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	Pricelow	Opponents	Any other colour
	2		3
	D. Ores		Gates
	4		6
	Oaks		Longpoles
	5		
	F. Loorings		
	7		10
	F. Irewood		T. R. Ellis
	8		11
	C. Iron		L. Adders
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BOBBERS NOTES

We have not seen our First Team score a goal at home since the 17th September, when they got two against Leicester City, and they have only scored 3 away from home, having played seven games, but only obtaining 3 points. Now we all know that will not get promotion. Surely the spell of bad luck and goal shyness cannot last much longer, and we hope the tide will change today, and start us on the winning stride again. Our Reserves on Saturday, thought what was "good for the goose was good for the gander," so they did not find the net against the "Glaziers," who are at the bottom of the League Table, with only six points.

Still we can give you some winning events. First, the Bobbers are top of both 1st and 2nd divisions of the Skittles League, both teams winning all matches played. Next, our Dart Team is top of Division III, so you see we have three Leagues under our cover, but that is not satisfactory to the go-ahead Bobbers. There is another item we want to cover, and that is those terraces you stand on. This is the reason we have collections at all our home games, but we have got a long way to go yet before we reach the last terrace, and we are determined to be at the top. At present you will see that our Building Fund totals £2,295-3-6, and we are advancing a little each week.

The cold weather is here again, which means cold feet, and we read that one supporter gave £100 to his Club towards building a stand, as

standing on the snow etc. made his feet cold. This was on his 90th birthday. Well we don't want to wait until you attain that age, so that is why we are collecting today, and when that cover is up not only will your feet keep warm, but your body also. To get the necessary to warm you inside you must become a member of the Bobbers Stand Club, and then we can oblige. Our collection last week was £2-13-7. This suffered through so many supporters going to Millwall, so try and make up for it this week, but will those who put bad coins and buttons in the boxes please discontinue, as you may be preventing a sportsman getting his or her gift in the collector's box.

SPECIAL NOTICE

One very large silver coin was put in the collection box and we are sure this was a mistake. It was a Dutch coin and may be of sentimental value, so if the owner will contact Mr. J. Collier he will be pleased to hand it over.

Don't forget that the Refreshment Bars at all parts of the ground are open to all of you, so if you want a drink or a sandwich before the match or at half-time you will be able to get one.

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CLUB NOTES

Today we have the pleasure of being hosts to Chesterfield in a League II fixture. This is the team which is the enigma of the Second Division. They have yet to record their first home win and yet they have won four and drawn two away matches out of eight played, having scored 11 goals against 10. Last Saturday they played at home against Plymouth Argyle and the score was 1-1, and yet on the previous Saturday they went to Barnsley and won by three clear goals. Out of six games played at the Recreation Ground one has been drawn (already referred to) and the other five have all been lost, the goals for being 2, and goals against 10. This is a record which needs much explaining, especially to the home fans, who like to see their team win most of their home matches. If our away record was as good as our opponents of today we should be standing third in the Table. This unfortunately is wishful thinking, but it might easily have been the case had the luck been just a little in our favour. For there is no gainsaying that if we had had the run of the ball there is only one match we have really lost this season, and that was the first one at Coventry where we do admit we were thoroughly beaten.

Although we lost at Millwall last Saturday by three goals to one, if we had taken our chances there would have been no doubt as to the result. Millwall had 2½ chances and scored three times,

whereas we really had many more but they just could not be used to full advantage. However we hope to see two valuable points gained today which would put the lads in fine mettle for their game at Upton Park next Saturday.

We really thought we had managed this week to obtain the transfer of two players we have been trying for some little time to persuade their Clubs to part with, but the Clubs have now decided to play keeps, and so much time and expense has been wasted in the negotiations. This is very disappointing for with these two players we are quite sure we would have a team second to none in this Division, but we keep trying. In view of the splendid capture we have made in Northern Ireland recently we are again trying our luck there and this afternoon Dally Duncan and Hubert Day are both watching a boy we are very interested in and should he come up to expectations then there will be another signing on the dotted line in the immediate future.

Our Reserves are at Swindon this afternoon in a Football Combination game and they should bring back at least a point with them. Micky Walker will unfortunately be out of the game for at least six weeks, due to a torn ligament. The result last Saturday was disappointing but we no doubt would have won in the end despite the brilliant goalkeeping of Lucas if Walker had not had his injury. However that is all in the luck of the game.

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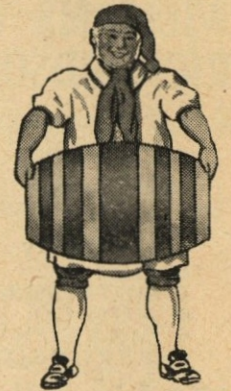
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Referee—
Mr. F. W. CHADWICK (Leicester)

11 **Roberts** Outside Left
10 **Capel** Inside Left
6 **Robinson** Left Half
3 **Milburn, S.** Left Back

CHESTERFIELD

Shirts Blue
Knickers White
Stockings Blue

B. Streten
Goal

5 **Gager** Centre Half
9 **Billington** Centre



9 **Marron** Centre
5 **Booker** Centre Half

Middleton
Goal

Football League—Division II

3 **Hughes** Left Back

6 **Owen** Left Half

10 **Connelly** Inside Left

11 **Waugh** Outside Left

Linesmen—
Blue Flag: Mr. R. T. BOWER (Edgware, Middlesex)
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8 **Southall** Inside Right

7 **Hudson** Outside Right

4 **Goodfellow** Right Half
2 **Milburn, G.** Right Back

Kick - Off 2.45 p.m.

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TODAY'S HALF-TIME SCORES

NOTE: The letter in the Programme corresponds with the letter on the Board—thus A 0-1 means that the first-named club has scored 0 and their opponents 1.

FIRST LIST

A ARSENAL	v	BLACKPOOL	.....
B BOLTON WAN.	v	SUNDERLAND	.....
C BURNLEY	v	WOLVES	.....
D CHARLTON A.	v	BLACKBURN	.....
E LIVERPOOL	v	GRIMSBY T.	.....
F MANCH. UN.	v	HUDDERSFIELD	.....
G MIDDLESBRO'	v	MANCH. CITY	.....
H PORTSMOUTH	v	ASTON VILLA	.....
K PRESTON N.E.	v	CHELSEA	.....
L SHEFFIELD UN.	v	DERBY CO'NTY	.....
M STOKE CITY	v	EVERTON	.....
N BARNESLEY	v	BURY	.....

SECOND LIST

A BIRMINGHAM	v	DONCASTER	.....
B BRENTFORD	v	MILLWALL A.	.....
C COVENTRY C.	v	BRADFORD	.....
D FULHAM	v	CARDIFF C.	.....
E LEEDS UNITED	v	WEDNESDAY	.....
F LEICESTER C.	v	TOTTENHAM	.....
G NEWCASTLE	v	NOTTS. FOR.	.....
H PLYMOUTH A.	v	WEST HAM U.	.....
K WEST BROM.	v	SOUTHAMPTON	.....
L BOURNEM'UTH	v	TORQUAY U.	.....
M BRISTOL CITY	v	PORT VALE	.....
N EXETER CITY	v	NORWICH C.	.....

THIRD LIST

A IPSWICH T.	v	SWINDON T.	.....
B LEYTON O.	v	BRIGHTON & H.	.....
C NEWPORT CO'	v	BRISTOL ROV.	.....
D NOTTS. CO'TY	v	ALDERSHOT	.....
E READING	v	QUEEN'S P. R.	.....
F SOUTHEND U.	v	NORTHAMPT'N	.....
G SWANSEA T.	v	CRYSTAL PAL.	.....
H WALSALL	v	WATFORD	.....
K ACCRINGTON	v	YORK CITY
L BARROW	v	GATESHEAD
M BRADF'D CITY	v	DARLINGTON
N HALIFAX T.	v	ROTHERHAM

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FIRST XI Division II

Date	Time	Home	Score	Away	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 23		Coventry City	0 0	A	1 4
Wed., .. 27		Brentford	.. ..	A	3 0
Sat., .. 30		Newcastle United	4 3	H	2 1
1946/47					
Wed., Sept. 3		Brentford	.. ..	H	3 0
Sat., .. 6		Birmingham City	0 1	A	1 2
Mon., .. 8		Leicester City	1 2	A	2 3
Sat., .. 13		West Bromwich Albion	2 0	H	1 1
Wed., .. 17		Leicester City	1 2	H	2 1
Sat., .. 20		Barnsley	.. ..	A	0 3
Sat., .. 27		Plymouth Argyle	3 4	H	0 0
1947					
Sat., Oct. 4		Bradford	.. ..	A	2 2
Sat., .. 11		Cardiff City	.. ..	A	0 1
Sat., .. 18		Sheffield Wednesday	1 1	A	0 1
Sat., .. 25		Tottenham Hotspur	3 2	H	0 0
1948					
Sat., Nov. 1		Millwall	.. ..	A	1 3
Sat., .. 8		Chesterfield	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 15		West Ham United	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 22		Bury	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 29		Southampton	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., Dec. 6		Doncaster Rovers	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 13		Nottingham Forest	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 20		Coventry City	.. ..	H	.. ..
Fri., .. 26		Leeds United	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 27		Leeds United	.. ..	H	.. ..
1949					
Sat., Jan. 3		Newcastle United	2 7	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 10		F.A. Cup (Round 3)	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Sat., .. 17		Birmingham City	1 3	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 24		F.A. Cup (Round 4)	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Sat., .. 31		West Bromwich Albion	2 1	A	.. ..
1950					
Sat., Feb. 7		Barnsley	3 1	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 14		Plymouth Argyle	1 2	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 21		Bradford	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 28		Cardiff City	.. ..	H	.. ..
1951					
Sat., Mar. 6		Sheffield Wednesday	4 1	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 13		Tottenham Hotspur	1 2	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 20		Millwall	.. ..	H	.. ..
Fri., .. 26		Fulham	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 27		Chesterfield	.. ..	A	.. ..
Mon., .. 29		Fulham	.. ..	A	.. ..
1952					
Sat., April 3		West Ham United	2 1	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 10		Bury	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 17		Southampton	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 24		Doncaster Rovers	.. ..	A	.. ..
1953					
Sat., May 1		Nottingham Forest	3 2	H	.. ..

RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination

Date	Time	Home	Score	Away	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 23		Cardiff City	1 3	H	1 0
Wed., .. 27		Northampton Town	1 1	H	6 2
Sat., .. 30		Birmingham City	.. ..	A	0 6
1946/47					
Mon., Sept. 1		Reading	.. ..	A	4 2
Sat., .. 6		Fulham	.. ..	H	4 2
Wed., .. 10		Leyton Orient	.. ..	H	1 1
Sat., .. 13		Leyton Orient	.. ..	A	1 1
Sat., .. 20		Millwall	.. ..	A	3 1
Wed., .. 24		Fulham	.. ..	A	1 3
Sat., .. 27	
1947					
Wed., Oct. 1		Ipswich Town	1 3	H	2 0
Sat., .. 4		Northampton Town	2 6	A	4 1
Wed., .. 8		Southend United	1 0	H	2 0
Sat., .. 11		Plymouth Argyle	.. ..	H	1 0
Sat., .. 18		Norwich City	.. ..	H	3 0
Sat., .. 25		Crystal Palace	.. ..	A	2 1
1948					
Sat., Nov. 1		Crystal Palace	.. ..	H	0 0
Sat., .. 8		Swindon Town	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 15		Queens Park Rangers	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 22		Cardiff City	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 29		Reading	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., Dec. 6		Norwich City	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 13		West Ham United	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 20		Ipswich Town	.. ..	A	.. ..
Thurs., .. 25		Southend United	.. ..	A	.. ..
Fri., .. 26		Birmingham City	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 27		Millwall	.. ..	A	.. ..
1949					
Sat., April 3		West Ham United	.. ..	A	.. ..
Wed., .. 7		Plymouth Argyle	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 10		Swindon Town	.. ..	H	.. ..
Sat., .. 17		Queens Park Rangers	.. ..	A	.. ..
Sat., .. 24	
1950					
Sat., May 1	

Combination Cup

Sat., Jan. 3		Coventry City	.. ..	H	1 1
Sat., .. 10		Northampton Town	.. ..	H	1 0
Sat., .. 17		Birmingham City	.. ..	A	0 0
Sat., .. 24		Leicester City	.. ..	A	0 1
Sat., .. 31		Watford	.. ..	H	2 0
1951					
Sat., Feb. 7		Norwich City	.. ..	A	0 2
Sat., .. 14		Norwich City	.. ..	H	1 2
Sat., .. 21		.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Sat., .. 28		Ipswich Town	.. ..	A	1 1
1952					
Sat., Mar. 6		Watford	.. ..	A	0 1
Sat., .. 13		Birmingham City	.. ..	H	3 1
Sat., .. 20		.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
Fri., .. 26		Northampton Town	.. ..	A	1 1
Sat., .. 27		Leicester City	.. ..	H	1 3
Mon., .. 29		Coventry City	.. ..	A	0 1
1953					
Sat., .. 5		Ipswich Town	.. ..	H	3 0

LEAGUE DIVISION II

Club	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
West Brom. Albion	15	10	3	2	24	14	23
Newcastle United	15	9	3	3	32	16	21
Birmingham City	15	8	4	3	18	10	20
Cardiff City	15	7	5	3	22	13	19
West Ham United	15	7	5	3	21	15	19
Sheffield Wednesday	15	8	2	5	24	23	18
Tottenham Hotspur	15	6	5	4	26	14	17
Bradford	15	8	1	6	27	18	17
Southampton	15	7	3	5	22	24	17
Leicester City	15	6	4	5	19	19	16
Leeds United	15	6	2	7	24	20	14
Barnsley	15	6	2	7	25	27	14
Fulham	15	6	1	8	20	21	13
Coventry City	15	5	3	6	19	20	13
Millwall	14	3	6	5	19	21	12
Bury	15	4	4	7	20	23	12
LUTON TOWN	15	4	4	7	18	22	12
Notts Forest	15	5	1	9	18	23	11
CHESTERFIELD	14	4	3	7	13	20	11
Doncaster Rovers	15	3	4	7	14	24	10
Plymouth Argyle	15	2	6	7	7	26	10
Brentford	15	3	3	9	13	32	9

LEAGUE TABLES

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"

Club	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
West Ham United	16	12	2	2	56	18	26
Birmingham City	18	9	5	4	33	18	23
LUTON TOWN	16	10	3	3	33	21	23
Ipswich Town	17	9	3	5	35	29	21
Swindon Town	17	8	4	5	31	29	20
Fulham	18	8	4	6	30	28	20
Reading	18	8	1	9	37	36	17
Queens Park Rangers	16	5	6	5	26	29	16
Plymouth Argyle	18	6	3	9	31	32	15
Millwall	17	7	1	9	28	34	15
Norwich City	18	4	7	7	28	35	15
Cardiff City	16	6	2	8	16	21	14
Northampton Town	16	5	3	8	38	42	13
Southend United	16	5	3	8	21	28	13
Leyton Orient	17	4	4	9	20	43	12
Crystal Palace	16	1	5	10	8	28	7

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