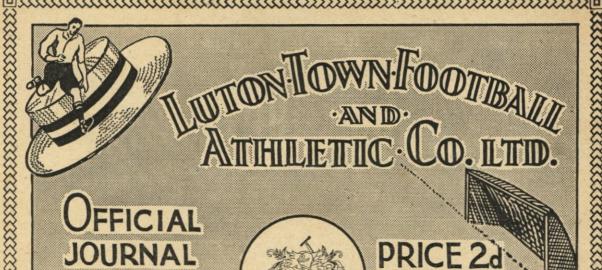
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CLUB NOTES

WELCOME to Luton once again "The Hammers." This is their second visit to Kenilworth Road this season, and as we inflicted on them their first defeat at Upton Park when we visited them last October, as well as putting paid to their hopes in the Wembley trail, they must be very keen to avenge these defeats when they meet us this afternoon. Only one point separates us in the League so neither side seems to have a decided advantage and even a comparison of the goals scored for and against by both teams at home and away are very similar.

Many changes will be seen in the line-up of our opponents as compared with the team which played here last January, but we notice that Corbett-of the long throw-still retains his position. West Ham have been very badly hit by injuries, and lately by illness, so that their position in the League under these circumstances is no mean performance.

A win today will secure for us our second double of the season and as we still have hopes of finishing among the leading four teams when the curtain finally comes down on May 7th, here's hoping our home record will be further improved.

It was a very hard battle at White Hart Lane last Saturday, and while perhaps we would have been rather fortunate if we had come away in the end with one point, we very nearly did and only the splendid opportunism of Bennett gained for the Spurs both points. The ball was very light on a bone hard ground and with a high wind ball control was very difficult. The game never rose to the heights usually enjoyed when our two teams meet but undoubtedly the conditions were greatly responsible for this. Our forwards always seemed to be struggling and never at any time took command of the game, but the defence was magnificent and took full honours. This in effect means that the Spurs' forwards also had a poor match, which was so, but when both defences play right on top of their men as they did last week, the forwards have not much chance to shine unless they are in brilliant mood and apart from one or two flashes our lads never showed what they are truly capable of doing.

One pleasing feature from our point of view was the display given by Tommy Aherne in his first game for the "Hatters." He came through the ordeal very well and if that was a sample of his usual game then we have made a capture. We give a hearty welcome to Tommy and sincerely trust he will soon settle down with his new Club and team mates, and will find much happiness and contentment

The Stiffs last week dropped a valuable point in their encounter with the present leaders of our section of the Combination Cup, which may well cost us the leadership. The defence played very well, but although the forwards came very near several times in their attempts to score they never seemed to have that power in front of goal which they had earlier in the season. Leicester have a very useful second string, but we should have gathered both points.

All our outstanding fixtures have now been fixed up as will be seen from a perusal of the Fixtures List on the inside of the back cover. As all our Combination Cup matches have to be played before April 16th it was quite a job fitting in the postponed matches, particularly as two blank Saturdays intervene, but by arranging to play on two evenings running, that is Wednesday, April 6th, against Watford here, and Thursday, April 7th, at Northampton, we have managed to do it. The League match with Grimsby, which was to have been played on February 19th last, but which had to be postponed due to the replay at Leicester, has now been arranged for Tuesday evening, May 3rd. This match of course takes place at Grimsby.

The other outstanding match is a Friendly we have agreed to play at Norwich, on Monday evening. April 25th. Bernard Robinson, who has been with Norwich City for eighteen years, is retiring at the end of this season, and in order to show their appreciation to this splendid clubman the Supporters wanted a Benefit Match. This the Club agreed to do and very kindly asked us if we would provide the opposition, to which we replied we would be very happy to do so.

Next Saturday, April 2nd, the Luton Schoolboys will be playing West Ham Schoolboys, the winners to have the honour of being presented with the Seaward Trophy. It is an annual event, last year being won by the Leicester Schoolboys when they beat our boys by two clear goals. Kick-off has been arranged for 11 o'clock, so come along.

Applications for the West Brom and Fulham tickets are still being received in a steady stream. We are dealing with all applications as usual on the first come first served principle, so those of you who require tickets don't leave it too late.

Schoolboys' Match-Saturday, April 2nd, 1949

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LEAGUE TABLES, 1948-49

LEAGUE DIVISION I								
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Fulham	32	18	6	8	60	31	42	
West Brom. Albion	31	18	. 5	8	50	32	41	
Tottenham Hotspur	33	14	12	7	54	32	40	
Cardiff City	32	14	9	9	46	39	37	
LUTON TOWN	32	12	11	9	43	42	35	
Chesterfield	33	11	13	9	43	40	35	
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Leeds United	33	10	11	12	51	51	31	
Bury	31	13	5	13	48	57	31	
Coventry City	33	12	6	15.	49	51	30	
Bradford	32	11	8	13	53	56	30	
Plymouth Argyle	32	11	8	13	38	46	30	
Barnsley	33	9	11	13	49	52	29	
Brentford	31	10	9	12	34	37	29	
Blackburn Rovers	33	-11	7	15	45	51	29	
Queens Park Rangers	33	11	7	15	32	51	29	
Grimsby Town	32	10	8	14	54	62	28	
Leicester City	30	7	12	11	49	58	26	
Notts. Forest	33	8	6	19	32	47	22	
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League Table

COMBINATION CUP

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	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Leicester City	9	4	5	0	13	6	13
LUTON TOWN	10	4	5	1	16	12	13
Norwich City	10	5	2	3	22	17	12
Watford	9	4	1	4	9	11	9
Birmingham City	10	3	2	5	11	12	8
Ipswich Town	10	3	2	5	17	21	8
Coventry City	9	2	3	4	12	17	7
Northampton Town	9	2	2	5	21	25	6

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