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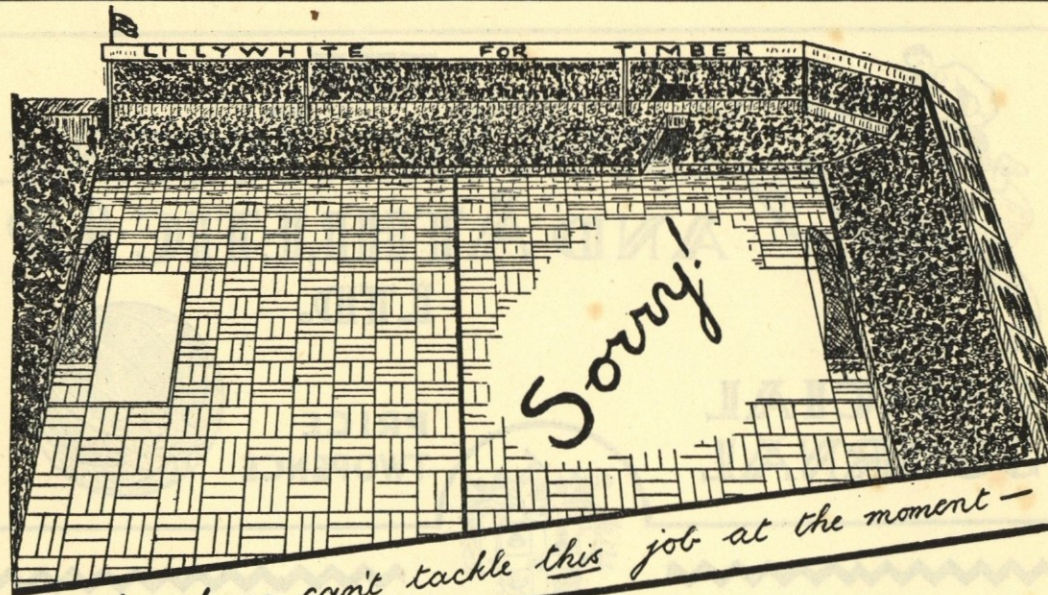
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## CLUB NOTES

To Jack Taylor fell the honour last Saturday, of ending our spell of goal-drought and although we did not witness a shower of goals the one he scored was at least sufficient to secure both points from our visitors. With two such strong defences on a bone-hard ground there was not much prospect of many goals being scored and unfortunately this proved to be the case. Try as our boys might they could not find a way through the strong tackling Leeds' defence until the last few minutes, but it was a lovely goal when it did come. Considering that there were players of the calibre of Arnison, Kiernan and Owen watching the game from the touchline, due to injuries, it will be appreciated it was a very big handicap the manager had to face when selecting the team. We are pleased to say, however, that the injuries position is now very much better, although it will be a week or two yet before we see Tommy Kiernan again in action.

The inability to score goals seems to be all too common nowadays and many other teams besides Luton have had this experience. We hope, however, that this weakness has been overcome at last by our boys and that today they will again discover their "shooting boots."

Our visitors this afternoon are Leicester City who we welcome to Kenilworth Road for the first time since they had the honour of being runners-up in the F.A. Cup last April. It is now almost the expected thing for matches between our two Clubs to end in a draw since three of our four meetings last year resulted in us sharing the spoils. With the present need for points, however, our lads will be all out to take the full quota from our visitors this afternoon.

Whenever one talks to a Leicester supporter, particularly if he saw the game at Luton, last season in the F.A. Cup, he will talk about that great game, and to some it even takes pride of place over the fact that their team played at Wembley. From a football point of view, attended by its many thrills, the game here was far and above better than the one played at Wembley and will never be forgotten by all those who saw it. Many a Luton supporter was too tired to go out for his usual pint that evening.

Out of a possible six points in their last three matches the reserves have notched five, and on Saturday last they gained two points away by completing the double over Queen's Park Rangers Reserves, at Shepherd's Bush. Scorers were Walsh 2, and James, which now takes Percy James to the top of the goal-scoring list for the Stiffs with a total of six goals in eleven matches.

This week-end the Reserves are guests of Southend United Reserves and according to their respective positions in the Combination League Table our boys should manage to continue with their unbeaten record, but there are no certainties in football and this might just be one of those occasions when the unexpected happens. A case in point of uncertainties in football was shown on Tuesday evening last, when Leyton Orient Reserves, then bottom of the Table, went to Craven Cottage and beat Fulham, the present leaders, by three clear goals. A most surprising result but all for the good of the game.

The Stiffs are playing very good football at present, the defence playing very soundly and the three inside forwards showing intelligent anticipation as well as being forceful. Their victory at Shepherd's Bush, last Saturday was very well deserved and is as good an achievement as when they beat the Arsenal Reserves here on the previous Saturday. It looks as though our Reserve Team are going to prove strong challengers again at the end of the season for the leadership if their present form is maintained, but the four points dropped against Birmingham City Reserves is going to take a lot of putting right.

Our "A" Team is still doing well in the London Mid-Week League and on Wednesday afternoon they defeated Charlton Athletic "A" 1-0 at the Valley, after a very interesting game. Charlton had seven of their professionals playing against us so that our victory was all the more creditable. Billy Collins skippered our lads and proved a very able general; the other professionals playing for Luton were Thompson, Aherne, Cullen, Horner, Lawton and Slatter. On the big grounds these youngsters are playing very much better than when they play in the South Midlands League side. The peculiar thing about this is that we are top of the Mid-Week League and yet with practically that same team playing on Saturday we are bottom of the South Midlands League!



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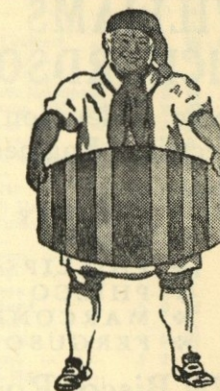
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5 **Owen** Centre Half



9 **Hines** Centre

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Goal

**Football League—Division II**

3 **Wilson** Left Back

6 **Gardiner** Left Half

10 **Stobbart** Inside Left

11 **Waugh** Outside Left

Linesmen—  
Red Flag: Mr. H. J. WRIGHT (Thornton Heath)  
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8 **Revie** Inside Right

7 **Griffiths** Outside Right

4 **King** Right Half

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