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Are hoping the New Year will see a better start  
And to every fan we send this message true  
A glad New Year awaits you, the best of fortune too  
Also we send these words of cheer  
Whatever results have crushed you, take courage for the year  
For the game with all its promise is stretching out before  
And we can do today what we did in days of yore  
Today is the third round of the cup  
So do all you can to cheer the boys up  
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## CLUB NOTES

It does not seem so very long ago when we were last in the throes of Cup Tie enthusiasm and yet here we are again, wondering what is in store for us this time. Last season we were drawn at home against West Ham United in the Third Round and won fairly comfortably by three goals to one—our scorers being Arnison, Kiernan and Watkins; in the Fourth Round we were drawn to play Walsall at Luton and won this match without much effort by four clear goals through a splendid hat-trick scored by Brennan and a goal by Watkins, and then in the Fifth Round we were again first out of the hat with Leicester City as our opponents. What a match that was and no one on this Ground that day has yet forgotten the many thrills which packed that afternoon's entertainment. Our scorers that day were Kiernan 2, Watkins, Brennan and Small one each. In the replay at Leicester, the following Saturday, we lost by five goals to three, our three being scored by Brennan 2, and Arnison. Looking back on those four games it is interesting to note that our forwards scored 15 goals, in Cup Ties too when it is considered that defences are mostly on top. In view of the goals scored against us last Saturday by the very team we are playing here today we are hoping our forwards will again find their shooting boots to continue our splendid tradition of good Cup fighters, and at the same time make some amends for that heavy defeat.

Our defeat at Grimsby last Saturday was indeed a sorry blow, especially as we are so near the bottom of the Table. When it was known that it was level pegging at half time there were great hopes that our lads would bring away with them at least a point for our away performances lately have been very good and indeed have caught up in the second half on several occasions after being in arrears at lemon time. But alas! on this visit it was not to be and our boys simply could not get a grip on the game in the second half. As the game progressed the Grimsby boys played with more and more confidence until it became a matter not as to who was going to win but by how many goals Grimsby would win. It was a very poor ending to the old year and as the Stiffs also lost at home to Northampton Reserves the old year seemed determined to fill our cup of woe to the brim on its last day. We are hoping that the New Year will bring in its wake more Cheer and Good Luck than we enjoyed in the old and trust today's match will be a portender of a run of good fortune. Ups and downs seem to run in cycles for Clubs, and we at Luton feel we have had lately enough of the "down"

and it is time we began to enjoy a little of the "up." The boys themselves seem very confident there will not be a repetition of last Saturday's result, at least if there is it will not be in the "Fishermen's" favour.

The best bit of luck we have had for a long time is the news that Billy Arnison's progress after his operation is better than we had dared hope and it is fully expected of him to be playing for the Reserves four weeks today. This is indeed splendid news for with this particular operation it is a fifty-fifty chance of success but Billy has come through splendidly and our grateful thanks are here expressed to the Surgeons, Doctors and Nurses at the Luton and Dunstable Hospital for the really splendid care and attention they have all given to our player, and in particular we think to Miss Gadsden for so successfully carrying out the operation.

You will see from the middle page that several last minute alterations have been made in the Luton side from the one shown in the "Luton News." On Thursday Wally Shanks had to cry off due to an attack of tonsillitis and as Jack Taylor is still suffering from an old ankle injury the Team Manager had to reconsider his team. Several suggestions were all considered but after taking all facts into consideration the Manager felt that this was the best team he could choose under the circumstances.

Should we get through today safely, the next Round takes place on Saturday, 28th January. The Draw as usual will be made on Monday next following today's games, but if we are again in the hat and are again drawn at home do please wait until you see the announcement in the "Luton News" before sending in your applications. Any received before Thursday next will only receive attention after all the other applications have been dealt with. This is done to ensure that all receive, as far as possible, equal consideration. For those of you living in the Bedford area we propose placing an advert in the "Bedford Times" so you are advised to see that announcement before sending in your application, otherwise you will probably send in the wrong money, this then entails sending another letter with the short payment which has to be married to the first application, which you can visualise is no easy matter when there are hundreds of letters to be opened.

In conclusion we welcome Grimsby to Kenilworth Road for the second time this season and trust we shall witness a thrilling and memorable match with the spoils going to the team most deserving of them.



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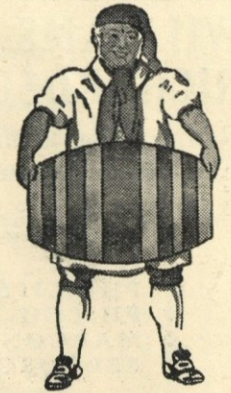
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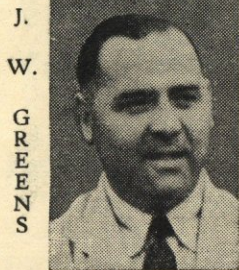
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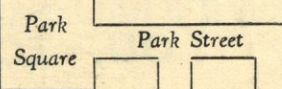
A BLACKPOOL	.....	SOUTHEND U.	.....
B BRADFORD	.....	BOURNEM'UTH	.....
C BRENTFORD	.....	CHELSEA	.....
D ARSENAL	.....	WEDNESDAY	.....
E ASTON VILLA	.....	MIDDLESBRO'	.....
F BLACKBURN R.	.....	LIVERPOOL	.....
G CHARLTON A.	.....	FULHAM	.....
H CHESTERFIELD	.....	YEOVIL	.....
K COVENTRY C.	.....	BOLTON WAN	.....
L BURY	.....	ROTHERHAM	.....
M CARDIFF C.	.....	WEST BROM.	.....
N CARLISLE UN.	.....	LEEDS UNITED	.....

**SECOND LIST**

A MANCH. UN.	.....	WEYMOUTH	.....
B NEWPORT CO'	.....	PORT VALE	.....
C NORTHANTS	.....	SOUTHAMPTON	.....
D EXETER CITY	.....	NUNEATON	.....
E MANCH. CITY	.....	DERBY CO'NTY	.....
F PORTSMOUTH	.....	NORWICH C.	.....
G QUEEN'S P. R.	.....	EVERTON	.....
H READING	.....	DONCASTER R.	.....
K NOTTS. CO'TY	.....	BURNLEY	.....
L OLDHAM A.	.....	NEWCASTLE U.	.....
M PLYMOUTH AR.	.....	WOLVES	.....
N STOKE CITY	.....	TOTTENHAM	.....

**THIRD LIST**

A SUNDERLAND	.....	HUDDERSFIELD	.....
B SWANSEA T.	.....	BIRMINGHAM	.....
C SHEFFIELD UN.	.....	LEICESTER C.	.....
D SOUTHPORT	.....	HULL CITY	.....
E STOCKPORT C.	.....	BARNSELY	.....
F WATFORD	.....	PRESTON N. E.	.....
G WEST HAM U.	.....	IPSWICH T.	.....
OTHER MATCHES			
H BRIGHTON & H.	.....	CRYSTAL PAL.	.....
K LINCOLN C.	.....	LEYTON O.	.....
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**FIXTURES, 1949-50**

**FIRST XI Division II**

		1948/49		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 20	West Ham United	0 1	H 2 2		
Wed., " 24	Coventry City	2 0	H 2 0		
Sat., " 27	Sheffield United	...	A 2 2		
Mon., " 29	Coventry City	0 2	A 0 1		
Sat., Sept. 3	Grimsby Town	1 1	H 0 0		
Wed., " 7	Bradford	1 4	A 0 1		
Sat., " 10	Queens Park Rangers	3 0	A 0 3		
" " 17	Preston North End	...	H 1 1		
" " 24	Swansea Town	...	A 0 0		
Sat., Oct. 1	Leeds United	0 0	H 1 0		
" " 8	Leicester City	1 1	H 1 0		
" " 15	Bury	1 3	A 2 5		
" " 22	Tottenham Hotspur	1 1	H 1 1		
" " 29	Cardiff City	3 3	A 0 0		
Sat., Nov. 5	Blackburn Rovers	2 0	H 5 2		
" " 12	Brentford	0 2	A 0 1		
" " 19	Hull City	...	H 0 3		
" " 26	Sheffield Wednesday	0 0	A 1 1		
Sat., Dec. 3	Plymouth Argyle	3 1	H 1 1		
" " 10	Chesterfield	0 1	A 1 0		
" " 17	West Ham United	1 0	A 0 0		
" " 24	Sheffield United	...	H 1 3		
Mon., " 26	Southampton	1 1	H 1 1		
Tues., " 27	Southampton	1 1	A 1 2		
Sat., " 31	Grimsby Town	1 2	A 1 6		
Sat., Jan. 7	Grimsby T. (F.A. Cup—3)	...	0 0 H		
" " 14	Queens Park Rangers	...	A		
" " 21	Preston North End	...	A		
" " 28	F.A. Cup—Round 4	...	A		
Sat., Feb. 4	Swansea Town	...	H		
" " 11	F.A. Cup—Round 5	...	A		
" " 18	Leeds United	0 2	A		
" " 25	Leicester City	1 1	A		
Sat., Mar. 4	Bury	1 0	H		
" " 11	Tottenham Hotspur	1 2	A		
" " 18	Cardiff City	3 0	H		
" " 25	Blackburn Rovers	1 4	A		
Sat., Apr. 1	Sheffield Wednesday	2 1	H		
Fri., " 7	Barnsley	1 0	H		
Sat., " 8	Plymouth Argyle	1 1	A		
Mon., " 10	Barnsley	2 1	A		
Sat., " 15	Brentford	2 1	H		
" " 22	Hull City	...	A		
" " 29	Chesterfield	1 0	H		
Tues., May 6	Bradford	0 1	H		

**RESERVE FIXTURES Football Combination F. A.**

		1948/49		F. A.	
Sat., Aug. 20	Reading	3 0	A 0 0		
Mon., " 22	Millwall	...	A 1 3		
Sat., " 27	Southend United	...	H 0 0		
Wed., " 31	Coventry City	...	H 4 1		
Sat., Sept. 3	Northampton Town	3 2	A 3 3		
Wed., " 7	Queens Park Rangers	5 2	H 1 0		
Sat., " 10	Northampton Town	5 2	H 1 0		
Wed., " 14	Birmingham City	2 0	H 0 2		
Sat., " 17	Swansea Town	0 3	A 1 1		
Wed., " 21	Birmingham City	3 1	A 2 4		
Sat., " 24	Arsenal	...	H 2 0		
Mon., " 26	Coventry City	...	A 1 1		
Sat., Oct. 1	Queens Park Rangers	2 1	A 3 2		
" " 8	Southend United	...	A 1 0		
" " 15	Fulham	...	H 3 0		
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	A 0 0		
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	H 0 0		
Sat., Nov. 5	Bristol Rovers	...	A 0 0		
" " 12	Leyton Orient	5 0	A 2 1		
" " 19	Leicester City	...	A 0 3		
" " 26	Bristol Rovers	9 0	H 4 5		
Sat., Dec. 3	Leyton Orient	3 2	A 2 3		
" " 10	Leicester City	...	H 0 3		
" " 17	Reading	3 2	H 4 1		
" " 24	...	...	...		
Mon., " 26	Arsenal	...	A 4 2		
Tues., " 27	Swansea Town	1 1	H 2 0		
Mon., Apr. 10	Millwall	...	H		
Sat., " 15	Fulham	...	A		
" " 22	Crystal Palace	...	H		
" " 29	Cardiff City	...	A		
<b>Combination Cup</b>					
Sat., Dec. 31	Northampton Town	2 1	H 0 3		
Sat., Jan. 7	Birmingham City	3 2	A		
" " 14	Norwich City	2 3	A		
" " 21	Watford	2 0	H		
" " 28	...	...	...		
Sat., Feb. 4	Leicester City	0 0	A		
" " 11	Birmingham City	3 0	H		
" " 18	Norwich City	3 1	H		
" " 25	Ipswich Town	2 2	H		
Sat., Mar. 4	Leicester City	1 1	H		
" " 11	...	...	...		
" " 18	Leicester City	1 1	H		
" " 25	Northampton Town	2 1	A		
Sat., Apr. 1	Watford	...	1 0 A		
Fri., " 7	Ipswich Town	...	0 0 A		
Sat., " 8	Coventry City	...	1 0 H		
Sat., " 15	Coventry City	...	2 2 A		

**LEAGUE TABLES, 1949-50**

**LEAGUE DIVISION II**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Tottenham Hotspur	25	20	4	1	60	17	44
Sheffield Wednesday	24	13	8	3	44	27	34
Hull City	25	14	3	8	49	47	31
Bury	25	12	5	8	47	32	29
Southampton	24	10	9	5	38	28	29
Sheffield United	26	9	11	6	37	38	29
Leeds United	26	9	9	8	29	29	27
West Ham United	25	9	8	8	35	32	26
Preston North End	26	9	7	10	35	34	25
GRIMSBY TOWN	25	9	6	10	48	44	24
Chesterfield	26	9	6	11	25	31	24
Brentford	26	8	8	10	24	31	24
Swansea Town	25	9	5	11	33	36	23
Barnsley	25	7	9	9	36	40	23
Cardiff City	24	9	5	10	24	30	23
Leicester City	26	6	10	10	36	43	22
Blackburn Rovers	26	9	3	14	33	41	21
LUTON TOWN	25	5	11	9	24	36	21
Bradford	25	7	6	12	38	48	20
Queens Park Rangers	26	6	8	12	26	34	20
Plymouth Argyle	25	5	8	12	31	45	18
Coventry City	24	5	7	12	31	40	17

**FOOTBALL COMBINATION—Section "A"**

	Pld.	Won	Drn.	Lost	For	Agst.	P.
Fulham	24	14	4	6	37	28	32
LUTON TOWN	26	11	7	8	41	37	29
Millwall Athletic	24	11	6	7	41	28	28
Birmingham City	24	11	5	8	50	35	27
Crystal Palace	25	11	5	9	32	33	27
Swansea Town	25	10	6	9	51	48	26
Arsenal	25	11	4	10	49	30	26
Reading	26	10	6	10	46	47	26
Southend United	25	11	3	11	32	34	25
Cardiff City	24	9	6	9	38	35	24
Coventry City	25	8	7	10	40	47	23
Bristol Rovers	25	9	5	11	41	54	23
Leicester City	26	7	9	10	30	34	23
Queens Park Rangers	25	8	5	12	38	41	21
Northampton Town	23	8	4	11	38	45	20
Leyton Orient	26	6	6	14	39	60	18

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