# Recall Of Mitchell Likely HELD ON UNEASILY

## INJURY MAY PREVENT PLAN TO SWITCH DAVIES

Sports Chat

Ву

Chiltern

This was made more difficult

for them by their failure to beat

Rovers Have Had Long

Unbeaten Run

VISIT of Bristol Rovers will

Since then, they have won three and drawn six of their nine

same as that which won promo-

Bradford's Injury

NJURIES have been something

of a bogy this season for this "no buy, no sell " club, and none

has hit them harder than the serious one suffered by their centre-forward, Geoff Bradford,

after he had made a flying start to the season with 15 goals, in-

cluding four hat-tricks.

Bristol

Rovers

centre-half.

Paddy Hale, a youngster Manager Bert Tann signed from Clevedon,

Somerset, as a centre-forward, converted into a centre-half and

then switched back to the attack

again when he had difficulty in

filling the position left vacant by

November Hale has scored in

Out Of The Team

NOTABLE absentee recently has

He has been out because of

injury, and although he was fit

last week, John McIlvenny, who

was obtained from Cheltenham

Town, retained the outside-right

However, Petherbridge will

come in for consideration again

this week, and if there is to be a

change in the Rovers' team this is

thought to be the most likely

However, after their narrow victory over Nottingham Forest

last Saturday the likelihood is that there will be no alteration.

Attack Has Been

Re-organised

SINCE the Town drew 3-3 at

TODDINGTON AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Flying Horse ...... 24 14 5 Royal Oak, Barron ... 24 12 7 Housition Sports ... 24 11 7

George ..... 24 11 Fancott Arms .... 24 10

Araci 24 9
Carpenters Arms 25 8
White Hart 24 6
Swan, Flitwick 24 5

25 8 6 11 22 Swan, Flitwick 24 5 4 15 14 Swan, Tingrith 25 5 4 16 14 Wheatsheal 25 4 4 17 12 Rising Sun 25 3 3 19 9 DIVISION W

Eastville in October, the

place for it.

Since he came into the team in

His mantle has descended on

long service

tion for them last season,

provide no easy task for the fown, for their opponents have

Bournemouth last Saturday.

Unexpectedly, negotiations for the transfer of Bert Mitchell, the Town's outside left, did not come to anything before the deadline for this season's transfer deals on Tuesday, and he is likely to be restored to the League team for the home match with Bristol Rovers on Saturday.

He has been out of the side for a month, during which time he has scored in three consecutive matches for the Reserves, a factor which the Town cannot afford to ignore in their search for more finishing

Immediate reaction of Manager Dally Duncan after the floodlit match at Millwall on Monday, was that he would switch the Davies-Downie wing across to the right, to enable the former to take over his best position again and to make room for Mitchell.

This plan may be sabotaged by an injury to Davies, who pulled a calf muscle a couple of minutes before the end of the match on Monday, and must be rated a doubtful starter for this week-end.

However there are hopes that constant treatment will enable him to turn out, and Davies himself thinks that he has a chance of

#### Significant Move For Last Night's Match

To move the wing pair together seemed a good idea, because gone since Christmas Day, when they lost 4-0 to Everton at Goodison Park, without meeting with defeat in a League match. Davies and Downie have struck up quite an understanding, but if Davies has to stand down, the latter will probably remain at inside-left. Second Division games, and four of these have been played on Question of an outside-right deputy, should the need arise, has

opponents' grounds.

It is notable, though, that they have scored only eight goals during this spell and conceded not been answered yet, but I understand that Michael Cullen is likely to be passed over in this It was significant that Joe Scott,

who has been leading the line, was at outside-right for the Reserves against Fulham, last night, and he may be given another chance in the position he filled quite ably earlier in the season. Pemberton's Chance

#### Of First-Team Place EVEN more significant was the

at inside forward. He put up

quite an impressive showing at

fact that Jim Pemberton was

inside-right against Millwall, and it is probable that he will be retained there for Saturday's Doubtless this depended on last night's display, and, unless George Cummins did something extra-ordingry, Pemberton is the present

favourite for the job. The probable forward line-up is: Davies (or Scott), Pemberton, Turner, Downie, Mitchell, However before he makes his

final decision to-morrow, the manager will consider reports of last night's match, which he did not see, because he was playing for Peter Doherty's team against Doncaster Rovers.

#### At Centre-Forward TURNER is being given a

Turner's Chance

chance to show that he can settle down at centre-forward, and while he has not yet proved that no can, he at least has the merit of having scored two goals from the position in the 11 games be has had there. The Town had actually played ten matches without getting a goal from the leader of their

attack until Turner broke the spell after being switched there at Lincoln, and he secured another at the Den. For the previous goal from centre-forward one had to go back

o January 16, when Bernard Moore, who returned to his former club, Brighton, on Mon-day, did the trick at Swansen. eight matches. Petherbridge Has Been

#### Defence Is Likely To Be Unchanged IF Bob Morton and Sid Owen

ome through yesterday's match for the Combination XI in Amsterdam without injury, and the manager will not know this until they return to-morrow afternoon, the defence will remain unchanged. Charlie Watkins, who has been resting a strained muscle, resumed

training this week, and may have a try-out, probably in the Reserves at Portsmouth, where they will face quite a stern test in their quest for Combination edampion mp l'onours. Luton Greyhounds

### RUNNERS AND

### SELECTIONS FOR

### SATURDAY

56 Rockafella (Mar 11, tp ), 24.85), 6.30,—470yds; 111 Bill Badger; 51 Capricious; 141 Darius; 5 Dodger; 524 Kye; 313 Planterer, Reserve; 542

6.30 -410yds; 244 Glen Stur; 552 Old Dan; 265 Old Joe; 521 Skip It; 26 So Quiet; 244 Terry's Pat. Reserve:

Kye; 313 Planterer, Reserve: 542 Sporting Express.

7 10.—410yds: Crawler (Mar 11, tp 3, 24.70; Mar 13, tp 1, 24.68); 331 Ees Cup; Havago (Mar 11, tp 6, 24.62; Mar 13, tp 6, 24.76); 66 Marble (Mar 13, tp 1, 24.79); 222 Mick's Son; 556 Vera's Pet. Reserve: Hat Catcher (Feb 24, tp 4, 25.09; Feb 27, tp 1, 25.13; Mar 6, tp 1, 24.86), 7.30—470yds: 3 Bottoms Up; 525 Kit-Kat; Paul's Fun (Mar 11, tp 5, 24.28; Mar 13, tp 4, 24.38); 456 Railway; 14 Something Short 342 Tidy Boy, Reserve: 231 Gay Lord.

7 50.—470yds: 1 Hypon; 211

Reserve: 231 Gay Lord.
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Lottie's Pet: 223 Our Saily; 31 Rock
Hill: 231 Salote; 261 Vall.
E.10.—410yds: 233 Agila; Clover
(Feb 25, to 3, 24.46; Feb 27, to 3,
24.48); Georgie (Mar 11, to 4, 24.57;
Mar 13, to 6, 24.40); 263 Knocker; 15
Periwinkle: Whoosh (Feb 25, to 4,
24.12; Mar 11, to 2, 24.19). Reserve:
61 Jingle Bell.

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830 -470yds: 524 All White; 13
Fawn Peter (Jag 21, to 6, 24.64);
614 Manifeville; 112 Mary's Son; 443
Red Head; 23 Roving Tiro. Reserve:

315 Arm In Arm.

8 50.—410vds: 45 Candle Light: 113
Good Health; 312 Lone Eagle; 454
Phillip's Pet: 525 Sunl'ght: 4 Wendy.
Reserve: 65 No Lady.

SELECTIONS 6.10: Skip It (Terry's Pat, Old Dan);

6.30 Skip It (Terry's Pal, Old Dan); 6.50. Bill Balger (Plasterer, Darius); 7.10: Mick's Son (Ege Cur., Havaro); 7.30: Something Short (Kit-Kat. Bottoms Up); 7.50: Lettie's Pet (Hypon. Sa'otte); 8.10: Whoesh (Perisinkle, Agile); 8.30: Roving Tiro (nap) (Mandeville, Mary's Son); 8.50: Good Health (Long Eagle, Wendy). **FOOTBALL** 

## The League : Division II

LUTON TOWN F.C.

SATURDAY, 20th MARCH LUTON TOWN versus

#### BRISTOL ROVERS Kick-off 3 p.m.

## ADMISSION: Wing Stands 5/-; Enclosure (standing only) 3/6, Boys 2/-; Bobbers' Stand (covered) 2/-, Boys 1/3 (separate

entrance); Terraces (not covered) 1/9, Boys 1/-. Friendly FLOODLIGHT RETURN MATCH

WEDNESDAY, 24th MARCH LUTON TOWN VETSUS

### WATFORD

WINNING WAYS Kick-off 7000 p.m. ADMISSION: Centre Stand 5/-; Wing Stands and Enclosure 3/6, Boys 2/-; Bobbers Stand 2/-, Boys 1/3; Terraces 1/9, Boys 1/-. Northampton Men's Own 3.

Luton 11

In December Luton beat the Northampton side and they completed a "double" on Saturday.

Mrs. N. Mead (25) 8 down.

Rovers' attack has undergone a drastic reorganisation, and only outside-left Watling was still occupying the same position last Saturday.

Paddy Leonard, inside-right on the first occasion, has been moved over to the opposite flank to make room for Alf Biggs, a young local who is described as a real "find." Alterations in defence are that

Radford, who is in the running for a Welsh cap, has displaced Anderson in goal, and that Fox, who missed the first meeting because of injury, has replaced Watkins at left-back.

Rovers' team last Saturday was: Radford; Bamford, Fox; Pitt, Warren, Sampson; Mell-venny, Biggs, Hale, Leonard, Watling.

#### League Calls Cause Vauxhall Changes BECAUSE O'Neill and Brand-

for the Spartan League against the Wiltshire League at War-minster on Saturday, Vauxhali have to make two changes in their team, They are due to visit Marlow,

whom they beat 4-0 at Luton last week and will have Miller at at-half and Morgan, who has had lengthy spells in the team this season, takes over at inside-Team; D. Johnston; J. Burgess, K. Startin; V. Miller, J. Humphrey, D. Soper; T. Dolan, G. Todd, W. Lawrence, A. Morgan, E. James.

New Opponents Again

## For Old Lutonians

MORE new opponents face Old Lutonians R.F.C. on Saturday when they will be entertaining for the first time Barking tive, so they owe a great deal to the soundness of their defence, Park Modern Old Boys, who come with a reputation for good which remains substantially the Handicap Caused By

come with a reputation for good rugby and an impressive record.

Old Lutonians, who had a very good victory last week, should be confident and they will be strongly represented by:

Yorke; Smith, Thorpe, Edmonds, Thurlow; Robinson, Bracey; Howe, Knapp, Shepherd, Heanue, Young, Cato, Fensome, Kelly, Reserve, Packwood.

#### Leighton Buzzard WITH an unchanged team, Luton R.F.C. travel to

Luton Unchanged At

meet Leighton Buzzard Saturday:
Todd; H. G. Jones, J. Jones,
Holloway, Hawkes; Temple,
Powell, Peirson,

Henman; Powell, Peirson, Hammond, Skinner, Cannon, Oakley, Beechener, Swain. Interesting test of strength will be at Stockwood Park, where the 'A' XV, captained by J. Evans, will meet the Extra "A", captained by M. Blamire, in what is

### **BIG CHANCE**

S. Midlands League

likely to be a "needle" match.

#### FOR VAUXHALL Have Taken Lead

In First Division South Mictands League spot-

light is focused on vauxual Motors, who have jumped to the top of Division I and who stand a good chance of promo-tion to the Premier Division. To take over the leadership this young Motors' team—aver-age age is below 20—in the past formight have beaten Electrolux and Marston Shelton, who, until

last Saturday, occupied first and second places Vauxholi's lead is only slender—they have 34 points from 23 games, while Marston Shelton have 33 from 22 matches but if their recent brilliant form they been Petherbridge, who played such a vital part in the Rovers' Cup win at Kenilworth-road in 1951.

could quite easily stay at the top Another Luton team having a fine season are Davis Athletic, readers in Division II. They collected two more points when they beat Lynton Works 2—0, and now they need only a point per game from their remaining six

matches to be sure of promo-Remarkable feature of their career this season is that after 24 games they are still unbeaten. Premier Division leaders, Bal-

dock, can say goodbye to any championship hopes. Their recent slump as almost certainly cost them the title, for now they are only two points in front of Shefford Town who have five game, in hand.

Baldock lost to Peartree O.B. on Saturday and the Welwyn side

were only three places from the were only three pieces from the bottom of the table.

PREMIER DIVISION

Bedford Corinthians 3, Dunstable T. 2
Cranfield Utd. 2. AC-Delco 0
Kent's Ath 1, Letchworth Town 3
Peartree Old Boys 2. Baldock Town 1
Potton Utd. 3, Shefford Town 4
Wootton Blue Cross 5, Arlesey Town 1
DIVISION 1
Houghton Rangers 6, Arlesey Town 2

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Langford 2. Eaton Bray Utd. 3
Leighton Utd. 3. Queen's Works 3
Skefko Ath. 4. Hletchley L.M.S. 0
Stotfold 5. Tickford Sports 0
Vauxhall Motors 2. Marston Shelton 0
Wateriow's 8. Percival Ath. 2
DIVISION 11
AC-Delco 2. Cranfield Utd. 1
Ba'dock Town 2. Britannia Works 2 Ba'dock Town 2. Britannia Works 2 Lynton Works 0. Davis Ath. 2 Bedford North End 2. Elstow Abbey 5

Fitwick Ath. 2. Kent's Ath. 2 Marston Shelton 3, Peartree Old Boys 2 Rootes Spotts 3, Bedford St. Cuth. 2 Hockey CHANCES MISSED

#### Old Dunetablinos 1, Strvenage Although they had more of the play. Old Dunstablians failed to accept their

## chances and, instead of a convincing win, had to content themselves with

Buil 26 13 5 8 31
Compasses 26 11 8 7 30
Compasses 26 11 5 10 27
Jolly Coopers 26 11 4 11 26
French Horn 26 9 6 11 24
Five Bells 26 8 7 11 23
Nags Head 26 8 7 11 23
Oddfellows 26 8 7 11 23 win, has a draw, a draw.

The Old Boys' goal came from WATSON who put his side on terms again after BROWN, their centre-half, had put through his own goal, OTHER RESULT | Name | 126 | 126 | 127 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 128

OLD BOYS' BOGY LAID

ne soon after the start when he

kicked a penalty and a try, which was converted, brought the

#### AT LAST Old Lutonians 9. Bedford Athletic 0

#### interval score to After many seasons of endeavour The home side played good robust rugby but the well co-ordinated Luton team had more

penalty goal to nil.

In such a developed. between two clubs of equal standing it was inevitable that the for-

wards should come into their own and a magnificent tussle developed. Early on the Old Boys were on the defensive despite the advantage of wind and alope and the Athletic had one glorious chance for a "dropped goal" but the ball was fumbled and

Adkins opened the scoring for the Old Boys when he kicked a long penalty goal from an awkward angle. Continuing in attack the home side managed to cross again when Thorpe went through at speed with the bail The second half produced similar rugby, played a great deal more vigorously. Despite some spells of hard

defensive play the Old Boys' forwards, admirably led by Pat Heanue, gained the upper hand and it was appropriate that Heanue should be the one to score following some good work all round. LUTON MAINTAIN

the Old Boys finally laid the "Athletic" bogy at Stockwood Park on Saturday when they punch in attack and more strength triumphed by two tries and a The second half was evenly contested both sides scoring one Marking was keen on both sides and few orthodox moves

HEAVIER PACK HAD THE ADVANTAGE Vanghell Motors 9, Kettering 11 Because their heavier pack controlled the tines-out and the tight scrums. Ket-

game and it was only in the loose that the home forwards held their own.

Cold conditions made handling difficult but both sides tried to keep the game open.

The first half saw Kettering build up an eight-points lead but Vauxhall struck back after the interval and scored nine points through three suc-

cessful penalties, all kicked by Price.
In the closing stages Vauxhall attacked spiritedly, but could not break through the rugged defence of a very OTHER RESULT

Northampton Men's Own "A" 6, Luton "A" 6

Ladies' Bogey

Golf



Likely to be recalled to the first team on Saturday.

BERT MITCHELL

## JOLT FOR TITLE HOPES

Reserves Lost Lead Twice Luton T. Res. 2, Bournemouth

When Bert Mitchell con-

verted a penalty midway through the second halt of this match, and gave Luton the lead for the second time. few spectators at Kemlworth-road imagined that Bournemouth coud fight back to take a point. But that is what happened, and so the Town Reserves championship aspirations took a

jost, for this was the third point they had dropped in two weeks which is certainly not championship form. The game should have been sewn-up long before that, though, and with any luck Luton would have turned round with a comfortable lead instead of a

siender one-goal margin in their favour. That goal came from PEM-BERTON, who crashed the ball home during a full-scale Town raid, but soon after the interval HOBBS, with a solo effort, put

Bournemouth on terms again.

From that point, play deteriorated and Bournemouth adopted robust tacties which unsettled the home forwards. A series of free kicks for the Town culminated in the penalty award, for after MacEwan had been fouled inside the Luton half Hall took the free kick and sent the ball into the Bourne-

mouth penalty area. MacEwan challenged for possession and was promptly fouled again. The referee awarded a penality and would not alter his decision although he was prac-tically "besieged" by appealing

NO MISTAKE Naturally, the kick was en-trusted to MITCHELL, and he

Bournemouth players.

MITCHELL MADE

gave Bird no chance with an accurately-placed shot. Since he lost his place in the first team, Mitchell has played in three reserve games and has scored in each one. A few minutes later, Taylor missed an easy chance of in-creasing the lead when he mis-

kicked with only Bird to beat. From the clearance the ball swept upfield and Bournemouth forced a corner This was accurately placed by Littlejohn and FIDLER leaped high and guided the ball into the corner of the net for a somewhat unexpected equaliser.

Luton's defence was more effective than the attack in this match, and Hall had a very good game against the experienced Fidler. Pemberton and Smith, too, did quite well, and Baynbam made three brilliant saves in the second half.
The attack, however, was disjointed. MacEwan could make

little progress against the burly Hughes, and Cummins, once again, was inclined to over-elaborate, although he did have bad luck with two shots which hit the woodwork. As effective a forward as any was Allen, but sufficient com-mentary on the finishing power of the attack is the fact that their first goal came from a halfback, and the second from the penalty spot — although they had the better of the play.

LUTON TOWN RES.: Baynham; Dunne, Hawkes; Pember-ton, Hall, Smith; Taylor, Allen, MacEwan, Cummins, Mitchell. BOURNEMOUTH RES. :

Bird; Drummond,

Shillington.

Weston.

two points.

While Barton were going down by the odd goal, Napier were win-

ning by a similar margin against

Stopsley, thanks to a "hat trick"

by Weston.
With Napier apparently within reach of the title, the tight for runners-up rests between Barton

and Shillington, with the latter two points behind and a match in

Faint hopes of Caddington of qualifying for this position were

rudely shattered at Totternhoe,

although the visitors scored four

Rovers increased the anxieties of

Pioneer Corinthians, although Luton Social now seemed booked for the last place of all.

With Luton Town "B" drop-ping a point to Chaul End.
Woburn Athletic increased their

lead over them in Division I to

tently as they have been, Hockliffe

were forced to yield a point at

Eaton Bray, but are still clear leaders in Division II, though they cannot afford to treat the

challenge of Lilley Rangers lightly.

against Social Reserves, are now four points behind Hockliffe and

Shock result in Division III was the home defeat of Caddington by

Hayward Tyler, as a result of which Sundon Park are placed in

the very strong position of being only one point behind and having

There is no sign of any halt in the progress of the top feam of Division IV. Shaw and Kilburn, but Cockernhoe have now drawn level with Percival Apprentices

and either team could unset the

calculations of the present leaders

PREMIER DIVISION

BARTON ROVERS 1 (Burr), SHIL-

LINGTON 2 (Walker, Saunders), STOPSLEY 2 (Bowle, Pugh), NAPIER SPORTS 3 (Weston 3) TODDINGTON ROVERS 6 (Bucking-

OTTERNHOE 6 (Flecknell McCrum, Phillim, Witts), CAE DINGTON 4 (Fultrion 3, Pain).

CORINTHIANS

DINGTON 4 (Polision 3, Pain).

BUYISTON 1

LEAGRAVE ATH 1 (Tanslev), BELLS
PARK 3 (Smylic 2, Skinner).

LAPORTE 3 (Davies 2, Soale), LEAGRAVE BL 3 (F. Wright, Fensome, Conlon),
CHAUL END ATH, 1 (Beasley), Smith 11.

have a match in hand.

two games in hand.

PIONEER

TOTTERNHOE

The Rangers scored nine times

ot playing quite so consis-

The lower teams had more success than usual and the victories of Totternhoe and Toddington

Littlejohn. Ho Chency, Waugh TWO POINTS WILL MAKE

## TO AN AWAY POINT

## Lincoln Did Not Make Most Of Their Chances

hard-fought, though scrappy sort of match at Sincil Bank on Saturday, the Town forwards broke away in menacing style, yet they managed to draw level and save a point.

afford to do other than win in view of their somewhat anxious position, had infinitely more scoring chances, but muffed them, just as the Town have been doing in recent weeks.

few pretensions to eleverness, they did move the ball about martly and with sufficient skill to worry the Town defence at times, but perhaps because they were lacking the services of their chief scorer, Graver, they lacked the power to finish. One would not have thought this was the case warn GARVIE

gave them the lead in the first minute of the second half, when not a single Town player touched the ball from the kick-off, during the course of a bewildering passing movement

This drew the defence and left the inside-right with a chance he accepted brilliantly by making a hard drive that rose well out of Streten's reach, Little they had done in the earlier stages had promised such

an effort, and little they accom-plished afterward, suggested that they could repeat it.

True, Streten made several good saves and the defence played a noble part in keeping out the Lincoln forwards, who took con-fidence from Garvie's effort.

After an even first half, in which both teams had had a goal disallowed but otherwise rarely threatened goals, though Downie should have given the Town the lead when left with only Lowery to beat, Lincoln settled down to persistent pressure after the

This was relieved by occasional Town breaksaway, in one of which Downle was unlucky with a drive that went over off the woodwork. Apert from that, there was little suggestion that the Town would equalise until in the 70th

minute a movement begun by Jones brought an unexpected success. EQUALISER FROM TURNER

#### Seeing Davies unmarked on the opposite wing, he drove across an

accurate pass which the winger ook on before making an opening for TURNER who, with his left foot, drove a low shot past owery into the far corner of the Then came more Lincoln presure which brought a miss in a million by Garvie from no more

lered in the dying seconds of the So, the Town held on somewhat uneasily to a valuable point for which, in the main, they could thank the tenacity of their defence.

han a few yards out and another

good chance that Gibson squan

To this department. Owen returned after his absence through injury to be the sheet anchor, and he broke up every Lincoln attemp. to find a way down the middle On this impressive form, Shanks

will be very difficult to depose and

he was the better wing half because Morton was a bit out of touch both in his tackling and in his use of the ball. Both Jones and Aberne had their periods of trial, with the latter a little more solid and Streten, showing splendid judg-

ment, saved the situation several times with grand clearances. From a forward line that showed signs of settling down for a spell in the first half and then fell away, there was little to suggest that all the worries about this department are over.

of the tall Emery, he was switched with Turner for the second half and had an even thinner time at inside-right and, with Culler making little or no progress, it was left to Downie and Davies to be the more thrustful and more constructive wing,

Even so, a considerable percen-tage of Downie's passes were astray and Davies, forceful though he was at times, still looked like an outside-right filling in or Fisher; the other wing. Woodward, Hughes, Neave: The much-matigned Turner broke his blank spell with an ex-

NAPIER THE CHAMPIONS

Helped By Shillington's Win

Over Fellow Cup-Finalists

By winning one of their two remaining matches, Napier

Their task was made easier by the defeat on Saturday of their most persistent challengers, Barton Rovers,

Sports can assure themselves of 'he championship

of the Premier Division of Luton and South Beds

beaten narrowly at home by their near-neighbours

and opponents in the final of the Intermediate Cup,

cellent goal, and looked as if he

Allen),
PERCIVAL ATH. 3. OLD LUTONIANS 2 (Abbett, Northcott),
DIVISION III
LUTON BREWERY 2. BARTON
ROVERS RES. 6 (Horsler 5. West),
CADDINGTON "B" 0, HAYWARD
TYLEB 1.

ENGLISH ELECTRIC 4 (Eaton 2. Francis, Mooney), BOYS' BRIGADE

LEAGRAVE B.L. RES. 4 (Hallen, Rolt, Birch, Hazell), BIDWELL 1

FOUNDRY 10 (Olekens 3, C 3, Goodycar 2, Willis, Dixon).

ROVERS 0

Angling

Farm.

DIVISION IV

WINTER TROPHY

FOR E. READ

Winners was Mr. F. Read with

6lbs, Bozs, 10drms., against Mr. E. Barnes with 1lb, 13drms. Mr.

The points table is: Mr. E. Read 44, C. Colbeck 29, E. Barnes 28, H. Austin 27, R. Colbeck 214, H. Cadwell 21, D. Wheeler 18, R.

SPORTS 0. VILLA

## Monday, cost two goals and meant that the Town finished

the goalkeeper for a corner. This, taken by Hazlett, was firmly fisted away by Streten as Thrippleton jumped for the ball

which went out to FISHER, fully 30 yards from goal. Before the Town defence knew what was happening the ball had flashed into the net from a terrific first-time drive from the left-back. left-back.

keeper's reach, So, Millwall, whose attack had been largely tamed by the Town's defence, found themselves with a somewhat unexpected but deserved winning lead and it was not until three minutes from the wide of Brewer, after Pemberton had pulled Hurley out of position with a cross-field pass to

That was the sum total of the scoring in a hard-fought game in which this young, up-and-coming Millwall team had more of the play, but all their scoring efforts were foiled by the brilliance of Streten until the strange happenings of the last ten minutes.

punching and always showed fine anticipation. With Morton and Owen out of the half-back line. the Town defence still managed to put up a concerted, effective show, with the polished, sure-kicking Aherne and the inde-fatigable Shanks, other out-standing members of it.

came to the rescue with some hard tackles, his use of the bail was inaccurate. The coolness of Jones, carried

to excess at times, got him into to limit.

unit and Downle and Davies tormed by far the better wing. Some good constructive work

he was much overshadowed ny Hurley, Millwall's strong, young centre-half, and he had lew Tried at inside-right, unlay man Pemberton put up quite .

by taking too long to get the ball Best effort of the match came from Downie when he finished a

WEST PARK 1 (Rowlands). MILLWALL: Brewer; Jar-dine, Fisher; Heydon, Hurley, OPSLEY RES. 1 (Clarke). WOBURN ATH. 3 (Slade, Ealing. GLENDALE 10 (Jones 4, Mead 3, Burton 2, Horton), SKEFKO ATH. 1. Saward; Johnson, Smith (F.), Thrippleton, Stobbart, Hazlett, LUTON TOWN: Streten:

Turner, Downie, Davies. Referee: C. S. Broome. Wilson, opponent).
EATON BRAY 2 (Jones 2), HOCK-LIFFE 2 (Burgess, Scott).
LUTON UTD, 2 (Tomkins, Hayash), ROBIN HOODS 3 (Mead, Ward,

Chiltern Youth League FLITWICK

#### No Longer Lead In 14-16 Section

FALL AWAY

lead in the 14-16 section. of the table now are Vauxhail Minors, who beat struggling Lim-

COCKERNHOE 2 (P. Ayres, Crick). LUTON O.B. RES. 0. HEXTON 3 (Molleker 3), ROOTES SPORTS 4. pace and the Luton Town juniors beat Biscot Mill B.C. 8-0, while Langley were too strong for Leighton Hotspur,

> Old Bedford-road. 14/18 SKEFKO JUNIORS 3 (Halliwell, Benham, Tomblin), VAUXHALI Benham, Tomblin), VAUXHALL JUNIORS 1 LUTON TOWN YOUTH B (Loveday

Read also caught the biggest fish, a bream, 1lb. 4ozs., 11drms. Steward was Mr. F. Groom. Green 15, F. Groom 15, J. Clare 15, A. Hall 13, D. Underwood 12, A. Lane 111, J. Bigg 11, W. H.

OLD BEDFORD-ROAD 6 (Prime 2, Robson 2, Hetherington, Cooper), LUTON BOYS' CLUB 1 (White) POYNTERS - ROAD 4 (Tilcock, Impey, D Roberts, M Roberts), FLITWICK BROTHERHOOD 0 VAUXHALL MINORS 9 (Bright 3, Crew 2, Williamson 2, Evans, Bodger), LIMBURY O.B., 1 (Hills),

By Chiltern LINCOLN CITY ..... 1 LUTON TOWN ..... 1

Just on a handful of occasions in the second half of this On the other hand, Lincoln, who certainly could not

While the Lincoln forwards had might settle down at centre-for ward more kappily than he has

been at saide-right recently, Op our fault of the forwards was that they tended to keep the ball too close and were often caught by the hard-tackling home defenders before they could make

use of it.

LINCOLN CITY. — Lowery.

Green, Graham; Wright, Emery.

Own (R); Munro, Garvie, Gibson Whittle, Finch.
LUTON TOWN. — Streten.
Jones, Aherne; Morton, Ower
(5). Shanks; Cullen, Turner.
Scott, Downie, Davies.

Referee: J. G. Williams, Arnold Notts, Attendance: 11,135

## ALL IN 10 MINUTES

#### **Back-Passing** Led To Goals MILLWALL 2, LUTON T. 1

Two errors of judgment by Jones in the closing stages of this floodlit triendly, watched by only 4,926 at The Den on

on the losing end, although they managed to make a quick Both resulted from back passes meant for Streten and the first-in the 80th minute went wide of

Three minutes later, JONES, a few yards from goal and with time to clear, tried to turn the ball to Streten, did not get hold of it properly, and placed it into the net well out of his goai-

STRETEN IN TOP FORM Streten was in top-class form, clean in his catching, firm in his

Grimly and quite successfully. Hall faced up to the fiery dash of Thrippleton, and while Smith Because Scott could make little

> trouble when there need have been none and the two goals debited against the Town were not the only occasions when he was off the mark with his back passing which he would do well Forward, the Town were again not a smooth-moving

came from the inside-left and Davies's raiding powers and his more fluent use of his left foot made him as dangerous a winger as there was on view. In this instance, the experiment of Turner at centre-forward could not be said to have achieved a marked success, for

useful performance, especially in his use of the ball, but Cullen invariably held up the front line

long solo run with a cracking shot that Brewer saved brilliantly but, taking the game through, Millwall looked rather the more LUTON TOWN "B" 1 (Loasby).
SHILLINGTON "A" 1 (West). likely to score because they shot more often.

Jones, Aherne; Shanks, Hall, Smith (R.); Cullen, Pemberton, ILLEY RANGERS 9 (B. Carr 3, Muddle 2, Mitchell, L. Carr, Offer, Walsh), LUTON SOCIAL RES. 0, ARLINGTON 1 (Thompson), WARDEN HILL ATH 3 (Holt,

Rolt, Birch, Hazell), BIDWELL I Defeat of Flitwick Brother-(S Bird).

CRESCENT UTD. 1. ALLIANCE hood in the Chiltern League last week means that they no longer

bury O.B. 9-1
In the 14-18 section, Luton
Town Youth and Langley
Rangers continue to set a hot

ROVERS 0
BARTON WOODWORKING 1 (Roc. Turner, Ansell), TOTTERNHOE 2 (Gore. Mead).
WILSDEN ATH. 1 (Gurney), SHAW AND KILBURN 6 (Gibbs 3, Evans. Lowly Houghton Rangers did well to take both points from

On Sunday the fishing season came to a close until June 16. 4. Chamberlain 2, Hansard, Jenkins), BISCOT MILL B.C. 0 LIMBURY O.B. 'B' 5 (Thomas 2, Pain 2, Killacky), POYNTERS-ROAD 0 LEIGHTON HOTSPUR 1. LANGLEY The Leighton club competitions have now been decided and the tie for the Winter Trophy has been fished off at Paper Mill

RANGERS 5 (Newton 2, Trotter, Jones, Osbaldiston) HOUGHTON RANGERS 5, OLD BEDFORD-ROAD 1 BISCOT MILL B.C. 2 (Daniels, Reeve), LUTON HOTSPUR 2 (Cooper, Wills)
OLD BEDFORD-ROAD 6 (Prime 2, Pubson 2, Hetherington, Cooper), 14/16