Sports Chat — *By Chiltern*

Problem Job For Bob Morton

MOVE FORWARD GIVES CHANCE TO JIM PEMBERTON

Declaring that there is nothing haphazard about the way in which they are seeking to solve their centre-forward problem, the Town Chairman, Mr. P. G. Mitchell, told me yesterday that the Board are following a definite line of policy in which they are exploring two separate avenues.

One is based on the thought that there may well be a player already on the books who can do the job and the other concerns an active search among other League clubs for a player who is likely to fit in at Kenilworth-road. These efforts are proceeding simultaneously and the latest attempt to find the answer to it all is contained in the switch of right-half Bob Morton to the leadership for Saturday's visit to Notts County.

THIS is not exactly a daring or new experiment, for it has been tried previously with a measure of success, the last time in a League match being at Fulham last season, when Morton did well in the first half, but had to be brought back later to help stem the holes that were appearing in defence.

In October, 1950, he had three outings in the position, including one at Notts County, where he scored a goal in a 2—2 draw, which might be a happy omen for Saturday.

To fill the vacancy at right-half there is promotion for Jim Pemberton, who has been in brilliant form for the Reserves recently and who receives the first team chance he has been awaiting so anxiously.

In fact, he is on the transfer list at his own request because he wants to play regularly in League football.

"Was The Fair And Proper Thing To Do"

DESCRIBING the situation as one they had been forced into, the Chairman said: "We are still of the opinion that we have a player in the club who can do the job.

"Two (MacEwan and Kelly) have been given their chance, which we considered was the fair and proper thing to do, and they have proved to be not quite ready for promotion.

"Consequently, we must go back to some of the tried players who have done well in the position, and I am quite sure they can do it again."

By calling on Morton they are making their first attempt in this direction, but if it fails there are others in the background.

When I asked Mr. Mitchell if Morton would be regarded as a permanent solution he answered: "He will if he does well and if his move up does not weaken the defence.

Contacted A Dozen Clubs Without Result

ON the subject of the attempt to secure a new leader, the Chairman reeled off a list of a dozen clubs, most of them in the First Division, with whom contact had been made, with no result.

What the Town have found in every case is that these other clubs have forward problems of their own and are not disposed to add to them by selling the players they have on their books.

In cases where there has seemed a ray of hope, players have been watched and have been written off as not so good as those the Town have, despite the high price tags attached to them.

So, failing some unexpected avenue opening up, the Town are thrown back on their own resources, but, in the meantime, the Chairman assures supporters that everything humanly possible is being done to secure a new centre-forward in case experiments which are in mind do not come off.

Owen Came Through A Test Successfully

"WHAT we ask from our supporters is a bit of tolerance and understanding of the position in which we find ourselves placed—and it was not of our seeking," said the Chairman.

One piece of good news this week is that Sid Owen is almost certain to return to the centre-half position.

He had a thorough test in a full-scale practice match on Tuesday without feeling any ill-effect, and his return will do much to restore the confidence of the defence, which has been shaken in the last couple of matches.

In last Saturday's match, Roy Davies damaged an ankle slightly, and John Groves received a slight strain of the thigh muscle, but neither is expected to have to stand down this week-end. Davies played in the second half of the trial, but Groves was rested as a precaution. Team:—

Streten; Dunne, Aherne; Pemberton, Owen, Shanks; Davies, Turner, Morton, Groves, Adam.

County Consistent On Their Own Ground

THE County are a team who, after meeting with a shock home defeat in the first match of the season with Derby, have struck consistent form at home, where they have won their last five matches, and they may be a difficult nut to crack, despite the Town's good record on this ground.

Last night the County were meeting Maccabi in a floodlit match, so their team to meet the Town is still in doubt.

One familiar figure who will be missing from their line-up is Jack Taylor, the former Town inside forward, who injured a leg three weeks ago and who has had a spell in plaster. That has been removed and he is said to be making good progress towards a full recovery

Youngsters Replace Experienced Wingers

ANOTHER casualty is Ray Chatham, formerly of Wolves, who had to miss last Saturday's match at Hull and who is unlikely to be able to return this week.

His place was taken by Harry Jarvis, a youngster from the Rotherham area who was making his League debut, and he retained his place last night.

Missing from the floodlit match line-up, but certain to play against the Town, is Leon Leuty, ex-Derby County centre-half. He was rested and his place was taken by Rawson.

On general lines, the County's team does not differ a lot from that of last season, but in place of the experienced Coole and Crookes, who have been dropped, there are two young wingers, strange to the Town, in Gordon Wills, who is in the Forces, and Broadbent, who had only one outing last season.

Last night's team was: Bradley; Southwell, Deans; Adamson, Rawson, Jarvis; Wills, Wylie, McCormack, Johnstone, Broadbent.

Reserves Should Have Biggest Gate

WHILE the Town usually take a good following with them to Nottingham, the Reserves, after their run of success, should attract their biggest attendance of the season when they receive Arsenal Reserves at Kenilworth-road

Both these teams have played three matches in Division I and have collected five points, but the Town are in second position to Tottenham by virtue of superior goal average.

Promotion of Pemberton, who last appeared in the first team at left-half at Leeds on Easter Monday, leads to Charlie Watkins switching to right-half in order that Ray Smith can come in on the other flank.

Although Leslie Hall is available, Willie Dallas will remain in the centre-half position in pursuance of the policy of giving him as much experience as possible.

Cummins Absent On International Duty

BECAUSE he will be in Dublin, ready for Eire's match with Norway on Sunday, George Cummins will not be available for the inside-left position, which will be filled by switching over Derek Allen. Peter MacEwan will be at inside-right, with Terry Kelly leading the front line.

Team: **Baynham; Jones, Thompson; Watkins, Dallas, Smith; Cullen, MacEwan, Kelly, Allen, Taylor.**

Another setback for the young outside-left, Neville Brown, occurred in Tuesday's trial, during which he broke down. This is the second time this has happened after an apparent recovery from knee trouble and he is likely to be seen by a specialist this week.

Norman Arnison has made a good recovery from his cartilage operation and is due to leave hospital.

The Town's youth team will be playing at Kenilworth-road on Saturday morning when they will meet Spalding in the second round of the F.A. Youth Cup.

Tony Gregory Back As Vauxhall Leader

FROM their winning team of last Saturday, Vauxhall Motors are making only one change when they visit Ford Sports at Dagenham in the Spartan League on Saturday.

This brings back to centre-forward Tony Gregory, whose appearances in Youth football have kept him out of the Motors' senior team recently.

He takes the place of W. Startin and the team will be:

R. Cullis; J. Burgess, W. Lawrence; J. O'Neill, J. Humphrey, A. Morgan; T. Dolan, G. Todd, A. Gregory, R. Brandham, L. Franklin.

The Reserves are at home to Tring Town and will be represented by:

S. Millin; J. Clark, R. Dalton; T. Floyd, G. MacFarlane, D. Soper; R. Sinfield, C. Firmin, W. Startin, K. Crawley, G. Burn.

Undefeated Visitors For Kent's Athletic

ATTRACTIVE visitors to Waller-avenue for Kent's Athletic on Saturday are Ampthill Town, who are undefeated and second in the South Midlands League table, and are enjoying their most successful season since they joined the competition.

Although Kent's were beaten last Saturday, they were satisfied with the display and no changes are being made.

The forward line includes four apprentices, and it should do well when it settles down. Team:

R. Tottingham; W. Day, T. Kilby; H. Jackson, H. Naylor, R. Router; J. Summers, J. Hull, K. Peel, A. Dickens, P. Feakes.

BOB MORTON,

fifth player to lead the Town attack this season, and the third centre-forward to be tried in consecutive weeks.

LATE RUSH OF SCORING

Three In Last 12 Minutes

BOURNEMOUTH RES. 0
LUTON TOWN RES. 4

Although it was not until the closing stages that the Town Reserves finally clinched their victory at Bournemouth, they were always the better balanced and more impressive side.

When the home defence finally cracked, the Town scored three times in the last 12 minutes, which was a due reward for a lot of polished football.

Before that, Bournemouth had put up a fight, following an early reverse when MacEWAN beat Heath with a low shot from 20 yards after Cullen had pulled the ball back to him.

However, their forwards, lacking both the cleverness in approach and the thrust of those of the Town, were securely held by a defence in which there was not the slightest suggestion of a weak link.

Baynham dealt with everything that came his way in the most confident manner and was well covered by Jones and Thompson, who have developed into a splendid full-back partnership.

Nor was there anything amiss in the middle line, where Pemberton was outstanding, particularly for his help to the attack, in which Watkins also shone, and Dallas put up a most useful show in the middle.

Forward, too, there were grounds for satisfaction, with Cullen the best of a line that showed plenty of method.

From both Allen and Pemberton he received good support and Cummins struck his best form after the interval, showing brilliant footwork and providing a stream of passes for Taylor, who did not always make the best use of them.

Though he was handicapped by sciatica, MacEwan was a hard trier and led the line with much enthusiasm.

The late scoring rush was begun by CULLEN after 78 minutes, and he came along with another five minutes later. Then CUMMINS, who had made the opening for the third, completed the rout with two minutes left.

BOURNEMOUTH RESERVES: Heath; Cunningham, Gallogly; MacDonald, Hughes, Neave; Stephens, Hobbs, D'Arcy, Murray, Martin.

LUTON TOWN RESERVES: Baynham; Jones, Thompson; Pemberton, Dallas, Watkins; Cullen, Allen, MacEwan, Cummins, Taylor.

BANG! WENT THAT HOME RECORD

Swansea Belied Their "Poor Tourists" Tag

By Chiltern

LUTON TOWN ..... 1 SWANSEA TOWN ... 2

In view of the previous records of both teams this season, and the fact that the law of averages invariably operates in football, as in everything else, there was always a danger of this sort of result at Kenilworth-road on Saturday.

Truth was, though, that the quality of the Swansea display belied their very poor away record, whereas the Town certainly did not look like a team that had been invincible at home previously and the verdict went to the more deserving side.

If the Town are not to contemplate the top-of-the-table struggle from the remoteness of a middle-of-the-table position, then there must be an immediate all-round improvement from them.

Not only was the forward line showing unsatisfactory, but the defence faltered frequently and the whole thing added up to depressing failure.

One redeeming feature was that the Town produced the rallying power to make a fight of it after being two goals down, but there were insufficient ideas and not enough punch in attack to break down a Swansea defence that was determined to hang on to the advantage they had gained.

Once again much of the trouble in the front line could be traced to the centre-forward position and the task of finding a suitable successor to Pye is proving a longer and more arduous one than was thought likely to be the case.

KELLY WAS WELL HELD

Hard though Kelly tried, he had not the speed, nor the quickness off the mark to unsettle the visiting defenders and Kiley had a comfortable afternoon in holding him.

In an attempt to achieve improvement Davies was switched into the middle for the last 20 minutes. Not that this could be set down as a marked success, but it was during this period that the Town obtained their only goal which gave rise to hopes, futile as they turned out, that a point could be rescued.

The goal was a spectacular one obtained from the edge of the penalty area with a rising drive by Turner, the one Luton forward who looked as if he might turn the tide.

Previously, he had made some good efforts and it was only a great diving save by King that prevented him from putting the Town back into the game earlier.

Ably generalled by that old campaigner, Ron Burgess, Swansea did not panic, nor did they make the mistake of falling back on defence in an attempt to hold what was then a slender advantage, and after a few minutes of heavy pressure, the Town fight back wilted.

The damage to the Town's home record had occurred earlier when GRIFFITHS scored twice between the 26th and 33rd minutes.

Apart from a shock when Burgess nipped into an open space for a throw-in and lobbed the ball against the bar, Swansea had not shown a lot of signs of goals, but both chances were well taken by the inside-right.

First, he fastened on to a pass by Burgess that had been intended as a shot at goal and whipped the ball into the net, and then he neatly headed through a corner by Jones after making considerable ground to meet it.

A sharp contrast in styles was presented by the forward play in this match. Swansea mostly let the ball do the work, and their speed of movement and the way in which they pulled the Town defence out of position paid tribute to the wisdom of their tactics.

Although there was some neat midfield play at times, the Town forwards were more laboured and deliberate in their methods, and they often took long to reach the point at which a shot could be made.

When it came to finishing, they did not compare with the visiting attack, either, and, apart from the fact that Turner frequently looked as if he might play a rescue role and some spasmodic combination between Groves and Adam, it was a patchy display, with Davies again below form.

Nor did the defence emerge with a great deal of credit, for Dunne and Aherne were much worried by the speed and directness of the Swansea wingers, and Hall had an uncomfortable time, especially in the first half.

Morton began as if this was to be one of the best games of his career, but then lost his grip and got out of touch with his passing, too.

In the end, Ivor Allchurch could look back on his best display against the Town, mainly accomplished through the intelligent way in which he positioned himself.

Even so, the Town's best chance of recovery seemed to be when Morton joined in with the attack. Shanks struggled gamely enough, but he did not use the ball accurately enough, and this was a fault shared by the forwards, too.

For Streten, it could have been by no means easy to play behind a defence that lacked its usual understanding, but he did his part well, with the exception that his kicking was below his usual standard.

LUTON TOWN: Streten; Dunne, Aherne; Morton, Hall, Shanks; Davies, Turner, Kelly, Groves, Adam.

SWANSEA TOWN: King; Willis, Thomas; Charles, Kiley, Burgess, Allchurch (L), Griffiths, Medwin, Allchurch (I), Jones (C)

Referee: H. Vickers, Crewe

Attendance: 15,555.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE FOR HERTS

Bedfordshire Youth XI 7, Hertfordshire Youth XI 1

So pronounced was Bedfordshire's superiority in this F.A. County Youth Championship (second round) match at Dunstable that Hertfordshire were lucky not to have conceded double figures.

The Bedfordshire forwards combined brilliantly and their defence was sound.

Bandy, the Hertfordshire goalkeeper was peppered with shots from all angles and he did well despite the score.

Bedfordshire obtained three first-half goals through SCHOFIELD (o.g.), GREGORY and GRAY, and after the interval STAPLETON (3) and GREGORY added further goals. VATER scored Hertfordshire's consolation goal

Outstanding for Bedfordshire were Gregory, Hetherington and Stapleton although the first-named missed a penalty.

FINAL WENT TO THE 38th HOLE

In an exciting match, Mrs. E. L. Holmes (8) beat Mrs. C. Stimson (15) at the 38th hole in the final of the ladies' Autumn Cup at Dunstable Downs.

After being dormy one down at the 18th, Mrs. Stimson fought back to finish the first round all square and also recovered well after being three down to square the match again at the 36th hole.

The next was halved, but Mrs. Holmes's immaculate three at the 38th was just too good for her opponent whose putt stayed on the edge of the hole.

November Medal

Winner of the South Beds Ladies November Medal on Tuesday was Mrs. W. F. Thomas (17) 72 net. Runners-up were, Mrs. L. G. Robinson (16) 77 net and Mrs. N. Mead (23) 77 net. Mrs. Robinson won on the last nine.

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TWO POINTS COVER THE SEVEN LEADING TEAMS

Pioneer Corinthians Lead, But Stopsley Are Best Placed

Two points cover the first seven teams in the Premier Division of Luton and South Beds League, in which the leadership changed again as the result of last Saturday's matches, with Pioneer Corinthians going to the top.

However, they are in a false position, since they have played eight matches for their 10 points, whereas Caddington have gained nine from six games and Stopsley are even better placed with eight points out of eight.

On a day of rather low scoring in this Division, the Corinthians led the way by obtaining five against luckless Eaton Bray, whose seventh consecutive defeat this was.

Stopsley gained their two points from West Park and both Woburn Athletic and Luton Social, who have been figuring prominently recently, lost ground.

At home, Woburn were mastered by Caddington and Social held that they were unlucky to be beaten by the only goal of their game with Glendale, another team who will bear watching, for they have dropped only two points out of 10.

Promise of an improvement by Napier Sports was not maintained and they provided another lowly-placed team, Totternhoe, with a valuable success.

With Bells Park leaders of Division I. not playing, the Town "C" took the opportunity to draw nearer to them, but they had a terrific struggle against Leagrave Athletic, who did not deserve to lose in a match that produced nine goals.

Evidently there is to be a tremendous fight for honours in Division II, where three teams are bracketed together on the 12-points mark, followed by two others with 11.

While Sundon Park and Robin Hoods were drawing, Warden Hill and Luton Social Reserves both won and Caddington "B" gained a point to keep in the race.

In the other two Divisions the position at the top is altogether different, for Hayward Tyler, with their seventh consecutive victory, have established a useful lead in Division III and Sundon Park Reserves, eight wins in succession, are well ahead of the field in Division IV.

Hayward Tyler were given a shock by Walcot Athletic, for they were a goal down until ten minutes from the end, when they rallied to score three times.

Most likely challenge to them is from Luton Spartans, while Wilsden Athletic, who have won all their four matches, are the team from which Sundon Park seem to have most to fear.

PREMIER DIVISION

NAPIER SPORTS 1, TOTTERNHOE 2 (Abrahams Pinchin)
WEST PARK 0, STOPSLEY 2 (R Manton, Worsley)
GLENDALE 1 (Curson), LUTON SOCIAL 0
WOBURN ATH. 2 (Neale, Cook), CADDINGTON 4 (Mead 2 Banks, Fullarton)
PIONEER CORINTHIANS 5 (Tyler 2, Rawson 2, Parrott), EATON BRAY UTD. 1 (Banks)

DIVISION I

SHILLINGTON 'A' 3 (Primmett, H Robinson, A Robinson) HOCKLIFFE 3 (Johnston, Millburn, Higgs)
LUTON UTD. HOSPITALS 2 (Straughan, Smith), LEAGRAVE B.L. 8 (Conlon 2, McLaughlin 2, Richardson 2, Pacey, Jackson)
STOPSLEY RES. 7 (Clarke 4, Davie 2, Breslin) WEST PARK RES. 3 (Vince, Tomlin, Gunnel)
ENGLISH ELECTRIC 3 (Francis 2, Eaton), ELECTROLUX 6
LILLEY RANGERS 2 (Gibbs 2), LAPORTE 2 (Lamb, Burrows)
LEAGRAVE ATH. 4 (Tansley 2, Dackombe 2), LUTON TOWN 'C' 5 (Wheelhouse 2, Southam 2, Hansard)

DIVISION II

ROBIN HOODS 2 SUNDON PARK 2 (Dixon 2)
COLINDALE ATH. 1 (Dimmock), WARDEN HILL ATH. 2 (Tomblin, Holt)
LUTON SOCIAL RES. 5 (R Jackson 3, Smith, M Jackson), LEAGRAVE PRESS 1 (Bavister)
CADDINGTON 'B' 3 (Thorn 2, Pearson), GLENDALE RES. 3 (Blasill, Mead, Bostock)
SPANDIT SPORTS 0, HUNTING PERCIVAL 3 (Earey 2, Mathers)
SKEFKO ATH. 2 (Brown Humphrey), OLD LUTONIANS 1 (Rowlands)
DAVIS ATH. 4 (Chambers, Evans, Henderson, Maxfield), R.A.F.A. 1

DIVISION III

ALLIANCE FOUNDRY 2 (Goodyear 2), HUNTING PERCIVAL APP. 0
LUTON SPARTANS 8 (Skelding 5, Basterfield 2, Byrom), NAPIER APPRENTICES 0
SUNDON O.B. 3, BARTON WOODWORKING 2 (Turner, Kime)
SHAW AND KILBURN 1 (Hart), BIDWELL 7 (McLachlan 3, S Bird 2, Chant, Tomlin)
BOYS' BRIGADE O.B. 8 (Clifton 3, Young 2, Payne, C Jones, Cooper), BARTON ROVERS 3 (Durnford, Glenister, West)
HAYWARD TYLER 3 (Simpson, Hollinshead, Newton), WALCOT ATH. 1 (Parsons)
LEAGRAVE B.L. 'A' 2 (Collins, Jackson), LUTON BREWERY 0

DIVISION IV

WALDEN RANGERS 8 (Goodge 3, Spicer, Walsh, R Whitbread, B Whitbread, opponent), GIDAN ATH. 2 (Radon, Ray Hickman)
LAPORTE RES 2 (Davies, Sinfield), LILLEY RANGERS RES. 7 (Martin 4, Alsopp 2, Jenkins)
TOTTERNHOE RES. 1 (McKenna), BOYS' BRIGADE O.B. RES. 1 (Ward)
SUNDON PARK RES. 4 (Hughes 2, Cook, Robins), LUMOCO SPORTS 0
LUTON O.B. 2 (Fountain 2), WILSDEN ATH. 5 (Short 4, Odell)
ROOTES SPORTS RES. 3, TODDINGTON ROVERS RES. 1 (Cummins).

Hockey

O.D.s LOST THEIR USEFUL LEAD

Old Dunstablians 2, Broxbourne 4

This was a fast clean and always entertaining match, and Broxbourne were deserved winners Man of the match was the Broxbourne centre-forward who scored three of his side's goals.

The O.D.'s opened the score through WATSON and LEWIS increased the lead but Broxbourne were not deterred.

Their defence tightened up and their forwards began to look for goals. They soon equalised and took the lead before the interval. To set the seal on the Old Boys' defeat they scored again in the second half

OTHER RESULTS

Broxbourne II 0, Old Dunstablians II 1.
Broxbourne III 3, Old Dunstablians III 0.
Letchworth Ladies 4, Chiltern Ladies 1

Greyhound Racing

TRAP 2 OUT OF LUCK AT LUTON ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Trap 2 was the unlucky one at Luton Stadium on Tuesday when three favourites succeeded.

Winning prices were not high however, and Black Shadow (5-1) was the highest-priced outsider to win.

I. (410 yards).—1, WEE CHRIS (3); 2, Julie's Boy (6); 3, Absolute (4); 4, Coffee Bean (5); 5, Artful Harry (2); 6, Avril (1), short head 2, 2, 4, ½, 24.94. Off 7.38.

Betting: 5-4 Avril; 4-1 Julie's Boy, Absolute; 9-2 WEE CHRIS; 7-1 Artful Harry; 10-1 Coffee Bean.

Forecast: £2 5s. 9d.

II. (470 yards).—1, KIT-KAT (6); 2, Speckled Band (4); 3, Dory's Pet (2); 4, Just Jake (1); 5, Wallflower (5). 12, 2, 1, 4, 27.73. Non-runner The Builder (3). Off 7.58.

Betting: 2-1 KIT-KAT; 3-1 Just Jake; 4-1 Speckled Band; 5-1 Dory's Pet; 6-1 Wallflower.

Forecast: £1 3s. 9d.

III. (410 yards).—1, KERRY DANCER (5); 2, Kyme (2); 3, Sandown (3); 4 Whipped Cream (4); 5, The Bull (1); 6 Norooz (6). 10, 2, 4, 2, 2, 24.68. Off 8.17.

Betting: Evens KERRY DANCER; 4-1 Kyme; 5-1 The Bull, Sandown, Whipped Cream; 100-8 Norooz.

Forecast: 13s.

IV. (410 yards).—1, BIG BEN (6); 2 Lester (4); 3, Jill's Pet (5); 4, Red Head (2); 5, Manor Park (3); 6, Chevalier (1), reserve, 2½, 1, ½, 2, 2, 24.68. Non-runner Ronald (1). Off 8.35.

Betting: Evens BIG BEN; 2-1 Lester; 5-1 Manor Park, Chevalier; 6-1 Red Head, 100-8 Jill's Pet.

Forecast: 16s.

V. (470 yards).—1, IDA (4); 2, Vodo (2); 3, Barley Boy (1); 4, Joyful (3); 5 Old Coat (6). 2, 1, 4, dist. 27.79. Non-runner Little Shrimp (5). Off 8.54.

Betting: 7-4 Vodo; 7-2 IDA, Barley Boy; 5-1 Joyful; 6-1 Old Coat.

Forecast: £1 2s. 3d.

VI. (410 yards).—1, BLACK SHADOW (4); 2 Samson (5); 3, Alice (6); 4 Golden Dollar (3); 5, Filet (2); 6, George (1). 3, 2, head, 4, 10. 24.02. Off 9.13.

Betting: Evens Golden Dollar; 3-1 Alice; 5-1 BLACK SHADOW; 6-1 Samson; 10-1 Others.

Forecast: £4 12s. 9d.

VII. (470 yards).—1, HILL CREST (1); 2, Pan-Yan (3); 3, Eleanor (6); 4, Longfellow (5); 5, Plasterer (2); 6, Slipalong (4). 1½, 2½, 2, 6, 6, 27.91. Off 9.33.

Betting: 5-4 Eleanor; 7-2 HILL CREST; 9-2 Longfellow; 6-1 Pan-Yan; 7-1 Slipalong; 10-1 Plasterer.

Forecast: £2 13s.

VIII. (410 yards).—1, BRICKHILL LAD (3); 2, Tic-Tac (4); 3, Poacher (6); 4 David's Choice (5); 5, Snowflake (1); 6 Sailor (2). 4, 4, 8, ½, ½, 24.91. Off 9.51.

Betting: 6-4 Poacher; 3-1 BRICKHILL LAD; 4-1 Sailor; 5-1 Snowflake; 8-1 Others.

Forecast: £2 15s.

RUNNERS AND SELECTIONS FOR SATURDAY

6.30. (410 yards).—5 Red Coin, 226 Egg Cup, 54 Hat Catcher (Oct 9, tp 5, 24.81), 441 Nutty Slack, 131 Rumous, 221 Silver Dollar. Reserve F64 Dinky-Do.

6.50. (470 yards).—136 Kye, 155 Lullaby, 433 Lynne, 455 Skip It, 145 Sunlight, 442 Tala. Reserve 443 Small Base.

7.10. (470 yards).—141 Bunter, 512 Clearasmud, 44 Gay Linda 654 Jackie, 331 MacNab, 664 Summer Time. Reserve 4 Night Sky.

7.30 (410 yards).—Bert Cert (Oct 21, tp 1, 24.09, Oct 30 tp 5, 24.27), 141 Black and White, 531 Gerald, 535 North Star, 342 Porolio 351 Widmer. Reserve 1 Digger Murphy.

7.50. (470 yards).—125 Black Imp, 341 Blue Cross, 1 Dolores, 512 Red Hill, 163 Santa Maria, 213 Win Twin. Reserve 515 Arm In Arm.

8.10. (470 yards).—445 Legion, 15 Our Tan, 444 Roving Tiro, 542 Scamp, 31 Taffy 241 Very Game. Reserve 213 Alice.

8.30. (470 yards).—126 Bantam, 113 Born Tired, 514 Darius, 134 Nobbler, 542 Sammy 251 Wendy.

8.50. (410 yards).—254 Foxlaw, Gordon (Oct 21, tp 5, 24.56, Oct 23, tp 5 24.53), 51 Jimmy's Lil, 312 Rodney, 455 West Mead, 56 Whistler. Reserve 435 Crooner.

SELECTIONS

6.30: Rumous (Silver Dollar, Nutty Slack); 6.50: Lullaby (Skip It, Tala); 7.10: Bunter (MacNab, Clearasmud); 7.30: Black and White (Widmer, Bert Cert); 7.50: Blue Cross (Santa Maria, Win Twin); 8.10: Taffy (Our Tan, Very Game); 8.30: Nobbler (nap) (Bantam, Born Tired); 8.50: Jimmy's Lil (Foxlaw, Rodney).

Rugby

TOO ONE-SIDED TO BE ENJOYABLE

Old Stortfordians 3. Old Lutonians 33

This first meeting between the two Old Boys' sides at Bishop's Stortford was far too one-sided to be enjoyable.

Old Lutonians were superior in every department and, compared with last week's strenuous match against the Wasps Vandals this game merely developed into a relaxing run-around for the Luton side.

The score might well have been higher but for some poor kicking. Adkins alone showed any ability in this direction, and was successful with each of his three attempts to convert. The other kickers failed completely and six tries and two penalty kicks were unconverted.

Old Lutonians opened the scoring within five minutes, Heanue rounding off the movement in which several players had a hand. For a while the Stortfordians attacked strongly and some careless defensive work allowed them to score an equalising try. Regaining the initiative, Old Lutonians scored further tries through Thurlow, Fensome and Thorpe. Adkins converted once to make the score 14-3 in their favour at half-time

For a period in the second-half the Stortfordians offered some resistance but the visitors increased their lead through Heanue Thorpe, Thurlow (2) and Pakes. Adkins converted two of these tries.

From a practical point of view, the Old Lutonians gained little from this game except passing practice. They should take a warning from their poor kicking, however. Such points needlessly thrown away may well be needed in some games before the season is over.

NARROW DEFEAT WAS UNDESERVED

Vauxhall Motors 3, Camelots 6

Vauxhall scarcely deserved to be beaten for they gave a very good account of themselves and kept their line intact until the closing stages.

Without Owen, Gudgin and Plastow the Motors' pack lacked weight which was unfortunate as Camelots were a big strong side and thus won many of the set scrums. Nevertheless the home forwards did well in the line-out with Baker and Boyle doing much good work.

In the loose Giles and Brown did well and the tackling of the backs—especially Squires—was deadly.

First score came soon after the interval when Squires kicked ahead and Stenal touched down. The kick failed.

Camelots hit back and gradually their heavier pack got on top and, 15 minutes from the end, one of their forwards touched down. Five minutes from the end Vauxhall were penalised for off-side and Camelots converted the penalty to give them victory.

OTHER RESULTS

Camelots "A" 15, Vauxhall "A" 8
Aylesbury 36, Luton 3
Luton "A" 3, Aylesbury "A" 19
Aylesbury Extra "A" 6, Luton Extra "A" 6

FOOTBALL

LUTON TOWN F.C.

SATURDAY, 6th NOVEMBER
F.A. Youth Cup — 2nd Round

LUTON TOWN YOUTH
versus
SPALDING YOUTH
Kick-off 11.15 a.m.

Prices of admission: Grandstand and Enclosure only: 1/-, Boys 6d.

Combination League — Division I

LUTON TOWN RESERVES
versus
ARSENAL RES.
Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

Admission: Centre Stand (Season Tickets only); Wing Stand and Enclosure 1/6, Boys 1/-; Bobbers' Stand 1/3, Boys 10d.; Terraces (not covered) 1/-, Boys 9d.

MONDAY, 8th NOVEMBER
FLOODLIGHT MATCH
Rigby Taylor Cup

LUTON TOWN
versus
WATFORD
Kick-off 7 p.m.

Prices of admission: Centre Stand 4/-; Wing Stand and Enclosure 3/-, Boys 2/-; Bobbers' Stand 2/-, Boys 1/3; Terraces 1/6, Boys 9d.

PREMIER DIVISION

Ampthill 5, Histon 3
Biggleswade 1, Marston Shelton 5
Dunstable 4, Potton United 3
Peartree Old Boys 3, Kent's Ath. 2
Stotfold 0, Shefford 2
Wootton Blue Cross 0, Cranfield Utd. 2

DIVISION I

Queen's Works 4, Bletchley BBOB 1
Skefko Ath. 4, Davis Ath. 3
Tickford Sports 2, Rootes Sports 0
Waterlow's 8, Eastow Abbey 3

DIVISION II

Lynton Works 2, Shillington 6
Bedford North End 2, Flitwick Ath. 1
Bedford St. Cuthberts 1, Stewartby Works 3

RESERVE SECTION

Cranfield Utd. 1, Wootton Blue Cross 0
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Potton United 6, Peartree Old Boys 2
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