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**Monday,
February 8th
Serial No. 21**

Watford v. F.C. Vienna

**Kick-off
7.30 p.m.**

VOICE OF WATFORD

Good Evening, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Tonight it gives us great pleasure in welcoming our Continental visitors, F.C. Vienna, to Vicarage Road.

We shall, no doubt, see this side excel in ball control and short passing, but the failure of most Continental touring sides has been their shooting ability. Most touring sides from Austria in the past have favoured the attacking centre half as a sixth forward and, if this is the case, it will be very interesting to watch the contrasting style of the two teams.

This is the first match of their English Tour, and we hope that when they return home they will be agreeably surprised at the standard of football here. After the match both teams will dine at The Crown, Garston.

Our floodlight fixtures for the remainder of the season are not yet complete because we still have three League matches to fix in at home, but it is hoped that Liverpool, East Fife, Middlesbrough, and possibly a South American side, will visit us before the season is over. In addition, we still have to go to Luton for the second leg of the Watford F.C. Invitation Cup.

At the floodlight meeting held at the Great Eastern Hotel, recently, progress was made. In order to keep the fixtures at a minimum and to allow Clubs to obtain their quota of attractive friendlies, it was decided that the best form of competition would be a straight knock-out Cup competition, each side sharing the gate receipts after provision had been made for a Cup pool. It was agreed that a committee should be formed, and our club's representative will be our Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. R. Harrowell, whilst John Dennis will, for the time being,

act as Secretary. There are still several difficulties to iron out, and it is hoped to hold the next meeting at Highbury towards the middle of next month.

May we remind our supporters, particularly our shopkeepers, that we shall entertain in two rearranged League fixtures:—

Walsall on Wednesday, Feb. 24th, K.O. 2.45 p.m.
Ipswich Town on Wednesday March 3rd, K.O. 2.45 p.m.

In addition, on Tuesday, February 23rd, Watford and District League will entertain Harrow and District League in a representative game under floodlight. Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

The Benefit Dance at the Town Hall last Tuesday was enjoyed by all. First reports show that, financially, it was not so successful as last year. This was no doubt due to the cold weather. The Bedser Twins were present and distributed some twenty prizes for the raffle.

Johnny Meadows has now been discharged from the Peace Memorial Hospital following his cartilage operation and is now in residence at Garston Manor for light exercises.

Our "A" side, containing ten amateurs, gained a good victory over Charlton last Wednesday, by two goals to one. Young Arnie Reid, of Canning Town, showed promise at centre forward and is well worth an extended trial. Young Strain, centre half, from Berkhamsted, shows that when he quickens up he will be a very useful player, and Ridout, a young goalkeeper from the Wembley area and recommended to the club by Dave Underwood, was very sound.

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FROM THE MANAGER'S CHAIR

Good Evening, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Tonight we play Vienna F.C. who are a 1st Division side in their own country, and who have ten Internationals in their Club. I understand that seven of them will be in the team tonight, and I am sure they will produce the good football for which they have been noted for many years now.

Apparently, in a short visit to this country in 1953, they played Notts. County and beat them 4-3. Our lads will be all out to keep their unbeaten record under floodlight, not forgetting that they have produced some very good performances in these matches.

Although it was very unfortunate that the Middlesbrough game had to be cancelled, there is a possibility that we will be playing them very shortly, subject to fixtures not being congested for both clubs.

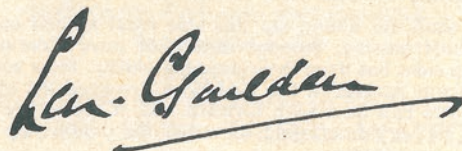


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OUR VISITORS — F.C. VIENNA



SILHANEK

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KOTTER

BOHM II

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May we extend a very warm welcome to our Continental friends, Football Club Vienna.

F.C. Vienna was founded in 1913 by the famous English sportsman, Mr. Nicholson. At that time the club was named F.C. Nicholson, until the year 1923. Since 1928 the Club has belonged to the highest Austrian football class.

Tonight they will be fielding six internationals, namely: Ploc Havlicek (goalkeeper), Oslansky (right back), Kotter (left back), Tepy (left half), Böhm II (inside right), Silhanek (centre forward), Kasamas (inside left).

The popular F.C. Vienna is generally called "Austrian Football Mill" for there has been more than one complete national team which has come from this club. So far the club has played with great success in Germany, France, Norway, Switzerland, Portugal, Spain, Poland, Turkey and Syria.

After the match both teams will dine at The Crown Hotel, Garston, and on Tuesday morning our visitors leave for the West Country, where they will meet Exeter City.

To officials and players of F.C. Vienna: We wish you a very happy stay in Watford.

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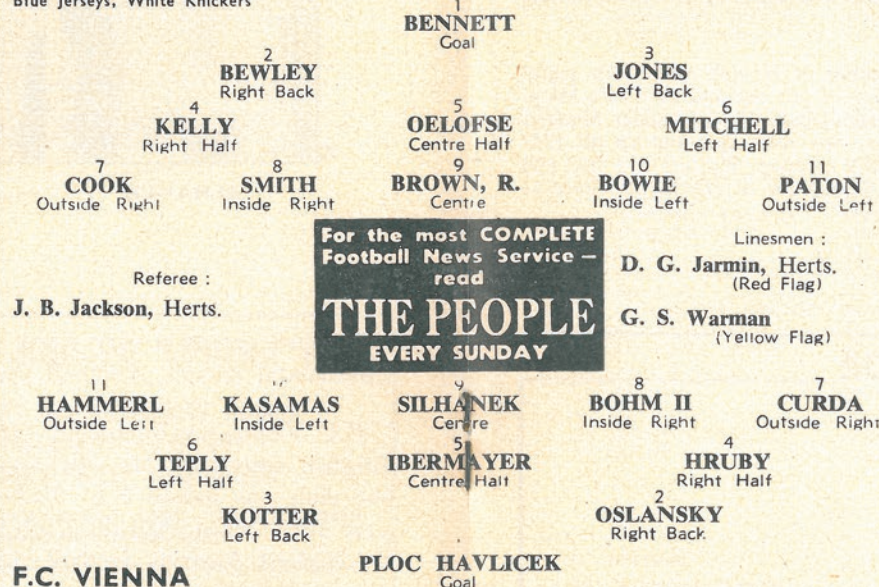
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Sports and Social Section. We are still awaiting you good people who would like to join the Cricket Section for the coming season. Ask for Mr. Williams and he will tell you all you wish to know regarding Saturday and Sunday cricket. Would you like to make up a party to go and see the Norman Wisdom Revue at the Palladium in May? You would? Well come along to the Headquarters and put your name down. The all in price is very reasonable.

England v. Wales Again. This portion is for you very patient Members who require a 2/- Ground Ticket for this very popular match, and it is put in separate from the seat tickets so as not to confuse you. Now then, it is realised that many of you folk who live in Croxley Green and beyond, work in Watford. The same goes for persons who have to go past this part of Watford to work, yet live in North Watford, Garston and Abbots Langley. For this reason it has been agreed that the Headquarters will be open on **Thursday evening**, February 11th, from 6 p.m. till 9 p.m. in order that you can break your journey to or from work to get your ticket. This will save you having to leave your fireside to make a special journey in order to get your ticket. It will not take a minute, and you will save the congestion on the buses.

Please be guided by the Committee, and **do not queue** for hours. Each and every member of the Watford Football Supporters' Club is absolutely sure of at least one ticket. Bring your Membership Card **please** to save that arduous task of looking for your number in the register. Other dates set aside for the sale of tickets to members are: Saturday, February 20th—the Headquarters will be open from the final whistle of whatever game is staged, until 7.30 p.m.—and on Thursday, March 4th from 6 p.m. till 9 p.m. If you cannot make the first date, the other two will be open to you, so **please do not** think you will miss your ticket. We repeat, that there are sufficient tickets for each and every member of the Club. As stated in previous programmes, for the purpose of this match, the membership number was taken up to and including December 31st, 1953.

Death of Life Member. It is with very deep regret that we report the death of our one and only Life Member, Mr. Jack Marcusshon. Jack was a Founder Member of the Committee forty-two years ago, and up till 1952 was an active Committee member. We feel sure that you will join the existing Committee in offering condolences to Jack's relatives.

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FIRST TEAM — FOOTBALL LEAGUE, DIV. III

1953				Gate	
Aug. 19	Southampton	...	Away	0 2	16,754
" 22	Shrewsbury Town	...	Away	4 6	12,080
" 24	Millwall	...	Away	0 1	18,321
" 29	TORQUAY UNITED	...	HOME	3 1	10,651
Sept. 1	MILLWALL	...	HOME	2 1	13,300
" 5	Northampton Town	...	Away	1 4	13,827
" 9	Reading	...	Away	1 4	12,671
" 12	GILLINGHAM	...	HOME	6 1	12,303
" 15	READING	...	HOME	3 0	12,079
" 19	Coventry City	...	Away	1 0	13,752
" 23	Brighton & Hove A.	...	Away	3 3	16,000
" 26	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.	...	HOME	2 3	16,693
" 29	BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	...	HOME	1 1	8,940
Oct. 3	Ipswich Town	...	Away	0 1	14,952
" 10	Newport County	...	Away	1 0	5,959
" 17	NORWICH CITY	...	HOME	1 3	14,476
" 24	Queen's Park Rangers	...	Away	4 0	15,434
" 31	SOUTHAMPTON	...	HOME	2 0	12,507
Nov. 7	Colchester United	...	Away	2 2	6,505
" 14	CRYSTAL PALACE	...	HOME	4 1	13,872
" 28	ALDERSHOT	...	HOME	6 1	11,665
Dec. 5	Swindon Town	...	Away	2 2	8,769
" 19	SHREWSBURY TOWN	...	HOME	3 1	9,609
" 25	SOUTHEND UNITED	...	HOME	2 2	11,292
" 26	Southend United	...	Away	0 3	7,545

1954				Gate	
Jan. 2	Torquay United	...	Away	2 2	7,096
" 16	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	...	HOME	1 1	12,494
" 23	Gillingham	...	Away	3 2	9,547
Feb. 6	COVENTRY CITY	...	HOME	1 0	9,630
" 13	Bournemouth & B.A.	...	Away	...	—
" 24	WALSALL	...	HOME	...	—
" 27	NEWPORT COUNTY	...	HOME	...	—
Mar. 3	IPSWICH TOWN	...	HOME	...	—
" 6	Norwich City	...	Away	...	—
" 13	(6) BRISTOL CITY	...	HOME	...	—
" 20	Aldershot	...	Away	...	—
" 27	COLCHESTER UNITED	...	HOME	...	—
Apr. 3	Crystal Palace	...	Away	...	—
" 10	SWINDON TOWN	...	HOME	...	—
" 16	EXETER CITY	...	HOME	...	—
" 17	Walsall	...	Away	...	—
" 19	Exeter City	...	Away	...	—
" 21	QUEEN'S PARK R.	...	HOME	...	—
" 27	Bristol City	...	Away	...	—

SECOND TEAM—FOOTBALL COMBINATION CUP

1953				Gate	
Aug. 22	IPSWICH TOWN	...	HOME	3 1	3,564
" 25	LUTON TOWN	...	HOME	2 1	1,972
" 29	Coventry City	...	Away	2 4	1,738
" 31	Leicester City	...	Away	0 2	1,150
Sept. 5	BIRMINGHAM CITY	...	HOME	1 3	2,839
" 8	NORWICH CITY	...	HOME	1 1	1,600
" 12	Luton Town	...	Away	1 2	2,840
" 16	Norwich City	...	Away	4 1	1,901
" 19	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	...	HOME	0 3	3,032
" 26	Birmingham City	...	Away	1 0	1,985
" 30	Ipswich Town	...	Away	1 0	964
Oct. 3	COVENTRY CITY	...	HOME	1 1	2,976
" 8	Northampton Town	...	Away	2 1	552
" 10	LEICESTER CITY	...	HOME	3 0	3,001

FOOTBALL COMBINATION LEAGUE

1953				Gate	
Oct. 17	Queen's Park Rangers	...	Away	1 4	1,718
" 24	CRYSTAL PALACE	...	HOME	5 1	1,972
" 31	Swindon Town	...	Away	2 1	1,685
Nov. 7	BRISTOL CITY	...	HOME	3 0	2,188
" 14	Birmingham City	...	Away	2 5	1,445
" 21	SOUTHAMPTON	...	HOME	4 1	2,382
" 28	Swansea Town	...	Away	0 0	1,549
Dec. 5	ALDERSHOT	...	HOME	5 0	2,422
" 19	Southend United	...	Away	2 2	1,530
" 25	Brighton & Hove A.	...	Away	1 3	1,153
" 26	BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	...	HOME	0 1	2,502

1954				Gate	
Jan. 2	SOUTHEND UNITED	...	HOME	1 3	1,964
" 9	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	...	HOME	7 1	1,090
" 12	SWINDON TOWN	...	HOME	4 1	2,449
" 23	BRENTFORD	...	HOME	3 1	1,650
" 30	BRISTOL ROVERS	...	HOME	3 1	1,246
Feb. 6	Leyton Orient	...	Away	...	—
" 13	COVENTRY CITY	...	HOME	...	—
" 20	Bristol Rovers	...	Away	...	—
Mar. 6	QUEEN'S PARK R.	...	HOME	...	—
" 13	Crystal Palace	...	Away	...	—
" 27	Bristol City	...	Away	...	—
Apr. 3	BIRMINGHAM CITY	...	HOME	...	—
" 10	Southampton	...	Away	...	—
" 16	Northampton Town	...	Away	...	—
" 17	SWANSEA TOWN	...	HOME	...	—
" 19	LEYTON ORIENT	...	HOME	...	—
" 24	Aldershot	...	Away	...	—
May 1	Coventry City	...	Away	...	—

MID-WEEK LEAGUE

1953				Gate	
Oct. 21	FULHAM	...	HOME	1 0	...
" 29	Tottenham Hotspur	...	Away	1 1	...
Nov. 4	WEST HAM UNITED	...	HOME	1 5	...
" 11	Portsmouth	...	Away	0 6	...
" 18	CRYSTAL PALACE	...	HOME	1 1	...
" 25	Queen's Park Rangers	...	Away	1 6	...
Dec. 2	Arsenal	...	Away	1 2	...
" 10	Fulham	...	Away	0 0	...
" 16	CHELSEA	...	HOME	3 2	...
" 30	MILLWALL	...	HOME	1 1	...

1954				Gate	
Jan. 6	Charlton Athletic	...	Away	1 5	...
" 13	ARSENAL	...	HOME	...	Postponed
" 20	PORTSMOUTH	...	HOME	2 3	...
Feb. 3	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	...	HOME	2 1	...
" 17	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS	...	HOME	...	...
" 24	Crystal Palace	...	Away	...	...
Mar. 3	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	...	HOME	...	...
" 16	Chelsea	...	Away	...	...
" 31	Southend United	...	Away	...	...
Apr. 12	West Ham United	...	Away	...	...
" 21	SOUTHEND UNITED	...	HOME	...	...
" 28	Millwall	...	Away	...	...

Next Matches at Vicarage Road

Saturday, Feb. 13th **COVENTRY CITY** K.O. 3.0 p.m.

Football Combination League

Wednesday, Feb. 17th **QUEENS PARK R.** K.O. 3.0 p.m.

Mid Week League

Friday, Feb. 19th **MIDDLESBROUGH** K.O. 7.30 p.m.

FLOODLIGHT MATCH



LEAGUE TABLES

DIVISION III (SOUTH)

Results up to and including January 30th, 1954.

	Home			Away			Goals	Pt		
	P	W	D	L	W	D			L	
Ipswich Town	28	9	4	1	9	3	2	58	29	43
Southampton	28	13	1	0	5	1	8	54	35	38
Brighton & H.A.	28	10	1	2	7	3	5	54	41	38
Bristol City	29	11	1	2	4	3	8	58	46	34
Torquay U.	31	5	8	2	7	2	7	59	51	34
Northampton	28	11	3	0	1	6	7	61	36	33
Leyton Orient	28	9	2	3	4	4	6	52	43	32
Reading	29	9	2	3	4	4	7	51	43	32
Gillingham	31	9	3	4	4	3	8	42	49	32
Exeter City	30	8	0	8	5	5	4	47	37	31
Watford	28	8	3	2	4	4	7	60	48	31
Millwall	29	9	2	4	3	5	6	51	47	31
Norwich City	28	7	4	3	5	3	6	41	39	31
Coventry City	30	7	4	3	3	4	9	39	37	28
Crystal Palace	30	8	2	5	3	4	8	43	60	28
Bournemouth	30	8	3	4	4	0	11	48	46	27
Swindon	30	9	3	4	2	1	11	48	47	26
Shrewsbury	30	8	6	2	1	2	11	47	51	26
Southend U.	30	8	2	4	1	4	11	39	48	24
Newport	30	8	2	4	2	2	12	37	63	24
Aldershot	29	5	3	6	4	2	9	40	61	23
Queens P.R.	28	3	4	8	4	3	6	27	46	21
Colchester	29	5	4	6	2	1	11	30	46	19
Walsall	29	5	3	8	0	1	12	23	60	14

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—DIVISION II

Results up to and including January 30th, 1954.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Birmingham City	15	10	4	1	41	20	24
Watford	16	9	2	5	43	25	20
Coventry City	15	8	3	4	33	20	19
Brighton & H.A.	14	8	3	3	26	19	19
Leyton Orient	14	7	4	3	34	19	18
Bristol City	15	6	5	4	23	19	17
Swansea Town	15	8	1	6	26	25	17
Northampton Town	15	7	2	6	26	33	16
Bristol Rovers	14	6	3	5	32	20	15
Southend United	12	5	3	4	26	18	13
Southampton	15	5	3	7	22	25	13
Aldershot	15	6	1	8	28	39	13
Swindon Town	17	4	2	11	29	43	10
Queen's Park R.	15	3	3	9	15	27	9
Brentford	15	2	3	10	18	44	7
Crystal Palace	14	2	2	10	13	39	6

LONDON MID-WEEK LEAGUE

Results up to and including February 3rd, 1954

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Portsmouth	12	10	2	0	36	10	22
Queens Park Rangers	13	7	3	3	33	19	17
Fulham	12	6	3	3	20	11	15
West Ham United	12	6	3	3	21	12	15
Charlton Athletic	15	6	2	7	27	28	14
Chelsea	13	3	6	4	26	20	12
Tottenham Hotspur	12	3	6	3	15	17	12
Arsenal	10	5	1	4	19	18	11
Watford	13	3	4	6	15	33	10
Millwall	14	2	5	7	15	26	9
Southend United	10	3	2	5	17	20	8
Crystal Palace	16	1	5	10	14	44	7

ROLL CALL

Up to 30th January

LEAGUE APPEARANCES—FIRST TEAM

Bewley	28	Oelofse	14
Cook	28	Smith	11
Bowie	28	Paterson	7
Mitchell	27	Phipps	6
Paton	27	Brown, T.	6
Kelly	26	Meadows	6
Brown, R.	23	Bennett, E.	6
Underwood	22	Wilson	5
Jones	21	Gallogly	2
Nolan	14	Hapgood	1

GOAL SCORERS

Bowie	16	Smith	5	Meadows	1
Brown, R.	16	Wilson	3	Nolan	1
Paton	8	Paterson	1	Opponents	3
Cook	5	Brown, T.	1		

LEAGUE APPEARANCES—SECOND TEAM

Evans	30	Jones	6
Hapgood	29	E. C. Thomas	6
Wilson	24	Phipps	5
Gallogly	22	R. W. Walker	4
Shipwright	22	F. Manning	3
Saphin	22	Brown, R.	2
Bateman, E.	21	C. Lodge	2
Brown, T.	19	A. Smith	2
Meadows	18	Paton	1
Paterson	18	L. Thomas	1
Bateman, C.	17	I. R. Harper	1
Oelofse	15	D. J. Atkins	1
Bennett, H.	14	R. D. Vater	1
Nolan	14	H. Meadows	1
Smith	9		

GOAL SCORERS

Hapgood	14	Bennett	5	Paterson	1
Wilson	14	Bateman E.	4	R. W. Walker	1
Brown, T.	11	Evans	4	Opponents	2
Meadows	7	Smith	3		

APPEARANCES—LONDON MID-WEEK LEAGUE XI

Bateman, C.	11	J. S. Nickels	1
R. D. Vater	10	D. Smith	1
Bateman, E.	7	M. Conroy	1
F. C. Manning	7	T. Tidey	1
Saphin	6	J. O'Neill	1
Shipwright	6	P. O'Docherty	1
L. Thomas	5	A. Paley	1
J. Waddell	5	E. Toole	1
A. D. Simmonds	4	E. Cook	1
Phipps	4	Bennett, H.	1
R. Walker	4	E. C. Thomas	1
J. B. Cassidy	4	D. J. Atkins	1
D. Foskett	3	D. Beck	1
K. H. Gee	3	P. Molloy	1
J. Skelton	3	Smith	1
H. Meadows	3	L. A. Goulden	1
R. Ridout	3	Meadows, J. A.	1
T. H. Bennett	2	Wilson	1
D. Crawley	2	Evans	1
H. Johnson	2	P. B. Keys	1
Hapgood	2	K. Final	1
A. Smith	2	F. Grimes	1
D. Halle	2	J. Strain	1
B. Atkinson	2	D. Robinson	1
D. Falconer	2	A. Reid	1
R. G. Mortieih	1	R. Stillwell	1
D. J. Rands	1		

GOAL SCORERS

D. Foskett	2	P. B. Keys	1	J. B. Cassidy	1
Bateman, C.	2	H. Johnson	1	J. Skelton	1
K. H. Gee	1	Smith	1	R. Walker	1
Bateman, E.	1	R. D. Vater	1		

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