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Hatton ... ..	9A 5	<b>10 6</b>			
Warwick ... ..	9A 13	<b>10 0</b>			
Leamington Spa ... ..	9 23	<b>10 0</b>			7.10 p.m. or 12C 10 night
Banbury ... ..	8B 35	<b>8 6</b>			7.40 p.m. or 12C 10 night

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## Notes.

### A Reminder.

IF you didn't get your copy of the "Aston Villa Annual" last week-end, be sure and get one to-day. There are still a few left, and the sellers of "Villa News" will be glad to supply you with one.

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### Our Opening Day.

As is becoming customary, we don't remember when it was otherwise, the football season opened under such brilliant conditions that the great public interested in the game were enabled to assemble in their thousands to see their favourite teams. Those who came to Villa Park were rewarded with a fast and interesting game, and one which, no doubt, sent away happy those Villa "fans" who are expecting so much from their team this season. Naturally, as is to be expected during

the opening part of the season, there were flaws both in the play and team work, but doubtless, when the players become less exuberant and settle down, we shall find most of those flaws eradicated. When this occurs, and we firmly believe it will, then we should possess a team capable of holding its own with the best. On all sides the condition of the playing pitch last week was much admired, and someone said it was almost a shame to play football on it, because it resembled a bowling green, which may be figuratively true, but it must be remembered that the directors of Aston Villa would not consider the best bowling green surface too good for football, and will always do their utmost to provide the best obtainable.

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### Our Reserves.

WHILST our first team was winning at home, our Central League side was doing battle at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and although beaten by one goal, they gave a display which gives encouragement to the thought that they are in for a better season than last. In that game they had quite as much of the play as the home team, and, but for an injury to Gardner before the interval, it is quite likely they would have returned home with at least one point.

Three goals each were credited last Saturday to Mills (Chelsea), Drake (Arsenal), Clayton (Wolves), and Crawshaw (Mansfield Town), and they are all centre-forwards.

**Manchester City's** defeat at Wolverhampton was their first one in the League since Christmas Day. They wound off last season by being undefeated in their last 22 League games,



## Our Hopeful Start.

Aston Villa .....2 West Ham United ....  
(Haycock, Maund).

On a day more suitable for cricket, and before a gate of 51,000 spectators, our team on Saturday last gave a display in its opening match which must have gladdened the hearts of all who witnessed it. We don't say it was the perfect team, or that we have found an all-conquering combination, but on the form displayed in this match there is every reason to be proud of the boys who brought us the victory. West Ham United were far from being a weak team; they had a particularly fine defence which gave away nothing, and their attack was one which had to be treated with respect, yet, despite it all, the Villa were always on top after the first fifteen minutes and never looked like doing anything other than win once Haycock had given them the lead.

### A Fast and Interesting Start.

Phillips, whom we were all pleased to see after his long absence from the first team, was at outside right and acting captain for the day, whilst Cummings once again took up his position as left back with Callaghan as his partner. West Ham won the toss and the Villa kicked off towards the Church. From the start the play was fast and interesting with both sides for the first quarter-of-an-hour having an equal share of the game. Phillips for Villa was prominent with some fine wing work, and Morton of the visitors, on the left, was providing most of the trouble to our defence. At 14 minutes Callaghan put the ball over to Phillips, who took it up towards goal with a thrilling burst and shot amongst a crowd of players around the goal, the ball reached Haycock who barely touched it to give us the first goal of the season.

### Villa Inspired.

After this success the home team seemed more inspired than ever, and the West Ham defence was given plenty to do both by our forwards and halves. Massie and Iverson were doing great work both in attack and defence, whilst Broome, Starling and Haycock were putting in all they knew, and were plying the wingers with adroit passes. Just before 30 minutes had gone the ball came over to the right, and Haycock obtaining possession by the corner flag sent a centre across goal

which Maund ran in to, and met with his head to put us two up. Again we tried the West Ham defence, Broome over on the right got the backs in a tangle and sent the ball over to Maund for him to give Starling a chance to test the goalkeeper. Immediately prior to the interval Phillips all but added to the score when he went through to the centre and sent in a terrific shot which Weare could not hold, but which, luckily for him, bounced off his hands and over the bar. All this time the West Ham attack had not been idle, they had had their chances and good work had been put in by their wingers, but offside traps set by the Villa defence repeatedly pulled them up.

### Maund Nearly Gets a Second.

Immediately after the interval the Villa again took up the running; Massie tried Weare with a long one from well out on the right, and Broome did his utmost to help both the goalkeeper and the ball into the net. Once, the West Ham goal had a most remarkable escape, for Iverson put the ball nicely to Maund for him to run in and shoot hard. In its flight for goal the ball struck a defender and bounced off him to the foot of the left post from which it rebounded into safety. Macaulay, the visitors' recent recruit from Glasgow Rangers, who had been doing most effective work since the interval, now sent Small away down the middle in a most menacing way, but Cummings, at the crucial moment, ably removed any anxiety which Fred Biddlestone had. The end came with the home team still pressing, and the defeat of April 17 last wiped out.

ASTON VILLA: Biddlestone; Callaghan, Cummings; Massie, Allen, Iverson; Phillips, Haycock, Broome, Starling, Maund.

WEST HAM UNITED: Weare; Bicknell, Walker (C.); Fenton (E), Walker (R), Cockcroft; Foxall, Macaulay, Small, Goulden, Morton.

Leicester City's four goals scored against Sunderland on Monday last were all headed through. Is this a record?

Only two home teams, Leicester City and Tottenham Hotspur, failed to score last Saturday, but both made amends on Monday by scoring four goals.

It is stated that 897,000 football enthusiasts attended forty-four League matches on Saturday last, and that this figure is a record for the opening of any season.

## We Lose at Luton

Luton Town .....3 Aston Villa .....2  
(Dawes, Payne, Hancock.) (Maund, Massie.)

On Wednesday last we visited Luton for the first time so far as League football is concerned, and a ground record of 30,000 spectators gave us a very fine reception. Despite the fact that we lost the game, it was admitted on all sides that so far as artistry was concerned there had only been one team in it, and that was not the home team. The Luton players chiefly confined themselves to what is termed typical Third Division football, and as it was successful so far as obtaining the points was concerned, they were no doubt satisfied that the end justified the means. The Luton team is a good solid go-ahead one, full of enthusiasm and vim, and it will doubtless beat many other visiting teams ere the present season reaches its conclusion.

### A Startling Start.

Within half-a-minute of the start Dawes put Luton ahead in a goal-mouth scramble, but it wasn't long before we were on level terms again, for Maund, after a great dribble, fired in a shot which left Coen helpless. Shortly before the interval Payne again put the home team in front, and they went further ahead fairly soon after the resumption.

### Villa Pressure.

This further reverse seemed to bring out added pressure from our team, and they surged round the home goal to such effect that it fell at 54 minutes when Massie snapped up a loose ball and fired it home. Try as they would the Villa could not get the equaliser, and they retired beaten by the odd goal in a game which had been brimful of interest from start to finish.

LUTON TOWN: Coen; King, Smith; Finlayson, Nelson, Fellowes; Hancock, Dawes, Payne, Roberts, Stephenson.

ASTON VILLA: Biddlestone; Callaghan, Cummings; Massie, Allen, Iverson; Phillips, Haycock, Broome, Starling, Maund.

Twenty-eight of Saturday's winning teams played again last Monday, and only one was successful in obtaining full points. Who said follow football form?

## The New President of the Football Association.

MR. WILLIAM PICKFORD has been elected to the Presidency of the Football Association and Chairman of the Council in succession to the late Sir Charles Clegg. Mr. Pickford, a Lancastrian, 75 years of age, has put in over fifty years of strenuous work on behalf of the great game of football, and the honour accorded him is one most deserved. In his younger days the new President played for a Bournemouth Club, but besides being an adept at football, he earned some little reputation as a swimmer and cyclist. For over twenty years he was secretary and treasurer of the Hants F.A., and became a member of the F.A. Council in 1885. Eventually, he became a member of the International selection and other important committees of the Association, and a vice-president. His invaluable and long experience of the game will doubtless be of considerable service to him in the arduous duties which will now fall to his lot.

## Sports Broadcasts.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th.

#### From Midland Regional. 7. p.m.

"Sport in the Midlands" includes three Eye Witness Accounts:—

1. West Bromwich Albion v. Chelsea, by E. A. Eden, Secretary of the Birmingham County F.A.
2. Coventry City v. Burnley by Claude Jephcott (Director of West Bromwich Albion F.C.).
3. Leicester v. Bedford (Rugby Union) by Denis E. Morris, who has done close on 100 sports broadcasts.

#### From Regional. 7.30 p.m.

The Second News will include an Eye Witness Account of Motherwell v. Rangers.

### MONDAY & TUESDAY, SEP. 6th & 7th.

#### From Regional. 7.30 p.m.

The Second News will include an Eye Witness Account of the match between the M.C.C. and Mr. Leveson Gower's XI by A. E. Lawton, the former Derbyshire County player.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th.

#### From National. 7.40 p.m.

"Background to Sport." Association Football. The amateur game, by F. N. S. Creek, the old Corinthian and England player. His talk follows on the one given by C. E. Sutcliffe, President of the Football League, on the organisation of the game.

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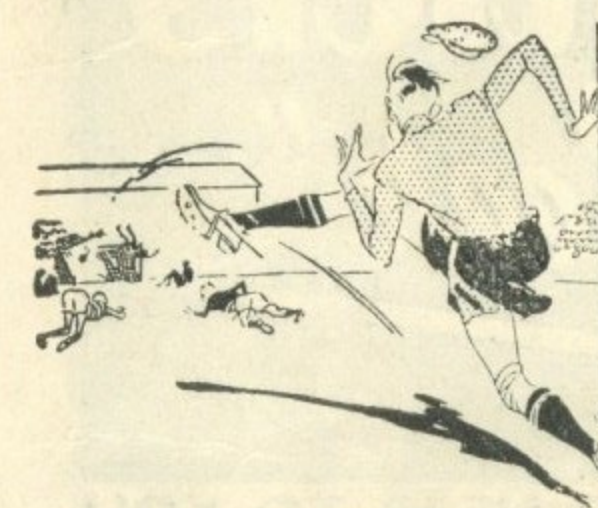
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<b>B</b>	EVERTON .....			<b>N</b>	CHELSEA .....
<b>C</b>	BRENTFORD .....			<b>P</b>	SOUTHAMPTON .....
<b>D</b>	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN .....			<b>S</b>	ASTON VILLA .....
<b>E</b>	ARSENAL .....			<b>T</b>	COVENTRY CITY .....
<b>F</b>	WOLVERHAMPTON W. ....			<b>V</b>	BURNLEY .....
<b>G</b>	BIRMINGHAM .....			<b>W</b>	LUTON TOWN .....
<b>H</b>	PORTSMOUTH .....			<b>X</b>	MANCHESTER UNITED .....
<b>J</b>	DERBY COUNTY .....			<b>Y</b>	NEWCASTLE UNITED .....
<b>K</b>	SUNDERLAND .....			<b>Z</b>	SHEFFIELD UNITED .....
	GRIMSBY TOWN .....				NOTTINGHAM FOREST .....
	BOLTON WANDERERS .....				TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR .....
	LEEDS UNITED .....				SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY ..
	PRESTON NORTH END .....				SWANSEA TOWN .....
	LIVERPOOL .....				BARNLEY .....
	CHARLTON ATHLETIC .....				STOCKPORT COUNTY .....
	MANCHESTER CITY .....				WEST HAM UNITED .....
	LEICESTER CITY .....				BRADFORD .....
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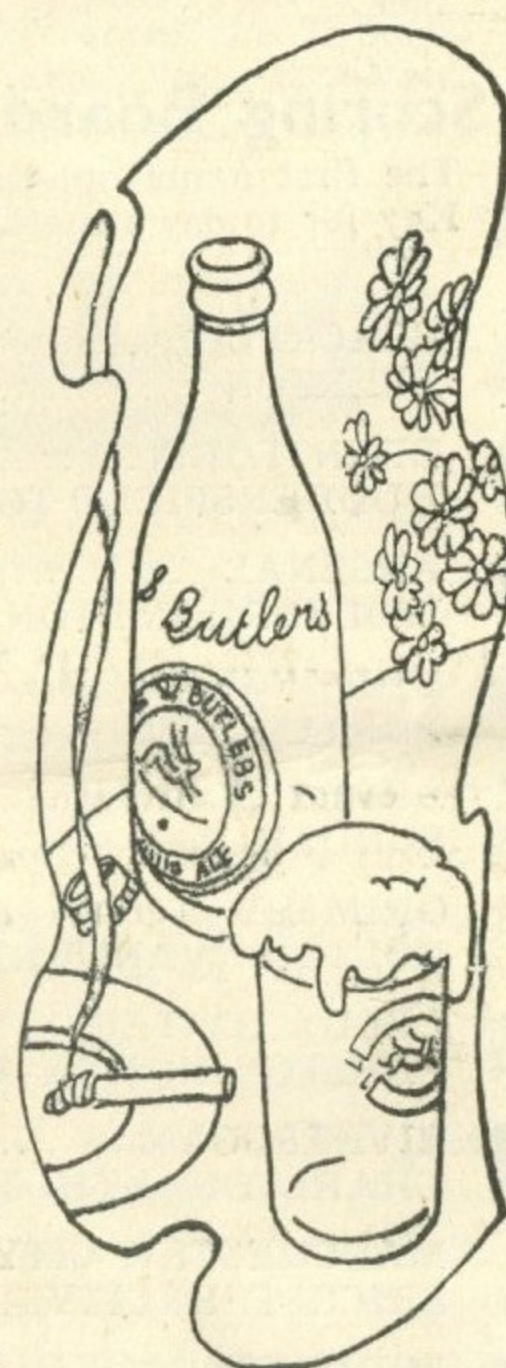
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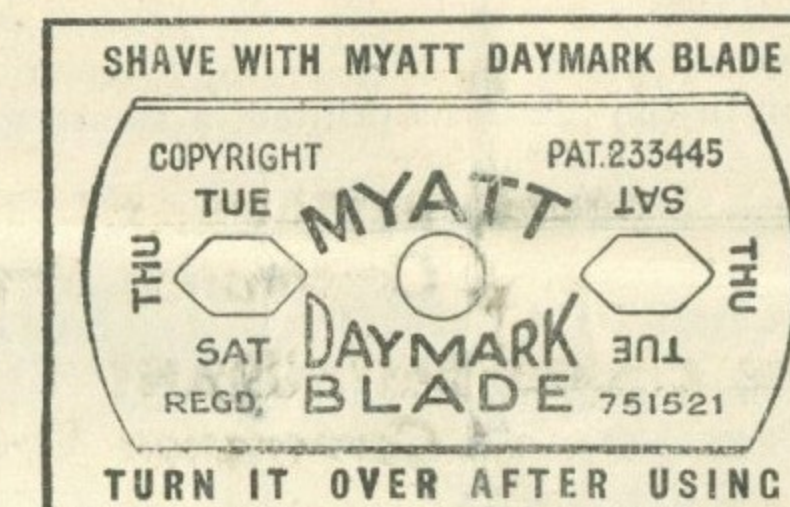
Teams for Saturday, September 4th, 1937. Central League. Match No. 3.

### DERBY COUNTY RESERVES

RIGHT					LEFT
	UDALL (2)	KIRBY (1)	JESSOP (3)		
	HANNAH (4)	BAILEY (5)	HANN (6)		
JEFFRIES (7)	HAGAN (8)	TRAVIS (9)	JONES (10)	MEE (11)	

KICK-OFF 3.0 P.M.

In the event of alteration to the teams as printed, a Board showing details will be sent round.



REFEREE:  
Mr. J. WILLIAMS  
(Bolton).

LINESMEN:  
(Red) Mr. J. BRIGGS  
(Stockport).  
(Blue) Mr. B. THIRLWALL  
(Newcastle, Staffs).

HOUGHTON (12)	MORALEE (13)	SHELL (14)	MARTIN (15)	KERR (16)
BARKER (17)	PRITTY (18)	LATHAM (L. J.) (19)	ROBEY (21)	
GOBLEY (20)	EPHGRAVE (22)			

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## Teams for Monday, September 6th, 1937.

**The League—Second Division. Match No. 4. Kick-off 6 p.m.**

## LUTON TOWN

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**KING** (2)

**FINLAYSON** (4)

**HANCOCK** (7)

**COEN** (1)

**NELSON** (5)

**PAYNE** (9)

**SMITH** (3)

**FELLOWES** (6)

**ROBERTS** (10)

**STEPHENSON** (11)

LEFT

**DAWES** (8)

REFEREE: MR. A. A. HORWOOD (Walton-on-Thames).

LINESMEN: (*Red*) MR. A. H. TOLLEY (Worcester); (*Blue*) MR. W. C. BAILEY (Evesham).

**MAUND** (12)    **STARLING** (13)    **BROOME** (14)    **HAYCOCK** (15)    **PHILLIPS** (16)  
**IVERSON** (17)    **ALLEN** (18)    **MASSIE** (19)

**CUMMINGS (20)**

## BIDDLESTONE (22)

**CALLAGHAN (21)**

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<b>Q</b> WEST HAM UNITED.....		
<b>R</b> NORTHAMPTON TOWN.....		
<b>S</b> BRISTOL ROVERS.....		
<b>T</b> ACCRINGTON STANLEY.....		
<b>U</b> HARTLEPOOLS UNITED.....		
<b>V</b> HULL CITY.....		
<b>W</b> BARROW.....		
<b>X</b> LINCOLN CITY.....		
<b>Y</b> WREXHAM.....		
<b>Z</b> OLDHAM ATHLETIC.....		
DARLINGTON.....		
ROTHERHAM UNITED.....		
HALIFAX TOWN.....		

## Central League.

Newcastle United .....I    Aston Villa .....0  
(Park).

On Saturday last, in glorious weather, 20,000 spectators saw a close and interesting game between two fairly matched teams. During the early part of the game the Villa had the greater attacking ability due to fine work by the halves who were finely led by Gardner. As the game wore on the home team exerted more pressure on the visiting defence, and here Ephgrave had an opportunity of showing his capabilities. An injury to Gardner, forcing him to go on the wing upset the balance of the Villa, and whilst the home team took full advantage of it, a stern defence refused to bend. After the interval the Villa again took command of the game and gave the Newcastle defence some anxious moments, but McPhillips the home goalkeeper, was very safe. Fifteen minutes after change of ends, Park, the Newcastle outside right, got away and fired a shot into the top of the net well away from Ephgrave. This reverse seemed to inspire the visitors and they again exerted pressure on the home defence without avail. Thus, Newcastle won by the only goal of a match in which the losers had had quite as much of the game as the winners, and a draw would perhaps have been a more equitable result.

NEWCASTLE UNITED: McPhillips; Forster, Fairhurst; Leighton, Denmark, Grundy; Park, Isaac, McGarry, Connelly, Mooney.

ASTON VILLA : Ephgrave ; Beeson, Cobley ; Gardner, Pritty, Barker ; Kerr, Martin, Jones, Drinkwater, Houghton.

Aston Villa .....5    Chesterfield .....3

A difference of two goals did not at all represent the disparity between these two sides on Monday last, on the occasion of our opening Central League match at Villa Park. Right from the kick-off, when Martin might have scored, almost to the end, our boys dominated the play. In the first half, Martin caught the eye with the some masterful work and good shooting, which resulted in our crossing over with a two goals lead. In the second half, Moralee and Jones added to our score whilst Swindells netted for the visitors from a penalty, which was immediately nullified by a good goal from Houghton. With such a commanding lead our team now seemed

to slacken off, and the visitors realising it, took full advantage of what chances came their way. With rain falling somewhat heavily, the ball became greasy, and as a consequence two shots fired in at Ephgrave slipped through his hands. This finished the scoring, and the game ended in semi-darkness.

ASTON VILLA : Ephgrave ; Beeson, Cobley ;  
Latham, Pritty, Barker ; Kerr, Martin, Jones,  
Moralee, Houghton.

CHESTERFIELD: Lamb; Watson (A).  
Watson (W.); Weightman, Seagrave, Sped-  
ding; Davies, Wright, Swindells, Woodward,  
Spence.

### Birmingham Combination.

Aston Villa.....2    West Brom. Albion...2  
(Perry, Hardy).        (Lewis, T. 2)

On Saturday last at the Alexander Ground, Perry Barr. Albion were first to score through Lewis (T.), but shortly afterwards Perry ran in from the wing and levelled matters. Just before the interval Lewis again put the visitors ahead, and the game definitely looked like going to the Albion, when, with the last kick of the match, Hardy equalised the score.

WEST BROM. ALBION: Harris; Edmunds,  
T. H. Kinsell; G. Cartwright, Davies, Lewis;  
Prew, Hewitt, Gomry, T. Lewis, Lapworth.

ASTON VILLA; Dimmock; Hickman,  
Sokkett; Grosvenor, Hardy, Roberts; Bate,  
Perry, Fish, Mulligan, Warburton.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES—1937-38.

1937.  
Sept. 1—Irish League v. Scottish League, at Belfast.  
" 22—Scottish League v. Football League, at Glasgow.  
Oct. 6—Football League v. Irish League, in England.  
" 13—English International Trial, at Everton.  
" 23—Ireland v. England, at Belfast.  
" 30—Wales v. Scotland, in Wales.  
Nov. 10—Scotland v. Ireland, in Scotland.  
" 17—England v. Wales, at Middlesbrough.  
Dec. 1—England v. Czechoslovakia, at Tottenham.  
1938.  
Jan. 1—English Amateur International Trial.  
" 29—Wales v. England (Amateur), in Wales.  
Feb. 19—England v. Ireland (Amateur), in England.  
Mar. 12—Scotland v. England (Amateur), Hampden Park.  
" 16—Ireland v. Wales, in Ireland.  
April 9—England v. Scotland, at Wembley.  
" 13—Ireland v. Scotland (Amateur), in Ireland.  
The Scotland v. Wales (Amateur) in Scotland, has yet to be arranged.



## Games Played.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 1937.

### THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Bolton Wanderers	2	Brentford	0
Charlton Athletic	1	Leeds United	1
Chelsea	6	Liverpool	1
Everton	1	Arsenal	4
Huddersfield Town	3	Blackpool	1
Leicester City	0	Derby County	0
Portsmouth	2	West Brom. Albion	3
Preston North End	4	Grimsby Town	1
Stoke City	2	Birmingham	2
Sunderland	3	Middlesbrough	1
Wolverhampton W.	3	Manchester City	1

### SECOND DIVISION.

Aston Villa	2	West Ham United	0
(Haycock, Maund)			
Bradford	4	Barnsley	3
Burnley	2	Bury	0
Chesterfield	1	Sheffield Wednesday	0
Manchester United	3	Newcastle United	0
Norwich City	4	Southampton	3
Plymouth Argyle	4	Fulham	0
Sheffield United	2	Nottingham Forest	1
Stockport County	2	Luton Town	1
Swansea Town	3	Blackburn Rovers	2
Tottenham Hotspur	0	Coventry City	0

### THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN

Bristol City	3	Gillingham	1
Clapton Orient	1	Cardiff City	1
Crystal Palace	1	Aldershot	1
Mansfield Town	4	Northampton Town	1
Newport County	2	Exeter City	2
Notts County	3	Swindon Town	0
Queen's Park R.	2	Brighton & Hove A.	1
Reading	1	Millwall	0
Southend United	1	Bournemouth	0
Torquay United	1	Walsall	0
Watford	4	Bristol Rovers	0

### THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN

Accrington Stanley	1	Carlisle United	4
Chester	1	Halifax Town	1
Darlington	1	Southport	1
Doncaster Rovers	4	Bradford City	0
Gateshead	2	Crewe Alexandra	0
Hull City	3	Wrexham	2
Lincoln City	2	Hartlepool United	1
New Brighton	2	Barrow	1
Oldham Athletic	3	Port Vale	0
Rochdale	0	York City	0
Rotherham United	2	Tranmere Rovers	1

### CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Newcastle United	1	Aston Villa	0
(Park)			
Birmingham	1	Stoke City	1
Blackburn Rovers	2	Bolton Wanderers	1
Blackpool	0	Huddersfield Town	0
Bury	5	Burnley	0
Derby County	5	Chesterfield	0
Leeds United	3	Sheffield United	0
Liverpool	2	Preston North End	0
Manchester City	1	Wolverhampton W.	0
Sheffield Wednesday	0	Everton	1
West Brom. Albion	1	Manchester United	0

MONDAY, AUGUST 30TH, 1937.

### THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Blackpool	2	Bolton Wanderers	2
Leicester City	4	Sunderland	0
West Brom. Albion	0	Stoke City	1

### SECOND DIVISION.

Blackburn Rovers	2	Plymouth Argyle	1
Bury	1	Sheffield United	0
Coventry City	1	Manchester United	0
Tottenham Hotspur	4	Burnley	0
West Ham United	2	Swansea Town	1

### THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN.

Cardiff City	5	Torquay United	2
Millwall	1	Queen's Park R.	4
*Walsall	0	Mansfield Town	0

\*Abandoned after 32 minutes' play.

### THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN.

Barrow	1	Hull City	0
Halifax Town	1	Rotherham United	3
Port Vale	2	Gateshead	2
Tranmere Rovers	3	Rochdale	2

### CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Aston Villa	5	Chesterfield	3
(Martin 2, Moralee, Jones, Houghton)		(Swindells 2, Woodward)	
Bolton Wanderers	2	Blackpool	1
Burnley	1	Blackburn Rovers	0
Everton	4	Manchester City	3
Manchester United	2	Liverpool	1
Preston North End	2	Leeds United	0
Sheffield United	4	Bury	0
Stoke City	2	West Brom. Albion	1
Wolverhampton W.	4	Derby County	1

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31ST, 1937.

### THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Grimsby Town	1	Charlton Athletic	1
Bristol Rovers	0	Northampton Town	0

### THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN.

Bristol Rovers	0	Northampton Town	0
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1937.

### INTER-LEAGUE MATCH.

Irish League	2	Scottish League	3
At Belfast.			

### THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Arsenal	3	Huddersfield Town	1
Birmingham	3	Middlesbrough	1
Brentford	2	Preston North End	1
Derby County	1	Wolverhampton W.	2
Leeds United	2	Chelsea	0
Liverpool	3	Portsmouth	2
Manchester City	2	Everton	0

### SECOND DIVISION.

Luton Town	3	Aston Villa	2
(Dawes, Payne, Hancock)		(Maund, Massie)	
Newcastle United	0	Barnsley	1
Nottingham Forest	1	Stockport County	2
Southampton	0	Chesterfield	1

### THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN.

Aldershot	0	Reading	0
Bournemouth	2	Clapton Orient	1
Brighton & Hove A.	3	Southend United	1
Exeter City	0	Notts County	3
Gillingham	1	Newport County	0
Swindon Town	4	Crystal Palace	0
Watford	3	Bristol City	1

### THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN.

Bradford City	1	Southport	1
Crewe Alexandra	1	New Brighton	0
Darlington	1	Oldham Athletic	0
Hartlepool United	2	Accrington Stanley	0
Wrexham	1	Lincoln City	0
York City	2	Doncaster Rovers	0

### CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Huddersfield Town	2	Sheffield Wednesday	0
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 1937.

### SECOND DIVISION.

Norwich City	1	Bradford	1
Sheffield Wednesday	2	Fulham	1

### THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN.

Carlisle United	1	Chester	3
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## The League Calendar.

### THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Sept.	4—Arsenal v. Wolverhampton W.
"	4—Birmingham v. Portsmouth.
"	4—Blackpool v. Everton.
"	4—Brentford v. Huddersfield Town.
"	4—Derby County v. Sunderland.
"	4—Grimsby Town v. Bolton Wanderers.
"	4—Leeds United v. Preston North End.
"	4—Liverpool v. Charlton Athletic.
"	4—Manchester City v. Leicester City.
"	4—Middlesbrough v. Stoke City.
"	4—West Bromwich Albion v. Chelsea.
"	6—Bolton Wanderers v. Blackpool.
"	6—Charlton Athletic v. Grimsby Town.
"	6—Preston North End v. Brentford.
"	6—Stoke City v. West Bromwich Albion.
"	6—Wolverhampton W. v. Derby County.
"	8—Chelsea v. Leeds United.
"	8—Everton v. Manchester City.
"	8—Huddersfield Town v. Arsenal.
"	8—Middlesbrough v. Birmingham.
"	8—Portsmouth v. Liverpool.
"	8—Sunderland v. Leicester City.

### SECOND DIVISION.

Sept.	4—Southampton v. Aston Villa.
"	4—Barnsley v. Stockport County.
"	4—Blackburn Rovers v. Norwich City.
"	4—Bury v. Plymouth Argyle.
"	4—Coventry City v. Burnley.
"	4—Fulham v. Chesterfield.
"	4—Luton Town v. Manchester United.
"	4—Newcastle United v. Sheffield United.
"	4—Nottingham Forest v. Tottenham H.
"	4—Sheffield Wednesday v. Swansea Town.
"	4—West Ham United v. Bradford.
"	6—Aston Villa v. Luton Town.
"	6—Barnsley v. Newcastle United.
"	6—Bradford v. Norwich City.
"	6—Burnley v. Tottenham Hotspur.
"	6—Chesterfield v. Southampton.
"	6—Fulham v. Sheffield Wednesday.
"	6—Sheffield United v. Bury.
"	6—Stockport County v. Nottingham Forest.
"	6—Swansea Town v. West Ham United.
"	8—Manchester United v. Coventry City.
"	8—Plymouth Argyle v. Blackburn Rovers.

### THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN.

Sept.	4—Aldershot v. Notts County.
"	4—Bournemouth v. Queen's Park Rangers.
"	4—Brighton & Hove A. v. Reading.
"	4—Bristol Rovers v. Mansfield Town.
"	4—Cardiff City v. Southend United.
"	4—Exeter City v. Bristol City.
"	4—Gillingham v. Watford.
"	4—Millwall v. Crystal Palace.
"	4—Northampton Town v. Torquay United.
"	4—Swindon Town v. Newport County.
"	4—Walsall v. Clapton Orient.
"	6—Northampton Town v. Bristol Rovers.
"	8—Bristol City v. Watford.
"	8—Crystal Palace v. Swindon Town.
"	8—Mansfield Town v. Walsall.
"	8—Notts County v. Exeter City.
"	8—Reading v. Aldershot.
"	8—Southend United v. Brighton & Hove A.
"	8—Torquay United v. Cardiff City.
"	9—Clapton Orient v. Bournemouth.
"	9—Newport County v. Gillingham.
"	9—Queen's Park Rangers v. Millwall.

### THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN.

Sept.	4—Barrow v. Gateshead.
"	4—Bradford City v. Rochdale.
"	4—Carlisle United v. Lincoln City.
"	4—Crewe Alexandra v. Oldham Athletic.
"	4—Halifax Town v. Accrington Stanley.
"	4—Hartlepool United v. Hull City.
"	4—Port Vale v. Darlington.
"	4—Southport v. Doncaster Rovers.
"	4—Tranmere Rovers v. Chester.
"	4—Wrexham v. New Brighton.
"	4—York City v. Rotherham United.
"	6—Accrington Stanley v. Hartlepool U.
"	6—Hull City v. Barrow.
"	6—Lincoln City v. Wrexham.
"	6—Oldham Athletic v. Darlington.
"	6—Rotherham United v. Halifax.
"	7—Rochdale v. Tranmere Rovers.
"	7—Southport v. Bradford City.
"	8—Chester v. Carlisle United.
"	8—Gateshead v. Port Vale.
"	8—New Brighton v. Crewe Alexandra.

### CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Sept.	4—Aston Villa v. Derby County.
"	4—Bolton Wanderers v. Bury.
"	4—Burnley v. Leeds United.
"	4—Chesterfield v. Manchester City.
"	4—Everton v. Blackpool.
"	4—Huddersfield Town v. Blackburn Rovers.
"	4—Manchester United v. Birmingham.
"	4—Preston North End v. West Brom. Albion.
"	4—Sheffield United v. Liverpool.
"	4—Stoke City v. Newcastle United.
"	4—Wolverhampton W. v. Sheffield Wed.
"	6—Blackburn Rovers v. Burnley.
"	6—Blackpool v. Bolton Wanderers.
"	6—Bury v. Sheffield United.
"	6—Liverpool v. Manchester United.
"	6—Manchester City v. Everton.
"	8—Chesterfield v. Aston Villa.
"	8—Derby County v. Wolverhampton W.
"	8—Leeds United v. Preston North End.
"	8—Newcastle United v. Birmingham.
"	8—West Brom. Albion v. Stoke City.
"	9—Sheffield Wednesday v. Huddersfield T.



## FIRST TEAM FIXTURES.

1937.		1937-38.	1936-37.
		For Agt.	For Agt.
Aug. 28	West Ham United .....L Home	2 0	0 2
Sept. 1	Luton Town .....L Away	2 3	—
4	Southampton .....L Away	—	2 2
6	Luton Town .....L Home	—	—
11	Blackburn Rovers .....L Home	2 2	—
16	Norwich City .....L Away	1 5	—
18	Sheffield Wednesday .....L Away	—	—
25	Fulham .....L Home	0 3	—
Oct. 2	Plymouth Argyle .....L Away	2 2	—
9	Chesterfield .....L Home	6 2	—
16	Newcastle United .....L Home	0 2	—
23	Nottingham Forest .....L Away	1 1	—
30	Coventry City .....L Home	0 0	—
Nov. 6	Bury .....L Away	1 2	—
13	Burnley .....L Home	0 0	—
20	Manchester United .....L Away	—	—
27	Sheffield United .....L Home	2 1	—
Dec. 4	Tottenham Hotspur .....L Away	2 2	—
11	Stockport County .....L Home	—	—
18	Barnsley .....L Away	4 0	—
25	Bradford .....L Home	4 1	—
27	Bradford .....L Away	3 3	—
28	Barnsley .....L Home	4 2	—
1938.			
Jan. 1	West Ham United .....L Away	1 2	—
8	.....EC	—	—
15	Southampton .....L Home	4 0	—
22	Blackburn Rovers .....L Away	4 3	—
22	.....EC	—	—
29	Sheffield Wednesday .....L Home	—	—
Feb. 5	Fulham .....L Away	2 3	—
12	Plymouth Argyle .....L Home	5 4	—
12	.....EC	—	—
19	Chesterfield .....L Away	0 1	—
26	Newcastle United .....L Away	2 0	—
Mar. 5	Nottingham Forest .....L Home	1 1	—
5	.....EC	—	—
12	Coventry City .....L Away	0 1	—
19	Bury .....L Home	0 4	—
26	Burnley .....L Away	2 1	—
26	.....EC	—	—
April 2	Manchester United .....L Home	—	—
9	Sheffield United .....L Away	1 5	—
16	Tottenham Hotspur .....L Home	1 1	—
18	Swansea Town .....L Away	2 1	—
19	Swansea Town .....L Home	4 0	—
23	Stockport County .....L Away	—	—
30	.....EC	—	—
May 7	Norwich City .....L Home	3 0	—

L—League. EC—English Cup.

## MIDLAND MID-WEEK LEAGUE, Etc.

1937.		1937-38.	1936-37.
		For Agt.	For Agt.
Sept. 22	Moor Green .....L Away	7 1	—
30	Shrewsbury Town .....L Away	—	—
Oct. 6	West Bromwich Albion .....L Away	2 1	—
14	Stoke City .....L Away	6 2	—
20	Stoke City .....L Home	7 1	—
27	Birmingham .....L Away	2 2	—
Nov. 3	West Bromwich Albion .....L Home	4 0	—
8	Port Vale .....L Away	2 0	—
17	Leicester City .....L Home	—	—
24	Derby County .....L Home	2 3	—
Dec. 1	Derby County .....L Away	3 0	—
8	Shrewsbury Town .....L Home	—	—
1938.			
Jan. 26	Moor Green .....L Home	6 1	—
Feb. 3	Leicester City .....L Away	—	—
16	Port Vale .....L Home	6 0	—
23	Birmingham .....L Home	2 0	—

L—League.

## CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES.

1937.		1937-38.	1936-37.
		For Agt.	For Agt.
Aug. 28	Newcastle United .....L Away	0 1	0 0
30	Chesterfield .....L Home	5 3	—
Sept. 4	Derby County .....L Home	—	2 1
8	Chesterfield .....L Away	—	—
11	Manchester City .....L Away	—	1 4
15	Everton .....L Away	—	1 5
18	Sheffield Wednesday .....L Home	—	3 0
20	Everton .....L Home	—	2 2
25	Blackpool .....L Away	—	0 2
Oct. 2	Blackburn Rovers .....L Home	—	2 2
9	Bolton Wanderers .....L Away	—	0 2
16	Stoke City .....L Away	—	2 5
23	Manchester United .....L Home	—	1 2
30	Preston North End .....L Away	—	0 5
Nov. 6	Sheffield United .....L Home	—	3 0
13	Burnley .....L Away	—	0 2
20	Bury .....L Home	—	6 0
27	Leeds United .....L Away	—	1 5
Dec. 4	Liverpool .....L Home	—	4 1
11	West Bromwich Albion .....L Away	—	1 1
18	Birmingham .....L Home	—	2 1
25	Huddersfield Town .....L Away	—	1 1
27	Huddersfield Town .....L Home	—	1 1
1938.			
Jan. 1	Newcastle United .....L Home	—	4 1
8	.....	—	—
15	Derby County .....L Away	—	0 2
22	Manchester City .....L Home	—	3 3
29	Sheffield Wednesday .....L Away	—	1 1
Feb. 5	Blackpool .....L Home	—	1 2
12	Blackburn Rovers .....L Away	—	5 3
19	Bolton Wanderers .....L Home	—	3 3
26	Stoke City .....L Home	—	2 3
Mar. 5	Manchester United .....L Away	—	2 1
12	Preston North End .....L Home	—	1 3
19	Sheffield United .....L Away	—	1 1
26	Burnley .....L Home	—	3 2
April 2	Bury .....L Away	—	1 7
9	Leeds United .....L Home	—	4 1
15	Wolverhampton W. ....L Home	—	4 2
16	Liverpool .....L Away	—	3 3
18	Wolverhampton W. ....L Away	—	5 3
23	West Bromwich Albion .....L Home	—	5 1
30	Birmingham .....L Away	—	1 3
May 7	.....	—	—

L—League.

Next Saturday September 11th,

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In Birmingham Combination Match

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Rovers**

V.

**Aston Villa**

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