

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 1954-55



1955

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# Chelsea Football Club

Stamford Bridge Grounds, London SW6

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

**CHELSEA**

v

**LUTON TOWN**

Monday, 2nd April, 1956

Kick-off 3 p.m.



Official Programme **3d**

The right of admission to grounds  
is reserved.



## THE CHELSEA FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC CO. LTD.

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League Champions 1955

The Melton Mowbray Tally-Ho Carnival Band visits Stamford Bridge today and will play a programme of music before the match and during the half-time interval. Their gay uniform will add a dash of splendid colour to the ground today.

We would like to extend our thanks on behalf of our Supporters to Mr. F. Harley (Chairman) and Mr. S. Cragg (Secretary) for arranging their visit today.

### COMMENT

TODAY we welcome Luton Town, who are making their first ever League appearance at Stamford Bridge, although they have been here twice previously in Third Round F.A. Cup ties.

Luton finished third in the Second Division in 1953-54 and won promotion to the First Division last season when they finished just behind Birmingham City, the leaders, on goal average. Their home record was excellent, only one match at home being lost and they gained 38 points out of a possible 42 on their home ground. Luton won promotion from the Third Division (South) to the Second Division in 1937.

After today we have four more League matches to play; against Everton on April

14th and Blackpool on April 28th at Stamford Bridge, and Sheffield United on April 7th and Newcastle United on April 21st away from home. Our Football Combination team, however, have a rather busy month ahead of them, having to play no fewer than seven matches in April. Before the Easter programme opened Tottenham Hotspur topped the Combination table with 55 points from 34 games, our reserves being second with 51 points from the same number of matches. Their struggle to retain the title they won last season might well depend, therefore, on the last match of the season at White Hart Lane.

We regret that the printing dispute was not settled in time to revert to our 16-page programmes for the Easter matches, but our normal magazine programme will be on sale for the next home match.

### NEXT MATCHES AT THIS GROUND

Saturday, 7th April  
(Kick-off 3 p.m.)

**WEST HAM UNITED**  
Football Combination

Saturday, 14th April  
(Kick-off 3 p.m.)

**EVERTON**  
Football League

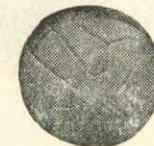
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1. (Goal) <b>Robertson</b>	3. (Left-back) <b>Willemse</b>
2. (Right-back) <b>Sillett</b>	6. (Left-half) <b>Casey</b>
4. (Right-half) <b>Saunders</b>	5. (Centre-half) <b>Wicks</b>
7. (Outside-right) <b>Parsons</b>	8. (Inside-right) <b>McNichol</b>
9. (Centre-forward) <b>Bentley</b>	10. (Inside-left) <b>Stubbs</b>
11. (Outside-left) <b>Blunstone</b>	11. (Outside-left) <b>Blunstone</b>

Linesmen:  
Mr. V. ALDRIDGE  
(Birmingham)  
[Red Flag]  
Mr. T. W. DAWES  
(Norwich)  
[Yellow Flag]

Adam 11. (Outside-left)	Pemberton 10. (Inside-left)	Gregory 9. (Centre-forward)	Pearce 8. (Inside-right)	Davies 7. (Outside-right)
Shanks 6. (Left-half)	Kelly 5. (Centre-half)	Jones 3. (Left-back)	Dunne 2. (Right-back)	Morton 4. (Right-half)
Baynham 1. (Goal)				

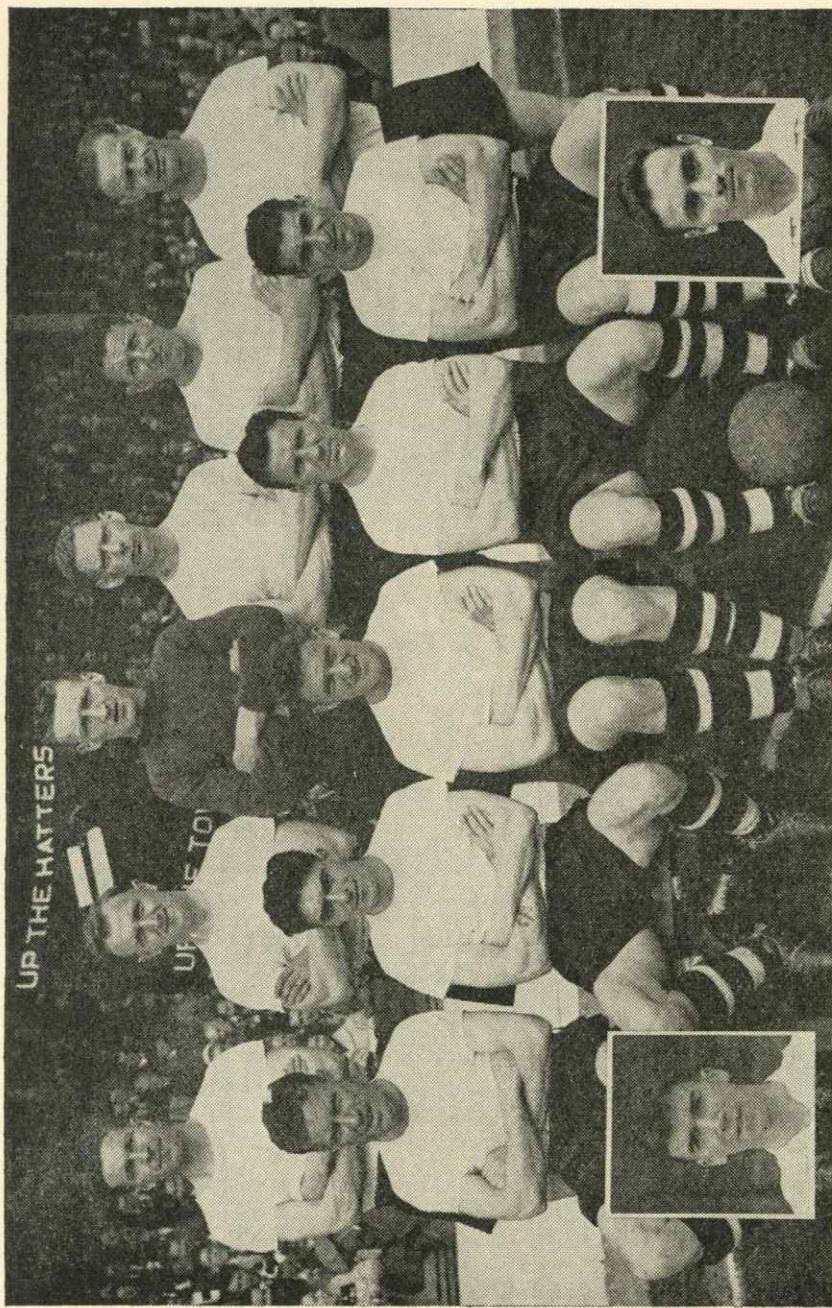


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### HALF-TIME SCOREBOARD

FIRST DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
A Arsenal v. Huddersfield Town	.....	N Liverpool v. Doncaster
B Birmingham C. v. W.B.A.	.....	O Stoke City v. West Ham
C Bolton W. v. Blackpool	.....	
D Burnley v. Charlton	.....	P Aldershot v. Watford
E Cardiff City v. Portsmouth	.....	R Brentford v. Northampton
F Manchester C. v. Sunderland	.....	S Brighton v. Millwall
G Newcastle v. Manchester U.	.....	T Norwich C. v. Ipswich T.
H Preston N.E. v. Tottenham	.....	U Reading v. Crystal Palace
J Sheffield Utd. v. Everton	.....	V Swindon v. Southend
K Wolverhampton v. Aston Villa	.....	W Torquay v. Leyton Orient
SECOND DIVISION		
L Leeds Utd. v. Fulham	.....	



LUTON TOWN 1955-56

Standing: R. Morton, S. Dunn, R. Baynham, S. Owen, T. Aherne, W. Shanks. Seated: R. Davies, G. Turner, M. P. MacEwan, C. Watkins, J. Penberton. Inset: J. Adam, L. Jones.