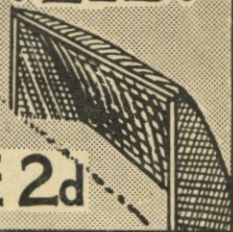


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It is never safe to go by the form book in weighing up these most tantalising Cup Tie matches—call it inspiration, just plain luck or what you will, the match will be won by the side which can produce their best on the day. So let us hope our boys give their best and thus go into the hat for the next round—what would please every supporter more? All of you are taking part in today's game, and what you can give, we know that you will, and that is your voices to cheer the boys from the time they arrive on the field, until the finish of the game. Some of you may say: "Is this gift day?" Yes, how very simple it all sounds, but not so simple that you have to be reminded of it. The Bobbers are fully conscious of the pleasure we receive from the gifts coming from our supporters. Now is the time, when the year is still in its infancy, for you all to gather up your coppers, and drop them in our collection boxes.

Last Saturday the weather was not at all kind to our terrace supporters, but we cannot start to erect a cover until building restrictions are lifted, and we assure you not a second will be lost when we are allowed to do so. Our Building Fund to date is £2,549-5-10. You saw in our notes last week that we have opened a subscription list for the above fund. I would like to make this appeal to supporters from all parts of the ground for donations. Send just what you like, money or kind, and address it to me, Mr. J. Collier, Hon. Treasurer, c/o Bobbers Stand Club, Beech Hill Path, Luton, Beds., and your donations will be in the following week's programme. Please state if you

wish your name to be published or remain anonymous.

It was very pleasing after the game last Saturday, when we were selling enclosure tickets for today's Cup Tie, how many old members were in the queue. Also quite a lot of supporters who had never been inside the Bobbers Club, turned up and were so impressed that they asked to become members. One remark made was: "The Bobbers look after you on the outside, also the inside."

Our collection of £5-19-0 last week, suffered owing to the weather conditions, and as this is our first Cup Tie game at home this season, we are hoping to put on the Bobbers records the following: No. 1—Victory, No. 2—Good game, No. 3—A record gate, No. 4—A record collection, No. 5—Every supporter satisfied, No. 6—Last, but not at all least, all 22 players free of injuries. If No. 1 is achieved, to be drawn at home in the next Round.

Of course it is said there are three kinds of people in everything that is said or done: "Wishbones" who want something different, "Jaw bones" who talk much and help little, and "Back bones" who do the hardwork.

Now fans if you are not a member of the Bobbers Stand Club, join at once, it only costs 1/2 yearly, and it is to your own advantage as we are out to help you.

Today Coventry Supporters' Club Officials are having a look around our Club. They tell us that they have heard quite a lot about the Bobbers, and in the near future, no doubt, when we visit Coventry, they may have something on similar lines. So now we say to all you football fans everyone of you ought to be a "BOBBER."

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CLUB NOTES

Just over 26 years ago Luton were drawn against Coventry City in the F.A. Cup and now history repeats itself. There are not many teams which could provide more attractive Cup opposition than our old friends and rivals the "Bantams," and we extend to them the heartiest of welcomes. Coventry earned the right to meet us by defeating Walsall by two goals to one in the Third Round.

It will be remembered that Coventry defeated us by four goals to one in the opening match of the season at Highfield Road and still fresh in our minds is the 2-3 defeat inflicted on us on 20th December last. George Lowrie, who is unable to turn out today, netting five of the seven goals scored against us. Our lads will no doubt be all out to wipe out these two defeats and at the same time victory would leave us with a consequent further interest in the Cup.

Should we get through this Round and are again drawn at home then we do ask you, before sending in your applications for Tickets, to read the announcement which will appear in tonight's "Saturday Telegraph." We received over three thousand applications for seats for today's match and we anticipate an even bigger demand should we get through today. It is essential that every application received can be dealt with promptly without further reference. If it is not possible to do this then the application will be returned without Tickets, and this applies to the Season Ticket Holders as well as the other applicants.

Every ticket allotted to Coventry has been sold and the "Bantam" team can be assured of a great welcome when they enter the arena.

The following are a few notes of the players who will be wearing the red and white shirts this afternoon:—

A. Wood (goalkeeper.) One of the "Bantams" oldest servants and has just completed 143 consecutive appearances. Born at Aldridge, Staffs., he played for Sutton and Nuneaton before joining Coventry. 5 ft. 10 in., 12 st. 6½ lb.

H. Barratt (right back.) Has been with Coventry since joining them from Herbert's Athletic in 1925. Plays well in any position. 5 ft. 9½ in., 10 st. 9 lb.

R. Mason (left back.) Another recruit from Nuneaton in his second season with the "Bantams." Is regarded as one of the most improved players in the League. 5 ft. 9 in., 10 st. 12 lb.

J. Snape (right half.) Another long service "Bantam," who was secured from Solihull Town. Is at present showing brilliant form. Missed Leicester game last Saturday due to injury, but is hoping to turn out today. 5 ft. 8 in., 11 st. 2½ lb.

G. Mason (centre half.) Captain of the side. A Schoolboy International, has been with Coventry since 1931. Is a tower of strength in the Coventry defence. 6 ft. 1 in., 12 st. 6½ lb.

S. Smith (left half.) A local who joined Coventry in 1946 and is proving a very promising player. 5 ft. 8½ in., 12 st.

L. Warner (outside right.) His two goals against Walsall put Coventry in the Fourth Round. Born in Birmingham. 10 st. 6 lb.

R. Davidson (inside right.) Native of Lochgelly, Scotland and formerly with St. Bernards. Later with St. Johnstone and Arsenal before moving to Coventry. 5 ft. 6 in., 12 st. 11 lb.

D. Dearson (centre forward.) A Welsh International, who takes over the leadership from indisposed George Lowrie. His present Club paying a big fee to Birmingham in 1947 for his services. 5 ft. 10½ in., 13 st. 2½ lb.

P. Murphy (inside left.) Born West Hartlepool. Was with Millwall and moved to his present Club in 1947. 5 ft. 11 in., 11 st. 4½ lb.

N. Lockhart (outside left.) An Irish International who was secured from Swansea Town for a big fee early this season. A speedy winger who takes some watching. 5 ft. 6½ in., 10 st. 4 lb.

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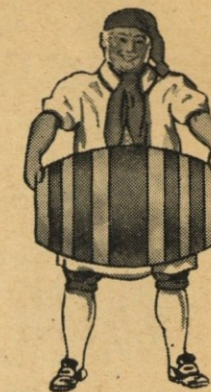
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11 **Lockhart** Outside Left
6 **Smith** Left Half
3 **Mason, R.** Left Back

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Streten
Goal

5 **Hall** Centre Half
9 **Billington** Centre



9 **Dearson** Centre
5 **Mason, G.** Centre, Half

Wood
Goal

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3 **Hughes** Left Back
6 **Gardiner** Left Half
10 **Ottewell** Inside Left
11 **O'Brien** Outside Left

Linesmen—
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Red Flag: Mr. R. A. BAILEY (London)

8 **Davidson** Inside Right
7 **Warner** Outside Right
4 **Snap** Right Half
2 **Barratt** Right Back

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A BLACKPOOL	v.	CHESTER
B BRENTFORD	v.	MIDDLESBRO'
C COLCHESTER	v.	BRADFORD
D CREWE ALEX.	v.	DERBY CO'NTY
E CHARLTON A.	v.	STOCKPORT C.	.....
F FULHAM	v.	BRISTOL ROV.	.....
G LEICESTER C.	v.	WEDNESDAY	.....
H MANCH. CITY	v.	CHELSEA	.....
K MANCH. UN.	v.	LIVERPOOL	.....
L PORTSMOUTH	v.	PRESTON N. E.	.....
M QUEEN'S P. R.	v.	STOKE CITY	.....
N SOUTHAMPTON	v.	BLACKBURN

SECOND LIST

A SWINDON T.	v.	NOTTS. CO'TY
B TOTTENHAM	v.	WEST BROM.
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LEAGUE GAMES

D SUNDERLAND	v.	BOLTON WAN.
E BURY	v.	BARNLEY
F LEEDS UNITED	v.	NEWCASTLE
G WEST HAM U.	v.	DONCASTER	.....
H ALDERSHOT	v.	READING	.....
K BRIGHTON & H.	v.	IPSWICH T.	.....
L CRYSTAL PAL.	v.	WALSALL	.....
M NORTHAMPT'N	v.	BRISTOL CITY	.....
N NORWICH C.	v.	BOURNEM'UTH	.....

THIRD LIST

A PORT VALE	v.	NEWPORT CO'	.....
B SOUTHEND U.	v.	WATFORD	.....
C TORQUAY U.	v.	LEYTON O.	.....
D CARLISLE UN.	v.	HULL CITY	.....
E DARLINGTON	v.	N. BRIGHTON	.....
F GATESHEAD	v.	SOUTHPORT
G HARTLEPOOLS	v.	LINCOLN C.
H MANSFIELD T.	v.	BARROW
K OLDHAM A.	v.	HALIFAX T.
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FIRST XI	Division II	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 23	Coventry City	1946/47 0 0 A 1 4
Wed., .. 27	Brentford A 3 0
Sat., .. 30	Newcastle United	.. .. H 2 1
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	Barnley	.. .. 0 4 A 0 3
Sat., .. 27	Plymouth Argyle	.. .. 3 4 H 0 0
Sat., Oct. 4	Bradford	.. .. 1 2 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
Sat., Nov. 1	Millwall	.. .. 0 2 A 1 3
Sat., .. 8	Chesterfield	.. .. 1 1 H 2 1
Sat., .. 15	West Ham United	.. .. 1 2 A 0 0
Sat., .. 22	Bury	.. .. 2 0 H 1 1
Sat., .. 29	Southampton	.. .. 3 1 A 1 3
Sat., Dec. 6	Doncaster Rovers	.. .. H 2 1
Sat., .. 13	Nottingham Forest	.. .. 2 4 A 2 1
Sat., .. 20	Coventry City	.. .. 1 1 H 2 3
Fri., .. 26	Leeds United	.. .. .. A 2 0
Sat., .. 27	Leeds United	.. .. .. H 6 1
Sat., Jan. 3	Newcastle United	.. .. 2 7 A 1 4
Sat., .. 10	Plymouth Argyle (F.A. Cup 3)	.. .. A 4 2
Sat., .. 17	Birmingham City	.. .. 1 3 H 0 1
Sat., .. 24	Coventry City (F.A. Cup 4)	.. .. H
Sat., .. 31	West Bromwich Albion	.. .. 2 1 A
Sat., Feb. 7	Barnley	.. .. 3 1 H
Sat., .. 14	Plymouth Argyle	.. .. 1 2 A
Sat., .. 21	Bradford	.. .. 3 0 H
Sat., .. 28	Cardiff City	.. .. .. H
Sat., Mar. 6	Sheffield Wednesday	.. .. 4 1 H
Sat., .. 13	Tottenham Hotspur	.. .. 1 2 A
Sat., .. 20	Millwall	.. .. 3 0 H
Fri., .. 26	Fulham	.. .. 2 0 H
Sat., .. 27	Chesterfield	.. .. 1 2 A
Mon., .. 29	Fulham	.. .. 1 2 A
Sat., April 3	West Ham United	.. .. 2 1 H
Sat., .. 10	Bury	.. .. 0 3 A
Sat., .. 17	Southampton	.. .. 2 2 H
Sat., .. 24	Doncaster Rovers	.. .. .. A
Sat., May 1	Nottingham Forest	.. .. 3 2 H

RESERVE FIXTURES	Football Combination	F. A.
Sat., Aug. 23	Cardiff City	1946/47 1 3 H 1 0
Wed., .. 27	Northampton Town	.. .. 1 1 H 6 2
Sat., .. 30	Birmingham City	.. .. 0 1 A 0 6
Mon., Sept. 1	Reading	.. .. 1 4 A 2 3
Sat., .. 6	Fulham	.. .. .. H 4 2
Wed., .. 10	Leyton Orient	.. .. 5 1 H 1 1
Sat., .. 13	Leyton Orient	.. .. 0 2 A 1 1
Sat., .. 20	Millwall	.. .. 0 3 H 3 1
Wed., .. 24	Fulham	.. .. .. A 1 3
Sat., 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	.. .. 3 1 H 1 0
Sat., .. 18	Norwich City	.. .. 9 2 H 3 0
Sat., .. 25	Crystal Palace	.. .. 3 3 A 2 1
Sat., Nov. 1	Crystal Palace	.. .. 2 0 H 0 0
Sat., .. 8	Swindon Town	.. .. 1 1 A 0 4
Sat., .. 15	Queens Park Rangers	.. .. .. H 1 2
Sat., .. 22	Cardiff City	.. .. 0 2 A 4 1
Sat., .. 29	Reading	.. .. 1 1 H 6 0
Sat., Dec. 6	Norwich City	.. .. 2 3 A 3 4
Sat., .. 13	West Ham United	.. .. .. H 0 0
Sat., .. 20	Ipswich Town	.. .. 2 2 A 3 0
Thurs., .. 25	Southend United	.. .. 1 2 A 3 0
Fri., .. 26	Birmingham City	.. .. 2 1 H 0 3
Sat., .. 27	Millwall	.. .. 0 5 A 1 1
Sat., April 3	West Ham United	.. .. .. A
Wed., .. 7	Plymouth Argyle	.. .. 0 4 A
Sat., .. 10	Swindon Town	.. .. 7 2 H
Sat., .. 17	Queens Park Rangers	.. .. .. A
Sat., .. 24	.. ..	.. .. .. A
Sat., May 1	.. ..	.. .. .. A

LEAGUE TABLES

LEAGUE DIVISION II

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Birmingham City	26	16	6	4	34	17	38
Newcastle United	26	15	3	8	49	28	33
Cardiff City	26	12	8	6	44	31	32
Tottenham Hotspur	26	12	6	8	44	25	30
Sheffield Wednesday	26	13	4	9	42	38	30
West Brom. Albion	26	13	4	9	37	34	30
Southampton	26	12	5	9	45	40	29
Chesterfield	26	11	6	9	37	33	28
COVENTRY C.	26	11	5	10	44	35	27
Bradford	26	12	3	11	43	40	27
West Ham United	25	8	10	7	33	31	26
Fulham	26	11	3	12	35	35	25
Leicester City	26	9	7	10	36	38	25
LUTON TOWN	26	9	6	11	37	38	24
Barnley	26	10	4	12	40	42	24
Bury	26	7	9	10	36	36	23
Plymouth Argyle	26	6	11	9	22	39	23
Leeds United	26	8	5	13	33	42	21
Notts Forest	26	8	4	14	31	38	20
Brentford	26	6	8	12	25	50	20
Millwall	26	5	8	13	25	42	18
Doncaster Rovers	25	6	5	14	25	45	17

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
West Ham United	27	20	3	4	78	26	43
Birmingham City	28	15	6	7	53	25	36
LUTON TOWN	26	14	5	7	54	36	33
Fulham	26	13	5	8	44	35	31
Queens Park Rangers	25	10	10	5	49	39	30
Ipswich Town	27	13	4	10	57	49	30
Swindon Town	26	12	4	10	47	39	28
Reading	28	13	2	13	55	59	28
Millwall	26	12	2	12	51	55	26
Plymouth Argyle	26	9	5	12	48	50	23
Northampton Town	25	8	6	11	53	60	22
Cardiff City	27	9	4	14	39	51	22
Norwich City	26	6	8	12	43	52	20
Southend United	26	6	6	14	31	52	18
Leyton Orient	26	5	5	16	31	64	15
Crystal Palace	25	4	7	14	21	52	15

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