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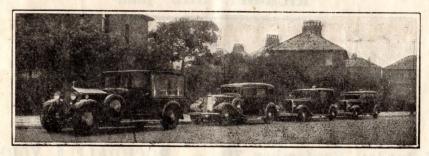
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to strengthen any weak position which may develop.

You will note that the team is very similar to the one which did so well last season, when we finished as runners-up to Accrington Stanley in the first half of the season and to Rotherham United in the second half.

Each week we shall give a short column as a history of each player. Next week we shall start with W. Roberts, Goal-keeper.

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Biggest Football League victory.
—8-0 v. Rochdale, September 28, 1929.

Heaviest defeats.—0-6 v. Wigan Borough, January 1, 1926; 0-6 v. Southport, October 23, 1926; 1-7 v. Lincoln City, September 7, 1937.

Most Football League goals for club up to start of 1939 war.
—174 by T. Bamford from 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

Record individual total of Football League goals for one season.—44 by T. Bamford in 1933-34.

Best individual scoring feats for one Football League match.— Five goals by: T. H. Lewis v. Crewe Alexandra, September 20, 1930; T. Bamford v. Carlisle United, March 17, 1934.

Best individual scoring feat against for one Football League match.—Five goals by B. Twell (Southport), April 18, 1930.

Total players (while with club) supplied for International Championship matches.—56: all Welshmen.

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4.—Which was the biggest crowd ever seen on the ground of any of the present 88 Football League clubs?

5.—Which were the two instances between the two wars of brothers acting as managers of Football League clubs?

6.—Which was the last instance of a player finishing a season as the leading scorer in Football League matches of each of two clubs?

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2.—Seven in Clapton Orient, Gateshead, Manchester City, Norwich City, Queen's Park Rangers, Southend United and Watford.

3.—Only once, Derby County first winning that distinction in December, 1945, the five forwards being Crooks, Carter, McCulloch, Doherty and Duncan.

4.—That of 84,569 which saw the sixth round F.A. Cuptie between Manchester City and Stoke City at Maine Road on March 3, 1934.

5.—Those concerning Messrs. Alec Maley (Crystal Palace and Merthyr Town) and Tom Maley (Bradford and Southport); and Angus Seed (Aldershot and Barnsley) and James Seed (Clapton Orient and Charlton Athletic).

6.—There were two such instances in season 1938-39, which Ephrain Dodds finished as the leading Football League scorer of Sheffield United with 17 goals and of Blackpool with 10 goals, while Thomas Cheetham was the premier scorer of Queen's Park Rangers and Brentford with 22 and 8 goals respectively.

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