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Notts. leap into lead but lose

Player watched

WHILE joint new professional adviser Andy Beattie was at Meadow Lane this afternoon, taking up his new duties by meeting the Notts. County players and watching Forest action against Doncaster Rovers, manager Tim Coleman was away on a scouting mission.

A young player with Football League experience has been recommended to Notts, and, as he was playing in the Midlands today, the opportunity was taken to watch him in action.

FOREST'S POINT IN 1-1 DRAW

by TONY PRITCHETT

TWO goals inside a minute livened up a keenly fought game between Nottingham Forest and Sheffield United at Bramall Lane this afternoon. United were having the better of things until a shock goal by Barry McArthur put Forest ahead in the 72nd minute.

Within a minute United's bustling leader, Mick Jones, headed a great goal level the scores.

SHEFFIELD UNITED
Hodgkinson
Badger Mallender
Matthewson Shaw Wagstaff (B.)
Kettleborough Wagstaff (T.)
Woodward Jones Martin
Hinton Barnwell McArthur Addison Green
Whitefoot McKinlay Rammell
Newton Hindley
Grummitt
NOTTINGHAM FOREST
Substitute for Sheffield Utd.: Barlow
Substitute for Forest: Ball
Referee: L. W. Faulkner, Liverpool.

Forest, in blue, soon had the advantage of a fierce storm at their backs. It was United, however setting off at a great rate, who made the early running.

In the first minute, Whitefoot cut out a pass from Jones aimed at Kettleborough.

A United move between Jones and and Woodward ended with Grummitt exposed as left winger Hartle's shot at goal but he was equal to the occasion, palming away the winger's fierce effort one handed.

The home side looked much more workmanlike and a good ball from Badger put Woodward through but his shot was capably held by Grummitt.

NEWTON APPLAUDED

Newton next intercepted a forward pass from Kettleborough and Newton received applause for the cool way he turned the ball back to Grummitt while under pressure.

Forest had done little in attack and when McArthur's persistence won a right wing corner it was easily cleared.

Forest stayed on defence, Newton and Whitefoot each putting back to Grummitt, but when the Reds broke out they cut through the Sheffield rearguard.

Barnwell put Crowe in possession and the winger startled the opposition by unleashing a swift low centre.

Addison failed from in front of the posts just as the offside flag went up.

Forest maintained an improvement. Hodgkinson punching away a lob from Hindley as McArthur challenged him, and then the goalkeeper dealt capably with a drive from Whitefoot.

NASTY SHOCK

As United hit back some splendid football by Tony Wagstaff ended with Jones in a good shooting position—but once more a linesman's flag went up.

Forest survived a nasty shock just on the half-hour. From a left-wing corner the ball was bundled forward by Matthewson and with defenders and attackers alike allowing it to travel on the ball bounced gently against an upright to be scrambled clear.

Forest threatened as Barnwell and Hinton made progress down the left and Shaw, spotting the danger, came across to beat Hindley.

The better chances came Sheffield's way. Tony Wagstaff, although in a good shooting position, passed the responsibility to Kettleborough who shot weakly from ten yards.

Then a drive from Tony Wagstaff was easily caught by Grummitt. The goalkeeper also did extremely well to dive at Jones' feet after the centre forward and Tony Wagstaff had exchanged passes in a move on Forest's right flank.

Attendance 17,119

United maintained their edge. Hartle being the next to fall with a shot which was wild and wide.

HALF-TIME:
SHEFFIELD UTD. 0
NOTTM. FOREST 0

Badger nodded back to Hodgkinson to stop Forest's first raid after half-time, but Sheffield soon gained the whiphand again.

Jones, shooting from an narrow angle, just missed, and then Hindley got Forest out of trouble when a loose pass from Whitefoot saw Jones chasing for possession.

Matthewson and Tony Wagstaff combined to threaten Forest, but the wing half shot high and wide.

In a rapid Forest thrust down the left Hinton went past Badger and laid on a quick centre, from which McArthur should have scored

The young leader killed the low pass well, but Shaw was on him quickly before the youngster could turn and shoot.

Hinton, in a good patch, again found McArthur in front of the Sheffield posts but this time Hodgkinson swooped off his line to gather the ball.

UNDER STRESS

A bad back pass from Hennessey, aimed at McKinlay, but made too weakly, again put Forest under stress.

Jones found Woodward but the winger, trying to get the ball on to his right foot, fiddled too long and a hectic moment ended with Newton coming away with the ball.

Sheffield pressed hard for the first goal and Barry Wagstaff put in one of the game's best efforts but it dropped just over the Forest bar.

DIVING SAVE

Sheffield kept at it and it took a diving save by Grummitt to prevent Tony Wagstaff from getting the first goal.

After Barnwell had been tackled out of possession the United inside left unleashed a fierce shot but Grummitt was equal to the test.

Good as this save was, it was eclipsed a few minutes later when the Forest keeper made a superb save to turn a vicious shot from Kettleborough away for a corner.

Forest were almost in trouble for a foul by Mallender on Addison but Hodgkinson left his line to gather McKinlay's long lob.

But after 72 minutes during which Sheffield had looked more dangerous Forest broke away to stun United with a shock goal and it was McARTHUR who scored.

The centre forward looked to be in an offside position when Barnwell pushed the ball through, but the ball must have been deflected off a home defender for the linesman's flag stayed down as McARTHUR coolly beat Hodgkinson.

Within a minute Sheffield were level with a brilliant goal from JONES. Badger raced down the right, when he centred JONES cleverly steered a header past Grummitt, despite being vigorously challenged.

Jones' equaliser inspired United, and Forest were up against it again, but Barry Wagstaff wasted a good chance by shooting high over the top from 30 yards. Later Grummitt came out to dive at Jones' feet.

Although Forest were having to defend, they surprised Sheffield with another quick raid which found Barnwell unmarked just outside the penalty area. The inside left, just before being tackled by Mallinder, got in an accurate lob which caused Hodgkinson some alarm.

Sheffield fought furiously for the winner and Matthewson headed just wide.

RESULT:
SHEFFIELD UNITED .. 1
NOTTM. FOREST 1

Verdict on Forest

Old rivals Forest and Sheffield United fought out a hard keen game under sticky conditions. United packed more ability down the middle than Forest and for the home team Jones often posed a threat.

Forest relied a good deal on their defence and it was interesting to see Hennessey used in mainly a rearguard role.

Except for a good burst from Hinton in the second half the Reds' wingers were well covered. Undoubtedly the better chances fell to the home side but they wasted them.

Although the game had always been an interesting one it badly needed goals and two inside a minute satisfied the severest of critics.

Once Sheffield had levelled it was again up to Forest's defence, with McKinley covering well and the backs tackling determinedly, to maintain the balance.

FOREST'S POINT IN 1-1 DRAW

George Smith, who helped the ball into his own net, and Laurie Sheffield, who scored his tenth goal of the season, transformed the game in the Rovers' favour.

After defeat in their last match, at home to Barrow a fortnight ago, Notts. had an extensive shake-up in which every forward line position was affected.

Doncaster, who had taken eight points out of the last ten and presented formidable opposition, included their recent signing from Southend, Bob Gilfillan.

NOTTS. COUNTY
Smith
Hamilton Bircumshaw
Sheridan Gibson Edwards
Flower Shiels Dillon Moulden B. Bates
Coleman Gilfillan Sheffield Jeffrey Wilson
Richetts Ripley Whyte
Nicholson Kelty
Referee: Dawson.
DONCASTER ROVERS.
Substitute for Notts.: Carver.
Substitute for Doncaster: Grainger.
Referee: V. J. Batty (Horwich).
Linesmen: R. H. Thurston (red), R. A. Lane (yellow).

There was a sensational start with a Notts. goal in three minutes.

After both side shad gained a first minute free kick County eventually won a left wing corner, taken low by Moulden and hit low into the middle

Bates headed it on to a shot STILL who, from short range, marked his first ever appearance at centre forward by beating Dawson.

The first time it was put under pressure, the Notts. defence panicked and nearly succombed.

Gilfillan, out on the right, hit a ball into the middle which caught both Gibson and Smith in two minds. Gibson fortunately recovered to hook clear, just as Sheffield moved in for the kill.

The pitch was already cutting up badly after the week's rain; and in something akin to a cup tie atmosphere the ref. had to deal with a couple of unpleasant incidents.

ANXIOUS MOMENT

County's hearts fluttered again when Smith just failed to reach a back pass from Edwards, which went for a corner.

Rovers immediately won another three flag kicks before Smith cleanly pulled down one from Wilson to relieve the pressure.

Rovers were playing nicely in midfield, but in the first quarter hour did not contribute any finishing of note.

Bates was the inspiration behind a couple of Notts. raids, which first Flower and then Moulden should have finished off better.

Dawson won a cheer for fielding cleanly an inswinger from Flower, who had contributed a spirited right wing run.

Nicholson put his own defence under pressure with a needless handling offence just outside his penalty area. Flower took the free kick, which Doncaster beat off.

OFF THE LINE

What a left off there was for Notts. in 22 minutes.

The bounce of the ball deceived Gibson in midfield and Sheffield took it through, round the advancing Smith and left himself apparently with an open goal.

The centre forward's shot was hard and true enough, but Notts. were saved by Hampton dropping back and toe-ending the ball off the line in the coolest manner imaginable.

There was another near thing for County when Wilson had a shot deflected behind, again after Smith—badly out of touch this afternoon—had both misjudged and misfielded the ball in another mix-up with Gibson.

Back swept County to Gilfillan to take Sheridan's place on the right wing and rattle the far angle of the woodwork—to Dawson's surprise.

Both Shiels and Dillon missed possible chances just afterwards, before Dawson did brilliantly well to clutch at a well-placed Bates header after a swift County move down the right.

Doncaster's defence was using the offside trap effectively.

The Rovers broke out for Gilfillan almost to equalise in 34 minutes. He took advantage of an Edwards midfield slip, sprinted through and saw his shot rise just over the bar—a good effort indeed.

Attendance 5,049

As the thrills continued, Ricketts also drove over and then there was a remarkable escape for Rovers.

Hampton hit a free kick towards the far post, and another partial header by the lively Bates only just skidded past with Dawson helplessly watching its course.

Again, just before half time, Bates's enterprising work—he was back to his best—won a couple of left-wing corners, which Moulden took, and from the second one, Dawson held Flower's half volley at the foot of the near post.

When County forced another corner, this time on the right, Sill got in a header which was saved.

For once the Rovers offside plan misfired, but the Notts centre forward shot from too long a range and Nicholson, covering Dawson, cleared.

There followed an unusual incident in which County won a free kick and Nicholson got a lecture for some reason not obvious to the spectators.

This also went behind for a corner from which Sill headed over.

Doncaster equalised only seconds before the half-hour.

A free kick on the right was taken by Wilson, who swung the ball into the middle and as SMITH was poised to two Doncaster forwards, he fisted the ball into his own net.

HALF-TIME:
NOTTS. COUNTY 1
DONCASTER ROVERS 1

Joint Doncaster leading scorer, Jeffrey, who had passed a quiet first half, found himself with a great chance of putting the Rovers in front after 47 minutes.

The ball came loose to him after a right wing raid, but Jeffrey belied his reputation by slamming the ball into the crowd.

Then Jeffrey caused Smith to parry a hot shot. The ball ran loose and Hampton completed the clearance at the expense of a corner.

A minute later Smith had to be alert to save from Gilfillan.

CROWD PROTESTS

The crowd did not accept some of the referee's decisions and there were howls of protest when he refused Bates a free kick after Bailey had seemed to rob Sill and put the ball behind.

Doncaster had got an edge now, but chances were still coming County's way and Moulden fired wide when one of them.

Then Sill, taking an immaculate through pass from Sheridan and outwacking the Rovers' defence, hit a left-foot shot wide, with Dawson's goal in real jeopardy.

Doncaster confirmed their superiority by snatching a 63rd minute lead—and again Smith was at least partly to blame for the concession.

Ricketts tried a solo burst and finished with a shot which the goalkeeper failed to hold. And after he had ran loose to Jeffrey, whose short pass left SHEFFIELD with an open goal and he made no mistake.

There was a bold up for attention to Still and the referee lectured Moulden for a foul on Gilfillan as the tension mounted.

Jeffrey was beginning to play havoc with the Notts. defence and after he had sprinted away down the right Sheffield blazed over.

OVER THE BAR

Smith was rapidly becoming the busiest man afield and he did well to turn over the bar another enterprising shot from Gilfillan after a right wing corner had only partially been cleared.

County's immediate response was for Still to gain a right wing corner, taken by Flower and nodded just over the bar by Shiels.

Sheffield's goal for Doncaster simply confirmed their superiority. They were very much more effective side than in the first half.

County's defence had a lot to do after the interval and their attack could hardly get into the picture.

A Bates shot flashed across the face of the goal and then Dawson was in difficulties with a low curling one from Still, which he took at the second attempt.

Bates, following up, ran into the goalkeeper, who was quickly alright again.

Notts. switched their wingers in a bid to salvage a point. But although their attack came fitfully into the game, the Rovers' defence was holding firm.

RESULT:
NOTTS. COUNTY 1
DONCASTER ROVERS 2

RAIN HOLDS UP TEST MATCH

DRENCHING rain prevented any play today in the First Test between Australia and England at Brisbane and so the match position stands as follows after two days:

AUSTRALIA (1st innings)
W. M. Lawry, not out 40
I. R. Redpath, b Brown ... 17
R. Cowper, not out 20
Extras 2, Total (1 wkt.)—79

Last words on Notts.

NOTTS. COUNTY and Doncaster Rovers put on a very creditable first half show at Meadow Lane with the Notts.' attack displaying some of its best form for weeks.

This could be traced to the way in which Shiels got through a tremendous amount of work, and to the spectacular return to form of Bates, who was a constant threat to a none-too-secure Rovers' rearguard.

Doncaster, for all their clever midfield touches, would have gone into the break a goal down but for that unfortunate lapse by Smith, whose best form was deserting him.

County now faced very much of an uphill struggle to get back into a winning position and Doncaster's enthusiastic start in the second half made them, rather than County, the better side for a while.

Mansfield comment

STAGS had to withstand heavy pressure against a slick-moving Brentford forward line. The combination of Gill and Morris saved the day as the visitors held the upper hand in the opening half.

At this stage the home forwards could not sustain attacks for any length of time and too many passes were directed straight to opponents.

The second half brought a different version. The Mansfield forwards gradually wore down the opposition with speedy Gregson doing a great deal of the spade work.

And it was the right winger who laid on the opening from which Curry opened the scoring.

STILL TRYING

Ronnie Still, the Notts. County centre forward, shoots wide as he is challenged by the Doncaster Rovers right back, Brian Kelly, at Meadow Lane this afternoon.

Curry breaks deadlock and Stags win

by JOHN PEET

PLAYING their first Third Division game at Field Mill in six weeks, Mansfield Town were defending stoutly before the interval this afternoon, although Brentford were without an away victory this season. Joe Bonson found the net twice for the visitors but had each effort disallowed.

Mansfield's forwards hit back in the second half and after 72 minutes Curry broke the deadlock by putting Mansfield in the lead.

The Stags fielded the same side who won the friendly encounter at Chesterfield last week. Fingerley played outside right Docherty, signed from Sheffield United last night at a fee of £10,000, while they had 18-year-old Reeve making his League debut only five days after turning professional.

Mansfield T.—Humphreys; Jones (H.), Richardson; Hall, Gill, Morris; Gregson, Docherty, Curry, Fingerley, Reeve. Substitute: Glazebrook.
Brentford.—Bradley; Jones (A.), Thomas; Hazelden, Gibson, Rowe; Scotney, Bates, Bonson, Swain, Dixon.
Referee: D. Pritchard, Stanhope.

Mansfield, who defended the Quarry-lane goal, nearly fell behind within a minute. Richardson misdirected a pass back which, with Humphreys out of position, fortunately struck the foot of the post and rebounded into play.

The home side tried to make headway on both flanks but were forced back and Gill twice headed out when danger threatened.

Brentford had a goal disallowed when Bonson was ruled offside as he knock-heeled Thornley's pass into the net after Block had burst through on the left.

FIRED OVER

The diving Humphreys kept out a header from Lawther following a corner and then Block fired over the bar when well placed.

After Middleton had a cross pulled down by Bredie, Mansfield finally broke out of their own territory.

Gregson collided with Brodie in a run for possession and the keeper needed attention.

Morris was well off the mark but the home side had no appeal for a penalty waved aside when a Scanlon cross appeared to strike Higginson on the shoulder.

BILL CURRY—put Mansfield ahead after 72 minutes.

Following a Brentford free kick Mike Jones directed the ball back to the keeper from close range.

SOLO RUN

After a solo run, Gregson shot past an upright. For the second time Bonson had a goal disallowed when he shot through from 15 yards range Brentford were still the more resourceful side, and the advancing Humphreys used his chest to block a hard drive from Bates.

When the home side relieved the pressure again, Curry charged Brodie who had collected a Macready centre. In spite of appeals for a goal, the referee ruled the ball had not crossed the line.

The exchanges were now keen, and after Scanlon was brought down heavily Mansfield crowded into the visitors' penalty box. Curry was also fouled on the edge of the box but when the free kick was eventually taken it brought no reward.

HALF-TIME:
MANSFIELD TOWN .. 0
BRENTFORD 0

Gregson forced two corners on the restart, but Middleton could not control the first flag kick, although he produced a better effort with the second, his header dropping behind.

Gregson then put a drive straight at the goalkeeper and when the Stags turned their attention to the left, Scanlon overshot the mark.

Following another left wing move by the Stags, Macready and Hall both had shots blocked.

The visitors were less dangerous now, but Humphreys leaped to turn away an awkward cross from Block.

A run by Richardson brought the Brentford rearguard more concern.

A shot from Macready was fisted out and when Gregson pounced on the rebound his header was deflected over the bar by Brodie, who subsequently had to dive across to smother a drive from Mike Jones.

Middleton found Curry with a long through pass but Brodie moved out to narrow the angle and succeeded in diverting the leader's shot inches past the post.

However Mansfield came again to open the scoring after 72 minutes.

Gregson swung the ball in from the right and CURRY coolly met the effort and found the net with a low header.

He sent a glancing header into the net from a corner kick which Gregson had forced on the left.

SCANLON made it 2-0 for Mansfield after 82 minutes.

RESULT:
MANSFIELD TOWN .. 2
BRENTFORD 0

Attendance 3,627

Notts. RFC go down after brave fight

DESPITE a gallant fight, Notts. RFC went down 6-3 at St. Michael's, Liverpool, this afternoon. The home side, who established early forward superiority, led 6-0 at the interval, but Notts. fly half George Reay reduced the arrears in the second half with a neat dropped goal.

Notts. made one late change, bringing in Dave Crossley at left centre for John Mitchell.

Liverpool, still with full back Lynch on the injured list, had Brady as substitute.

Liverpool.—0, Brady; A. Smith, H. A. Rowlands, Jones, Ashton; K. Hughes, D. Moss, S. Bannerman; H. Pettinson, J. Hughes, Lynch, Jones, Ashton, Murray, R. T. T. Morris, A. Pinn, J. Irving.
Notts.—3, Meakin; M. Brownhill, J. Reay, D. Stover; R. Preston, K. Alwyn-Jones, P. Nicholson; D. Crossley, R. Johnson, J. Derick, R. Turner, H. Riley.
Referee: J. Bromley-Davenport.

Early probing by Liverpool tested Notts., and when Notts. challenged through Orrick and Turner, Brady was on hand to clear.

Liverpool displayed more speed and thrust at the outset, and a combined rush on their left enabled BYRNE to drop over for a try at the corner, Bearne failing to convert.

Notts. returned with spirit and Riley challenged Cunningham near the home line, but the Liverpool player cleared.

LIVENED UP

The exchanges livened up and a good rush by the Notts. forwards ended when Brady. Liverpool's full back, picked up near his line.

A wild pass by Crossley spoiled a possible chance for Notts. Further Liverpool pressure troubled Notts. for a time, but Meakes was alert to the danger.

Liverpool, chiefly through the strong play of their forwards, made the running and only poor finishing spoiled several efforts.

However, DUNCANSON scored a typical scrum half try when he went through from a loose maul.

HALF-TIME:
LIVERPOOL 6
NOTTS. RFC 0

Notts. came back strongly after the interval and when an attack developed, REAY, with a fine diagonal kick, dropped a goal to reduce the deficit.

Liverpool still held advantage but Notts. defence was sound and no further score came with both sides battling hard.

RESULT:
LIVERPOOL. ..... 6 pts.
NOTTS. RFC ..... 3 pts.

Bottom-of-the-table Bradford City made a bright start against Newport County when they took the lead after only 90 secs.

Results and tables

DIVISION I

Aston Villa 3 Everton ... 2
Blackbrn R 6 Northmptn 1
Half-times: 5—1.
Blackpool . 1 Stoke City 1
Half-times: 0—1.
Fulham . 2 Burnley ... 5
Half-time:—2.
Leeds Utd 4 West Brom 0
Half-time: 2—0.
LEICESTER 4 Sheffld W 1
Half-time: 0—0.
Liverpool . 4 Arsenal ... 2
Half-time: 1—1.
Sheffield U 1 N FOREST . 1
Half-time: 0—0.
Sunderland 2 Mnchstr U 3
Half-time:—2.
Tottenham 6 Chelsea ... 2
Half-time: 2—.
West Ham 4 Newcastle 3
Half-time: 3—0.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Liverpool	21	14	3	4	48	20	31
Burnley	20	12	4	4	44	21	28
Leeds Utd.	18	10	5	3	35	15	25
Tottenham	20	10	5	5	43	28	25
Sheffield Utd.	21	9	7	5	30	22	25
Manchester U.	19	9	6	4	36	28	24
West Bromwich	21	10	4	7	46	34	24
Stoke	20	8	8	4	30	26	24
Arsenal	20	8	6	6	39	39	22
LEICESTER	21	8	5	8	40	41	21
Chelsea	21	8	5	8	37	37	21
Aston Villa	21	8	3	10	35	36	19
Everton	21	7	5	9	34	37	19
N. FOREST	20	6	5	9	27	32	17
Sunderland	19	7	3	9	27	36	17
Sheffield Wed.	19	7	3	9	24	32	17
West Ham	21	6	5	10	31	47	17
Blackpool	20	5	5	10	28	35	15
Blackburn	21	5	4	12	38	41	14
Newcastle	20	5	4	11	23	36	14
Northampton	21	4	6	11	24	49	14
Fulham	21	4	4	13	33	52	12

DIVISION II

Bristol City 2 Middlesbro 2
Half-times: 0—0.
Bury ..... 1 Portsmouth 0
Half-time: 1—0.
Cardiff C .. 1 Preston NE 3
Half-time: 1—2.
Carlisle U 3 Crystal Pal 1
Half-time: 1—0.
Coventry C 0 Huddersfld 3
Half-time: 2—1.
DERBY CO 2 Charlton A 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Mnchstr C 5 Leyton O . 0
Half-time: 5—0.
Norwich C 3 Bolton W . 0
Half-time: 2—0.
Rotherham 3 Birmingham 4
Half-time: 3—0.
Southmptn 6 Plymouth . 1
Half-time: 1—1.
Wolves ... 4 Ipswich ... 1
Half-time: 5—1.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Huddersfield	21	12	6	3	33	14	30
Man. City	20	12	6	2	39	25	27
Coventry	21	10	7	4	35	27	27
Wolves	21	11	4	6	58	35	26
Southampton	21	11	3	7	44	29	25
Bristol City	20	8	9	3	31	23	25
Rotherham	21	9	6	6	42	41	24
Norwich City	21	9	6	6	28	25	24
Preston	21	8	6	7	34	34	22
Bolton Wnds.	21	8	6	8	31	29	22
DERBY CO.	21	8	5	8	35	36	21
Crystal Palace	21	7	7	7	25	30	21
Cardiff City	21	7	3	11	41	45	19
Portsmouth	21	7	4	10	38	48	18
Bury	19	6	5	8	36	36	17
Plymouth	21	6	7	8	29	35	17
Birmingham	20	6	5	9	32	43	17
Ipswich	20	6	4	10	24	29	16
Middlesbrough	20	5	10	7	29	40	16
Carlisle United	20	7	1	12	27	33	15
Charlton Ath.	19	4	7	8	29	38	15
Leyton O.	21	3	5	13	18	45	11

DIVISION III

Brighton . 1 Shrewsbury 1
Half-time: 0—0.
Exeter City 1 Oxford U . 2
Half-time: 0—1.
Gillingham 1 Workingtn 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Hull City . 6 Bristol Rov 1
Half-time: 2—1.
MANSFLD 2 Brentford . 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Millwall ... 1 Walsall ... 1
Half-time: 0—1.
Oldham A 2 Bournemth 2
Half-time: 0—2.
Peterboro . 5 Swansea .. 2
Half-time: 0—1.
Queen's PR 3 Grimsby T 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Reading . 3 York City . 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Scunthorpe * Swindon .. *
Half-time: 0—0.
Watford .. 4 Southend . 1
Half-time: 1—0.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Millwall	20	13	4	3	35	18	34
Hull City	20	11	4	5	47	23	27
Grimsby	19	9	5	5	35	25	23
Queens Pk. R	19	10	3	6	30	20	23
Workington	19	8	6	5	37	22	22
Shrewsbury	18	9	4	5	31	22	22
Gillingham	18	9	4	5	29	22	22
Watford	19	8	4	7	36	26	22
Peterborough	19	9	4	6	36	32	22
Oxford	19	8	5	6	28	25	21
*Swindon	19	8	5	6	26	19	21
Walsall	17	8	4	5	27	19	20
*Scunthorpe	19	8	4	7	28	23	18
Bristol Rovers	22	5	8	9	31	36	18
Reading	17	5	6	6	24	28	16
Exeter	19	6	4	9	24	34	16
Brighton	19	4	7	8	28	30	15
MANSFIELD	17	6	3	8	26	28	15
Swansea	19	6	2	11	31	50	14
Brentford	19	4	5	10	22	23	13
York City	19	5	3	11	27	47	13
Southend	19	5	1	12	25	44	13
Bournemouth	19	3	6	10	17	33	12
Oldham	18	3	5	10	23	47	11

*Denotes today's match not included.

SCOTTISH I

Aberdeen . 0 Dundee U 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Celtic ..... 2 Hibernian . 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Dundee .. * Hamilton . *
POSTPONED.
Dunfrmline 8 Stirling A . 1
Half-time: 1—1.
Falkirk ... 3 Kilmarnck 2
Half-time: 1—1.
Hearts . 4 Clyde 1
Half-time: 1—0.
Motherwell 5 St Mirren 1
Half-time: 2—0.
Rangers .. 3 Morton ... 1
Half-time: 1—0.
St Jhnstne . * Partick Th *
POSTPONED.

SCOTTISH II

Albion Rov 1 Raith Rovs 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Alloa ..... * Queen's Pk *
POSTPONED.
Ayr Utd . 5 E. Stirling 2
Half-time: 0—0.
Berwick R . 2 Cowdenbth 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Brechin C . 2 Arbroath . 2
Half-time: 0—0.
East Fife . 6 Airdrie ... 3
Half-time: 1—2.
Forfar Ath . * Montrose . *
POSTPONED.
Queen of S 3 Dumbarton 3
Half-time: 1—1.
Th Lanark 1 Stenhsemr 1
Half-time: 1—0.
Stirling A 1 Falkirk 3
Sutton v Scunthorpe Res.
POSTPONED.

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Bolton Res. 1 Everton Res. 2.
Burnley Res. 0—Derby Co. Res. 0
Chesterfield Res. 1—Blackpool Res. 4
Coventry Res. 1—Leeds U. Res. 1.
Huddersfield Res. 0—Wolves Res. 5.
Manchester U Rs 2—Aston V Rs 0
Nottingham Res. 2—Liverpool Res. 1.
Preston NE Rs. 3—Sheff. U. Res. 3.
Sheff. Wed. Res. 2—Leeds Res. 1.
West Brom. A Rs 1—Man. C Rs 1.

CENTRAL ALLIANCE

Aspley 4—Wilmorton Reserves 2
Eastwood 3—Long Eaton Res. 2
Carnathan St. J. 3—Eastwood R. 2
Meadows 4—Crewton Reserves 2
Ransome's 1—Chesterfield TW 2.
Shagby 2—Offerton 5.
Teversal 4—Mansfield A. 1.

OTHER MATCHES

Clydebank 2—Stranraer 3

NOTTS. ALLIANCE
Basford Utd. 0—Netherfield Alb. 2
Rufford Colliery 1—Parl. St. M. 0

AFA JUNIOR CUP—Round 4
Winchmoor Hill 3—Mapperley P. 4

SPARTAN LEAGUE
Broxtowe Alb. Re. 2—Burton Joyce 6 (abandoned).
Bulwell OB 1—Cotmanhay 6
Hucknall C WR 3—Meadow OB A 0.
Meadow OB Res. 5—Keyworth 2.
NAPPS 2—Ruddington 6
Notts. Casuals 2—Church Warsop 5
Pelmont 6—Stapleford OB 2.
Pakmount A 8—Oxley Press 1.
Ruddington 1—Broxtowe Alb. 3.

NOTTS. COMBINATION
Hucknall Col W. 3—Calverton Col 1.

NOTTS. AMATEUR LEAGUE
Boulevard Utd. 2—St Jos. 2.
Central YMCA 0—Elastic Yarns 8
Chetwin 3—Notts. Mills 2
Co-op W. A. 3—Sherwood M 10
Sneinton Res. 9—World Utd. 1

NOTTS. INTERMEDIATE CUP
Hyson Gr. OB—EMEB Mnsfld. 1

N.A.B.C. LEAGUE
Broxtowe YC 4—Eastwood LC 1.

NOTTS. AMATEUR LEAGUE CUP
Meadow Ath 1—Greenwood 3

DIVISION IV

Barnsley .. 1 Torquay U 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Bradford C 3 Newport C 2
Half-time: 2—2.
Chester . 1 Southport . 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Colchester . 3 CHSTRFLD 0
Half-time: 0—0.
Crewe Alex 2 Aldershot 0
Half-time: 1—0.
Darlington . 1 Barrow . 0
Half-time: 0—0.
LINCOLN . 2 Hartlepools 1
Half-time: 1—1.
NOTTS CO 1 Doncaster . 2
Half-time: 1—1.
Port Vale . 2 Bradford .. 3
Half-time: 2—2.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Tranmere	22	12	6	4	43	27	30
Torquay	21	13	3	5	32	21	29
Chester	20	12	5	3	42	28	29
Colchester	19	11	3	5	32	20	25
Luton	19	10	3	6	40	33	23
Doncaster	18	10	3	5	31	20	23
Darlington	28	9	4	5	26	22	22
Barrow	18	8	5	5	35	26	21
Stockport Co.	18	8	5	5	31	28	21
Barnsley	18	8	3	7	30	35	19
NOTTS. CO.	19	7	5	7	23	29	19
Bradford C.	19	7	5	7	23	28	19
CHESTER'FD	19	6	6	7	26	28	18
Southport	19	7	5	6	25	30	18
Bristol Co.	19	7	5	6	33	33	17
LINCOLN	19	6	5	8	29	39	17
Port Vale	18	6	5	7	27	27	16
Rochdale	18	7	1	10	28	35	15
Crewe	19	6	3	10	22	29	15
Aldershot	19	5	2	12	37	42	12
Halifax	17	5	4	8	26	30	14
Wrexham	20	5	3	12	28	45	13
Hartlepools	19	5	3	11	24	34	13
Bradford City	17	3	4	10	24	46	10

FOOTBALL COMB. — I

Arsenal .... 3 Tottenham H 0
Chelsea .... 3 Southampton 4
Ipswich Town 3 West Ham U 2
Northampton 2 Fulham .. 1
Swindon T . 2 Norwich City 0

FOOTBALL COMB.—II

Aldershot .. 2 Gillingham .. 1
Birmingham . 0 Bristol City . 2
Bristol Rovers 2 Millwall 1
Luton T .. 3 Queen's Pk R 4
Oxford Utd. . 0 Colchester U 0
Southend Utd 1 Brighton 7

MIDLAND LEAGUE

Alfreton T . 3 Arnold 2
Ashton Utd. . 3 Lincoln Res. 1
Ilkeston Town 3 Belper Town 1
Long Eaton U 2 Goole Town . 1
Long Eaton U 2 Skegness T . 0
Loughboro U 5 Heanor T .. 3
Scarborough . 1 Retford T .. 2
Spalding U . 1 Worksop T . 4
Matlock v Stamford.

NOTTM. DISTRICT LEAGUE
Fairchild Ltd. 2—Nott. Bridgford 2.
Keuntusion 3—Raleigh Ath. 2.
Strelley Ath. 0—Oakdale Rngrs. 1
Trent Ath. 1—Bagrave 6.
Trent V. Rangers 0—Lotham 0

NOTTS. YOUTH LEAGUE
Kirby BRSA 2—Clifton AW 3
Parkside 14—Haddon Wanderers 0
Abandoned
Strelley Utd 6—Parkhead Utd 2
Victoria Emb. 6—Stapleford 1.

YOUNG ELIZABETHAN LEAGUE
Bestwood Rgrs. 2—Bestwood YMCA 0
Bulwell Hall C. 0—Clifton AW 6

SUTTON AND SKEGBY LEAGUE
Westhorpe BR 1—Rowthorne 1

NOTTM. JUNIOR SCHOOLS KNOCK-OUT CUP
Grade Hill 1—High Rock 0.

RUGBY UNION

LIVERPOOL 6—NOTTS. 3
Burton 0—Walsall 0

When Oxford scored nide three minutes at Exeter, the goal was set up by Ron Atkinson and hooked in by brother Mike Atkinson.

Bournemouth, seeking their first away win of the season, took a two-goal lead at Oldham.

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ALBION ROV. HEARTS
ASTON VILLA HULL CITY
AVR UTD. LEEDS UTD.
BARNSLEY LEICESTER
BERWICK RAN. LINCOLN C.
BLACKBURN LIVERPOOL
BRADFORD C. MAN. CITY