

Yeovil Defiant With Man Short

George Paterson, Yeovil's new player-manager from Brentford F.C., who starts his duties on Monday, came from London today to look at the team which he is to control. Also present was Alec Stock, his predecessor, now manager of Leyton Orient F.C., who congratulated Mr. Paterson on his appointment.

BOTH the teams made left-back changes. D. Haines took over from Davis, who was still suffering from an injury received in last week's game at Weston-super-Mare. Worcester City brought in Newbould for Batty at the left rearguard position.

YEOVIL — Dyke; Hickman, D. Haines; Keeton, Blizard, Mansley; Hamilton, Foulds, Phillips, Wright, J. Haines.

WORCESTER — N. Jones; Godfrey, Newbould; R. Jones, Dutton, Brunt; Jackman, Brown, Mogford, Keasey, Russell.

Referee: W. Scammells (Frome).

Opening exchanges were even, both sides probing for an opening. Some clever play between Haines and Wright ended in the latter lobbing in the visiting goalmouth.

Phillips, Yeovil's 18-year-old leader, made a great effort to connect, but was beaten by Jones the visiting goalkeeper, who intercepted and cleared.

Wright came into the picture with a clever individual effort, but his final shot lacked sting, Jones clearing without difficulty.

With only ten minutes play ticked off, misfortune befell Yeovil when Hickman, their right-back, and captain, was led off the field with a cut over the eye, received in a collision with Mogford.

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With the home defence disorganised, Worcester took full advantage and pressed strongly. In one of their attacks Jackman was brought down by D. Haines, but the resultant kick was cleared.

Dyke, the home goalkeeper, came into the picture with a brilliant save when he cleared a header by Brown from a Russell centre.

Yeovil were having as much of the play as their opponents, and gave the defence anxious moments. Jones, their goalkeeper, was frequently in action, but he was not unduly troubled.

Returning to the attack, Worcester came very near opening the score, but two brilliant saves by Dyke from Mogford and Godfrey cheated them of their reward, and the home goalkeeper was greeted with renewed cheering as he cleared.

Phillips, the home centre-forward, was shaping well and lost no time in having a shot at goal when within range.

A brilliant run and centre by Hamilton was headed into the net by Phillips, but the point was disallowed through Hamilton being offside.

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Many of Yeovil's progressive moves were spoiled by faulty passing, in which the ball often went to the foot of their opponents. They kept the ball too much in the air.

Hamilton, on the right wing, showed a high turn of speed, and often raced past his opponents to square the ball in the Worcester goalmouth, but was intercepted by the visiting backs.

Hickman returned to the field after half an hour's absence with his injury covered in plaster.

Worcester took the lead when MOGFORD fastened on to a Jackman pass to give Dyke no chance with a sharp, low drive.

On the run of play Worcester deserved their lead, being the better balanced side.

Yeovil, however, were quick to reply when, two minutes later, WRIGHT equalised. Phillips had a big hand in the goal when he broke through the Worcester defence, but was stopped by Newbould as he was shaping to shoot.

Newbould kicked the ball out, which went to Wright, who slammed it into the net.

Half-time:

YEOVIL TOWN 1
WORCESTER CITY 1

Yeovil reshuffled their side after resuming, Hickman going outside-right, Hamilton moving inside. Foulds took over the inside-left position in place of Wright, who dropped back to left-half. Keeton went to right full-back.

Phillips, Yeovil's centre-forward lost a great chance of putting Yeovil ahead. He beat the opposing defence, but his final shot was well saved by Jones.

Yeovil piled on the pressure and a Hickman centre was headed against the bar by Phillips. This young player showed great promise on his Southern League debut.

Play became fast and exciting, both goals having narrow escapes. Mogford missed a glorious chance for Worcester when he shot wide from Jackman's centre a few yards from goal.

Yeovil got weaving again, and Hickman's centre was headed against the upright by the visiting back, Godfrey; the ball, however, rebounded and was cleared.

Yeovil were awarded a penalty when Foulds was brought down in the area. Foulds took the kick and shot straight at the goalkeeper, who cleared.

Result:

YEOVIL TOWN 1
WORCESTER CITY 1

By F.D.V.

CHELMSFORD, visiting Yeovil this afternoon, attracted a gate of over 8,000. They were without their captain, Frank Soo, but included McCormack, on Middlesbrough's books at £12,000.

Yeovil were the first away, Wright putting Haines through, but the outside-right failed to get the ball under control, and Grozier cleared.

Clever ball play by Gowers put Chelmsford on the attack, and as the ball came across to Buttle, Dyke had to go down to save. Yeovil took play to the other end, where Haines was too slow in meeting a cross from Wright, the result being that Hutton partially cleared. The ball ran loose to Hamilton, who returned it into the goalmouth, where Grozier, after beating it down with both hands, cleared at the second attempt. Wright forced a corner off Hurst, and Grozier saved on the goal-line from Mansley.

GROZIER HURT

During another Yeovil attack Grozier was injured when he went down to the foot of Foulds, and the game was held up while he received attention.

Chelmsford, playing beautiful football, were constantly on the look-out for openings in the Yeovil defence. Yeovil forced their sixth corner from which Hamilton headed, and when the seventh corner was forced it was cleared again. The home forwards appeared unable to get the ball under control when it came over.

WRIGHT'S "PILEDRIIVER"

Yeovil lost Haines injured for a while, but even with one man short they did most of the attacking.

Grozier was brought to his knees by Wright, who sent in a "pile-driver" from the edge of the penalty area.

Yeovil had one escape when a free kick taken by Hurst was cleared by Blizard in the nick of time. Dyke next saved a hard shot from Gallagher. Half-time:—

YEOVIL 0
CHELMSFORD 0

After referee Roberts had ruled that play was impossible owing to fog, crowds of spectators left the field. Five minutes later the teams

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YEovil SCORE 5—1 HOME WIN, BUT—

Hastings Fought to The Final Whistle

Although beaten 5—1 by Yeovil Town at Huish yesterday, Hastings United, whose "goals against" column now passes the century mark, were by no means disgraced.

THEY started by dashing straight through the Yeovil defence and conjured up visions of shattering Yeovil's ground record. But after only nine minutes Yeovil opened the scoring when HAMILTON headed past Workman from a perfect Foulds centre.

This setback merely spurred Hastings to further efforts, and they deservedly equalised through CROWTHER, who scored with a swift cross-shot. Then Yeovil mastered the muddy conditions better than their opponents and after several near misses again took the lead when FOULDS scored following a goalmouth melee.

Turning Point

This goal was the turning point of the game and before half-time Yeovil had established a 4—1 lead. MANSLEY scored a brilliant goal with a header from fully 20 yards from a Hickman free-kick, and WRIGHT scored No. 4.

In the second half Yeovil played brilliant football, and Workman, in the Hastings goal, distinguished himself with many daring saves.

Hastings will be remembered for their fighting spirit, which lasted right up to the final whistle. Once in the second half they got the ball into the net, but the points were disallowed for off-side. Several times they gave Dyke, the Yeovil keeper, anxious moments.

Stars for Yeovil were Affleck and Haines. All the forwards were in good form. Elwood (inside-left), Booth (right-half), and Workman were outstanding for the losers.

5—1 WIN AT HUISH

Clever Football by Yeovil Town

HASTINGS' hopes of taking a Southern League point from Yeovil at Huish yesterday were shattered in one five-minute period before the interval when Yeovil added three quick goals.

Although beaten by 5—1, Hastings played attractive mid-field play, but were unable to match the Yeovil attack for accuracy in shooting.

Yeovil Yeovil gained an early lead after nine minutes when Hamilton headed past Workman from a centre by Foulds. Although in arrears Hastings gave Dyke, in the Yeovil goal, anxious moments before gaining the equaliser through Crowther.

Then Yeovil took command of the game and had the Hastings goal under a barrage of shots. Foulds regained Yeovil's lead following a goalmouth scramble and Mansley increased the score with a brilliant header.

A minute before the interval Wright scored number four.

In the second half Yeovil continued to play clever, open football. Mansley scored the fifth and had bad luck just afterwards when he lobbed a shot just over the bar.

Hastings tried to reduce the arrears late in the second half when they "threw everything" into attack, but they found it impossible to pierce the defensive triangle of Hickman, Davis and Affleck.

took the field, when the fog appeared to be lifting a little.

Foulds raced through the Chelmsford defences to bring Grozier to his knees. A break-away by Hamilton saw the ball come across to FOULDS, who scored a perfect goal with his head.

McCormack was brought down on the edge of the penalty area, but the resultant free-kick was sent wide. The fog descended again.

Yeovil exerted considerable pressure, and ten minutes before the end FOULDS scored a second. Just on time PATERSON scored from a free-kick. Result:—

YEOVIL 3
CHELMSFORD 0