Sports Chat . . . *. . . By Chiltern*

Wyldes Out For A Month

FRACTURED BONE IN THE ANKLE

Just when the Town wanted all their available resources for the fight to get away from the bottom of the Second Division table, they have been dealt a bad blow by the news that the injury Bob Wyldes received at Birmingham on Saturday is so serious that he will be out of the game for four or five weeks.

X-ray examination has revealed that a small bone in the ankle is fractured, and it was stated at Kenilworth-road yesterday that it is unlikely that he will be able to play again before the end of the year.

This means that he will miss the vital Christmas matches with Blackburn Rovers and Swansea Town, but may be fit for the Cup-tie on January 6.

His place will be filled in the home match with Cardiff City on Saturday by switching Billy Havenga to the left wing and introducing George Stobbart at outside-right.

Stobbart, who has missed the last three matches, lost his place after the home game with Leicester City on November 4.

On that occasion he played at centre-forward, but has played at outside-right in the last three Reserve matches.

Stobbart's Chance To Regain His Place

HE has already been on the right wing four times in the first team this season and Wyldes' injury gives him a chance to re-establish himself in the League side.

Havenga, I am told, likes the outside left berth, though the only time he has appeared there since he joined the Town was in the public practice match before the start of the season.

This is the first change that has been necessary in the attack since the team was re-organised.

It is a pity that Wyldes should receive such a setback, because he has shown much improvement recently, and has demonstrated, too, that he can settle down into an opportunistic, scoring winger.

Aherne's Return The Only Other Change

THE three other players who received treatment for injury after last Saturday's match, Watkins, Hughes and Lake, have all reported fit, and the only defensive change will be the return of Bud Aherne, who was in Eire's team against Norway last Sunday, to left back in place of Lake.

Within a few minutes of the team arriving back in Luton from Birmingham on Saturday night, trainer Ralph Hann was giving Watkins treatment to his knee and the prompt attention aided his quick recovery.

Team: Hughes; Cooke, Aherne; Morton, Owen, Watkins; Stobbart, Shanks, Whent, Taylor (J.), Havenga.

Hope To Hand Over Bottom Place Again

AS a result of this meeting with Cardiff, the Town will be hoping to hand over bottom place again, and they cannot afford to drop any more home points if they are to get away from the relegation zone.

This is likely to be a grim struggle, for the City come here with the best defensive record in the Second Division and are always a hard side to beat.

Cardiff are not announcing their team until this evening, but with the players who beat Sheffield United 2-0 at Ninian Park last Saturday escaping injury, there are unlikely to be changes.

Cardiff Unlikely To Make Changes

MISSING from the line-up last Saturday was Stitfall, the right back, injured at Barnsley the previous week, and it is doubtful whether he will have recovered in time for this week's match.

Rutter deputised against the United and the team was:—Joslin; Rutter, Sherwood; Hollyman, Montgomery, Williams (G.); Tiddy, Williams (R.), Grant, Blair, Edwards.

Cardiff have had to face the same problem as the Town—lack of scoring power—and are experimenting with Grant, the former Southampton winger, at centre forward.

Club Chairman Is Ill

THE manager and chief scout were both away yesterday watching a Cup-tie and it looks as if the Town may yet be buyers, even though exchange deals are not materialising.

One who has been absent from the Kenilworth-road scene during the last three weeks is the Chairman of the club Mr. Charles Jeyes, who has been laid aside with a painful illness.

He has not been able to see any of the last three matches and he had to miss his "rota" game at Birmingham which is an unusual occurrence. I wish him a speedy recovery.

Reserves Face Most Difficult Task

FACING their most difficult task of the season on Saturday will be the Town Reserves, who are due at Highbury to take on Arsenal Reserves, leaders of their Section of the Football Combination.

So far, the Town team has not been announced, but Lake will be available to reinforce the defence, and a deputy will have to be found for Stobbart.

Another Cup-Tie For Vauxhall

HOPING to make further progress in the Bedfordshire Senior Cup are Vauxhall Motors, who after disposing of Percival Athletic, last Saturday, are due to visit the holders, Shefford Town, in the first round.

Shefford are a difficult proposition on their own ground, but, at their best, Vauxhall should carry too many guns for them.

Only change in the Motors' team is at right back, where Gemmell will deputise for Andrews, who is unfit. Team:

R. Cullis; J. Gemmell, D. Smith; H. Marriott, J. Morris, R. Lloyd; R. Chappin, D. Ingle, L. Galloway, K. Sharp, E. James.

County Youth Calls Cause Changes

BECAUSE the Abingdon ground was under water, Luton Amateur's match had to be cancelled last Saturday.

This week they are at home to Wood Green Town and because Devlin and J. Ward are required by the County Youth team for their match with Cambridgeshire, a number of changes are necessary.

West plays at right-back, B. Ward at right-half and D. A. Smith, recovered from injury, returns at left-half. Team:

P. Weller; W. West, D. Smith; B. Ward, S. Fensome, D. A. Smith; A. Tatum, J. Williams, R. Pratt, P. Smith, K. Hunt.

Hitchin-road Old Boys meet Arlesey Town at Farley-hill in a South Midlands League match and will be represented by:

R. Tottingham; J. Burgess, J. Nelson; W. Day, A. Strapp, E. Hewitt; D. Strapp, D. Scales, A. Brown, T. Kilby, R. Curson.

Old Boys' "Annual" With The School

OLD LUTONIANS have their annual match with Luton Grammar School on Saturday, and have chosen the following team:

Boulding; Mead, Bavister, Kelly, Rayner; Wood, Williams; Johnstone, Knapp, Joblin, Hirst, Colby, Puckwood, Ironmonger, Bowers.

Another XV will be opposing R.A.F. Halton "A" and the remaining one will visit Boro College, Isleworth.

The Luton club has no matches arranged for this week and the opportunity will be taken to hold a club practice match.

Gardner's Brothers In Vauxhall Bill

AMONG the attractions at the amateur boxing tournament to be held at Vauxhall Motors' canteen on Saturday night, is the appearance of the brothers of Jack Gardner, the new British heavyweight champion. Both belong to Potters Bar A.B.C. and both are heavyweights.

In addition, included in a very strong bill are the Irish Internationals of Electrolux A.B.C., D. Connell (lightweight), W. Henry (flyweight), and B. Carabini (bantamweight), and several prominent members of the Vauxhall club.

Golf

Fog Caused Finalists To Have A "Spotter"

H. A. Horsler, South Beds' captain, acted as "spotter" in the final for the Second Division Trophy on Sunday when fog restricted visibility to about 50 yards.

However, R. Virgo (16), and L. W. Lake (17) overcame the conditions in a thrilling match. Virgo was one up at the end of the first round, and finally won by that margin.

Town May Make Transfer Bid

A special meeting of the Town Directors has been called for this morning to discuss whether to go ahead with the negotiations which were begun earlier this week for the transfer of a forward from a First Division club.

Quite a considerable fee is involved and with ready money so short, the Town are anxious not to make a mistake in their buying.

The manager and chief scout made an overnight journey on Monday in order to have a look at the player in his club's private trial match on Tuesday morning and, I understand, that they were impressed with his form.

Even if the transfer were completed this week, it is unlikely that the newcomer would be included in the team against Cardiff.

Strode Over Cup Hurdle

Vauxhall Motors 7, Percival Athletic 0.

Vauxhall experienced little real difficulty in defeating Percival Athletic in the extra-preliminary round of the Beds. Senior Cup on Saturday.

Percival fought hard all the way but though they had plenty of spirit, they could not hold the Motors.

Even so, they were the first to settle down and Cullis was in action early on.

However, in Vauxhall's first serious raid they went ahead, GALLOWAY lobbing the ball over Weedon's head in the seventh minute.

Gradually the Motors took command, and before half-time, INGLE increased their lead.

The second half started with Vauxhall forcing a series of corners, and from one of these, taken by James, GALLOWAY scored his second goal.

SHARP and MARRIOTT (2) added three more, and INGLE scored number seven just before the final whistle.

Bright Start Not Maintained

Biggleswade 2, Hitchin-road Old Boys 1

The Old Boys started in fine style when they met Biggleswade in the first round of the Beds Senior Cup.

They scored in the first minute through BRYANT and held on to their lead for 35 minutes.

Hitchin-road's defence did well to keep Biggleswade out until then, and Tottingham, in goal, was largely responsible for this.

BALLARD obtained the equaliser and there was no further score until after the interval, although the Old Boys were mainly on the defensive.

After 63 minutes MUNNS beat Tottingham again.

OTHER CUP RESULTS

Arlesey T. 6, Kent's Ath. 3
AC-Sphinx 2, Waterlow's 2.
Houghton Rangers 0, Electrolux 1
Bedford Corinthians 6, Bedford St. Cuthbert's 0
Wootton Blue Cross 2, Potton U. 6.

Results In Luton Youth League

DIVISION 14/18 YEARS
SECTION "A"

Old Beechilliians 0, St. Margarets Y.C. 6 (R. Mead 4, D. Young 2).
High Town Y.C. 0, Luton Argyle 8 (D. Bunyan 2, A. Cohen 2, P. Griffiths 3, B. Cains).

DIVISION 14/16 YEARS

Silver Star Jnrs. 0, Limbury Jnrs. 8
Langley Rangers Jnrs. 5 (S. Warrington 3, M. Caves, B. Clark). Caddington Jnrs. 5
Old Bedford-rd. O.B. 1, Luton Hotspurs Jnrs. 7 (R. Fitzpatrick 3, B. Killacky 2, R. Skelding, J. Massey).

Exit Lilley From Another Cup

Buntingford 6, Lilley Rangers 2

Lilley made their exit from yet another competition when they were beaten by Buntingford in the third round of the Herts Junior Cup.

Lilley had more than their share of play, but the forwards could not find the net. Buntingford, on the other hand, took their chances even though they were somewhat lucky on occasions.

Lilley, who scored through D. SAUNDERS and A. BAYLISS, never gave up trying.

Greyhound Racing

Runners And Selections For Luton On Saturday

6.30 (410yds).—454 Beau Geste, 544 Castle Meadow, 226 Major Slater, 426 Miss Peggy, 255 Jopoff, 464 Senouse. Reserve, 511 Ian's Pet.

6.50 (470yds).—465 Gem Cutters, 2 Halfway, 163 Lazy Snowball, 311 Snowey, 124 Suzanne, 5 Swordfish. Reserve, 335 Judy Gay.

7.10 (410yds)—451 Garry, 5 Good Corona, 455 Harvest King, 643 Journey, 666 Mischief, F12 Terry's Pal. Reserve, 645 Robin.

7.30 (470yds).—353 Engaged, 323 Johnny D, 621 Kelling, 233 Red Ted, 212 Rosy Apple, 633 Sweet Sue. Reserve, 445 Red Peg.

7.50 (675yds).—434 Charlie H, 232 Ella's Joy, 644 Hurry-Hurry, 344 Laughing Girl, 41 Mixed Grill, 124 Peppy. Reserve, 336 Destiny.

8.10 (410yds).—351 Black Satin, Mac Silver (Nov 16, tp 6, 24.70, Nov 22, tp 3, 24.28), 315 Much Melody, 114 Partition, 222 Petty Officer, 321 Why Worry.

8.30 (470yds).—441 Dark Knight, 53 Home James, 215 Margaret's Pal, 112 No Bid, 463 Rockafella, 5 The Ace. Reserve, 313 Puck.

8.50 (410yds).—343 Judge, 461 Lone Eagle, 232 Playboy, 5 Red Coat (Nov 25, tp 2, 24.62), 5 Rockabye, 216 Toby Gay. Reserve, 54 Albert.

SELECTIONS

6.30 Major Slater (Beau Geste, Senouse)
6.50 Suzanne (Snowey, Swordfish)
7.10 Terry's Pal (Garry, Good Corona)
7.30 Johnny D (Rosy Apple, Sweet Sue)
7.50 Peppy (Ella's Joy, Laughing Girl)
8.10 Partition (Petty Officer, Much Melody)
8.30 No Bid (nap) (Dark Knight, The Ace)
8.50 Playboy (Toby Gay, Red Coat)

South Midlands League

Programme Was Much Curtailed

In a South Midlands League programme, considerably curtailed by Senior Cup-ties, there were no changes in leading positions.

There were only three games in the Premier Division, where Stony Stratford and Shefford Town gained full points, and are placed second and third respectively to Bletchley Town.

A big win by Cranfield gives them the distinction of being the first to reach the half-century of goals, and they have averaged over four a match.

They are now best placed to Division 1 to offer a challenge to 100 per cent Waterlow's.

In Division II, Wootton Blue Cross strengthened their grip on the leadership, for while they were winning at Elstow Abbey, Vauxhall and Queen's Works were dropping a point each.

PREMIER DIVISION

Queen's Works 0, Shefford T. 2
Marston Shelton Rov. 2, Vauxhall M. 3
Stony Stratford Spts 7, Baldock T. 1

DIVISION I

Baldock T. 2, Hinton Institute 2
Bedford T. "A" 1, St. Neots St. Mary's 2
Cranfield Utd. 9, Lynton Works 1

DIVISION II

Queen's Works 2, Britannia Works 2
Elstow Abbey 3, Wootton Blue Cross 8
Leighton Utd. 2, Vauxhall M. 2
St. Neots St. Mary's 0, Marston Shelton Rov. 9

Real-Life Ending Was A Disappointment

By Chiltern

BIRMINGHAM CITY 3, LUTON TOWN 0

As the Town were making their way to Birmingham by road on Saturday, they heard the voice of City manager, Bob Brocklebank, coming over the radio.

Referring to the afternoon's match, he said he was hopeful that his team would end their bad patch and added, "Luton have not won an away match yet."

That brought a chorus of "There's always a first time," from the Town players, who were confident that they could hold Birmingham.

Fairy story ending should have been that the Town went on to register their first away success, but the real life tale was altogether different, for they found themselves struggling almost from the start.

The big, strong City team showed a better appreciation of the tactics necessary for the very heavy conditions, and settled down quickly to fast, direct football which gave them the upper hand for most of the first half.

It was then that the damage was done, for the Town found themselves two goals in arrears within 25 minutes.

Both came from headers—HIGGINS scoring from Barry's pass after nine minutes, and SMITH adding the second from a Stewart corner 16 minutes later.

As things turned out after the interval, the City were probably glad that they held this useful lead, for they were unable to exert the same pressure as they had done previously, and found themselves faced by a determined, hard-fighting Town team.

After a first half in which the Town attack had found little opportunity of worrying the home defence, we saw them moving with more assurance, and, by hitting the ball harder, and holding it less, they held the upper hand for quite a long time.

Unfortunately the close quarter work did not fulfil the promise shown in midfield, and, as a general rule, attacks broke down before they reached the penalty area against the splendid covering and hard tackling of the City defence.

When Luton did break down this barrier, they found Merrick showing brilliant anticipation and, for all their activity, the occasions when they promised to reduce their arrears were comparatively few.

When they got away, Birmingham were more forceful in their finishing, and HIGGINS got their third goal with yet another header 12 minutes from the end. The Town claimed that Hughes had been fouled as he went up for the ball, but the referee disallowed their appeals.

Bright spot in the match from the Luton viewpoint was the refusal of the players to give up the game as lost. They kept fighting hard until the end and this spirit should stand them in good stead during the difficult future they are facing.

DEFENCE WAS WORRIED

With Aherne missing from the line-up, the defence was not so confident as usual, and had a worrying first half against the first-time, bustling tactics of the City.

It was much better after the interval, and, taking the game through, Cooke was the most consistent member of the rearguard.

Both Morton and Watkins, after the first half, when nearly all their attention was devoted to defence, helped the forwards to get moving, and Owen, in that period, achieved some mastery over Trigg after having a harassing time before the interval.

Lake's tackling was not so rugged, nor his positional play so good, as that which we are accustomed to see from Aherne, but he stuck gamely to his task to turn in a fair performance.

An injury received before the first goal was scored meant that Hughes played under a handicap for the greater part of the match.

Whether he could have done any more to prevent any of the goals had he been completely fit can be merely a matter for conjecture, but he kept on pluckily, and made some grand saves.

Not until the second half did we see the forwards move smoothly, and, taking the game through, the wingers did not raid so successfully as in the last two matches, mainly because they were closely marked by hard-tackling full-backs.

Whent toiled tirelessly with not much good material and few shooting chances, while Shanks and Taylor did much useful work in the second half, but the finishing of the whole line did not compare with that of the City.

BIRMINGHAM CITY: Merrick; Badham, Green; Boyd, Atkins, Warhurst; Stewart, Higgins, Trigg, Smith, Barry.

LUTON TOWN: Hughes; Cooke, Lake; Morton, Owen, Watkins; Havenga, Shanks, Whent, Taylor (J), Wyldes.

Referee: R. J. Burgess, Reading.

Social's Surprise Defeat Cost Them Their Lead

Leadership of Division I of the Luton and South Beds League changed hands after Saturday's matches when Luton Social were surprisingly beaten by Chaul End Athletic.

In the meantime, Totternhoe, who have been playing most consistently, scored four goals without reply at Caddington, and go to the top by the narrow margin of one point.

Position in the Premier Division remains unchanged with Eaton Bray, who accounted for a weakened Hitchin Road Old Boys' team, still holding a somewhat precarious lead over Luton Co-op Y.C., who maintained their unbeaten record easily enough.

These clubs must be surveying with some apprehension the continued success of Shillington, who have gathered 14 points out of a possible 16, and scored nine times against Percival Athletic at Luton.

Now placed fourth in the table, Shillington can be expected to rise even further very soon, for Hayward-Tyler, immediately above them, dropped an unexpected point to lowly Rootes Sports.

Cockernhoe, only conquerors of Shillington in the League this season, are not doing so well as had been expected, and they failed by the odd goal against Napier Sports, another team sufficiently well placed to join the leaders before the end of the season.

Most amazing match of the day was that between Luton Brewery and Luton Crusaders, which produced 14 goals, and three players each scored three times. Brewery proved to be narrow winners and gave themselves a welcome lift in the table.

Setting a hot pace in Division II are Leagrave British Legion, whose hopes of honours were boosted by their big win over West Park, and by the failure of R.A.F. Association by the only goal at Shillington.

Like their first team, Shillington "A" are making up leeway, and are well placed for a strong challenge.

In an even better position, though, are unbeaten Avondale Athletic, while Bells Park, scorers of 13 goals on Saturday, are also coming into the picture.

Position in Division III is still a race between Chalton Rovers and Luton United, both convincing winners, but the United hold the advantage of a match in hand over the Rovers.

Hockliffe and Caddington continue a neck-and-neck fight in Division IV, with Luton Social Reserves and Lilley Rangers Reserves also in the running.

PREMIER DIVISION

EATON BRAY 3 (Giltrow 2, Ruffett). HITCHIN ROAD O.B. 0.
PERCIVAL ATH. 0, SHILLINGTON ATH. 9 (W. Saunders 5, Cawdell 3, Day).
ROOTES SPTS. 2 (Giddins 2), HAYWARD-TYLER 2 (H. Day, George).
LUTON CO-OP Y.C. 3 (Allen 4, Wright). HOUGHTON RANG. 0.
NAPIER SPTS. 3 (Bachini 2, Cubberley). COCKERNHOE 2 (Clark, Farmer).
LUTON BREWERY 8 (Stevens 3, Grummitt 2, Conquest, Rodell, Bodsworth). LUTON CRUSADERS 6 (Holland 3, Clews 3).

DIVISION I

CADDINGTON 0, TOTTERNHOE 4 (Witts 2, Bull 2).
LAPORTE 3 (Hewitt 2, Brandon). CRAIG ATH. 3 (Copley 2, Barrett).
STOPSLEY 6 (Prudden, Weston 2, Gibbs, Pugh, Oliver). FARLEY RANG. 1 (Bunyan).
LUTON SOCIAL 1 (P. Chambers). CHAUL END ATH. 4 (Harris 3, Cluer).
LUTON O.B. 3 (Gibbins 2, Babb). NORTON RANG. 3 (Day 2, Hutchings).
HEATH UTD. 2 (Baines, Cutler). SPANDIT SPTS. 1 (Jones).
COCKERNHOE 1 (Woodward). KENT'S ATH. 2 (Watts, McGurdie).

DIVISION II

WARDEN HILL ATH. 3, HORSESHOE ATH. 2 (Swandall, Taylor).
WEST PARK 0, LEAGRAVE B.L. 8 (Millen 4, Bird 2, Bishop, Pain).
BELLS PARK 13 (Hughes 3, Pratt 3, White 2, Ward 2, Wiseman 2, Weeks). A.P.C.M. 0.
SHILLINGTON "A" 1 (B. Hare). R.A.F. ASSOC. 0.
LIMBURY 11 (Skinner 4, Smylie 2, Lovett 2, Owens 2, Gazeley). LUTON GASWORKS 0.
AMAL. TOBACCO 2 (O. Sing 2). KENSWORTH 2 (Dell, Taylor).
AVONDALE ATH. 4 (R. Peel, B. Peel, K. Peel, F. Tommey). OLD LUTONIANS 1 (Whalley).
SKEPKO ATH. 2 (Shotbolt 2). ELECTROLUX 2 (Hazell, Alexander).

DIVISION III

BARTON ROV. 1, LUTON UTD. 4 (K. Marlow 2, J. Marlow, Smith).
LIMBURY O.B. 7 (McGrath 2, Kent 2, Blake 2, Beasley). ROYAL NAVAL ASSOC. 1 (Cornish).
PIONEER CORIN. 0, HARLINGTON 1 (F. Woodbridge).
ADAMANT ATH. 1 (A. Wiseman). CHALTON ROV. 6 (Steel 2, Russell 2, Cross, Ashby).
LUTON GLENDALE 4 (Dodds 2, Brundenhall, Grummitt). NAPIER SPTS. "A" 0.
DAVIS ATH. 3 (McCann, Louvet). STREATLEY SPTS. 0.

DIVISION IV

HAYWARD-TYLER RES. 3 (Williamson 2, Walker). LUTON SOCIAL RES. 4 (D. Jackson 2, Bryce, E. Bonner).
VILLA ROV. 2 (Cummins 2). EATON BRAY RES. 6 (Lonnon 4, Brown 2).
BIDWELL 1 (D. Meyrick). WARDEN HILL ATH. RES. 3.
SUNDON PARK 0, HOCKLIFFE 5 (Johnston, Burgess 2, Hillyer, opponent).
KENSWORTH RES. 0, CADDINGTON "B" 2 (Rackley, Morgan).

Rugby

Full Strength Luton Might Have Succeeded

Luton 5, Wasps "A" 9.

Had Luton been at full strength for this match, they might have won narrowly instead of losing by four points, but they were without the services of Skinner, Oakley and Orton, and this made a noticeable difference to the team's play.

As it was, Wasps handled the slippery ball with more confidence than the home side and although the game was territorially even, they generally appeared the more dangerous.

The visitors opened the scoring in the first few minutes when a kick ahead bounced awkwardly for the Luton defence and luckily for the Wasps. Before the interval they scored again, with no reply from Luton.

Luton attacked more determinedly after half-time, but though Temple and Stone made fine runs, they were unable to force a way through. Eventually Luton gained a scrum near the Wasps' line and their pack "steam-rollered" the ball over for Skelton to touch down. Lowther converted. Just before the end, Wasps touched down once more.

LUTON: Lowther; Dickinson, Stone, Huntington, Hewison; Temple, Davis; Hammond, Johnston, Whitham, Pooley, Stevens, Doel, Roberts, Skelton.

Heanue Played Captain's Part

Old Lutonians 9, Vauxhall 0.

Dense fog enshrouded this local "derby" which, like most such games, was more remarkable for close marking than constructive rugby.

A sound well-balanced Vauxhall XV did well to keep their line from being crossed more than once.

Vauxhall made several dangerous thrusts at the start, but the home pack gradually began to get the upper hand and gave their backs a good share of the ball. The Motors marked well and tackled hard, but, as so often happens when defence is concentrated upon, conceded a penalty. Heanue scored with a fine kick.

With most of the first half gone, Wood, the Old Boys' outside-half, was carried off the field. Heanue, playing a captain's game, thereupon scored a Herculean try, but failed to convert it.

The Old Boys had the ball over the Vauxhall line once or twice in the second half without achieving the touch-down, and the Vauxhall pack dribbled brilliantly and occasionally menacingly. Only other score, however, was a further penalty goal from Heanue, who thus scored all the points.

Continual Raids Wore Down Old Boys "A"

Vauxhall "A" 6, Old Lutonians "A" 3

Although the Old Boys were the first to score, through Shephard, Vauxhall were deserving winners.

The initiative in the first half was with the visitors, and, after they had scored their only try, they held on to their slender lead for some time.

However, the continual onslaughts of the Motors' pack were too much for the Lutonians' defence, and the home side touched down twice.

Pakes was outstanding for the Old Boys.

Streten The Reserves' Shining Star

Luton Town Res. 2, Leicester City Res. 1

The brilliant goalkeeping of Streten, and the opportunism of Jinks, were the main reasons for the Town Reserves collecting two points from this match.

They were lucky to do so, for the City were the more workmanlike team, and played the more progressive football.

Luton made a bright start when JINKS accepted a chance offered by Stobbart, who eluded Jelly and centred accurately, and, at this stage, they looked set for a comfortable win, for their forwards combined cleverly, and both wingers caused the Leicester defence more than a little trouble.

Once the visitors had settled down, however, they fought extremely hard, and though Streten made many good saves, he was eventually beaten by a shot from DUNNE.

It was Luton who scored again, though. Kiernan strayed out to the wing, and sent over a high centre that JINKS nodded past Anderson.

Leicester were distinctly unlucky to turn around a goal in arrears, and they made brave attempts to equalise after the interval. Streten made "wonder" saves from Wilson, Dunne and Crawford, and, by advancing from his goal, caused Dryburgh to shoot wide on two occasions.

In one of their raids, Luton were awarded a penalty, but Wilson, who took the kick, shot straight at Anderson, who cleared.

Stobbart was the Town's most dangerous raider, though Jinks led the line with much determination.

Streten, Hall and Wilson were the best of a defence that had quite a busy day.

LUTON TOWN RES: Streten; Wilson, Thompson (J.); Turner, Hall, Smith; Stobbart, Kiernan, Jinks, Baxter, Glover.

LEICESTER CITY RES.: Anderson; McGregor, Jelly; Harrison, Plummer, Livie; Small, Crawford, Dunne, Wilson, Dryburgh.

Town 'A' Three Up Against Local Rivals

Dunstable Town 3, Luton Town "A" 6

Lasting the pace better, the Town "A" took command in the last half an hour of this Metropolitan League match, and gained a good win over improved Dunstable.

SLATTER opened Luton's account, but fighting back, Dunstable equalised through ADAMS, only for RONSON to restore the lead.

Dunstable showed better form after the interval, and although TAYLOR (A.), put Luton further ahead, goals from ADAMS and JAMES brought the scores level.

The Dunstable aggression did not last long though, and Luton gradually gained the ascendancy. Further goals by TAYLOR and RONSON (2) put the issue beyond doubt.

Saturday Week Is Cup Day

Second round ties in the County Intermediate and Junior Cups will be played on Saturday week.

INTERMEDIATE CUP

Eaton Bray Utd v Luton Social
Napier Sports v Stopsley
Harrold Utd v Shefford Ath
Langford v Cranfield Utd
Caddington v Biggleswade T
Leighton Utd v Marston Shelton
Barton Rovers v Belle Vue Rangers
Luton Brewery v Haynes Ath

JUNIOR CUP

Dagnall Utd v Flitton and Greenfield
Leighton Rangers v Vauxhall Motors
Heath Utd v Leagrave B.L.
Stotfold v Woburn Sands
Husborne Crawley v Bells Park
Kensworth v Wilstead
Langford v Wrestlingworth
Queen's Works v Avondale Ath

Cobblers Had The Last Word

Luton Schoolboys 2, Northampton Schoolboys 3.

After scoring 15 goals in the two previous rounds, Luton Schoolboys were eliminated from the English Schools' Shield competition, at Kenilworth-road on Saturday.

The Northampton team was bigger and faster on the ball than Luton, and their bustling forwards upset the home defenders and worried them into making mistakes. Although the Luton boys had plenty of enthusiasm, they did not play so well as a team as they had done previously.

HOPEWELL scored Northampton's first goal, and FENSOME equalised for Luton with a well-taken free kick straight from the kick-off the visitors attacked, and BUCHANAN gave them the lead again.

With a little more luck Luton might have been in front at half-time, but they were able to score only once.

This was when PACEY let fly with an unstoppable shot from outside the penalty area.

After the interval neither set of forwards could make much impression on the defences. It was not until the closing minutes that MATTHEWS scored the all-important goal for Northampton—when officials of both sides were resigned to a replay.

Hockey

Took Command After Interval

Luton 4, L.M.S., Wembley, 1

The railwaymen caused the Luton defence considerable trouble in the first half, and it was not until after the interval that Luton got on top.

The home defence was very steady, and dealt capably with the visitors' lively raids.

Halfway through the first half, Luton went ahead after a penalty corner, but their lead was short-lived, as the L.M.S. quickly equalised.

Luton deserved their second-half superiority, for they adapted themselves better to the slippery conditions. They scored three more goals without reply. Their scorers were THOMPSON (J) and OLIVER.

Quick Tackling Spoilt Chances For Kent's

Bedford H 1, Kent's Ath 1

The Luton team had more scoring opportunities in this even match, but were never allowed time to attempt a clear shot, due to the quick tackling Bedford defence.

Both goals were obtained within a minute of each other, SCANES scoring for Kent's.

Bedford were dangerous when they raided, but Kent's goalkeeper played exceptionally well, and left no loopholes.

Played Good Hockey In The Mud

Old Dunstablians 1, Harpenden 1

Despite deplorable weather conditions, the first meeting between these two clubs produced good, fast hockey, and a draw was a fair result.

Harpenden scored first, through BOSKETT, and they held this lead for most of the game.

After constant pressure, WATSON eventually equalised for the Old Boys.

Both goalkeepers made magnificent saves.

Billiards

No Surprise Results In Clubs' League

There were no surprises in last week's Luton and District Clubs' League results. All the leading teams took full points.

BILLIARDS

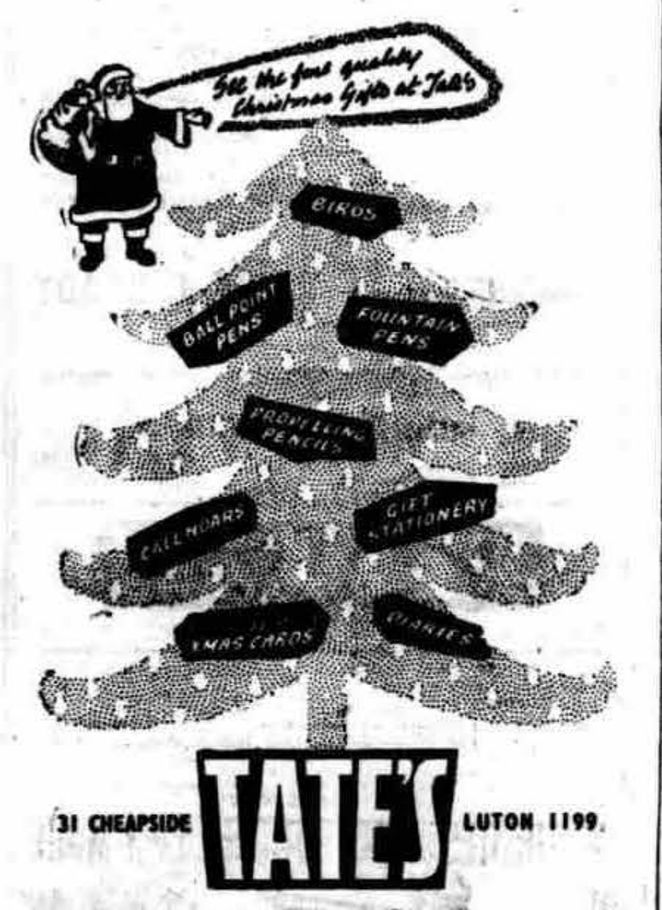
Beech Hill "A" 0, Beech Hill "B" 2.
Luton Social 2, Luton Cons. "B" 0.
High Town 0, Vauxhall 2.
Labour "A" 2, Labour "B" 0.
Luton Cons. "A" 2, Leagrave Legion 0.
Highest break: 60 by C. Gudgeon, Luton Social.

SNOOKER
DIVISION I

High Town 3, Vauxhall 1.
Social 3, Liberal 1.
Beech Hill 3, Labour 1.
Leagrave Legion 2, Luton Cons. 2.

DIVISION II

Labour 1, High Town 3.
Davis "A" 2, Beech Hill 2.
Percival 3, Leagrave Legion 1.
Luton Cons. 3, Davis "B" 1.



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