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Everton	32	16	12	4	75	48	40
Blackburn	33	17	8	8	69	41	42
Notts. Forest	33	16	9	8	71	48	41
Birmingham	33	16	8	9	69	46	40
Rotherham	33	17	4	12	64	56	38
Luton	33	14	9	10	54	51	37
Doncaster	32	15	6	11	50	42	36
Fulham	33	13	8	12	79	67	34
Bristol R.	32	9	14	9	52	46	32
Stoke C.	32	9	14	9	51	46	32
Leeds	33	11	10	12	72	67	32
West Ham	32	12	7	13	55	51	31
Derby C.	33	10	10	13	54	65	30
Hull C.	31	12	4	15	49	47	28
Bury	33	8	12	13	41	54	28
Notts. C.	33	9	10	14	36	61	28
Lincoln	33	10	7	16	48	65	27
Swansea	33	10	7	16	41	63	27
Plymouth	32	6	13	13	46	62	25
Brentford	34	7	10	17	28	66	24
Oldham	32	5	8	19	30	72	18

MIDLAND LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Doncaster	37	22	6	9	78	47	50
Notts Forest	31	22	4	5	93	36	48
Peterborough	32	20	5	7	83	52	45
Hull City	35	19	6	10	85	52	44
Corby	35	19	5	11	87	63	43
Rotherham	35	18	6	11	82	59	42
Grimsby	33	18	6	9	62	31	42
Grantham	33	18	4	11	83	63	40
Worksop	28	16	3	9	53	35	35
Notts. C.	33	14	6	13	65	61	34
Scunthorpe	34	13	8	13	64	61	34
Lincoln	34	15	3	16	76	69	33
Wisbech	32	12	8	12	61	60	32
Gainsborough	35	13	6	16	68	81	32
Boston U	32	13	5	14	67	84	31
Bradford	33	10	10	13	77	75	30
Denaby U.	32	11	8	13	46	61	30
Frickley	31	9	8	14	51	61	26
Goole	32	10	5	17	64	100	25
Mansfield	32	11	2	19	54	81	24
Scarborough	34	9	6	19	60	78	24
Bradford C.	33	7	4	22	56	95	18
York City	33	5	5	23	49	94	15
Halifax	32	5	5	22	38	100	15

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MANAGER'S NOTES

What a disappointment the display against Forest turned out to be after a good start, and a goal in the lead. The Nottingham side played very well in the second half and their wing halves got command of the game.

Everybody at Sincil Bank realises what we are up against and the players are determined to make Second Division football safe for next season. We are certainly not having the best of luck, but we are hoping it will turn to-day when we meet Luton.

On our visit there we lost a very close game by the only goal scored, and it is up to the lads to turn the tables this time.

Next week we go on the very long trip to Plymouth, who, like ourselves, are struggling to avoid relegation and who, on their own ground, can be expected to give us a very hard game indeed.

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SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

Welcome to the supporters of Luton Town.

The Imps have had more than their fair share of setbacks lately, and after such a promising first half-hour, the result at Nottingham last week was all the more disappointing.

But remember, Supporters Club members, that organisations such as ours exist to tide clubs over difficult periods such as this.

Now, more than ever, with only five home games remaining and vital points to be won if the club is to retain Second Division status, do the players need every ounce of encouragement we can give them. Don't forget that goals CAN be CHEERED in! Try it!

Ball winner for the Birmingham match was No. 7439, Mr. G. Carr, 8 Arnhem Avenue, Ruskin, and the winning Membership Card was that of Mr. D. F. Hackney, 64 Westwick Gardens, Lincoln (No. 0184).

Prize winners at the Whist Drive held at St. Botolph's Church Hall last Monday were: Ladies—Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Wheeler, Miss Coote. Gentlemen—Mr. F. Hauton, Mr. L. W. Lingard and Mr. H. Stephenson. Competition winners were Mr. J. E. Moffett and Mrs. Burton. Mr. Cook was M.C.

Patrons of our Whist Drive will be pleased to learn that the heating arrangements, the lack of which has affected attendances at these events, have now been improved and the Hall, we can assure you, is now lovely and warm.

We confidently look forward to a Bumper Whist Drive in St. Botolph's Hall, on Monday, 5th April, with all those members who have been deterred from attending by the condition once more taking part.

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QUESTIONS
(answers on page 10)

1. Which club has won the F.A. Amateur Cup most times?
2. A Football League Club has had three managers since the war, who all used to be players with the same club. Can you name it?
3. When was the rule made that "a player cannot be offside direct from a throw-in"?
4. Who were the First Division Champions in 1931/32?
5. What is the record aggregate score for a League match?
6. The Spurs have won the F.A. Cup twice. How many times have they appeared in the Final?

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION II. FIXTURES 1953-54

		F	A	SCORERS
1953				
Aug.	19	West Ham United	A	0 5
	22	Doncaster Rovers	A	1 1 Graver
	26	Bury	H	0 0
	29	Blackburn Rovers	H	8 0 Whittle Graver (4) Finch Munro (2)
Sept.	2	Bury	A	1 1 Finch
	5	Derby County	A	0 2
	9	Oldham Athletic	H	3 1 McDowall Whittle Graver
	12	Brentford	H	2 1 Graver Whittle
	14	Oldham Athletic	A	0 1
	19	Bristol Rovers	A	1 0 McDowall
	26	Leeds United	H	2 0 McDowall Graver
Oct.	3	Notts. County	H	3 0 Graver (2) Finch
	10	Birmingham City	A	0 1
	17	Nottingham Forest	H	2 2 Finch Graver
	24	Luton Town	A	0 1
	31	Plymouth Argyle	H	2 0 Graver (2)
Nov.	7	Swansea Town	A	2 4 Whittle Graver
	14	Rotherham United	H	4 3 Whittle (3) Graver
	21	(1) Leicester City	A	2 9 Whittle Graver
	28	Stoke City	H	1 1 Whittle
Dec.	5	Fulham	A	1 4 Graver
	12	(2) West Ham United	H	1 2 Whittle
	19	Doncaster Rovers	H	0 2
	26	Hull City	A	0 3
	28	Hull City	H	3 0 Graver Shaw Gibson

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		F	A	SCORERS
1954				
Jan.	2	Blackburn Rovers	A	0 6 Graver
	9	Walsall (F.A. C. 3rd R.)	H	1 1 Finch
	14	Walsall (F.A. C. Replay)	A	1 1 Graver Birch
	16	Derby County	H	2 2
	18	Walsall (F.A. C.) Replay on Notts. Forest Ground	A	2 1 Shaw (c.g.) Whittle
	23	Brentford	A	1 0 Munro
	30	Preston (F.A. C. 4th Rd.)	H	0 2 Finch
Feb.	6	Bristol Rovers	H	1 2 Graver McDowall
	13	Leeds United	A	2 5 Graver Munro
	20	(5) Notts. County	A	1 1
	27	Birmingham City	H	0 1
Mar.	6	Nottingham Forest	A	2 4 Garvie Graver
	13	(6) Luton Town	H	1 0
	20	Plymouth Argyle	A	2 1
	27	Leicester City	H	0 1
April	3	Stoke City	A	1 0
	10	Swansea Town	H	1 0
	16	Everton	A	1 0
	17	Rotherham United	A	1 0
	19	Everton	H	1 0
	24	Fulham	H	1 0

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ANSWERS

1. Bishop Auckland—seven times.
2. Crystal Palace. Since the war they have been managed by John Butler, Ronnie Rooke and Lawrence Scott, all of whom used to be Arsenal players.
3. 1920.
4. Everton with 56 points.
5. The 13—4 win by Tranmere Rovers over Oldham Athletic in a Third Division Northern match on 26th December 1935.
6. Twice.

MIDLAND LEAGUE FIXTURES. SEASON 1953—54

1953		F	A	SCORERS
Aug. 22	Denaby United	H	2	Gibson Troops
29	Bradford (P.A.)	A	1	Gibson
Sept. 2	Notts. County	H	1	Thompson
5	Gainsborough Trinity	H	4	Gibson
9	York City	A	4	Gibson (2) Watson Thompson
16	York City	H	2	Gibson (2)
19	Peterborough United	H	4	Birch (2) Hails Gibson
24	Goolo Town	A	1	Birch
26	Scarborough	A	3	Birch Kerr Troops
28	Goolo Town	H	8	Gibson (2) Kerr (3) Troops Garvie Birch
Oct. 1	Boston United	A	2	Gibson Troops
3	Halifax Town	A	1	Garvie
10	Bradford (P.A.)	H	3	Lafferty Hails Troops
12	Doncaster Rovers	A	1	Gibson
17	Mansfield Town	A	3	Kerr Gibson Troops
24	Notts. Forest	H	4	Hails (3) Troops
31	Bradford City	A	3	Troops Gibson Kerr
Nov. 7	Rotherham United	H	3	Dykes (2) Hails
14	Frickley Colliery	A	5	Gibson (3) Dykes McDowell
21	(1) Grantham	H	2	Burnett Thompson
Dec. 5	Grimsby Town	H	2	Troops Gibson
12	(2) Notts. Forest	A	3	Gibson (3)
19	Denaby United	A	2	Gibson Hails
25	Worksop	A	1	Gibson
26	Worksop	H	1	Hails

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MIDLAND LEAGUE FIXTURES. SEASON 1953—54

1954		F	A	SCORERS
Jan. 2	Wisbech Town	H	3	Green (R.) Kerr Hails
9	(3) Hull City	A	0	3
16	Gainsborough Trinity	A	3	4 Gibson (3)
23	Doncaster Rovers	H	0	2
30	(4)			
Feb. 6	Peterborough United	A	1	6 Gibson
13	Boston United	H	0	1
20	(5) Halifax Town	H	6	2 Gibson (2) Birch (2) Whittle (2)
27	Corby Town	A	0	2
Mar. 6	Mansfield Town	H	0	2
13	(6) Wisbech Town	A		
20	Bradford City	H		
27	Rotherham United	A		
April 3	Frickley Colliery	H		
7	Hull City	H		
10	Grantham	A		
16	Scunthorpe	H		
17	Scarborough	H		
19	Scunthorpe	A		
21	Corby Town	H		
24	Grimsby Town	A		
29	Notts. County	A		
May 1				

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B	Leyton O.	J	Doncaster R.	R	Huddersfield T.
	Port Vale		Fulham		Newcastle U.
C	Sheffield W.	K	Everton	S	Sheffield U.
	Bolton W.		Rotherham U		Liverpool
D	West Brom.	L	Hull C.	T	Barnsley
	Tottenham		Swansea		Accrington S.
E	Blackburn R.	M	Notts. Co.	U	Chester
	West Ham		Plymouth		Chesterfield
F	Brentford	N	Arsenal	V	Darlington
	Birmingham		Charlton A.		Grimsby T.
G	Bristol R.	O	Aston Villa	W	Gateshead
	Notts. Forest		Manchester U.		Rochdale
H	Bury	P	Blackpool	X	Scunthorpe U.
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