

KEEN GAMES IN LONDON CHALLENGE CUP.

Chelsea, Still Without a Victory, Fail to Defeat Bromley.

MILLWALL BEAT WEST HAM.

The only surprising result of the eight ties in the first round of the London Challenge Cup yesterday was the failure of Chelsea to beat Bromley and so win their first game of the season. Both sides scored twice, and the amateurs would have been unlucky to have lost.

The other amateur sides did not fare so well. Metros and Shepherd's Bush both providing Tottenham Hotspur and Brentford with plenty of shooting practice. The only junior club to win was London Caledonians, who defeated another amateur side in Tufnell Park. Visiting Upton Park, Millwall registered their first success of the season, beating West Ham by the only goal of a finely-contested match.

Crystal Palace, the holders of the trophy, got through at the expense of their near neighbours, Croydon Common, and Fulham, who were defeated by Clapton Orient at the beginning of the league with a 2 to 1 victory over the Hammers side. Woolwich Arsenal and Queen's Park Rangers will have to meet again, yesterday's match ending in a 1-1 draw.

BROMLEY DRAW WITH CHELSEA.

Bromley put up a surprisingly good show against Chelsea at Bromley, and a well-contested game ended in a draw of 2 goals apiece. It was a capital performance on the part of the amateurs, as Chelsea, though doing badly in the League competition, were generally expected to win comfortably with their full side doing duty.

As it happened, however, the Bromley men played an extremely good game, holding their own throughout against heavier opponents. The Chelsea forwards were disappointing, as they were well served by their halves, Logan in particular being sound and resourceful.

They had several openings, but did not display any marked combination in front of goal. The Chelsea defence was strong, as was also that of Bromley. Saines at back and Wood in goal both being admirable. The first half proceeded on even terms, and both goals had escaped.

Shortly before half-time Halse scored for Chelsea, and by this goal they led at the interval. About a quarter of an hour after the resumption Paddock equalised with a long shot. Ten minutes later Ford put Chelsea ahead again, but before the close Laddray made the scores level. Chelsea made strong efforts in the closing stages, but Bromley lasted to the finish. About 1,000 spectators were present.

THIRTEEN GOALS AT TOTTENHAM.

Tottenham Hotspur, represented by their best side, had a very easy task to defeat Metros, who had waived the right to play at home, the margin in their favour being 11 goals to 2.

Although there was no scoring until midway through the first half, it was early apparent that the amateurs were no match for Tottenham and at half-time the Spurs had scored four times. Middlemiss obtaining the first goal and Bannochkin getting through three times in quick succession.

Play was almost entirely in the vicinity of the Metros goal in the second half, the amateurs giving a very disappointing display. Both Cantrell and Minter, like Baughop, registered three goals, and Walden brought the score to the big total of 11. Lawford and Bowles got through for Metros, the former's point being scored as a result of King fumbling the ball.

On the Metros side Hawkins did some good work at full back in the first half, and Shaw in goal saved several shots in good style. There were 2,000 spectators.

NARROW WIN FOR FULHAM.

Scoring twice in the last ten minutes, Fulham defeated Clapton Orient at Craven Cottage by 2 goals to 1. Fast and vigorous, the game did not furnish much good forward play, but the absence of combination among the front lines was due as largely to resolute defence as to any pronounced shortcomings on the part of the attackers.

Marshall, Mavin and Russell tackled so effectively, and received such excellent support from Coquet and Houghton that the Orient found it almost impossible to develop any really good movements. The Fulham forwards experienced similar difficulty, Willis and Scott, and Laddell and Hind getting through a lot of fine spilling work.

Fulham did the bulk of the pressing in the opening half, but just before the interval Dalrymple shot through for Clapton Orient, and it almost seemed as if the game was to be decided. The game, however, was a capital display, led up to the point, Dalrymple having an open goal at his mercy. Following change of ends Clapton Orient played such a strong game that they looked like holding their lead to the end. In the closing stages, however, Fulham rallied in splendid style, and after Lee had equalised Mavin headed in from a corner three minutes before time.

DRAWN GAME AT HIGHBURY.

Woolwich Arsenal put a weakened eleven into the field at Highbury, and they could only draw with the Queen's Park Rangers. The score was 1 goal each, both points coming in the first twenty minutes. After ten minutes play Pullin tripped Greenwood in the penalty area, and Devine who took the kick, gave Nicholls no chance of saving. The Rangers drew level with a nicely headed goal from a corner kick by Gregory.

The game generally went in favour of the Arsenal, who were the better of two poor sides in attack. As a matter of fact, both sets of forwards gave a poor account of themselves, most of the passing being aimless and often inaccurate. "Burrell at outside left for the Arsenal was seen to advantage, but Harding took matters very easily, and Stanley and Devine could not control the rather light ball. Shaw was the best back on the field.

There were about 5,000 people present, £122 being taken at the gates. The tie will be replayed next Monday at Park Royal.

WEST HAM LOSE AT HOME.

Scoring late in the game, Millwall beat West Ham at Upton Park by 1 goal to 0, and won their first match of the season. Neither side was quite at full strength, Sullivan displacing Davis for Millwall and Goodwin coming in at outside left for West Ham.

It was a hard-keen game, and there was not a great deal in it during the opening half, the full backs and half-backs in both teams holding the forwards well.

Ashton made a fine effort for West Ham, but he sent just over the bar. Wayman also came near scoring for Millwall, but Higgins effected a smart save, and later at the other end Lasse missed a good opportunity.

West Ham had a little the better of the game for some while after the change of ends, and on one occasion Ashton hit the post with a hard drive. Previous to this Orme made some clever saves.

The game looked like ending in a draw when, in the closing minutes, Sullivan got through for Millwall, who thus gained a narrow victory. A crowd numbering 6,000 saw the match.

CRYSTAL PALACE BEAT CROYDON.

Confident in their superior powers, the Crystal Palace team were inclined to take their match against Croydon Common rather easily or their victory by 1 goal to nil might have been more decisive.

The football was of a distinctly moderate character, and gave but one more illustration of the all-round cleverness of the Palace defence. The winning goal came from Smith twenty-five minutes from the start, that player taking a

centre from Keene, who was given another trial at outside left.

Croydon were unable to play their regular half-back line, owing chiefly to injuries, and thus crippled the team gave a poor show. The forwards showed little exertion after their hard match at Newport, and never looked capable of breaking through a powerful defence. Hutchings and Little, however, played an extremely good game at full back.

Owing to the shilling admission charged this month, there were only about 1,000 spectators.

FINE WIN FOR CALEDONIANS.

Although playing only ten men for the greater part of the game, the London Caledonians beat Tufnell Park by 2 goals to 1. The start was sensational, for within the first minute the Caledonians had taken the lead. The ball went out to Grant, on the left wing, and, eluding all opponents, that player centred splendidly, and Melhuish, with a low, fast shot, had no difficulty in scoring.

The game was stopped several times for minor injuries, but it was not until about half an hour had elapsed that anything serious occurred, and then Mason, in clearing, hurt his collar-bone and had to retire. With only ten men the Caledonians played the one-back game, Balfour going into goal, and at the interval they still led.

Soon after change of ends Williams equalised for Tufnell Park, who from that point had the best of matters. They could not score again, however, and five minutes from the end Melhuish broke away and went right through to give the Caledonians a very popular victory.

SHEPHERD'S BUSH OUTPLAYED.

Brentford altogether outclassed Shepherd's Bush on the latter club's ground, and beat them by 6 goals to 1.

The best feature of the match was the fine form shown by L. O. Grapes, the Shepherd's Bush goalkeeper. Time after time he saved his charges from disaster, and but for his capital work, the home side would have been beaten by an even larger margin.

Brentford opened strongly, but it was not until twenty-five minutes had gone by that they scored their first goal. Allright putting in a fine drive which Grapes failed to hold. From this point up to half-time the Brentford forwards were always pressing, and before the interval Johnson (two) and Simms added further goals.

Shortly after resuming Bateman broke away on the Bush right wing, and from his centre Louche obtained the home side's only point. The Brentford forwards, however, were not to be denied, and Chapman secured Brentford's fifth goal, which was followed by a sixth soon afterwards by the same player.

CAPITAL WIN FOR OLDHAM.

Sheffield Wednesday Beaten at Home in Last Ten Minutes.

Maintaining the splendid form they had displayed against Tottenham Hotspur, whom they beat 3-0 on Saturday, Oldham Athletic defeated Sheffield Wednesday by 2 goals to 1 in a first League match at Sheffield yesterday. It was due to a dashing finish that the Athletic secured the points, for within ten minutes of time they were a goal in arrears.

The Sheffield half-back line was weakened by the absence of McShimming and Brittleton, and this doubtless affected the side, as the Sheffield forwards, however, played excellently. Hodson and Cook, the backs, were in great form, but the outstanding player was Roberts, the old Manchester United centre half.

Oldham were early aggressive, and Woodger made a good but unfruitful effort to put the home side in the lead at a time the Wednesday improved, and Glennon turned to account a well-placed centre from Kirkman. Donnachie missed a chance of scoring for Oldham, and Sheffield retained their lead to the interval.

The Athletic did better after the resumption, but it was not until late in the game that Cook brought the scores level from a penalty. With four minutes to go, Walters rushed through the winning goal.

INTER-LEAGUE TEAMS.

At a meeting of the Football League Committee held on the Sheffield Wednesday ground yesterday, the team to meet the first League on October 1 at Belfast was selected as follows:

Hardy (Aston Villa); Crompton (Blackburn Rovers) (captain) and Pennington (West Bromwich Albion); Cugry (Sunderland); Whalley (Manchester United) and Watson (Sheff. Wed.); Shaw and Spence (Blackburn Rovers); Freeman (Burnley); Holler and Martin (Sunderland).

The Irish eleven will be: Scott (Shelbourne); McConnell (Bohemians) and Gibson (Belfast Celtic); McCracken (Distillery); Clifford (Linfield) and Ferritt (Glenora); Smith (Distillery); Bowser (Distillery); Smith (Glenora); Willets (Bohemians); and McNeill (Linfield).

LEICESTER RACING RETURNS.

1.50.—MILDEN T.V.O PLATE. 5f.—MINUTE GLASS (Rickleby) and HAPPINESS II. F.C. Barrett, dead-heat, 1; PAINTBRUSH (Martin). 3. Also ran: Willbrook, Bellechase, Aldermaston, Coastguard, Scarlet, Marriage Market, Lady's Collar, Waterson, Saur, Hollandaise, Christabel, Golden Web, and The Dame and Lark. 2. YORINGAL (Foy). 3. Also ran: 2 Dan and Ambrol, 9 to 2 Melton Prior, 7 St. Bred, 4 four (Barnett).

2.50.—MIDLAND NURSERY H'CAP. 6f.—LADY TERTIUS C (Wm. Griggs). 1; TIP TOP (Foy). 2; SANDMAN (Martin). 3. Also ran: Dublin Prawn, Cambyes, Her Ladyship, Phineas Stage Fright, The Forest, The Crown, Amabel and Star of Freedom. Betting—7 to 2 Lady Tertius c, 4 Cambyes, 6 The Forest, 7 Sandman, 6 Dublin Prawn, Tip Top, 9 Her Ladyship, 10 Stage Fright, 100 to 8 others. Two: three. (Shawwood).

3.50.—GOPSALL S. PLATE. 5f.—CLARITA (Robbins). 1; KNOCK OUT (R. Cooper). 2; DANCING MISTRESS (Cheshire). 3. Also ran: Pletist, Penny Hill, Lock Keeper, Rillet, Stockton Lassie, Flora's Bird, Double Six, Voltaire and Little Maid. Betting—6 to 4 Flora's Bird, 6 Knock Out and Pletist, 100 to 12 Dancing Mistress and Rillet, 10 Clarita and Stockton Lassie, 100 to 8 others. Two: four. (Kelly).

5.50.—HINCKLEY H'CAP. 6f.—MINT MASTER (Foy). 1; BATTLE AXE (F. Wootton). 2; PATROCLOS (Donoghue). 3. Also ran: Buckstead, Irish Demon, Buongiorno, Lepidessa, Swing Clear, El King, Hainesby, Puzzle and Pantomime. Betting—5 to 2 Battle Axe, 2 toward, 100 to 12 Buckstead and Irish Demon, 10 Patroclos and Puzzle, 100 to 8 others. Length and a half; three-quarters. (J. Cannon).

4.20.—CAMP H'CAP. 12m.—RUFF'S GUIDE (C. Jones). 1; LALL (R. Cooper). 2; MOUCHE BLEUE (E. Huxley). 3. Also ran: Lenana, Mercury, Ignoramus, Molly O'Hara and Miss Malena. Betting—15 to 8 Lall, 5 to 2 Ignoramus, 6 Lenana, 8 Ruff's Guide and Moche Bleu, 10 Miss Malena, 100 to 8 Mercury, 20 Molly O'Hara. Short head; two. (Eisey).

4.45.—MELTON PLATE. 1m. 11.—TINKLEBELL (Wheatley). 1; QUEEN OF THE GROVE (Martin). 2; CHARMEUSE (Whalley). 3. Also ran: Starto, Sensitive Symons, Sherwood Lassie, Firecraze and Stargates. Betting—11 to 10 Tinklebell, 11 to 10 Queen of the Grove, 6 Sensitive Symons, 10 others. Five; four. (S. Darling).

LATEST LONDON BETTING.

CESAREWITCH SPACES—100 to 8 Charlton (f. o), 100 to 7 Fantasio (f. o), 100 to 6 Wagstaff (f. o), after 20 taken; 20 Candy (f. o), 100 to 8 Warlock (f. o), 100 to 8 E. Vama (f. o), and 100 to 8 The Guller (f. o).

BIG FIELDS AT LEICESTER RACES.

Another Victory for Lady Tertius Colt in Midland Nursery.

Big fields contested most of the races at Leicester yesterday, and with the weather delightfully fine a large crowd enjoyed the afternoon's entertainment. Of the seven events chief interest centred in the Midland Nursery, which was won by that consistent youngster, the Lady Tertius colt.

Since running second to White Ruby in March, Lady Tertius has appeared in public nine times, and only once has he been out of the first three. He was a pronounced favourite yesterday, and his success must have been gratifying to Mr. R. Sherwood, whose luck this season has been more in keeping with his merit as a trainer than it was last year.

There was a spirited beginning when Minute Glass, a 20 to 1 outsider, and Happiness II, 2 to 1, a dead-heat for the Maiden Two-Year-Old Plate. Bellechase, Christabel and Willbrook were the only three seriously fancied, but none of them were ever prominent in the race. Paintbrush showed fine speed at the beginning, but was eventually beaten a length by the dead-heaters.

An advantage of 22 lb. in the weights enabled The Dacot to turn the Warwick tables on Melton Prior in the Humberstone Plate, but the verdict was only a neck in favour of Captain Barnett's horse. Yorling, the favourite, cut up badly, and Ambrol broke down.

Although five furlongs is his best distance, Battle Axe was slightly better backed than Mint Master in the six-furlong Hinckley H'cap. Mr. C. Herbert's horse enjoyed a big pull in the weights, and, making full use of the advantage, Foy kept Mint Master in front from beginning to end, to win easily from Battle Axe.

Lord Bird failed to run up to expectations in the Gosnell Welter and finished fourth, more than half a dozen lengths behind Charlie, who made the whole of the running. The winner had finished behind Flora's Bird at Brighton, but she was now meeting Mr. McKinley's colt on 12 lb. better terms.

Lord Bird made a gallant attempt to concede Ruff's Guide 7 lb. in the Cam and Handicap, but in a desperate finish the last-named stayed on to win by a short head. An objection followed for bumping, but this was soon overruled. Tinklebell had little more than an excuse gallop to win the Melton Plate.

SELECTIONS FOR LEICESTER.

1.50.—SILVER BALM. 3.50.—TIERY NELL.
2.20.—LAVENO BELLE C. 4.20.—SIMON SURF.
2.50.—ROBERT LEE. 4.45.—LADY GALETTE.
3.20.—STIFF NECK.

Special Selection.

SILVER BALM. GREY FRARS.

LEICESTER PROGRAMME.

1.50.—KEGWORTH NURSERY H'CAP. 200 sovs; 1m.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
a Silver Balm 9 0	Polygamist 8 10	Dazek 8 1	
a Willbrook 8 13	Foolery 8 5	a Eileen 8 0	
Vanita 8 8	Rob Roy 8 4	Asthore 8 0	
Warden 8 7	a King 8 3	Prompter 7 13	
Kip 8 6	Philip 8 4	Garve 7 12	
Ronald 8 6	a Pankatia 8 3	Stag 7 11	
Oliveda 8 6	Lallenatia 8 3	Black 7 10	
a King Fre 8 5	Rubacula 8 1	mailer 7 8	

2.20.—WELBECK S. PLATE. 106 sovs; 6f.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
Sir Max 4 9 11	a Kewatin 2 7 3		
Llanern 3 8 4	a Vieux Marcheur 2 7 1		
Manch 3 8 3	a Min Tak 2 7 1		
Laveno Belle 2 7 3	a Silberhorne 2 6 12		
Necken 2 7 3			

2.50.—VILLAGE NURSERY H'CAP. 200 sovs; 5f.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
Amoureux 9 7	Glitter 8 10	a Polymnia 8 2	
Red Finch 8 12	Agnes 8 6	Crimoline 8 2	
a Hawk 8 10	Copernicus 8 5	a Cauchouche 8 1	
a Hawk 8 10	Teats and	Julia Dea 8 1	
Llanilla 8 9	La Cara 8 3	a Vidi 7 13	
a Ronaldo 8 8	a Robert Lee 8 3	a Vidi 7 13	
a Beche do 8 8	a Arrick 8 3	Heildes 7 7	
Symex 8 8	a Gecros 8 3	Sardinia 7 7	
a Monchettia 8 8	Vino 8 2	Tat 7 6	

3.20.—LEICESTERSHIRE SEPTEMBER S. PLATE (cap). 500 sovs; 12m.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
a Razel 6 8 7	a Dolphin 6 8 6		
a Amant 5 8 11	a Gotham 4 8 2		
a Chatham 4 8 10	Endrick 3 8 2		
a Chatham 4 8 10	a Sham Rock 3 8 0		
a Predominant 4 8 7	a Yen How 3 7 7		
a Sidley 4 8 6	a Tains 4 7 7		
Sun Cloud 6 8 6	Eastwick 3 7 4		

3.50.—BRADFORD HIGH-WEIGHT H'CAP. 106 sovs; 5f.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
Hallaton 4 9 12	a Puzzle 3 8 0		
a Orphant 4 9 4	Slash Lane 4 8 0		
Crack of Doom 4 9 4	Lanishen 3 8 0		
Panastine 3 9 4	Panda 3 7 13		
Polymelia 4 9 1	Thelma's Amulet 3 7 13		
Fiery Nell 4 9 1	Dilwyn 5 7 13		
Cataract 4 9 0	a For 3 7 12		
Demmet 4 8 0	Cyril 3 7 12		
Chatham 4 8 0	Regina 3 7 12		
Off 3 8 12	Miss Mary 3 7 7		
Slip 4 8 11	a Harry Preston 3 7 5		
a Lepidessa 4 8 8	Denver 3 7 5		
Bachelor's Club 4 8 7	Edala 3 7 5		
By Night 3 8 6	Joe Devlin 3 7 4		
a Molau 3 8 5	Shedden 3 7 0		
Fortune 3 8 5	Scintillator 3 7 0		
Crystal Gazer 3 8 5	Grey Fly 3 7 0		
Lo Soleil 5 8 4	Minster View 3 7 0		
Fancy Nurse 4 8 3	Abra 3 7 0		
Mr. Peepers 4 8 1			

4.20.—ELMESTHORPE HIGH-WEIGHT H'CAP. 106 sovs; 12m.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
Excelsior 6 10 7	Graun 3 7 13		
Lilaine 4 10 0	a Florisante 3 7 12		
Knock Na Carriga 4 9 9	a Sen 3 7 8		
Obseful 3 9 4	Leadet 3 7 6		
a Hainesby 4 8 6	Non Sequitur 3 7 4		
Canran 3 8 3	Choke Jade 3 7 3		
Ignoramus 3 8 3	a Miss Malsaka 3 7 3		
Simon Smi 3 7 13	Proud Song 3 7 0		
Father Creeper 3 7 13	Chance Cure 3 7 0		
a Mercury 3 7 13			

4.45.—APPRENTICES PLATE. 106 sovs; 12m.

st lb	st lb	st lb	st lb
a Mohaz 4 8 4	a Comparison 3 6 7		
Canzon 3 7 6	a Chief's Right 3 6 0		
Lady Galatia 3 7 6	India God 3 6 0		
Thorndyke 3 6 12	Turnabout 3 6 0		
Spenser 3 6 10	Quickford 3 5 11		
a Gay Bachelor 3 6 9	Marconia 3 5 11		
a Lall 3 6 7			

Some good catches were made by members of the Leigh and Westcliff Angling Society at their annual festival 76 lb. being the aggregate of the four top men. The winner was E. Winslow, whose catch weighed 25 lb.

Willifd will not run for the Newbury Cup on Friday, but will be reserved for the Cusworth, in which race he will be ridden by Herbert. Sandover and Fitz Yama, however, will be started for the cup, and will be ridden by Spear and Herbert respectively.

The following team has been chosen to represent London Juniors against Kent Juniors on the ground of the Metros F.C., New Cross on Saturday: P. J. Poindestre, G. Coppington and J. Clardon; W. H. Warren, C. F. Carter and W. L. Hill; B. Nicholson, J. W. Nunn, J. R. Walker, B. F. Chater and G. H. Snel.

LONDON AMUSEMENTS.

ALDWYCH.—Evenings, 8. Mat., Weds. and Sat., 2.30. THE EVER OPEN DOOR. By George R. Sims and H. H. Herbert. Popular Prices, 1s. to 5s.

APOLLO.—At 8. CHARLES HAWTREY in NEVER SAY DIE, by W. H. Post. Preceded by "The Wife Tamer." Mats., Weds. and Sat., at 2.

COMEDY.—At 9. "THE SCARLET BAND." Overture, at 8, followed by Mr. Warwick Pryor, Mr. Ernest Mills. Matinee, Weds. and Sat., at 2.

COURT THEATRE.—Every Evening at 8.15. MISS HORNIMAN'S COMPANY, in HINDLE WAKES, by Stanley Houghton. MATINEES, WEDS. and SATS., at 2.30. Box-office, 10 to 10. Tel. Ger. 848.

CRITERION.—Telephone, Gerrard 3841. Tonight, at 9 p.m., Mats., Weds. and Sat., at 2.30. "OH! I SAY." At 8.30, "The Dear Departed," by Stanley Houghton. If you want a good laugh, go to the "Cri."

DALY'S THEATRE.—TODAY, at 8.15. Mr. GEORGE EDWARDS' New Production, THE MARRIAGE MARKET, a Musical Play in 5 Acts. MATINEE, EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 2. Tel. 201 Gerrard.

DRURY LANE.—TODAY, at 7.45. SEALED ORDERS, by Cecil Raleigh and Henry Hamlyn. Matinee every Wed. and Sat., at 2. Extra Matinee, Thurs., Oct. 2. Box-office open all day. Tel. 2588 Ger.