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CLUB MATTERS

After the Lord Mayor's Show, etc., etc.

That is the unfortunate angle from which we are compelled to view the result of the game at Coventry. All Second Division clubs have to go there, but it is a cruel trick of fate that our players should be "sent to Coventry" after their glorious display against the Spurs on Easter Monday. That match was most satisfying to the Hull City supporters and makes the moderate display at Coventry all the more inexplicable. Many results are topsy-turvy at this time of the year when teams fighting to force themselves clear of the relegation area, play with a desperation which upsets the schemes and ideas of better placed opponents. We met Coventry when they are on the crest of the wave of recovery and had not the necessary reply.

It will be agreed, however, that from the viewpoint of the home supporters it is better for these unsatisfactory results to take place on the grounds of our opponents and for the team's best work to be done at Boothferry Park. Of course, the ideal is for home and away performances to be of an equally high standard, but the sides which consistently supply such delectable fare are few and far between and seldom do they persist over a consecutive series of seasons. There are clubs which have had such long runs, but they are only a very small percentage of the 88 clubs comprising the four leagues.

Therefore let us appreciate the football that we have seen at Boothferry Park and be grateful that not only have the Tigers proved that promoted Third Northern clubs can hold their own in the Second Division, but they have also received congratulations from all quarters on the great fight they have made to gain further promotion in this initial season.

Reserves. Congratulations to the reserve team securing the East Riding Senior Cup and also to the Bridlington Central A.F.C. for their bright and whole-hearted display. It was to be expected that the reserve eleven of a Second Division club would carry too many guns for a local amateur side.

In the first place they are fundamentally the picked players from areas all over the country who by their ability have forced themselves to the notice of the League clubs, and further, they have the advantage of intensive training and coaching. Consequently the 60

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victory was the logical outcome of these named advantages, although the spectators would have liked to see Bridlington score one or two goals to reward them for their persistency and never-say-die spirit. It is to their credit that they held experienced opponents for so long in the first half and whilst their goal had previously had some miraculous escapes by the defence heading out from under the bar when the goalie was beaten, it was distinctly hard lines when a shot which the custodian appeared to have covered, should cannon off a defender and be deflected to the unprotected side of the goal.

Two further penetrations in a few minutes put an end to any aspirations the visitors may previously have held, but they refused to give in, and came near to scoring on two or three occasions.

These remarks have been mostly about the defeated side, but for the Reserves we can say they provided much clever football and good shooting mixed with some unaccountable misses.

Our Visitors. To-day Luton Town play their first League Match at Hull and we are pleased to have them here. Luton is of course, known the world over, for it's manufacture of straw hats. If they have brought any samples with them, we commend to them that Stalwart Tiger who supports their industry when attending our home fixtures, be the weather foul or fair.

The game at Luton in November last resulted in a 3-0 victory for the Tigers, the scorers being Carter, Mellor and Harrison.

Let us hope our lads are equally goal conscious to-day, and so cancel out last week's shortcomings in that direction.

Luton Town were formed in 1885 by the fusion of Luton Wanderers and Luton Excelsior. They are stated to be one of the oldest professional clubs in the South of England, because in 1890 an offer of 5/- per week was made to each of three local players. At the end of that season it was decided to pay the whole of the first team at the rate of 2/6 per week with an extra 6d. for away matches and payment for working time lost before noon on Saturdays.

Towards the end of last century several Southern League clubs thought they would try their luck in the Football League but on the whole they did not have a very successful time. Luton Town was one such club, but in 1900/1 they returned to the Southern League where they remained until the fusion of that League with the Football League in 1920, at which time the Southern League became the Southern Section of the Third Division. They were promoted to the Second Division in 1936-7 after having been runners up of the 3rd South the previous season.

They never topped the Southern League First Division, but finished second in seasons 1894-5 and 1895-6.

Their record victory was 12-0 against Bristol Rovers in 1936 (their promotion year) and record defeat 12-3 by Southampton in 1943.

They also have mention in football records due to the achievement of J. Payne who scored 10 goals at centre forward in his first game for the club. This was against Bristol Rovers on the occasion of the above named record victory.

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Our recent visit to Tottenham gave us an idea as to what Boothferry Park will be (we hope) in the years to come—that is of course, permits and finances permitting. A really enjoyable visit—happy contacts with the Spurs supporters—a good sporting crowd—more happy contacts on Easter Monday, leaving a lasting impression of real friendships made—an ideal example of the real supporters club spirit—good natured rivalry plus the desire to be of assistance; and the assistance given, marked appreciation.

We welcome a very old friend to-day in the person of "Dally" Duncan—many of us have very vivid memories of his service to the old club and we hope he finds as much pleasure as we do in those memories.

SUMMER SPORTS

Entries are still rolling in for the various sections of the Sports activities being run by the Sports and Social Committee, and members are again advised to ensure their participation in these activities by contacting any member of the Committee for necessary information.

ANNUAL DANCE

Have you secured your tickets yet for the Annual Dance? It's at the City Hall next Tuesday, 25th April. Tickets 7/6 each from the Club office or any of the Committee, or the undermentioned:-

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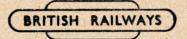
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