

# OUR VISITORS



## TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

ONE factor embarrassingly common to Tottenham Hotspur and ourselves is the last match played by each club. Spurs met bottom-of-the-table Blackpool in the League eleven days ago, and lost their 100 per cent home record in a shock 1-3 defeat; two nights later Blackpool came to Stamford Bridge in the Football League Cup, and we were equally shocked to lose by the identical score.

Such are the ways of football. Tonight, it is back to the Championship task for both of us, with Spurs seeking to keep a 100 per cent record against London opponents in First Division matches this season (they have beaten Arsenal 3-1 at White Hart-lane and Fulham 4-3 at Craven Cottage).

### Their Careers Began Here

Two of our "old boys" will be in the opposition line-up: **Jimmy Greaves**, who left Chelsea in 1961 — joining Spurs via Milan A.C. — and **Terry Venables**, who was transferred to Tottenham last May in time to play in their final League game of the season.

An even newer star signing in the side is centre-half **Mike England**, whose transfer from Blackburn Rovers was completed on the eve of this season. England won his 21st full international cap for Wales against Scotland on Saturday, when Spurs had three other players selected for their countries — **Cliff Jones** as a second representative in the Welsh side, goalkeeper **Pat Jennings** for Northern Ireland and Greaves as an England reserve along with our own Peter Bonetti.

Indeed, at top strength the all-star Tottenham assembly includes *nine* full internationals, and the other two players are on the fringe of such honour. They are full-backs **Joe Kinnear**, who was well in the running for selection for Eire against Spain on Sunday, and **Cyril Knowles**,

already an England Under-23 cap. An alternative full-back choice this season has been **Phil Beal**, four years a professional at White Hart-lane and an England Youth international.

Joining Mike England in an all-international middle-line are **Alan Mullery** (England) and club captain **Dave Mackay** (Scotland), who has come back to make his mark again in top-class soccer after twice breaking a leg.

### CLUB OFFICIALS

*Chairman:* MR. FREDERICK WALE.

*Secretary:* MR. REG. JARVIS.

*Manager:* MR. BILL NICHOLSON.

*Assistant-manager/coach:*

MR. EDDIE BAILY.

*Trainer:* MR. CECIL POYNTON.

*Club Captain:* DAVE MACKAY.

Completing the international forward line, along with Greaves, Venables and Jones, are two Scotland caps, **Jimmy Robertson** on the right wing and centre-forward **Alan Gilzean**.

With Scottish international goalkeeper Bill Brown recently transferred to Northampton, 21-year-old **Roy Brown** made his debut in Tottenham's last game. He may be on duty again tonight because Jennings, still troubled by an ankle injury, was able to play in only the first half for Ireland against England on Saturday.

Spurs have scored in all but one of their 12 First Division games this season. The exception was the away match with Stoke City which they lost two-nil.

Greaves is easily Spurs' leading scorer for 1966-67 with nine goals out of 24. The full list reads: Greaves 9, Gilzean 6, Mullery 2, Robertson 2, Jones 1, Knowles 1, Mackay 1, Saul 1, Venables 1.