

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS 1954-55



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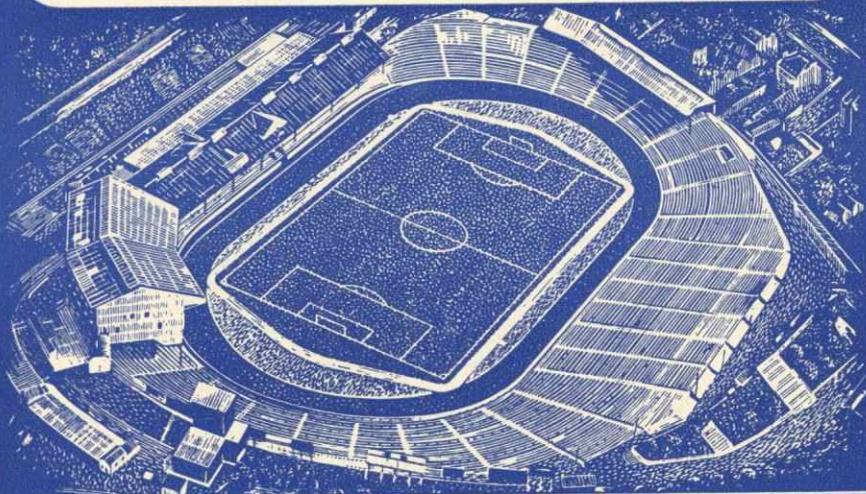
FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

SEASON 1958-59

CHELSEA v LUTON TOWN

Saturday, 7th March, 1959

Kick-off 3 p.m.



Official Programme

6d

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FIXTURES 1958-59

Football League Div. I

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Aug. 23	Manchester United	Away	2-5
" 27	TOTTENHAM H.	HOME	4-2
" 30	WHAMPTON W.	HOME	6-2
Sept. 3	Tottenham Hotspur	Away	0-4
" 6	Portsmouth	Away	2-2
" 10	NEWCASTLE UTD.	HOME	6-5
" 13	ASTON VILLA	HOME	2-1
" 17	Newcastle United	Away	2-1
" 20	West Ham United	Away	2-4
" 27	NOTTM. FOREST	HOME	4-1
Oct. 4	Burnley	Away	0-4
" 11	BOLTON WAN.	HOME	0-1
" 18	Luton Town	Away	1-2
" 25	LEICESTER CITY	HOME	5-2
Nov. 1	Preston North End	Away	0-2
" 8	LEEDS UNITED	HOME	2-0
" 15	Manchester City	Away	1-5
" 22	ARSENAL	HOME	0-3
" 29	Everton	Away	1-3
Dec. 6	BIRMINGHAM CITY	HOME	1-0
" 13	West Bromwich A.	Away	0-4
" 20	MANCHESTER U.	HOME	2-3
" 25	Blackburn Rovers	Away	3-0
" 27	BLACKBURN R.	HOME	0-2
1959			
Jan. 3	Wolverhampton W.	Away	2-1
" 17	PORTSMOUTH	HOME	2-2
" 31	Aston Villa	Away	1-3
Feb. 7	WEST HAM U.	HOME	3-2
" 21	BURNLEY	HOME	1-3
Mar. 4	Bolton Wanderers	Away	0-6
" 7	LUTON TOWN	HOME	.....
" 14	Leicester City	Away	.....
" 21	PRESTON N.E.	HOME	.....
" 27	Blackpool	Away	.....
" 28	Leeds United	Away	.....
" 30	BLACKPOOL	HOME	.....
Apr. 4	MANCHESTER CITY	HOME	.....
" 11	Arsenal	Away	.....
" 15	Nottingham Forest	Away	.....
" 18	EVERTON	HOME	.....
" 22	WEST BROM. A.	HOME	.....
" 25	Birmingham City	Away	.....
May 2	F.A. CUP FINAL		

F.A. Cup

Jan. 19	(3) Newcastle U.	Away	4-1
" 24	(4) ASTON VILLA	HOME	1-2

Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Sept. 30	Frem	Copenhagen	3-1
Nov. 4	FREM	HOME	4-1

Other First Team Matches

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Aug. 10	C.D.N.A. Bulgaria	Sofia	1-2
" 17	Levski	Sofia	2-0
Oct. 28	SOUTH AFRICANS	HOME	1-0

Football Combination

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Aug. 23	CHARLTON ATH.	HOME	0-2
" 30	Bristol City	Away	0-0
Sept. 6	PORTSMOUTH	HOME	6-1
" 13	Cardiff City	Away	5-1
" 20	WEST HAM UTD.	HOME	4-1
" 27	Nottingham Forest	Away	0-2
Oct. 4	LEICESTER CITY	HOME	3-0
" 11	Fulham	Away	0-1
" 18	ARSENAL	HOME	1-1
" 25	Ipswich Town	Away	5-2
Nov. 1	SWANSEA TOWN	HOME	1-3
" 8	Bristol Rovers	Away	6-4
" 15	BIRMINGHAM CITY	HOME	5-1
" 22	Luton Town	Away	1-2
" 29	LEYTON ORIENT	HOME	4-2
Dec. 6	Arsenal	Away	1-6
" 13	FULHAM	HOME	2-1
" 20	Charlton Athletic	Away	3-1
" 26	Brighton & Hove A.	Away	2-2

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1959	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Jan. 3	BRISTOL CITY	HOME	4-0
" 31	CARDIFF CITY	HOME	3-1
Feb. 7	West Ham United	Away	2-2
" 14	NOTTM FOREST	HOME	4-0
" 21	Leicester City	Away	3-0
" 28	IPSWICH TOWN	HOME	2-0
Mar. 7	Swansea Town	Away	.....
" 14	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME	.....
" 21	Birmingham City	Away	.....
" 28	LUTON TOWN	HOME	.....
Apr. 4	Leyton Orient	Away	.....
" 11	TOTTENHAM H.	HOME	.....
" 25	Tottenham Hotspur	Away	.....
Undated	Portsmouth	Away	.....
"	BRIGHTON & H.A.	HOME	.....

London F.A. Challenge Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Oct. 6 (1)	Crystal Palace	Away	1-3

London Mid-Week League

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Oct. 27	West Ham United	Away	2-0
Nov. 12	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME	1-1
" 26	CHARLTON ATH.	Hendon	3-0
Dec. 10	PORTSMOUTH	Hendon	9-1
1959			
Jan. 22	Tottenham Hotspur	Away	4-2
Feb. 11	Watford	Away	4-2
" 18	WEST HAM UTD.	Hendon	1-2
" 25	TOTTENHAM H.	Hendon	1-1
Mar. 4	Portsmouth	Away	0-2
" 11	Crystal Palace	Away	.....
" 17	Charlton Athletic	Away
Undated	WATFORD	Hendon



League Champions 1955

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CALLING...

IN welcoming our friends from Luton we should like to congratulate them on their excellent performance in the F.A. Cup by reaching the semi-final stage for the first time.

Incidentally the Cup competition has played havoc with our League fixtures, causing alterations to the date of our Bolton match, which was played on Wednesday of this week and the Nottingham Forest game, which we are now scheduled to play on April 15th.

Speculation has been rife recently, linking our name with many likely and unlikely players in various parts of the country. As you know, our endeavour is to strengthen certain positions, but our quest is hampered with a dearth of worthwhile players whose clubs would be willing to part with them. Meanwhile we have to carry on and while the search continues, spare a thought for the lads who are giving of their best. They are carrying on with only one thought in mind—the good of their club. They need encouragement not criticism and I may say that many players who have been recommended to us fall very far short of our lads. We shall however, continue to seek the man who will fit in.

Our Combination side, still unbeaten in nine games, added to their achievements a fortnight ago by bringing to a full stop, with a very young side, the exceptional run of the League leaders, Leicester City, who have been unbeaten in thirteen matches. Our lads beat them 3-0.

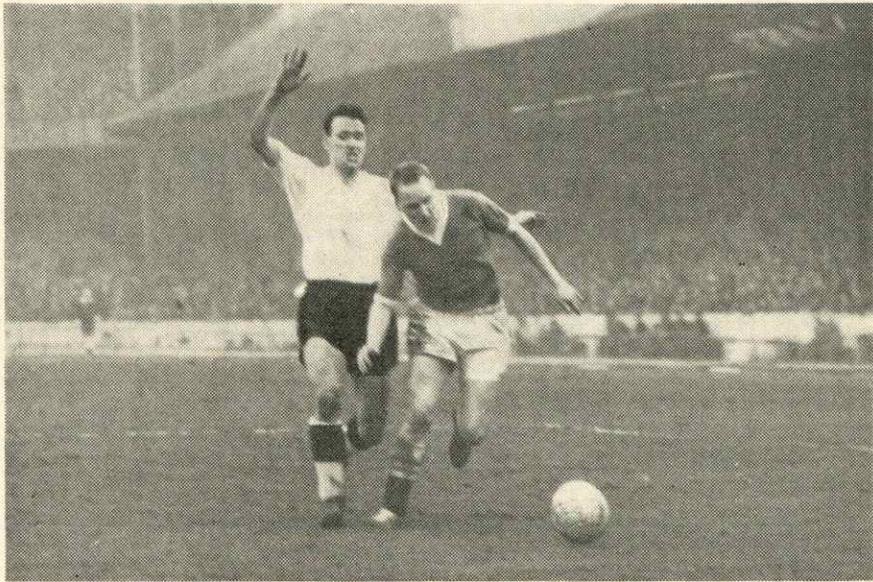
The Metropolitan League side played our near rivals, Tonbridge, and after a hard game finished even.

Congratulations to Mel Scott, Peter Brabrook and Jimmy Greaves on their inclusion in the Under 23's side, France v. England on March 18th at Lyons.

GREAVES GETS 25th GOAL OF



A great shot by Jimmy Greaves (out of picture) beats McDonald for our goal. It was Jimmy's 25th League goal of the season.



Frank Blunstone beats the defender and dribbles on towards goal. A moment later he was brought down near the line and the crowd shouted for a penalty.

SEASON AGAINST BURNLEY



Jimmy Greaves gets through again, but his shot was deflected for a corner by goalkeeper McDonald.



David Cliss jumps high in an attempt to collect a centre, but Adamson and McDonald jump with him. Barry Bridges (centre) looks on anxiously.

OUR VISITORS TODAY

ALTHOUGH Luton Town, this afternoon's visitors to Stamford Bridge, have done comparatively little of note in away matches this season, they are likely to prove a difficult side to overcome.

In recent weeks the Hatters have been scoring goals with much greater facility than for a considerable time. Beginning with a 6-3 home victory over Arsenal on Boxing Day, they had netted 18 times in their six League matches prior to last Saturday, after the previous nine had yielded an average of only one per game. This improvement in marksmanship has been achieved without the assistance of inside-right Gordon Turner, who has not been able to command a regular first team place of late, having played in only one of the last six League engagements.

Other changes from the team which won 2-1 when we visited Kenilworth Road on October 18th have been made at right-back, right-half, centre-forward and on the left wing. John Groves is now filling the half-back berth in place of Bob Morton, who has taken over the leadership of the attack, with Allan Brown moving to inside-right for Turner. Brendan McNally has succeeded Seamus Dunne at right-back, and Tony Gregory has replaced Jim Adam on the left flank.

At the present time the Hatters are without a manager, Mr. Dally Duncan having moved to Blackburn Rovers in the middle of October. The Luton board is in no hurry to appoint his successor, and rumour has it that Syd Owen, the club's centre-half, who has stated his intention of retiring from the playing side at the end of the season, will be given the job.

The Hatters began the season by taking five points from their first four away games, winning at Birmingham by the only goal, and forcing draws at Leeds, Manchester City and Burnley. They have subsequently collected only one more point from a further eight engagements on opponents' grounds, drawing 2-2 at Portsmouth on October 25th.

During the period when the attack was unable to find the net with any degree of regularity, the Hatters' defence helped to weather the storm, and all season that department of the side has been performing with commendable efficiency. Only 43 goals were conceded in the first 27 fixtures, a record which speaks for itself.

At the same time, the credit total stood at 49. Luton have made up for their comparative lack of success in League affairs by doing well in the Cup. They defeated Leeds 5-1 at Kenilworth Road in the third round, disposed of Leicester City 4-1, also at home in the next stage, after a 1-1 draw at Filbert Street, and then won 5-2 at Ipswich in the fifth round.

Last week they visited Blackpool where they drew 1-1 and replayed on their own ground on Wednesday afternoon. Alan Brown scored the only goal of the game, thus putting Luton Town into the semi-final for the first time in their history. Their previous best performances were to reach the sixth round in 1933 and 1952.

Among those who have helped Luton to do so well in defence is goalkeeper Ron Baynham. Signed from Worcester City some eight years ago, Baynham ranks among the most consistent custodians in the country.

As his name implies Brendan McNally is an Irishman. He had experience with Shelbourne before moving to Kenilworth Road in the summer of 1956. A Dubliner, McNally has also had a few games at centre-forward in the past.

The last ever-present in the Luton defence is Ken Hawkes, who is now playing so well that it is hard to realise that his senior experience is limited to little more than a year. He had six seasons with the club before being given his initial first team opportunity in December, 1957. Hawkes has not missed a single game since then, a tribute to his ability in itself.

John Groves, a strongly-built six-footer from Derby is a useful utility man, having operated in both wing-half positions and the two inside-forward berths, as well as leading the attack on numerous occasions. Now he has settled down in the middle line, and, barring accidents, looks likely to remain there for a long time to come.

It is nearly twelve years since Luton signed Syd Owen from Birmingham City, his local club, and in that time he has become one of the most stylish and competent defenders in the country.

Dave Pacey has proved to be a natural successor to Reg Pearce, who was

The Talk of Stamford Bridge

BOBBY LAVERICK did not take long to find his feet with his new club. Transferred to Everton on Tuesday, 17th February, he scored his side's third goal against West Bromwich Albion on the following day. Everton are due here for a League match next month and we hope to give him a welcome back in their colours.

Owen Medlock was transferred to Swindon Town on Wednesday, 25th February. Born at Peterborough, he joined us as an amateur in 1953 and graduated through our Junior Scheme, signing professional forms in May, 1955, at the age of 17. Most of his active soccer has been restricted to our Metropolitan League team, but he had eight games with our Combination side—three in 1955-56, one in 1956-57, two in 1957-58 and two this season.

Two sixteen-year-old players from Boston United have joined us through our Junior Scheme, M. Robinson a left-back and G. Bolland, a forward. Robinson had his first game for us against Watford in the London Mid-Week League, but both players were included in our South-East Counties League team against Tottenham Hotspur a fortnight ago.

We would draw your attention to the match at this ground on Wednesday evening, 18th March (kick-off 7.30 p.m.). Last February we staged the Kentish Cup match between the British and French Armies. This year it is the turn of the Belgian Army to come to this country, and a strong British Army team will be selected to meet them. The game has all the points of being a good evening's entertainment.

Match Summaries

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday, 21st February.
Lost to BURNLEY (Home) 1-3. Half-time: 0-1.
Referee: Mr. J. W. Topliss (Grimsby).
Attendance: 27,564.
Team: Matthews; Sillett (P.), Sillett (J.); Mortimore, Scott, Crowther; Brabrook, Cliss, Bridges, Greaves, Blunstone.
Scorer: Greaves.

Congratulations to Mel Scott, Peter Brabrook and Jimmy Greaves for their selection for England's Under-23 international match against France Under-23 at Lyons on Wednesday, 18th March. Both Scott and Brabrook were omitted from the England Under-23 team which should have played against Scotland last month, but that game has now been abandoned. Two matches that our lads can set their sights on are the Under-23 internationals against Italy and Western Germany in May.

Ron Tindall, who played his first League match for us three seasons ago, had his 100th League match in our colours against Bolton Wanderers last Wednesday evening. Ron's goal tally to date is 44.

Our postponed League fixture against Nottingham Forest on their ground has now been arranged for Wednesday, 15th April. The kick-off will be 3 p.m.

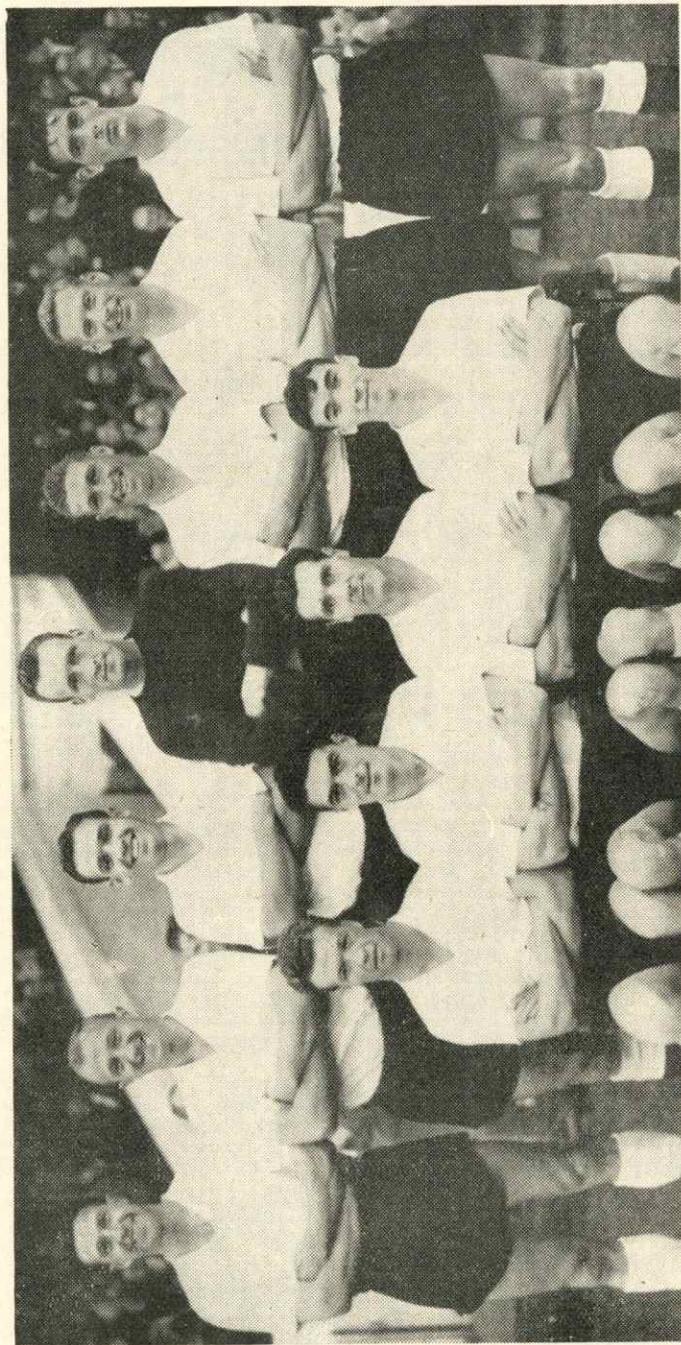
If the F.A. Amateur Cup semi-final match between Hendon and Crook Town on Saturday, 21st March, ends in a draw, the replay will take place at this ground on Easter Saturday, 28th March. This would involve the postponement of our Football Combination match against Luton Town.

Tony Ritchie and Robin Clark, the two Surrey schoolboys who recently passed the Croydon Referees' Society examination, have been invited to the match today. Tony (14) and Robin (15) are both Chelsea fans.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Saturday, 21st February.
Beat LEICESTER CITY (Away) 3-0. Half-time: 2-0.
Team: Robertson; Shellito, Whittaker; McMillan, Berry, Huxford; Corthine, Allen, Tindall, Gibbs, Harrison.
Scorers: Harrison (pen.), Tindall, Allen.
Saturday, 28th February.
Beat IPSWICH TOWN (Home) 2-0. Half-time: 1-0.
Team: Robertson; Sillett (J.), Whittaker; Mortimore, Scott, Crowther; Brabrook, Allen, Tindall, Gibbs, Harrison.
Scorers: Brabrook, Harrison.

LUTON TOWN 1958-59



Standing: R. Morton, S. Dunne, K. Hawkes, R. Baynham, D. Pacey, S. Owen, J. Groves.
Seated: W. Bingham, G. Turner, A. Brown, J. Adam.

CHELSEA

Colours—Shirts: Royal Blue (White Collars). Knickers: White.
Stockings: Black, Blue and White Tops.

1. (Goal)
Matthews

2. (Right-back)
Sillett (P.)

3. (Left-back)
Whittaker

4. (Right-half)
Mortimore

5. (Centre-half)
Scott

6. (Left-half)
Crowther

7. (Outside-right)
Brabrook

8. (Inside-right)
Greaves

9. (Centre-forward)
Tindall

10. (Inside-left)
Nicholas

11. (Outside-left)
Blunstone

Referee:
Mr. K. A. COLLINGE
(Altrincham, Cheshire)



Linesmen:
Mr. H. STEVENS
(Bath, Somerset)
[Red Flag]

Mr. G. D. ROPER
(Newmarket, Suffolk)
[Yellow Flag]

Gregory
11. (Outside-left)

Turner
10. (Inside-left)

Morton
9. (Centre-forward)

Brown
8. (Inside-right)

Bingham
7. (Outside-right)

Pacey
6. (Left-half)

Kelly
5. (Centre-half)

Groves
4. (Right-half)

Hawkes
3. (Left-back)

McNally
2. (Right-back)

Baynham
1. (Goal)

LUTON TOWN

Colours—Shirts: White. Knickers: Black. Stockings: Black, White Tops.

THIS AND THAT

By **TRUE BLUE**

Bargain Buys Which Have Meant Fame And Cash To Luton Town

UNTIL recent times Luton Town didn't mean much more to Chelsea followers than a place whence, from time to time, an odd player changed over to Stamford Bridge. Jimmy Thompson, Joe Payne and Hugh Billington were connecting links.

Now Luton are on our regular list of visitors in search of First Division points, and our message of welcome today includes congratulations to all concerned in the prominent part the Club has played in this season's Cup competition. The second chance has been well used at an opportune time.

It is quite remarkable, in a way that Luton should have kept alive in knock-out competition longer than any of the London clubs, and to have remained as the last hope of the South. This isn't the first time, of course, that the club which once upon a time resigned from the Second Division because railway fares for long distance travel were a luxury they couldn't afford, have done notable things in the Cup competition.

They have been concerned in some out of the ordinary matches, too. Ten years ago, along with Leicester City, who went on to Wembley by the way, they reached the fifth round. Although the pair were only engaged in one replay they totalled up to eighteen goals between them, a five each draw being followed by a five-three defeat for Luton.

Through the years the club has had the services of many star performers. In one direction they duplicated Chelsea by having two International goalkeepers on the staff at the same time—Bernard Stretton and Ron Baynham. As far back as 1921 three Luton Town men appeared in the same International, the left wing pair, Alan Mathieson and Louis Bookman playing for Ireland while Ernest Simms was England's centre-forward.

Down But Not Out

For the time being they are without a manager as such, "Dally" Duncan having vacated the chair there to take charge of Blackburn Rovers. Current gossip suggests that his successor, in due time, will be Syd Owen, whom we look

forward to seeing today playing his almost invariably consistent game at centre-half. Twelve years ago he went to Luton from Birmingham for a fee no higher than fifteen hundred pounds—a bargain buy.

Under the same heading comes Billy Bingham, a pocket-size winger who has often delighted. A couple of years since, in the month of February, Luton's biggest plunge was made when a fee over ten thousand pounds was paid to Blackpool for inside-forward Allan Brown. He has played an important part in this season's Cup competition, having one hat-trick to his credit.

Among modern footballers, Brown stands high in the list for undaunted courage, as well as skill as a player. Few have had such big disappointments and yet come through smiling. While he was at Blackpool a cartilage operation prevented him from playing for Scotland against his two pals, Matthews and Mortensen, and in the same season he was absent from the Blackpool side which went to Wembley.

Two years later he was again numbered among the spectators in that memorable 1953 final in which Mortensen completed his hat-trick late in the game to help the Seaside to a thrilling victory by four goals to three.

In the sixth round game of that season Brown broke a leg in scoring the goal against Arsenal which took Blackpool into the semi-final.

I may be down but I refuse to be out has been the motto of the unlucky Scot. It is said that even now, at the age of thirty-three, he has frequently to be told that he has done enough training for one day.

"A Goal That Wasn't"

In the results sense, there has been variety in the few matches between Chelsea and Luton. In the first Luton season in the top class both games were drawn. In the second season Chelsea got the four points, and in the third a win for each on the ground of the other club.

Away back in 1935 they knocked us out of the Cup competition in the third

round in a replay on their ground. The first game at the Bridge will be recalled by some people as notable for what they regarded, at the time, as a goal that wasn't.

It caused quite a lot of chatter at the time, and the publication of a number of close-up pictures. Among my souvenirs is a series of news-reel photographs of the incident connected with the one Luton goal of the game.

They show Chelsea goalkeeper Johnny Jackson, who had partly saved the shot, lying stretched out near one goal-post and the ball going across towards the other post. The referee, without any hesitation, awarded Luton a goal. He may have been right, but the point in publishing the snapshots was to show that he was wrong: that the ball had not been over the line.

That was just one of the touch and go incidents about which we have so often argued. That old-time recollection connects with current talk about possible revision of some football regulations. Within the next few days, so I understand, a meeting of the heads of the big football clubs will be held to discuss, tentatively, their attitude towards certain "reforms" which have been suggested.

Among these, so I understand, is a proposal that goal-judges should be appointed for the big games: an official for each end of the field whose job it would be to tell the referee whether the ball had or had not been over the line.

More Food for Thought

This idea of goal-judges has been most carefully considered from time to time in the past, but quite a lot of people were satisfied that the problem was more or less solved when the control method of giving each linesman one half of the field in which to operate became general.

Any thinking aloud which I do on this topic—or others—is, of course, purely personal, bearing no official weight. If we did add goal-judges to the number of controlling officials would that mean the end of all arguments as to whether, on certain occasions, the ball had or had not been over the line between the posts? What a dream!

Other proposals will also be considered—including a suggestion that the closing date for effective transfers should be changed from March the sixteenth to the last day of December. In the long ago the late in the season activity of the Chelsea club in the transfer market set the cat among the pigeons, leading to the mid-March regulation.

There is support, in some quarters, for the suggestion that the shutters should be put up against effective transfers at an earlier date. There is no doubt, in my mind however, that a greater volume of support would be forthcoming for another proposal which will come up for discussion—substitutes, from off the field, for players injured in the course of competitive games.

In these proposals—and others—there is food for thought. Although we have been playing this game of football for so long, it does not necessarily follow that the last word has been said regarding laws and regulations.

LUTON TOWN

Ground: Kenilworth Road.
Colours: Shirts: White, Knickers: Black.
Stockings: Black, White Tops.
Attendance Record: 28,433 v. Arsenal
(Cup) 8th March, 1952.
Division II Runners-up: 1955.
Division III (South) Champions: 1937.

Chelsea v. Luton Town

Past League Results

	Home	Away		Home	Away
1955-56	0-0	2-2	1957-58	1-3	2-0
1956-57	4-1	4-0	1958-59	Today	1-2

F.A. Cup

1926-27	Round 3 (Home)	...	...	4-0
1934-35	Round 3 (Home)	...	...	1-1
	Replay (Away)	...	...	0-2

SUMMARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
League: Home	3	1	1	1	5	4	3
Away	4	2	1	1	9	4	5
F.A. Cup	3	1	1	1	5	3	—
Total	10	4	3	3	19	11	—

The Matches Last Season

Saturday, 9th November.
Lost to LUTON TOWN (Home) 1-3. Half-time: 1-1.

Referee Mr. W. Hickson (Wigan).
Attendance: 34,102.
Team: Matthews; Sillett (P.), Bellett; Casey, Mortimore, Saunders; Brabrook, Greaves, Allen, Tindall, Block.
Scorer: Block.

Saturday, 5th April.
Beat LUTON TOWN (Away) 2-0. Half-time: 0-0.
Referee: Mr. P. G. Brandwood (Kidderminster).
Attendance: 15,268.
Team: Matthews; Sillett (P.), Bellett; Mortimore, Scott, Saunders; Brabrook, Gibbs, Tindall, Stubbs, Greaves.
Scorers: Brabrook, Tindall.

The Match This Season

Saturday, 18th October.
Lost to LUTON TOWN (Away) 1-2. Half-time: 1-1.

Referee: Mr. H. V. A. Stott (Boston, Lincs.).
Attendance: 24,864.
Team: Matthews; Sillett (P.), Sillett (J.); Mortimore, Scott, Saunders; Brabrook, Greaves, Tindall, Stubbs, Block.
Scorer: Tindall.

Tables, Appearances & Goalscorers

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

	Home			Goals Away			Goals	Pts					
	P	W	D	L	F	A							
Arsenal	32	12	1	3	43	22	6	4	6	30	26	41	
Wolverhampton	31	11	2	3	46	13	8	1	6	30	26	41	
Manchester Utd.	32	9	4	3	42	25	8	2	6	36	31	40	
Bolton W.	29	12	1	3	43	20	3	6	4	15	22	37	
West Brom. A.	28	4	5	4	25	22	8	5	2	4	20	34	
Blackpool	29	7	1	0	22	9	5	3	7	22	34	33	
West Ham Utd.	30	10	1	3	40	21	5	2	9	22	34	33	
Birmingham	29	10	1	4	37	26	4	3	7	16	23	32	
Preston N.E.	31	8	1	6	30	24	6	3	7	24	31	32	
Nott'm Forest	28	8	2	3	29	11	6	1	8	24	27	31	
Blackburn R.	31	7	2	6	34	24	5	5	6	24	32	31	
Newcastle Utd.	30	8	1	6	30	23	5	2	6	28	34	29	
Butley	28	6	3	5	28	22	5	3	6	24	29	28	
Everton	31	8	3	5	30	31	4	1	10	23	37	28	
Leeds United	32	4	7	5	17	22	6	1	9	23	36	28	
LUTON TOWN	27	8	4	4	3	27	20	1	4	7	12	23	26
CHELSEA	30	9	1	5	38	29	3	1	11	17	46	26	
Manchester City	30	6	5	4	31	25	2	2	11	17	45	23	
Tottenham	30	5	2	8	34	37	3	5	8	23	38	23	
Leicester City	29	5	4	6	26	26	2	3	9	22	43	21	
Portsmouth	30	5	3	6	29	28	1	5	10	20	46	20	
Aston Villa	30	6	3	7	24	28	2	1	11	18	41	20	

Appearances

GREAVES	30	GIBBS	8
BRABROOK	29	ROBERTSON	7
SCOTT	29	HARRISON	6
SILLET (J.)	27	HUXFORD	6
MORTIMORE	26	ALLEN	5
SILLET (P.)	25	WHITTAKER	5
MATTHEWS	23	BELLETT	3
TINDALL	23	CASEY	3
SAUNDERS	19	CLISS	3
NICHOLAS	16	BRIDGES	2
BLOCK	13	STUBBS	2
BLUNSTONE	10	TAMBLING (R.)	1
CROWTHER	9		

Goalscorers: Greaves 25, Tindall 11, Sillett (P.) 5, Nicholas 4, Brabrook 3, Block 1, Bridges 1, Gibbs 1, Harrison 1, Mortimore 1, Saunders 1, Tambling 1. Total 55.

LEADING GOALSCORERS

Division I

GREAVES (Chelsea)	25
WHITE (Newcastle United)	23
CHARLTON (Manchester United)	23
LOFTHOUSE (Bolton Wanderers)	22
SMITH (Tottenham Hotspur)	22
KEEBLE (West Ham United)	20
KEVAN (West Bromwich Albion)	18
DICK (West Ham United)	17
DOBING (Blackburn Rovers)	17
DWIGHT (Nottingham Forest)	17
SAUNDERS (Portsmouth)	17
WILSON (Nottingham Forest)	16
BARLOW (Manchester City)	15
HATSELL (Preston North End)	15
HERD (Arsenal)	15
POINTER (Burnley)	15
THOMPSON (Preston North End)	15

F.A. CUP APPEARANCES

BLOCK	2	SCOTT	2
BRABROOK	2	SILLET (J.)	2
CROWTHER	2	SILLET (P.)	2
GIBBS	2	TINDALL	2
GREAVES	2	MORTIMORE	1
MATTHEWS	2	SAUNDERS	1

Goalscorers: Greaves 2, Brabrook 1, Gibbs 1, Mortimore 1. Total 5.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leicester City	26	18	2	6	60	32	38
Tottenham Hotspur	24	17	2	5	70	30	36
CHELSEA	25	15	4	6	67	36	34
Arsenal	24	10	8	6	57	40	28
Birmingham City	24	13	2	9	45	36	28
Nottingham Forest	22	13	2	7	46	37	28
Luton Town	25	11	5	9	48	49	27
Swansea Town	24	11	2	11	53	60	24
Portsmouth	24	9	5	10	44	53	23
West Ham United	24	9	5	10	36	50	23
Bristol City	25	10	2	13	39	56	22
Brighton & Hove Albion	25	8	5	12	47	39	21
Charlton Athletic	25	9	3	13	46	56	21
Ipswich United	26	9	3	14	49	59	21
Fulham	25	6	7	12	34	44	19
Cardiff City	25	7	3	15	40	66	17
Leyton Orient	23	5	6	12	41	54	16
Bristol Rovers	26	7	2	17	54	79	16

Appearances

WHITTAKER	18	BRIDGES	5
CLISS	17	TINDALL	5
CORTHINE	17	ABREY	4
HARRISON	17	BLUNSTONE	4
ALLEN	16	DICKS	4
ROBERTSON	16	FERGEE	4
BELLETT	14	BLACKLEY	3
McMILLAN	14	BLOCK	3
CASEY	12	KING	2
GIBBS	12	MEDLOCK	2
BERRY	11	SILLET (J.)	2
HUXFORD	11	SMITH (P.)	2
LIVINGSTONE	11	BRABROOK	1
SHELLITO	9	CROWTHER	1
NICHOLAS	8	CUNNINGHAM	1
SMART	7	LAVERICK	1
COMPTON	6	MORTIMORE	1
COURT	6	SAUNDERS	1
STUBBS	6	SCOTT	1

Goalscorers: Allen 13, Harrison 10, Cliss 8, Corthine 6, Gibbs 6, Tindall 4, Blackley 3, Block 3, Nicholas 3, Blunstone 2, Brabrook 1, Bridges 1, Casey 1, Compton 1, Court 1, McMillan 1, Stubbs 1, Whittaker 1, Defender 1. Total 67.

LONDON MID-WEEK LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CHELSEA	9	5	2	2	25	11	12
Charlton Athletic	8	5	2	1	25	13	12
Crystal Palace	8	3	3	2	13	11	9
Watford	9	4	0	5	18	22	8
West Ham United	8	3	0	5	14	15	6
Tottenham Hotspur	7	2	1	4	11	20	5
Portsmouth	7	1	2	4	7	21	4

Appearances

HILLARY	8	MURRAY (W.)	3
SMITH (K.)	8	CORTHINE	2
BRADBURY	7	MEDLOCK	2
LEGG	7	G. TAYLOR	2
ABREY	6	T. VENABLES	2
WALL	6	BLACKLEY	1
AGATE	5	P. BONETTI	1
COURT	5	COMPTON	1
LONG	5	CONROY	1
SMITH (P.)	5	M. GRANGER	1
CUNNINGHAM	4	M. ROBINSON	1
TAMBLING (R.)	4	R. SEAMAN	1
BRIDGES	3	SHELLITO	1
DELLAR	3	SMART	1
FERGEE	3		

Goalscorers: Tambling 5, Bridges 4, Court 4, Smith (K.) 4, Smith (P.) 3, Taylor 2, Compton 1, Long 1, Murray (W.) 1. Total 25.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	30	20	5	5	104	49	45
CHELSEA	27	19	2	6	74	25	40
Tonbridge	24	17	6	1	79	40	40
Brighton & Hove Albion	27	13	5	9	54	47	31
Guildford City	26	13	3	10	54	54	29
Hastings United	26	12	4	10	51	39	28
Didcot Town	24	6	12	6	45	36	24
Eastbourne United	24	9	5	10	48	46	23
Newbury Town	21	9	5	7	38	40	23
Dunstable Town	23	10	3	10	47	49	23
Haywards Heath	23	7	8	8	42	42	22
West Ham United	25	9	3	10	44	40	21
Headington United	25	7	7	11	39	63	21
Luton Town	25	8	4	13	46	49	20
Bedford Town	25	7	5	13	43	70	19
Crawley Town	22	6	6	10	39	48	18
Fulham	26	6	5	15	44	57	17
Windsor & Eton	25	5	4	16	33	69	14
Dartford	25	3	6	16	38	99	12

Appearances

SMITH (K.)	25	BRADBURY	6
FERGEE	24	BRIDGES	5
ABREY	19	CORTHINE	4
COMPTON	17	KEEBLE	4
WALL	16	LONG	4
SMITH (P.)	16	SMART	4
DELLAR	14	SLUMAN	4
SHELLITO	14	TAMBLING (R.)	4
AGATE	12	LIVINGSTONE	3
BLACKLEY	11	BLUNSTONE	2
CUNNINGHAM	11	P. BONETTI	2
LAVERICK	10	DICKS	2
LEGG	10	GIBBS	2
COURT	9	R. GARRETT	1
MEDLOCK	9	HUXFORD	1
HILLARY	7	KING	1
McMILLAN	7	MURRAY (W.)	1
BERRY	7	M. TAMBLING	1
BLOCK	7	T. VENABLES	1

Goalscorers: Smith (K.) 12, Abrey 9, Court 7, Blackley 6, Gibbs 6, Laverick 6, Smith (P.) 4, Sluman 3, Wall 3, Block 2, Bridges 2, Compton 2, Cunningham 2, Dicks 2, Keeble 2, Bradbury 1, Dellar 1, Fergie 1, Hillary 1, Tambling (R.) 1, Defender 1. Total 74.

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CHELSEA	20	16	3	1	103	18	35
Arsenal	23	15	5	3	72	27	35
Bexleyheath	19	16	2	1	85	24	34
Portsmouth	23	6	3	8	37	25	23
Tottenham Hotspur	23	12	6	5	64	39	30
Charlton Athletic	18	10	2	6	53	51	22
Queen's Park Rangers	22	7	8	7	52	59	22
Brentford	23	8	5	10	49	59	21
West Ham United	20	8	4	8	41	46	20
Luton Town	20	8	2	10	40	55	18
Southend United	22	6	3	13	50	79	15
Millwall	25	7	1	17	47	101	15
Fulham	25	6	7	12	34	44	19
Leyton Orient	20	5	3	12	42	58	13
Watford	21	4	3	14	36	76	11
Crystal Palace	23	2	3	18	34	74	7

Appearances

CONROY	20	SMART	4
TAMBLING (R.)	18	AGATE	3
J. RAY	17	D. BANKS	2
A. HARRIS	16	B. POPE	2
A. BUCHANAN	15	G. BOLLAND	1
D. BUTLER	15	P. DUNCAN	1
T. VENABLES	15	S. HAZEL	1
P. BONETTI	13	R. MATTHEWS	1
B. CARTER	13	G. MOORE	1
T. MORE	13	P. POWER	1
D. HARKNESS	12	R. PRANCE	1
A. MURRAY	11	I. RICHARDSON	1
BRIDGES	8	M. ROBINSON	1
R. HANLEY	6	L. SMITH	1
R. SEAMAN	6	D. TIER	1

Goalscorers: Bridges 22, Harkness 19, Tambling 18, Ray 10, Carter 9, Buchanan 6, Murray 4, Venables 4, Bolland 2, Conroy 2, More 2, Hanley 1, Richardson 1, Smith 1, Defender 2. Total 103.

OUR VISITORS TODAY—continued.

transferred to Sunderland a year ago. It was on Christmas Day 1957 that Pacey made his bow in the Hatters' League side, at right-half. This winter he has moved over to the left where he has won a regular place. Pacey a local discovery, had a strong inclination towards the attacking game, and had scored three goals before last week-end.

Whereas Reg Pearce left Luton for Sunderland last February, Billy Bingham made the journey in the opposite direction during the past close-season. He has solved one of the Hatters' most pressing problems with his talented play on the right flank of the attack, where his only absence has been through Irish international duty. Bingham's goal in the Cup win over Ipswich on February 14th was his tenth of the season.

It is ironic that Luton's opponents in last Saturday's Cup-tie should be Blackpool, for it was from there that they signed Allan Brown two years ago last month, after he has missed two Cup Finals with the Bloomfield Road club through injury. This winter, in which he had played in every game before the Blackpool tie, Brown had netted 16 times, which shows that the passage of time has had very little effect on his shooting powers.

The ball-player of the attack is George Cummins, who has had spells in and out of the side since he was signed from Everton in August, 1953. Now he is performing with greater consistency, and his place is assured. Cummins, who missed the opening seven matches of the season, when Groves was at inside-left, is an Eire international from Dublin.

Bob Morton, several times an England reserve at wing-half, was not completely strange to the centre-forward position when he took over there in January. He recently completed twelve years at Kenilworth Road, years of great service to the club in whatever role he has been called upon to occupy.

Tony Gregory has played on both wings and at centre-forward this term, and has done well in all three positions. A native of Luton, and signed from the Vauxhall Motors works side, Gregory averaged a goal a game in his club's first four Cup engagements, a return equal to the total obtained by the two previous occupants of the outside-left berth this term.



CHELSEA GALLERY

No. 18

**DICK
WHITTAKER**

DICK WHITTAKER was born at Dublin and recommended to us by an Irish scout. After a few months on the ground staff, he signed professional forms in May, 1952, and is thus, with the exception of Bill Robertson, our longest serving professional. A schoolboy international in Ireland, he played for Eire "B" against Rumania "B" at Dublin in October, 1957.

He played regularly for our Eastern Counties League team in 1952-53, but had four games for our Football Combination side in 1953-54, as well as playing regularly for and captaining both our London Mid-Week League and Metropolitan League teams. In 1954-55 he captained our "A" team which won the Metropolitan League Championship and had six more matches with the Combination team.

In 1955-56 he gained regular promotion to the Combination team and ended the season by making his debut in League football, in our closing match of the campaign against Blackpool at Stamford Bridge.

Dick had eleven more League games in 1956-57, being a regular first team player in the closing matches of the season, and started the 1957-58 season with twelve more League games in our first fifteen matches. Peter Sillett then moved to right-back and Wally Bellett came in at left-back. Whittaker has had five League games so far this season and has been selected for today's match.

FIXTURES 1958-59

Metropolitan League

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Aug. 23	Eastbourne United ...	Away	2-0
" 30	Luton Town ...	Away	2-0
Sept. 3	WEST HAM UTD. ...	HOME	0-2
" 6	Brighton & Hove Alb. ...	Away	5-1
" 10	Fulham ...	Away	1-0
" 13	Arsenal ...	Away	2-2
" 17	FULHAM ...	HOME	2-1
" 20	Headington United ...	Away	5-0
" 22	West Ham United ...	Away	1-0
" 24	DARTFORD ...	HOME	12-0
Oct. 4	WINDSOR & ETON ...	HOME	6-1
" 11	Eastbourne United ...	Away	3-1
" 18	Guildford City ...	Away	0-1
" 25	Portsmouth ...	Away	5-0
Nov. 5	Didcot Town ...	Away	3-1
" 8	Windsor and Eton ...	Away	3-1
Dec. 6	Newbury Town ...	Away	0-1
" 13	Guildford City ...	Away	7-1
" 20	DUNSTABLE TOWN ...	HOME	4-1
" 26	Bedford Town ...	Away	2-0
" 27	Dartford ...	Away	2-1
1959			
Jan. 10	Brighton & Hove A. ...	Away	0-2
" 17	Hastings United ...	Away	2-0
" 24	Luton Town ...	Away	2-1
Feb. 7	Newbury Town ...	Away	1-2
" 14	Crawley Town ...	Away	3-0
" 21	ARSENAL ...	HOME	2-3
" 28	TONBRIDGE ...	HOME	2-2
Mar. 21	Haywards Heath ...	Away	.....
" 27	Headington United ...	Away	.....
" 28	Hastings United ...	Away	.....
" 30	Haywards Heath ...	Away	.....
Apr. 4	BEDFORD TOWN ...	HOME	.....
" 11	Tonbridge ...	Away	.....
Undated	Crawley Town ...	Away	.....
"	Dunstable Town ...	Away	.....
"	Didcot Town ...	Away	.....

*This match has been deleted from the League table as Portsmouth have withdrawn from the competition.

Metropolitan League Challenge Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Nov. 15	(1) Haywards Heath ...	Away	4-0
1959			
Jan. 31	(2) Eastbourne United ...	Away	8-0
Mar. 7	(3) Brighton & H. A. ...	Away	.....

Professional Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Nov. 29	Bedford Town ...	Away	5-2
Mar. 14	(SF) Tonbridge ...	Away	.....

(Home matches are played at Hendon)

South-East Counties League

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Aug. 23	BRENTFORD ...	Hendon	3-2
" 30	QUEEN'S PARK R. ...	Hendon	9-0
Sept. 6	CRYSTAL PALACE ...	Hendon	7-0
" 13	Fulham ...	Away	4-1
" 20	WEST HAM U. ...	Hendon	1-1
" 27	Arsenal ...	Away	0-1
Oct. 4	CHARLTON ATH ...	Hendon	8-1
" 11	Charlton Athletic ...	Away	5-1
" 25	Crystal Palace ...	Away	5-1
Nov. 1	Brentford ...	Away	6-2
" 8	MILLWALL ...	Hendon	4-0
" 22	Leyton Orient ...	Away	5-2
" 29	Luton Town ...	Away	5-1
Dec. 6	West Ham United ...	Away	9-0
1959			
Jan. 17	Southend United ...	Away	2-2
" 24	Bexleyheath ...	Away	1-1
" 31	WATFORD ...	Hendon	11-0
Feb. 7	Millwall ...	Away	8-1
" 14	ARSENAL ...	Hendon	2-0
" 21	Tottenham Hotspur ...	Away	8-1
Mar. 7	TOTTENHAM H. ...	Hendon	.....
" 14	PORTSMOUTH ...	Hendon	.....
" 21	SOUTHEND UTD ...	Hendon	.....

South-East Counties League Cup-final 1957-58

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Oct. 1	PORTSMOUTH ...	HOME	5-1
" 29	Portsmouth ...	Away	8-1

South-East Counties League Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Oct. 18	(1) CRYSTAL P. ...	Hendon	6-0
1959			
Jan. 3	(2) LUTON TOWN ...	Hendon	9-0
Undated	(SF) ARSENAL ...	Hendon	.....

Southern Junior Floodlight Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Oct. 8	(1) Queen's Park R. ...	Away	3-1
Dec. 15	(2) BEXLEYHEATH ...	HOME	7-1
1959			
Feb. 23	(SF) SOUTHAMPTON HOME ...	HOME	3-0

F.A. Youth Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Nov. 15	(2) Briggs Sports ...	Away	13-0
1959			
Jan. 10	(3) Charlton Athletic ...	Away	3-4

London Minor Cup

1958	Opponents	Venue	F.A.
Dec. 1	West Ham United ...	Away	2-1
1959			
Feb. 25	(2) Fulham ...	Away	4-1
Undated	(SF) Tottenham H. ...	Away	.....

F.A. CUP FINAL TICKETS—BALLOT ARRANGEMENTS

In recent seasons we have held a ballot for F.A. Cup Final tickets by means of numbering the programmes. It has been decided that this season, starting with our match against Portsmouth on 17th January, a voucher will be printed in each of our first team home programmes until the end of March. These will be numbered for each match, and all applications for standing tickets (3s. 6d. each) for the Cup Final should be accompanied with a complete set of vouchers. Details for sending in applications will be announced in our Easter programmes and the names of the lucky winners shortly after the draw.

Voucher
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HALF-TIME SCOREBOARD

FIRST DIVISION

A	Aston Villa v. Leeds United
B	Blackburn Rovers v. Burnley
C	Blackpool v. Bolton Wand.	.....
D	Manchester Utd. v. Everton	.....
E	Newcastle U. v. Preston N. E.	.....
F	Nottm. Forest v. Birmingham	.....
G	Portsmouth v. Manchester C.	.....
H	Tottenham v. Leicester C.	.....
J	West Ham v. West Brom. A.	.....
K	Wolverhampton v. Arsenal	.....

SECOND DIVISION

L	Brighton v. Scunthorpe Utd.	.....
M	Charlton A. v. Sunderland	.....
N	Grimsby T. v. Sheffield Wed.	.....
O	Liverpool v. Fulham	.....
P	Sheffield Utd. v. Leyton O.	.....

THIRD DIVISION

R	Q.P.R. v. Newport County	.....
S	Southend U. v. Accrington	.....
T	Stockport Co. v. Brentford	.....

FOURTH DIVISION

U	Crystal Palace v. Oldham A.	.....
V	Hartlepoons U. v. Millwall	.....
W	Watford v. Aldershot	.....

FORTHCOMING MATCHES AT THIS GROUND

SATURDAY, 14th MARCH

(Kick-off 3 p.m.)

BRISTOL ROVERS

Football Combination

WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH

(Kick-off 7.30 p.m.)

BRITISH ARMY

v.

BELGIAN ARMY

Kentish Cup Match

SATURDAY, 21st MARCH

(Kick-off 3 p.m.)

Preston North End

Football League

SATURDAY, 28th MARCH

(Kick-off 3 p.m.)

LUTON TOWN

Football Combination

Seat Reservations for League Matches

Prices of reserved seats at home League matches are 6/-, 8/-, 10/- and 12/-. Applications (by post only) are accepted not more than four weeks in advance, and should be accompanied by remittance and stamped addressed envelope. It will be appreciated if separate application is made for each match. Seats may be purchased, if still available, by personal application at the club offices in the week preceding the match.