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NOTES.

The two clubs which have been our visitors in the last fortnight had another thing in common besides the fact of being able to prevent our forwards from scoring.

Both Plymouth Argyle and Bury made anything but an auspicious start to this season. The former could collect only one point from their first eight matches; Bury were on the losing side in each of their initial four engagements.

Reaction has been contrasting, with the Argyle around the foot of the chart most of the time so far and Bury putting in a brisk recovery that made them appear comfortable occupants of the top half.

In both matches we played against the Lancashire club this season we have had reason to appreciate why they are on the upgrade.

They proved themselves a capable, well-balanced team. At Gigg Lane, early in the season, we started off as if going to repeat history, but a goal from a penalty to the home side proved the turning point.

There were chances for our boys, as well as Bury, to have scored before the interval in last week's return encounter.

Had the first goal come to us, as well it might, the story could easily have been different. There was, however, no mistake in the tonic value to the visitors when once they took the lead and really no disputing, after getting in front, that they deserved to remain there.

For Bury it was sweet revenge, after having conceded the League "double" to us in each of the previous two seasons and, in addition, receiving their dismissal from the Cup competition during one of them.

For us, admittedly, a definite set-back to hopes of comparatively early consolidation. A disappointment, to say the least, that since the magnificent victory at Tottenham, the forwards have failed to score and that only one point out of four, played for at home, has come our way.

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The need for recapturing a winning team is recognised and that objective is ever in the minds of those responsible for running the club.

This afternoon's visit of Luton Town very naturally recalls those two grand cup games fought out by the two clubs a season ago.

Now the occasion is a momentous League match for to Luton the points are just as urgent as to ourselves.

The Bedfordshire club defeated us by the only goal of a keen game on the Kenilworth Road ground last October. Recently they also won a friendly by a more comfortable margin.

A week ago they put up a close odd-goal-in-three contest with the greatly improved Leeds United side, in Yorkshire.

SECOND DIVISION CHART

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Tottenham H.	29	22	4	3	65	24	48
Sheffield Wed	29	18	0	6	59	40	36
Sheffield U.	31	2	12	7	45	41	36
Hull City	29	16	4	9	54	51	36
Leeds United	30	18	9	3	39	30	35
Southampton	29	12	10	7	45	33	34
Bury	29	13	5	11	51	39	31
Preston N.E.	30	11	8	11	38	36	30
Swansea Town	29	12	5	12	42	40	29
West Ham U.	29	10	9	10	37	36	29
Grimsby Town	29	11	6	12	54	54	28
Brentford	30	9	10	11	37	37	28
Barnsley	29	9	9	1	48	47	27
Chesterfield	31	0	7	13	29	35	27
Cardiff City	28	11	5	12	27	33	27
Leicester City	31	8	11	12	39	48	27
Blackburn R.	30	10	6	14	39	44	26
Coventry C.	29	7	9	13	37	46	23
Bradford	29	8	7	14	43	56	23
Plymouth Arg.	30	6	11	13	36	50	23
Luton Town	29	6	11	12	28	42	23
Queen's Pk. R.	30	7	8	15	29	44	22

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SECOND DIVISION			F	A	COMBINATION			F	A
Aug. 20—Sheffield Wednesday	A	1	3	Aug. 20—Arsenal	H	0	2		
" 24—Bradford	A	2	2	" 22—Crystal Palace	H	1	1		
" 27—Hull City	H	1	2	" 27—Swansea Town	A	0	0		
" 29—Bradford	H	4	1	" 30—Southend United	A	0	2		
Sept. 3—Brentford	A	1	0	Sept. 3—Southend United	H	1	1		
" 10—Blackburn Rovers	H	3	3	" 7—Fulham	A	1	2		
" 12—Chesterfield	A	0	1	" 10—					
" 17—Cardiff City	A	4	2	" 12—Leyton Orient	H	1	1		
" 19—Chesterfield	H	0	1	" 17—Fulham	H	0	1		
" 24—Tottenham Hotspur	H	1	2	" 21—Crystal Palace	A	2	3		
Oct. 1—Bury	A	0	3	" 24—Cardiff City	A	1	4		
" 8—Luton Town	A	0	1	" 28—Leyton Orient	A	2	1		
" 15—Barnsley	H	2	2	Oct. 1—Bristol Rovers	H	2	0		
" 22—West Ham United	A	2	2	" 3—Swansea Town	H	1	1		
" 29—Sheffield United	H	1	1	" 15—Millwall	A	1	2		
Nov. 5—Grimsby Town	A	1	2	" 22—Northampton Town	H	2	0		
" 12—Queens Park Rangers	H	3	2	" 29—Queen's Pk. Rangers	A	1	1		
" 19—Freston North End	A	1	2	Nov. 5—Birmingham City	H	0	0		
" 26—Swansea Town	H	0	0	" 12—Coventry City	A	1	1		
Dec. 3—Leeds United	A	1	1	" 19—Luton Town	H	3	0		
" 10—Southampton	H	2	2	" 26—Birmingham City	A	0	4		
" 17—Sheffield Wednesday	H	2	2	Dec. 3—Coventry City	H	2	0		
" 24—Hull City	A	0	4	" 10—Luton Town	A	3	0		
" 26—Coventry City	H	1	0	" 17—Arsenal	A	0	3		
" 27—Coventry City	A	2	1	" 24—Reading	A	1	1		
" 31—Brentford	H	1	1	" 26—Bristol Rovers	A	2	3		
Jan. 7—Sheffield United (E.C.)	A	1	3	" 27—Reading	H	2	0		
" 14—Blackburn Rovers	A	0	3	Jan. 7—Watford (Cup)	H	3	1		
" 21—Cardiff City	H	1	0	" 14—Birmingham City	H	0	1		
" 28—Luton Town (F.)	A	1	4	" 21—Ipswich Town	A	2	2		
Feb. 4—Tottenham Hotspur	A	2	0	" 28—Ipswich Town	H	4	0		
" 11—Plymouth Argyle	H	0	0	Feb. 4—Luton Town	H	1	1		
" 18—Bury	H	0	2	" 18—Birmingham City	A	2	2		
" 25—Luton Town	H			" 25—Norwich City	A				
Mar. 4—Barnsley	A			Mar. 4—Northampton T.	H				
" 11—West Ham United	H			" 11—Luton Town	A				
" 18—Sheffield United	A			" 18—Norwich City	H				
" 25—Grimsby Town	H			" 25—Coventry City	A				
April 1—Swansea Town	A			April 1—Coventry City	H				
" 8—Leeds United	H			" —Watford	A				
" 10—Plymouth Argyle	A			" —Northampton T.	A				
" 15—Queens Park Rangers	A			" 8—					
" 22—Preston North End	H			" 10—Cardiff City	H				
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May 6—				" 22—Northampton Town	A				
				" 29—Queen's Pk. Rangers	H				

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- J** Portsmouth v Birmingham
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- L** Newcastle U. v Burnley
- M**

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- A** Sheffield W. v Grimsby Town
- B** Bradford v Barnsley
- C** Tottenham H. v Southampton
- D** Brentford v Preston N.E.
- E** Plymouth A. v Sheffield U.
- F** Hull City v Queen's Park R.
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