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LUTON TOWN v. BURY

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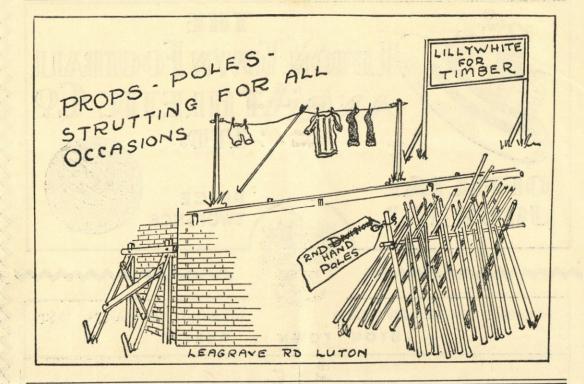
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#### CLUB NOTES

WE extend a warm welcome this afternoon to the Officials and Players of the Bury Football Club. The "Shakers" have been doing very well lately and now have an outside chance of promotion, although they dropped a valuable point at home last Saturday when Coventry City held them to a goalless draw. Bury will be very keen therefore to put matters right with themselves again by winning their game today for if they lose this game with us their chances of promotion this season will be very remote unless the Clubs above them have a bad spell. Bury have so far this season won four times away from home-at Leicester 2-0; at Bradford 2-1; at Coventry 2-1; and at Swansea 2-1, quite a creditable performance. Let us hope they are not able to include Luton's name in this string of scalps!

Although our lads played quite well last Saturday, at Leicester, they were not able to bring back with them any of the spoils. It is a very strange coincidence but quite often a team is having a bad time and yet when they play the "Hatters" seem to rise above themselves and play a very good game. Last Saturday, at Leicester, was no exception and we met quite a different team in every respect from the one which played down here in the Friendly Match, a month ago. It was practically the same team on paper but there the similarity ended. The game started with all the thrills one could wish but after about ten minutes Leicester began to take the upper hand, and then when they had scored their third goal the game seemed to be lost as far as we were concerned. Then suddenly our lads took the initiative and for the last twenty minutes simply bombarded the Leicester goal, but were able only once to get the ball into the net from a lovely header by Charlie Watkins. Leicester were very glad when the final whistle went, for if the game had gone on much longer we almost certainly would have scored again, so persistent was the pressure from our lads. Both at Leeds (where we again lost by the odd goal) and at Leicester the remark was made that we are definitely in our wrong position in the League Table with such a team. If only our good approach work could be finished off with a goal we would be at the other end of the Table, but time after time it is that very last kick or pass which negatives all the previous good work.

We have been searching for some considerable time for a centre forward capable of adding the finishing touch to our midfield work but not until last Thursday were our efforts successful. Then we signed Jimmy Jinks from Fulham, a player whom many of you will remember playing down here as centre forward for Millwall and who has found the net a few times on his visits here. We all fervently hope he has not lost this propensity and we wish him a very happy time in the Luton colours, as well as a successful one. Jimmy has been filling the bill very capably at Fulham, while Rowley has been on the injured list, so he comes here with plenty of experience in the centre forward position.

The "Stiffs" went down very badly at Coventry on Thursday last when they lost to the "Bantams' by five goals to one. The conditions were truly shocking, ankle deep mud and driving rain, and these suited the bigger and heavier and more experienced Coventry side. Several good chances on our part were not taken simply because when the forward was right through the ball stuck in the mud and by the time the player had come back to retrieve it a defender had been able to get back into position and get in his tackle. Coventry deserved to win although not by such a big margin, but if a shot by Peter Small which all say had crossed the line had been allowed, when the score was three goals to one, then a different result might have been the outcome for our lads were showing signs of getting on top. It is strange that we did so well in the Combination League but in the Combination Cup nothing seems to have gone right.

We are still receiving applications every day for tickets for the Tottenham v. Luton match at White Hart Lane on Saturday next. It is very nice to feel that our supporters are still taking such an interest despite our poor showing lately, but unfortunately we are not able to help them. The visiting club for League matches does not receive an allocation of tickets as in Cup Ties and so it is quite useless applying to Kenilworth Road for any. We are very sorry about this for we realise it is much better for a visiting team to enter the field knowing a number of their own supporters are present, but we cannot do anything about it here. The only thing to do it to apply direct to the home club in each instance.

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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

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Sheffield United	32	13	12	7	46	41	38
Hull City	30	16	5	9	55	51	37
Sheffield Wednesday	29	13	10	6	50	40	36
Leeds United	31	13	9	9	39		35
Southampton		12	10	8	45		34
BURY		13	6	11	51	39	32
Preston North End		11	8	12	38		30
Brentford	31	10	10	11	31	37	30
Barnsley	30	10	9	11	51	48	29
West Ham United	29	10	9	10	37	36	29
Swansea Town	30	12	5	13	42	42	29
Cardiff City	29	12	5	12	28	33	29
Leicester City	32	9	11	12	42		29
Grimsby Town	29	11	6	12	54	54	28
Blackburn Rovers	31	11	6	14	41	44	28
Chesterfield	30	10	7	13	29		27
Coventry City	00	7	10	13	37	46	24
Bradford	5000	8	7	15	44	59	23
Plymouth Argyle	31	6	11	14	36	51	23
LUTON TOWN	30	6	11	13	30	45	23
Queens Park Rangers	31	7	9	15	30	45	23
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