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without Mancini for a first
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a soporific start to the game
Anthony Pilkington opening
Norwich.

han, excellent throughout,
nd a way through the Blues'
Touré appeared a good bet
ball. But Bradley Johnson
and Touré lost possession.
Hoolahan and he threaded
Pilkington, who left Hart with

ee minutes Ruddy experi-
me sensation. Samir Nasri
into Edin Dzeko's feet. The
ball off to Rodwell, and his
s followed by an emphatic
it 1-1.

now an open game nearly
al a minute later. This time
grass let fly with a 25-yard
warmed Hart's hands. The
night have given Norwich
n a Rodwell clearance was
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s season was over. There

Manchester City

Substitutes
Agüero 50
for Tevez
Silva 65
for Rodwell

Norwich

Substitutes
Tettey 65
for Johnson
E Bennett 81
for Pilkington
Becchio 90
for Holt

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om a player whose future
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by despair when Norwich

at Hoolahan used his left foot
field pass into Snodgrass on
sent in a ball that took out
d Grant Holt beyond the far
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Championship big boys await after 'little old Yeovil' triumph

npower League One play-off
Jacob Steinberg Wembley

Brentford 1 **Yeovil Town 2**
Dean 51 **Madden 6, Burn 42**

The likes of Leeds United, Nottingham Forest and Queens Park Rangers will be among the visitors to Somerset next season. Sixteen years after making it out of the Isthmian League, Yeovil Town have reached the Championship for the first time in their history after surviving a spirited comeback from Brentford to win the League One play-off final. That achievement only becomes more remarkable when it is taken into account that the wage bill for their playing staff is less than £1m and they average crowds of 4,000 at Huish Park.

Gary Johnson has worked wonders with the tiny club and this victory was particularly sweet for him given the pain he endured when his Bristol City side were beaten in the Championship play-off final by Hull City five years ago. Now, thanks to a performance of great maturity and dogged resistance, he has success at Wembley to savour.

"It's a fantastic achievement for our football club and at times like these you do think of the people who have helped you along the way," Johnson said. "That is a great achievement for little old Yeovil. But we're going to need a whip-round for the Championship. We'll be going round with a bucket later."

As for Brentford, they only have themselves to blame. Uwe Rösler's side fought

Brentford 4-5-1
Moore; Logan, Dean, Craig, Bidwell; Donaldson, Diagouraga (Hayes 82), Adeyemi, Forshaw, Forrester (Saunders 67); Trotter (Wright-Phillips 62).

Yeovil 4-4-2
Stech; Ayling, Webster, Burn, McAllister (Maksimenko 77); Dawson, Upson, Edwards, Foley; Hayter (Dolan 88), Madden.

Subs not used Stewart, Hinds, Williams, Young, Balanta

Subs not used Gounet, O'Connor, Douglas, Hodson

Referee Andy D'Urso

gamely in the second half yesterday, but they were left to rue their inexplicable inertia in the opening period. Rösler's task now is to keep this team together, although the German was cheered by the words of encouragement the club's owner, Matthew Benham, offered in the dressing room after the final whistle.

Yeovil, who had twice beaten Brentford in the league this season, were the more composed side in the early exchanges and it was not a surprise when they took the lead after six minutes with a goal that would have graced any previous Wembley final. A loose ball fell to Paddy Madden, a £15,000 signing from Carlisle, just outside the area and, demonstrating outstanding