

United give 3-0 farewell to the Fenmen

Cambridge United 3, Wisbech 0.
(Attendance 1,419).

Cambridge United pushed Wisbech into Division One of the Southern League last night when they beat the Fenmen by three clear goals after the visitors had squandered their chances.

HAMMERED

St. Neots were crushed 8-0 by a strong West Ham side in the Metropolitan League last night.

The manager, Johnny Gregory, had to turn out at the last minute for the Saints—one of his few first team games this season—but nothing could be done to keep out the Hammers.

In the first half Colin Platt missed two golden opportunities when he burst through clear of a hesitant United defence. On the first occasion he fluffed his shot and on the second Slack made a fantastic save—but the centre-forward should have given the goalkeeper no chance.

After this Graham tightened his defence and the centre-half went on to play his best game so far for the club.

At half-time United were leading through a superb goal by Alan Payne in the 38th minute. Scorer of the ball on the edge of his own penalty area and made ground before hitting a long pass to his young colleague, who held off three defenders before lifting the ball over Chandler's head into the net.

After this goal Wisbech fought for the equaliser and a superb flying save by Slack prevented Jennings from scoring with a first time shot on the turn. Three minutes later the positions were reversed, as Chandler had to dive to save a powerful shot as Randall ran clear following a bad mistake by Clarkson.

In the second half, after a lot of calling from the line by Jessie Pye, the Wisbech manager, which was obviously upsetting Bill Clarkson, the referee told both manager and captain that he was not going to allow a slanging match between the two.

Two up

United went two up in the 73rd minute when Barr scored. Chandler failed to clear a corner and Barr slipped the ball to Randall, but the centre-forward's shot was charged down and the ball bounced to Barr, who rolled it carefully through a gap into the net.

This goal sealed the Fenmen's fate beyond doubt and they fell apart. It was just a matter now of how many goals the home side would score in the closing minutes. Randall missed a great chance from five yards when he slipped.

The centre-forward, however, made amends two minutes from the end when Jackson tried to pass back to Chandler and the centre-forward chased through to beat the goalkeeper to the ball and score off the far post from the narrowest of angles.

Cambridge United: Slack; Boggs, Jones; Scurr, Graham, Finch, Haziz, Barr, Randall, Payne, Hobbs.

Wisbech: Chandler; Jacobs, Jackson; Howell, Clarkson, Jones; Woods, Jennings, Platt, Withers, Devitt.

Southern League

PREMIER DIVISION

	D	L	F	A	P		
Weymouth	41	23	8	10	97	49	54
Guildford City	41	20	12	9	72	49	52
Worcester	42	22	14	10	62	50	50
Yeovil Town	42	18	14	10	75	53	50
Chelmsford	42	21	8	13	86	77	50
Margate	41	19	9	13	86	78	47
Barford	41	17	11	13	72	69	45
Nuneaton Bor.	42	19	7	16	57	53	43
Cambridge City	42	16	11	15	78	66	43
Bedford Town	42	9	16	16	66	70	43
Cambridge Utd.	41	16	9	16	72	68	41
Folkestone	42	17	7	18	71	79	41
Romford	42	17	7	18	61	79	41
Cheltenham	41	14	12	15	70	74	39
King's Lynn	42	13	13	16	56	79	39
Wellington	42	13	10	19	63	78	36
Tonbridge	40	10	15	15	63	71	35
Rugby	41	15	5	21	69	66	35
Wisbech Town	42	14	6	22	75	91	34
Bexley Utd.	41	13	5	23	63	73	31
Bath City	42	13	4	25	60	84	30
Hastings	40	9	12	19	54	82	30

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hereford	42	34	4	4	124	39	72
Wimbleton	42	24	13	5	106	52	61
Poole	42	26	6	10	92	56	58
Corby	41	24	7	10	88	53	55
Stevenage	41	19	13	9	83	42	51
Hillingdon	41	21	7	13	105	62	49

End of season blues

Peterborough "A" 5, Haddenham Rovers 2

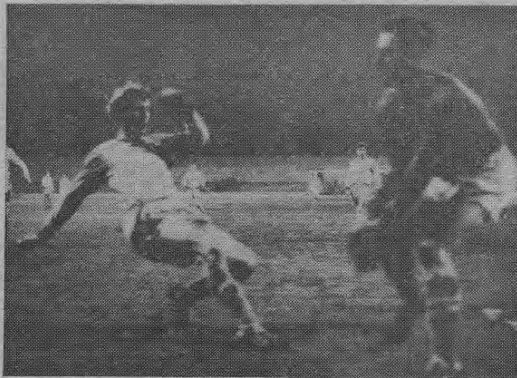
Haddenham, playing their twelfth Peterborough League game since the beginning of the month, gave a typical end-of-the-season performance last night.

Defensive errors led in the Peterborough youngsters for two early goals and they went on to get three more before two-casual Haddenham belatedly realised how easy it was to score.

Haddenham's two goals came in the last five minutes through Gordon Duffield and Brian Thorgood.

Runaway winners

Hallen's were runaway winners of their annual match against King and Harvey's when they beat their rivals 9-1 on Chesterton recreation ground. King and Harvey's never gave up trying, but could not match the more direct methods used by their opponents.



Dennis Randall nets United's third goal.

City lead Lynn a merry dance

Kings Lynn 0, Cambridge City 3.

Cambridge City had their supporters jubilant at Lynn Walks last night when they more than avenged their earlier failures this season against the Linnetts.

Showing much more cohesion in attack, using the open spaces and moving with much better rhythm than the home side, Cambridge soon established a superiority. And their quick, hard and accurate tackling put Lynn's attack well off their stride.

Cambridge looked a winning side right from the first whistle and the game was only four minutes old when Moyses had the ball in the Lynn net only for it to be disallowed for offside. They took the lead after 15 minutes following a free-kick. Hart headed on the kick to Ballham who scored in off the upright with a hard drive.

Although their own goal was a little fortunate to survive a header by Lynn inside-left Wright in the 20th minute, City further increased their lead in the 28th minute when Bailham headed home, this time from a cross by Spear's. Lynn goalkeeper, Walls, got his hands to the ball but succeeded only in pushing it against the inside of the upright and into the net.

From then on, at least until after the interval, Cambridge led Lynn defenders a merry dance and the Lynn goal was lucky to escape when Moyses connected on the volley a pulled-back centre from Hart. With Lynn goalkeeper beaten

he was inches wide of the upright. Just on half-time Came in the Cambridge goal, looked as if he might be beaten by a terrific drive from Bacon. As the winger shot from the right of the goal however, the goalkeeper stuck out a foot and the ball was deflected high into the air and then scrambled away.

Petty fouls and hard tackling resulted in frequent stoppages at one period of the game, and referee Mr. R. B. Kirkpatrick of Leicester, called both captains to the middle of the field after having spoken to several players.

Ten minutes from time Cambridge got their third goal—with the Lynn defence standing in anticipation of an offside decision. Outside-left, Wall was allowed to go through however, and he fired into the roof of the net.

City: Caine; Carroll and Poole; Pearce, McGugan and McNally; Spears, Moyses, Ballham, Hart and Wall.

Cambridge City Youths meet Romford in a Mercia League fixture at Milton Road tonight. Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

City: Barker; Maile and Fisher; A. Barker, Cullum and Wells; Fakes, Newell, Marr, Wisbey and Everitt.



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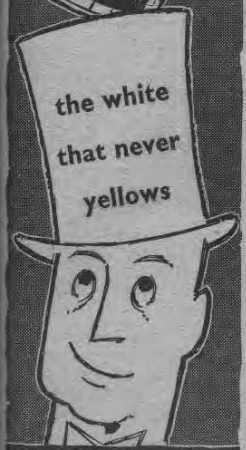
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