INJURY TREATMENT FOR BAYNHAM AND HAWKES

BOTH SHOULD BE FIT FOR TOWN'S CUP-TIE

Season's Best Crowd Saw Arsenal Well Whipped

By Chiltern

WITH the hectic League programme of last week over, the Town got down quietly yesterday to preparation for the Cup-tie at Stockport on Saturday.

Most of the players were training as usual on a local works ground, but two, Ron Baynham and Ken Hawkes, remained at Kenilworth-road for treatment.

Baynham returned on Saturday after having to stand down from the Boxing Day match with a bruised thigh muscle which is still a little troublesome.

HAWKES received a similar record—28,433 in a sixth-round type of injury against Cup-tie in 1952. Arsenal, but both should be fit by the week-end, though Baynham was also complaining about a slight chill yesterday.

The players leave Luton for Blackpool on Thursday morning, and will complete their training | N both the last two home within sight of the sea on Friday All the Town's share of stand have found difficulty in securing tickets for the Cup-tie have been positions from which they can sold, but there has not been a have an adequate view, and heavy demand for tickets for the Secretary Phil Coley attributes enclosure and terraces.

Those left at midday today will people leave their arrival until be sent back to Stockport, who the last minute and the early have applications which they can- comers will not move from the not meet from their share. By yesterday, about 650 tickets had been sold to Town fans.

Old Year Ends On A High Note

ON paper, December looked to pose just about as difficult a programme as the Town could face, and it began none too promisingly with that 5-0 defeat at Portsmouth

However, despite enforced changes because of injuries and illness, they collected seven points out of the next 10, and were beaten afterwards only by Manchester United when deprived of three of their key players.

So, the old year has ended on a high note for the Town, with the great victory over Arsenal last Saturday setting the seal on a very good first half of the season.

This Team Has Won All Three Matches

IN view of the fact that the Town expect to be able to field what they regard as their full-strength team for the Cup-tie at Strength team for the Cup-tie at Strengt Stockport, it is encouraging to Old Mick; 10-1 others. note that on the three occasions they have played together, they have collected full points by an aggregate of 11-2.

For the first time in a home League match the Town collected full points from Arsenal, before the third biggest League gate the ground has ever housed.

The League record stands at 27,911. Tottenham drew 27,319 Ready. in 1949, but Arsenal still hold the | Forecast £1 17s. 6d. about for reasons why their attendances had been so low earlier on.

However, if the Town maintain the form they showed against the Gunners, there will be no more grumbling about lack

Vintage Football From The Town

FROM the Town we saw some of the best first halves there has been on the ground for many a

and excitement that could have produced a lot more goals than the two which Allan Brown scored to create tremendous scenes of excitement and enthu-

Each team hit the woodwork with goalkeepers well beaten and at half-time, the score could well have been something of the order of 5-2 in the Town's favour.

They cut through the Arsenal defence consistently and Brown. with fine support from his col-

Brown Is Receiving **Better Service**

FIVE of the eight goals Brown spectators has scored this season have



SUCCESS FOR ONLY TWO FAVOURITES AT LUTON

TRAPS one and two drew blanks at Luton Stadium on Saturday. Number six was the most successful, with three winners.

Favourites won only two of the eight races.

(410yds).-1, JOHNNY B. | IV (470yds).-1, MY GUIN-(5); 2, Ron (1); 3, Tiger (2); 4. NESS (3); 2, Coral Bead (2); Lucky Jim (6); 5, Bendigo (4); Scrapbook (6); 4, Poppy (5); Miss Patience (3). 4, head, 2, Who Cares (4); 6, Topper (1). 1. 25.41. Off 6.45.

Will Not Move From

The Entrances

matches, some

entrances.

4-1 JOHNNY B.; 5-1 Bendigo. Miss Patience; 8-1 Lucky Jim. Forecast £1 18s. 6d. 10-1 Poppy.

II (470yds).-I, ARDEN GIRL (5); 2, Office Boy (6); 3, Maisie's Pet (1); 4, Brady (4); 5, Dark

Ever Ready (4); 3, No Joke Bally Fairy. (2); 4, Time Limit (1); 5, Very Useful (3); 6, Outcast (5). 3, 5, 3, 1, 2. 24.85. Off 7.25.

Betting: 6-4 No Joke; 2-1 (3); 4, King Sol (4); 5. Little QUAINT; 5-1 Time Limit, Very Useful; 7-1 Outcast; 10-1 Ever 1. 2, 6. 25:25. Off 8.26.

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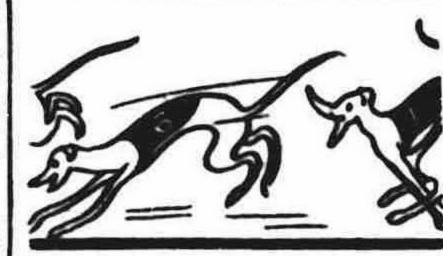
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Scrapbook; 3-1 MY GUINNESS

5-1 Who Cares; 7-1 Coral Bead;

Forecast £3 3s. 3d.

2-1 Topper;

V (470yds).-1, TONTO (3); 2,

Forecasts £1 4s. 3d., 16s. 9d.

Little Willie; 8-1 Sheila's Choice;

VII (470yds).-1, OUR BOB

weight (6), 3, 2, 7, dist. 29.04

Betting: 7-4 Fly Miss; 9-4 OUR BOB; 3-1 Dr. Paddy; 4-1

VIII (410yds).-1, DOUBLE

R. (6); 2, Bobby A. (1); 3, Bogard (5); 4, Rhapsody (3); 5,

Hi Gang (4); 6, Matchless (2).

Betting: 5-2 DOUBLE R.; 3-1

Bobby A., Hi Gang; 4-1 Rhap-

RUNNERS AND SELECTIONS FOR

LUTON TONIGHT

4. 1. 1. 7, 1. 25.12. Off 9.05.

Betting: 2-1 Flare:

Forecast £3 13s. 3d.

Non-runner Tramp (2).

Gaynor, 8-1 Heavyweight.

Forecast 16s 9d.

sody; 6-1 others.

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15 Fish and Chips.

SELECTIONS

Gold Star.

24.98); reserve I Black Friar.

8.24 (410 yds).—Ash Tray (Dec 19, tp 3, 24.46, Dec 26, tp 1, 24.03); 162 Houghton Boy; 153 Laxton Superb; 134 Mad Jack; 111 Please Sir; 151 The

8.44 (470 yds).—146 Coq D'Or; 113 Hi' Gang; 313 Netta; 432 Oh Effic;

9.04 (410 yds).—212 Coniston; 1 Nerve Tonic; 126 Reject; 63 Robin

Hood; 443 Sandman; 53 Slippery. 9.22 (470 yds).—623 Agreement; 53

Austin; 2 Faith; 425 Irene; 132 Out-

side; 643 Speedy Ash; reserve 234

9.40 (410 yds).—241 Blue Jet; 2 Jean; 515 Rose Royale; Sorrowful (Dec 19 tp 3, 24.57, Dec 21, tp 5, 24.60); Tea Cory (Dec 19, tp 2, 24.61, Dec 26, tp 2, 24.51); 122 The Orphan; reserve

7.30-Betty (Bill's Blue, Cry Wolf).

8.06 Drambuie (No Reply, Trigger).

8.24-The Dove (Ash Tray, Houghton

Boy).

8.44—Hi' Gang (Regina, Ribot).

9.04—Reject (Nerve Tonic, Sundman).

9.22—Isene (nap) (Paith, Outside).

9.40-The Orphan (Tea Cosy, Sorrow-

Forecast 19s. 6d.

10-1 Joyful.

Betting:

Betting: 2-1 Tiger; 7-2 Ron; Non-runner Puzzle (1). Off 7.45

IN view of the fact that the Neck, 2, 7, 8 dist. 28.82. Off Eve (4) deck (1) and Hawk

Forecast 14s, 9d.

Willie (5); 6, Joyful (1). 21, 3, RUMBA; 4-1 King Sol; 5-1

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For The Records

LUTON TOWN Brown (3), Groves ARSENAL

LUTON TOWN: Baye-Adam, Turner, Brown, Groves (J), McLeod.

ARSENAL: Kelsey; Dodgin, Goring; Le Roux, Herd, Groves (V), Bloomfield, Nutt.

Referee, G. McCabe,

Attendance: 27,291,

come in the last five matches, and much of the increased service he has been receiving has come from John Groves, whose play has been a revelation since he was restored to the team at inside-left.

Groves and a very-much-improved McLeod had a hand in both the first two goals which came in the 23rd and 31st minutes.

Both were close-range efforts Turner. by Brown, who also had bad luck with a crashing header.

Another who was most unlucky was Morton, after coming through in typical fashion and then, with his left foot, cracking the ball against the bar.

Arsenal Vulnerable Down The Middle

NOT only were Arsenal vulnerable through the middle, but Charlton had little idea of stopping McLeod and, with Town playing direct football all the time and the ball being pushed through, not only Groves, but by Morton Pearce, goals always seemed a likely happening.

it was scarcely to be expected this cracking pace for the whole of the next 45 minutes and. indeed, Arsenal, looking tighter in defence, showed more soundness in the second half.

Two or three times they looked as if they might get back into the game, but were foiled by brilliant goalkeeping by Baynham. ON this occasion, the left wing

Goal-getting Load

More Evenly Spread

was not until seven minutes from performance for several matches. the end that their third goal Betting: 5-2 TONTO, Peter came and then it was Groves of fighting spirit, a quality with Pan; 7-2 Hawk Eye; 4-1 Whatawho accepted a pass from Brown III (410yds).-1, QUAINT (6); day; 5-1 Light and Light; 6-1 to score his third goal in four

VI (410yds).-1, RUMBA (6); remaining, came the event that being quietly tipped in many everyone had hoped for, apart from the Arsenal lans, of course.

Brown completed his hat-trick during a scramble in front of goal in which Adam and Turner had been prominent.

One thing that gives a good deal of satisfaction is that the (4); 2, Fly Miss (1); 3, Dr. Paddy (3); 4, Gaynor (5); 5, Heavy-



Kelsey, the Arsenal goalkeeper, who had a very busy afternoon, makes a during nave from the Luton centre-forward. - R2556R

Turner Was Always

Closely Watched THIS top marksman did not relaxed it afterwards.

score and, in fact, had something of a quiet match, but he was very closely marked and, in any case, may have needed this outing after his groin injury.

Brown's hat-trick, his first since he joined Luton, must increase his considerable chances of forcing himself back on to the international scene with Scotland, and Arsenal must have unhappy memories of because he caused them to lose that the Town would keep up their home match with the Town at Highbury last season.

Pin-pointed Passes

From Groves

McLeod beat Charlton continually by taking the ball right up to him and this was his best

Then, with a bare minute good reason why the Town are quarters for a good Cup run.

spread more widely than it was, much of the ball as came the with some of the responsibility way of McLeod, but he showed much of the ball as came the

being taken off the shoulders of tenacity in the way in which he and the defence as a whole

However, he was always in the

danger zone and the fact that he was well covered meant that loopholes appeared elsewhere.

was much the more effective. with Groves continually pushing through pin-pointed passes all along the carpet and he is filling during the second half because of his role most faithfully.

In addition, he showed plenty which the whole team is wellendowed and this, combined with their splendid football, is one

Great Strength In The Middle Line

of goal-getting is being FOR Adam, there was not so

several times had Evans groping. Again there was tremendous in the half-back line strength and Pearce where Morton assumed a grip in the middle of

Morton, who had been in bed with a heavy cold earlier in the chance. week, was positively brilliant, not only in his defensive work, but in the way in which he came through with the ball and with a bit of luck would have had a

the field from the start and never

Owen Was Dominant

couple of goals.

In The Middle

standard was Pearce whose shots at goal were wilder than those of Morton, but his strong tackling and distribution of the ball made him a great success. Nor did Owen give anything

away against Vic Groves whom he put pretty much out of the game and, after the opening minutes, there was never much threat down the Town's middle. Neither the dash of Le Roux

nor the presence of Charlton who moved to outside - right a slight groin injury, caused Hawkes any misgiving.

Hawkes Has Done

A Manful Job

Hawkes has done a manful job and has taken to this class of football like a duck to water. times when the ball was being Wisely, he is not attempting

any frills and his straight-forward play is just what was wanted in defence.

great deal of trouble from Nutt

came back to fight for it and looked sound and workmanlike Although Baynham felt some trouble from his bruised thigh muscle when kicking, he made several brilliant saves and looked a good deal happier than die Kelsey who received a deal o practice from the sharp-shooting Town forwards who blazed away goal whenever they had the

Reserves Lost A Two-goals Lead

AFTER holding a 2-0 lead a half-time, through goals b Cullen and Legate the Tow failed to hang on at Ipswich and in the end were beaten 3-2.

On the run of the play his Ipswich, for whom that ver experienced centre-forwar Blackman, scored twice, ju about deserved both points, bu the Town could count themselve unfortunate.

> The winning goal was th result of a slip by Alan Collic home on leave from German and who, having not had a gam for a month, was a bit out

Seven Players Under 20 Years Of Age

ON the surface, this was not bad performance by the Town, seven of whose playe were under the age of 20. By and large, the defence w

sound, with no real weakness but there was not sufficient pow CINCE he came into the side, in finishing from the forwards. Of these, Culien and Gregor were the best, but there we

to advantage. David Rowland his first sample of Combinatio football was a little too much Dunne, too, did not have a but he was not helped by a thig

held too long and not being use

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Bear Brand; 623 Easy Custom; 131 Pip
Emma: 156 Rose Bud; 2 Santon Boy.
8.06 (410 yds).—53 Drambuie; 234
Ian; 45 Iza (Dec 12, tp 6, 24.76); 251
No Reply; 315 Old Fella; Trianer
(Nov 19, tp 5, 24.98, Nov 26, tp 2, 24.96); reserve 1 Black Erica. Liverpool v Southend U Middlesbrough v Derby Co Nottee Forest v Gillingham Notts Co v Tranmere Rov Plymouth A v Newcastle U Portsmouth v Aldershot Preston N.E. v Bolton Wdrs Rotherham U v Blackburn Rov Scoutherpe U v Bradford C

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