

TOWN UNLIKELY TO BE SELLERS

WANT TO KEEP TEAM TOGETHER

Bad News About Shanks— “Out For Ten Weeks”

By Chiltern

The talk about the possibility of Newcastle United coming along with a record offer for the transfer of Willie Davie has not caused much of a fluttering at Kenilworth-road.

Reaction of the Town chairman, Mr. Charles Jeyes, yesterday was that the club have no intention of parting with any of their players and that the time to deal with any such offer would be when that offer came along.

THERE was no approach along these lines after the match at Hull by Newcastle director Stan Seymour, who, however, was so impressed with the inside-left's showing that he did comment to the Town Chairman, "His was the best inside forward display I have seen this season." Which was high praise indeed.

Newcastle, with players such as George Robledo, Taylor and Hannah in active competition for two inside forward positions, would scarcely seem to be in need of further reinforcements for this department.

Do Not Want To Upset A Winning Team

NATURALLY enough, if an offer of the dimensions Mr. Seymour's statement seems to indicate, which would be around the £35,000 mark, the Town would have to give the matter serious consideration.

However, the expressed view of the Board is that they have no desire to upset their winning team, and it would require a tremendous bid to cause them even to consider doing it.

Whether there will be such an approach only the future can tell, and meanwhile the Town are disregarding the whole business.

To some extent, the airing of this high opinion by the Newcastle chief has detracted a little from the magnificent performance of the Town team as a whole in taking two points from Hull, even though they were reduced to ten men for the last half an hour.

Shanks Will Be Out For 10 Weeks

INJURY victim was Wally Shanks, who goes into hospital to-day for an operation on a knee.



Wally Shanks

Collectively the Reserves have not been over-impressive this season, but there are several members of the team who have already shown their merit in the senior side, and would do so again.

Immediate problem is to find a deputy for Shanks, and one name that will undoubtedly come up for consideration is that of Jim Pemberton.

Pemberton May Be The Deputy

WHEREVER he has played in the Reserves this season, and he has filled five different positions, he has shown remarkably consistent form and he turned in a fine game at left-half against Arsenal Reserves on Saturday.

Jack Taylor did so well when he switched to left-half after Shanks's injury that there might be some backing to retain him there, though this would mean two changes and also that the forward line would be deprived of its top scorer.

Despite this, it remains as an alternative, and there are others such as Morton who hold a claim, but nothing has been decided as yet.

Lost Shanks And The Lead In A Minute

THOSE ardent Town fans who made the long trek to Hull must have thought that the Town were right out of luck when they lost Shanks through injury and their lead in the same minute—15 minutes after the interval.

Eleven minutes earlier, Stobbart had set the Town on the victory path with as spectacular a goal as one could wish to see and thus made full compensation for missing a simple chance in the first half.

Before the start, the Town's tactics were based partly on the inexperience of Tarrant, the young Hull centre-half.

Stobbart "Foxed" Everybody

INSTRUCTIONS to Stobbart were to keep moving out to the wings in an effort to confuse the City defence and this move paid such dividends that it was directly responsible for both the Town's goals.

When he scored, Stobbart "foxed" nearly everybody on the ground which included the entire Hull defence.

He picked up a ball near the touchline and immediately made tracks for goal, coming in along the dead-ball line.

Tarrant's challenge failed and Stobbart continued his run close up to goal, but at a very acute angle.

Goal Was Brilliant Bit Of Work

BLY probably expected Stobbart to cross the ball, but was caught in two minds by the centre-forward, who saw a gap and pushed the ball between the goalkeeper and the post to complete a brilliant piece of work.

The equaliser came before the Town had really adjusted themselves to the fact that they were a player short.

Following a corner, the ball cannoned against Taylor's legs when he should have tried to clear and not let the ball hit him, and the next thing that happened was that Harris blazed it into the net.

Mitchell Was An Opportunist Again

AT that particular juncture, the outlook was none too bright from the Town point of view, but they hit back with such success that they regained the lead three minutes later.

Another Stobbart excursion down the right wing led up to the goal and when the ball came over, Davie hooked it on to Mitchell.

Once again, the outside-left showed what an opportunist he is for he coolly got the ball under control, took it past Hassall and drove it at speed into the net. The ball actually went underneath Bly as he dived.

Four Forwards Caused Hull Anxiety

ALTHOUGH Hull put on a lot of pressure after that, the Town came nearer to increasing their lead than Hull did to obtaining the equaliser.

The Town's four forwards worked with more skill and greater facility than did the full-strength City attack, reorganised though it was, by three positional changes.

It was during this period that Davie showed real genius, for time and again, he literally tied up the Hull defence in knots.

If Davies had not been too eager to make absolutely certain of picking the fight spot for his shot, he would have rounded off one piece of Davie brilliance and put the Town further ahead.

Magnificent Kicking By Streten

IN defence, the Town were grim and unyielding. They covered up brilliantly, were always going in to meet the ball and generally broke up the Hull attacks before they really threatened danger.

No chances were taken in those last awkward minutes, a feature of which phase was the magnificent kicking of Streten.

Several times he kicked the ball three parts the length of the field to find touch in best Rugby full-back manner, and thus gave his colleagues a breather.

FOR THE RECORDS

HULL CITY 1
Harris

LUTON TOWN 2
Stobbart, Mitchell.

HULL CITY.—Bly; Hassell, Jensen; Harris, Tarrant, Mellor; Moore, Revie, Gerrie, Harrison, Fagan.

LUTON TOWN.—Streten; Cooke, Aherne; Watkins, Hall, Shanks; Davies, Taylor (J), Stobbart, Davie, Mitchell.

Referee.—S. E. Law, Stourbridge. Attendance.—29,646.

"Luton Are In Their True Position"

THIS was a great win in which the Town demonstrated that they were much the superior side. As the Hull sports paper commented, "Luton's showing to-day indicates that they are in their true position, well up in the Second Division table."

All through the first half the forwards moved smoothly and dangerously, and only two narrow offside decisions robbed them of two goals when Davies and Mitchell got the ball into the net.

There were other close things—many more at the Hull end than in front of the Town goal.

Hall Settled Down To A Sound Game

HULL were most dangerous early on, when Hall found the pace a bit trying after his longish absence from Second Division football.

During his uncertain start, Watkins and Shanks covered up brilliantly, but Hall did not need any further help once he found his feet, and he played a sound, staunch game in which he took a grip on Gerrie and retained it throughout.

In fact, the whole Town defence was compact, with Watkins and Shanks, and Taylor when he moved back, quick and sound in the tackle and working tremendously hard.

Full-Backs Were In Top Form

BEHIND them, Cooke and Aherne were at the top of their form, which meant there was no scope for the Hull wingers against these two grand full-backs.

Streten made some good saves though the Hull shooting was not accurate by any means, and in the later stages he helped out continually by his splendid judgment, anticipation and big clearance kicks.

Essentially, this was a triumph for teamwork. Every player put in everything he knew, and the forwards did well to keep the ball up at the Hull end as often as they did after the loss of Shanks.

Davie's Artistry Made A Deep Impression

DAVIE'S artistry made a deep impression on everybody, and so did Stobbart's intelligent leadership of the line, and the shooting of Mitchell, who was always on the look-out for a half-chance.

I should like to see Davie having more cracks at goal, but he used the ball well and often beat Jensen by skilful footwork.

Had the ball run for him, Taylor might have been among the scorers in the first half, when he distributed the ball well, and there was a special pat on the back for him at the end for his fine show at left half.

Late Excitement In Reserves' Match

THERE were 4,000 spectators at Kenilworth-road to see the Town Reserves draw 2-2 with Arsenal Reserves. In an exciting finish, two goals—one to each—came in the last five minutes.

The Town had led at the interval through a goal by Moore, and then, with five minutes to go, found themselves down by 2-1.

Morton equalised a minute later and then got the ball into the net again, but the point was disallowed because it was held out. Wyldes had taken the ball out of play.

The Town fell away after good first half, but on the whole this was not a bad performance. Pemberton, Turner and Thomas did particularly well in defence, and Havenga caused much trouble to the Arsenal defence as anyone.

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Burnley v. Blackpool
Charlton v. Liverpool
Fulham v. Portsmouth
Manchester Utd. v. Derby
Middlesbrough v. Chelsea
Newcastle v. Wolves
Preston v. Arsenal
Stoke v. Aston Villa
Spurs v. Manchester City
West Brom v. Huddersfield

DIVISION II

Birmingham v. Swansea
Brentford v. Notts County
Cardiff v. Coventry
Doncaster v. Q.P.R.
Everton v. Blackburn
Leeds v. Sheffield Utd.
Leicester v. Bury
Nottm. Forest v. Luton Town
Rotherham v. West Ham
Sheffield Wed v. Barnsley
Southampton v. Hull

DIVISION III (SOUTH)

Aldershot v. Newport
Bristol Rovers v. Northampton
Colchester v. Torquay
Crystal Palace v. Gillingham
Exeter v. Ipswich
Leyton Orient v. Millwall
Norwich v. Bristol City
Plymouth v. Port Vale
Shrewsbury v. Southend
Swindon v. Brighton
Walsall v. Bournemouth
Watford v. Reading

DIVISION III (NORTH)

Accrington v. Oldham
Barrow v. Southport
Bradford v. Chester
Carlisle v. Darlington
Chesterfield v. Lincoln
Grimsby v. Tranmere
Halifax v. York
Mansfield v. Bradford City
Rochdale v. Hartlepool
Workington v. Crewe
Wrexham v. Scunthorpe

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Aberdeen v. Airdrieonians
Hearts v. Dundee
Motherwell v. Queen of the South
Raith v. Partick T.
Stirling v. Hibernian
Third Lanark v. St. Mirren

DIVISION "B"

Albion v. Falkirk
Arbroath v. St. Johnstone
Ayr v. Alloa
Clyde v. Cowdenbeath
Dumbarton v. Queen's Park
Dundee Utd. v. Hamilton
Dunfermline v. Kilmarnock
Stenhousemuir v. Forfar

SELECTIONS

Ten Home: Bolton, Manchester Utd., Tottenham, Doncaster, Norwich, Plymouth, Carlisle, Grimsby, Mansfield, Rotherham.
Four Aways: Aston Villa, Luton, Ipswich, Oldham.
Third Draws: Burnley v. Blackpool, Sheffield Wed. v. Barnsley, Chesterfield v. Lincoln.