	84	44	43
Brentford	34	18	9	7	90	57	43
Chelsea	33	17	9	7	60	42	41
Tottenham Hotspur	34	17	13	4	79	49	38
West Ham United	31	16	10	5	86	57	37
Watford	34	15	12	7	57	63	37
Millwall	35	14	13	8	65	67	36
Swansea Town	37	16	17	4	55	86	36
Southend United	33	12	11	10	61	50	34
Leicester City	37	14	18	5	69	89	33
Portsmouth	34	12	14	8	63	67	32
Crystal Palace	36	13	17	6	76	82	32
Bournemouth	36	10	14	12	63	74	32
Charlton Athletic	32	10	14	8	45	48	28
Bristol City	37	12	22	3	66	113	27
Fulham	34	8	18	8	45	84	24
Reading	34	7	18	9	58	109	23
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Northampton	34	8	22	4	54	95	20
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