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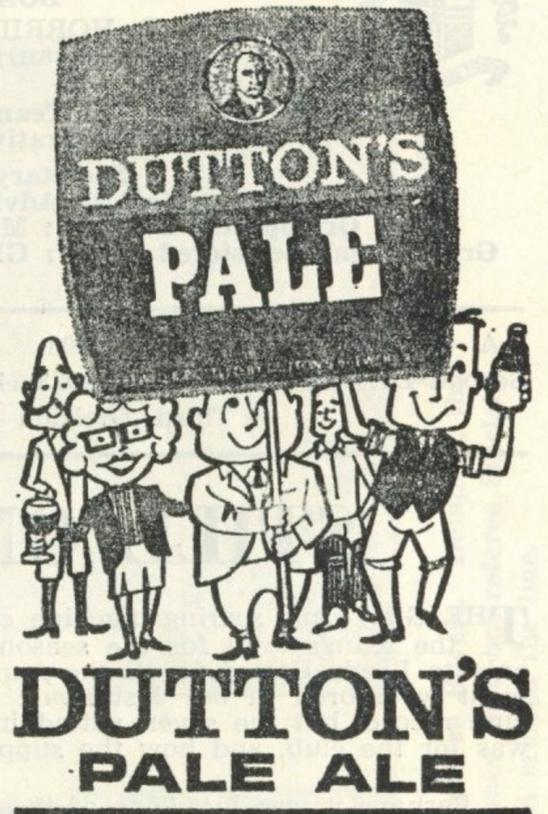
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## STILL ON TARGET

THE Gigg Lane scoring machine continues to operate at full pressure, and the team's total for the season is now fifty-five, which puts us second only to Leeds United in all the four divisions of the Football League. The eight we scored in our last home game with Tranmere Rovers was not a club record, but the seven netted in the first half was! What a joy day it was for the club, and how the supporters revelled in the spectacle!

Perhaps it was just "one of those days" which occur every so often. As goal followed goal the match was enveloped in an aura almost of fantasy, and it took the second half, when the only addition to the score was an own goal, to bring a mood of reality into the game. We wish to acknowledge the sporting way in which the Rovers took their drubbing.

Such a performance revived the hopes that we could very soon get among the sides challenging for promotion, and so we travelled to Reading hoping to reduce the gap further. This was a match to test the Shakers. Unhappily we got off on the wrong foot losing three goals in the first ten minutes. This would have been enough to knock most sides out of the match, but our boys fought back with tremendous fervour.

Kerr had slotted one goal to equalise Reading's first success, and before the interval got a second from the penalty spot. The game then developed into a tense duel in which our boys played much appealing soccer. They were very unlucky when a headed goal by Anderson was disallowed, the home goal had several narrow escapes, and chances were missed. No side has ever been more relieved than Reading when the final whistle sounded.

It was pleasing to be told by the Reading officials that we were among the best sides that had visited Elm Park, but the loss of the two points set back our chances of getting nearer the leaders. Still, there is a long way to go, and if the team can continue in its present mood there is no doubt that many more goals will be scored and many points collected.

Much has been written in recent days of the team's scoring achievements because of the chance it gives us of qualifying for the Watney Cup competition, the qualifiers for which are the two teams in each division with the biggest number of goals and who do not win promotion or are not involved in European football. At the moment we are "favourites" in the Third Division for qualifying, but it should be stressed that this target is secondary to our hopes of gaining promotion. That is and will always be our chief concern. We shall, however, continue to strive for goals for we are convinced that is what the game is for and what our supporters want to see.

This afternoon's visit of Luton Town, now second in the table to Orient with a match in hand, presents us with another testing game. If we can win it will provide further evidence of the increased power of the side, but whatever the result the tussle should be an enjoyable affair. We hope it is as appealing as was the match at Reading—with, of course, a different result!

... BUT THE BALL HAD CROSSED THE LINE!



"Bury Times" photograph.

The third of the eight goals scored against Tranmere Rovers. Dempsey, the Tranmere full back, kicks the ball away from Jones' shot, but referee Sinclair, right on the spot, ruled the ball had crossed the line.

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\* **Ben ANDERSON 6**

**Alan SLOUGH**

**Paul HINGE 7**

**John COLLINS**

**Aif ARROWSMITH 8**

~~Malcolm MACDONALD~~ **TEES \*\***

**George JONES 9**

~~Matt TEES~~ **MACDONALD \***

**Jimmy KERR 10**

~~Keith ALLEN~~ **KEEN**

**Brian GRUNDY 11**

**Graham FRENCH**

~~ECCLESHARE~~ **12**

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Any alteration to these teams will be announced over the loudspeaker

## WE LEAD THE WAY IN NEW CUP EVENT

WITH only First Division champions Leeds United having scored more goals this season, the Shakers are in an excellent position to qualify for the Watney Cup. The idea behind the competition is quite simple but until the season is ended it will not be possible to say which eight Football League clubs will compete in the quarter finals.

Basically the eight teams, two from each division, who score the most goals and are not promoted or involved in European football qualify. Goals conceded are immaterial.

In all the competition is sponsored to the extent of £82,000 but of this £25,000 will go to the Football League and a similar amount to the Football Association, leaving a balance of £32,000 to be fought for by the clubs involved.

Not all the details have been finalised but there is certainly a tremendous incentive for clubs and players to concentrate on scoring as many goals as possible.

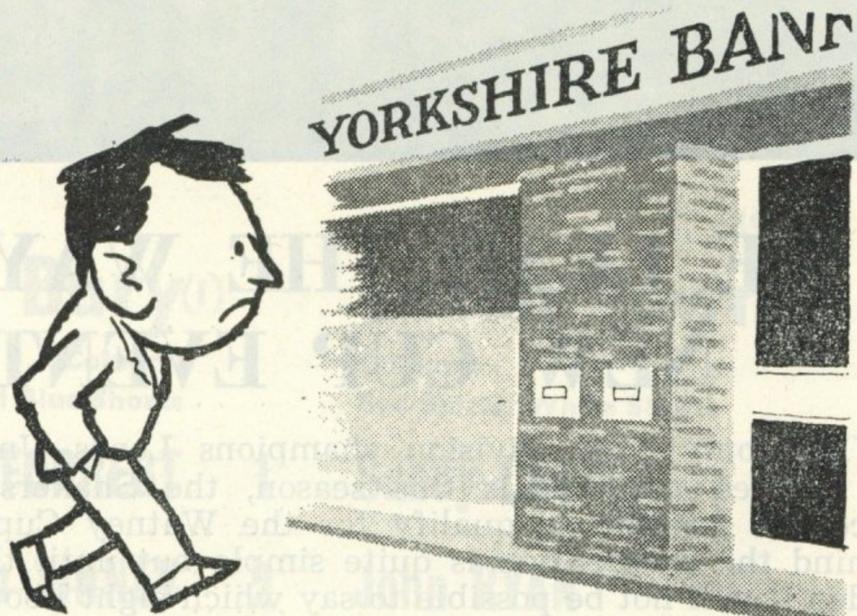
At the start of the season our chances of qualifying for the final stages were quoted as being 16-1, but at the latest call we were "evens" favourites in the Third Division. The eight goals scored against Tranmere put us at the top of the division's goal-getters and we are now six ahead of Reading.

If we do qualify, we would be matched against a First Division team, the venue to be decided by which club scores the more goals.

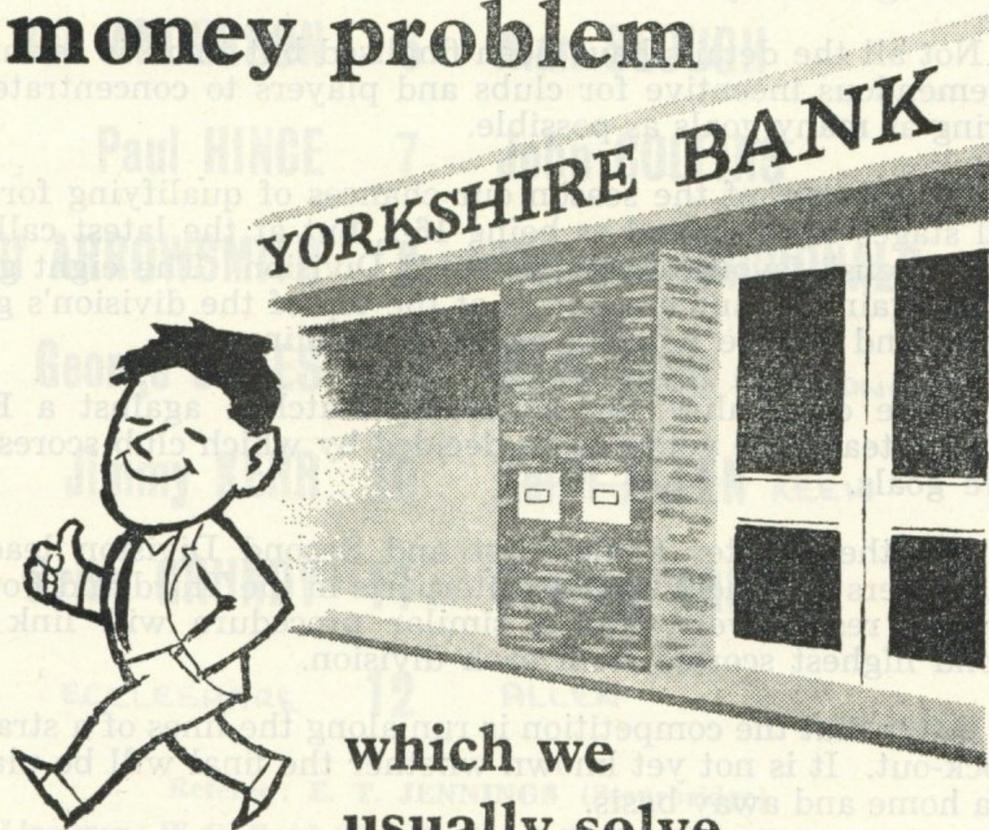
For the quarter finals First and Second Division leading goal-scorers will meet their counterparts in the Third and Fourth Division respectively, and a similar procedure will link the second highest scorers from each division.

After that the competition is run along the lines of a straight knock-out. It is not yet known whether the final will be played on a home and away basis.

The incentive though is there. Of necessity the final stages of the competition are expected to be played at the end of July and the beginning of August, soon after players report for training following the summer break.



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Orient	26	8	3	1	18	6	4	7	3	15	14	34
Reading	28	9	2	2	22	15	5	4	6	27	30	34
Luton Town	25	7	5	2	26	11	6	2	3	17	13	33
Barnsley	26	9	2	2	27	14	3	6	4	14	15	32
Rochdale	25	7	3	2	23	13	6	2	5	23	20	31
Bradford City	25	9	2	0	18	4	4	3	7	13	19	31
Torquay United	27	6	6	3	23	13	4	5	3	15	16	31
Brighton	27	8	4	2	21	12	4	3	6	9	14	31
Bristol Rovers	26	7	4	1	29	16	3	6	5	16	19	30
Rotherham United	28	6	5	4	26	14	3	6	4	14	17	29
Doncaster Rovers	27	7	2	4	18	11	4	4	6	16	18	28
Mansfield Town	26	7	2	4	21	14	4	3	6	12	16	27
Shrewsbury Town	27	5	8	1	19	11	3	3	7	18	26	27
Halifax Town	25	7	5	2	20	17	3	2	6	6	11	27
<b>Bury</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>
Fulham	27	6	7	1	24	18	2	3	8	20	21	26
Plymouth Argyle	26	7	2	4	19	10	3	3	7	13	22	25
Walsall	26	7	1	5	19	19	3	4	6	11	20	25
Bournemouth	27	4	6	4	18	19	2	3	8	11	23	21
Tranmere Rovers	26	5	3	5	22	21	2	4	7	12	31	21
Southport	26	3	4	5	13	15	3	4	7	14	20	20
Stockport County	28	3	5	5	11	16	1	3	11	5	25	16
Gillingham	26	3	3	7	15	20	2	2	9	10	21	15
Barrow	26	3	4	6	11	17	0	2	11	7	33	12

## GOAL SCORERS

### THIRD DIVISION

Jones 17, Kerr 14, Arrowsmith 8,  
Towers 3, Grundy 3, Connell 2,  
Parry 2, Anderson (B.) 1, Parnell  
1, Turner 1, Hince 1, Opponents 2.  
Total 55.

### CENTRAL LEAGUE

Arrowsmith 4, Towers 4, McDer-  
mott 3, O'Connor 3, Anderson (P.)  
2, Holt 2, Anderson (B.) 2, Connell  
2, Cassell 2, Hughes 1, Tinney 1,  
Rae 1, Eccleshare 1, Hunt 1,  
Chatman 1, Opponents 1. Total 31.

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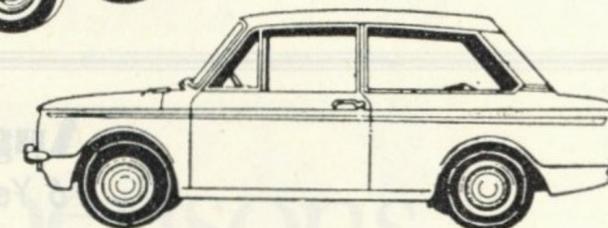
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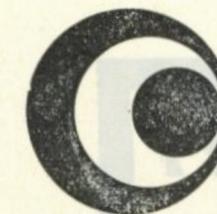
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